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Science whiz kids

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Students at the WISE Kidnetic Energy Camp in Morden last week honed their chemistry smarts by making “bath bombs”—citric acid and baking soda combined for fizzy bathtime fun.

By Lorne Stelmach

What child wouldn't get a thrill from making a volcano or creating their own lava lamp?

Those are just two of a week full of activities that 20 area youth enjoyed at an annual science camp that returned to Morden July 27-31.

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Major upgrades coming to Winkler border crossing

By Lorne Stelmach

With a view of the newer and much larger U.S. facility across the highway, the case was clear for a newer and expanded Canadian port of entry south of Winkler.

And that pledge was announced last Tuesday as Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen heralded federal funding for new Canada Border Services Agency ports at four locations in her riding.

They were among 17 in Manitoba that are receiving a portion of the \$440 million investment to replace aging border ports across Canada, including \$113 million for entry points in the prairie region. In our area, that means major upgrades to the crossings at the Winkler, Gretna, Snowflake, and Windygates.

“We're very excited,” said Blair Downey, chief of operations for CBSA at Emerson.

“You can see . . . just looking in comparison between our current facility and the US facility . . . we both have equal amounts of traffic going both ways,” said Downey, who recalled having looked after the Winkler port in the past. “It served its purpose back when it was built, but it is time for a new one.”

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> BORDER UPGRADES, FROM PG. 1

"They're going to be completely replaced. They'll be brand new buildings," said Bergen of the plans. "It hasn't gone out to tender yet, so there's obviously still details to be worked out, but we expect it will start in 2017 for sure. It's going to be right up to the current codes and standards."

Bergen noted the Beyond the Border agreement with the United States in 2010 placed more demands on Canada's border facilities and services. The federal government then took steps to increase staffing across the country in 2011.

"We reduced the back office staff and we increased front line services by about 26 per cent," she noted.

This investment was an important "part of our commitment to ensure the infrastructure surrounding our border security is updated and renovated."

"We recognize the important work

they do here . . . not only keeping us safe and secure, but helping and facilitating that legitimate flow of goods and services that occur on a day-to-day basis," Bergen said, "as well as people who cross our borders on a day-to-day basis."

Downey said space is the key issue for them at the Winkler and other ports of entry.

"Having the increased space will make it much easier, much more functional with all of the technology and computer equipment we have to have at our fingertips."

The demands on the Winkler port alone have continued to increase in recent years, ending the last fiscal year with a tally of 88,961 travellers in 43,082 cars and 12,990 trucks.

"It is a busy port. We see a lot of traffic through here, a lot of commercial traffic as well," Downey said. "In the last few years, we've doubled the staffing numbers here because of the increased volumes. This port was built for one person on at a time . . . now we have two minimum, sometimes three. And we also have a superintendent out of this port as well. So we've expanded but the building hasn't kept pace."

Border agents' responsibilities have changed and increased from the days when they were predominantly "tax collectors," Downey added.

"We still do that now, but we also have an enforcement role as well. We've become an armed law enforcement agency here in the last 10 years, so our role has expanded. The security is obviously a bigger focus."

The infrastructure investment in the border crossings includes design finalization, site services, geotechnical and environmental assessments as well as modular building construction, including structural, mechanical, electrical, internal fit-up, commissioning, project management and signage.



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Border operations chief Blair Downey and Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen announced major funding to upgrade the ports of entry at Winkler, Gretna, Snowflake, and Windygates last week.

"By investing in border infrastructure at the Winkler, Gretna, Snowflake and Windygates border cross-

ings, our government is creating jobs and supporting the economy right here in Manitoba," Bergen stressed.



Bergen says they expect work on the new border crossings to begin by 2017.

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> SCIENCE CAMP, FROM PG. 1

Organizers of the University of Manitoba's WISE (Women in Science and Engineering) wanted the Kidnetic Energy Camp to be a good time for those involved, but there is also a serious side to the venture.

"Our program focus is a lot on careers and jobs . . . and really hands-on learning as well," said Stephanie Kozar, a program logistics leader who has been working with WISE for about four years and stopped in to see the Morden program in action Wednesday on her way to another camp taking place in Killarney.

The science and engineering outreach program is now in its 25th year in the province, and it has expanded far beyond its beginnings in Winnipeg as a woman's enrichment program.

Kozar said they now travel all across Manitoba delivering science and engineering programs "to get students really enthusiastic about science and engineering and more likely to choose a career path along those lines in the future."

From what she has seen, Koza believes the program is truly making an impact.

"I've definitely seen the students really getting enthusiastic about science," she said. "The hands-on activities and especially the engineering and building are really great for the kids."

"You notice that 'the gears' are starting to move and they're starting to think more about how things are made around them and how things are built and the whole process in building and designing."

Kozar said they try to cover a wide range of topics and fields with connections to science and engineering.

For example, Natural Disaster Day had the students at the Morden camp making their own volcanoes, while Agriculture Day had them learning about seed germination, with their little plantings starting to sprout by the week's end.

Other camp days have kids learn about food and extract DNA from bananas, create polyhedral bubbles on Chemistry Day, build a model lung for In Sickness and in Health Day, and build a robot hand on Codemakers Day.

The latter is one of their primary initiatives for this year and was done on the Thursday of the Morden camp.

"Right now, we are really enthusiastic about computer science. They do a computer dissection, and they learn about the 'ones' and 'zeros' in computer coding," said Koza.

"And there's 'plugged' and 'unplugged' activities. Unplugged activities are a lot of

games and logic and learning. Then some of our plugged activities are more hands-on."

What is the largest outreach program done by the University of Manitoba is led by two undergraduate students from the university who are currently studying in the science and engineering fields.

Kozar said expanding the program into more communities in rural Manitoba is a priority for them.

"We want to continue to reach out into the surrounding communities and continue doing the work that we've been doing with

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PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

A youngster learns the finer points of bath bomb chemistry at the WISE Kidnetic Energy camp last week.

students," she said. "We don't necessarily like to stay in the Winnipeg area. We like doing the outreach. Of course, that can be expensive, but we do have funders for that kind of thing."

"We do especially want to expand our reach into more northern communities," she added.

Crime stats on the rise in Winkler's second quarter

By Lorne Stelmach

Crimes such as business break-ins and thefts have been on the rise in Winkler so far in 2015.

Other offences ranging from fraud to bail violations and breaches of probation are also increasing, according to the Winkler Police Service's second quarter report for 2015, which was presented to city council at its July 28 meeting.

"It feels to us like things are becoming steadily busier, and that feeling is certainly being supported by the numbers," noted Insp. Brad Kehler in the written report.

The report for the period April to June of 2015 noted that trend overall has continued over the last few years.

For that same period a year ago, there were 303 criminal offences reported to the police, while that number has risen to 454 this year.

Kehler further noted the total occurrences for the year to date was up over 2,000 compared to

1,753 to the end of June 2014.

Police Chief Rick Hiebert highlighted a few areas of particular concern in the report:

- Business and residential break-ins combined were up from 20 to 25 in the second quarter and have increased from 28 to 35 for the year to date.

- Thefts from motor vehicles have increased from 14 to 24 this year to date. Bicycle thefts have also risen from 21 to 39, while shoplifting has jumped from 11 to 26.

- Fraud offences (not including credit card fraud) have increased from 15 to 21.

- Bail violations have doubled from 20 to 42.

- Mischief offences overall have increased from 34 to 57.

- Other criminal code offences—including breach of probation and uttering threats—have more than doubled from 13 to 35 in the second quarter and from 32 to 79 year to date.

- Other significant offence categories included

impaired driving (up from 12 to 19), drug possession (increasing from 21 to 30), and assaults (remaining steady at 16 compared to 17 during the same time period last year).

Hiebert suggested fraud offences have become a greater issue across the country, while offences like bail violations and breaches of probation have also been a growing concern.

The suggestion made at council was that the court system is not taking offences such as these seriously enough.

Meanwhile, in the written report, Kehler also noted "the increase in workload is also translating to more hours worked outside of regular shifting to complete the required file work and to keep investigations moving forward."

Deputy Mayor Henry Siemens commented that some of these crime numbers were a concern, but wondered if they were also "likely a factor of this being a growing community."

New dedicated counselling room for shelter kids

Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries, BSI Insurance, and Morningside Construction lend Genesis House a helping hand

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Kids staying at the Genesis House women's shelter now have a space of their very own in which to receive private counselling.

Thanks to the generosity of Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries, Morningside Construction, and BSI Insurance, the shelter was able to transform a formerly underutilized room into a warm and inviting new counselling office for its youngest charges.

"Before this we tried to do everything in the same space, which just is really not conducive to maximizing a counselling session," said executive director Angela Braun, who notes the shelter's main counselling room is more suited to adult sessions. "So now Lori, our child counsellor, has been able to organize this new, renovated room with the supplies that she needs right on hand and a variety of things so that it could engage with any kid. It's just so much more convenient."

"And there's a privacy aspect, also," she continues. "When you're in a shelter there's so much shared space, so having that private space that's just for kids is awesome."

The renovation costs for the nearly \$14,000 project were covered through a grant from Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries through their Small Capital Sponsorship Program, with Morningside Construction also helping

out by providing a deal on labour and materials.

BSI Insurance, meanwhile, donated over \$1,000 towards furnishing the room through the company's "Because We Care" program.

BSI reps were on hand last week to present the cheque to Braun and get a look at the new space.

"I think it looks great. I think it's going to be awesome for the kids," said Janelle Martin, BSI regional team leader. "It's nice to be able to give back and to know that people... you know that they'll appreciate it."

The space will certainly be well used. Braun points out that the number of children accessing the shelter is often higher than the number of women. In the past three years alone, Genesis House has served 359 kids seeking refuge from domestic violence alongside their mothers.

This is actually the largest renovation the shelter has seen since it opened in 1994.

"There has been minor renovations in the past but nothing as significant as the change in this space," Braun said.

Though Genesis House has no further plans for shelter renovations, it is in the process of seeking funds to replace the aging kitchen cupboards in its "Second Stage" house.

The home provides woman with a place to go after they've left the shelter—where a stay is up to 30 days—



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BSI Insurance's Janelle Martin and Paul Wiebe (at either end) presented Genesis House's Lori Penner (left) and Ang Braun with a donation towards furnishings for the women's shelter's new dedicated children's counselling room (at right).



and before they've found a new home of their own.

That program, which includes ongoing counselling for the family staying at the home, has been hugely successful in helping women find independence after leaving an abusive domestic situation, Braun said.

Though the house was almost completely remodelled thanks to donations from a local church several years ago, the one thing that hasn't been upgraded in decades is the

kitchen cupboards.

"We painted them, we sort of put some lipstick on them, but we couldn't redo them," Braun said. "So now, with wear and tear in the kitchen, it really looks shoddy again."

If you'd like to help Genesis House financially with this project or make a donation towards the shelter, contact them at 204-325-9957.

Early bird registration for PV Challenge runs to Aug. 15

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley is a growing, diverse region with many great things to do and places to see, and an event now in its 8th year will once again strive to showcase all it has to offer.

The Pembina Valley Challenge—our very own version of *The Amazing Race*—is also a fun way for people of all ages to get involved, say organizers with Pembina Valley Central Plains Tourism.

The race through the region has become a popular annual end-of-the-season rite for those involved—many

of whom keep coming back year after year.

"It's great when I walk into a business and I ask 'Do you want to participate,' and they say 'Yes, we love it... absolutely,'" said race director Carly Stockford.

The challenge takes place every year over the Labour Day weekend all across the Pembina Valley. Last year the event had over 150 participants making up over 40 teams.

Participants get to visit a variety of attractions and businesses in nine different communities, tackling challenges and earning points for each

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one successfully completed, with a \$1,000 cash grand prize on the line.

The challenges are allotted points based on their physical or mental levels of difficulty, as well as their "adventure fun scale."

The challenges and destinations are a secret until the event, but Stockford

did offer that "a couple of favourites have been in Plum Coulee and La Riviere. We have quite a few favourite challenges that have come back."

"We have a few new businesses and a new community," she added. "St.

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The dangers of all work and no play

In my life I have known several carpenters; some were sculptors who meticulously hand carved their items, while others were builders who made complex items like clocks and puzzles.

They were older folks well into their retirement, but they all had one thing in common: they never sold any of their work.

Sometimes they would give it away to family members or friends, other times they simply kept the items to display in their homes, and still other times they would give some to charity auctions.

My grandmother was a world champion at crotchet. She would make the most intricate and beautiful lace table coverings and each one would take a substantial amount of time and effort on her part. She never sold one. She typically gave them away.

I knew a man who was a brilliant photographer, particularly of wildlife. His photos were *National Geographic* quality. He would have them printed and generally hung them on his living room wall or gave them to friends and family. He never sold them.

The primary reason these people and others did and do what they did and do was to relax. It was called a hobby. They carved, wood burned, photographed, and crotcheted to enjoy themselves during the time they were not at work.

It seems to me this sort of hobbying is disappearing.

Oh, don't get me wrong, there are plenty of people still doing these things, but now, instead of doing them purely for fun, they have turned their hobby into a nice little side business. Crafting is becoming a second income for people.

There is nothing wrong with this—it is always nice to have a little extra. But

I do wonder if the things people used to do to get away from work and relax and enjoy themselves are, in fact, becoming just another type of work.

Further to this, I wonder if what used to be a hobby provides the same level of relaxation and enjoyment when it is a commissioned piece or necessary to keep the internet shelves stocked.

What does one do for fun now when that recreational outlet becomes work and why is it that virtually everything we produce now needs to become a product to be purchased?

It may seem harmless but with the commoditization of our relax time comes the same pressures of a business with high pressure questions and needs that begin to worm their way in to what used to be simply "a fun thing to do."

"How much should I sell these for? Why aren't more people buying my stuff? Am I not as good as I thought I was? How can I more effectively market my homemade widgets?"

Of course, the pressure to earn a dollar is much higher now. For instance, the primary question that

many youth ask these days when deciding on what to take in college or university is "how much money will this degree or diploma make me?" rather than "Will I enjoy this and want to continue with this for the rest of my life?"

Money and the need to earn it has always been a primary driver, but lately it seems to be the only driver. More money for more things. More money for a larger property, a bigger home, faster internet or unlimited data for the cell phone, etc.

This is a difficult column for me to write because there is nothing inherently wrong with wanting to make a few extra bucks. I do worry however about what happens to a culture that turns every spare moment into an opportunity to work, leaving little or no time to actually enjoy our natural and learned abilities without expectation of financial gain.

Perhaps we need to consider that with the ceaseless drive for monetary gain we may be losing something even more precious.

> CHALLENGE, FROM PG. 5

Claude did not participate last year but they are in it this year."

Stockford said they do aim to change things up at least a bit each year.

"We try to keep the challenges and the prizes as new and interesting as possible."

And she added that they aim to have a good variety of challenges, given the range of ages and abilities of those who will be participating.

"Especially when we have a lot of families . . . grandkids coming with their grandparents. Or people who are really athletic coming with people who are more historically skilled. So we want to have a large variety."

Stockford said they believe the participating communities and businesses have bought into this as a great way to promote the region.

"We have quite a few businesses say that they noticed their business going up with their participation in the race," she said.

And for those who are competing, Stockford suggested the biggest consideration is that "people who want to participate in it want to have fun."

"They want to spend time with their families and friends. They want to know more about this area. They want to find the small restaurant in Emerson that they didn't know about before, or something like that.

"I think the biggest thing is it's an end of summer event," she concluded. "It can be students doing one last fun thing or families doing it together before the school year starts. September long weekend is a holiday, too, so I think that has something to do with its success."

If you haven't signed up yet, you still have a bit of time to take advantage of the early bird registration deadline of August 15.

For more information, go online to peminavalleycentralplainstourism.com/amazing-race.

Winkler festival celebrates 30 years

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Harvest Festival & Exhibition turns 30 this weekend with three days packed-full of celebrations.

"It's going to be one of those crazy weekends where something big happens each day," says festival director Deb Penner of the Aug. 7-9 community extravaganza.

Anchoring each night of the festival are some heavy-hitting headliners, including country music star Joe Nichols Friday night, the Winter Dance Party tribute to Buddy Holly and Ritchie Valens Saturday evening, and Grammy Award-winning Christian rockers For King and Country Sunday evening.

"These are some really big names in music and we're really excited to have them," Penner says, noting she's been fielding calls from fans of Nichols and For King and Country from all over Southern Manitoba and beyond, and she expects the Parkland hill will be packed most evenings this weekend.

If the Main Stage music doesn't grab your fancy (though the headliners are really just the tip of the iceberg—check out the full schedule for the entire stage line-up), this year's festival is also bringing back the Showcase Stage.

The second stage will be set up just south of the outdoor hockey rink and will feature a line-up of old-school gospel and country music on Saturday and Sunday.

"We'd always felt that the second stage was kind of removed from the festival because we had it either in front of the arena or in the park, and now we've managed to find some space within the grounds for it," Penner says, "so I think that's going to help people be more aware of it and also help it feel more a part of the festival."

Okay, so music's not your thing? No problem: all the old festival favourites are back—the Wonder Shows

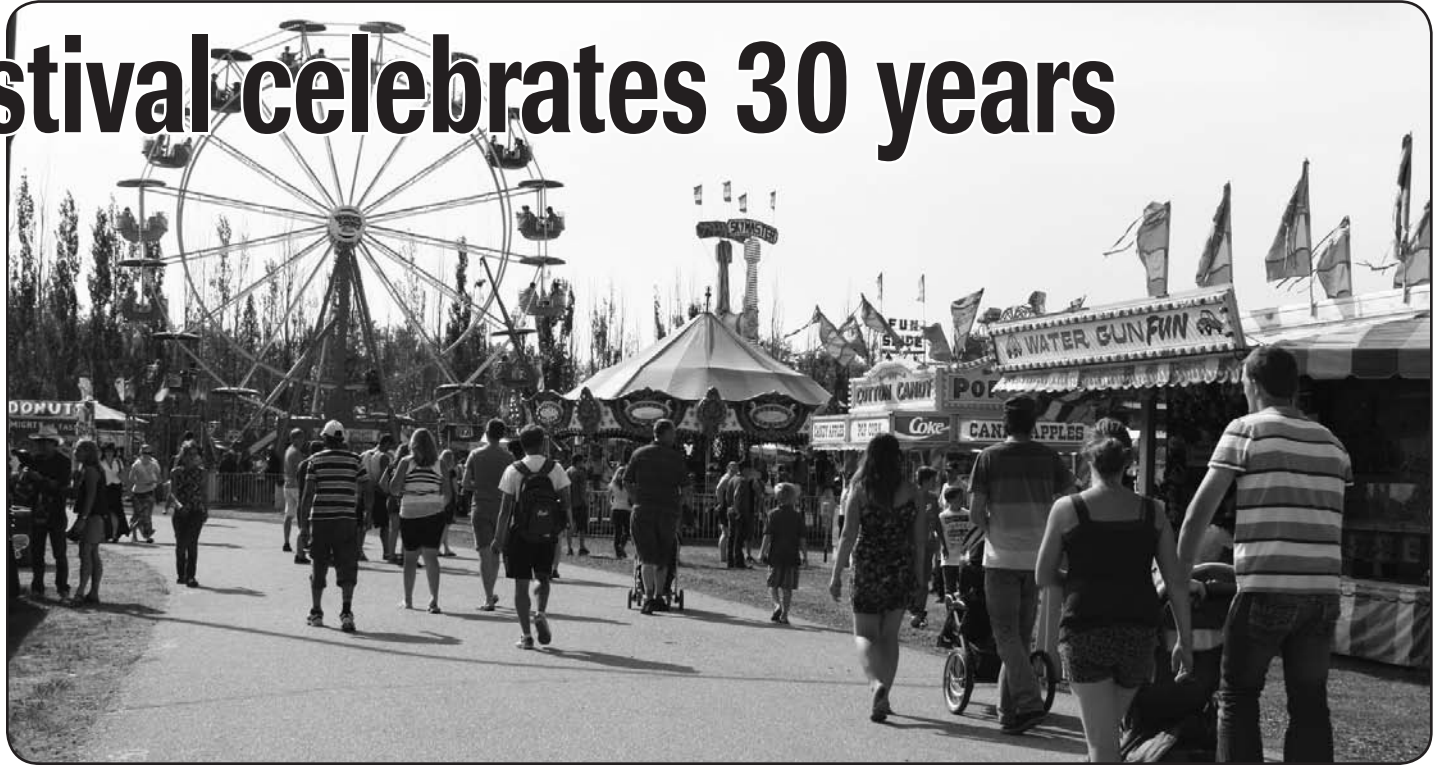


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The Winkler Harvest Festival and Exhibition takes over the Parkland fairgrounds this weekend, Aug. 7-9.

midway, the Kid's Tent/Petting Zoo, Strong Man competition, rodeo, pancake breakfast, free watermelon and roll kuchen Sunday afternoon, Saturday morning parade . . . the list could go on and on—alongside a few new offerings.

Chief among them is the Xtreme Dogs Performance taking place Sunday afternoon in the horse show ring.

We've had dog agility performers at the festival before, Penner notes, but this group takes it to a whole new level.

"The ones we've had in the past have

basically been Frisbees and tricks and stuff, but these guys actually set up the agility course and compete dogs against each other in a race," she says. "I'm looking forward to seeing that. I think it's going to be a really neat addition to the festival."

Also new this year is the Fun Zone being set up on the ball diamond west of the stage, offering kids a place to burn-off some extra energy with a host of outdoor activities.

Penner also notes the food and display vendor offerings are shaping up to be one of the busiest ever.

"We have more than usual this year. It seems to grow every year and we actually have to turn people away . . . we are getting to the point where we are running out of space compared to the demand, and that's a good thing," she says, adding this year's vendor line-up will include several favourites alongside a handful of newcomers.

Festival weekend wraps up with what Penner is billing as one of the festival's biggest fireworks shows

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"WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING SOMETHING REALLY SPECIAL WITH THE FIREWORKS."

New tech for GVC, Morden Collegiate

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Thanks to funding from the provincial government, students in Winkler and Morden had access to some new, state-of-the-art pieces of technology this past school year.

The province recently announced it had invested in shop equipment upgrades for both Garden Valley Collegiate and Morden Collegiate.

The Winkler high school received over \$24,000 towards the purchase of a new handheld 3D scanner to be used with the manufacturing engineering technology program's existing 3D printer.

Instructor Jon Funk says the unit allows students to more easily scan any object of any size into computer software that lets them to make adjustments to the design or print direct copies in the 3D printer.

Though GVC has had a 3D printer for a few years now, students were mainly using pre-scanned or computer-generated designs for their creations. This new scanner opens up a whole new world for the kids to explore, Funk says.

"This is a professional, high-quality machine, a whole different calibre of hands-on learning," he says. "It opens up what we can do with it."

For example, students have already used the device to scan an automotive accessory part that just wasn't doing the job. They fixed the design flaw on

the computer, sent the revised design to the 3D printer, and were able to give the customer a part that worked.

Funk hopes to be able to help local companies in similar ways when it comes to making designs come to life through 3D printing.

This real-life application not only potentially prepares students for a future where 3D printing becomes the norm, but also engages them in real-world problem solving, he says.

"It's a cool and interesting way to get them thinking and problem-solving and using technology . . . thinking about, 'How am I going to build this thing?' and it's real-world, it's something where they can see the usefulness of it"

In Morden, meanwhile, the school's welding technology program received over \$58,000 for new bending dies for pipe and tube, cutting tables, and a plasma cutter, ensuring students—who receive their Level One Apprenticeship certification through the program—remain on the cutting edge of the industry.

Program instructor Riaan Strydom said the new equipment made learning new techniques much easier for students in the final semester of the year.

"The plasma cutter, we had one before, but the software on that one was very hard to learn for the students. They are here for a short time and that [program] took a long time to



ABOVE PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

GVC received funds earlier this year to purchase its first handheld 3D scanner (right) to further expand the usefulness of its existing 3D printer, says instructor Jon Funk, shown above with a few examples of what students can create with this new technology.



learn," he said. "The one we have now is much easier to learn—they just have to press cut after they configure their drawings and off it goes. It makes it much easier and much more precise."

Similarly, the new pipe bender and tube notcher streamlines the building process when they're tackling various projects.

"We used to do it all by hand, which took longer," Strydom said. "Now this thing does it in about 10 seconds and makes our life much easier."

"This is much more the stuff they'll use in the industry; they wouldn't be doing it by hand because time is money . . . this much better prepares the students."

Strydom says they expect to have about 20 students in the welding program this fall.

Rosenort Credit Union opening branch in Winkler

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By Ashleigh Viveiros

There's going to be a new financial institution on the block later this year.

Rosenort Credit Union has announced it will be opening a branch location in Winkler to service the Pembina Valley area.

"We're responding and listening to our membership in the Pembina Valley region who have been requesting us to become a little bit more accessible and located a little closer to where they're at," said president and chairman Marcus Enns.

The branch is slated to go into an existing office building located off the north side of Hwy. 14, just west of the A&W.

Rosenort Credit Union expects to use about 2,400 square feet of the 5,000 sq. ft. building and to have the branch up and running by year's

end, Enns said.

"We've been looking at some locations for awhile and this seemed to be a really good location for us," he said. "We thought being close to Hwy. 14 would be more accessible not just to Winkler residents, but also to Morden residents and some of the other Pembina Valley area towns and communities that are close by."

Enns noted that Pembina Valley members are still a minority of Rosenort CU's membership, but "it is a growing minority . . . and we expect it to continue to grow as we move on."

The new full-service branch will create up to 10 full-time jobs.

Rosenort CU has been a member-owned financial institution since the 1940s; it currently has more than \$330 million in assets and serves over 4,500 members across Southern Manitoba.

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Heritage group sets out to mark NWMP Trail

By Emily-Ann Doerksen

The Boundary Trail Heritage Region's board of directors are preparing for Canada's 150th anniversary in 2017 by placing Boundary Trail signs on more places across southern Manitoba than ever.

"We have the western, the eastern and the central regions and we're going to put up around five to six more signs in each region," explains Bill Reimer, who is an original member of the Boundary Commission NWMP Trail Association and the Boundary Trail Heritage Region.

The region connects 12 municipalities along the American border, reaching from the Red River in the east to the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border in the west.

The former Boundary Commission - North West Mounted Police Trail was

used as a surveying trail when mapping out the Canadian and American border.

The trail has been recognized as a national heritage site because of its unique natural, aboriginal, fur-trade and pre-railway settlement history. It was also one of the most active transportation routes in the area.

New signs with the Boundary Trail Heritage Region logo will soon be placed at sites along highways #243, #32, #14, and #3 to let visitors and locals know of the historical importance of the area, Reimer says.

The logo features two mounted silhouettes representing Metis guide Wm. Hallett and NWMP Lieutenant Colonel George A. French,

both whom made extensive use of the trail in the 1870s.

Reimer recently helped place one of the new signs on the NWMP Outpost building located at the Pembina Thresherman's Museum on Hwy. 3.

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ever Sunday night starting at 10 p.m.

"Triple E, which are celebrating their 50th this year, have subsidized and added a little extra to the fireworks fund from what we've normally done," Penner says. "So we're looking forward to seeing something really special with the fireworks."

Meanwhile, putting the exhibition in Harvest Festival & Exhibi-

tion again this year is the Stanley Ag. Society, which once again takes over the Winkler Arena for its 69th annual exhibition.

The displays will feature everything from schoolwork to art projects to baking to gardening, earning the top competitors cash prizes and ribbons for their hard work.

Area crafters will also be selling their hand-crafted or

grown products in the arena alongside the exhibition.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Original member of the Boundary Commission NWMP Trail Association and the Boundary Trail Heritage Region Bill Reimer (right) is joined by volunteer Maurice Butler (in costume during a recent Pioneer Day at the Pembina Threshermen's Museum) in placing a sign on the PTM's NWMP Outpost.

Museum director Kim Striemer says the PTM is excited to be able to highlight this piece of the region's history, and she hopes it will bring more tourists to the museum to learn more about the NWMP Trail.

"There are so many people who don't know we are here," she says.

Reimer says that the Trail Asso-

ciation will be coming up with more ideas on how to promote the region as Canada's 150th anniversary approaches, including a digital archives of historical publication, articles and images of communities in the heritage region or copies of thoughts of a re-enactment of riding the trail on horseback.

Stanley Ag. Society hosts exhibition, horse show

our culture and heritage."

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Penner says they're expecting parking at the festival grounds to be at a premium all three days, and so organizers are once again appealing to Winklerites to consider greener ways to get to the fair.

"We'd really encourage local people, especially those who live close by, to walk or bike if they can," she says. "We know we're going to have a lot of people coming through."

For the full festival line-up, go to winklerharvestfestival.com.

S.A.S. also organizes Southern Manitoba's largest horse show festival weekend, featuring an open youth horse show and gymkhana, barrel racing extravaganza, halter and performance events, pole bending, and 3D barrel racing.

"Our community and rural Manitoba is founded in agriculture and the culture that surrounds rural living," says exhibition organizer Yvonne Peters. "Agricultural societies are one of the oldest organizations in Manitoba and have worked hard to engage their communities with agricultural related events and programming."

"We look forward to celebrating

Foodgrains trip to Ethiopia an eye-opening experience for local teacher

By Lorne Stelmach

A teacher from southern Manitoba had a first-hand opportunity this summer to learn more about the realities of global hunger and food security.

Jordan Penner, a teacher with Garden Valley School Division, recently returned from Ethiopia where he spent the first part of his summer learning about the work being done there by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

The Horndean resident was part of the International Food Security Learning Tour for Educators organized by the CFGB, which is a partnership of 15 churches and church agencies working together to end global hunger.

World-known for its widespread famine in the mid-1980s, the Ethiopia seen on this tour showed how far the country has come since then, while still dealing daily with many of the challenges related to hunger and food security.

Penner said the CFGB group quickly came to realize how closely connected the people are to their food supply.

He noted it can still be “a lot more rustic than other parts . . . people still plough the fields with an ox and they still seed by hand and harvest by hand and the fields are small . . . but there is a very strong agricultural background there.”

“On the one hand, here in Canada

we have two out of every 100 people are farmers. So, for most people, their idea of food security is how well a grocery store is stocked,” said Penner. “In Ethiopia, 86 per cent of the people there are farmers. So they have a very clear picture of what food security means and what a food shortage really is.”

Arriving in Ethiopia July 3, the group spent close to two weeks in the African nation.

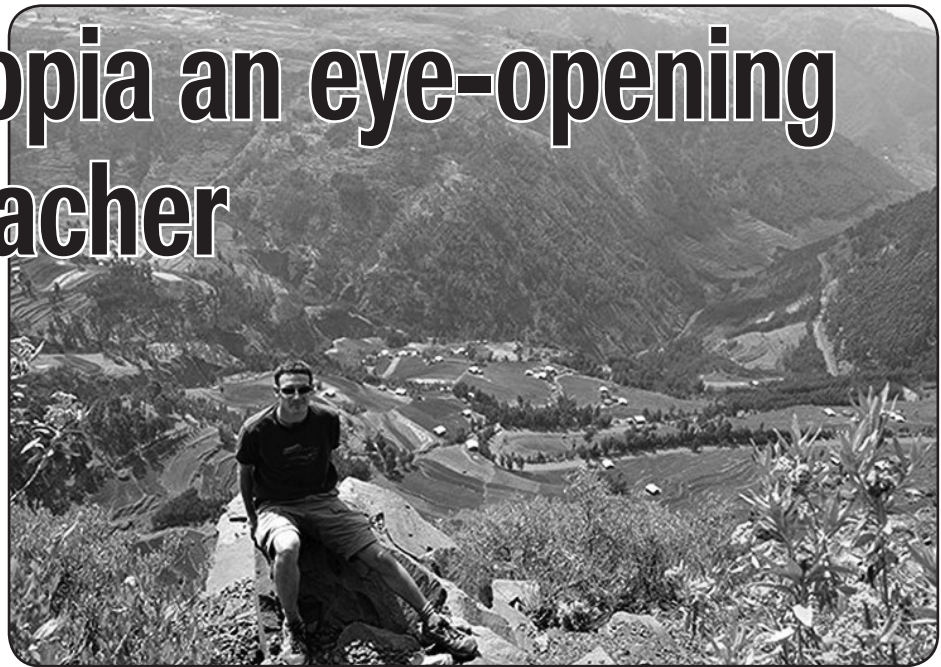
They visited a variety of community development and emergency food relief projects and locations supported by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Penner noted he saw that the kind of support being provided has evolved from the days of just sending in emergency food aid.

“I think Foodgrains has taken a second look at what they are doing and realized that it was a very untenable process. It was a short term solution.”

For example, in the past, food aid had unwittingly created a dependency, as the grain sent to the country ended up replacing a local bread. People then developed a taste for our bread, even though the country couldn't produce enough wheat to support it. As a result, they were having to import more grain.

“Now the Foodgrains Bank has changed and gone in two different directions,” Penner said. “On one part, they are still providing food aid. But now they take the donations from Canada . . . liquidate the grain and use the money they do have available



SUBMITTED PHOTOS BY JORDAN PENNER

Area teacher Jordan Penner just returned from the Canadian Foodgrains Bank's learning tour to Ethiopia, where he learned about food security solutions and challenges in the once famine-ravaged country. Here's Penner in front of what he said was the most amazing view he's ever seen.

to purchase grains as locally as possible.”

There are currently a range of projects being supported by the CFGB in Ethiopia. One is providing food to orphaned and vulnerable children and the people who care for them, while another is helping a tribe in the northern part of the country integrate farming into their traditionally nomadic lifestyle.

In addition to the project visits, the group also visited the Ethiopian Ministry of Disaster Management and Food Security Sector as well as the World Food Programme to learn more about other programs that are working toward a more food-secure country.

Penner suggested there is a greater emphasis now on promoting more effective long-term agricultural techniques.

They toured locations like research farms, demo plots and irrigation sights that were “all designed in a way to show and teach the local Ethiopian farmers how they can get more production out of their land . . . which will help to increase the local economic output,” Penner said.

The trip was an eye-opener for Penner, who said that so many of the experiences defied his expectations and made him realize that we take a lot for granted here in Canada.

For example, in the capital city of Addis Ababa, there were no shopping centres as we know them to be found.

“There was no such thing as a box store. Most of the places people went to make purchases were markets where their stalls . . . the larger ones no bigger than a garden shed.”

It was also a breathtaking experience to tour the Lalibela region, known for having beautiful churches carved down into and fashioned out of the rock, and the group were fortunate to be there on a Saturday when a period of fasting had ended and they were able to take part in the service.

He also saw a clash of cultures in one northern region when they were watching a traditional tribal dance being performed. In the midst of this ritual rooted in the past, Penner said he spotted one tribe member off in a corner filming the proceedings with his iPhone.

All in all, the trip changed his perspective on the world and on issues like food security, hunger and poverty—which is exactly what the Canadian Foodgrains Bank food study tours hope to accomplish.

“There's a focus on building a sense of global community,” said Roberta Gramlich, tour organizer and youth engagement coordinator, “and learning about food security and seeing how foodgrains bank member agencies are responding to the needs of hungry people around the world.”

“Giving educators the opportunity to meet people affected by hunger first hand is also an opportunity to educate youth about global hunger,” said Gramlich. “These are some of the people who are most connected to Canadian youth. By allowing them to learn about global food security, they can better inform the young people with whom they work.”

“It does change your perspective on the world,” concluded Penner. “It was an eye-opening experience.”

You can learn more about the CFGB at www.foodgrainsbank.ca.



A farmer weeding his field near Lalibela. By intercropping tomatoes and cabbages—a technique learned from CFGB's partner, Lutheran World Relief—pests can be discouraged. This plot has the potential to gross \$5,000 annually.

arts & culture

Pembina Hills gallery gift shop making changes

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Hills Arts Centre is getting more renovations as part of an initiative aimed at helping area artists make more of a career of their passion.

The gift shop area of the gallery in downtown Morden is being revamped as a result of the Pembina Hills Arts Council spending the last year rethinking one of its cornerstone programs.

The gift shop allows Pembina Valley artists to have a year-round venue for selling their artwork and aims to increase their exposure and income. However, an increased emphasis on programming including exhibits and events also led directors to aim to get the gift shop to a more manageable level, while still having an effective program.

As a result, the gift shop is changing from being a consignment-based to a space rental model with an emphasis on more online exposure for artists, social media networking, and other professional development opportunities.

"We looked at other organizations and shops that were doing similar renting structures and it seemed to be the best fit with fewer resources," explained executive director Amanda Nicholls.

"The goal with these changes is to increase the relevance of the program to a wider audience of artists as well as to increase the viability of the program for staff and volunteers to operate," she added.

"When the arts council first started, this program was the main focus of the organization and served a wide number of artists. We want to continue that sentiment while improving the sustainability of the program."

The arts council has grown considerably and is providing a wider range of services to a growing region, and it is partly because of this wider mandate and increased workload on both staff and volunteers that there was a need to rethink the operational aspect of the gift shop, said Nicholls.

With the new rental structure, the emphasis is on artists who are intent on making a profession from their craft. There is a greater responsibility placed on the artist, but there is also a paired increase in the potential pay-out.

The council's aim is to have the gift shop up and running again in time for the Corn and Apple Festival. The initiative is now in the construction stage, while the gallery is also in the midst of recruiting area artists who want to be part of the new system.

Council director Ashlee Bart said they are putting the call out to artists who have been part of the gift shop in the past to see if they want to participate once again.

"We want passionate individuals who are excited about their work and want to get it out into the community and meet other artists . . . that's what we're trying to attract," she said.

Bart sees this revamp as helping artists take themselves and their art to the next level.



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The Pembina Hills Arts Centre's Amanda Nicholls (left) and Ashlee Bart in the gift shop, which is undergoing a change in operation, moving from a consignment-based system to a space-rental model.

"It also gives them more ownership over their rental spaces. We don't control how they display their work . . . that's all in their hands."

"It gives them more potential . . . if their sales are great, they can earn more than on commission-based sales," she added. "And it gives them more opportunities. We'll do some professional development with them . . . it's about being more business-

minded with their artwork."

"It puts a lot more emphasis on the artists who are participating in the program to take inventory of their product, keep their product up to date and arrange their displays . . . make it interesting and do some of the marketing on their own," added Nicholls.

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> AN ARTIST'S LIFE

Dance and the young child: start 'em early

While children under four may not be ready to begin sports activities for a few years, many parents want their children to have a physical outlet in a group setting.

Dance classes may be the answer. Besides melding the arts and physical activity, dance has many benefits for the young child that can lay a foundation for good habits later in

life.

Young children enjoy moving to music and being in the company of others their age, and will not even realize they are also being prepared for many other activities to come!

Many of the most obvious benefits of dance lie in the area of physical health. For the young child, dance aids in developing both fine and gross motor skills, laying a foundation for good posture, improving balance and co-

ordination, and promoting flexibility and strength. Participating in dance classes is also one of the best ways to lessen the risk of childhood obesity and promote a healthy lifestyle from a young age.

Dance classes can also be highly beneficial for developing social skills. Group activities such as perfecting dance routines help children learn to work as a team. Children can make new friends, practice performing in front of an audience, and learn to communicate more effectively. They will also develop trust and cooperation with their teachers and classmates, since these skills are essential to successful dance routines.

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By Candace Hamm

Celebrating a century of agricultural advancement



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The Morden Research Station's David Wall (right) and Jim Menzies invite the public to a 100th anniversary celebration next week Wednesday.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Morden Research Station celebrates its 100th anniversary with a day-long celebration next week.

The station opens its doors to the community on Wednesday, Aug. 12 with guided and self-guided tours of the entire facility running from 9-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.

"We're running tours of the building, the labs, greenhouses, and the fields," says associate director David Wall. "In addition, we have displays of equipment. We have some of the older equipment coming from the Threshermen's [Museum] and we

"THE ONLY CONSTANT HERE HAS BEEN THE CHANGE THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE."

also have the more modern plot combines and seeders."

"Not the really big stuff people are used to seeing, but more research stuff," adds station scientist Jim Menzies. "They may never have seen a combine so small."

Also on the schedule is a short ceremony at 11 a.m. followed by the unveiling of a commemorative bench and anniversary cake.

A representative from the Canadian Nursery and Landscape Trades Association will also be on hand for a presentation recognizing the Morden station's contributions to the ornamentals on the prairies.

A CENTURY OF CONTRIBUTION

The research station has certainly had a hand in the advancement of agriculture in Canada through its varied work in research and development over the years. Work that has, from the get-go, changed with the times and needs of the industry.

"The only constant here has been the change that has taken place,"

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laughs Wall. "It's really amazing when you think back over the 100 years, all the different things that went on here."

The facility got its start when the federal government purchased 300 acres of land for one of several Dominion Experimental Stations being set up across the country. The site was expanded by another 612 acres 10 years later.

In the early years, the station operated as a both a farm and a testing and demonstration site, featuring a nursery and a steer feeding program (back then it was home to several herds of sheep, cows, horses, and even chickens).

Scientists researched which crop varieties and livestock fared best on the Prairies, and shared their findings—and seeds and livestock offspring—with farmers across Western Canada.

Wheat, flax, potatoes, cherries, even tobacco—you name it and the station probably researched what varieties were most successful, Menzies says.

"The original station was here to try and show the farm people what they could grow here," he says. "If something worked, then they'd focus on how do you grow this, what's the best way to grow this properly here?"

"You have to remember that, at the time, the west was still young," Wall adds. "The Prairies were being established. And so they wanted to introduce the best varieties, the best strains of cattle and sheep and horses to the Prairies to assist the establishment of the agriculture sector in Western Canada."

'BRINGING BEAUTY TO THE PRAIRIES'

One program that got its start in the early days and ran right through to

the turn of the century was the station's fruit, tree, and perennial breeding projects.

Morden got its reputation for apples thanks in part to the 25,000 seedlings planted at the station in 1916 to see which varieties could survive the harsh winters on the Prairies.

From that program came no less than 31 apple varieties, the last one released as recently as 2003.

The other programs have released a total of 55 fruit varieties, 57 varieties of trees and shrubs, and dozens of ornamental flowers, the best known of which were the Parkland roses.

"Part of our mandate was to bring beauty to the Prairies," says Wall. "We were more than just growing crops and livestock."

Though they remain on the cutting-edge of agricultural research, a lot has

changed at the research station in the last couple of decades.

In the mid-90s, the programs in potato, buckwheat, and sunflower breeding, food technology, new crops, weed management, and breeding of herbaceous perennials all came to an end.

A decade later, the ornamentals program closed up shop, transferring under-development varieties to the private sector.

Today the station focuses its research on several key areas.

"We have a very large concentration of plant pathologists who do work on cereal pathology, pulse pathology,

and oilseed pathology, looking at the major diseases of field crops in Western Canada," says Wall.

"A fairly significant part of the job particularly for the pathologists is surveillance: making sure they stay on top of emerging threats to Canadian agriculture," he adds. "They do annual surveys to try and see if there's any new disease races that are out there that we have to look at developing new resistances to make sure our crops are protected."

"Plus we have a fairly strong molecular biology program, looking at

"PART OF OUR MANDATE WAS TO BRING BEAUTY TO THE PRAIRIES."

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Spend 'A Day in the Trenches' at WWI museum



By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Manitoba World War I Museum invites you to travel back in time to the front lines this weekend for a special Heritage Day event.

The museum, located just west of La Riviere, is hosting "A Day in the Trenches" on Sunday, Aug. 9 from 1-4 p.m.

Museum director Bruce Tascona has installed over 120 metres of trenches on the grounds to give history buffs a first-hand look at what trench warfare was all about.

"I tried to build to the standards of the First World War," he says of the seven-foot deep trench system. The project includes two full-size fire

bays, authentic walkways, a communications trench with two dugouts, and even—50 yards away across a symbolic no man's land of barbed wire—a small enemy trench that will help visitors get a sense for what the average Canadian soldier would have seen on the frontlines of the Great War.

On Sunday, visitors will be greeted by volunteers donning period uniforms who can show them around and answer any questions they may have about the day-to-day life of soldiers during the war.

"People can actually walk the trenches themselves and we can explain to them what they're seeing, what it was really like," Tascona said.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

The Manitoba World War I Museum invites you to come out on Sunday to see first-hand what life in the trenches was like. Above: the Trench HQ display. Left: the trench system—shown here under construction—is 120 metres long and seven feet deep.

Also on hand for the day will be displays and presenters from the Royal Winnipeg Rifles Museum, the 26th Field Regiment Museum, the Military History Society, and the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada.

You can wrap up your visit by touring the museum itself—Tascona has amassed one of the largest WWI

memorabilia collections in the province—and the Trench HQ exhibit, which provides a glimpse into where officers would have gathered to plan their attacks.

Tascona says the First World War stands out to him because it touched the lives of so many Manitoba families.

"You don't have to have a battlefield to commemorate the First World War because in a sense it was truly everywhere," he said. "It wasn't just about Berlin, London, or Paris. It was people from Darlingford, from Thornhill, from Winnipeg, from Morden that were drawn into the conflict. Everywhere. Every small village that existed at the time was affected."

Special events like "A Day in the Trenches" seek not to glorify the war, but to educate visitors about what local people went through in defense of our country, he added.

"It's making people realize just what Manitoba did in the First World War," he said.

If you can't make it out to the museum this weekend, the trenches and the museum are open every weekend from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment until mid-September. Admission to the non-profit museum is by donation.

The Manitoba World War I Museum is located on the premises of the Silver Springs Bed & Breakfast, located three miles west of La Riviere.

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By Ashleigh Viveiros

The community of Plum Coulee invites you to down for a plum good time next weekend.

The 14th annual Plum Fest takes over the small town Aug. 14-16, offering—for the first time ever—three packed-full days of free fun for the whole family.

Though the popular Old Time Dance has started on the Friday night for years, festival director Al Ruttan said this year they decided to go all-out and offer a full line-up of events that evening as well, extending the traditionally two-day event.

“Now we also have Main Stage entertainment that evening—four bands starting at 6 p.m., with a pulled pork supper by The Bunker starting at 5 p.m.,” he said.

The expansion is all about giving the growing number of Plum Fest-goers

more of what they want, Ruttan said.

“Last year we had record attendance, so this year we figured we’d take a chance,” he said.

Friday evening’s line-up on the Main Stage includes performances from Ed Penner and the North Border Band, The Committee, Cracked Egg Shell, and Johnny Cash tribute band Cold Hard Cash. The Old Time Dance, which also runs on Saturday, will run from 7-11 p.m. in its new location in the park.

Saturday remains the festival’s busiest day, kicking off with the hugely popular waffles and crackles breakfast, followed by the 50+ float parade at 10 a.m., and wrapping up with the street dance 12 hours later.

In between there’s the duck race, a bevy of children’s games and activities, a line dance, a fireman’s rodeo, farmer’s market, car show on Main Ave., and the new Plum Tea Room at



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The Plum Fest’s popular Old Time Dance moves to the park this year. That’s not the only change for the festival—the event is also for the first time offering Main Stage entertainment on the Friday night.

the senior centre.

The Main Stage will be full of folk, country, and grassroots performers from 1 p.m. onwards, culminating with headliner Jaydee Bixby at 8:30 p.m.

“I think we have a really great line-up this year,” Ruttan said. “Each year we try and take the suggestions people give us and improve on the festival. What people told us last year is

they wanted more variety [of music]. I think we have a broad range right now.”

Sunday’s schedule of events kicks off with the community church service, introduces the new yard tours, and includes an afternoon of Christian music on the Main Stage wrapping up with The Color at 7 p.m.

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New sign for Miami

From left: Miami Lions Allan Tosh, Ted Storey, chairperson Duncan Callum, Colin Stewart, and George Jackson stand next to the Town of Miami's brand new digital sign, which went up earlier this summer. The Lions fundraised around \$22,000 over the course of a few years to erect the sign, which replaced an old wooden sign that required someone to replace the letters individually by hand. Callum said that the new sign will help spread community news faster than ever. Community response to it so far has been very positive, he said.

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> PLUM FEST, FROM PG. 15

"Jordan Janzen, leader of The Color, lives right here in Plum Coulee, so we're really excited to have our hometown band perform," Ruttan said.

If you've never been to Plum Fest before, this is the year to check it out.

"We're showing off Plum Coulee for the great town that it is," Ruttan

says. "We truly have something for all ages."

For more information, including a detailed schedule, check out the Plum Fest website at plumfest.com.

The festival's farmer's market still has space for vendors. If you'd like to book a free table, contact Ruttan at 204-384-5477.

> ART GALLERY, FROM PG. 11

"We are able to put fewer resources into that and still keep it going. And they can use this as a stepping stone to further their own careers."

The ultimate aim would be to help artists "to establish a small business and name for themselves . . . and gain some skills by being here marketing their work," agreed Bart.

Meanwhile, Nicholls noted the arts council wants to continue to work as well with those artists "less focused on making a business from

their work."

She noted that includes four months of exhibitions set aside for members to sell their artwork during peak shopping seasons of Christmas and the Corn and Apple Festival, as well as educational opportunities and two annual craft sales.

Interested artists should contact the Pembina Hills Arts Council at 204-822-6026 or visit www.pembinahillsarts.com for more details.

> DANCE, FROM PG. 11

Early participation in dance can also aid children as they prepare for the transition to a school setting. Dance classes encourage creativity and imagination. Children are encouraged to focus for increasing periods of time, resulting in a better attention span. The class

setting helps to prepare children for a school setting as well. Dance also fosters an appreciation for both the arts and physical activity.

Lastly, dance can be one of the best ways to bolster self esteem and confidence. Children learn perseverance and the joy of success from a young age. In dance, they are encouraged to become comfortable in their own skin and gain a better sense of self awareness.

Children work towards a group goal and can take satisfaction in a job well done, even if that job is as small as a short dance routine.

There are several options for the young child's first dance experience in the Winkler/Morden area. Try a class and see how dance can benefit your child!

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> TRENCHES, FROM PG. 14

tails about the museum can be found online at pilotmound.com/organizations/WWImuseum.shtml or by calling 204-825-2961 or emailing [\[conab@mts.net\]\(mailto:conab@mts.net\).](mailto:tas-</p>
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You can also check out photos of the trenches being built on the museum's Facebook page.

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Major funding for Imagination Library

The Winkler Imagination Library is on the receiving end of a major donation from the Manitoba Community Services Council. The council has committed \$8,000 to the early-childhood literacy project, with the potential for it to receive another \$5,000 later this year. The funds will be used to provide free books monthly to the 750 children currently registered in the program.

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Checking out the Farmers' Market

Warm weather greeted customers taking in the weekly Morden Farmers Market last Thursday in downtown Morden. The selection of produce and goods has grown in recent weeks as the season advances, with some variety of hot food available as well. At right: Mei Stoesz-Gouthro did some busking with her violin to entertain the market crowd.

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> DOCTOR'S CORNER

Summer: a great time to get your kids cooking

Running out of ideas to keep the kids busy this summer? Try cooking!

This might seem like an impossible (and messy) task, but delicious food is not the only thing your kids will whip up. Cooking builds confidence, fills children with accomplishment, gives them an outlet for creativity, and allows them to develop important life skills.

Long term research suggests that children who spend time in the kitchen eat healthier and have better overall health outcomes as they grow into adults. As an added



By Meagan Einarson, RD

bonus, cooking with your kids is a great way to spend extra time together as school and extra-curricular activities begin to take over.

Prevent cooking from being just another chore by keeping it fun and casual. Let your kids know they are welcome in the kitchen. Invite them to watch as you make dinner or bring them along to the grocery store. Ask what recipes and cooking-related activities they would like to try.

In the beginning keep tasks simple and make sure your child is supervised—and don't worry if they are not looking like the next Gordon Ramsay or Julia Child! The more time they spend in the kitchen the more confident they will get. Continue to challenge them by giving more responsibilities.

Depending on age and ability, many pre-school aged children under six years are ready (and willing!) to become your sous chef.

Great starter tasks include wash-

ing fresh produce, stirring ingredients in the bowl, mashing soft foods, placing toppings onto homemade pizza, or assembling simple sandwiches. Also try letting them pick out a new fruit or vegetable while grocery shopping.

For picky eaters, allowing them to be hands-on and repeatedly being exposed to new food gradually wears down their resistance. While they may not actually try the new food this time around, know that you are planting seeds for future food exploration.

By the time children reach school-age (6-12 years), they are much more coordinated and have the ability to follow simple recipes. For example, literacy and math skills learned in the classroom are transferable to the kitchen. Practice these by having your child write out the grocery list, read recipes, and measure ingredients. At this age kids are usually coordinated enough to stir pots on the

stove and use simple kitchen equipment such as graters, blenders, and can openers. Starting with softer foods and plastic knives, let them cut fresh produce to assemble vegetable and fruit platters as a healthy snack.

Teen-aged children, especially those already familiar with the kitchen, can take on even more responsibility. They have the skills required to finely dice vegetables and to use the stove to bake, broil, and sauté foods. Teach your teens about balanced meals and have them make their own school lunches for a healthy and cost-effective alternative to buying lunches throughout the school year.

It may take a little extra work in the beginning, but getting your kids into the kitchen sets them up for a lifetime of delicious learning opportunities, builds healthy habits, and improves health outcomes as they navigate into adulthood.

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The 1,950-pound, 1947 Allis-Chalmers Flour Mill that has been at the Pembina Threshermen's Museum's barn since 2000 has finally found a more fitting home. The mill—which was donated from a research station in Montana—was recently moved from the barn to the heritage village's newest addition: the Haskett Elevator. You can check out the mill in its new home in action separating bran, wheat germ, and flour during the upcoming Reunion Days Aug. 28-29. If you'd like to get even more hands-on, the museum is looking for volunteers interested in learning how to work the mill as event demonstrators. Contact them at info@threshermuseum.com for more information.



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City of Morden hires new city planner

By Lorne Stelmach

Taking on the task of planning for a growing city like Morden would be a challenge.

It is one, however, that Martin Sandhurst has embraced.

Sandhurst was recently appointed as the City of Morden's new city planner.

"This is a fantastic opportunity. I'm thrilled to be working and soon living in Morden," he said. "And I am looking forward to working with council, the community and staff at the City of Morden."

Sandhurst's responsibilities as city planner will include:

- Administering urban planning programs and services to meet present and future community needs.
- Undertaking major planning initiatives and programs, such as development application review, zoning rationalization and land use plan preparation.
- Providing advice and recommendations to council, committees of council and others regarding legislation and zoning bylaws.
- Initiating the creation of a community development plan for the City of Morden.

Sandhurst says he welcomes the array of tasks and challenges that await him in his new home.

"I expect the position will involve a

blend of day-to-day, project-related and long-range responsibilities . . . an array of tasks and roles that I'm really looking forward to."

"As for challenges, too soon for me to tell in terms of any that are specific to Morden," he said. "Generally, as I would expect is the case with any professional position, it's always somewhat challenging discovering how best to fit my own experience and expertise within the framework of an organization and a community that are new to me."

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Sandhurst graduated from the University

of Manitoba's city planning program and went on to work for municipal governments in Manitoba, British Columbia and Saskatchewan. That experience as a planner includes stints with the City of Winnipeg as well as the City of Regina.

He has also provided consulting services for private, public, and not-for-profit clients in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Sandhurst received a strong vote of confidence from Morden's director of planning and engineering.

"Martin's expertise and experience in urban planning will help the city

lay the foundation necessary for the success of our vision," David Haines said in a released statement.

"We have an extensive list of planning projects and work ahead of us to achieve that vision. Having a planner to add to our already strong team of engineering and GIS professionals will increase our capacity to accomplish this work."

Sandhurst took up his duties July 20 and works out of the City of Morden planning and development office located at 133 7th Street. He can be contacted at 204-822-4434 or by e-mail to msandhurst@mordenmb.com.

Miami hosting a Show & Shine

By Emily-Ann Doerksen

The Miami Railway Museum and the Miami Museum are inviting owners of classic cars, trucks, motorcycles and antique tractors to show off their vehicles at the Miami Show and Shine this Saturday.

Registration is free of charge and vehicle owners and the public will be the judges for all categories.

"The aim of the event is to raise funds for both museums," said Joan Driedger, one of the members of the organizing committee.

The Miami Railway Station Museum is hoping to build a platform to allow access to the museum for those with mobility issues, as well as a display area, she said.

Meanwhile, the Miami Museum needs funds to start repairs on its roof to protect the important artifacts that reflect a pioneer's life in The R.M. of Thompson.

This is the first time a fundraising car show has been held in Miami, Driedger said, and if it goes well it may become an annual event.

The day will include the car show,

a barbecue lunch, a rainbow auction, and a 50/50 draw.

The cars, trucks, and motorcycles will be lined up along Norton Avenue, Miami's main street. The tractors will be placed south of the Railway Station and along the former rail bed on Hwy. 23.

For more information, contact Driedger at 204-435-2344, Dawn Bird at 204-435-0444, or, for tractor entries, Brian Burrows at 204-435-2217.

The show runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 8. Rain date is Aug. 15.

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Winkler christens new field with Bantam AAA provincials

By Ashleigh Viveiros

South Central pitcher Tristan Peters threw the symbolic first pitch to officially open the updated diamond #8 at the Parkland Ball Diamonds last Friday night.

The grand opening ceremonies for the newly-reworked diamond—which, with its new deeper outfield and clay/grassy infield, is now suitable for hardball—took place during South Central's second game in the Bantam AAA Provincials, which ran Friday through Sunday in Winkler.

Winkler Minor Ball president Jake Peters thanked everyone who worked to make this major project a reality.

"There's been a lot of hard work these last few weeks and I'm just so proud of this community. I'm so proud of the people that were involved in just making this day pos-



Above: A South Central player slides safely into third in the team's 6-2 victory over Winnipeg South in the Bantam AAA Provincials held in Winkler July 31 to Aug. 2. The team eventually fell in the semi-finals, but earned a seat at Westerns by beating Pembina Hills 2-1 in the consolation final.

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sible," he said.

Peters noted dozens of volunteers came out to install the new sod and clay on the field, while the City of Winkler and several local businesses—including Rempel Excavating,

Green Valley Bobcat, Elias Trucking, and Len's Landscaping—all donated or discounted equipment and labour to the project.

The result is a field suitable for hardball, which means Winkler can finally

host events like the bantam provincials held there last weekend.

"It is great to be able to host a first-class event like this," Peters said.

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Above: Winkler Minor Ball president thanked everyone who helped with the diamond upgrades. Right: Tristan Peters, flanked by some of the project's volunteers, threw the first pitch at the opening ceremonies.



Mohawks down Pilots, will play Regals for title

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It took five full games, but the Morden Mohawks finally knocked the Pilot Mound Pilots out of the Border West Baseball League playoffs with a decisive 10-4 win last Friday night.

The victories in the semi-final series bounced back and forth between the two teams from game to game, with Morden having taken game one by a wide 11-2 margin, only to stumble and fall in game two 7-6.

Pilot Mound then took game three 8-6 to take a one-game lead, but Morden regained its footing for game four on July 29, soundly defeating the Pilots 13-3 to force a decisive game five.

There, playing before a hometown crowd on Buhler Field in Morden, the Mohawks took an early 3-0 lead after the first inning and then bolstered

that lead by making it 7-0 in the third.

Pearce McDonald kept the Pilots off base through three innings before Pilot Mound finally cracked it, scoring one in the fourth and three more in the fifth.

Morden got those three back when they came up at bat in the bottom of the inning, with Chris Moffat hitting a home run with two on base to make it 10-4, which held through to the end for the game and series win.

The Mohawks will now place the Baldur Regals for the championship. Game one took place on Tuesday, with the rest of the series scheduled for next week.

Baldur came in first in the regular season, just ahead of the second-place Morden team. The Mohawks beat the Regals in two out of the three games they played against each other this summer.



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Playing in Morden last Friday, the Morden Mohawks downed the Pilot Mound Pilots 10-4 in game five of the Border West Baseball League semi-finals, taking the series 3-2 and earning a spot at the finals against the Baldur Regals this week.

Eric Fehr inks deal with Pittsburgh Penguins

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's own Eric Fehr will be wearing some new colours this NHL season.

The 29-year-old forward has signed a three-year, \$6 million contract with the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Fehr became a free agent after his two-year contract with Washington

Capitals ran out at the end of the 2014-2015 season.

He was drafted 18th overall by the Capitals in 2003 and has played most of his 10-year professional career in Washington—minus a season with the Winnipeg Jets in 2011-2012—contributing 89 goals and 177 points in 454 games, along with six points in 37 playoff matches.

Last season, the six-foot-four, 212 pounder scored 19 goals and 33 points in 75 games with the Capitals—his second-highest goal tally of his career.

Fehr underwent elbow surgery early this June. It's expected his recovery could last 4-6 months.

Fehr couldn't be reached for comment on the move as of press time,

but he shared his excitement about it on Twitter last week.

"I'm excited to be joining the @Penguins! My family and I are excited to start a new chapter," he wrote.

Fehr also expressed his appreciation to the Capitals for "giving me my start in the NHL and nine great years."

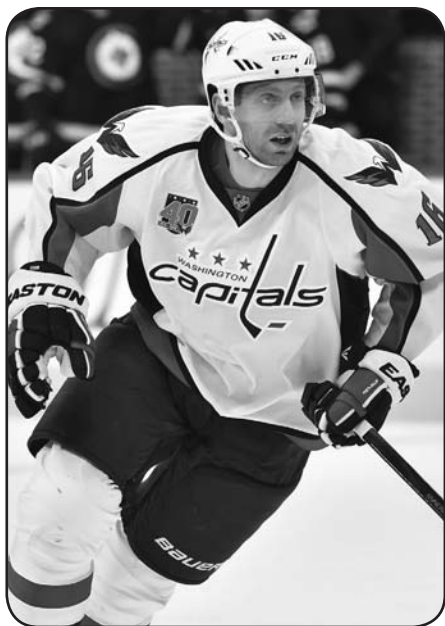


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Winkler's Eric Fehr trades in his Capitals jersey for a Penguins one this NHL season.

Mullin back for another season as asst. coach

The Winkler Flyers coaching staff will remain intact for the 2015-2016 season, as assistant coach Steve Mullin has agreed to remain behind the bench for a fourth year.

"It brings continuity to the staff," says Flyers head coach and general manager Ken Pearson. "We work well together, and he understands the vision and goals that this hockey club has."

Mullin played two seasons in Winkler in the early 2000s (earning league top defenseman honours) before playing four seasons of NCAA Divi-

sion 1 hockey with the Maine Black Bears. He went pro following university, playing one season with the Texas Wildcatters of the ECHL.

He went on to coach the Pembina Valley Hawks to the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League championship and to the finals of the Telus Cup West Regionals in 2010. He also captained the Morden Redskins to the SEMHL championship in 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 as well as the Provincial Senior Championship in 2014-2015.

In other Flyers news, the MJHL has

released its fall exhibition schedule.

Winkler will host the Winnipeg Blues on Sept. 8 in the first of eight exhibition games to start the 2015-16 Manitoba Junior Hockey League season.

The Flyers will play two games against Winnipeg, Portage, Selkirk and Neepawa as they get ready for their regular season opener in Steinbach on Sept. 25

During the 2014-15 season, the Flyers went 7-1 in the preseason, leading to one of their most productive regular seasons in recent memory.

Agriculture

Fines for failing to report hog movements on their way

By Harry Siemens

Jeff Clark, the manager of PigTrace Canada, says fines for failing to report movements of live hogs could come into effect as early as later this year.

Rolf Penner, a grain, special crops, and hog farmer at Morris, isn't surprised.

When the pork industry introduced the program and made it mandatory, Penner then wasn't convinced the industry nor he needed it.

"While an interesting program, I'm not particularly pleased with it. I'm not sure whether it will do what it is supposed to do," he said. "The gist of it is when pigs come to my yard I need to report it. When the pigs leave my yard, whether going to market or cleaning up the dead pigs, I have to report it to a central agency."

He says everyone talks about how important this information is, and yet they draft him to provide the information.

"Certainly there is no monetary value in it for me as far as I can tell because no one is paying me for my information. [It's] basically another cost of doing business," he said. "Years back they came out with the Canadian Quality Assurance program. Now they tell us that isn't enough, consumers now need this really detailed tracking system."

Effective July 1, 2014, under changes to Canada's Health of Animals Regulation, the reporting of movements of live swine in Canada became mandatory.

Under the regulations, both the shipper and receiver of hogs must report the number of pigs moved, their origin and destination, the time they were moved and the license number of the truck or trailer that did the transportation to the PigTrace Canada database within seven days of that movement.

Program manager Clark says, based on the number of pig premises that are reporting regularly, about 65 per cent of movements being reported.

"PigTrace is mandated by federal regulation so it's the Canadian Food Inspection Agency that is responsible for enforcement," he said. "Since the program came into effect . . . mostly it's been education."

The CFIA is writing some letters of non-compliance and that's really the highest level of correction a person gets right now.

But that's about to change.

"There will be a fine structure coming in and it really depends on a lot of factors but I'm told it could be later this year, 2015, but I don't know the levels of fines per se," Clark said. "They are publicly available in a separate regulation. Once that separate regulation is amended to include pigs we will know the specific infractions that could result in a fine. What we've learned is, if someone has built up a history of letters of non-compliance and issues, they could see themselves

being fined in the future."

Clark estimates 99 per cent of all commercial farms throughout Canada have a Premise ID number. There are far more backyard hobby farmers in Canada they didn't know about and every day they're hearing from new people that are just finding out about the program.

Despite his misgivings, Penner says he's been complying since the program started last year.

"We have a system that works most of the time. Dead stock pickup doesn't always get reported right away, but we haven't gotten a warning yet," he said. "I was wondering when they were going to start enforcing this and

how many people were actually doing it. Sounds like they've got quite a few that haven't."

For him, the whole thing is a waste of time, but he'll do it because it is a legal requirement. If there was a problem, it wouldn't take him more than half an hour to put the needed information together, he said.

"Same with everyone else I deal with. The new system I suppose is quicker, but it's not that much quicker. And it is a royal pain having to report all this stuff all of the time," said Penner. "I also predict that this is just the beginning. They are going to want more and more information all the time."



CWB and G8 finalize deal

> HARRY SIEMENS

On Friday, Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz announced the commercialization agreement between the CWB and the G3 Global Grain Group is a done deal, meaning the CWB has become a fully private and global competitor in the Canadian grain sector.

I spoke with Ritz about the deal recently and he told me the deal at that time was out of the government's hands, though they did make it possible way back when by removing the CWB monopoly.

Oh yes, there will be naysayers who would like to push the clock back, but we're moving ahead and I say it's over and done with thanks to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Ritz, the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association, and the many others who worked endlessly to

make this all happen.

The deal, which was announced in April, includes a G3 investment of \$250 million in the CWB.

G3 Global Holdings, an affiliate of the G3 Global Grain Group, is also examining the feasibility of developing a new port facility in Vancouver that would greatly increase Canada's export capacity. This would be the first new port facility for grain in Canada's busiest port in nearly 50 years.

Oh, I know in a perfect world we wouldn't have a giant American company like Bunge teaming up with a company from Saudi Arabia to buy what some still claim belongs to Western Canadian farmers.

A note on that, though: while some consider Bunge as part of an evil empire, that's certainly not the sentiment in, say, Altona where the company spent upwards of \$250 million on a new canola crushing plant. That's been a great addition to the community and a benefit to the farmers who use the plant regularly.

In a perfect world, the monopoly would never have gotten so far out of hand that it actually became a detriment to the Canadian economy.

Shifting continents, in a perfect world, the baggage man at the Sao

Paulo airport, hustling in his down time helping tourists with their luggage, directions, ticketing, and just plain being a good guy, wouldn't have to hustle at all.

As we walk along the moving escalator he tells me, "I will never see your country, never. Because I make only \$200 a month, and all I can do is feed my baby and wife, and live in a very small, simple house."

Similarly, in a perfect world, Roger from Italy wouldn't have to travel every month back to his home country from working in Paraguay because as an engineer there is no work for him in Italy, and, secondly, the government takes almost 60 per cent of anything he would make there.

"I like my country, but I want to come back only as a tourist," he says.

He thinks Europe is a mess, where those who believe in big government being the answer have messed it up so badly. He loves working in Paraguay because there's freedom to still build a frontier and help those struggling to achieve that by showing them how to build better houses and buildings.

Signing off from Asuncion, Paraguay, where we arrived safely to tell the Menno Colony how farmers do things in Canada.

Open house seeks to create transparency

By Harry Siemens

There was a time when farmers and industry sites weren't too keen on showing the public how the food they so enjoyed was produced.

Today that's all changed, with those same people going out of their way to show off the ins and outs of their operations through open houses, fairs and exhibitions, and educational programs like Ag Days or Ag in the Classroom.

Thunder Creek Pork in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan recently got on that bandwagon, opening its doors to pork producers and representatives of the industries that provide them services to show what's all involved in processing hogs.

Pork producers in Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba and hog industry suppliers such as feed company representatives, veterinarians, genetics company representatives and others attended the July 30 event.

Tyler Wiebe, the hog procurement coordinator with Thunder Creek Pork, says this was their third open house and its intent is to create greater transparency.

"Our primary suppliers of animals are Hutterite Colonies around Saskatchewan," says Wiebe. "Our current capacity is roughly around 1,150 to 1,200 hogs per day and interest in the plant is very strong. We have a very good hog procurement program, very fair, and we have the ability as a smaller plant to take a lot more time to look at every animal and grade them."

Since 2011, when Thunder Creek Pork took over a defunct beef processing plant, the hog supply has dropped, especially the last couple of years thanks to the PED virus outbreak in the U.S.

"Isoweans went to the U.S. to help get their supply back up, so that dwindled the Canadian supply and made everything a lot more competi-

tive as far as procurement goes," says Wiebe.

Harvey Wagner, the manager of producer services with Sask Pork, says satisfying the stringent demands of high-end buyers of Canadian pork, such as Japan, is all about what happens on the farm.

Wagner says buyers of Canadian pork in the premium markets are particularly demanding when it comes to marbling, meat color, fat color and tenderness—all factors that are in the hands of the producer.

"You have to pay really close attention to your nutrition package, so things like not feeding any DDGS," he says. "DDGS are a fine source of nutrition, but they tend to change the quality of the meat a little bit and it gets a little softer and the fat is a little softer—not as nice bright color as what we might like to see. Typically in a prairie diet, given that we feed wheat and barley and peas, we have a really nice fat color. That fat is pure

white and that's the preferred color for the high end markets."

Wagner says many of these markets prefer not to have any animal byproducts in the feed, but a lot of these factors are in the producer's hands. Depending upon what they feed or how producers handle the hogs makes the difference in the final product.

"It starts off with nutrition, then it goes into handling the pigs on the farm and how they're handled through transport, makes a big difference on the eventual cut of meat on the floor," he says. "Canada exports more product, as a percent of total production, than other countries, so it is more important for us to have as many animals in that acceptable export range as possible."

That is a good reason for a company like Thunder Hill Pork to give the industry a chance to see what the processors do to sell the pigs they buy from producers, and to in turn tell them why they do what they do.

South Central earns a spot at Westerns

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Representing the City of Winkler at the grand opening was Deputy Mayor Henry Siemens, who lauded Winkler Minor Ball for getting this project rolling.

"It's an exciting day when we can see a new ball diamond. It's in great shape. I think Winkler Minor Ball has done a tremendous job making this happen."

"They've fundraised, and they've worked hard, and they have something that they can be really proud of, and something that the city is really proud of," Siemens added.

South Central followed up the ceremony with a decisive 6-2 victory against Winnipeg South, bringing their record for the day to 2-0, having beaten Pembina Hills 3-1 in the morning.

The boys went on to have a flawless day two at the competition, downing North Winnipeg 3-0 and Oildome 9-0 to earn a spot in the semi-finals on Sunday.

There, the team met their match in Carillon, who eked by with a 7-6 victory to move on to the final.

Carillon went on to lose the championship to Bonivital 11-3. As a result, Bonivital will represent Manitoba at the Nationals in Ontario, while Car-

illon heads to the Western Canada Championships in Steinbach.

Joining them will be South Central, who earned the right to be Manito-

ba's second representative at Westerns after defeating Pembina Hills 2-1 in the consolation final.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE
A runner gets caught between bases in South Central's 6-2 trouncing of Winnipeg South last Friday in the Bantam AAA Provincials in Winkler. The local team went on to win the consolation final and earn a spot at the Western Canada Championships in Steinbach next week.

Station will remain on cutting-edge of research

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genetics, proteomics—the study of all the proteins in plants—and genomics—mapping genes looking for molecular markers to enhance or improve the selection of resistant varieties.”

The facility also concentrates on soil and water resource management, conducting studies on nutrient and nitrogen run-off.

Significant investments have been made in the Morden facilities over the last few years, Wall says, including \$1.5 million in lab renovations \$7.5 million for a new greenhouse and growth facility, and over \$1.5 million for a new irrigation reservoir, tile drainage, irrigation system, and lab instruments.

On the personnel front, last year the Morden site (there are also three

satellite sites in Winnipeg) welcomed the addition of 13 new professional researchers with the closure of the Cereal Research Centre in Winnipeg.

Menzies says the fresh faces revitalized the station, whose research scientist numbers over the years had dwindled to just seven (in addition to the dozens of support and administrative staff).

“We’ve got some new, young scientists and they’re coming in and they’re keen and they’re ready to go. They bring in a lot of new ideas.”

Looking to the future, Menzies feels Morden will continue to make major advancements, especially with its work in genetics.

“Certainly we will be well-known in that area because of the genomics people, and it will be a strong plant pathology bent because of the plant pathologists here,” he says. “And I

“THIS IS AN AG RESEARCH STATION THAT HAS A WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION AND, I BELIEVE, WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE A WORLDWIDE REPUTATION.”

think even moving into the agronomy, we could be making some very interesting work looking at how to grow the crops and how the different cropping practices may affect plant disease.”

“I think a lot of people have pride knowing that the station is here in Morden and that this is an ag. research station that has a worldwide reputation and, I believe, will continue to have a worldwide reputation.”

Next week’s celebration is the com-

munity’s first chance in years to get a glimpse behind-the-scenes at the Morden Research Station.

“I think this is probably the first open house we’ve had in 25 years,” Wall says.

“We’ll try and keep the ceremony short because we know people don’t want to listen to speeches,” Menzies says. “They want to see what’s going on here, and we want to show them what’s going on.”

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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Molten rocks
- 7. More (Spanish)
- 10. Artists’ workrooms
- 12. Radiant light around an object
- 13. More threadbare
- 14. Moses’ elder brother
- 15. Become aware of
- 16. Exclamation of relief
- 17. Swiss river
- 18. Mimics
- 19. Colored fabric
- 21. A bunch of bills
- 22. Despised
- 27. “Today’s” Roker
- 28. “Twilight Zone” host
- 33. Three-toed sloth
- 34. Actor
- 36. Lawyer’s organization
- 37. Maldives capital
- 38. In bed
- 39. Wedgelike metal fastener
- 40. Winglike structures
- 41. Mesoamerican resin
- 44. Glasses
- 45. Green
- 48. Large South American burrowing rodent
- 49. Shoulder blades
- 50. Noah’s boat
- 51. A female ogre

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Unkind
- 2. Vestments
- 3. A derisive remark
- 4. Japanese apricot
- 5. They ___
- 6. Soviet Socialists Republics
- 7. Arad river
- 8. Lined up one beside another
- 9. Diego, Francisco or Anselmo
- 10. One who analyzes metals
- 11. To that place
- 12. Expressed pleasure
- 14. Fills with horror
- 17. Find a sum
- 18. Cognizant
- 20. Female making debut in society
- 23. Members of U.S. Navy
- 24. A group of three

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- 25. And, Latin
- 26. Fall back time
- 29. What was that?
- 30. Inches per minute (abbr.)
- 31. American/Canadian falls
- 32. North Palestine region
- 35. Bird beak
- 36. Manila hemp
- 38. Smart
- 40. Three-banded armadillo
- 41. Short cloak
- 42. Scops owl genus
- 43. 100 = 1 afghani
- 44. A health resort
- 45. Equal, prefix
- 46. Microgram
- 47. Make imperfect

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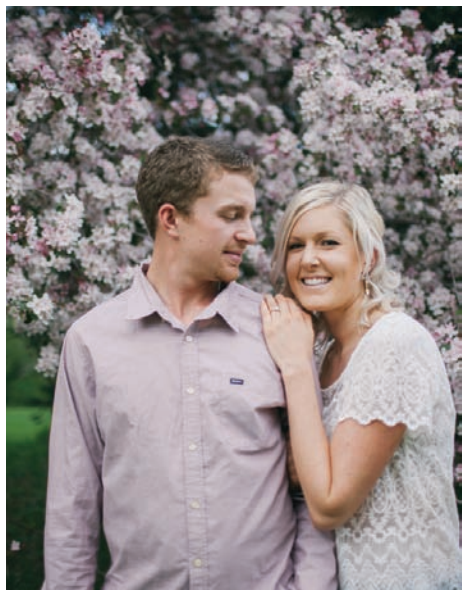


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OBITUARY



David Fredrich Reimer 1948 – 2015

On Monday, July 27, 2015 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, David Reimer aged 67 years went to his eternal rest.

He leaves to mourn his passing two daughters, Mary Ann (Mike) Groening, Alyssa Jeane Reimer; two sons, Tim (Janice) Reimer, Jeff David Paul Reimer (Andrea Varcoe) as well as six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at the Roland Memorial Hall with interment prior at Fairview Cemetery.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in David's memory to either Boundary Trails Health Centre Palliative Care or to Cancer Care Manitoba.

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OBITUARY



Jacob Carl Peters 1959 – 2015

On Wednesday, July 29, 2015 near Riverhurst, SK, Jake Peters aged 56 years of Morden, MB formerly of Stephenfield suddenly went to his eternal rest.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Elaine (nee Graham); two daughters, Tania Peters (Jordon, Jessy, Tree, Taj), Laura Peters and Shawn Miller (Avery, Bryson); two sons, Chris and Shelley Graham (Reece), Mathew Peters; son-in-law, Peter Holowachuk as well as his mother, Anna Peters (nee Penner); four sisters and one brother. He was predeceased by his father, Frank Peters and sister, Helen Halabicki.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at Winkler Mennonite Church with interment Hillside Cemetery.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Jake's memory to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Manitoba.

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OBITUARY



Michal (Mike) Didkowski 1932 – 2015

It is with sadness and sorrow we announce the passing of Mike Didkowski, husband, father and grandfather on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at Boundary Trails Health Centre. He will be missed by his wife of 53 years, Ella, and children and grandchildren: Darlene Ehnes (Troy); Ashley, Tyson, Maurice Didkowski (Lara); Rylan, Kennedy, Frances Wieffering; Kristi, Jarrett.

Mike was born on March 27, 1932 in the RM of Franklin (Tolstoi). In 1936, his family moved from Tolstoi to Dominion City where they began to farm. In 1942, they moved to Snowflake, MB to continue farming. This is where Mike grew up, went to school and eventually took over the family farm. In 1994, Mike and Ella moved off the farm to Morden.

Memorial service was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at St. Paul's United Church with ash interment at Hillside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mike's memory to Tabor Home Memorial Fund or the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba. A special thank you to Dr. Kevin Earl and the staff at Boundary Trails Health Center and Tabor Home for the wonderful care and support provided to Mike and our family.

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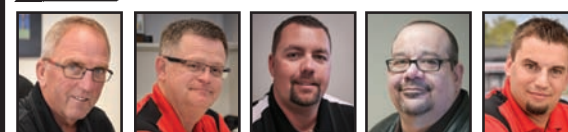
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