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Teil, Rhylen, and Aliya of Winkler enjoy the vintage fire truck on display at the Winkler Fire Hall during the department's annual Fire Prevention Week Open House Oct. 11. For more photos, see Pg. 32.

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Dr. Bob receives Citizen of Distinction Award

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Area Foundation honoured Dr. Bob Menzies Saturday as a kickoff for the organization's coming 25th anniversary.

Receiving the new Citizen of Distinction Award at a packed Access Event Centre hall, Menzies described himself as humbled to receive the honour while giving credit to all those who make a difference in the commu-

"I sometimes think about the community as a tapestry, if you will," he said. "You've got families that have been here for a length of time ... that kind of paints the mountains and the hills and the forests and the lakes and the meadows, and you kind of get that substantial background.

"Then you've got persons who I think contribute just as much ... that's the birds and the flowers and the butterflies and the things that make all of this so very beautiful, and I am just pleased to be in a community where

all of that works together ... where this tapestry is as beautiful as it is in Morden."

Menzies again wondered why he would be singled out when "I think there's lots of people more deserving than me ... but not that I'm not thrilled to be standing here. Thank vou for this.

"It's an amazing feeling ... It's an amazing thing for your community to think you've done a good job."

Addressing the question of how one gets to a position like this, Menzies thought of one of his granddaughter's ABC books where A stands for activist, G for grassroots, and M for megaphones and marching.

"So we teach our children, and a lot of how we end up is how we got taught," said Menzies, who also thanked his wife Kathy and daughters for their love and support. "My mother and father taught me that this is a good community and we had a responsibility to make it better. It's the ethos and the culture of this commu-



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Dr. Bob Menzies (left) received the Citizen of Distinction Award from Ken Friesen, vice-chairperson of the Morden Area Foundation, at a ceremony at the Access Event Centre Saturday.

Dr Enok Persson paid tribute to Menzies as having played many roles in his life, including as a mentor and as a friend.

"He's thoughtful, he's insightful, he's helpful, he's organized, he's

smart ... he cares deeply for his family ... his family comes first," he said.

"He has been one of the few old school physicians who care for patients from the cradle to the grave,"

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Dr. Bob Menzies presented June Letkeman of South Central Cancer Resource with the \$1,000 charitable donation that came with his Citizen of Distinction Award.





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> MENZIES, FROM PG. 3

continued Persson. "Deep down, all of this is based on caring for people, making a difference, seeing the potential in people."

"This award seems so fitting," Persson added, noting the Morden Area Foundation has very much focused on the potential of people and the community.

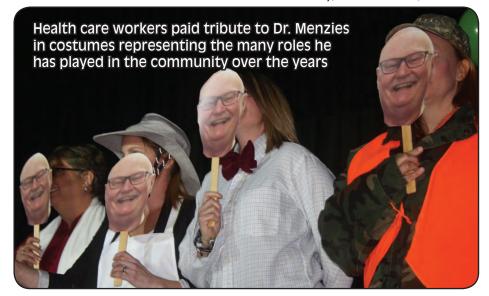
Foundation vice-chair Ken Friesen touched on that as well.

"Over the past 25 years, there have been many who have continued to support the foundation and have seen the benefits," he said. "Over \$900,000 has been granted to Morden and area organizations."

Marilyn Skubovius recalled the initial conversation with Ron Laverty around 1992 that led towards the establishment of the foundation. Menzies was among the community leaders to help get the foundation going, she noted, alongside Ivadell Sigurdson, Sam Andrew, Betty Dunbar-Sager, Gordon Hoeschen, Fred Westwood, and Diane Lambert.

"It's not organizations that make things happen, it's people, and our community was very fortunate to have eight individuals back in the early '90s who were willing to take on this challenge of establishing a foundation," said Mayor Ken Wiebe in his remarks to Menzies. "You've improved our world ... from your leadership and actions in our community and in the field of medicine. We have all benefitted."

"I know that you have not had just an effect on the people of Morden and Winkler but I believe on the



whole province and in many ways the country," noted Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen. "I know that what you do isn't just the work at the

hospital, it's not just the work you do as a volunteer ... I cannot think of an individual who is more deserving of this award."

GVSD seeks ideas for new school's name

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Got an idea for what Winkler's newest elementary school should be called?

Garden Valley School Division wants to hear it.

The GVSD board have put out a call for names for the K-8 school slated to be built on Roblin Blvd. West and to open in September 2019.

Board chair Laurie Dyck urges students and the public at large to get creative, just as they did in naming Northlands Parkway Collegiate, Prairie Dale School, and Emerado Centennial School over the past decade.

"This was something that was done with the other schools," she noted of the contest, "and it's a great way to engage the public ... they own this school, why not let them name it?"

The winning entry will receive a cash prize of \$250 (divided equally if more than one person submits the same name).

You can submit your name idea via mail to Box 1330, 750 Triple E Blvd., Winkler, MB, R6W 4B3; email to gvsd@gvsd.ca (subject line: Name the New School Contest); fax to 204-325-4132; or drop off your entry at the division office during business hours. Entries must include your name,

address, phone number, new school name, and your rationale for that name.

The contest deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 1. The name will be announced in December.







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Daily Bonnet creator to speak in Winkler next Thursday

By Lorne Stelmach

Humour and satire can play an im-

portant role in shaping the way people see and understand things in today's world.

That is where something like *The* Daily Bonnet comes into play, and its creator will be in Winkler next week

to address the role of satire in the contemporary world and what satire has to do with diversity.

The presentation is part of the Diversitas speaker series, which aims to promote dialogue—something Andrew Bergen very much sees satire as being effective in generating.

"I think I've learned that satire is effective in drawing attention to certain issues and instigating or provoking dialogue," said Bergman, who will make his address next Thursday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. at Northlands Parkway Collegiate.

"I think the Internet itself is sometimes limited in that. I think that face to face conversations are significantly more effective than anything we do on the Internet," said Bergman, who has been building a career as a novelist and ghostwriter while gaining a Facebook following for The Daily Bonnet that currently sits at about 20,000 followers and over four mil-

"Sometimes satire can maybe make you think of an issue from a different angle or a different perspective from what you thought of it initially," he said. "There's other forms of writing that can do that too, but I think satire particularly hones in on certain angles and perspectives. It works well for that kind of thing.

"So I hope that people will have a better understanding of what satire is ... I'm also going to talk a little bit about comedy in general ... how it works ... and specifically how it all ties into the Mennonite culture."

And there are certainly misconceptions about that culture, added Bergman, who recalled reading an online Mennonite encyclopedia that basically suggested Mennonites did not have much of a sense of humour.

"But the article was written in the late '80s ... I think Mennonites are much more able to laugh at themselves," he said.

Bergman believes his readership is not just restricted to Mennonites, though they likely represent a majority of it.

"I think a lot of the humour sort of transcends ... other cultures and faiths that are similar," he suggested, noting what also makes The Daily Bonnet work is that it taps into current world events.

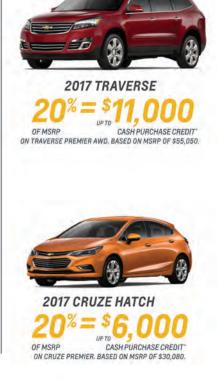
He is surprised, though, just how far his work has gone in a short time.

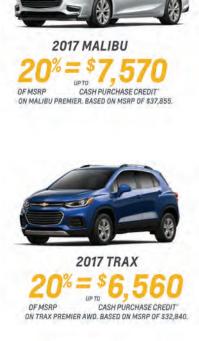
"It's been surprising that people are still reading it ... and it's surprising that I'm still able to come up with ideas."





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Schanzenfeld corner improvements underway

By Lorne Stelmach

Work is finally getting underway on long-awaited improvements to a dangerous intersection south of Winkler.

The cost-shared improvements to the Hwy. 32 corner near the village of Schanzenfeld are happening with the help of \$500,000 in funding from the Manitoba government.

"We have more traffic than ever ... we are all too aware of tragedies that have occurred," said Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen.

"Highway 32 is a road that has seen increased traffic and especially the corner at Schanzenfeld," he said. "That is a cause for concern ... with the growth of that community ... and the overall growth of the Winkler

The improvements at the junction of Rd 9N and Hwy. 32 will go towards widening the intersection and creating paved turning lanes.

"All together, those changes will immediately create a safer turning environment and a safer intersection," said Friesen.

RM of Stanley Reeve Morris Olafson appreciated the support of the province to finally make this project hap-

"This intersection has been on the radar for maybe 15 years, and it finally came to fruition," he said. "It's just a major safety thing. This is not the most 'cadillac' solution that we're going to do right now, but it's going to help a lot.

"It will be much better than it was, and maybe in the future we'll make this complete turning lanes as time goes on here."

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Stanley Reeve Morris Olafson and Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen celebrate the \$500,000 in provincial funding for cost-sharing improvements to the Hwv. 32 corner near Schanzenfeld.

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> DIVERSITAS, FROM PG. 6

For Diversitas founder Peter Cantelon, he sees this presentation as nicely complementing their other sessions. Their focus has largely been on other faiths and cultures, but an equally important element is how we communicate, he said.

"How we communicate is so critical to how we view people. Satire is such an ancient form of writing, and it really can be a significant tool in shaping how people view one another

"We're seeing The Daily Bonnet tackle some pretty significant issues in diversity, immigration, refugees and the American political system, Canadian political system ... all within the context of humour and through the lens of the Mennonite perspective."

Cantelon noted he felt moving this session to Winkler from its usual location in Morden is also important, as he has always meant Diversitas to be more regional draw.

"I've always wanted Diversitas to move back and forth between Winkler and Morden," he said."We get plenty of people from Winkler following and coming to Diversitas ... to actually have the event there shows my intention to ensure that people understand Diversitas is not a Morden event, it's a Pembina Valley event."



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> FAITH FOCUS

An open letter to new mothers

hen I was pregnant the thought of being responsible for another human being was intimidating.

Actually, it was downright terrifying! Meeting my baby's physical needs seemed like a daunting task in itself, but it was quickly overshadowed by the thought of meeting their emotional and social needs as well.

I desired so much for my son and I worried endlessly over the effect my parenting would have on him.

As a rookie on the mom team, I felt completely incompetent and delved deep into the books, maga-



By Tracey Dyck

zines, and endless websites available to parents.

Rather than make me feel educated and prepared, my reading made me feel even more overwhelmed and underqualified. Every article seemed to contradict another. One author declares that letting your kid cry it out will foster trust issues. The next one promises if you don't they will never grow independence. That's a lot of pressure on a first time mom who's elbow-deep in diapers, desperately dreaming of a hot shower and a long nap.

Finally, one night I switched off my browser and opened my Bible app to Psalm 139. It wasn't a new passage to me, but peace flooded over me as I was reminded of God's unmatched attention to detail as He formed my son inside me for all those months.

The fact that God knows and cares for my child more than I do brings great relief, hope, peace and grace to my parenting.

Fellow moms, my one piece of advice to you is this: pray for wisdom and trust your instincts. James 1:5 promises that God gives wisdom to all those who ask. So, pray and trust your intuition. Cuddle your baby close as he falls asleep. Or let him cry it out. He's yours, you'll know. Capture every sweet moment with your camera. Or turn off all devices and memorize her. She's yours. It's your choice.

Provide many moments for the village of love surrounding you to have a chance to hold him and enjoy him. Or keep him close and treasure your time with him, because time moves fast. He's yours. You decide.

Read the parenting articles if you want, ask the advice of mothers who have gone before you but, above all, pray for wisdom and have the confidence to trust that God will help you discern what advice to keep and what

you can, in love and knowledge of your child, disregard.

We all want our kids to be happy and healthy, safe and loved, but the reality is, happy, healthy kids don't all look, sound, and act the same. When you love your baby and love the One who gifted her to you, I am confident that everything you do will come from a place of love and good intentions and I firmly believe when motherhood is rooted there, things aren't black and white, wrong or right. Rather, it's a beautiful haze of well intentioned, sincerely loving, trying our best for our best, grays.

Please, please, don't give in to mom guilt. Be an intentional parent, a praying parent, but don't allow fear to hold you captive. Psalm 139 has already declared that God's designed your child uniquely, intricately, intentionally, and marvelously.

I believe through motherhood God has established us in a unique place of influence over our children, with a high calling to love, protect, teach and nurture.

Your best mom days will not grant you a perfect child, and likewise, your mom "fails" will not destroy the intricate work of God. You got this, momma.

Tracey Dyck is a Winkler mom passionate about family, friends, and potty training her toddler before the next baby arrives.

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> SCHANZENFELD INTERSECTION, FROM PG. 7

Olafson said the work on the project is already getting underway. It should be completed before winter.

Meanwhile, additional provincial funding is also supporting other road projects in the same area, including highway turnoffs at Load Line and Froese Enterprises.

Friesen noted it made sense for this work to be done at the same time.

"It would make no sense to have a road crew come back to almost the exact location at a later time to perform improvements to those turnoffs," he said.

These kinds of infrastructure im-

provements are a priority for the province, said Friesen, who also heralded other work taking place in the region including the installation of passing lanes on Hwy. 3 north and reconstruction of Hwy. 13 in Carman.

GVSD superintendent hanging up his hat next year

By Ashleigh Viveiros

After 45 years with the Garden Valley School division as a student, teacher, and administrator, superintendent Vern Reimer will part ways with the division next spring.

At the Oct. 10 school board meeting, Reimer publicly announced his intention to retire effective July 31, 2018.

It's news that came as no shock to the board, who Reimer gave the heads-up to about his impending retirement a full year ago.

"Vern has been very gracious in giving us significant notice as a board, so we have actually spent the last year working at what this transition will look like, what does the hiring process will look like," said chair Laurie Dyck. "We are willing to engage our principals, our parent advisory councils in conversation about what kind of leadership does GVSD need?"

The position will be posted by mid-December in the hopes of having someone in place well before Reimer's departure at the end of the school year.

He leaves behind some big shoes to

"He's brought great leadership and mentorship to Garden Valley School Division and he will be missed," Dyck said. "When you have good leadership it always feels like there's going to be a big hole when they go, but I believe that we will find the right per-

"Whoever fills that spot, we know there's going to be great support for them," she added. "The teamwork at our senior admin. level is huge, at our school level is huge ... everyone's going to support whoever it is."

Reimer has spent the past 11 years as GVSD's superintendent, following three years as an assistant superintendent.

Prior to that, after attending school in Garden Valley as a child himself, he started his educational career as a gym teacher in Plum Coulee, Edelweiss, and Gnadenthal before joining the newly opened Parkland School as a teacher and principal.

It's been an immensely fulfilling career, but Reimer is looking forward to spending more time with his family, including his already retired wife and their eight grandchildren.

"I think the timing is right," he said, noting that his leaving next spring gives the current, experienced school board time to fill his position well before the 2018 fall election.

"I think it would be difficult if you've got, conceivably, a brand new board having to hire ... it takes a board awhile to settle into the role," Reimer said. The existing board "understand how public education works, they understand the governance model."

He also feels confident that he's leaving the division in great shape, which should help with the transition.

Though Winkler's newest school won't open its doors until late 2019, much of the groundwork for its construction will be done this year.

"To me it was important that we get it started," Reimer said, adding that the division has built three new schools in the past decade, so this is familiar territory. "If the construction is underway then the heavy lifting has already been done in the planning."

That school should ease space constraints across the division for the better part of the next decade, he noted.

LOOKING BACK

Looking back on a career spanning



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Superintendent Vern Reimer has spent 45 years with the Garden Valley School Division as a student, educator, and administrator. He's now looking forward to his retirement effective next July.

decades, Reimer said there are countless highlights.

Chief among them is seeing former students become community leaders.

"You learn to take the long view," said Reimer, "because those kids that are this big now, they could be working on your teeth or doing your mortgage tomorrow ... you know that you'll be reconnecting somewhere."

His time in the classroom certainly generated a lot of fond memories, but Reimer has also greatly enjoyed helping to lead the division through some very turbulent years as an administrator.

"In the mid-90s there were some community consultations being held to try and determine how to redefine

catchments because of declining enrolment," he recalled.

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New faces on local police boards

Eight new members have been appointed to municipal police boards throughout the province, including right here in Morden and Winkler.

"Municipal police boards play an important role in ensuring safety for Manitobans," said Justice Minister Heather Stefanson last week. "These boards provide governance, direction and accountability to local police agencies, whose priority is to protect their communities. I look forward to the important contributions these new members will make to their respective police boards."

Stefanson also thanked outgoing

members for their service.

The Police Services Act requires every municipality that operates a police service to create and maintain a police board. They provide civilian governance as well as administrative

Outside Winnipeg, the province is responsible for appointing one board member per board. The remaining members are selected by municipal councils.

New to Winkler's board is Kevin Kehler. Kehler is the co-owner and general manager of Green Valley Equipment. He has served on multiple community boards and volunteered as a minor hockey coach and team liaison.

Appointed to Morden's board is Linda Doerksen.

Doerksen is an active member of the community as the owner and operator of two Tim Hortons in Winkler and Morden, overseeing 90 employees.

In this role, she has helped to fundraise for organizations like Big Brothers Big Sisters of Winkler-Morden and Tim Horton's Day Camp.

She is a former member of the Winkler Chamber of Commerce board and a former 4-H leader.

Morden United Way celebrating 50 years of giving

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden and District United Way has come a long way from its beginnings 50 years ago.

With the organization marking that milestone this year, board member Audrey Armstrong spent some time digging through half a century of records for a bit of perspective on how the organization has grown and the important role it has played in the community.

"It's nice to see how its evolved, and it's nice to see the broad range of organizations that it supports," she said. "I like that ... and I like the flexibility of the criteria for the United Way. They're pretty open."

The founding board in 1967 was made up of a who's who of community members at the time, including John Buhler, Ruth Winkler, Dr. Fred Olinik, Ralph King, Earl Hodgson, LP Sarich, Bob McRuer, Marjorie Putt, and Don Cram.

Buhler, of course, became a very well known and successful businessman and philanthropist, while Winkler was one of the first presidents of the Children's Aid Society of Central Manitoba.

"I have a sense of who they are because they were so involved in this community," said Armstrong. "We continue to have many people like them who are prepared to step up and get involved in helping their fellow citizens. They really do represent the United Way spirit of giving."

With a slogan of One Gift Works Many Wonders, the campaign goal that first year was to raise \$12,000 to support eight local charities and proj-

By 1970, the goal inched up to \$15,000, but the campaign surpassed it in collecting over \$18,000.

Those numbers—both in funds raised and the number of community groups helped—have continued to grow every year ever since.

The United Way saw about \$74,000 come in two years ago. That jumped to \$78,000 last year, which went out to nearly 30 non-profits

Looking back, Armstrong noted there were a few things that stood out for her as she researched the history of the agency.

"There were women on the board right from the beginning, and back in

that time frame, boards of directors were primarily male dominated," she said. "Most of the boards that I looked at when I was going through all the information, there were at least a few women on the board."

"Another thing was that it was completely initiated by the business community in town," added Armstrong. "They were also very organized ... they had more committees ... and committee chairs for everything they were doing.

"People took responsibility, and people got involved, and they had a lot of volunteers who worked with them."

She is encouraged to see that happening now as well with some new members joining the board in recent years.

"The board's changed a lot in the last while. There seems to be a few really core people right now who have been there for a number of years, and we're very fortunate to have them because they know the ins and outs of how to get everything done," said Armstrong.

"There's a few new ones who have come on board like myself who are just getting familiar and starting to figure it out."

For Armstrong, whose background is in social work, she appreciates the important role of the United Way.

"I've worked with some of the population that benefits from these programs. I know some of the people who benefit from the various programs that the United Way supports, so I've seen the benefit really first-hand," she said, noting it is great to see people who have been beneficiaries in the past now getting involved and giving back. "That's the kind of circle that you want to see ... it feels good when you get to see those kinds of things happen."

The Morden and District United Way will aim for a \$90,000 goal this year.

All of the donations collected from the community as well as through the business campaign and payroll deduction programs go directly to the selected non-profit agencies.

The deadline to apply for United Way funding is Nov. 15. Application information is available online at www.unitedwaymorden.com website.

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A decade later most Winkler area schools were bursting at the seams, leading to the construction of the Emerado Centennial and Prairie Dale schools and Northlands Parkway Collegiate.

"Now we've gone from whatever the enrolment was back then, about 2,600, to 4,600," Reimer said, adding that the division has worked very hard over the past decade to impress upon the provincial government the community's need for schools, to great success.

"We developed some interesting strategies to get that message out there," he said. "It has been very gratifying to see how far we've come, and that's just on the building side of things."

Reimer has also been very proud to see the strides GVSD staff and students have made toward the board's literacy and numeracy competency goals.

"Our goal is to have 85 per cent of the kids reading at their grade level," he said. "A few years ago we were coming in [in September testing] at about 35 per cent ... now we're coming in at about 65 per cent and by the end of the year we're getting them to 79, almost 80 percent. So we're almost hitting our goal.

"Those are foundational things for kids to be successful. If they can read, if they can decode language, if they can write, then the middle years and high school years become much easier"

'IT'S ALL ABOUT SERVING'

If Reimer could leave his successor with some

advice, it would be this:

"It's all about serving. If you've got 700 staff, the idea is to understand what they need, listen to what they're telling you they need so that they can be more successful.

"Your job, then, is to make sure they have everything ... all the materials and human resources that they need to improve teaching and learning."

He also urges Garden Valley's next top dog to look beyond the reports and try and get out into the schools as much as possible.

"To go to all the different schools and actually see it, then you're getting firsthand information, unfiltered," Reimer said of his Travelling Thursdays, in which he tries to visit a different school or program each week to talk with staff and students. "Some very interesting things have changed because of those conversations.

"It allows me to see, in its purest form, teaching and learning—the excitement, the curiosity of the kids and the willingness of our committed staff to engage these kids. It's always the highlight of the week."

Reimer has spent his entire career in GVSD, and he wouldn't have had it any other way.

"It's a treat to work here because the kids, for the most part, are respectful, the parents are supportive, and the staff are just incredibly committed," he said, also thanking the board for its unfailing support.

"The people I've worked with, I've learned a lot from them," Reimer added. "And it's been a lot of fun."

Have a slice of cake in support of PVPCC

TiAnna's bakeshop marking Miscarriage and Infant Loss Awareness Month

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's newest eatery isn't wasting any time in giving back.

TiAnna's Café and Bakeshop is giving customers a chance to eat cake for a cause in support of the Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre.

In honour of October being Miscarriage and Infant Loss Awareness Month, the bakery is making a donation to PVPCC for every slice or full cake of white satin cake it sells until month's end. They're also accepting donations to the cause.

The cake is dressed up in pink and blue in honour of the occasion, and the funds will go to support the pregnancy centre's counselling programs.

TiAnna's Rolanda Heinrichs said they plan to donate to a different local charity each month.

"My mom always had the dream of having a café and somehow using that to give back to people because she received so much help when she was a single mom," she said of her mother, Tina Wiebe, who runs TiAnna's alongside Anna Wiebe.

Though October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month, infant loss and miscarriage is something that receives a great deal less attention in our society, Heinrichs noted.

"We wanted to do something that people are more afraid to talk about," she said, adding that, due to personal experiences, it's also "something that's very close to our hearts."

TiAnna's is located in the Eastgate Mall on 1st St. (the same development that houses Sawatzky's Furniture). You can learn more about them and their monthly campaign through their Facebook page.

'YOU ARE NOT ALONE'

PVPCC is certainly grateful to have TiAnna's help in getting the word out about the impact miscarriage and infant loss can have on a family.

It can be a very painful and private experience, but people need to know they are not alone, said executive director Linda Marek.

"Many people have been impacted by this loss. Many more than we realize, I think," she said, adding that sometimes women especially can feel very isolated in their grief after a miscarriage."It's a very deep sense of loss



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Anna Wiebe and Tina Wiebe of TiAnna's Café and Bakeshop with the white satin cake they're selling in support of the Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre this month.

... all these hopes and dreams and anticipation come to a very abrupt end."

Marek shared the words of one local woman who suffered a miscarriage 23 weeks into her pregnancy:

"I went from counting how many days it's been since we lost her to one day realizing that I didn't know anymore," she wrote. "I first felt bad. How could I possibly not know? How could I be having a good day? How could I move forward?

"That was the moment I realized that my heart was healing. It didn't feel like it was shattered in a million pieces anymore."

The woman stressed that it was the

support of her friends and family who helped them find the strength to feel the painful emotions and find a way to move on.

"Having support is one of the main things that have got us this far and it will be the thing that gets us through each day ahead," she said.

"Remember: Moving forward doesn't mean you're moving on. It means that you are given the strength to take the next step."

If you've suffered a loss and want to talk to someone about it, contact PVPCC at 204-325-7900 or 204-822-9591 to arrange to meet with a coun-

> WINKLER CITY COUNCIL

New development in the works south of golf course

By Lorne Stelmach

One new subdivision is getting the green light while another is still pending after hearings before Winkler city council Oct. 10.

The former will subdivide 7.5 acres of land south of the Winkler golf course into 16 new lots for new homes. The proposed development required a rezoning from community reserve to residential single fam-

Approval did not come, though, without neighbouring property

owners raising questions about how the development will be done, given concerns in the area about drainage and periodic flooding from the nearby creek.

A report to council noted there could be provision in the plans for the street to drain into the creek and that an engineering plan would need to address things such as lot grading and elevation.

In the end, council was confident these potential issues could be addressed through a development

Meanwhile, the second proposed subdivision was tabled until the Oct. 24 council meeting after a developer of adjacent land raised concerns about the potential impact on his access to and servicing of his property.

The proposal by Triple E Developments would subdivide 3.85 acres of land at the far west end of Grandeur Ave. into 11 lots for new homes. It will also require a rezoning from community reserve to residential single family.

Coun. Andrew Froese suggested there is some validity to the idea the city needs to look further ahead to the next development in cases like

Council agreed it needed to be tabled until their next meeting with the hope the two sides could also meet in the interim.

In other business, council gave final approval to a third subdivision that clears the way for a four-plex multiple family development on a 4th St. South property.

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Southwood School kicks off playground project

EXPERIMENT

WITH THE

NATURAL

ELEMENTS."

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Southwood School broke ground last week on a major playground improvement project.

Southwood's parent advisory council has been fundraising for years to begin incorporating more natural features into the Schanzenfeld school's

Last Friday and Saturday, workers tackled the first parts of that project, building up a small berm, installing a sand pit surrounded by sitting logs, and pouring the concrete for what will one day be an outdoor classroom and community meeting space.

"Our vision is to have it be an affordable, sustainable, welcoming play space that provides opportunities for all community members to

interact with nature and each other, regardless of age or mobility needs," said project committee member Marilvn Hart.

Hart explained that the project, which will have multiple phases over the next few years, will install a variety of nature activity stations (more logs to jump and climb on, a willow tree tunnel to explore, a water station) all over the yard connected by a wheelchair accessible pathway.

"We want to create a space where we're inviting movement around the play space as a whole," she said. "It will give kids the chance to experiment with the natural elements of sand and water or to run, slide, and roll on the hill in a way that's not

> available on a flat surface." Those kinds of natural features certainly resonate

"Our students have a natural sense of wonderment," she said. "When there's snow hills or a pile of leaves, the kids ignore the play structure and they go straight for that snow hill or those leaves."

Educators try to incorpo-

"They're learning about leaves in about leaves in language arts, they're doing math activities around leaves ... it all gets incorporated back into

That kind of inquiry-based learning forms the bedrock of education at

with students, said principal Linda Dyck. "IT WILL GIVE KIDS THE **CHANCE TO**

rate that interest into classroom learning, utilizing, for example, the autumn leaves in a variety of subject exercises.

their science unit, they're writing the classroom," Dyck said.

Southwood, she added.

"We're so excited that the parent



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Workers were at Southwood School last Friday and Saturday to install a berm and a sand pit and to begin work on an outdoor classroom as part of a move to add more natural elements to the school's yard.



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Southwood School parent advisory council chair Wenona Thiessen, principal Linda Dyck, and playground project committee member Marilyn Hart were all smiles as work started on the school's yard improvements last week.

advisory council has come alongside us and has wanted to share in that dream with us," said Dyck.

COMMUNITY PITCHES IN

PAC chair Wenona Thiessen said the community support for these improvements has been overwhelming.

Local businesses and organizations have donated upwards of \$16,000 to the project.

"Businesses have been wonderful," Thiessen said. "We've had some local businesses right here in our village donate a lot of money, which has been really good to see."

"And businesses in Winkler, Morden as well donating services or labour or items," added Hart.

Those funds, coupled with the money PAC has saved up from countless fundraising events over the years, gives them about \$50,000 to play with

The first phase of the project will use about half of that, which means Southwood School will be holding more fundraisers in the year ahead and they most certainly welcome donations to the project.

"We're really hoping that it's a huge community magnet," Thiessen stressed. "Schanzenfeld doesn't have a community centre to meet in, so we'd really love to see this area become a place where families can come in the evening to sit and play and visit."

The plan is to complete the outdoor classroom next summer, if funds allow. The walking path and additional stations will be installed after that, again dependent on funding.

The circuit that we're establishing is one where stations can be added at later times, too," noted Hart. "So once we've completed the phases we're planning there will still be space to fundraise and plan for other things like an outdoor music station ... just diversifying the opportunities that kids have to play."

Get your nails done in support of the Imagination Library

Northlands Parkway Collegiate's esthetics program is hosting a fundraiser in support of the local Imagination Library program next week.

On Thursday, Oct. 26 from 4-8 p.m., proceeds from every \$10 express manicure will go to the early

childhood literacy program, which sends free books out to registered kids in the Winkler and Plum Coulee area each month.

Appointments can be booked by calling 204-325-9708. Walk-ins will also be accommodated if there are available spots.



Fashion show raises \$51K for **Cares**

> Right: This year's Katie Cares Fashion Show included a performance by Momentum the Aerial & Acrobatic Troupe. Left: Volunteers walked the catwalk help raise \$51,000 for the charity.

> **PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/ VOICE**

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The sixth annual Katie Cares Fashion Show hit new heights this year.

The Oct. 12 show raised \$51,000 for Katie Cares and the Katie's Cottage respite home.

Organizer Ruth Reimer said the total represents not just ticket sales which sold out within hours last month—but also two raffles and the evening's silent auction.

"Sponsorship was tremendous this year and basically took care of all of the expenses for the show," she noted.

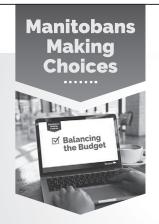
Katie Cares did things a little differently this year. While the focus of the night was, as always, on the fashions available at participating area retailers, the evening kicked off for the first time with a special treat: a performance from the Winnipeg-based Momentum Aerial & Acrobatic Troupe.

The performers used the catwalk and several ribbons suspended from the ceiling to demonstrate dance and aerial circus arts.

CONTINUING KATIE'S

The evening's success allows Katie Cares to continue reaching out to local patients and their families, providing care packages, a place to rest,

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'Katie's Cottage is a lighthouse, a soft place to land'

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or simply a listening ear.

"Please know that all the funds raised here today are in good hands and is fulfilling a need that previously was overlooked," said Rob Suderman, Katie Cares board chair.

Suderman noted that the success of Katie's Cottage in its first year of operation—630 people stayed there in that time—makes it clear the decision to build it was the right one.

Reimer thanked the community for their ongoing support, which has

helped keep the dream of her late daughter, Kaitlyn, alive through the work of Katie Cares.

"It's because of you that the dream of a 15-year-old girl became a reality," she said.

"Kaitlyn had a dream to share: making a difference in our community for

families faced with medical circumstances," said Reimer. "The dream to start her own charity, giving to children a teddy bear to lessen fear and anxiety, to bring a smile rather than tears."

Those care bags have become a powerful symbol of hope in local hospitals, but today they are just one part of Katie Cares' work.

"Kaitlyn's dream has grown," Reimer said. "Today Katie Cares is continuing to strive to improve, providing a facility that is unique in Manitoba ... Katie's Cottage opened one year ago Aug. 3, growing into a facility that provides a much-needed place for families who need to stay close to their loved ones.

"Katie's Cottage is a lighthouse, giving families a soft place to land," Reimer said. "Providing families with some of the comforts of home."

Learn more about Katie Cares and Katie's Cottage at katiecares.ca.



A young volunteer strikes a pose on the catwalk at the sixth annual Katie Cares Fashion Show Oct. 12.





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PVHS celebrating completion of dog kennels

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Humane Society is celebrating the completion of renovations to its shelter with an open house and supply drive.

It takes place at the Morden facility Wednesday, Nov. 1 from 6 to 9 p.m., including a ribbon cutting at 7 p.m.

The renovation became a challenging project that began in June when the shelter's dogs were moved into temporary foster homes.

"It's a big relief. We've missed having the dogs in the building and we're excited to be able to continue serving the Pembina Valley," said PVHS public relations chairperson Megan Rodgers.

The shelter now features new and improved kennels with walls constructed from cinder blocks and coated with an epoxy finish. The new design has eliminated screws and seams for better sanitation and an easier surface to clean.

"We initially were hoping it would be done for the beginning of September, but some of the drying time took a bit longer than what we had been hoping for with the epoxy finish and the painting, so that pushed it back another month or so ... but we're very excited it's completed now," Rodgers said.

"Timewise, for the volunteers, it will be a lot easier for them to wipe down the walls, and as well it will be more sanitary for the animals," she said. "Esthetically, it just looks really nice as well with the fresh coat of paint, and we've got a nice bright blue floor in there, so it really livens up the place a little bit."

Though the project is completed, most of the dogs who had called the shelter home before will not be returning, as a majority of about a dozen dogs that had been in foster care have been adopted.

"One is even going to the Northwest Territories," noted Rodgers.

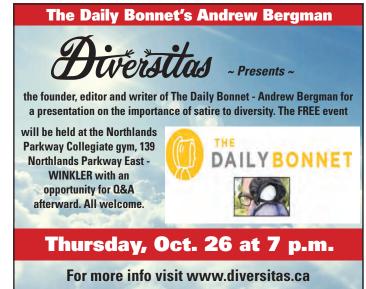
She added it will be good to be able to have a turnover in the shelter.

"We're slowly bringing in new dogs. We don't want to overwhelm ourselves by bringing in too many dogs at once," she said, noting each one takes time when it comes to everything from vet checks to behavioural assessments.

The shelter has room for up to about 20 dogs depending on their sizes and needs.

"We have a waiting list, so now our shelter manager is working through







Altona man charged in violent domestic assault

An Altona man is in custody facing a litany of charges after an Oct. 7 incident in Winkler.

Police were called by Genesis House staff around 4 a.m. about a domestic assault at a 2nd St. home.

The female victim told police her

husband, from whom she is currently separated, assaulted her by punching her in the face, kicking her down the stairs, and kicking her while she lay on the floor, all while their children were present in the home. The victim also disclosed to police that she was sexually assaulted during this incident.

Police found the man sleeping on the couch when they arrived. He was heavily intoxicated and had trouble staying on his feet, but officers say he resisted arrest multiple times before being taken into custody.

The 28-year-old man was charged with assault causing bodily harm, breach of undertaking, resisting arrest, forcible confinement, aggravated sexual assault and uttering threats. He remains in custody awaiting a Nov. 9 court appearance.

Other items of note in the weekly police reports include:

- On Oct. 5, a resident of Southview Drive reported several items were stolen out of her garage sometime overnight, including a tablet from her vehicle and food from a freezer.
- Police are investigating another Winkler theft Oct. 5 where the front and rear license plates were stolen from a vehicle parked at a local business. Officers were given the name of someone suspected of the theft.
- A resident of Rietze Avenue in Winkler reported on Oct. 9 that two men were in his garage going through his vehicle. Another resident told police she had seen a man with a flashlight on the driveway, and when she banged on the window a second man ran out of the garage.

Both fled on foot. Police were unable to locate the suspects.

• On Oct. 13, staff at Gateway Resources reported a man driving a white truck had been removing items from an electronic recycling bin over the last two weeks.

Police were given the license plate number of the vehicle involved, though Gateway did not want to pursue charges.

Police had been unable to contact the suspect at this time. The incident remains under investigation.



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that wait list," Rodgers said. "We're hoping we'll have a lot of new faces by the time of the open house."

There will be a wine basket door prize to be won at the event, which the humane society is also using to promote its supply drive.

For those who would like a simple way to contribute, they are accepting supplies throughout the evening. The supplies they are most in need of are dog treats and toys, clumping cat litter, wet cat food, laundry detergent, bleach, and dish soap.

"This is a great way for them to just pick up something on their way down to the shelter," said Rodgers, adding that everyone who drops off an item that evening will be entered to win a cat house.





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- Matte finish. The rich appeal of a matte finish creates a warm ambiance. What's more, matte finishes are great for camouflaging subtle imperhowever, they tend to be harder to clean. Reserve matte finishes for your ceiling or rooms with little traffic like the master bedroom.
- Eggshell finish. Like matte, an eggshell finish is perfect for rooms with little traffic since it tends to get dirty faster. The good news is that eggshellfinished walls are a lot easier to clean.
- Satin finish. A satin or pearly finish is ideal in areas that require a lot of upkeep and cleaning, like bathrooms, kids' bedrooms, kitchens and hallways.
- Semi-gloss finish. Semi-gloss finishes reflect lots of light, making your space look bigger and brighter. They also highlight subtle architectural details like woodwork and panel-

When it comes time to paint a room, ling. While easy to clean, semi-gloss simply choosing a colour for your finishes aren't necessarily the most suitable choice for your walls, as they tend to reveal imperfections. Nevertheless, they can be an interesting choice to brighten darker spaces like the basement.

• High-gloss finish. A glossy finish is frequently used to accentuate fections on the surface of your walls; the architectural particularities of a home's interior design.

Lastly, keep in mind that shinier finishes make brush strokes more obvious. If your painting skills leave much to be desired, opt for a matte finish or, better yet, call in the professionals!



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Winter car care: five ways to keep rust at bay

It's no secret that road salt is terrible for our cars. It does a great job melting ice and keeping roads safe during the winter, but it's also a major catalyst for rust. Of course, putting your car in storage until the return of warmer days is the best way to keep it safe from winter's harsh effects, but if that isn't an option, here are some ways you can help prevent rust from taking hold in the cold:

- 1. Have your car professionally rustproofed. This is especially recommended if you frequently park indoors. Drastic temperature variations, especially combined with the humid air in garages, provide rust with the perfect environment to thrive.
- 2. Slow down and keep your distances. It's the best way to minimize contact with road debris (e.g. salt, sand, rocks from other cars). Your paint job will

thank you!

- 3. Protect the body. Install mud flaps, a grille guard (clean it often to avoid an accumulation of road salt, which could scratch the paint), or clear plastic strips to protect the lower body frame.
- 4. Wash your car often. It's important to clean your vehicle periodically during the winter — even though the results won't last long! — to get rid of calcium deposits and other dirt. A dirty car is more likely to rust. Make sure to thoroughly dry everything off, and avoid washing your car when temperatures fall below -10 °C.
- 5. Apply surface wax. This will protect your paint job, but you'll need to act fast: the procedure requires outdoor temperatures above 10 °C to be success-

How to prepare your vehicle for storage

Are you thinking about putting your vehicle in storage this winter? Continue reading to learn the proper proce-

First, clean your car inside and out to get rid of all organic materials and dirt that could lead to rust. Next, dry it thoroughly to prevent moisture from setting in. You should also grease the door hinges, the latch on the hood and the rubber around the sunroof with an appropriate type of lubricant. If your car has leather seats, consider using a special protectant to keep them in good condi-

Furthermore, the engine oil and filter should both be changed before you place your vehicle in storage for the winter. Make sure to verify your car's fluid levels, and fill your gas tank threequarters of the way to stave off condensation and rust. You'll ideally want to add a fuel stabilizer to prevent fuel from degrading and oxidizing during prolonged periods of inactivity.

Once in storage, wait until the engine has completely cooled down, and then start it back up for a few seconds (not more than 30) to allow all components to be properly lubricated. Next, disconnect the battery and store it in a mild, dry area. Note: it's recommended to recharge the battery at least once during the winter. You'll also want to keep your car elevated on bearing blocks to preserve the condition of the tires. Otherwise, they can wear easily beneath the car's weight, especially if they start

Finally, if you cover your car to protect it from dust, choose a breathable fabric to avoid moisture from forming and getting trapped.





How to get your car ready for the winter

To ensure a safe winter on the roads this year, you'll need to perform the necessary vehicle checks. Follow this guide to avoid missing any critical steps!

Make sure that you have enough air in your tires, that your windshield wipers are in good condition and that your car battery isn't corroded. Next, test your heating and defrosting systems, as well as the headlights and blinkers, and make sure to lubricate the locks.

Once you've performed the necessary vehicle checks, top up all fluids (brake, transmission, windshield), and change your engine oil at the same time. For a thorough inspection, consider having your car checked by a professional mechanic. He or she will assess the condition of your vehicle and perform any minor repairs before the winter worsens the wear.

Always be prepared for the unexpected! Make sure to keep an extra gallon of antifreeze and windshield fluid in your car. But that's not all! You should also have an emergency survival kit that contains a shovel, an ice scraper, a broom, jumper cables, a towing cable, warm clothing, non-perishable foods, emergency flares and a flashlight. Lastly, take a minute to check the expiry date on all items in your first aid kit.

Is your car all set for winter? Great! Now it's up to you to drive responsibly. Always adjust your driving in bad weather and when your visibility is reduced to ensure your safety and the safety of others on the road.









Winter driving: five tire safety considerations

Good tires that are adapted to winter conditions as well as your vehicle are essential to stay safe on the road throughout the cold season. Here are five points to consider when it comes time to tire up your car for the winter:

- 1. Even if there's no snow in the forecast, it's a good idea to install winter tires on your car once temperatures reach around 7 °C. Anything colder than that will have a hardening effect on the rubber of summer tires, thus reducing their traction. Winter tires, on the other hand, are designed to maintain optimal flexibility — even on days where the thermometer plummets to -40 °C.
- 2. Your tires should have a tread depth of at least 4.8 millimetres. If they don't, or if they're almost worn to the limit, replace them without delay.

- 3. It's essential that all four tires on your car be identical and of the correct size. They should also ideally show roughly the same level of wear. If they don't, install the least-worn tires in the back to maximize your vehicle's stability.
- 4. There's more than one type of winter tire: some are designed for snowy conditions, while others perform better on ice. Make sure that you choose your tires according to the road conditions you're most likely to encounter.
- 5. Tire pressure greatly influences your car's abilities when it comes to braking distance and manoeuvrability, among others. Regularly ensure that your tires are inflated according to the manufacturer's recommendations. No more, no



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MCC Thrift Shop celebrates new look

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's MCC Thrift Shop celebrated its brand new look with a ribbon cutting last Friday.

The 4th St. shop underwent a major storefront renovation this summer that created a unified look across its entire building, which spans most of the block.

"We have often looked outside and we've found that it looked like such a hodgepodge of different storefronts, some with brick and some with metal, and we just thought it would look good if we would make it all look the same," explained MCC board chair Garry Bueckert.

"We had acquired a number of buildings over the years and we wanted to make it look like it was one building, as it actually functions in real life inside."

The store put aside funds over several years to pay for the renovations, the finishing touches of which were

completed just last week.

The new look has gotten a big thumbs up from customers and volunteers alike

"The volunteers are happy to see improvements in the place where they work, and certainly also customers," Bueckert said.

One of the store's eldest volunteers, Jakob Hildebrandt, had the honour of cutting the ribbon to officially mark the project's completion.

Hildebrandt began volunteering at MCC shortly after retiring to Winkler in the late '80s.

"I was receiving MCC help myself at one time, after World War 2 in Europe," he said. "I was a refugee there and MCC came and helped us with basic necessities.

"I felt after my retirement I could contribute something here, and that's what I'm doing now."

Hildebrandt said he's proud to see how far the store has come over the past 30 years, including this latest up-



PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Volunteer Jakob Hildebrandt cut the ribbon on the Winkler MCC Thrift Shop's storefront renovation project last Friday. The renos give the 4th St. building a more uniform look (below).

grade, and he's still very much enjoying his work behind-the-scenes.

A number of things keep him coming back.

"First of all, I'm contributing to relief work, not directly but indirectly," Hildebrandt said. "Secondly, it gives you satisfaction that you are recycling something that otherwise would probably go into the scrap heap.

"And thirdly, there's a lot of people from different backgrounds coming together here and working at the same thing and having good fellowship."

Winkler's store is a vital part of the

MCC network, said Viniece Blain,

MCC Manitoba associate director of

social enterprise, in her greetings at

"The wonderful new look to the out-

side of the building is such a symbol

of the amount of hard work that I

know goes on here every week, every

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the ribbon cutting ceremony.

single day," she said.

MCC's work around the world, Blain stressed. Annually, Winkler's MCC shop gives back upwards of half a million to MCC, in addition to tens of thousands of dollars locally.

"It's very far-reaching. While you're focused each day on all the work that you're doing here, it's felt by families and local villages in all sorts of countries, over 50 countries around the world," Blain said.

None of it would be possible if not for the store's volunteers and supporters, noted Bueckert.

"All of this is possible only because of our many donors who donate used goods to our shop," he said, "and also to the hundred of volunteers who receive, process, and sell the donated merchandise. And, of course, we rely on our many shoppers to purchase the goods that we have for sale.

"We believe that our refurbished storefront is going to help to carry out the vision that has been set for our business," said Bueckert."Our vision statement reads: Serving Christ at home to impact the world."

Human Speech Itself Glorifies God

from Creation Moments Radio Program

Proverbs 17:7

"Excellent speech becometh not a fool, much less do lying lips a prince."



Several different animals communicate on a limited basis with one another. But human speech is unique, leaving those who believe in evolution perplexed. The very oldest human fossils show the bony structures needed to support speech. Evolutionists will admit, in a candid moment, that they have no idea how speech could have evolved. One modern researcher said they have only "inferences based on hunches."

Some scientists have observed that human beings come with the built-in ability to learn and speak. While this idea is not popular among evolutionists, it is supported by the unique structure of the human vocal tract. No other creature has anything like it. The human larynx is placed low in the throat. That placement creates a sound chamber that allows us to make language expressive. Moreover, the placement prevents us from breathing and eating or drinking at the same time. But we are not born that way. A newborn's larynx is placed higher up in the throat, allowing a baby to breathe and suckle at the same time. By the time a child is six, and has no need to suckle and breathe at the same time, but is learning language, the larynx has moved to its adult position.

This obviously designed arrangement in support of human speech presents only more problems for the evolutionist. But for those who believe in our Creator God, it is one more testimony of His wise handiwork.

 $\label{prayer: Dear Father, I thank and praise You for the gift of speech. Amen. \\$

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Lions celebrate 100 years of international service

Winkler hosts provincial convention Nov. 17-19

By Lorne Stelmach

The world's largest service organization is celebrating a major milestone this year, and the local club is helping mark the occasion.

This is the 100th year for the Lions organization worldwide, with Lions Clubs International now at more than 1.4 million members in about 46,000 clubs in more than 200 countries around the world.

The Morden and district club started in 1971 and carries on its work today with about 20 active members.

"We're always looking for new, hard working members. It's a challenge to keep membership up," said Sandra Lawrence, who serves as club secre-

"We would like some young blood," agreed president Shannon Dueck. "We're an aging club ... so we need people with new ideas."

The local club planted 100 trees throughout Morden this year in celebration of the 100th anniversary, and it also is playing host to fellow Lions from across the province this fall.

The Manitoba convention will be held at the Days Inn conference centre in Winkler Nov. 17-19.

"The last time we did one here was 1997," noted Lawrence.

"We're expecting 150 to 200 Lions and spouses to come from all over Manitoba and the U.S., so we're hoping for a good turnout," said Dueck.

The weekend will feature a variety of seminars and speakers, but both Dueck and Lawrence noted just as important is the fellowship that happens at a gathering like this.

"You can talk to other club members ... get project ideas, get fundraising ideas and ideas on building membership," suggested Lawrence. "Everybody always has good ideas ... things that you don't think about ... you can take something from another community and incorporate it into yours and it helps."

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The Morden Lions continue to organize a variety of projects each year everything from a hugely popular annual toy show in spring to its ongoing fundraising bird seed sales.

Coming up this month, on Oct. 28, is the sixth annual Christmas Market in the City at the Morden Activity Cen-

"It's amazing. People come back now year after year," said Lawrence."We have around 30 tables, so that's good ... it will be very full. There will be a bit of everything ... there's all kinds of good things ... a good place to start your Christmas shopping."

Dueck noted the club also supports a variety of national and international projects, such as the Lions dog guide program. A training centre in Ontario



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Morden and District Lions Club president Shannon Dueck and secretary Sandra Lawrence are helping the local club, formed in 1971, celebrate the 100th anniversary of Lions International.

graduated 182 dogs and owners this past year thanks to funding from the Lions.

"So if you qualify for a dog ... you get your dog for free," Dueck said, noting there are specific training programs including dog guides for autism, sight, hearing, and diabetes awareness.

Dueck added that anyone supporting a Lions Club project can know that all money donated goes towards community service, as their membership dues cover all administrative

"A hundred per cent of any donations goes to the cause ... that's something that we as Lions are very proud of," she said, adding there is an extra incentive here for new members to have their dues paid by the club for

The club meets the first and third Mondays of the month throughout

If you're interested in getting involved, call Dueck at 204-384-6365 for information.



Co-op gives back \$1.8M to its members

The Winkler Co-op is marking Co-op Week in Winkler and Morden this week by returning about \$1.8 million in profits back to its members. "Everything we do is for the community ... everything is all about the community," said general manager Evan Toews. "All of our profits go back into the community through donations as well as cash back."

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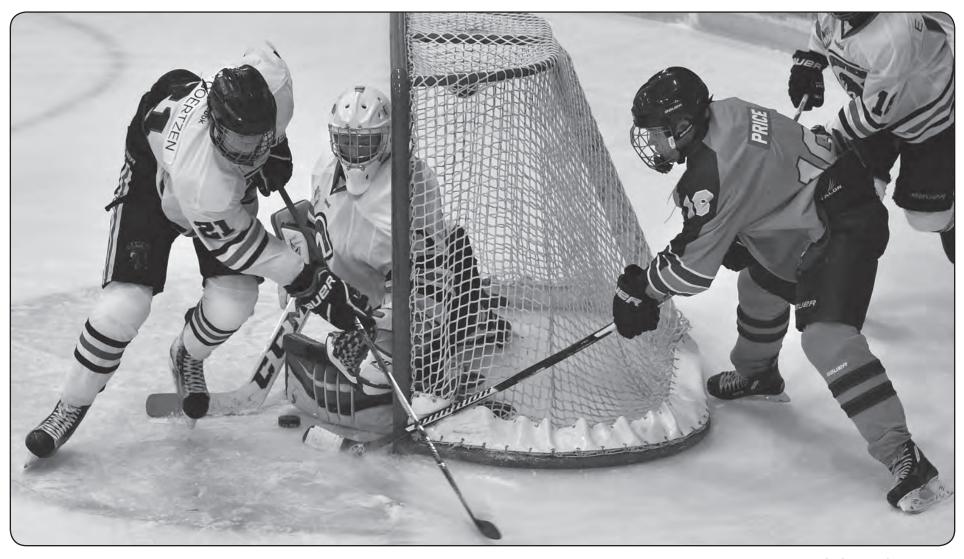


PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

Pembina Valley's Noah Goertzen tries to stop the wraparound attempt by Winnipeg's Kale Price on goaltender Martin Gagnon in Saturday's 6-2 Hawks victory. The team went on to fall to the Interlake Lightning 4-3 Sunday in a game that went all the way to a shootout for a decision.

Hawks coach optimistic about team's chances

By Lorne Stelmach

Their progress in the early stages of the season leaves coach Rylan Price optimistic about the Pembina Valley Hawks' chances this year in the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League.

At the very least, he sees the Hawks, with a good mix of veterans and rookies, being a competitive team.

"If we can get a full combined team effort, we'll be a tough team to play against," said Price following the Hawks' 6-2 victory Saturday over the Winnipeg Thrashers and 4-3 shootout loss against the Interlake Lightning Sunday.

The Hawks held period leads of 2-1 and 4-2 on their win over the Thrashers, with goaltender Martin Gagnon

making 34 saves as his teammates were outshot 36-24.

Tyson Allison and Sven Schefer each scored a pair while Nathan Ayotte and Wyatt Cobb contributed singles.

On Sunday, the shootout ended in two rounds as the Lightning connected twice while Jayden McCarthy and Tom Chanel missed.

Brock Moroz made 32 saves as this time the Hawks were ahead on shots 44-35. Pembina Valley goals in regulation came from Kolton Shindle on a powerplay and Tristan Day and Spencer Kaminsky.

Price sees positive signs so far from his team, which was sitting in the middle of the pack of the standings after the weekend.

"I feel that we move the puck very

well to each other. It keeps our speed up. If we can continue to do that, we're going to be a very fast team to play against," he said.

"Our powerplay and penalty kill need some work ... with just the limited amount of practice that we've had since the start of the season," he continued. "I expect that to get better and better as we go along, but it's definitely an area we need to see improved."

He liked what he saw at a recent practice.

"The group of kids that we had out there, we did a few of the drills that we couldn't do well last year, and they did them perfectly last practice, so the puck moving and passing is at a top level right now." There were some individual performances as well that stand out in the early going.

"Kolton Shindle has had a very strong start to the season. He's looking to be a top player in the league, and he's started out that way," said Price.

"Our goaltender Martin Gagnon has put in solid efforts as well. He's done what I expected him to do. He came in and he has solidified himself as a number one starter."

The Hawks head to Portage this weekend to be part of the league showcase weekend.

They'll face the Eastman Selects Saturday and the Yellowhead Chiefs Sunday.

Morden native named to North Dakota hall of fame

Bv Lorne Stelmach

A Mordenite with the distinction of being the most decorated softball player in Minot State University history is now part of the North Dakota school's athletic hall of fame.

Janessa Wilson was inducted at a ceremony during half time of the Beavers home football game against Bemidji State on Saturday.

Now a teacher with Southeast Cornerstone School Division in Carlyle, Saskatchewan, Wilson said it is truly an honour to be recognized as a hall of a fame worthy athlete.

"It was a nice surprise. It's a very humbling award to be receiving for sure," said Wilson, daughter of Morden's Ray and Cheryl Penner.

"It means a lot to me. I had a very successful career there, but not only individually. The team did very well there, so I definitely share this with all of the teammates and coaches that I had there," said Wilson.

During her time at Minot, Wilson earned national All-American honours three times.

Prior to attending Minot State, she spent a year studying at Dakota College at Bottineau, which did not offer softball. She had always wanted to

play softball at a college level, though, so she was soon drawn to Minot where friends were playing on the softball team.

During her four years at the university, she was named National Region 3 Player of the Year in 2008 as well as Dakota Athletic Conference MVP in 2008 and the Most Valuable Senior in

The Beavers qualified for their firstever national tournament in 2010, where Wilson was named team MVP.

Wilson holds a school record with a .477 average. Her career included 113 runs batted in, 198 runs scored and 81 stolen bases, which at the time of her graduation was a record. Wilson's stats also included a total of 43 doubles, 19 triples, and 13 home runs throughout her career.

Her favourite memory was winning the conference the first time in Minot State history the softball program had qualified to compete in the national tournament.

It all began for her back in Morden at age five.

"I owe a lot of my success to my family ... who over the years have made a lot of sacrifices to allow me the opportunities that I had," said Wilson. "My



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Janessa Wilson (centre), formerly of Morden, was inducted into Minot State University's Hall of Fame on Saturday for her time with the school's softball team.

parents and my brothers sacrificed a lot to give me a lot of opportunities growing up ... just the time and practice put into the sport.

"And all of the coaches that I had that helped me along the way," she added, "and my teammates were instrumental in my success. I share this honour alongside all of them."

What also drove her was "just my love for the game. I've always had a passion for it. I always dreamt of playing at the university level, playing and representing my country or

just playing at a high level of ball.

"I knew it was something that I wanted to pursue, so it's awesome that I got the opportunity to do that,"

Wilson remains involved in the sport, playing for a senior team, and she looks forward to when she will be able to pass on her love for the game.

"I have a couple young kids, so hopefully as they grow up I'll be able to help them and continue on my love for the game with them," she said.

Pembina Valley Hawks best Wildcats, Chiefs

By Lorne Stelmach

Dana Bell always stresses teamwork over individual performances, and that is likely even more important in coaching what is a young female Pembina Valley Hawks squad this year.

"We're still in the building stages for sure," said Bell as the Hawks took pair of wins last weekend over the Westman Wildcats and Yellowhead Chiefs in their second regular season weekend.

"We've got nine new girls this year, so basically what we're doing is we're building off of every game right now," he said. "We're learning lots, and we've got a real hard working group

this year, which is great. The commitment is there, and now it's up to us to play together.

"Right now, we just have a really good group effort. We're all about the team, and everybody seems to be connecting and working well together."

A third period goal by Kaila Powell was all the Hawks needed Saturday as they blanked the Wildcats 1-0. Halle Oswald earned the shutout with a solid 29-save night.

The netminder remained steady again Sunday, allowing only one of 32 shots past her as Pembina Valley edged Yellowhead 2-1.

Makenzie McCallum provided all the offence with a pair of goals, including the winner in the third period after the game had been tied at one after the first period.

The Hawks have three wins and a shootout loss through their first four games for seven points, which leaves them just one back of the Wildcats at 3-1-1-0 for eight points.

Bell is seeing a lot of positives through the first four games of the campaign, though there are a few things he wants to focus in on in the days ahead.

"We've got a few things to work on," he said. "We need to use our speed a little bit more and take advantage of that ... that's what we'll be looking to

"For us, right now, we want to be a first pass team, so that's what we've been concentrating on. We've got to make that first pass and then carry the puck down the ice.

"We do have a lot of speed this year, so we want to take advantage of that ... right now,we're really concentrating on our passing," said Bell.

The Hawks now face a busy weekend starting with hosting the Eastman Selects Friday evening before going west to Hartney for a Saturday and Sunday doubleheader against the Westman Wildcats.



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Winkler Flyers win streak extends to seven

The Winkler Flyers were riding a seven game winning streak into MJHL action this week.

Coltyn Bates and CJ Corazzin both had a goal and an assist as the Flyers defeated the visiting Swan Valley Stampeders 3-1 Friday, then Troy Martyniuk earned his second shutout of the season Saturday in a 3-0 win over the Waywayseecappo Wolverines.

Griffin Leonard, Brett Opperman, and Mitch Dyck all recorded their first goals of the year Saturday as the Flyers jumped on the Wolverines early and opened scoring in the first.

Waywayseecappo goaltender Ethan Peterson also had a strong night between the pipes, preventing the Flyers from building on their lead until late the third. Winkler put the game away in the third, outshooting the Wolverines 20-5 and adding two more goals.

Martyniuk earned his fifth win of the year, kicking aside all 19 shots he faced, while Winkler outshot Wayway 36-19. The Flyers were 0-for-3 on the power-play and 5-for-5 on the penal-

The Flyers had a strong penalty kill and some timely goal scoring Friday against the Stampeders.

Having opened scoring in six of

their first seven games, the Flyers hit the scoreboard first once again when Corazzin charged the net.

Despite being out chanced and out played throughout much of the period, the Stampeders tied the game when Jaden Townsend beat Winkler goaltender Aaron Brunn with 1:42 left in the opening period.

The Flyers regained the lead early in the second thanks to a goal from Coltyn Bates with 6:59 gone in the pe-

Outshooting the Stamps 27-17 through the first 40 minutes, Winkler tacked on an insurance goal just past the five minute mark of the third from defenceman Garrett Kuklica.

Brunn finished the night stopping 28 of the 29 shots he faced while earning his second victory in his second start of the season.

The Flyers outshot Swan Valley 42-29 overall, while Winkler went 0-for-4 on the power-play and 8-for-8 on the penalty-kill.

The Flyers were at 7-2-0 and alone in third place just two points back of the first place Steinbach Pistons going into their game Tuesday against the Selkirk Steelers. Results were not available at press time.

Winkler faces a busy three game road trip this weekend against Neepawa Friday, Dauphin Saturday, and Virden Sunday.

Twisters beat Hawks, fall to Raiders

By Lorne Stelmach

Pembina Valley **Twisters** snapped a four game losing skid, but their week still brought mixed results.

The Twisters needed to go to a shootout to earn a 5-4 win over the Charleswood Hawks Tuesday, but they then fell 7-5 Sunday to the Raiders of Winnipeg.

Wyatt Sabourin scored 3:15 into the third period to even the game against the Hawks and force overtime after the Pembina Valley had taken a 4-3 lead in the second on the strength of three unanswered goals.

Braeden Beernaerts, Keane Boucher, and Karl Conrad had also scored for the Twisters, who took the victory when Brendan Keck scored the lone shootout goal in the third round after Fraser Mirrlees and Jeremie Goderis missed.

Corbin Clunis started in goal for the Twisters but was yanked after allowing four goals on 15 shots. Griffin Dyck stopped all 19 the rest of the

Things got away from the Twisters Sunday as they led 3-1 after one pe-

riod before the Raiders tied it at four after two and outscored Pembina Valley 3-1 again in the third.

Fraser Mirrlees had a pair for the Twisters, with other goals coming from Alex Tetrault, Quade Froese, and Jeremie Goderis.

Dvck made 29 saves as the Twisters outshot the Raiders 44-36.

The Twisters sit eighth in the ten team league at 3-6 for six points.

Coming up, the team hosts the Canucks Friday and the Twins next Tuesday.

Thunder boys clinch provincial soccer title

The Morden Thunder boys varsity soccer team are tops in the province after a stellar showing at the Provincial Rural Soccer Championships in Niverville Oct. 13-14.

Morden defeated Steinbach 1-0 in the final match Saturday, following victories over Stonewall and Garden Valley Collegiate, who went on to take the bronze by downing Altona.

The Thunder girls, meanwhile, fell in the final match to Minnedosa 1-0 after battling their way there with victories over R.D. Parker and GVC. NPC's girls took the consolation final at the tournament, besting R.D. Parker 3-0.

Other high school sports results from the past week include:

- Garden Valley Collegiate's cross country junior varsity boys team made up of Aaron Warkentine, Trent Crane, Christian Pazer, Gabriel Dyck, and Joel Nickel won bronze at the provincials in Kilcona Park on Oct. 11, earning a cumulative 62 points.
- In Zone 4 varsity volleyball, the Thunder girls opened their season

with a clean three set sweep against the Blues. The boys lost their match

varsity boys beat the Lions three sets to one Monday night, while the fe-

• In SCAC volleyball action, NPC's male Nighthawks lost their match in three sets.

Instructor Susan Pharaoh guided students in a pottery class at the Pembina Hills Gallery in Morden earlier this month. The La Riviere-based artist regularly leads pottery classes from beginner to intermediate levels for the Pembina Hills Arts Council.

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Agriculture

Supply, demand, and exchange rate affecting pork prices

By Harry Siemens

The week of Oct. 9, the United States hog price moved up every day, going from 54 cents to 58 cents lean for 53 to 54 per cent hogs.

Hog commentator Jim Long said the real strength shows when compared to last year where the U.S. marketed 2,305,000 hogs in this weekly time frame. Hogs 53-54 per cent lean was 52 cents; this year the US sold 2,516,000 (210,000 more) at the price of 58 cents a pound for 53 to 54 per

"More hogs, higher price equals good demand," said Long. "Despite the huge deluge of hogs, USDA pork carcass cut-outs show wholesale pork is averaging 74.44 cents a pound. With the spread between hog market price of 58 cents and pork cut-outs of 74 cents, packers are making good

He believes the industry can thank the startup of the new packing plants and the higher capacity they bring for helping the hog price be stronger this year compared to last.

"As the three plants— Seaboard-Triumph, Coldwater, and Primeramp up, we expect to see a narrowing of the spread between U.S. pork cut-outs and hog prices," said Long.

Tyler Fulton, the director of risk management with h@ms Marketing Services, advises pork producers who have less than 50 per cent of their production forward contracted to be watching for opportunities to shore up their hedges.

The most recent release of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Report indicates the U.S. market hog inventory increased by three per cent from one year ago while the breeding inventory increased by one per cent.

Fulton said the three new slaughter plants now operating in the U.S. are capable of absorbing the increased volumes of hogs, but demand for pork will need to remain strong to keep the prices of those pigs from falling.

"We are going to be looking at U.S. daily hog slaughters that exceed 2.6 million," he said. "That's easily a record, beating the old record by approximately 100 thousand hogs and so we rely heavily on the ability to move this extra supply, this extra production."

Fulton said the big question is at what price will they be able to clear it? If demand continues to show significant growth as it has for the last several months, then it's possible they won't have to make any massive price concessions.

"What I think is most likely to happen is packer margins will shrink so those packers will probably make a lot less than what they were for example last year at this time and they will be more competitive for live hogs which will narrow up those margins," he said. "But the hope is that the effect of the heavy supply won't be felt by producers as much simply because we've got this extra competition by three new packers."

Fulton recommends producers who

are less than 50 per cent hedged for the November to December time frame look for opportunities to shore up their hedges, but notes a lot of producers are already well covered for the fourth quarter.

When referring to the Hogs and Pigs Report, the USDA does the fall surveys at the start of September and every other quarter.

"They send out a questionnaire to US.. hog producers to get an idea to what kind of numbers they have and in which categories they may fit to try to give the market a perspective as to what the flow of live hogs will be over the next six months or so,"Fulton said.

"What we found in this report was that relative to what most analysts expected in these heavyweight categories, so the hogs that are coming in right now and for the next two months or so, are really at the top end if not exceeding the high expectations. So that likely implies that there'll be more price pressure than what was thought to be the case otherwise."

Fulton said the exchange rate is very volatile and it can be a game changer. It's tough to project where things will

"Three months ago, nobody anticipated that we'd be looking at average Canadian dollar values compared to American dollar better than 82 cents for most of September," he said. "Most recently we've seen a little bit of weakness, and we hope to see some further erosion of the Canadian dollar.

"Really, for each one cent decline that we see in the Canadian dollar, we see Canadian hog prices appreciate by pretty close to two to two and a half cents."



Spreading the word

By Harry Siemens

As a farm journalist and farmer's advocate for almost my entire working life (and don't worry, I'm not about to leave this entirely enjoyable and most rewarding role anytime soon), I reach out to other means and ways to get the message out to others, so I'm not always preaching

The people who read the Voice, while many are not actual farmers, many have proximity to farming and still understand much of it.

Yet my goal with this column and the other two articles I write every week is to inform and educate on changes, and what remains the same. Yes, the machines keep getting bigger, and the technology keeps getting smarter. Oh, and the numbers have changed dramatically, but it doesn't always mean higher prof-

To tell the story of farming to a broader audience, I approach media outlets outside of this area and make friends with those who can help me tell the story.

Geoff Currier at CJOB Radio in Winnipeg is a friend of the farmer and helps me tell the story to their vast urban audience, many of whom—and I don't say this disparagingly—actually think the milk comes from the corner store and farmers don't grow their food.

Recently, Geoff asked me to give a wrap up of this year's harvest which is nearing completion.

Geoff: It is that time, or coming around to that time, when we like to say the hay is in the barn. I'm using the hay metaphorically of course, how much of the hay is in the barn?

Harry: Well, you know, we're just on that downward stretch. The last part of it here in Manitoba, I know there are little pockets here and there with some soybeans left, and maybe, heaven forbid, even some canola, but I think everything is off except now we're into the corn. We're harvesting corn, and then, of course, we have maybe 75,000 acres of sunflowers left to harvest. It is interesting to see how corn and sunflowers have changed places regarding the number of acres that farmers grow.

We tried growing corn in the late '70s, early '80s, and it was good for one or two years, and then we had a few heavy frosts, early frosts that knocked out the fringe areas which fell by the wayside.

We still had the core area Morden, Miami, Carmen, those areas kept growing corn all the way through it. A lot of it at that time went to the distillery at Gimli, some still go there, but this is feed grain corn. While for human consumption in other parts of the world, in Canada and the United States it goes for animal feed and ethanol industry, and some goes locally to some livestock producers, but priced on the Chicago Board of

Geoff: So much of it gets exported that we're not going to pick those cobs and find them in the local grocery store?

Harry: That particular harvest happened earlier. When we have the Corn and Apple Festival around that third weekend of August, that's when that fresh market corn that you eat is ready to go.

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Harvest good to excellent in Manitoba, Sask.

By Harry Siemens

With the harvest coming to a close in Manitoba and Saskatchewan reports are much better than anticipated, especially in Saskatchewan.

While yields were down, Saskatchewan Agriculture said crop quality is the best that farmers have seen in years.

"Over the last couple of years we've had heavy rainfalls and a lot of issues with sprouting, bleaching, and downgrading due to fusarium, but luckily this year the majority of the crops are grading in the top two grades," said Shannon Friesen, a cropping management specialist with Saskatchewan Agriculture.

"Regarding yield, again, those vary greatly right across the province anywhere from well above average to well below average, and it all depends on where you are in the province. For those producers in the south where we did see a long extended period of very dry and scorching weather conditions, things are well below what we would normally expect. For those areas that got timely moisture, yields are looking much better, some of those areas in the northeast as well as the northwest."

Friesen said in the northeast and east-central regions a lot of producers were able to reclaim land flooded for many years.

"While rain a couple of weeks ago improved soil moisture conditions, others areas will need significant amounts of rain to replenish topsoil and subsurface moisture so timely rains, once the harvest is complete, will be welcomed," she noted.

In this province, Anne Kirk, a cereal crop specialist with Manitoba Agriculture, said minimal precipitation over much of the province allowed good harvest progress in most parts of Manitoba in recent weeks.

"For most of the week, we did see some pretty good harvest progress throughout the province," she said. "We did have minimal precipitation over most of the province, so this allowed harvest to continue.

"In some wetter areas, such as in the

southwest region from the previous week, farmers were back in the fields by the end of last week. The cereal and canola harvest is pretty much complete; soybeans are near completion and harvest of grain corn and sunflowers is just starting. For sunflowers and corn, we just saw those getting started in the central region this week, so we do have quite a bit of that crop left to take off."

Kirk said farmers still have flax to harvest and when harvest will be complete just depends on the weather in the next few weeks and how quickly farmers will be able to get that crop off.

Crop quality, meanwhile, has continued to be high.

"Throughout much of the province

we did see the cereal crops harvested for the most part before much of the rain, so harvest quality for those crops is quite good," said Kirk."For the soybeans, we see some smaller seeds, and that's just as a result of the drier conditions they experienced throughout the growing season."

Kirk said with the shorter daylight hours and colder nights there's less time where there isn't dew on the ground to get things off, so, again, progress depends on the weather over the next few weeks.

Before the rain, farmers were holding off on fall field work due to dry conditions. But now that there is moisture, people are applying anhydrous ammonia, harrowing and doing sampling the soil.

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Now all of this corn dries down. If you drive down a road, you'll see that in the last three weeks we had green, tall corn. Now we have brown corn that's not as tall. It's shriveled up a little bit. The farmers tell me, about 25 per cent moisture content. The bushel weight is pretty good and the yield right now, anywhere from I think 150 to 180 bushels an acre, which again, ten years ago was unheard of. Last year we had a bumper-bumper crop, over 200 bushels an acre for some. Well, 150 to 180 is still good.

Geoff: What happened to the sunflower industry and why are the acres way down?

Harry: When I farmed back in the '60s and early '70s I was growing sunflowers. It was a big cash crop. Then the acres blossomed, they bloomed. Of course, we had Co-op Vegetable Oils in Altona now Bunge crushing canola, which was started on sunflower crushing back in the middle 40s. They were crushing sunflower seed and all of a sudden, disease hit. Head rot, root rot, I remember a field

that everybody was telling me in July blooming tall, it was going to do 2,000 pounds to the acre, plus. Then head rot set in, and almost in front of our eyes, the heads fell off. By the time we combined it, it was around 700 to 800 pounds to the acre. That's what happened. I mean, Altona still the sunflower capital because of all the sunflowers grown, there were a few years where I believe there were no commercial sunflowers grown except maybe in somebody's garden.

Youth choir performs shows across the region





PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Singers from Winkler-Morden joined the Central Manitoba Youth Choir on its tour of the region last week. The choir, 50 singers strong, had 16 performances Oct. 12-16, including this one at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler to wrap things up Monday afternoon. Left: A rousing rendition of 'Splish Splash.' Above: 'Please Mr. Postman.'

Morden thrift shop gives back to the tune of \$364K

By Lorne Stelmach

Boundary Trails Health Centre is gaining some short and long term support from the Morden Community Thrift Shop.

The hospital was awarded a \$250,000 gift in the form of a guaranteed investment certificate as part of over \$364,000 in grants handed out by the thrift store last Thursday.

In the longer term, the funding will provide a big boost for the three phase expansion of the regional hospital which will include a new building for administrative services and functions. But the facility also gains in the short term.

"This gift will accumulate interest, and we've been told that we can use the interest from this money to buy equipment at the hospital," explained Angie Cusson, director of health services for BTHC.

"I think we have a long list of things that we can use it for, but it's going to be great to have the ability to use that as additional support for the hospital," she said.

"This kind of gift will actually fund a part of the new building, so when it comes, while we're looking at millions of dollars in changes, it can essentially be the completed cost of one portion of the renovated hospital.

"It's a significant gift for us. It will mean everything to the patients when they get the opportunity to maybe not be so squished while they're getting care. It means a lot to the staff ... it means providing people with the added space that they need for programming but also to get the care that they need."

A total of \$364,231 in grants were handed out by the store in its fall disbursement, including \$60,000 to Pembina Counselling Centre in support of its expansion and move to Boundary Trails Place, \$15,000 to Youth for Christ, \$12,000 towards spiritual care at the new Tabor Home, \$9,673 to the Agassiz Medical Centre for equipment, \$7,558 to the Morden Police Service for equipment such as heavy body armour, and \$5,000 each to the Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre and the Morden Community Handivan.

Thrift Shop president Jean Hildebrand said these gifts were made possible through the community's generous support of the store over the past year.

"It's been overwhelming, just awesome and busy. The community is being very supportive, bringing in lots



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Morden Community Thrift Shop board members presented just over \$364,000 in grants to community groups last week, including BTHC, Pembina Counselling Centre, Youth for Christ, Tabor Home, Agassiz Medical Centre, Morden Police Service, Pembina Valley Pregnancy Care Centre, and the Morden Handivan.

of donations, shopping here. We've had an excellent year," she said, estimating they brought in somewhere over \$500,000.

"It's a lot of people doing a lot of work and a lot of donations, small donations add up to big sales," said Hildebrand."It's really awesome. It motivates us to come ... it keeps us going."

The recipients agreed the Thrift Shop makes a huge impact in the community and they're grateful to see it so supported in turn.

"The generosity of this community

is outstanding. We've never ever not felt the support from everywhere," said Cusson.

"It's great that they do this ... and to think how many volunteers it takes to get all this product through in a year to come up with this kind of money ... that's a lot of work, and it is greatly appreciated," said Sgt. Sean Aune of the Morden Police Service.

"This is the second time that the thrift store has helped us when it comes to the officer safety aspect ... where it's helping our officers and

making a more safe environment. This money is going right directly to safety, so that's as valuable as it gets."

Hildebrand said it is rewarding for them to be making a difference in such a tangible way for so many local groups and organizations.

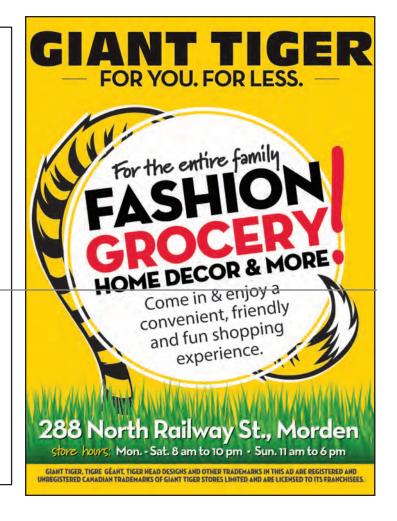
"We're looking to help groups that are helping the community," she said. "That's what it's all about. Anyone that needs help that's contributing to the community. We're here to help as many as we can."

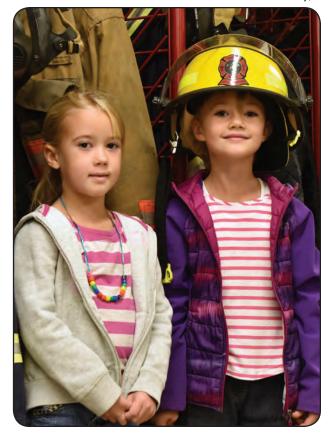
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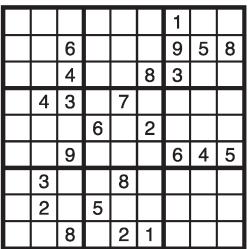


PHOTOS BY RICK HIEBERT

Winkler Fire & Rescue marked Fire Prevention Week with an open house Oct. 11. The community was invited for tours, skills demonstrations, hands-on activities, and a fundraising barbecue. Left: Paisley and Tyra try on some firefighter gear. Right: Lenny tests his targeting skills with the water hose.



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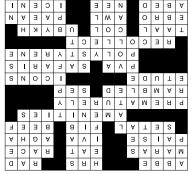
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Sudoku Answer



Crossword Answer

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- 1. Inventor of the apochromatic lens
- 5. Time units (abbr.)
- 8. Cool!
- 11. NY football family
- 13. A way to consume
- 14. Competition
- 15. Monetary units
- 16. Plant in the daisy family
- 17. Ottoman military title
- 18. Small Polish village
- 20. Relatively insignificant lie
- 21. Argument
- 22. Comforts
- 25. Early
- 30. Went on and on
- 31. Type of IRA
- 32. Short musical composition
- 33. Images
- 38. Major component of wood glue (abbr.)
- 41. Observing expeditions
- 43. Used as a lightweight foam
- 45. Recall knowledge
- 48. Afrikaans word for "language"
- 49. Fried chicken guru Sanders' title (abbr.)
- 50. Caucasian language
- 55. A Spanish river
- 56. Used to pierce holes
- 57. Song of praise
- 59. In bed
- 60. Originally called
- 61. Iron Age Brittonic tribe
- 62. Young goat
- 63. Not even
- 64. Make from wool or yarn
- **CLUES DOWN** 1. Current unit
- 2. Bleats
- 3. Soft creamy white cheese
- 4. Opposite of west

- 5. Young female cow
- 6. Deep, narrow gorges
- 7. Freestanding sculpture
- 8. Finger millet
- 9. Hurts
- 10. Unable to hear
- 12. Vast body of water
- 14. Volcanic island in Fiji
- 19. Not early
- 23. Wet dirt
- 24. Be characteristic of
- 25. Before
- 26. Tell on
- 27. Resembles the ostrich
- 28. Million barrels per day (abbr.)
- 29. War-torn city in Syria
- 34. Mode of transportation 35. Metals and minerals are extracted from this

- 36. Trent Reznor's band
- 37. Midway between south and southeast
- 39. Vesuvius is one
- 40. Permitted
- 41. A type of corrosion (abbr.)
- 42. Tip of Aleutian Islands
- 44. Shouted
- 45. Jewish spiritual leader
- 46. Punched in the side of the head
- 47. Lout
- 48. Used to make furniture and ships
- 51. Spectrum disorder (abbr.)
- 52. A way to talk
- 53. American shoe company
- 54. Chinese ethnic group
- 58. Egg of a louse

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PERMITS - PART I -**SECTION 9 H.P.A. AND** PART III - SECTION 17 H.P.A. 3/003/150/A/17 - LANDON CAVERS

Application to Modify Access Driveway (Residential) onto P.T.H. No. 3, N.E.1/4 14-3-11W, Municipality of Louise.

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The Board of Revision will sit on Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the City of Morden to hear applications.

The final date on which the Secretary of the Board must receive applications is November 8, 2017 by 4:30 p.m. local time.

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THE R.M. OF THOMPSON BY-LAW NO. 13-17 being an amendment to the R.M. of Thompson Zoning By-law 3-08, as

HEARING: RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

530 NORTON AVENUE MIAMI, MB

DATE & TIME: Thursday October 26, 2017 5:30 P.M.

To rezone a parcel of land

From "CH" Commercial Highway "CA" Commercial Agricultural

LOT 5, PLAN 1453, ROLL#39600

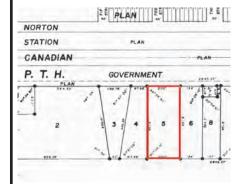
NW 5-5-6, 34132 PTH 23

FOR INFORMATION

CONTACT: Nicole Fnns

Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Thompson 204-435-2114

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HEARING: RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

530 NORTON AVENUE MIAMI, MB

DATE & TIME: Thursday, November 9, 2017 10:00 A.M.

INTENT: To rezone a parcel of land

From "CC" Commercial Central To "RG" Residential General

LOT 15, BLOCK 3, PLAN 1887, ROLL#56600

40 LETAIN ST.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Thompson

204-435-2114

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OBITUARY



Eva (Eve) Elisabeth Toews August 12, 1945 - October 6, 2017

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Eve Toews on Friday, October 6, 2017. Eve passed away at home. She leaves behind family, including her sisters Helen, Mary, Cathy, Elly, Frieda and Bertha and her many nieces and nephews who will all miss their Aunt Eve.

A memorial service will be held at the Jerrett North York Funeral Home, 6191 Yonge Street, Toronto, south of Steeles Avenue (416-223-6050), on Saturday, October 14th at 11 a.m. There will be a committal service at the Eigenhof Cemetery. This will be a time for the immediate family to mourn their loss privately. Following this, friends and family are invited to a time of memorial in Eve's honor held at the Altona Curling Club Lounge on Wednesday, October

18, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Hospital for Sick Kids in Toronto. ON. Excerpt from a poem Eve wrote at the time of her father's passing (modified a bit):

Now we will have to go on, without her presence,

Her honesty, integrity, her very essence,

The torch will be passed, for the next generation to be led,

Will we answer the call? Can we stand in her stead?

So go in peace now. Eve. you have earned your rest.

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AUCTIONS

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROLAND PUBLIC NOTICE **BOARD OF REVISION FOR 2018 ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Public notice is hereby given that the 2018 assessment roll for the Rural Municipality of Roland has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 45 3rd Street, Roland, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. That any person, who believes that an assessment ought to be revised, may make application in accordance with section 42 and 43 of the Municipal

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

"42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

- a) liability to taxation;
- b) amount of an assessed value;
- c) classification of property; or
- d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- "43(1) An application for revision must
 - a) be made in writing;
 - b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which
 - c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue and the grounds for each of those matters; and
 - d) be filed by

i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or

ii) serving it upon the secretary,

at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice."

The Board of Revision for the RM of Roland will sit on Tuesday. November 14, 2017 at 10:00 am in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Roland to hear applications. The final date on which the Secretary of the Board may receive applications is

October 30, 2017.

Dated this 11th day of October, 2017.

Kristin Olson, Secretary **Board of Revision Rural Municipality of Roland** 45 3rd St., Box 119, Roland, MB R0G 1T0



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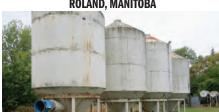


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