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Celebrating the completion of Greg Ens Memorial Park

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It started with a simple observation. "One day I was standing in line waiting for mini doughnuts in an open, dry, grassy field here with a lonely hockey stick thinking, 'That thing needs something,'" recalled Jodi Szutu, referring to the formerly barren green space in front of the Winkler Centennial Arena, where the city's giant hockey stick was built in 2019.

Soon after, Szutu found herself joining the Winkler Horticulture Society committee, where she had the opportunity to ask the movers and shakers in community beautification "if anything was being done for the lonely hockey stick.

"They said, yeah, come up with a plan. We have a meeting in two or three days."

That was the start of a journey that culminated with the grand opening of the Greg Ens Memorial Park Aug. 16.

Under the society's hands, the seldom-used plot of land has been transformed to now include a walking path/skating loop, countless shrubs and trees, a picnic shelter and fire pit, and three giant hockey player sculptures created by artist Andreas Huebert.



Kelly Ens, widow to Greg Ens, says her husband would have loved to see so many people gathered together in the spirit of community for the grand opening of the park that bears his name.



PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

The Winkler Horticulture Society celebrated the grand opening of the Greg Ens Memorial Park last week. The formerly mostly empty green space in front of the arena has been transformed into a beautiful community gathering space.

"This has been one of the most enjoyable and rewarding things that I have every done," Szutu said, thanking her fellow volunteers and all the City of Winkler staff who helped turn dream into reality.

Integral as well were the many people who stepped up with financial donations for the project.

"The community support that we have here—the donors, from businesses to tree donors ... thank you so much for everything that you have done," Szutu said, explaining the society made trees and shrubs available for people to sponsor in memory of lost loved ones, and dozens of supporters took them up on that offer.

"I'm so thankful that we have a way to celebrate the people that were special and important to us," she said. "It's just nice to be able to remember them and the impact they had our on our lives."

The park itself is a memorial for the late Greg Ens, who lost his battle with cancer three years ago.

Ens' widow, Kelly Ens, reflected on what this space would have meant to Greg.

"I believe today's a day that Greg would be smiling in appreciation of all that lies around us and I think, more importantly, all of us that have gathered here today."

The park was brought to life through the work and support of countless people, Ens reflected, and is truly a "demonstration of what community is."



The Winkler Park area had a special place in Greg's life, Ens shared. "He grew up just a block away. It was near and dear to him. As a child it was his stomping ground. He spent endless hours either here, specifically in the playground, or in the sports fields."

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Greg had a love of sports, but that love went far beyond simply competing.

"It was also about creating meaningful connection with one another, creating relationships, and creating a sense of belonging," Ens said. "Our desire today is that this space may continue to foster meaningful connection within our community.

"We hope that people of all ages might enjoy this space. Enjoying nature and all its beauty, reflecting and cherishing past relationships, enjoy-

ing time with friends and family today, and also looking forward to a brighter tomorrow."

There are still some memorial trees and shrubs left to sponsor. For more information, contact the Winkler Horticulture Society via email to winklerhorticulture@gmail.com or phone at 204-362-2552.

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Corn & Apple Festival is back this weekend

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WAIT TO WELCOME

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Organizers of the Morden Corn and Apple Festival are anticipating record attendance this weekend.

"Having the luxury of being towards the end of the summer, we've been able to see how the other festivals ahead of us have gone," noted executive director Tim Hodge. "And to a Tit's been basically record attendance at every single one. We're anticipating

the largest crowd we've ever had."

That's saying something considering the average Corn and Apple draws upwards of 80,000 people over the three days.

But it has been three years since the community has been able to host a full-fledged festival, and it's clear people are eager for it.

"People are, by and

large, just very excited that the festival is going to be back," said Hodge, noting the buzz has been steadily growing on social media. "People are very excited to be coming back to Morden, back to the Corn and Apple Festival.

"We've got so much to do and see, as always. And we can't wait to welcome everybody to Morden."

What makes the festival work is the army of volunteers who step up

in both the planning stages and the weekend of.

Hodge noted they were fortunate that many past volunteers opted to return

"We did have the majority of our volunteer chairpersons for all of our committees come back. We were very, very lucky to have the number come back that we did. And they hit the ground running."

Still, bringing back a community

celebration of this size after a few years away does come with some challenges.

Costs have certainly increased, Hodge said, and the number of corporate sponsors are down somewhat.

"We understand that local businesses haven't necessarily had the best couple of years," he said. "We are very lucky

to still have a ton of local companies support the festival and we're very, very grateful for the support that we have been given this year."

Being the first year back, this wasn't the festival to venture out too far from the tried and true.

"Over the past couple years we have had ideas of some new things that we could add to the festival that we think would be really fun and provide some new initiatives for new performers



VOICE FILE PHOTO

Organizers of the Morden Corn and Apple Festival are expecting record attendance this weekend.

and new volunteers and new people to be involved," shared Hodge. "But we thought after having not had a festival for two years, after having everybody involved not put on a festival for a couple years, we decided to take most of the brand new initiatives and hold them off 'til next year.

"We wanted to make sure that the people who have been missing the Corn and Apple Festival for the past two summers, when they come, that they see the festival that they know and love."

Along those lines, Stephen Street will be filled with all the old favourites—the Wonder Shows midway, countless vendors and food trucks, music and dancing at the Cottonwood Stage, youth-oriented entertainment at the Youth Stage, the Children's Tent, Art Walk demonstrations, free corn on the

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Karl Krebs announces Winkler mayoral run

By Ashleigh Viveiros

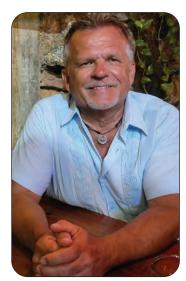
A second candidate has stepped forward to run for the mayor's job in Winkler this fall.

At a gathering at Monstrosity Burger in Winnipeg on Saturday, Karl Krebs announced he has filed papers to run for election in Winkler.

The *Voice* attempted to reach Krebs for an interview on Monday but had not heard back by press time.

In a video from Winnipeg Alternative Media that he shared on his social media page over the weekend, Krebs noted, "I believe that if you want to have change you've got to be the change."

Krebs in recent years has been a vocal critic of the COVID-19 public health measures, founding the Things That Matter group to speak out against perceived government overreach and being active in organizing some of the local protest rallies and movements. He was also part of



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Karl Krebs has thrown his hat
in the ring for the mayor's
seat in Winkler.



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Show & Shine returns to Morden Park this weekend

The annual Show & Shine of the Southern Manitoba HOG (Harley Owners Group) chapter is returning this year as part of the Corn and Apple Festival.

The event goes from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 28 in a new location on the west side of the Morden Park.

"We're excited about it. I think it's a superior location so we're looking forward to it," said Rudy Ens, owner of Gaslight Harley-Davidson in Morden.

It has long been a major attraction on the festival weekend but had not been held the last two years due to pandemic restrictions and in 2019 thanks to poor weather.

"So the Show & Shine has not been on for three years, but we're getting it back on track," Ens said. "We don't want to see this thing die. We think it's worth carrying on with it."

The event will feature a range of categories such as antiques, trikes, sidecars, radical & mild customs, touring bikes, cruisers, and more, but is open to all brands and styles.

"And unlike shows of past years, there will be no category prizes," Ens noted. "The

prize will be the enjoyment of spending a beautiful day in the Morden Park showing your ride to an appreciative audience.

"Most riders wouldn't participate for some sort of prize anyway," he added. "They just want to ride and get together for a good time."

Gaslight Harley-Davidson will also bring a display of antique Harleys and Fords from "The Survivors of The Lost Highway" collection, as well as some new motorcycles.



This rare 1933 Ford V8 Deluxe Roadster will be part of the Show & Shine display from "The Survivors of The Lost Highway" collection.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

The second of two weeks of Summer Art Day Camp sessions wrapped up at Winkler Art & Culture last week. Ten kids age 9-12 came out for session two, which saw them tackling a different art project every afternoon—ranging from acrylic painting to watercolours to tissue paper art—under the tutelage of instructor Kelly Nault. Above: Last Thursday, the kids were putting the finishing touches on the "Big Mouth Monsters" they'd made out of clay earlier in the week.

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cob and apple juice, and, of course, a varied lineup of Main Stage entertainers.

Snake Oil brings its Ikons of Rock tribute show to the stage as Friday night's headliners. Opening for them will be Jade Turner and The Sean Taylor Band.

On Saturday, rockers Big Wreck will perform their biggest hits. Also taking the stage that night will be Romi Mayes and The Incredibly Hip.

Sunday will see performances from Canada's Double Portion, the Glencross Quartet, and the Lumber River Quartet.

"I really think that the reason love the Corn and Apple Festival so much and the reason that they come back is that there's so much jammed into such a small area," reflected Hodge. "Every time you walk up and down Stephen St. you see something new. And the energy that you get at the festival, you really don't get anywhere else."

The festival runs Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. A full schedule is available online at cornandapple.com.

> KREBS, FROM PG. 3

the convoy of protesters who occupied Parliament Hill in Ottawa this winter.

Last fall, Krebs, on behalf of Things That Matter, appeared before city council to ask that it vote in favour of Winkler becoming a "sanctuary city" where the provincial health mandates and restrictions relating to COVID-19 would not be enforced. Council voted unanimously against the request.

In the video announcing his mayoral run, Krebs noted running for office was a way for like-minded people to have their voices heard.

"This is a challenge to all of us. We have a unique position in these municipal elections to be a part of the change," he said, urging others at the Winnipeg eatery that day to consider running for their local council or school board. "You can make your mark. And if more of us stand togeth-

er and do those things that we are called to do, this will be a memorable moment in the history books of Manitoba. We can effect change.

"This is your ticket to the party. If you put your name on a ballot you get invited to the party ... now they come looking for you and they want to know what you have to say. Then you get a platform. And that's primarily my reason to do it, because now I'm officially right on their radar and I'm not going anywhere, and we're going to fight for this because it's worth fighting for."

Krebs is going up against longtime Winkler Councillor Henry Siemens, who declared his intention to run for mayor earlier this year.

Winkler's current mayor, Martin Harder, is not seeking re-election after 16 years in office.

Voters head to the polls Oct. 26.



End of an era at Winkler clinic

By Ashleigh Viveiros

When Jim Neufeld first stepped into the top administrative role at the Winkler medical clinic 22 years ago, both the community and the clinic were very different places from what they are today.

The facility—then located in a small building further down Main St. from its current, sprawling location in the ALG Professional Centre—was home to just 10 doctors, serving a population nearly half the size of what it is

Today, the CW Wiebe Medical Centre has 47 physicians working alongside nearly 100 clinical and support staff. And, since moving into its current building downtown two decades ago, the clinic has steadily grown to encompass more spaces throughout the former mall, doubling its original size there. Last winter, plans to build a standalone expansion across the street were announced.

It's been quite a ride, Neufeld reflected last week ahead of his impending retirement this fall.

"I was fortunate to show up at the right time ... there were lots to do and

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lots of things to work at," he said, noting work on getting the new clinic up and running was already underway when he started back in 2000, but he got the chance to help see it through to fruition, along with all the other growth that has occurred in the decades since.

"That's a real testament to lots of people," Neufeld stressed. "So many people have worked very hard at the development of the medical community here.

"Obviously the physician group itself and all the initiatives they've taken, the support from the community, from the City and the surrounding municipalities, and the Winkler and District Health Care Board ... it's been a great partnership and lots and lots of people have done a lot of really good stuff to contribute to the success that we've had here."

Seeing that steady growth and getting the chance to work with so many people dedicated to the betterment of the community is what has kept Neufeld in the role for so long. He came to it with no experience in health care but a great deal of management know-how from his time running Penner Foods.

"The job itself I've really enjoyed from the point of view that it was still sort of managing and growing a business, of sorts, but it's a community social service," he reflected, "so you feel that you're giving back to your community and trying to address the needs that people have."

Retirement has been on Neufeld's mind for a few years now, but the pandemic caused him to push pause



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Jim Neufeld (left) is retiring after 22 years heading up the CW Wiebe Medical Centre. Stepping into the executive director role is Terry Penner (right), who started last week.

on the idea

"I think we first started talking about it in 2019. And then the pandemic showed up and that didn't seem like a good time to leave," he said. "We finally got back to the conversation now ... it felt like it was time."

Neufeld will remain on staff at the clinic for the next several weeks, helping to transition his successor into the role.

After that, he has no firm plans, though he's open to potentially remaining involved, on occasion, with special projects.

"There may be an option that if at

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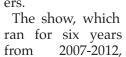
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Children are not property

vounger, they used to watch the Nickelodeon show iCarly because almost everyone's kids watched the show iCarly.

Like most kids shows it was gen-

erally goofy and very lightly challenged authority all good things for kids to grow up with so they can learn to become independent thinkers.





Bv Peter Cantelon

centered around the character of Carly Shay, a teenager who starts her own web-based vlog with her friends Sam Puckett and Freddie Benson. It was popular enough that it was brought back in 2021 to catch up on adult Carly and deal with her adult circumstances.

All in all, a wholesome and relatively harmless program for kids ... one would think.

Recently, iCarly co-star Jeanette Mc-Curdy (who played Sam) released an autobiography. One immediately wonders what a 30-year-old could detail in an autobiography. Apparently quite a lot.

The provocative title of McCurdy's book is I'm Glad My Mom Died. Really. That's the title. McCurdy's mom did die of breast cancer in 2013 when McCurdy was 21 years old and the autobiography details years of very

hen my kids destructive abuse she suffered from her mother and the entertainment industry, none of which I will go into here because much of it is too horrific for these pages.

Sadly, McCurdy's story, like so many others (not just child actors), starts with a domineering parent who forces their dreams of success on their children. A parent who is so lost in their own delusions that they come to believe that their dreams are their children's dreams.

I understand the temptation to treat children like property, like little blank androids that you have to ensure succeed at whatever cost. I mean, we love our kids and want the best for them. Sometimes however that drive to equip children becomes a pathologically unhealthy drive to make them accomplish the dreams we were never going to fulfill for ourselves.

You hear it all the time. "My child is going to be the next Wayne Gretzky," which eventually becomes "My child is going to play in the NHL" which becomes "My child will be the best player in the province" and so on and so forth until you are a parent oozing self-pity and disappointment.

A parent's job is to equip their children to grow up and survive and hopefully thrive in the world we brought them into. A parent's role is to help their child discover their dream and foster it as best we can. Most importantly a parent's role is to love and support their children no matter where their dreams take them. We offer advice and mentorship but at the end of the day we honour our children's choices—we do not force those choices upon them.

We certainly do not say ridiculous things like, "I gave up everything so that you could FILL IN THE BLANK" because as kids they didn't really have a choice, especially if you strapped tiny little skates to their feet when they were 18 months old and handed them a cute little hockey stick and said, "See, they're a natural."

If there is one thing you say to your kids regularly it should be: "No matter who you become and what you choose to do with your life know that I love you and will support you."

And you need to mean it because they will know when you are lying (kids are smart that way). This was one of the greatest gifts my mum gave

I wish Jeanette McCurdy well as

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Ike Friesen to run for reeve in RM of Stanley

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Ike Friesen has thrown his hat in the ring for the reeve's chair in the RM of Stanley.

The first-term councillor and current

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deputy reeve last week announced his candidacy for the upcoming municipal election.

"I've enjoyed working the past four years as councillor a lot," Friesen said. "With the staff that we have here and the whole council, it's been a good expe-

"I've learned a lot and I've been deputy

reeve for a year and a half now so I feel like I've gotten more aware of what's going on," he said. "There's a few projects we have in the works that I'd like to see through to finish."

Helping the municipality continue to thrive is a priority for Friesen.

"Our region is growing, so how to develop it properly is one of the things" he's eager to tackle should he

be elected as reeve.

Part of that is figuring out how new developments might best fit into existing communities and rural neighborhoods.

"We're a growing region and people want to live in the country," Friesen said, acknowledging that sometimes new developments are greeted with pushback from existing residents

unhappy with how they're laid out. "Let's make it better, then. Let's do it better so that it does accommodate everyone.

"I love to see connectivity in com-

munities," he continued. "I'd like to see more sidewalks ... we are putting one in from Schanzenfeld to Winkler now, and this corridor path [between Morden and Winkler] is getting further along. And even within the villages, if we can make connectivity better for walking, cycling, that's important to me."

Friesen, who has served as the councillor for Ward 2 this past term, farms in the area and also owns a business in the corridor (Friesens Sales & Rentals).

"So I'm pretty involved in the area and the community," he said on what he feels he'd bring to the role of reeve. "I feel that I work well with people. I can listen. That's been one of the things I think I've done a good job at the past few years.

Voters head to the polls Oct. 26.

Friesen is the only person thus far to declare his intention to run for reeve in Stanley.



SUPPLIED PHOTO RM of Stanley Deputy Reeve Ike Friesen is putting his name forward to run for

Current reeve Morris Olafson is not seeking re-election. He announced this spring he plans to step away from politics after three terms in office.

reeve in this fall's election.

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some point there's a need for a short period of time for a specific project or process, I might show my face around here again in the future, but none of that's been decided."

PENNER TAKES THE HELM

Stepping up to fill Neufeld's shoes is Terry Penner, who started as the clinic's executive director last week.

Penner is no stranger to public service, having spent 25 years with Garden Valley School Division as its secretary-treasurer before leaving for a role with Grandeur Housing last year.

Although he very much enjoyed his time working in the private sector, this position offered an opportunity Penner knew he couldn't pass up.

"I realized the public sector ... just seems to be a better fit for who I am both personally and professionally," he said. "I just wanted a chance to make a difference somewhere."

> CANTELON, FROM PG. 6

she heals from the significant damage done to her by her mum and am pleased to report her book sold out within 24 hours and is well reviewed

Penner is excited for what the future holds for the CW Wiebe Medical Centre and what his part will be in helping it achieve its goals.

"I get the opportunity to influence the organization, hopefully in a good way, in a healthy, positive, growing way," he observed.

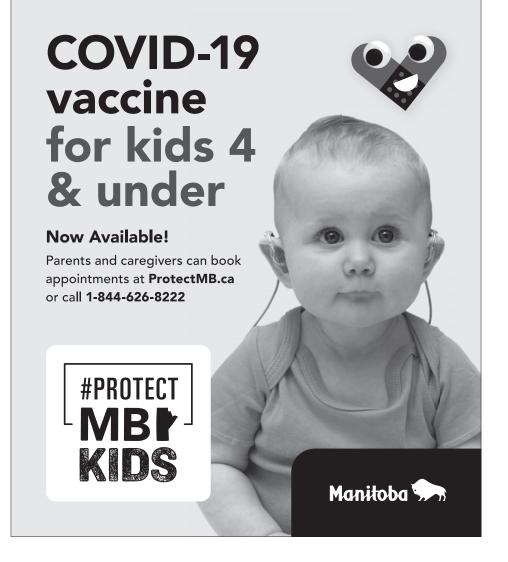
"Health care is not a sector that I have much experience in, but I've come to realize that people are people, and I think people around here are committed to helping others in terms of their health care needs. This feels like a good fit for me."

Penner is pleased Neufeld is sticking around for a few weeks to pass on some of what he's learned over the vears.

"He's done some amazing work in this organization, with the people in this organization," Penner said. "My goal is to try and continue that trajectory as best I possible can."

by the likes of the New York Times and others.

Children are not property. They are the future on loan to us for a little bit.



Winkler Library's new garden named "Eleanor's Reading Nook"

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The anonymous donor helping to make the Winkler Library's new reading garden a reality was revealed last week to be Mayor Martin Harder and his family.

The Harders gathered at the construction site Friday afternoon to unveil a plaque naming the garden "Eleanor's Reading Nook" in memory of the late Eleanor Harder.

His wife was a voracious reader, Harder said, recalling she would get him to borrow extra library books on her behalf just so she'd have enough to make it through the month.

"She struggled from 1987 on with lupus, so therefore her joy in life was just sitting with a book and being able to read," he said. "She couldn't go out, so that's where she spent her time."

Eleanor passed away in 2014. Harder and their children (son Darryl Harder and daughters Lyn Rousay and Rhonda Friesen) have been looking for a way to honour her legacy in the community, and the reading garden seemed the perfect fit.

"The library was very important to her," Harder said, observing this project truly represents who his wife was and what she loved. "We just thought it was a great idea."

"Growing up she always had stacks of books in the house and she whipped through them like they were Dr. Seuss, she read so fast," shared Darryl. "She absolutely loved it ... coming here and just [getting] every book she could get her hands on."

The reading garden is going up on the library's north lawn. It will include several tables and chairs, benches, perennial flower beds, two pergolas, and a garden plot for kids. There will be both a fenced-off area and a smaller patio space outside the fence that will be accessible after-hours.

Harder suspects his wife would have been a bit overwhelmed to have this space named for her.

"She would say, 'Oh, don't do that for me," he laughed. "She was a very humble, very giving lady, investing her entire life into the lives of others."

Plans originally called for this \$70,000 project to be done in phases over the next few years, but grants, donations from the community at large, and the Harder family gift has made it possible for work to be completed much faster.

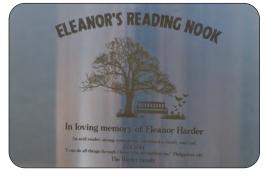
"Rather than being five years before the whole thing is finished,



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From left: Rhonda Friesen, Lyn Rousay, Jess Martens of the Winkler Library, Martin Harder, and Darryl Harder unveiled a plaque last week naming the library's new reading garden "Eleanor's Reading Nook" in memory of wife and mother Eleanor Harder.

we're looking at a year, essentially, from start to finish when we get the plants in next spring," said branch administrator Jess Martens, thanking everyone who has supported the fundraising campaign and the Harders especially for their generosity. "It's



really advanced the timeline and it's made it so that people can enjoy the garden way sooner.

"There's a lot of space back here," Martens observed. "And we wanted to put it to good use."

Two local students named to advisory council

By Voice staff

Two students from our region will get the chance to share their thoughts on public education with the provincial government.

Morden Collegiate's Bijan Salimi (Gr. 12) and Roseau Valley School's Brianne Judson (Gr. 11) have been named to the 2022-23 Student Advisory Council. This year's council is made up of 30 Manitoba youth aged 14 to 18 from across the province.

"I would like to congratulate the new and returning members on their

appointments to the 2022-23 Student Advisory Council, thank them for their commitment to education in Manitoba and offer my appreciation for their willingness to serve on the council," said Education and Early Childhood Learning Minister Wayne Ewasko last week. "I look forward to hearing directly from the members of this year's council on what is needed to improve student outcomes and well-being in Manitoba schools."

The Student Advisory Council provides insights and advice on current and emerging issues and topics af-

fecting Kindergarten to Grade 12 students.

"The experience on the Student Advisory Council has truly been eye-opening," Salimi said in a press release earlier this year. He's served on the council this past year. "It has shown me that we have gone far too long without hearing marginalized voices in the decision-making process and I am glad this historic council has and will continue to change that."

Over the 2021-22 term, council members met eight times to discuss and provide input on various topics,

which helped to inform several of Manitoba's K-12 Education Action Plan priority items. Topics included mental health and well-being, curriculum and assessment, the action plan itself, poverty and education, student presence and attendance, and a suspension and exclusionary practice policy.

Council members for 2022-23 will serve a 12-month term starting this September and ending in August 2023





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Stanley council defers decision on proposed development

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The RM of Stanley council has opted to defer its decision on a proposed new residential development northwest of Morden.

A public hearing Aug. 18 saw about a dozen area residents come out to speak against the project, which they say is far too dense for the space.

The subdivision calls for 25 houses to be built on nearly 60 acres of land bordered by Road 31W and Road 15N. Plans include space for a park at the corner of the property and a new road that will wind its way through the development.

Across the road from this proposed subdivision are 10 existing houses, the owners of which are all against the plan.

"I believe the RM deserves better than the current proposal," Karla Warkentin said in her appeal to council to reconsider the project.

Homeowners who spoke out about the development characterized it (with its multiple houses and required street lights) as being better suited for a village or town setting than a rural neighbourhood.

"I am not against a development there, I almost expected one to go in, but I would expect a development that enhances the development that is there, not encroach upon it," noted resident Brenda Johnson.

Concerns were also raised about the increased amount of traffic so many houses will bring to what is already a busy area, the loss of established trees, and the location of the proposed park near a windy and dusty intersection.

One existing resident who has a commercial beekeeping operation also worried about what impact this will have on the business, both in terms of disruption to the bees and potential frustration from new neighbours unhappy to be living so close to such an operation.

In his response, developer John Froese noted this area was designated by the municipality for potential rural residential development 17 years ago.

The plan has fewer lots facing Road 31W than are there currently in the development across the street, he pointed out, and the houses in this new development will be located in the centre of two-acre lots, leaving lots of space between neighbours for privacy.

When it come to access points onto Road 31W, Froese noted the plan, when you include the few driveways facing Road 31W as well as the new road going into the development, calls for half that of the existing neighbourhood across the street.

Froese also noted they would be happy to make the existence of the beekeeping operation known to future buyers ahead of time.

"WE FEEL AMBUSHED"

In addition to taking issue with the development itself, several residents voiced frustration they weren't notified of these plans sooner.

Homeowners in the area were invited to meet with the developer to discuss the project just one week before the public hearing.

It left the community with little time to draft a response and a sense that their concerns aren't likely to be heard, Warkentin said, since the project plans are complete and simply awaiting final approval from council.

"I feel the process is unfair and quite frankly we feel ambushed," she said, urging council to reconsider how early in the planning process developers must consult current homeowners in

Right now, Warkentin said, "people feel their voices don't matter. Developers can do whatever they want with few restrictions."

DEFERRING A DECISION

Deputy Reeve Ike Friesen, who was leading the meeting in the absence of Reeve Morris Olafson, called for council's decision on this matter to be deferred to a later date.

"There are some things that can be addressed," he said, noting the RM will speak with the developer about some of the concerns raised and notify residents when a second hearing on the matter will be held.

After the meeting, Friesen said this development was created following all the necessary guidelines.

"Everything was done as policy states," he said, noting residents were given the two weeks notice of the pubic hearing required by the province.

Whether those requirements should be changed "is a provincial decision, so it's not something we can change right away," he said, acknowledging, however, "what could have been done, possibly, is the developer could have reached out to them sooner."

That said, "this area was designated [for potential residential use] at the same time as their properties were designated," Friesen said of the existing homeowners.

The Aug. 18 meeting also saw council approve the borrowing of \$3 million to build a new reservoir out by the Boundary Trails Health Centre. The \$6.7 million project costs are be-

ing shared 50/50 between the RM and the Manitoba Water Services Board. In addition to borrowing, the RM is also using some of its gax tax revenue for the project.

Work on the reservoir (located directly south of the hospital's helipad on land donated to the project by Southern Health-Santé Sud) is already underway and will provide a more secure source of water not just for the hospital but the entire area around it. The resevoir will have a capacity of four million litres and be able to better balance flows and pressure requirements as needed.

"Last year found out how we really needed more water in the area," Friesen said of the if they need it."



2021 drought conditions that put a strain on the entire water system in the Pembina Valley. "This will relieve some of the existing systems ... it will allow us to change the way the water is being routed. It will be a big relief to the area and to the hospital.

"And also for fire safety in the area—there will be a large amount of water right there in our corridor to get



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Access Credit Union hosted its annual summer-end celebration, Movie in the Park, last week at Morden Park. The evening included a showing of Encanto on two giant inflatable screens (above), free snacks, a chance to meet some of the characters from the movie (left), and a fire dancing show after dark. Access also hosted Movie in the Park events in Eriksdale and Oakbank last week.

Province to launch new transport system for low-acuity patients

By Voice staff

The Manitoba government last week announced plans to create a new patient transport service in our area.

Shared Health has issued a request for proposals for a service that will be tasked with getting low-acuity patients from hospitals and care homes to other facilities for medical appointments, diagnostic tests, or treatment.

"The transport of low-acuity inpatients to and from health-care facilities can be a prolonged process that takes ambulances in rural Manitoba out of service for hours," said Health Minister Audrey Gordon on Friday. "Establishing a transport service specifically for these patients will reduce the demand for paramedics to complete these journeys, allowing them to remain in or near the community for emergency calls."

Low-acuity transport was recently piloted in a few communities and will now be formally established with base locations in Brandon, Selkirk and the Winkler/Morden area.

Each location will serve a wide catchment area within its health region and include trips to Winnipeg for care, with the intention of growing the service to other communities in the future, said Gordon.

Ambulance services outside of Winnipeg have historically been used to complete all inter-facility transports, primarily because patients and clients often need the benefit and comfort of being transported on a stretcher, the province noted, but don't necessar-

ily require care from paramedics en route.

"In most inter-facility transport situations, the patient or client will not require ongoing clinical supports during their journey," said Dr. Rob Grierson, chief medical officer for emergency response services, Shared Health. "Creating a low-acuity transport not only offers patients the right kind of care during their transport, it frees up highly skilled paramedics and ambulances to respond to emergency calls and high-acuity transports."

Opposition Leader Wab Kinew of the NDP questioned the government's plan to privatize this aspect of health care in Manitoba.

"Rather than hire more rural paramedics to fix our staffing crisis, the [Progressive Conservatives] are bringing in a private company to transport seniors and other patients across the province," he said in a statement following the announcement. "That's after they closed EMS stations across the province.

"We've seen what happens when for-profit companies are in charge of patient transport—they put profit ahead of safe care. The PC government should be focused on hiring more paramedics in rural Manitoba."

A similar low-acuity inter-facility service has been in place within Winnipeg for several years now.

It's anticipated the rural service will be up and running by the end of the year.

arts&culture

Lulu and the TomCat perform in Winkler Aug. 31

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Thanks to the pandemic, it's been a good long while since the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall has been able to welcome musical performers

That drought ends next week as Lulu and the TomCat bring their interactive family show to Winkler on Wednesday, Aug. 31.

The Juno-nominated duo, also known as Roland's Tom and Lori Neufeld, have made appearances at a number of outdoor community events over the past few months, but they are very much looking forward to performing in the more intimate and controlled setting the concert hall

"It's really a privilege to be the first concert there since COVID," observed Lori. "It's a beautiful concert hall."

Indoor performances certainly come with some benefits, chimed in Tom, recalling the strong winds they had to contend with at the Teddy Bear Picnic in Winkler a few months back.

"There's a lot of things that can happen in a gale-force wind," he said, laughing. "Like your music stand blowing over and your props blowing away.

"In the concert hall you've got this beautiful stage, you've got perfect lighting, perfect sound, and it's so much more focused."

Focused, sure, but no less fun for kids and adults alike—Lulu and the TomCat are known for getting audience members up on their feet dancing along with their favourite tunes.

"They can certainly expect fun, because we love to have fun," said Lori. "We do lots of interactive music and activities ... things that get people back into an active kind of music ex-

"We've been doing quite a bit of that this summer and I notice that the kids just love it," she added. "Being able to participate again and have live performances that are interactive they're very responsive and they seem to crave it ... some of them are quite young, so they've maybe never had that live experience before.

"It's so nice to see the kids, to see them smiling, to see the parents playing along with us as well," Tom said. "We've missed that so much."

While in-person performances, especially in the colder months, were a challenge for awhile there through the pandemic, the Neufelds kept busy playing music however and wherever



SUPPLIED PHOTO

Lulu and the TomCat perform at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler next week. It's the first big musical performance at the hall since the pandemic began.

they could.

"We did a lot of Zoom concerts," Tom said. "And we've done quite a number of outside things, which is a

different way of approaching it and a nice way to keep in touch with peo-

They also took advantage of some of the downtime to simply enjoy playing for fun.

Typically when we're very busy with shows we're rehearsing a lot," Tom said. "Whereas the last few years we've had a lot more time to just play music ... we'll just pick up a music book and start playing through one end and go to the other."

They've had some fun stretching their talents with different kinds of music, and they've also kept busy writing new songs and putting a unique spin on a few traditional tunes.

"We've changed them up, made them different, made them our own, things like that—a little bit more experimentation," said Tom. "We think that we've used our time wisely so now that we've got these opportunities to get back into it, get back on stage, it's fuel for the fire."

The show starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are available online at www.winklerconcerthall.ca or in person at the Meridian Exhibition Centre.



Suncatch Sounds

There was a show of support for Ukraine Friday evening in between sets at the Crocus Suncatch Sounds show, with local students performing some traditional dance. The evening otherwise featured singer-songwriter Mason Weselowski followed by the Bare Yogis. The final show of the summer series is planned for Sept. 9 with Silas Presley and Lakes & Pines.

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PTM hosts Reunion Days Sept. 2-3

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Threshermen's Museum (PTM) is gearing up for its biggest event of the year September long weekend.

Reunion Days are back Sept. 2-3 with a host of "blast from the past" activities.

It's been a few years since they've been able to host a full-fledged Reunion Days, noted PTM summer staffer Justina Berg, and they're eager to welcome people back for it.

"They had something last year but it was a little smaller than usual," she said. "So this year we're trying to get more back to normal."

The fun runs each day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Valley Harvest Maids will be serving up lunch for purchase daily from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. On the menu is perogies, farmer's sausage, an assortment of sides, and dessert.

"They'll also be serving apple pie and ice cream later in the afternoon," Berg says, noting you can also purchase homemade bread baked in the museum's outdoor oven and cinnamon buns.

The General Store will also be open all weekend long, offering sweet treats and cold drinks for sale.

Many of the museum's heritage buildings will be manned by costumed volunteers, providing a glimpse into our area's pioneer past. The church, for example, will have live music both mornings starting at 10 a.m.

The weekend will also include threshing, sawmill, flour milling, blacksmith, and spinning demonstrations.

"We're also going to have a tractor parade both days at 1:30 p.m.," Berg said, noting it will be filled with antique tractors and other vintage vehicles.



VOICE FILE PHOTO

The Pembina Threshermen's Museum comes to life Sept. 2-3 with the 54th annual Reunion Days.

Kids can also enjoy a petting zoo, barrel train rides, and interactive education stations showcasing everyday pioneer tasks like corn grinding and rope making.

Finally, the main stage will feature musical performances starting at 3 p.m. both days.

Whether you're a regular at the museum or a first-time visitor, there's no shortage of activities to enjoy at Reunion Days, Berg says.

"If you come to the museum on a

normal day, there isn't all of this stuff going on," she says. "But for Reunion Days, there's all these demonstrations, there's food available ... the threshing demonstrations only happen on Reunion Days and tractor parades only happen on special event days.

"So I'd say there's the most to see here on Reunion Days."

Admission is \$10. Kids 10 and under get in for free.

Learn more online at threshermens-museum.com.

Lace Up Your Way next month for Diabetes Canada

"LACE UP ALLOWS YOU

WELLNESS JOURNEY NO

MATTER YOUR ACTIVITY

TO SUPPORT YOUR

LEVEL."

By Lorne Stelmach

Like many people, there is a personal motivation for Stephanie Klassen to get involved with Diabetes Canada.

Hailing from Winkler but now in Steinbach, Klassen has lived with diabetes for 30 years since being diagnosed at age four.

In addition, her sister and boyfriend are also diabetic, and her oldest son was just diagnosed in June, so she is participating in the Lace Up Your Way fundraising challenge for them as well as herself.

"My family in Winkler is going to have a team as well, and my company also has a team in it," Klassen said as she sought to promote the event that takes place through the month of September

People are encouraged to challenge themselves or rally a team to #LaceUpYourWay and raise funds by choosing the activity and pace, with every distance and dollar helping to make a difference in the lives of people living with diabetes or pre-diabe-

The goals for Manitoba and Saskatchewan are to have 276 participants and \$77,000 in raised funds. Lace Up Your Way originated in Manitoba, and the 2020 event nation-wide had 450 participants who raised about \$150,000. Those totals jumped to almost 1,200 people who raised about \$450,000 last year.

"It was quite a significant increase in one year ... and we had 386 communities across the country participate last year," said Kelly Lambkin, senior

manager, of community fundraising and events for the prairies region.

"We have a pretty passionate diabetes community," she said, noting as well over 40 per cent of people who sign up are there in support of someone close to them. "I think that is

incredibly powerful as a community as a whole that we support one anoth-

"I think it's nice that we are able to have something across Canada that can bring small communities together," agreed Amy Peters, who works with fundraising and events as well as social media for the organization. "An event like Lace Up brings diabetes to the forefront," she said. "It's one of those diseases where you don't see it, and a lot of people don't talk about it because of the care that goes into it"

It is estimated about 11.7 million Canadians have diabetes, including around 412,000 Manitobans with diabetes and pre-diabetes.

Type 1 diabetes makes up about 10 per cent of the population nationally and Type 2 about 90 per cent.

For Klassen, she is thankful about how far things have come in terms of treating and managing the disease, especially now that she is help-

ing her son with it.

"Going to all the appointments with him, everything is so different from when I was a teenager ... just night and day difference, so it's interesting to walk through this journey with him.

"Diabetes management has changed like crazy since I was diagnosed," she

continued. "I have an insulin pump. I've been on that for about four or five years and that's been life changing for me

"It's great how much further we've come in our knowledge of diabetes and how we can manage it so much better."

Lambkin noted Lace Up Your Way is not only important in terms of fundraising but in bringing people together around a common cause.

"Really, over COVID, it was probably a really significant time to come together and support one another, not just with diabetes but all people with chronic disease in the community as a whole," she suggested.

"The most powerful thing for me is with story telling ... you get to know a lot of people who really wanted to share their stories and their personal journey," she said. "And Lace Up allows you to support your wellness journey no matter your activity level.

"There's no limitations as far as what you want to do," said Peters. "Whatever you're comfortable with that will challenge you. It's about the follow through more than anything else."

You can find more information online at www.diabetes.ca.



Wondrous WEDDINGS

5 trendy wedding colours for 2022

If you're planning a wedding but still undecided about what colour scheme to use, consider choosing a hue that's in vogue in 2022. Here are five trending wedding colours.

1. EGG-YOLK YELLOW

This vibrant and energetic shade is perfect for summer weddings. It goes great with white, grey, light pink and black.

2. TERRACOTTA PINK

This vintage shade of pink will add a touch of romance to your big day. It's a delicate colour that can be paired with other pastels like blue, yellow and pearl grey.



3. DENIM BLUE

Denim is a versatile colour that's suitable for any season. It can be combined with just about any shade.

4. MINT GREEN

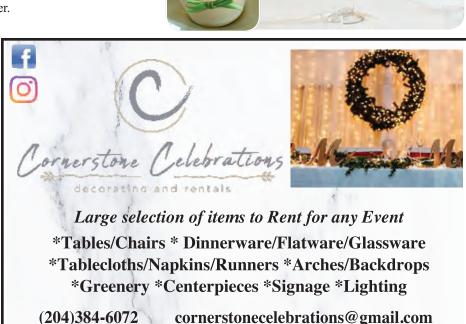
Add a fresh twist to your wedding day with mint green. Pair this colour with black to create a modern look or pastel pink for a whimsical feel.

5. BLACK

Black is chic and can be incorporated into your decor as either an accent shade or focal point. It's both contemporary and

timeless and can make bright colours pop. When combined with gold and silver, black adds elegance and refinement.

To make your celebration a success, consider hiring a professional wedding planner.



Getting remarried: a fresh start

Did you know that many people meet their soulmate after getting a divorce or becoming widowed? In this type of situation, it's perfectly normal to want to make your relationship official by getting remarried.

When you think about it, there are many advantages to getting married again, including not repeating the mistakes you made the first time. If you invited the wrong people, your outfit was uncomfortable or the food was disappointing, you'll be able to make better choices.

In fact, countless exhausted and stressedout newlyweds admit they didn't really enjoy what was supposed to be the best day of their lives. Plus, you'll be less nervous about your second wedding because you've done it before and know what to expect. Consequently, you'll be able to enjoy yourself, and the smiles in your photos will be sincere.

To help make your big day as memorable as possible, consider contacting a wedding planner.







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Championship series goes to game five

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Border Baseball League championship final between the Morden Mud Hens and the Cartwright Twins was going the distance this week.

The deciding game five was slated to take place in Cartwright Tuesday night. Results were not available at press time.

It's been a close, back and forth series thus far.

The Twins drew first blood with a 12-8 win in game one Aug. 14. Morden tied it up 6-4 two nights later.

In game three, the pendulum swung back Cartwright's way 4-3, making game four Sunday night in Morden do-or-die for the home team.

The Mud Hens pulled off a 4-3 victory to force the deciding game five.

The Twins were the West Division champs with a summer record of nine wins and five losses. In the playoffs, Cartwright bested Clearwater and the Pilot Mound Pilots to remain tops in their division.

Morden, meanwhile, finished in third place in the East Division with a record of 8-6. They then knocked the Carman Cardinals and the Winkler Whips out of the playoffs to earn the divisional title before moving on to face the Twins for the league title.



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Morden's Jesse Mutcheson tags out a Twins player at third base in game two of the Border Baseball League's championship series last Tuesday, which Morden won 6-4. Below, left: Cartwright's Von Mullin dives safely back into first base to avoid the tag of Morden's Steve Mullin. Below, right: Mud Hens game star Manny Lantigua is congratulated by teammate Riley Sager

after hitting his second home run of the game and driving in a total of four runs. The series, tied at 2-2, will be decided in game five this Tuesday in Cartwright.





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Central Charge wins AA provincial title

By Voice staff

A new local team certainly proved their mettle this summer.

The Central Charge AA softball team came home from the U15 AA Girls Provincial Championship in Brandon Aug. 13-14 with the gold medal in tow.

The ladies started strong with a round robin record of 3-1, besting North Fury 9-3, Manitoba Reapers 16-1, and Westman South Storm 16-12 before stumbling against the Eastman Blaze to lose the match 6-2.

They then eked out a 7-6 win over the Storm in the semi-final game to earn a crack at the title.

The final match saw them take on the Blaze. This time, though, they left the field as winners, taking the game and the championship 13-12.

"After going up early in the game, Eastman fought back to tie it in the bottom of the seventh inning," shares coach Keith Graham. "In the bottom of the seventh with bases loaded, Sa-

debrand drove the ball to the outfield with Sophie Cenerini tagging up on third base. [Cenerini] raced in to score the winning run.

"The game couldn't have been any closer," he says. "It was a pretty wild

This is Central Charge's first year as a team. They're made up of players from Carman, Morden, Miami, Winkler, Notre Dame de Lourdes, Morris, and Portage La Prairie.

Graham notes the program has been in the works for a few years now.

"There is so much softball talent around Manitoba, with very limited AAA programs to play for," he says. "This gives the girls a chance to showcase their talents in more competitive ball as well as continue development in the sport."

Earlier this summer the team competed in two showcase tournaments in Brandon and Headingly. Their record for the season overall was a solid



Back row, from left: Coach Erin Peters, Ella Harkness (Portage La Prairie), Emma Klassen (Winkler), Samara Hildebrand (Winkler), Carly Sotheran (Carman), Sophie Cenerini (Notre Dame de Lourdes), Kayla Nikkel (Morden), Rory Lumgair (Morden), Darcy Epp (Morris), coach Keith Graham. Front row, from left: Summer Davison (Morden), Hannah Graham (Miami), Heidi Reimer (Winkler), and Leah.

"Everyone on the team is a very strong player who plays their position well. Pitching was strong, fielding was great, and our hitting is solid throughout the whole team," Graham says. "I think a few people had us being a favorite going into provincials but the way every team was playing throughout the year it could have gone to anyone. We knew we had to be sharp going into the tournament.

"I'm extremely proud of the girls.

Coming into the season you never know what to expect when you throw people together from different towns. They turned into great teammates right away and worked really hard to finish off the year with a provincial championship.

"I am very happy the girls were able to be rewarded for their hard work throughout the year. I couldn't have asked for a better group of kids."





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Jui Jitsu Summer Challenge

The Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Summer Challenge took over the Winkler Centennial Arena Saturday, pitting nearly 300 competitors of all ages and skill levels from across Manitoba against one another. The event was hosted by Level MMA, a local mixed martial arts studio, whose competitors earned 12 gold medals, 19 silver, and 22 bronze at the competition and had a win-loss ratio of 67-103.



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FACEBOOK.COM/WINKLERBARRACUDASSWIMTEAM

The Winkler Barracudas wrapped up their season last weekend by winning the Swim Manitoba Summer Swim's Large Club High Point Award. The team competed at meets in Treherne, Winkler, Manitou, Neepawa, and, finally, Beausejour this summer, swimming away with countless podium finishes and personal bests.

Team 'Toba wins 37 medals at Canada Games

Our region represented by 10 athletes, coaches, and mission staff

By Voice staff

Team Manitoba brought home 37 medals from the 2022 Canada Summer Games.

The Games ran Aug. 6-21 in Niagara, Ontario and included 370 athletes representing our province.

Team 'Toba earned 10 gold medals, 10 silver, and 17 bronze in a variety of sports.

Our region was well-represented at the Games by a number of local athletes, coaches, and mission staff, including:

- Ethan Giesbrecht, Altona, baseball. Team Manitoba finished seventh in baseball, rounding out their time at the Games by beating New Brunswick 10-2 in the 7th/8th place game Aug 12
- Natalie Gundrum, Swan Lake, pole vault and high jump. Gundrum

finished 14th in the nation in the high jump event.

- Cala Korman, Killarney, golf. Korman finished 13 out of 20 competitors in her event.
- Alexa Guilford, Crystal City, and Abbi Conrad, Swan Lake, softball. Team 'Toba finished sixth after falling to Alberta 5-3 in their final game.
- Justin Morgan, Morden, wrestling. Manitoba's team ranked sixth in wrestling overall and Morgan individually finished in seventh place in his weight group.
- Brock Becker, Winkler, wrestling. Becker finished in sixth place in his weight group.
- Peter Becker, Winkler, wrestling coach.
- Pat Alexander, Winkler, mission staff.
- Tara Funke-Friesen, Altona, mission staff.

Storm drop pair to Flames

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Storm wrapped up August with a pair of losses at home last weekend.

Winkler welcomed the Bonivital Flames to town for a pair of games Saturday and Sunday.

In game one the home team managed to keep their opponents to just one goal but failed to find the back of the net themselves, losing the match

Sunday's game saw the visitors

score five to Winkler's two. Scoring for the Storm were Tobias Morasch and Ilyas Umar.

That brings Winkler's record for the summer thus far to 3-11-1, which has them in second-last place in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's Premier Division standings, ahead of only Luso Canadian CCS (2-5-3).

The Storm get another crack at the Flames Sept. 1 in Winnipeg. They'll then play Lucania FC Sept. 15 and Hellas SC Sept. 21, both on the road, to close out the regular season.



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Winkler's Clarissa Neufeld rounds a barrel at the Virden Indoor Rodeo last Saturday. Sanctioned by both the Manitoba Rodeo Cowboys Association (MRCA) and Canadian Cowboys Association (CCA), the event is one of the top rodeos in Western Canada and draws contestants from across Canada, the United States, and even Australia and New Zealand. Neufeld didn't win in Virden but she did finish first place later that same day at the Whitewood Chacachas CCA Rodeo in Saskatchewan, once again riding her horse Rocky.

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Local pitcher back on the mound after near-fatal acident

By Ty Dilello

It's been a tough road, but Altona Bisons junior pitcher Jayden Gerbrandt has fully recovered from a near-fatal car accident just three months ago.

On the evening of May 3, Jayden and his girlfriend Erin drove out to Morden to take pictures as a couple to celebrate their two years of dating anniversary. Afterwards, Jayden dropped Erin off in Winkler, where her car was parked, and the couple drove home to Altona in separate vehicles.

"Everything was going normal, but as I was passing Horndean something happened that I don't really remember, but I have flashbacks of seeing a semi no more than 20 feet in front of me," recalled Gerbrandt. "I panicked and shot a last-second effort to get out of the way. I nailed my passenger front side with the semi and did a full spin facing the other way with my truck ending up on the opposite shoulder."

The next thing Gerbrandt remembers was waking up to people around his truck asking if he was okay. He was able to talk to them but couldn't keep his eyes open because they had shards of glass in them.

Once emergency services showed up, firefighters cut open the driver's seat door and swung it open. The paramedics then put a neck brace on Gerbrandt, and from there, he was able to climb up out of the truck, walk to the stretcher, and sit down.

"I was unable to lay down due to all the pain in my abdomen. So they put me in the ambulance and drove me to Boundary Trails hospital where I was for approximately two hours before I was rushed to the Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg because I had internal bleeding.

> "I WAS IN THE HOSPITAL A TOTAL OF SIX DAYS AND THEN WAS ABLE TO GO HOME, TO THE SURPRISE OF A LOT OF PEOPLE ..."





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WAS QUICKER THAN ...

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Altona's Jayden Gerbrandt is lucky to be alive after surviving a near-fatal car accident near Horndean back in May, Left: Gerbrandt delivers a pitch following a three-month recovery period following the accident.

"They had to remove four inches out of my small intestine, patch up my perforated colon, and also repair my abdominal wall. I was in the hospital a total of six days and then was able to go home to the surprise of a lot of people, including myself and the nurses.'

When Gerbrandt got out of the hospital, it took some time to get used to not being able to use his core muscles, as well as the fatigue he experienced after doing simple tasks. But overall, the recovery was surprisingly quick.

Just two months later, Gerbrandt was back playing baseball as he joined the junior Bisons for the start of playoffs. He helped Altona win the series against Pembina Valley and then played in the second game in the semi-final series with St. James. Gerbrandt was planning to start on the mound for Altona in the third and decisive game.

However, St. James protested that Gerbrandt was an ineligible player because he hadn't played in five regular season games this summer, which is an MJBL rule. The MJBL agreed with St. James, and despite Altona's appeal, the ruling stood, and Gerbrandt wasn't allowed to play.

"I was unable to play the third game

of our series with St. James because of the league refusing to rethink the decision of me being unable to play. I'm quite disappointed in the president of Baseball Manitoba for the reasons he said I was ineligible."

Despite the ruling from Baseball Manitoba, Gerbrandt is thankful he was even able to get back on the field and start playing again so soon after the injury.

"I went from being unable to sit up without support to playing baseball and being back at work within three months. That doesn't happen very often. I was anticipating missing the

whole baseball season, but my recovery was quicker than I and everybody else expected, and I was able to play four games this year. Even though I couldn't play at my full potential, it felt really good to be back on the diamond."

Life has really become a lot more precious for Gerbrandt since the accident. It was an eye opener that life can be taken in a blink of an eye and that

we need to be ready for it.

"I'm so thankful for everybody in the emergency services that helped, as without them, I wouldn't be here today," he said. "And especially to STARS [air ambulance] for their quick work and response time. They are

a huge part of the medical community. They save so many lives every day, and mine is now one of them. Another big thank you would be to all the prayers and support for both my family and me. It was a huge help, and we are all very thankful

"I would like to add one more thank you

to all the people of Horndean," Gerbrandt said. "How quickly they came to check on and talk to me and as well all the people who kept my girlfriend calm and looked after her. She was in her car behind me when the accident happened and was one of the first people on the scene. So for them to keep her calm and keep her safe was

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS Rural Municipality of Stanley

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days: September 14, 15, 16, 19, and 20, 2022

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Rural Municipality of Stanley office, 1-23111 PTH 14W, Stanley, Manitoba, nominations will be received for the offices of:

Reeve and six Councillors of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is September 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters of the authority or ward (as the case may be). Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, by an agent, by mail or fax, on the date and hours specified. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the Local Authority at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Dan Giesbrecht

Senior Election Official (S.E.O.) Rural Municipality of Stanley Phone: 204-325-4101

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Dated at Stanley, Manitoba on August 25, 2022.

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS RHINELAND MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days: September 14th, 15th, 16th, 19th and 20th, 2022

between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm at the following

location Rhineland Municipal Office - 109-3rd Avenue NE Altona, MB

I or my Assistant S.E.O. will receive nominations for the offices of REEVE, COUNCILLORS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

Reeve - One (1) to be elected

Councillors - Ward 1 - Two (2) to be elected

Ward 2 - Two (2) to be elected

Ward 3 - Two (2) to be elected

Committee Members - LUD of Gretna - Three (3) to be elected

LUD of Gretna – Three (3) to be elected LUD of Plum Coulee – Three (3) to be elected LUD of Rosenfeld – Three (3) to be elected

of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 20th at 4.30 pm</u>. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above locations, on the date and hours specified, by an official agent, or by fax. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number listed below or at the Rhineland Municipality Office in Altona.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Dated at Altona, Manitoba on August 24th, 2022.

Jake Bergen Senior Election Official Rhineland Municipality Phone (204) 324-7693 or (204) 324-5357 Fax (204) 324-1516 Email – bergenj42@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE



Prairie Rose School Division PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS AND BY-LAW 85-22 – WARD CHANGES

At the Special Board Meeting of July 26, 2022, the Board passed By-Law 85-22, being a by-law to re-establish the boundaries of the wards and the number of trustees in each ward. The newly established areas are listed below.

• Ward 1 - Miami/Roseisle - One Trustee

Ward 2 - Roland/Homewood/Sperling - One Trustee

• Ward 3 - Carman/Graysville - Two Trustees

Ward 4 - Elm Creek/Fannystelle - One Trustee

• Ward 5 - Elie - One Trustee

• Ward 6 - St. François Xavier - One Trustee

• Ward 7 - St. Eustache - One Trustee

• Ward 8 - St. Laurent/St. Ambroise - One Trustee Please visit our website for a revised ward map at www.prsdmb.ca.

School trustee elections are set for October 26, 2022.

NOTICE OF NOMINATION IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the

September 14, 15, 16, 19 and 20th, 2022, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the following

of 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the following location: School Division Office, 45 Main Street. South, Carman, MB., the Senior Elections Officer will receive nominations for the office of School Trustees of the aforesaid Division.

The nomination deadline is September 20, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this date and time.

Candidates seeking election for School Trustee must obtain on their Nomination Form a minimum of 25 signatures of voters or not less than 1% of the voters of the ward (whichever is the lesser). Voters who have signed the candidate's nomination form, must have their name on the Prairie Rose School Division Voters List for the school division ward in which the candidate is seeking election.

Completed nominations must be submitted in person at the above location on the dates and hours specified. Candidates must bring in the original nomination form with acceptable signatures.

Nomination forms and more information can be found at www.prsdmb.ca under the "Board" menu or contact Prairie Rose School Division by phone at (204) 745-2003 or email at prsd@prsdmb.ca

FARMLAND TENDER

FARMLAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

Sealed written tenders for the property in the Municipality of Rhineland described below must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at:

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- 2. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment are made following acceptance of tender.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:

SEPTEMBER 14, 15, 16, 19 AND 20, 2022

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the following location, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, I will receive nominations for the offices of Mayor and Councillors of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is September 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters of the local authority. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number or e-mail listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the voters list may be revised at 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba no later than September 20, 2022, between the hours of 9:00 a.m.

The Senior Election Official (SEO) will be available to update the voters list by:

- Adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;
- Deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on
- Making such other correction of errors to the list as required.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION

A voter may apply in writing to the SEO (at the address/email below) no later than September 20, 2022 to have his/her name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail or e-mail and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

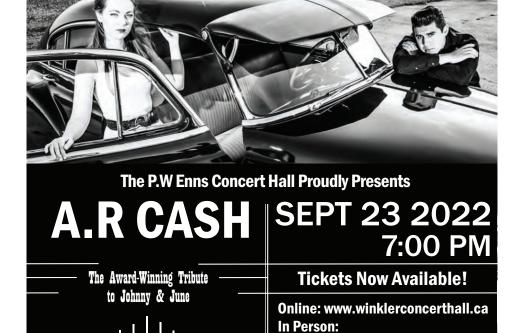
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Barb Dvck Senior Election Officer City of Winkler Ph: 204-325-9524

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Dated at Winkler, Manitoba on August 25, 2022.



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- Any person can request to have his or her name and address obscured from the Voters List.

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Western School Division

Address 4 – 75 Thornhill Street, Morden MB R6M 1P2

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The next General Election takes place in October 26, 2022.

Carl Pedersen Senior Election Official

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Western School Division

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days: On Wednesday September 14, 2022 through September 20, 2022 between the hours of 9:00 AM through 5:00 PM at the following location: 4 – 75 Thornhill Street, Morden MB

I will receive nominations for the offices of School Board Trustee Ward 1 & Ward 2 of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is <u>Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 5:00 PM</u>. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and/or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the SEO at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Carl Pedersen, Senior Election Official 204-822-4448 cpedersen@westernsd.mb.ca

Dated at Morden on August 22, 2022

Carl Pedersen Western School Division
Senior Election Official (SEO) Name of the local authority

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS Garden Valley School Division

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days: September 14, 15, 16, 19, and 20, 2022

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Garden Valley School Division office, 750 Triple E Boulevard, Winkler, Manitoba, nominations will be received for the offices of

Nine Trustees of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is September 20, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person, by an agent, or by fax at the above location, on the date and hours specified. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the Local Authority at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Local Authority telephone number - 204-325-8335

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Kevin Vovchuk Senior Election Official (S.E.O.) Garden Valley School Division

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IN MEMORIAM



Edythe Marion Arnott (Rex) November 30th, 1923 - August 17th, 2022

Edythe Marion Arnott died peacefully on August 17th, 2022 at Douglas Campbell Lodge, Portage la Prairie, with her family by

She was predeceased by her loving husband, Allan Victor Arnott in 2011.

She will be fondly remembered by her family: Valerie (Richard) Stove, Diane (Barry) Sadler, Vicki (Mark) Truman, Tom (Yvonne) Arnott, and her grandchildren, Kristen and Lisa (great grandchildren Desmond and Kaya).

Edythe was born in the Shadeland District in 1923, the eldest of four children born to Thomas Herbert Rex and Margaret Elizabeth Rex. She was predeceased by her siblings, Isobel, Alf, and Bert and is survived by her sister-in-law, Elaine Rex.

Edythe obtained her early education at Pearce School and graduated from Morden High School. She trained at Success Business College and worked as a stenographer in the Corps of Army Engineers at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. Edythe and Allan were married in 1945. They returned to Darlingford where they raised their growing family and worked as partners operating a large-scale family farm.

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Edythe emphasized the importance of education and demonstrated this by active participation in the community. She was involved in church committees, Sunday school, PTA, Learning Disabilities Association of Manitoba, and encouraged her children to pursue higher education.

Edythe had many interests. Her sons-in-law, extended family, and friends recall gatherings with large home cooked meals and baking - dinner rolls, cinnamon buns, butter tarts, and pies among the favourites. She liked gardening, was an avid reader, loved to solve the daily crossword, enjoyed knitting, kept abreast of current affairs, and was a life-long learner. Although she was a home body, loving to spend time with her family, Edythe and Allan travelled extensively in Canada, to Australia, Africa, China, Great Britain, and the USA. In retirement, they spent many enjoyable winters in Apache Junction, Arizona with new found friends. Her wry sense of humour and kind, caring personality will be missed by all who knew her.

The family wish to thank Douglas Campbell Lodge staff for their kindness, care, and support for our much-loved Mom and our family over many years!

A Celebration of Life will be held at St. Paul's United Church in Morden on Friday, September 2nd, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

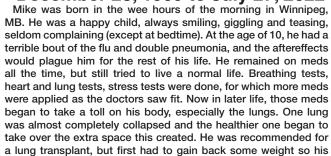
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In lieu of flowers, if friends so wish, donations may be made to: Douglas Campbell Lodge c/o Portage District General Hospital Foundation, 524-5th Street SE, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3A8, Pembina Parish - St. Paul's United Church, 353 Thornhill St, Morden, MB R6M 1M8 or a charity

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OBITUARY

Michael David Harder December 28, 1969 to July 27, 2022



body would be more fit. This was basically impossible because the esophagus was being cut off by the good lung as it moved over, and he chose breathing over eating most of the time. For the last several years he was a long-distance truck driver until he was too weak to shift the gears. As a result, he could not continue to work. He attended many family gatherings, and it was noted that he was not a man of many words but did have many pleasant conversations with those in attendance. His response when asked how he was doing was usually "Pretty good" or "Not bad". He rarely complained to anyone.

Mike left us way too soon. He passed in the wee hours of July 27, 2022 at the age of 52 years and seven months. He will be greatly missed by two daughters, Elizabeth (Alister) and Ashley, one son, Sean (Lora, Mimi and Jeremiah); his mother, Alice Harder-Holenski (Robert); brother Clint (Val) Harder, niece, Kara, and their respective families. He was predeceased by his father, Larry Harder; grandparents, Ed and Mary Penner and William and Elizabeth Harder.

Many thanks to Pastor Hugh Morrow, Wiebe Funeral Home, family and friends for supporting us in the celebration of Mike's life.

Mike, you will be deeply missed by Alice and Robert, Elizabeth, Sean, Ashley, Clint and Val, Kara.

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OBITUARY



Hanna Klassen (nee Zacharias) 1949 - 2022

It is with deep sorrow, that we announce the passing of Hanna Klassen. After many years of battling multiple illnesses, on the morning of Friday, August 19, 2022 at her residence in Winkler, MB, Hanna Klassen (Zacharias) aged 72 years went to her heavenly

Hanna was born in Altona, MB, September 20, 1949. She was the fourth child born to Peter and Sarah Zacharias. Hanna grew up as the middle child of one of seven siblings. She was baptized on the confession of her faith on June 9, 1968 in the Winkler Bergthaler Church. She was married to Leonard Klassen on November 29, 1969.

Hanna loved Jesus and her family. She was active in the church and community. She was instrumental in the founding of Killarney Christian Academy where she also worked for many years. She volunteered in the Killarney MB Church in many roles, including being a deacon - for which she felt honoured to be a part of.

Hanna and Leonard spent countless summer weekends camping with their friends, and in their retirement years travelling to Mexico many times. Hanna loved being a grandma and hosted her grandkids for many playdates and sleepovers.

She leaves to mourn her three daughters and their families: Cheryl and Brent Klassen Everett (Richard), Angela and Nathan Froese (Elliot, CJ, Paige), Julia and Terry Dueck (Keziah, Nevae) as well as three sisters, two brothers and their families.

She was predeceased by her husband, Leonard Klassen (2015), her parents, Peter and Sarah Zacharias and her sister. Lena Buhler.

Memorial service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at Winkler Mennonite Brethren Church with interment at the Winkler Cemetery prior to the service.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Hanna's memory to Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation designated to the Palliative Care Unit.

> Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler In care of arrangements wiebefuneralhomes.com



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Tina Fehr (nee Schroeder) 1930 - 2022

On Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at Eastview Place in Altona, MB Tina Fehr, 92 formerly of Winkler passed away.

She is survived by her children, Linda Hildebrand (Korey and Vanessa Hildebrand and their children, Ryan and Owen, Stacey and Paul Gysbers and their daughter, Katryna), Rosella and Bob Ediger (Julie Ediger and Darryl Talaga, Cindy and Shawn Astorino and their children, Abby, Nick and Chris, Shelly Ediger and Bobby Wall and their son, Ronan), Larry and Wanda Fehr (Donovan and Julie Fehr, Chantelle and Jon Heppner and their children, Kezia and Bodey, Tyson and Sam Fehr), Glenn and MaryAnne Fehr (Charissa and Derek Friesen and their children, Damon, Kael and Jude, Jason and Alyssa Fehr and their children, Isaac and Levi,

Cara and Peter Wiebe, Jessalyn and Aaren Syganiec).

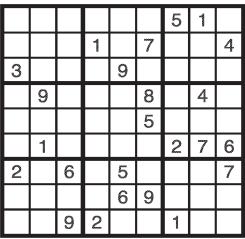
She was predeceased by her husband, John A Fehr in 2017.

Memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 21, 2022 at Wiebe Funeral Home in Winkler with a private interment prior to the service at Westridge Memorial Gardens. Donations may be made in Tina's memory to the MCC.

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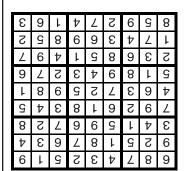


Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have vou hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



Sudoku Answer



Crossword Answer

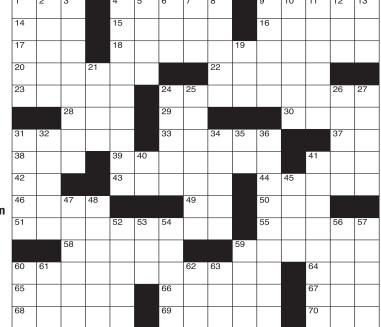
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. One point north of due west
- 4. Indigenous peoples of northern Scandinavia
- 9. Popular California/Nevada lake
- 14. Go quickly
- 15. Fatty acid in soaps
- 16. Brand of fuel stations
- 17. State of fuss
- 18. Romance novelist 20. Members of a household
- 22. Asserts to be the case
- 23. Type of infection
- 24. With metal inlays
- 28. Chinese philosophic principle
- 29. Early multimedia
- 30. Employee stock ownership plan
- 31. He investigated Clinton administration
- 33. Shells
- 37. Six
- 38. Snakelike fish
- 39. Capital of Kenya
- 41. Influential group (abbr.)
- 42. Used to chop
- 43. It comes as a case
- 44. Challenges
- 46. Small amounts
- 49. The Golden State
- 50. Peyton's little brother
- 51. For walking in Alaska
- 55. Buddhist honorific titles
- 58. Lively ballroom dance
- 59. Capital of Albania
- 60. Late night host
- 64. Draw from
- 65. A way to utilise
- 66. One who is not native Hawaiian
- 67. A power to perceive
- 69. Horse mackerels
- 70. Proclaim out loud

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Hits
- 2. Bathroom accessory
- 3. Young
- 4. Beef cattles



- 5. It's often in soap
- 6. For each
- 7. Innermost membrane enveloping the brain
- 8. A way to leave
- 9. Emaciation
- 10. Punish with a fine
- 11. Steeds
- 12. Having eight
- 13. Greek goddess of the dawn
- 19. Mature reproductive cells
- 21. Armadillo species
- 24. Ancient country in what is now Romania
- 25. Extreme greed
- 26. Stars
- 27. Poems
- 31. Places to sit
- 32. One from the Lone Star State
- 34. Small rails
- 35. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
- 36. Where coaches work

- 40. Indicates position
- 41. Mammals
- 45. Resembling a wing
- 48. Hindu male religious teachers
- 52. Mischievously 53. Where athletes want to end up (abbr.)
- 54. Large, deep-bodied fish
- 56. Horned squash bug genus
- 57. Excessively sentimental
- 59. Shared verbally
- 60. You can put it on toast
- 61. Data mining methodology (abbr.)
- 62. Resinlike substance secreted by certain insects
- 63. Mauna ___, Hawaiian volcano

Kids log over 1.6M minutes in summer reading program

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The South Central Regional Library's Summer Reading Program was a return to form this year and a huge hit with kids across the region.

The library wrapped up its Bookland Explorers Club with a free night at the movies at the Stardust Drive-in Theatre in Morden last Thursday, where kids got to enjoy an evening of fun and games and a showing of How to Train Your Dragon.

Miami branch administrator Raina Teigrob said the summer was an unqualified success.

"We had big plans for this year, especially since COVID prevented us from running a regular program the past two years," she said via email Monday, noting they worked hard to really emphasize the many in-person activities—weekly crafts, games, and storytimes—happening at all the branches over the past two months, "which we hoped would draw a lot of people in."

It proved a winning formula, with a

total of 1,135 kids signing up for the program—more than double the 519 participants in 2021.

The kids collectively read a total of 1,696,534 minutes, with the Winkler branch's 521 participants leading the way at 920,552 minutes followed by the Morden branch (344 kids, 457,020 minutes), Altona (164 kids, 220,663 minutes), Manitou (71 kids, 51,775 minutes), and Miami (35 kids, 42,456

"Staff and summer programmers really went all out in decorating for our 'Fantasyland' theme this year," noted Teigrob. "We had some really great reading minute maps in all our libraries, as well as a lot of cool things like dragons floating from ceilings, castles and moats, hidden fairy doors, and lots of trolls, mermaids, goblins and

"We know the kids love to stop by the library every summer and discover all the fun displays and hidden decor there is to find, so we put a lot of effort into this part of planning for the program."



The South Central Regional Library wrapped up its summer reading program with a giant party at the Stardust Drive-in in Morden last week.

Last week's windup was the first time the program brought all the branches together at summer's end instead of hosting individual library windups.

"We thought that trying something different and bringing together all the branches was a neat way to windup the program this year, and really made it a great family event too," said Teigrob, noting it was also the perfect opportunity to hand out a variety of

prizes to the kids, who earned entries for every minute they read.

"In the end, we really hoped to bring in as many kids as possible to the Bookland Explorers Club so we could continue to encourage the love of reading," Teigrob said, "and to help children practice the essential skill of reading over the summer months in the most fun and exciting ways we can think of."

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Pembina Valley Cellular has come a long way from its beginnings as a home-based business in Elm Creek.

Now serving as the Telus dealer in Morden, it started out as Computer Remedies, which has since changed locations a couple times before moving to its current 5th St. space.

"We started out doing a lot of computer building and repairs ... and that evolved into doing DSL installs for MTS and doing support related to the internet," said owner Neil

The business continued to grow steadily, especially once it branched off into cell phone sales and services originally with MTS.

The switch to Telus then came about as a result of a requirement related to the Bell purchase of MTS which saw Telus take over a portion of the customers and dealers.

Although a lot of their focus now is related to cell phones and devices, they continue to do their work with computers as well.

"We still do computer repair," Woods said. "We're still well involved in that.

"We're happy to be Telus agents. We like doing the support work," he continued. "We like supporting and helping people with their devices and the technology that is there.

"We try to help guide them in the right direction. We've always had that mentality of guiding people in the right direction and looking after them," Woods said. "We want to make sure they're getting the product that meets their needs and that they're not overspending."

He believes their steady, consistent growth can be attributed to the trust they have established over the years as well as their knowledge of their customers and the region.

"You get to know a lot of people," said Woods. "When people come in, I can quickly know where they are and, as far as cellular, what their service is going to be like. And on



Neil Woods of Pembina Valley Cellular says the company has come a long way since its start as a home-based business years ago.

the internet side, we can know whether they would fit for things like Valley Fiber or Xplornet or VISP.

"And internet is so important because it is such a big part of people's lives now," he noted. "Go back 30 years ago, you didn't have a phone with you or that feeling that you need to have that phone with you all the time.

"Now, everybody in the family needs to have a device that connects you ... and that technology on the computer side evolved into all of the handheld

"Those things have really changed how we do things and will continue to change," Woods concluded. "You have to kind of filter out what's relevant for people ... it really can be overwhelming."



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