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Decked out for the holidays

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From left: The Winkler Horticulture Society's Betty Klassen, Valerie Harder, and Margaret Penner braved the cold to set up a holiday display at the Parkside Pioneer Patch. The community is invited to use the site for family photos this Christmas. See Pg. 12 for more details.

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Eden celebrates 50 years of hope and healing

By Cori Bezan

Eden Health Care Services marked their golden anniversary with a formal gala evening in Winkler Nov. 9.

The organization invited dignitaries and community members alike to share in celebrating five decades of mental health support in southern Manitoba.

Eden board chair Evelyn Labun revealed a special project that they have been working on: a celebratory coffee table book on the history of the organization.

While the book, aptly titled *Hope, Healing, and Community: Celebrating 50 Years of Eden* and written by board member Glen Klassen, is not quite finished, they hope to have it ready in time for Christmas.

Four local citizens were also recognized at the gala as Eden's Mental Health Heroes, nominated for their ongoing work as mental health advocates in the community.

Warren Friesen, who accepted the first award of the evening, has made his own mental health journey public in order to help others share their own stories and begin to shed the stigma around mental health issues.

"Something went wrong in my mind, so to speak," Friesen explained. "I got extremely anxious, a sense of doom that I just could not explain, so that's when I knew that something

was not quite right."

"It is therapeutic for me to talk about it," he added. "If I share my story with somebody and it brings them that moment of, hey, me too, I'm not the only person ... if I can bring that kind of relief ... then there's a sense of, gosh, this dark road has not been for naught."

Morden's Janine Monroe was nominated in recognition of the support she provides to her husband, who serves as a RCMP officer.

"His job is a very stressful job, so he sees a lot of things," Monroe said. "They deal with a lot of stress. These guys, they go out and they deal with death, they deal with children that are hurt, they deal with car accidents and horrible things that the normal person might have a hard time dealing with."

Winklerite Nathan Elias shared his story about his own depression and his process towards healing.

"To this day, a lot of my friends probably don't know about my depression, my anxiety," Elias said. "I think it was something that gradually built up inside me."

"Looking back, I wouldn't change anything. The past is the past," he said. "I finally accept that I am who I am ... I'm not scared to talk about it anymore."

Finally, Sylvia Fehr from Marchand helped her daughter seek profession-



al help as she struggled with mental illness. Fehr's daughter nominated her for the award.

"It's a very fine line to know when you should speak and when you should not speak, to give them that respect, that honour, that dignity. And I want to give that to her," Fehr said. "We need to get over this stigma. Nobody chooses, I'm going to have a mental illness, I choose to have this."

TRUDEAU SHARES HER JOURNEY

Delivering the evening's keynote address was none other than Margaret Trudeau, mother to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and a mental health issues advocate. Trudeau shared her personal struggles with bipolar disorder.

"I was not in the same mind that I was as I had been as a child," she said. "I had religious delusions, I had terrible sadness, overwhelming sense of doom that just lived inside me that I just didn't know what to do with, so I tried to get rid of it any way I could, smoking up or anything."

"And then I had such a light feeling of enlightenment, and high, and wonderful, I thought I had a direct channel to God," she continued. "I didn't. It was the beginning of my mental illness."

After marrying Pierre Trudeau and becoming a prime minister's wife, Trudeau said that she lost touch with many of the little hobbies and things that kept her going from day to day.

"I wasn't very comfortable with all the servants when I arrived at 24 Sussex," she recalled. "There were seven maids ... just there to serve me. But I needed to garden and cook and clean and mend and do all the things that I've been used to doing as part of my daily life, because in those small details of daily life is where I found balance in satisfaction."

"It's the small day to day tasks that give you purpose, and they make you feel a part of and included."

While things were going well for a while, Trudeau began to deal with post-partum depression after the birth of her second child.

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Eden Health Care Services named four Mental Health Heroes at their 50th anniversary gala last Thursday. Eden CEO Analyn Einarson presented the award to (from left) Sylvia Fehr, Nathan Elias, Janine Monroe, and Warren Friesen.



Hundreds of stories paint Morden's mosaic

By Lorne Stelmach

If every picture tells a story, then there are over 800 unique tales being told in Morden's Canada 150 Mosaic unveiled last Thursday.

Yet the 864 individual painted tiles that make up the mosaic come together to tell one bigger story about the diversity of Morden.

"That's what these tiles are about. It's represents what Morden means to different people and what Canada means," said Monica Friesen, who was among 468 people who contributed tiles to the mosaic, which is one of five from Manitoba among the 150 being done across the nation.

"Every one of those tiles tells a different story ... and they put it all together and it's a Morden story," said Mayor Ken Wiebe.

The centre of attention in the Morden mosaic fittingly is a mosasaur—which has long been star attraction for the community via the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre—resting on a bed of wheat with a tree to one side

and a bowl of corn and apples to the right.

Taking a closer look reveals all of the individual small pictures that make up the larger image.

They vary from things like the Corn and Apple Festival and Tim Hortons logos to flags of newcomers' home countries to the K170 call sign from the ship HMCS Morden that served in the Second World War.

"Each one tells their own story. There's some really great stories in that mural," said Clare Agnew, director of community services and one of the art project's organizers.

She was really pleased with the community's response and interest in the project.

"I just think it's so unique, and that it's this once in a lifetime opportunity, and it unites Morden with the rest of the country," she said.

"It's kind of interesting to see how it all comes together ... and to think that each of those tiles is from somebody from Morden is really kind of cool," Agnew said. "As the boards started to



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Locals gathered at the Access Event Centre Nov. 9 for the unveiling of Morden's Canada 150 mosaic (below).

fill up, you could kind of see what was happening ... then when they actually put the mural together, it was like wow, we did that.

"It was really amazing. I'm not an artist, so for me it's maybe even more of an accomplishment that we could do something like this."

The participants had to work with-in a few guidelines, perhaps using

certain colours with the big picture in mind, but it otherwise was pretty wide open for each individual contributor.

"The only direction that I got was to use blue for a background," noted Hank Hildebrand, who really appre-

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Central Station launches Winkler B.A.G. program

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A new program at Winkler's Central Station is providing affordable produce for local families.

The Better Access to Groceries (B.A.G.) program launched at the community centre with great success last month.

Twice a month, families can purchase a full bag of produce for just \$10.

The program buys the produce from grocers in bulk and then passes the saving on, explains coordinator Viola Enns Woelk.

What's in the bag depends on the deals they're able to get, but generally it will include three or more kinds of vegetables and at least two fruits.

"We're trying to create a variety," said Enns Woelk. "It really depends on the pricing that comes in."

Last Tuesday's bags, for example, included carrots, onions, romaine lettuce, garlic, cantaloupe, mandarin oranges, and celery.

The program has been more well-received than organizers initially expected.

The first week went "way better than we thought," said Enns Woelk. "We were thinking, oh, maybe 10, 12 bags. Fifty-nine bags later ..."

The second distribution day last week saw 64 bags go out.

Central Station executive director Bev Wiebe stressed that B.A.G. is open to everyone in Winkler and the surrounding area, regardless of finan-

cial circumstances.

"Anyone can come. It's bulk buying so if you come or I come or whoever, it benefits everybody," she said.

That said, they do see a lot of families taking part who might not normally be able to afford to put a lot of produce on the table.

"I'd say 75-80 per cent are people who would not otherwise have access to produce because of the cost," Enns Woelk said.

"I think it's bridging a gap," said Wiebe, who noted this program has been on the centre's wish list for a few years now. Seed funding for it came through a Healthy Living grant from Southern Health. Partnerships with Winkler Co-op, Fruit & More, and Southern Potato also make it possible.

The produce bags have gotten high marks from participants thus far.

Upon picking up her bag last week, Lindsay Becker said she's been impressed with what's been inside.

"My sister-in-law works here and she told us about it and we thought, 'Wow, that's a pretty good deal,'" she added. "It's just all-around good for the community."

Lisa Wolfe, a school liaison at J.R. Walkof School, was also eager to take part when she caught wind of it.

"I'd heard about the B.A.G. program in Morden and I was very jealous. I thought that would be so awesome for Winkler to have that, so I was very excited that Winkler was going to have the B.A.G. program and I got on board right away.

Central Station executive director Bev Wiebe (left) and Better Access to Groceries coordinator Viola Enns Woelk with the veggies and fruits that went out in last week's bags. The program provides families with the opportunity to get a bag full of produce twice a month for just \$10 each.

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"It's a good amount of vegetables and fruit for \$10," said Wolfe, adding that while the savings are a great incentive it's also nice to know that being involved in a bulk purchase like this helps out potentially struggling families. "That is awesome. If they can have access to healthy food at a really good price, it's definitely worth it."

B.A.G. orders will be ready for pick

up the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 3-6 p.m. at Central Station.

If you'd like to book a bag, call 204-325-0257, email bag@winklercentralstation.ca, or contact the Central Station BAG Program on Facebook.

Orders must be made no later than one week before each pick-up.

"All it takes is the courage to say, 'I want to be better'"

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"I felt like an empty shell. I just wept," she said. "I didn't want to get out of bed. I didn't know what was wrong. I didn't really care about my baby, I didn't care that much anymore about Justin. I didn't care about anything."

"I just wanted to pull the sheet over my head and stay in bed. I just pulled inside myself."

Her first visit to a psychiatrist was less than helpful.

"I left with no medication, no diagnosis, no understanding of what had happened to me. Why had I lost my love, my spirit, my faith?" Trudeau said. "That was gone, too. I believed in nothing. My brain felt blank. I felt

wrapped in gauze and cocooned from every feeling I could have.

"[Depression is] the thief," she said. "It's the thing that steals you from your life, from your family's life, from your job, from everything that is good in your life."

Trudeau explained that bipolar disorder slings a person back and forth between being depressed because of low levels of serotonin to dopamine-fueled mania.

"Then you climb up into this wonderful madness—which you don't think is madness yourself, you just think it's enlightenmen—and it's just so wonderful," she said. "But it isn't. It's the most destructive part of the illness, the mania, because that's when you act. When you're depressed, you

hardly act ... but you don't disgrace yourself and do terrible things and forget all the rules of civil society."

Things came to a head when Trudeau lost her third child, Michel, and she fell into addiction and depression, leading her into psychosis.

"If you don't deal with it, if you don't treat it, it will catch you finally," she said. "I did not know there was such a thin line between sanity and insanity ... it just means you can no longer connect the dots. I had no idea why I should comb my hair, brush my teeth, put on clothes, do anything. I had lost any ability to live."

Trudeau received care from another psychiatrist who helped her to regain her life, and she learned that, in order to get better, one has to choose to do

so.

"You cannot fix a loved one with mental illness," she stressed. "The only thing, the only help that you can give them, is to do all the research you can, get all the knowledge you can about the effects of depression, the effects of high anxiety, of mental disorder, so that you know and can plant seeds to the person who you love so much of how they can recover, if they will just want it, if they will just seek treatment."

"It's all about love, it's all about acceptance, it's all about finding the courage to take it on, to get better," Trudeau added. "All it takes is the courage to say, 'I want to be better. I want to have a better life.'"

Morden Christmas Cheer looking for support

By Lorne Stelmach

Each year, it is just about doing some fine tuning of things for the Morden Christmas Cheer Board.

With a solid core of volunteers and strong support from the community, there isn't much need to mess with the agency's well-established system.

"There's always a few changes we look at each year," president Carolyn Schellenberg said recently as they began preparations for Cheer Days Dec. 17-20.

"We're looking at changing some of the hampers a bit," she noted. "We have different size hampers for different size families. If it's four adults, that's a different story than one adult and three children."

Schellenberg said at this point they are anticipating about the same numbers as last year, meaning somewhere in the 220 to 230 hamper range.

The hampers are filled with a variety of food items to help families in need get through the holidays, in addition to various toiletries and gifts for children and teens, which are collected through programs like Dairy Queen's Angels Anonymous.

The Cheer Board supports its efforts primarily through cash donations towards the purchase of bulk food

"THERE'S USUALLY VERY GOOD SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY."

items, though they also welcome food donations.

Past years have seen many other contributions, such as the Morden Adult Education Centre's Gift a Stocking campaign and Maple Leaf School and the Barnswallow quilting club's donation of blankets.

"We certainly need all donations ... food donations, monetary donations, and toys. Toys have gone up in price, so they can be harder to get," noted Schellenberg.

"We've started the campaign, sent out letters to businesses ... we're taking part in the tree lighting ceremony again. People can bring their toys there if they want," she added of this Friday's festivities.

Anyone interested in volunteering their time as well as those wanting to request a hamper can do so online at mordenchristmascheer.com.

It takes four days of work to prepare



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The Morden Christmas Cheer Board has launched its 2017 campaign. They're looking donations to help them fill upwards of 230 care hampers for families in need next month.

the hampers for delivery, which happens the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 20.

Schellenberg said they are always thankful that the community rallies so well to support the effort overall.

"We don't have to sell it too hard. There's usually very good support

from the community," she said.

"Luckily, we have a bigger board this year, so we have more help right from the board level. We've had some board members who have been on for quite a while. They just go ahead and do their jobs and it all works out okay."

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I am a whiny man when sick

Today I am whiny, tired, cranky, sick Peter.

You don't want to meet Peter when he is like this. Peter is useless and good for nothing when he has even the slightest illness (in this case a cold).

I am not one to further stereotypes, however I am most definitely a stereotype when I get sick.

Now, I don't get sick very often, maybe two or three times a year at the most, so perhaps because I am normally a pot-bellied paragon of health sickness impacts me more than it should.

Early on in the illness I am usually overly optimistic. I expect I will burn through the illness in an efficient 24 hours and move on with my life. The days are deceptively better than the nights and one can almost feel close to normal at 3 or 4 p.m. But the nights remind you that the beastly infection is not even close to being done with you.

Take last night, for instance. I spent

most of the night in the bathroom trying to hack up that annoying lung. When I wasn't coughing I was cursing myself and my stupid immune system for not being 100 per cent effective.

Between coughing and cursing, I debated overdosing on cough medication but thought better of it, not wanting my wife to find me passed out on the bathroom floor in the morning, a snotty mess.

Speaking of my wife, now she's a trooper. She can get sick and still function like a normal human being. She can even find ways of pulling off not looking sick while being in the middle of some horrific plague.

I, on the other hand, look like a plant that hasn't been watered in three weeks.

"WHAT is WRONG with you!" is generally the first exclamation from people who happen to have the misfortune of crossing my path while I am infected.

"Wad? Ohhh...nudding...just a small code...I'm fine."

Usually people are backing away from me before I finish my response.

What a baby.

Even now as I type this I marvel at the human body and its ability to breathe through a single nostril pinched down to the narrowness of

one side of a coffee stir stick.

I am not pulling it off well. I have long since succumbed to the state of slack-jawed, mouth breather.

The practical wisdom suggests rest and liquids. I wonder who came up with this piece of brilliance. Resting requires somewhat of an incline which immediately means no more breathing. Meanwhile, any amount of liquid threatens you with a near drowning experience.

That said, contrary to what it may sound like in this column, it has not gone so bad. I have been known to take a vacuum cleaner hose to my nose in the past. This is absolutely true. Even visions of having my lungs pulled out through my nose were not enough to frighten me away from the experiment to clear my sinuses.

Vacuum hoses are not efficient, though. They cannot be used on one nostril ... for that I dream of owning a dentist's mouth vacuum. I bet that would do the trick nicely.

By now you realize I have fallen into a cold driven delirium and you really cannot trust anything I have been writing for several paragraphs.

Your best bet at this point is to stop reading while I stop writing and curl up into a shivering, pathetic ball and wait for death to take me.



By Peter Cantelon

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ciated being part of the project. "It was very interesting ... it was an excellent experience.

"It's fabulous. You couldn't even envision that happening with people taking four by four tiles and being able to create a mosaic like that," he added. "For me, the community spirit is what I see. It just really brings out the local flavour."

Friesen appreciated being able to get involved in helping organize the project.

"It was really fun to organize and plan ... to feel the energy throughout the week," she said.

"When we were starting to paint the tiles, people were catching on to what we were doing," Friesen

said, noting that they came up with about 30 themes for people to work into the mosaic.

"It was really interesting to see how creative they could get," she said. "When I look at these tiles ... it's interesting ... I know the people who painted them and why they painted them and the story behind some of the tiles, so that adds a real dimension for me.

"To see it all come together, that this is what Morden means to people, it's a really neat testament to the community. I think everyone's really proud of their little piece of Morden that they created," she said. "I see the individualness of it when I look at the big picture. It's really

neat to see the big picture, but I just see the individual little pieces that put this all together that makes up the City of Morden."

"It's actually pretty remarkable," agreed Mayor Wiebe. "It's pretty amazing when you step back and you see the big picture ... when you get up close, it's 800 pictures ... and they all kind of blended into one big mosaic."

The finished mosaic will remain on display in the lobby of the Access Event Centre.

"It stays in Morden," Agnew stressed. "And we chose this location because of how busy it is and the exposure that we'll get from it being here."

Koats for Kids up and running in Morden

The Morden and District United Way is again lending a hand for families in need of winter clothing.

Donations are currently being accepted for the 2017 Koats for Kids campaign, with the first of three distribution nights scheduled for this week.

"The big red bin is located just behind the Morden fire hall, and we are still taking donations," said project chairperson Andrew Plett.

"We've got quite a lot of donations. People without even too much advertising were dropping stuff off at the bin there," he noted. "People in the

community seem to know about this every year."

Families who need some help outfitting themselves for the cold weather can stop by the fire hall tonight, Nov. 16, and also Nov. 21 and Nov. 23 from 4-6 p.m. to pick up winter gear.

There is a variety of clothing available, including coats, toques, and mittens for all ages.

Plett said they are thankful for the ongoing support of the Morden fire department in not only hosting the collection bin but also allowing the use of their back shop for the pickup days.



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Andrew Plett with a selection of the winter clothing collected so far for the Morden and District United Way's Koats For Kids campaign. Last minute donations are still accepted. Distribution days are scheduled for Nov. 16, 21st, and 23rd from 4-6 p.m. behind the fire hall.

Winkler woman arrested in 9th Street stabbing

A Winkler woman was arrested and charged with a stabbing that took place in a home on 9th St. last weekend.

Officers went to the home on Saturday around 7:30 a.m. as a result of a 911 call that provided no information before the caller hung up.

Police spoke with a woman at the front door who claimed to have accidentally called 911 but that everything was fine and she did not require police assistance.

The officers entered the residence to ensure the well-being of any other potential occupants and located an adult male in the basement suffering from a stab wound to the upper body.

Police quickly identified the female they had spoken with at the door as a suspect and she was placed under arrest.

The victim was transported by ambulance to the Boundary Trails Health Centre where he was last reported to be in stable condition.

Katherine Dawn Gray has been charged with aggravated assault and was remanded in custody to appear in Morden court Tuesday.

Other items of note in the weekly police reports:

- Morden police on patrol Nov. 8 saw a car coming towards them suddenly stop and pull over to the curb, and the driver, who they recognized as having a suspended licence, tried to cover his face.

The 30-year-old Morden man was charged with driving while disqualified. His vehicle was impounded for the mandatory minimum 30 days.

- On Nov. 10, Morden police executed a warrant and arrested a local man for failing to comply with conditions of his probation. The 30-year-old man was released on a promise to appear in Morden court in December.

- Morden officers were doing traffic patrol Nov. 12 when they stopped a vehicle and as they spoke to the driver saw a front passenger smok-

ing a cigarette with two youths in the back seat.

A 17-year-old Morden woman was issued a notice under the Highway

Traffic Act for smoking in a motor vehicle with youth under 16 years present. This ticket carries a fine of \$203.80.

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A story in the Nov. 9 edition of the Voice ("87 countries represented in Winkler's population") included incorrect census information for the City of Winkler.

The correct population for the city itself (not including the surrounding population centre) as posted in the 2016 census is 12,591, an increase of 18 per cent from five years earlier.

The population numbers for Winkler were revised slightly a month ago to 12,660.

Furthermore, the correct number for how many Winklerites reported that they speak a language other than English or French most often in their homes is 2,715.

We sincerely regret these errors and any confusion they may have cause.

Winkler remembers

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winklerites filled the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall Saturday to remember the men and woman who have served our country in conflicts past and present.

The city's annual Remembrance Day ceremony included as speaker pastor Rob Haslam, who shed some light on the role chaplains play during times of war.

"I've always had a curiosity about the Gospel, what it looked like, in the wars," he said, noting he'd recently asked two veterans, "Who takes care of you while you're out there? Who serves your spiritual needs with everything that you're encountering and everything that you are seeing?"

The answer is that for as long as Canada has had soldiers in the field there have been chaplains there right along with them, though perhaps not necessarily in the way most people might think.

"I had this picture of what a chaplain would do during the wars and as I've done my research and my study I've found that my picture was wrong," Haslam said. "I had this idea that at base camp a chaplain would be there and perform services and meet with people and make sure that the social connections are happening and positive.

"What I didn't know was that more often than not chaplains were in the trenches with the troops."

In the Second World War, military padres, in addition to hosting church services, were also tasked with visiting the wounded and incarcerated and offering religious instruction, assisting medical staff, picking up shifts in the mess hall, and helping soldiers write home to their families.

They were also charged with the responsibility of strengthening regimental unity and maintaining morale.

"The [War] Department had learned during the First World War that a jovial chaplain visiting the front lines boosted troop morale more than endless hours of counselling and religious guidance in the regiment's chapel," Haslam said. "The bottom line was the chaplains served in the war and they mimicked the kinds of things that the soldiers were doing. Where the soldiers were, you would find the chaplains."

One famous example of this was Rev. John Weir Foote, who received a

Maj. Mark Wilson and Second World War veteran Harvey Friesen lay the Wreath of Sacrifice at the Winkler Remembrance Day ceremony on Saturday. Below: Pastor Rob Haslam shared stories of chaplains at war.

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Victoria Cross for his actions during the Dieppe Raid in 1942.

Foote spent the eight-hour battle risking his life again and again to collect the wounded under heavy fire, saving countless lives.

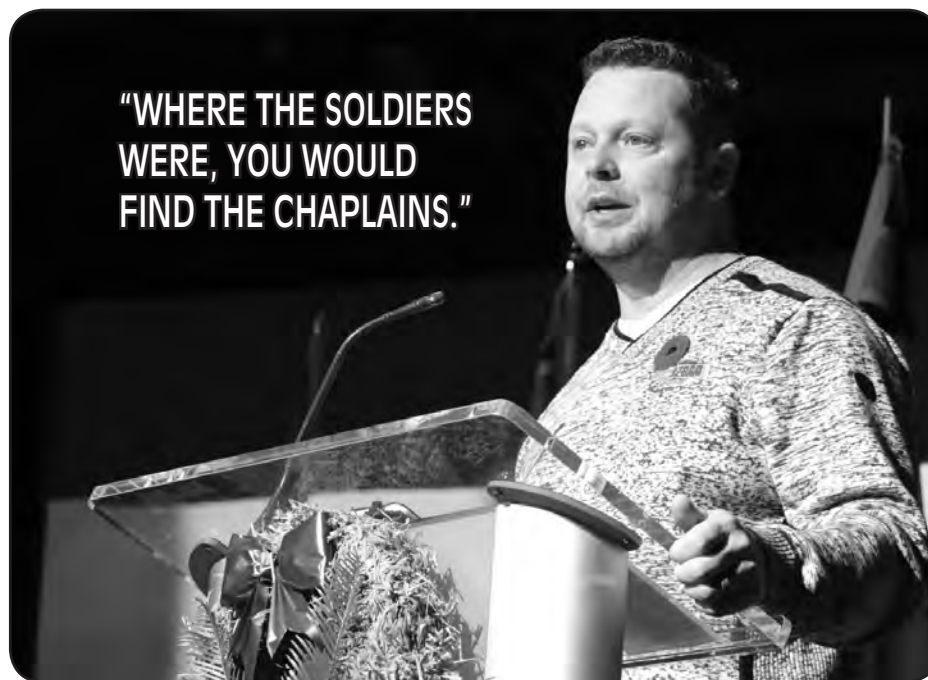
As the battle neared an end and he had the opportunity to leave the shore, Foote instead left shelter once more to be with his comrades as they were taken captive by the Germans. He spent the next three years as a prisoner of war.

"Foote personally saved many lives by his efforts and his example inspired all around him," Haslam read from the award citation. "Those who observed him state that the calmness of this heroic officer as he walked about collecting the wounded on the fire-swept beach will never be forgotten."

Foote is the only Canadian chaplain to be awarded the Victoria Cross.

"Most of us will never be called to put our lives on the lines as our veterans who we remember today have done," Haslam said. "But as citizens and residents of Canada, we all have a calling to model some of that selflessness in our own way.

"WHERE THE SOLDIERS
WERE, YOU WOULD
FIND THE CHAPLAINS."



"We all have a duty to create communities that are safe, where people can live their best lives.

"We honour the sacrifice and the service of those we remember today when we sacrifice, when we lay down something that is precious to us, whether it be our time, our money, our gifts, to helping make life better

for those around us, for our community.

"We honour and remember their sacrifice when we believe that our world, our country, our community is so precious, so beloved, so full of potential, that it's worth giving our very best."

Holly Jolly Breakfast at the mall Saturday

Enjoy pancakes and music in support of Winkler Cheer Board

Got plans for breakfast this Saturday morning?

The Winkler and District Christmas Cheer Board invites the community to the Southland Mall Nov. 18 from 8-11 a.m. for the annual Scotiabank Holly Jolly Pancake Breakfast.

In the space across from the bank, volunteers will be serving up a hearty meal of pancakes and sausages with coffee or juice.

Breakfast is by donation. Monetary donations are preferred to help pay for the items in this year's hampers, but gifts of new, unwrapped toys are also welcome.

A few local musicians will be on hand to provide the holiday soundtrack for the morning, though the line-up was still under wraps at press time.

The Cheer Board expects to deliver

over 330 care hampers to families in need next month. Volunteers will be needed to help pack up the hampers Dec. 4-6 and to deliver them the evening of the 6th.

If you'd like to help out, call the Cheer Board line at 204-362-3946 or speak with a volunteer at the breakfast.

Honouring fallen heroes

By Lorne Stelmach

The Remembrance Day service in Morden Saturday heard how the life of local David Smith Urquhart mattered to the people of Langonnet, France.

The efforts of residents from the small town of about 2,000 people in the province of Brittany filled in the blanks of what happened when Urquhart and the rest of his bomber crew went down in the area on December 6, 1942.

It led to Pat Gibson of Morden and other members of her family travelling to France last year to honour her uncle.

"It was very meaningful to our family because we never knew what happened to David," said Gibson, who was the guest speaker at the service held at the Access Event Centre.

"This was one plane out of 285 that took off that day ... one plane ... and it's 75 years later ... a town of 2,000, and they still go through all this trouble to remember. So lest we forget."

Born and raised in Roland, Urquhart trained as an air gunner and joined the 425th bomber squadron and became flight sergeant.

The bombers took off that December day for a mission over Germany, but it was aborted because of the weather. Fifteen planes did not return.

The last transmission from Urquhart's plane heard around midnight noted they had lost their instruments and were low on fuel.

"The crew must have decided that they couldn't make it back to England," said Gibson, whose uncle was declared missing in action and presumed dead at the age of 21.

It turns out the plane had turned back from the English Channel to

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YOU HEAR ALL THAT, BUT
UNTIL YOU'RE THERE
AND EXPERIENCING IT ...
[THEN] IT IS REAL."**

French soil. A seven-year-old girl named Jean and her six-year-old cousin were returning home on their bikes when they saw its crash on a hill on the other side of the valley.

No one was discovered in the wreckage and the missing parachutes indicated the crew had abandoned the plane before it crashed, but their ultimate fate remained uncertain.

Fast forward to the fall of 2014 when a farmer clearing a field found plane debris, including one piece that revealed a registration number.

The community set to work to recover what they could and to complete the story in honour of the crew.

"These volunteers were relentless," said Gibson, noting at one point they even dug through prisoner of war records looking for clues.

"They then started looking for family members of the missing crew," she said, and eventually an email came to the Roland Historical Society.

That led to family members planning the trip to France last summer.

A memorial service was held with the family as guests of honour. Taking part in the service as well was the young girl, Jean, who witnessed the crash.

Gibson recalled the emotional moment when they marched to the crash



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Morden's Remembrance Day ceremonies Saturday included the laying of wreaths (above) and a presentation from Pat Gibson (right), who spoke about her uncle David Smith Urquhart and his sacrifice during the Second World War.

site to unveil a cairn, and the names of the crew were read out and pronounced as present and accounted for at long last.

"My grandma wondered all her life what happened to her son," Gibson said of Urquhart, who also has a lake in northern Manitoba named after him.

It was a meaningful experience for Gibson in many respects, she said, noting particularly how important it is for people there to take care of cemeteries like Beny-sur-Mer.

"There is a cross in the middle of that cemetery ... that is a Canadian cross found in every Canadian cemetery," noted Gibson.

"If we were driving along and we saw that cross, we would head in that direction, and we would find a Cana-



dian cemetery. And they are all just like in the pictures ... immaculate. The school kids look after them, they treat them with respect.

"You read all that, you hear all that, but until you're there and are experiencing it ... [then] it is real.

"What stands out in my mind is that the French lived the war, it was in their own backyard," she concluded. "They honour the Canadians second to none, and we were treated like royalty."

Ben Newman, UFC champ Tyron Woodley to speak in Winkler Nov. 29

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The success of last spring's speaker session at The Muscle Hut has the Winkler fitness centre bringing motivational speaker Ben Newman back for another presentation.

The best-selling author and performance coach will be joined by UFC welterweight champion Tyron Woodley at the Days Inn Conference Centre on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

"Tyron speaks on what it takes to become a champion in life," explained The Muscle Hut's Kurtis Fox. "So he talks to some of the adversity

he's been through and how he's got to where he is today, which is a UFC champion as well as a successful entrepreneur.

"Ben speaks on finding your next level ... through the power of team, leadership, a positive mindset, and mental toughness."

Fox stressed that these talks are not just for athletes but anyone looking to strive for greatness in their chosen field.

"I think a lot of people weren't sure what to expect and there was maybe some misconceptions that it was just about athletes or working out," he

said of the spring talk, which nonetheless saw nearly 100 people take part. "But the theme's how to get to your next level, so it can be applied anywhere: entrepreneurs, teachers, students ... it's really about personal and professional development."

Which is why it lines up nicely with The Muscle Hut's own mission as a fitness hub.

"We do talk a lot about mindsets when it comes to fitness goals," Fox said. "So to someone who's an international speaker speak to having a positive mindset and mental toughness and what it takes to work toward

your goals, it's a really good fit for us."

The presentations run from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and your \$100 ticket covers the cost of lunch, as well. Ticket packs are also available for \$400 for five seats and \$800 for 10.

The day will wrap up with an evening meet and greet event at CK's Lounge for VIP ticket holders (VIP tickets are \$125; ticket packs are also available).

Event and ticket information is available online at musclehut.ca.

Heritage Soc. banquet honours local law enforcement

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Heritage Society shone the spotlight on local law enforcement at its annual heritage banquet Nov. 9.

Chief Rick Hiebert presented the keynote address, sharing stories from the Winkler police department's history stretching back to 1906.

Jacob Schulz was the community's very first police constable, appointed by council the same year the village was officially established.

"Most of those early years were policed by one officer alone," said Hiebert. A second full-time police officer wasn't hired until 1958. In the five decades in between, temporary constables were sworn in for large community events.

One can't talk about the early years of Winkler law enforcement without touching on the infamous bank heist of 1920.

"This story includes elements of astonishment, embarrassment, heroism, comedy, and a mystery," Hiebert noted.

On Oct. 13 of that year, five Americans snuck into town in the middle of the night to rob the Union Bank of Canada.

The men broke into the bank and took live-in teller Claude Williams hostage in an attempt to get him to unlock the safe.

"He was awakened with a revolver in his face and the words, 'Hands up,'" Hiebert said. "They tied him to his bed and at first they treated him quite roughly until he mentioned that he was a returned soldier, and then

"WE'RE NOW SEEN AS A LEADER AMONG POLICE SERVICES IN MANITOBA. SO YOU HAVE REASON TO BE PROUD."

conditions promptly changed.

"They said that they were also returned soldiers in the U.S. and they respected that, so they gave him much better treatment thereafter."

After Williams told the men he didn't have the code to open the money safe, they went to work on lacing the thick safe walls with nitroglycerine, all the while chatting with Williams about their time in the war.

When the time came to blow the safe, Hiebert said, "they were so concerned with the teller, that he was a returned soldier, that they carried him bound in his bed, took the whole thing outside, and told him to cover his ears so he wouldn't get shell-shocked."

The first two explosions failed to open the safe but the third sent the door flying 20 feet.

"They blew that heavy door off the safe and it went right through the two and a half foot wall, right through the teller's bars and beyond," Hiebert said.

The noise awakened the neighbouring townspeople, including blacksmith William Graefer who came to see what was happening.



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Winkler Heritage Society president Randy Rietze with police Chief Rick Hiebert and the century-old log book that details Winkler's early village council minutes, including the entry outlining the hiring of its first police constable.

Seeing the bank robbers, Graefer tried to run to the village bell to raise the alarm, but was shot in the leg for his efforts. Other residents who ventured from their homes were ordered back under the threat of death.

Through all this, Winkler's lone officer at the time, Cst. George Hiebert, remained in his home at the urging of his wife, who feared for his life.

"In fact, he didn't leave until the teller that was bound to his bed managed to untie himself and he went down and told the constable the coast was clear," Hiebert said.

The robbers made away with \$19,000 and were never identified or brought to justice.

Hiebert also shared stories of the legendary Chief Jack Felde, who served with the department for nearly 40 years.

"He was and probably will forever be the most revered and most outstanding member in our service's history," Hiebert said, noting that Felde wore many hats, in his long tenure with the department, including that of public works foreman, cemetery caretaker, weed inspector, rink ice-maker, building inspector, and even fire chief.

To this day, Felde is remembered as a fair and caring officer.

"He always looked after people," said Hiebert, asking how many people in attendance that night remembered Felde. Many hands went up. "I envy you. I honestly would have loved to meet him."

Hiebert's own time in Winkler

stretches back to 1983 when he began his career as a police officer.

"I can share with you that things have changed quite a bit since I was hired," he said, pointing to stats from a few years before he began in which there were just 86 Criminal Code violations in Winkler in a single year. In comparison, last year there were 939 violations.

Hiebert's own training as a constable was mainly on-the-job. Today, the department puts new recruits through an extensive application and training process.

"Winkler Police Service has come a long way. I'm very proud of the police service that we have," Hiebert said, thanking his officers and departmental staff for their hard work and the community for its support. "None of this can be accomplished without the support of the community and its citizens."

"We're now seen as a leader among police services in Manitoba," he added. "So you have a reason to be proud of the police service that we have."

REPORTING ON A BUSY YEAR

The Winkler Heritage Society was founded in 1999 and today has 105 members dedicated to the preservation of our community's past.

"Our focus is to promote and encourage public interest in our heritage and to preserve historical records and artifacts in the city of



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Historical documents and other artifacts were on display at the Winkler Heritage Society's annual banquet last week, whose theme this year was law enforcement in southern Manitoba.

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Enbridge donates \$6,500 to Winkler fire dept.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Enbridge Pipelines came through for the Winkler fire department in a big way last week.

Company representatives stopped by the fire hall Nov. 8 to present fire Chief Richard Paetzold with a \$6,500 donation toward the purchase of a POLAR 75 rescue platform.

The platform will allow firefighters to more safely conduct water rescue and recovery operations.

Paetzold explained an incident that took place in the summer of 2016 highlighted the need for such equipment.

A teenage boy was swimming near a diversion dam when he went under and didn't resurface.

Initial search efforts by Winkler firefighters utilized their Rescue Alive platform, which is designed to work best on calm water surfaces.

"It's made for ice and maybe small bodies of water where it's still," Paetzold said. "As soon as there's the turbulence created, the hydraulic turbulence, the surface tension wasn't there anymore."

As a result, two firefighters were dumped into the churning water in

the search attempt (they were safely brought back to shore via safety ropes)

Even after waiting for the Morden fire department to bring their Zodiacs rescue inflatable, firefighters were still unable to get right up to the dam to search for the youth's body, which was found a few days later by private divers.

A POLAR 75 rescue platform was brought in by the Office of the Fire Commissioner to help with the search and the efficacy of the device was clear immediately, Paetzold said.

"We nosed right up to the low head dam and the water just goes through. There's a hole on each end so that it goes through and it doesn't flip you over so that you're actually able to work right there."

"So we made a request to Enbridge to consider a donation for the purchase

of this because it's not only for our area but for adjacent areas as well," Paetzold said, noting there's 13 similar water diversion structures in the region, many of which are popular swimming holes. "So it happened and it could happen again because people are still going to swim in these things."

"This is an opportunity to, two things: be able to facilitate a rescue

"WE HOPE NOBODY EVER HAS TO USE THIS EQUIPMENT."



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Lorne Buhr (centre), Enbridge's field operations coordinator for Gretna, presents a \$6,500 donation to (from left) Winkler Fire's Deputy Chief Phil Dueck, Chief Richard Paetzold, firefighter and city councillor Marvin Plett, and Mayor Martin Harder toward the purchase of a new aquatic rescue platform.

sooner and potentially be able to pull somebody out because we can get closer faster," he said. "Also giving our guys a safe working platform to work from so we're not putting them in undue risk."

Enbridge's Les Scott said they're happy to be able to help the fire department with this purchase.

"We look at it and we hope nobody ever has to use this equipment," he said. That said, "if it's something for the community, we say, 'Yep, we're all for it.' For us, being in an industry we look at a lot of safety issues, this can help those guys out."

The money comes from Enbridge's Safe Community program.

"It's funding that's been around since about 2002 and there's been about \$8.5 million handed out across North America," Scott said.

A good chunk of it has come to Winkler over the years, noted Paetzold.

"In my almost six years here I think Enbridge has given us close to \$20,000 or so" for a variety of pieces of equipment, he said, adding that these donations help the department purchase items they might otherwise have to wait years to save up for. "Sometimes other priorities have to be dealt with first. [This purchase] was down the list, but Enbridge brought it up so that it's taken care of now."

MP Candice Bergen to run for re-election in 2019

Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen will throw her hat in the ring once again in 2019.

The Member of Parliament and Conservative House Leader announced Nov. 9 she will be seeking re-election in two years.

"Serving the people of Portage-Lisgar in the community, and representing their interests in Ottawa has been my privilege for the past nine years," said Bergen. "I am proud of all that we have accomplished together and look forward to running again in 2019 to continue our good work."

Bergen was first elected in 2008 has since served in a variety of roles, including as the Minister of State for Social Development in Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Cabinet and as the Conservative House Leader to both Rona Ambrose and Andrew

Scheer.

"I look forward to working with all of my Conservative colleagues and supporters across Canada to put an

end to Justin Trudeau's reckless and harmful policies and tax hikes," Bergen said. "A Conservative government led by Andrew Scheer will usher in a

new era of responsible government spending, lower taxes, and bring about a more affordable Canada for everyone."

> HERITAGE BANQUET, FROM PG. 10

Winkler," explained board president Randy Rietze.

The society's efforts include operating the Winkler Heritage Museum at the Southland Mall, the Winkler Heritage Archives at the library, and heading up the Stones and Stories project, which seeks to collect the life stories of every person laid to rest at the city's two cemeteries.

Rietze said these projects all saw good growth over the past year.

The museum, especially, continues

attract visitors from near and far.

"We'd like to get more but the only way that's going to happen is if we expand," he said. "But we're very limited in space there so we're looking for a bigger place, a permanent place. So far we haven't found any."

The museum is already full to bursting with artifacts from Winkler's past, with many more not on display due to space constraints.

"We need something bigger that we can call our own," Rietze said, noting

that if a suitable location was found the society would need to launch a major fundraising campaign.

No firm plans for that are in the works as of yet, he said, though the board will be discussing the matter as well as going over ideas for other projects early in the new year.

You can learn more about the Winkler Heritage Society's efforts and how you can get involved online at winklerheritagesociety.ca.



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The Parkside Pioneer Patch on Boundary Trail north of Hwy. 14 has been decked out for the holidays by the Winkler Horticulture Society.



Horticulture Soc. decorates Pioneer Patch for Christmas

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Parkside Pioneer Patch in Winkler got a holiday makeover last week. The community greenspace on Boundary Trail (just north of Hwy. 14 near the New Leaf Greenhouse) was such a popular place for family photos this summer that the Winkler Horticulture Society decided to deck

it out for Christmas as well. “We noticed so many people taking pictures throughout the summer and then it was still happening as the snow fell,” says society member Valerie Harder. “People were bringing props even, and so it just became why don’t we just add to this and create a fun spot for people to come to, even if they just come to sit and have a hot

chocolate or something.” Volunteers spent last Tuesday afternoon putting out several Christmas trees, bows, wreaths, and other ornaments at the site, which includes a covered picnic table area and numerous vintage vehicles and farm equipment. Society president Margaret Penner stresses that the park is publicly

owned and open to everyone to enjoy. “We think this will be a great place for people to have their Christmas photos taken,” she says. Though there’s no electricity at the space right now, the society hopes in future years to be able to put up holiday lights to add to the atmosphere.



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Walking, praying for peace



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About 30 people took part in the fifth annual Peace Prayer Walk Sunday in Morden. A collaboration involving a number of local churches, the walk started from Confederation Park and stopped at five locations, where the group read scripture, prayed, and sang Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying.



Attention Kids...



What's *Your* Christmas story?

Pick one of the following themes and tell us your best story:

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Genesis House looking for pyjama donations

Genesis House needs your help to wrap local families in love this winter.

The women's shelter for victims of domestic violence has launched its annual Power of PJs campaign in honour of November being Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Many of the approximately 65 women and 80 children who seek shelter at Genesis House each year show up with little more than the clothes on their back, says executive director Ang Braun.

That's why they're asking the community to purchase new pyjamas and drop them off at any South Central Regional Library branch through to month's end.

"Help us to wrap those in need in love," the shelter urges.

Also accepted and in short supply at the shelter are new socks, underwear, bathrobes, towels, and face cloths.


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There's no place Ron James would rather be than the stage

By Lorne Stelmach

There really is no place Ron James would rather be than on the stage this Sunday in Winkler.

That applies to wherever his current Full Throttle tour takes the veteran Canadian comic, as he constantly finds himself drawn to that sense of community he can find when he is out on the road.

"It's a calling. It fuels my life force," James said in an interview this past week while working on his next CBC special.

"In a world that's increasingly fractured and polarized ... it's very comforting and reassuring to get a room full of people from different walks of life all on the same page for the two hours that I'm on stage. The adhesive that holds things together is laughter."

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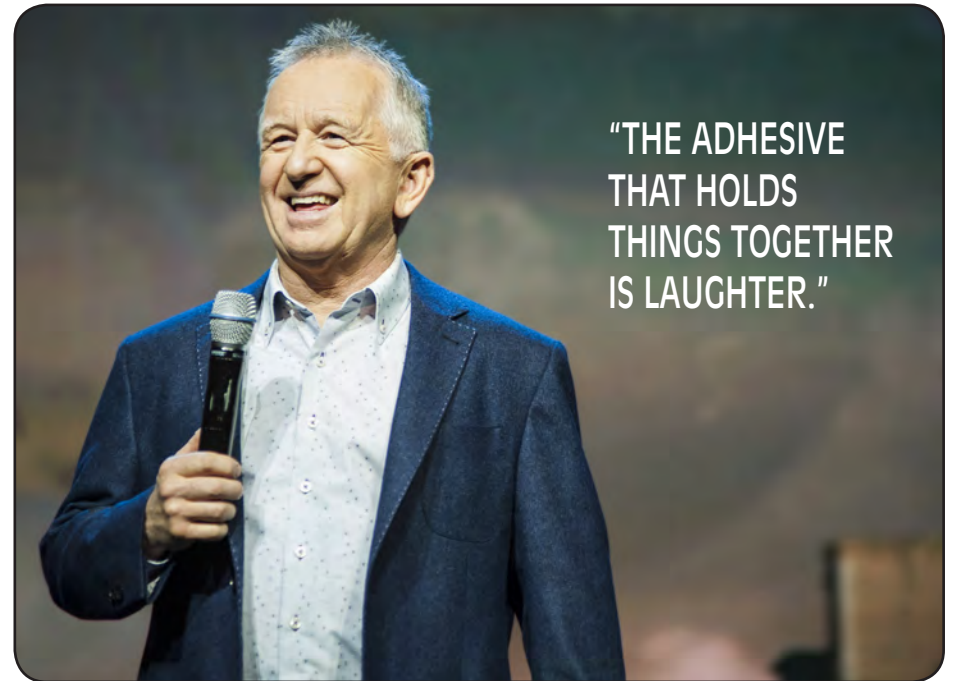
of this country has instilled in James a profound respect for people and place.

He cuts a broad swath of issues, topics, and ideas in his stand-up, but he ultimately wants people to leave his show feeling lighter.

"When we ingest so much toxic information in the run of a week or in the run of a 24-hour day, it's really important to try to find some levity in all of that ... that's what the comedian does, if he's a good comedian anyway, it's not about him, it's about us," said James.

"Sometimes, mind you, we'll talk about controversial issues," he added, while cautioning that he has learned to be careful not to alienate audiences, citing the example that "you learn a hard lesson ... don't make fun of Mounties in Regina."

James nevertheless sees comedy as



"THE ADHESIVE THAT HOLDS THINGS TOGETHER IS LAUGHTER."

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Ron James hopes to have Winklerites rolling in the aisles at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall this Sunday.

playing a vital role in our society.

"Comedy, by its nature, is subversive," he said. "No public school teacher ever told the class clown to

keep going. The first thing they said was, 'That's enough.'

"I think comedy's job is to rock the

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The Mood opens for Wreckin' So Nov. 25

By Lorne Stelmach

An upcoming gig as an opening act is another step in the development of a local band.

The Mood will kick things off next week Saturday at the Kenmor Theatre for Wreckin' So.

Given that the latter have a heavier southern rock feel, The Mood will lean more towards classic rock for their set. It's being able to play a diverse setlist that is helping the band establish themselves.

"It's an eclectic array of classic rock and pop," said Jeff Klassen, who does lead guitar and vocals for the band.

The bottom line is high energy music played with heart and soul, he said.

"I think people who see us will recognize that we are having a good time. That comes out in the way we play," Klassen said. "We try to play all of our music with excellence ... we really take the music seriously."

The Mood came together two years ago when Klassen met lead vocalist Josh Reimer.

After they hit it off musically, they brought on board drummer Gil Dudgeon and bassist Ray Buhr, both veteran musicians.

The lineup later expanded further to include Robyn Epp on piano, violin, and vocals alongside Jeannie Nickel and Buhr's wife Shelly.

They are starting to make a name for themselves locally with four shows coming up in the next couple months, including a Dec. 9 gig at CK's Lounge in Winkler.

Klassen said they have a strong commitment not only to each other as a band but also to their music.

"The level of the players in this band is as high as you can get in this region. I think that will be reflected in our sound," he suggested. "It's a passion for each and every one of the band members. They're all passionate about it."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Mood open for Wreckin' So at the Kenmor Theatre Nov. 25.

They are now also starting to develop some original material.

"We have recorded a couple of original tunes," Klassen said. "We most likely will be adding to that. Is there a future album in the works? We'll see where that goes."

As for Wreckin' So, music fans in the area may be familiar with them from their main stage set at this August's Corn and Apple Festival.

The Manitoba-based southern rock band has been described as a must-

see act with an infectious sound based in hard rock and blues that is raw and raunchy but with a soulful voice.

Their influences range from Stevie Ray Vaughn and Robert Johnson to the Allman Brothers Band and everything in between.

The show gets underway at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25 at the Kenmor Theatre. Tickets are \$20 and are available through Dead Horse Entertainment.

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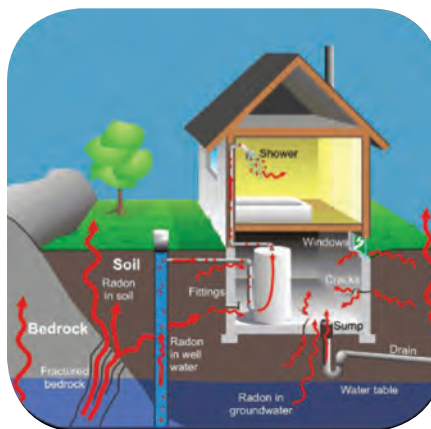


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Thinking outside the box for employee training

By Lorne Stelmach

A Morden-based consultant has launched an online site and a book to help address what he sees as a training gap in business today.

At the heart of it is a shift from a focus on product and performance to relationships, suggests Mark Sawatzky.

"Connections actually are your best marketing tool because it opens the door to repeat and refer business. Those are your best market sources," said Sawatzky, who has published a manual entitled *Outside The Box: The Principles That Transform Customer Service Into Today's Most Powerful Sales Tool*.

The book complements his website at theinvaluablebusiness.com, which offers online training workshops geared primarily to employees.

With a commerce degree from the University of Manitoba, Sawatzky has built up a background in business that has included positions at Great-West Life, Friesens Corporation and Winnipeg's Economic Development Corporation. He started his consulting practice in 2002.

The book and online training tools developed as he came to realize the growing importance of relationships in business today, but particularly with a focus on employees.

"How do we start to connect with that group so that they operate in a way that they become a company's greatest market connection resource?" asked Sawatzky.

He developed the book as a free

tool for clients, and the website allows companies to have their employees go through a variety of training workshops.

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Consultant Mark Sawatzky with his business training manual *Outside the Box*.

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Buddhist monk to speak at next Diversitas session

By Lorne Stelmach

In the current political climate, it may be more important than ever



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Maththumagala Chandananda Thero, resident monk of the Manitoba Buddhist Vihara and Cultural Association in Winnipeg, will offer an introduction to Buddhism at a talk in Morden Nov. 22.

to promote greater understanding of different cultures and faiths, says the next speaker in the Diversitas series.

Maththumagala Chandananda Thero, resident monk of the Manitoba Buddhist Vihara and Cultural Association in Winnipeg, will offer an introduction to Buddhism next Wednesday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. in the theatre room of the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre.

"There are many problems in the world," said Chandananda Thero.

"There are common threads which combine almost all religions," he suggested. "We can promote much needed humanness in our society. We can have a better understanding of things like compassion and universal love.

"We can promote mutual understanding and also it can help improve our own practices. When we learn about the religions of others, quite often we can have a better understanding of our own also."

Having entered the Buddhist order in 2003 after completing his training in Sri Lanka, Chandananda Thero went on to complete his degree in Buddhist philosophy in 2009 and then his Masters in 2010 in addition to studies in

psychology and counselling.

He came to Edmonton in 2011 to serve with the Alberta Buddhist Vihara Association and in 2013 joined the University of Alberta as the Buddhist chaplain before coming to Winnipeg.

He is currently working on his Masters in philosophy, drafting a comparative study of the traditional Buddhist methods of meditation and their usage across North America.

The Manitoba Buddhist Vihara and Cultural Association was founded in 1999, though its origin goes back 10 years earlier when founder Radhika Abeysekera started teaching Buddhism to five children in Winnipeg.

It has grown steadily over the years and today offers programs on mindfulness and insight meditation and practices loving kindness through a variety of charitable activities and cultural events.

Diversitas organizer Peter Cantelon said he learned there are a number of practicing Buddhists in this area through his involvement with the Pembina Valley Multifaith Council.

"Buddhism is something that's penetrated many cultures, I think, but our's especially," he said, whether it is through the media or other practices like yoga, and he sees there being a lot of synergies between other faiths and the teachings of Buddhism.

"If people haven't heard of Buddhism or don't think they know anything about Buddhism, it's almost certain that, even in our little corner of Mani-

toba, they have in some way crossed paths with it, but they just don't realize it," Cantelon said.

"For people who are intrigued and want to learn a little more, this is obviously an opportunity for them."

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'I want them laughing ... doubling over from laughter'

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apple cart, not ride in it. You have to speak truth to power," he continued. "Farley Mowat said something interesting to me years ago ... he said, 'Ronnie, satire is tough in Canada. Canadians have a dysfunctional deference to authority. They trust it too much. You've got to sneak in the back door and be sitting down at the kitchen table before they even know you're in the house.'

"In deference to the rebel who founded your province, Louis Riel, it's been 140 years or more since they hung him and the feds still haven't pardoned the man," James said. "You know you gotta be doing something right when Ottawa hates your guts that long."

Filling that role is not only quite necessary but likely even more important right now when we are next door to a society with "an inherent, insatiable blood lust for shooting each other," he added.

"A rebel voice is essential to the sanctity of that democracy ... to the survival of that democracy because it does speak truth to power," said

James. "Canada tends to be a more benign nation ... peace, order, and good government ... but that doesn't mean that politicians shouldn't be held to task on the issues that are pressing in our country ... like far overdue indigenous issues that need to be addressed."

James stressed that he always strives to balance things out, though, in his shows.

"Something I've learned over the 20 years I've been on the road is Canadians don't like their comedy mean," he noted.

"I want them laughing. I don't want them leaning back in their chair, I want them doubling over from laughter," said James. "That's why I'll address a pretty eclectic buffet for everybody ... I set the table like a good church supper—there's everything from pickles to squares.

"It's important that I cover everything that people can relate to," he continued, stressing it comes with a perspective that we are all imperfect and fractured.

For James, as important as what he says is just how he says it.

That love of words may never be

better displayed than when he goes off on one of his extended rants.

"I really do have a respect for the written word. I like how words roll off the tongue and tickle the ears as well as the funny bone," James said. "In certain sections of my show, you get these long poetic runs which take a long time to write and have a long gestation period and flow nicely into the joke at the end."

Reflecting on being on the road again, James joked that some things have changed for him with age.

"When I first started, I used to end the evening with a couple pints and a drink of Scotch, now it's a couple Tylenol and a bottle of Gatorade," he said. "In some smaller towns, I was never able to get an Espresso before my show ... it's the only time I have a Red Bull, the only time I indulge in that toxic super juice."

Although it does get tiring, his energy and passion for performing hasn't waned—there is no place he would rather be and nothing else he would

rather be doing.

"I knew that this is exactly where my career was ... not hoping that *Just For Laughs* would make me famous ... You would never see them come to Winkler because they don't think you matter.

"I put three hard years in Los Angeles chasing that bogus sitcom dream in another life ... I have no intention of going back there again. It's a conceit of the ivory towered rooms in show business that only the famous matter. That's a hollow grail if that's what you're chasing."

"I never thought that. I'm from working class people ... my sentiments do lie with the struggles of the every man," concluded James. "This has been the greatest experience a man could ever hope for ... to grow his craft in this peaceable kingdom."

At press time there were still seats available for James' show. Details are available online at winklerconcerthall.ca or by calling 204-325-5600.

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Thunder best Nighthawks

In Zone 4 high school hockey action last weekend the Morden Thunder came out ahead of the Northlands Parkway Collegiate Nighthawks.

Following up on the 10-2 decimation of the Portage Trojans the night before, the Thunder downed the Nighthawks 1-0 Friday night.

Brody Clyde got the game winner in the second period while Owen Domitruk made 29 saves in net for the win. Across the rink, NPC's Malachi Klassen stopped 34 shots.

Also last week, NPC bowed to Altona 4-0 on Nov. 7 and the Garden Valley Collegiate Zodiacs fell to the Pembina Tigers 4-3 on Nov. 10.

Off the ice and out on the court, the GVC boys varsity volleyball team beat Morden three sets to two in their final game of the Zone 4 regular season on Nov. 7.

That same night, the GVC girls beat the Thunder girls 3-1 and then downed the Sabres two nights later in three straight sets.

Morden's boys went on to fall to the Aces 3-0 on Nov. 9.

Zone playoffs began this week and saw the Morden girls play Sanford Tuesday and the boys host Altona Wednesday. Results were not available at press time.



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

The Morden Thunder's Justin Hobbs and the NPC Nighthawks' Kenton Fehr race for puck possession in Friday's match, which Morden won 1-0.

In the South Central Athletic Conference, meanwhile, Northland Parkway Collegiate's varsity boys and

girls volleyball teams both lost to the Glenlawn Lions in the first round of playoffs on Monday.

Both teams fell in three straight sets, putting an end to their seasons.

Royals fall to Maroons, Redskins down Mercs

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Royals are still looking for their first win of the season after falling to the Altona Maroons in South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League action last weekend.

The Saturday evening game began with a relatively quiet first two periods.

Altona scored two goals in the first six minutes of the first while Brett Harder got the Royals on the board 1:30 into the second.

Winkler netminder Matt Krahn and Altona's Jayme Janzen shut down all further scoring attempts, sending the game to the third still at 2-1 for the

Maroons.

That final period saw a flurry of scoring action from both sides.

Altona's Blair MacAulay broke the deadlock 43 seconds in, only to have Winkler's Jamie Thiessen return the favour three minutes later.

MacAulay then scored his second and third of the night in quick succession to make it 5-2 for Altona.

The Maroons' Jordan Wall made it 6-2 before Winkler got things together, with Cody Friesen and Caleb Unrau each scoring to begin closing the gap.

The final minute saw Altona's Dane Crowley fire one home to give the Maroons a 7-4 lead. Winkler's Cole

Smith scored with 13 seconds left—not near enough time to get the remaining two goals the Royals needed to tie. The game went to Altona 7-5.

The Morden Redskins fared significantly better in their game against the visiting Warren Mercs that same night.

Morden shook off their 4-1 loss to Altona the week before to crush the Mercs 6-1.

Warren's lone goal came midway through the first period, at the 12:05 mark. The lead was short-lived, though, as Morden's Graham Leiding scored at 12:57.

Keith Bially and Cole Penner scored for Morden in the second, while Jay

Fehr scored twice in the first 10 minutes of the third. Matt Sibbald scored the final goal at 14:46.

Getting the win in net was Reed Peters, who slapped away 48 shots as Warren outshot Morden 49-43.

The early standings right now have Altona, Carman, and Warren in the top three spots. Morden is in fourth with a 1-1 record while Winkler is in seventh and last place at 0-2.

This weekend Morden travels to play Notre Dame on Saturday while Winkler plays in Carman Saturday and then hosts Warren Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Esso Cup continues to leave a legacy

By Lorne Stelmach

Local hockey programs are reaping the rewards of Morden having hosted the national female midget hockey championship last spring.

The Esso Cup is leaving a legacy in the community with funds donated last Tuesday to the Morden and Pembina Valley minor hockey programs.

"The Esso Cup was a huge success, and this is a way that it's able to give back to the community," said Esso Cup committee chair Clare Agnew, who was excited to see the event continue to support the development of female hockey in the area.

Steve Mullin, president of Morden Minor Hockey, said the generous gift of \$6,000 was like the cherry on top of the cherry.

"There's a lot of things that the Esso Cup has done for the community," he said. "We've benefitted greatly from it ... I know that there's going to be players and officials in the region who are going to benefit that much more because of it."

He said the money will go towards the development of officials and female hockey in Morden.

"I know there are members of our executive who are very excited and have some wonderful ideas and are chomping at the bit to get started with that."

Greg Ens of Pembina Valley Minor Hockey said their gift of \$11,600 was a very nice surprise.

"Obviously, it was quite exciting for us to have the Esso Cup here in our region and for our girls to be able to



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Esso Cup committee chair Clare Agnew presented legacy fund donations recently of \$6,000 to Steve Mullin (left) for Morden Minor Hockey and of \$11,600 to Greg Ens for Pembina Valley Minor Hockey.

play in that," he said. "Then over and above to see the support that the community provided ... not just the attendance but the businesses that stepped up.

"Now there's a legacy fund that's going to go back down, and we're going to help support development of girls hockey."

Hawks 1-3 at elite Shattuck tournament

By Lorne Stelmach

The female Pembina Valley Hawks had a break from league play, but it certainly wasn't time off.

The ladies made their annual trip to Faribault, Minnesota for the Shattuck Saint Mary's tournament Nov. 9-11.

It once again offered the Hawks some very stiff competition against

elite level teams, and they came out of the weekend with a 1-4 record.

Goaltender Halle Oswald turned in a heroic performance for the Hawks on Friday as she stopped 58 of 62 shots on net in a 4-0 loss to the host Shattuck team.

She kept the Hawks to within 1-0 after one period, but three goals in the second put it away.

Pembina Valley had more to show for their efforts Saturday morning, trailing 1-0 and 3-2 at the intermissions before falling 5-3 to the Thunder Bay Queens.

Sage McElroy-Scott had a pair and a three point night for the Hawks, with the other goal coming from Tessa Odell while Hannah Petrie and Makenzie McCallum contributed a pair of assists each.

Kadynce Romijn stopped 25 of 29 shots she faced.

Oswald had a much lighter workload Saturday night as she was only

called on to make 10 saves in a 3-1 win for the Hawks over the MN Revolution.

Petrie, McCallum and Cora Fijala scored for Pembina Valley while McElroy-Scott contributed a pair of assists.

The Hawks then closed out the tournament with a 4-0 loss Sunday to the Shattuck U16 team. Romijn stopped 26 of 29 shots on goal.

The team returns to league play this weekend with a good chance to break out of a five game losing streak that had them drop to sixth place at 3-5-0-0-1 for seven points.

That record has them only above the winless Interlake Lightning, who come to Morden for a doubleheader Saturday and Sunday.

The Hawks trail Central Plains by one point and are five back of the Winnipeg Avros and Yellowhead Chiefs.

Manitoba Hockey Standings

MANITOBA JUNIOR							Yellowhead								
HOCKEY LEAGUE							GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA		
Steinbach Pistons	19	16	3	0	32	110	45	Thrashers	18	7	10	1	15	53	79
OCN Blizzard	22	15	5	2	32	84	70	Kenora	16	6	8	0	14	46	49
Winkler Flyers	21	15	6	0	30	77	44	Central Plains	16	5	8	1	13	47	55
Virden Oil Capitals	19	13	6	0	26	91	54	Southwest	16	5	10	1	11	45	63
Portage Terriers	20	12	6	1	26	78	54	Interlake	15	4	11	0	8	41	75
Selkirk Steelers	19	12	6	1	25	74	62	Norman	17	0	16	0	1	46	102
Winnipeg Blues	23	10	10	3	23	77	85	MANITOBA AAA BANTAM							
Neepawa Natives	22	10	10	2	22	81	80	HOCKEY LEAGUE							
Swan Valley Stampede	19	6	10	3	15	47	70	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	
Dauphin Kings	22	4	16	1	10	50	103	Cougars	13	12	1	0	24	88	28
Waywayseacappo Wolverines	22	1	20	0	3	40	142	Rangers	11	6	4	1	13	51	45
MANITOBA MAJOR JUNIOR							Chiefs	13	6	6	0	13	42	44	
HOCKEY LEAGUE							Hawks	13	5	8	0	10	47	66	
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Wheat Kings	12	3	9	0	6	33	50	
Raiders Jr. Hockey Club	17	14	1	2	30	70	34	Capitals	14	1	12	0	3	26	104
Charleswood Hawks	16	11	2	3	25	42	26	Wolves	14	1	13	0	2	38	120
Stonewall Jets	16	11	5	0	22	50	36	MANITOBA FEMALE MIDGET AAA							
Transcona Railer Express	17	10	5	2	22	63	50	HOCKEY LEAGUE							
St. Vital Victorias	16	9	7	0	18	53	58	GP	Reg W	Reg L	T	OTW	OTL	Pts	
St. James Canucks	17	8	8	1	17	49	48	Westman Wildcats	9	5	1	-	1	2	14
Pembina Valley Twisters	16	7	9	0	14	65	68	Eastman Selects	12	6	5	-	-	1	13
St. Boniface Riels	17	6	10	1	13	51	58	Yellowhead Chiefs	7	6	1	-	-	-	12
Ft.Garry/Ft.Rouge Twins	17	6	11	0	12	43	53	Winnipeg Avros	8	4	2	-	2	-	12
River East Royal Knights	17	1	15	1	3	27	82	Central Plains	8	3	4	-	1	-	8
SOUTH EASTERN MANITOBA							PV Hawks	9	3	5	-	-	1	7	
HOCKEY LEAGUE							Interlake Lightning	9	-	9	-	-	-	-	
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY								
Altona	2	2	0	0	4	11	6	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	
Carman	2	2	0	0	4	9	5	Morden Thunder	6	5	1	0	10	33	16
Warren	3	2	1	0	4	16	8	W.C. Miller Aces (Altona)	7	5	2	0	10	41	16
Morden	2	1	1	0	2	7	5	Cartwright/Nellie McClung/							
Portage	3	1	2	0	2	6	14	Pilot Mound Tigers	7	4	3	0	8	24	28
Notre Dame	2	0	1	1	1	6	12	Morris Mavericks	4	3	1	0	6	22	16
Winkler	2	0	2	0	0	7	12	Prairie Mountain Mustangs	6	2	3	0	5	32	30
MANITOBA AAA MIDGET							Garden Valley Collegiate								
HOCKEY LEAGUE							Zodiacs (Winkler)	7	2	4	1	5	24	39	
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Northlands Parkway Collegiate								
Brandon	16	14	2	0	28	90	40	Nighthawks (Winkler)	4	2	2	0	4	14	13
Eastman	16	13	2	1	27	74	48	Carman Cougars	5	2	3	0	4	16	22
Wild	15	13	2	0	26	79	30	Portage Collegiate							
Bruins	16	12	3	1	25	71	51	Institute Trojans	6	1	5	0	2	14	40
Pembina Valley	15	9	4	1	20	50	46	STATS AS OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14							
Parkland	16	8	7	0	17	55	61								

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Winkler Flyers split games up north

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers are looking to get their groove back after a week of mixed results.

The junior team posted their second straight loss Nov. 7 in falling 3-2 to the Steelers in Selkirk.

The Steelers jumped out of the gate with a 2-0 first period lead. Winkler rebounded with a powerplay goal courtesy of Nolan McGuire early in the second, only to watch as Selkirk regained the lead four minutes later.

With less than four minutes to go in the game, Coltyn Bates cut the Steelers' lead to 3-2, but Winkler just couldn't get that last goal they needed to tie, and so the win went to the home team.

Aaron Brunn manned Winkler's net in the loss, making 36 saves as Selkirk outshot Winkler 39-38.

Winkler bounced back Saturday with a 6-3 win over the Swan Valley Stampeders.

A goal from McGuire made it a 1-1

game heading into the first intermission. The second period was all Winkler, as Matt Christian scored twice and Will Blake and Brody Moffatt contributed singles to put it at 5-1 heading into the final frame.

There, Swan Valley managed two goals in the first two minutes. It was the last time they found the back of the net, though, while Bates scored in the fifth minute to cement the Winkler win at 6-3.

Troy Martyniuk was in net for the Flyers this time around, saving 20 out of the 23 shots sent his way. Winkler outshot Swan Valley with 33 shots on goal.

Any hope to get win streak going were dashed with a 3-2 loss to the Neepawa Natives the very next night.

The Flyers were down 2-0 before Lucas Barker got them on the scoreboard, firing one home 11:57 into the second period. Neepawa got that back with 59 seconds left in the period.

Winkler was the only one to score in the third, courtesy of Blake at 18:05,



PHOTO BY LANA MEIER/VOICE

Winkler Flyers captain Nolan McGuire shots and scores in the Nov. 7 3-2 loss to the Selkirk Steelers.

but it just wasn't enough, and the win went to the Natives 3-2.

It was Martyniuk in net once again for Winkler, making 23 saves as Winkler outshot the Natives 42-26.

This week Winkler headed to Steinbach to play the Pistons on Tuesday. Results were not available at press time.

Over the weekend the team hosts

Steinbach on Friday and Virden on Saturday. Puck drops at 7:30 p.m. both nights.

Prior to Tuesday's game the Flyers were 15-6 so far for the season, which puts them in third place with 30 points behind the tied-for-first Pistons and OCN Blizzard, who both have 32 points.

Hawks riding high after downing Northstars

By Lorne Stelmach

The male Pembina Valley Hawks are riding a five game winning streak after sweeping a pair of games this weekend over the Norman Northstars.

Pembina Valley followed up a 5-2 win Friday by edging Norman 6-5 Saturday on home ice in Morden.

Coach Rylan Price said they gladly take the points, especially considering he doesn't think they were necessarily at the top of their game.

"We've actually not played our best hockey here in the last five games, and we've found ways to win every game," he said. "That's good at this time of year ... adding two points on to your total is never going to hurt. It's going to help us out by the end of the year."

The Hawks took control of the first game Friday with three unanswered first period goals.

Scoring for Pembina Valley were Nicholas Hatley, Jayden McCarthy, Jacob Carels, Svan Bazin, and Kolton Shindle on a powerplay with three seconds remaining to seal the deal.

Shots on goal were 34-23 for the Hawks. Brock Moroz got the win in net with 21 saves.

It was a different story Saturday as the Hawks came from behind with four unanswered third period goals

after trailing 3-1 and 5-2 at the intermissions.

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Team Walter wins big on MJCT

Team Walter were on fire at the Manitoba Junior Curling Tour bonspiel at the Petersfield Curling Club last weekend. From right: skip Meghan Walter, third Sara Oliver, second Morgan Reimer, and lead Mackenzie Elias won the bonspiel, defeating Team Lamb 8-3 in the final after going undefeated in four games over the previous three days. The ladies are now bound for the tour championships in Morris Dec. 1-4.

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Local skaters shine at sectionals in Virden

By Lorne Stelmach

Local skaters were among the best in the province competing in Virden earlier this month.

Morden and Winkler club members had strong showings at the Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Championship Nov. 4-5.

The best result for Winkler came in the pre-juvenile ladies U11 category, where Hailey Penner placed second.

In juvenile U12, Jane Hiebert placed fifth followed by fellow Winklerite Tyra Harder in sixth, while Diviyani Abbu came in 16th in her age group.

From Morden, Dana Hynes placed second in the juvenile U14.

Morden skaters placing fifth were

Alison Convery in pre-juvenile U11, Leah Braun in pre-juvenile U13, and Annika Roberts in juvenile U14. Lauren Ginter came in 11th in juvenile U14 while Olivia Sawatzky was 13th in the pre-novice ladies.

Hynes and Sawatzky also scored the technical points needed to make the Skate Canada Manitoba Development Team.

"Sectionals was a great success for the Morden Figure Skating Club. All of the girls skated very well, and each one of them came home with a personal best score in their competitive event," noted president Tasha Roberts.

"Annika Roberts and Dana Hynes had the highest scores in our central region ... Olivia Sawatzky also had



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Members of the Winkler Figure Skating Club who took part in the Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Championship included Hailey Penner, Tyra Harder, Jane Hiebert, and Diviyani Abbu. Penner clinched second in the U11 event.

one of the top two scores in the pre-novice level for our region."

The Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Figure Skating Championship selects the top skaters in the province

to advance to the 2018 Skate Canada Challenge, from which the best skaters can then advance to the Canadian Figure Skating Championships.

Pembina Valley Twisters fall to Raiders 6-1

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Twisters were silenced by the red hot Raiders of Winnipeg Sunday in Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League action.

Having won 13 of their first 16 games

with only one regulation time loss so far, the first place Raiders built up a 4-0 second period lead on their way to a 6-1 win.

Keck scored the lone Twisters goal on a second period powerplay for his 11th of the season, while the Raiders

connected twice on a powerplay.

Shots on goal were 43-29 in favour of the Raiders including 21 in the second period alone.

Pembina Valley did come out of the weekend with a couple of points, however, as they had edged the Fort Garry Fort Rouge Twins 3-2 Friday night.

Brendan Keck scored the game winner on an unassisted effort at 12:38 of the third to give the Twisters the victory.

Fraser Mirrlees assisted on Troy Lehmann's third goal of the season to tie the game at one in the second and

then Lehmann helped Mirrlees get his 11th of the year in the third.

Travis Klassen made 28 saves as the Twisters outshot the Twins 35-30.

At press time, the Twisters remained in seventh place at 7-9-0 for 14 points, which left them one up on the St. Boniface Riels and three back of the St. James Canucks.

The Charleswood Hawks will look to avenge an earlier 5-4 overtime loss to the Twisters when they host them this Friday. Pembina Valley then returns home to Morris to welcome the Riels on Saturday.

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Jayden McCarthy, Sven Schefer, and Wyatt Cobb each had a goal and three point nights, while Ethan Carels had a pair. Spencer Kaminsky contributed a key shorthanded goal in the third period that helped drive the comeback.

Moroz started in goal for the Hawks and allowed four goals on 14 shots. Martin Gagnon then stopped 15 of 16 shots the rest of way from midway through the second period. Shots overall were 30-29 for the Northstars.

The streak has seen the Hawks climb to fifth place at 9-4-0-1-1 for 20 points—three up on Parkland and five back of Brandon.

Price hopes to see his team sharpen up a few aspects of their game mov-

ing forward.

"We're scoring timely goals right now, and they're five on five goals. We've struggled on the powerplay, and we've struggled to kill penalties as well. One or another, at the end of the day, we've ended up scoring more goals.

"Hopefully, here this week, we can find our stride again and start playing hockey the way we did."

Pembina Valley was in Winnipeg Wednesday to face the Thrashers. Results were not available at press time.

They are home in Morden for a pair of games this weekend against Central Plains on Saturday and the Winnipeg Bruins Sunday afternoon.



Supporting
KidSport

PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Boundary Trails Dental Centre in Morden supported KidSport recently with a \$2,500 donation presented by Dr. Randy Warkentin to Leanne Traynor, regional sport development officer for Sport Manitoba. The funds represent the proceeds from Boundary Trails Dental Centre's work in making sports mouth guards. The KidSport program helps cover the sports registration costs for kids from lower income families.

Agriculture

Manitoba pork industry set to move forward

By Harry Siemens

Manitoba pork producers and industry partners attended two fall producer meetings in Niverville and Portage la Prairie recently.

Dr. Egan Brockhoff, veterinary counselor for the Canadian Pork Council, keynoted on High-Path Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome—the next nightmare for hog farmers.

The illness is “a viral infection that affects swine, readily mutates, and, depending on the pathogenicity of the particular strain, can be incredibly transmissible” through semen, respiratory droplets, milk, feces and urine,” Brockhoff said.

“Excellent biosecurity remains the first and best line of defense for protecting swine herds from the threat of new higher pathogenic strains of PRRS,” he stressed. “It is the core thing that keeps us protected.

“As we came through and continued to struggle with PED virus we’ve learned that, as good as we thought our biosecurity was, there are always opportunities to improve,” Brockhoff added. “There are still little things that we’re missing. It’s those small details that have such enormous stakes, and this disease is very much like those diseases. It’s a disease that, with proper biosecurity, high biosecurity, we can keep it out.”

Also in discussion was Bill 24, with Manitoba Pork general manager Andrew Dickson talking about whether it will help kickstart the building of new hog barns in Manitoba.

“The key thing is the amendment to the Environment Act to remove the requirement for anaerobic digesters,” he said, stressing this can add upwards of \$1.5 million to the cost of building a barn.

“By taking this out of the way and using standard systems to store and apply manure as used all across North America, this will remove a huge impediment to the industry,” said Dickson. “Now, we can start to look at whether we can build barns on a competitive basis to other provinces and the U.S.”

With the aerobic digester requirement out of the way, producers who want to add capacity to stay in busi-

ness can seriously look at literally rebuilding some of their structures.

There’s pent-up demand for this from the last 10-15 years, he said, adding that the past four years have been good ones financially for the industry, which all bodes well for the future.

“It looks like we’re going to have reasonably positive cash flows for at least the next two years, and the processing companies are offering some incentives to get into finishing more pigs in the province, so there’s a huge opportunity here,” said Dickson. “It looks like grain prices are not going to go through the roof. In other words, they’re going to be reasonable grain prices that are competitive.

“We can import corn and soy meal from the United States at a reasonable price, and the big thing is the

Canadian dollar is at about 80 cents—huge for our industry. It makes our industry now competitive with the U.S. in lots of ways.”

Hog producer and Manitoba Pork chair of George Matheson noted that it’s one thing to have things to do it, but another to get them done.

Producers need to make sure they have all their ducks in a row, he stressed.

“In most cases, these are going to be multimillion-dollar investments in their facilities so, therefore, you have to take the time out to do properly regarding meeting all the regulatory requirements that the province has, meeting all the planning requirements at the municipal level,” he said.

“It takes time, and it’s going to cost you some money. But there are people

out there who have a great deal of expertise in this thing,” Matheson said. “We are prepared to help bring those people together with the farmers to smooth the process to avoid conflict at the municipal level. They will follow all the right procedures, and they can get timely approval for all their permits from the province without a lot of problems.”

Dickson said that, surely to goodness, the industry has learned a lot of lessons from doing this in the last 20 years.

“Let’s apply what we’ve learned and sped up the process a little bit, things can go smoothly, and people can start getting into a business and start making money,” he said.



By Harry Siemens

Volume increases demand for transport upgrades

While not everyone in Western Canada had a massive crop with excellent quality, a good majority of farmers did. Tractor trailer units and super bees flood the highway going in whatever direction the farmer chooses to send his grain since the demise of the old Wheat Board monopoly, the big wheelers pound the pavement and often gravel roads.

Years back, railway companies with the permission of governments abandoned rail lines thinking it was better to recoup the money amidst high steel prices, then the ribbon of steel to efficiently move grain from elevator to port, and sometimes even port to port.

Before the advent of so-called inland terminals, the big Cargill elevator at Elm Creek coming to mind and others like it across the Prairies, one shipper told me for every seven rail cars of grain going to port, one was full of screenings.

Oh my, how things have changed. With former ag minister and good friend Gerry Ritz implementing the Marketing Freedom Act so farm-

ers could market and sell when, where and even at the price they want (mind you, it’s never quite high enough), modern grain movement becomes even more critical.

CN’s director of grain marketing David Przednowek said in the middle of November that demand for grain movement remains strong.

Przednowek said recovering from accidents and derailments are always challenging, and he commented on one on Oct. 16:

“It’s taken time to work through the traffic that was held up during the derailment, and over 70 trains were rerouted over the Prairie north line to help work through the challenges associated with the main line going down, but that’s just not as efficient as running on high-speed mainline,” he said. “That issue’s past now. Unfortunately, though, we’ve also had to reduce our maximum sustainable grain supply chain capacity guidance for non-winter, down from 5500 hoppers per week to 5100, because of the lack of opportunity for weekend unloading at Prince Rupert. That’s a seven-plus per cent reduction in what the supply chain can deliver

every week.

“Customer demand’s been exceeding what the supply chain can handle on a consistent basis. Saying that, we’ve covered all the grain demand associated with contractual commitments with customers. Products like the Fleet Integration Programs, car auction, and other commercial products protect car supply for the customers that choose to use them, and some protect more of their book of business than others.”

Looking back at October, last fall 2016 grain shipments on CN reflected record performance, and they’ve not been able to sustain the same pace this fall.

CN was still able to achieve the third-best October on record, and the sixth best individual month ever for Canadian grain, in spite of the main line going down.

For western covered hoppers in October for bulk grain movement, CN averaged over 5,200 hoppers per week, versus 5,900 per week in October of last year.

“Now, besides the issues I’ve al-

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Tackling public policy issues

By Harry Siemens

Jon Entine from Cincinnati, Ohio is founder and executive director of the Science Literacy Project, a nonprofit funded by independent foundation grants that oversee three web-based science literacy websites: Genetic Literacy Project (GLP), Epigenetics Literacy Project (ELP) and Genetic Expert News Service (GENeS).

"I run a nonprofit with an online presence called The Genetic Literacy Project in existence about seven years now," said Entine in a recent interview. "Our focus is to serve as a resource for farmers, scientists, for the media and the general public on issues involving genetics. Not only in farming and food, but also in the human arena, because there are so many techniques from genetic modification to gene editing that affects both medicines, but also food and farms."

They are a resource publishing new daily stories, hoping to keep people informed on controversial issues.

Entine described some of those issues:

"GMOs [are] always a hot debate, especially in the farm community. Issues such as labeling is a great con-

cern. We're worrying about subsidies to the egg industry, and Canada has introduced a new GMO salmon that's on sale in Canada; whether it comes to the U.S. is still a debate.

"Gene editing is very hot. We're using new techniques to develop climate resistant seeds that could help if climate variations continue to increase," said Entine. "Lots of hot issues in the food and farming area."

One story he posted on Twitter had to do with 29 states making it more challenging to fight regulations.

"What's happened ... in recent years is a lot of individual counties very politicized by the debate over things like GMOs and pesticides have passed individual laws to try to restrict certain things that nearby counties, with a different set of farmers, feel differently about," Entine explained. "And that's caused some great complications because lots of farms cross county lines, and issues can't be divided. Seed use can't be divided county by county, and it's caused so many complications that a lot of states have moved to pass what is called seed-preemption laws.

"These say that any laws affecting seed usage, and in some cases chemi-

cal usage, has to come at the state level to make sure they coordinated and that those laws respect farmers' rights."

Entine said many could understand the wisdom of that, but others also know that some farmers, particularly in counties that are deeply anti-GMO or concerned about one aspect of farming, might feel that they want to go at it alone, establish laws to restrict and protect their county.

So there's a fight going on between whether the states or the counties should be overseeing these kinds of restrictions.

Meanwhile, soybean acres in Manitoba shot up to 2.3 million acres in 2017 because of new GMO varieties.

"A lot of the critics of GMO say, 'Oh, my gosh, GMOs are bad because they reduce biodiversity.' They don't recognize that ... you have dozens, near a hundred types of GMO varieties of soybeans. It hasn't decreased biodiversity; it's increased it," Entine said. "People argue about that. You can understand how problematic it would be if an individual state or an individual province would allow decisions about regulations by a local community that decided to be all organic and refuse

the rights of our neighbors to plant GMOs. Organic and GMOs have existed, compatible, together, I think, in quite some harmony, for many, many decades."

Entine said people become obsessed with being anti-GMOs, but fail to recognize that people with diabetes, for example, use GMO insulin.

"We have more than a hundred GMO medicines, and it's interesting that no one says a peep about genetically modifying medicines to create life-saving substances, and yet when we do it in food, the world is coming to an end, the sky is falling," he lamented.

"The inconsistencies there are remarkable and sad. We need this technology. It is perfectly harmless. More than 280 independent agencies around the world have issued statements about the safety of GM crops. We want to utilize them in a way that helps everyone, and we want to work with our organic farming neighbors because their practice is in organic farming that also helps in conventional farming.

"This is about working together, not working in opposition to each other."

> SIEMENS SAYS, FROM PG. 23

ready mentioned, the overall CN network is being challenged by rapid and significant volume growth, especially in western Canada" said Przednowek. "In fact, since the end of last year, our volumes in western Canada overall are up close to 20 per cent. The speed and the scale of that increase have put a strain on crews and locomotives that we need to meet our customer's' current expectations, no matter what commodity it is.

"I think it's important to recognize that we started seeing that demand growth come in stronger than expected back in the first quarter of 2017. We had a solid Q1, and then it was just that on top of that stronger pace of growth that we saw in Q1, we saw even more rapid and concentrated growth in certain parts of our network. That started putting a strain on resources, particularly regarding crews and power."

Przednowek said CN is working hard to add more resources as quickly as possible, but it's important to remember that it just doesn't happen overnight. There are long lead times on some of the acquisition of the resources that you need to meet customer demand.

"Going back to 2015, more than a thousand employees were on layoff. Now, hundreds of them have come back, but given the strength of the economy, a lot of those people have found jobs in other segments of the economy, so the return rate isn't as strong as expected," he said. "It takes nine months, at a minimum, to recruit, hire, and train operating crews, sometimes even longer in remote lo-

cations, and take a look at running trades like electricians and mechanics to repair locomotives, for example? Well, that takes more like 12 to 18 months."

To help with the immediate need for train crews, CN is providing financial incentives for current employees in high demand areas to postpone retirement or even to come back to work after recently retiring.

"We're also buying out employees' vacation time, and doing everything we can to bring new employees on as quickly and as safely as possible into the railroad," said Przednowek. "By year's end, over the course of the year, we'll have hired at least 3500 people to meet the demands of the stronger economy," he said.

> OUTSIDE THE BOX, FROM PG. 17

The Invaluable Business series looks to give businesses a training tool that will supplement their on-the-job training by giving them an easy to use program designed to get staff to work the way they would like them to, said Sawatzky.

"Instead of the traditional path of company focus then employee focus then company result, my training goes from employee focus to employee result to company result," he said. "This flip is important, as employee buy-in must first happen for the change to take place that will ultimately make a positive impact on company performance."

He sees the traditional marketing practices with their focus on advertising and brand recognition not being enough on their own anymore—there needs to also be a focus on development of your people.

"What I wanted to do was to create a training environment where you can teach these connection skills," Sawatzky said, adding that it is "important not only for their job performance and the success of their company but even for themselves and for their career."

He hopes to use the book and website to plug into the human resource practices or processes of businesses.

"Ultimately, my hope is that staff operate at their highest level for their own success," Sawatzky said. "Through that ... it leads to greater success for the company that they are working for ... with the goal of training always being staff operating at a higher level, this is a win-win situation.

"My goal is for people to see themselves as CEOs and operate at that level because I think when they do that, they connect themselves and the people they work for to the market's best opportunities."

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8	5	8	9	4	2	7	6	1	9
6	2	7	8	1	8	9	4	5	3
9	8	6	1	2	9	4	7	8	3
7	9	2	8	8	4	1	9	6	5
1	7	8	7	9	6	2	8	9	3
8	6	7	2	9	9	8	1	7	4
9	8	1	6	7	8	9	2	7	4
2	7	9	7	8	1	6	9	8	3

Sudoku Answer

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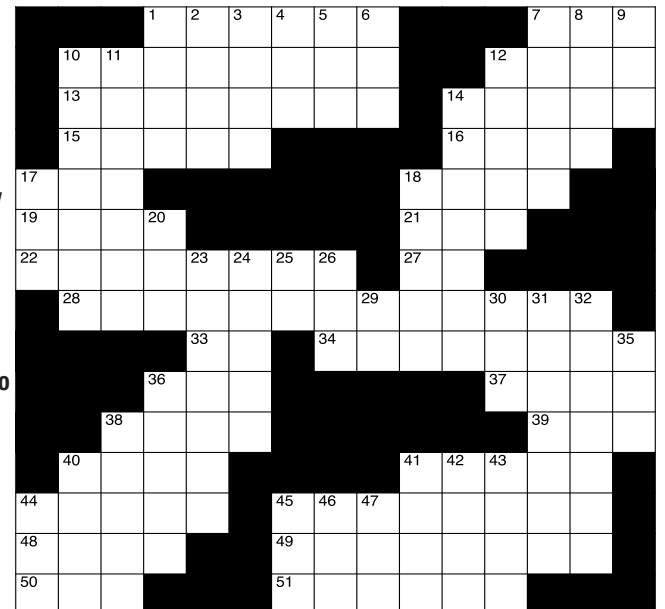


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CLUES ACROSS

- Holds candles
- In possession of
- Rodents
- Type of cofactor (Brit. sp.)
- Hard candy on a stick
- Animal of the weasel family
- Things that should not be overlooked
- "Silence" author
- Dried, split lentils
- People native to Ghana
- Barros and Gasteyer are two
- British thermal unit
- Large oblong hall
- Ethnic group in Asia
- Holiday decoration
- Milliliter
- Open
- Health physics concept (abbr.)
- Tantric meditation
- Where golf games begin
- Birth swine
- Rip
- Remove
- Puts together in time
- Rotary engines
- Skeletal structure
- Member of a labor organization
- Japanese classical theater
- Undergarments

- "Snake Tales" cartoonist
- Religious group
- Singer Redding
- ___ and tuck
- Head honcho
- Second sight
- Composer
- About aviation
- Senior officer
- Forecasts weather
- Seasoned Hungarian soup
- Town in Hesse, Germany
- Thought to derive from meteorites
- Hit lightly
- Seemingly bottomless chasm
- Title of respect
- Warms up
- Man and Wight are two
- Type of scan
- Atomic mass unit
- Article
- Incriminate
- Passes by
- Most nerve-inducing
- David Alan Grier sitcom
- Achieve
- Freshwater fish
- Beginner
- Dark brown or black
- A newlywed wears one
- DiFranco and Vardanyan are two
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- Ancient Egyptian King
- Old name (abbr.)
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Friday Nov. 17 Morden Civic Centre

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7:00 p.m.

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COMING EVENT

St. Thomas Anglican Church
131-8th St., Morden

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OBITUARY



Abram Suderman 1934 - 2017

On Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at Boundary Trail Health Centre, Abram Suderman aged 83 years of Chortitz, MB went to his eternal rest.

He is survived by his wife, Helena (nee Klassen); six daughters, Maria and Joe Faschauner, Kathy and Harold Bland, Sara Heide, Helen and Abe Reimer, Agatha Harder, Eva and Abe Bergen; four sons Jake and Helen, Pete and Penny, John, Abe and Dorothy as well as 29 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, two brothers and their families.

He was predeceased by his parents, Jacob and Katharina (nee Enns) Suderman, son-in-law, Peter Heide and granddaughter, Melody Dyck.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at the German Old Colony Mennonite Church with interment at the Church Cemetery.

Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler
In care of arrangements
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OBITUARY



Elizabeth (Betty) Wiebe (nee Kroeker) 1922 - 2017

Betty Wiebe, our mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister was born on October 7, 1922, the sixth child of 13 children to parents, Peter J. and Margaretta (Wolfe) Kroeker in the Mountain City School District where she attended Grades 1 to 8 (1929-1936). At age 10, Mom provided child care services for surrounding neighbors. At age 14 Mom left home working for families in the local area as far away as the Burwalde district.

From 1939 - 1940, Mom worked with Dad's sister, Helen Wiebe as a housekeeper at the Winkler Hospital. It was through this connection that Mom and Dad would later meet. On September 7, 1943 Mom was baptized in the Winkler Mennonite Brethren Church, Rev. Henry S. Voth officiating.

From 1940 - 1951, Mom was a maid at the Winnipeg Fort Gary Hotel where she had the opportunity to clean the room for Canada's tenth Prime Minister, William Lyon Mackenzie King. It was here that a customer noticed how spotless her hotel room had been cleaned. After inquiring at the front desk, Mom was hired by Ms. May Payne working at her Kenora summer cottage and at her home in the city until Mom got married. On September 18, 1951 Mom married Wilhelm A. Wiebe in the Morden Mennonite Brethren Church, Rev. J.J. Neufeld officiating. 1951 - 1967, Mom and Dad enjoyed farming north of Horndean. Here, William Arthur and John Leonard were born. In 1967, Mom and Dad farmed south of Cypress River and later farming north of Purves in 1972. Growing up, we learned from our parent's actions the importance of: having a positive living relationship with Christ; the power of prayer; the importance of reading and memorizing scripture; the importance of family; doing an honest day's work; the importance of using our finances wisely which our Lord and Saviour had entrusted us to manage on His behalf and to help the needy.

1975 - 1996, Mom and Dad enjoyed retirement in Morden. Mom had multiple kinds of flowers blooming in the garden and around the house throughout the summer. She enjoyed gardening until she was almost 90 years old. Hospitality was something Mom enjoyed. People visiting our parents could expect to have a hearty conversation around a variety of topics ranging from gardening, farming, sharing recipes, scripture and even politics. The evenings always ended with food. Mom and Dad also enjoyed visiting and singing for those less mobile and or hospitalized. From 1976 - 1996, Mom enjoyed working one day a week at the Morden Thrift Shop. She joined the Church of God Ladies Choir and faithfully provided loving care for our father from 1996 to 1999 during his struggle with Alzheimer's until Dad passed away September 18, 1999; the exact date of their 48th wedding anniversary!

July of 2002, Mom had a stroke which paralyzed her right side. She regained her speech and focused at staying mobile. She even taught herself to write with her left hand. September 2012, Mom sold her house and moved to Tabor Apartments in Morden. Mom loved living here. October 5, 2013, Mom was hospitalized at Boundary Trails. On November 21st, Mom was moved to the Altona hospital waiting for placement at Tabor Home in Morden. She enjoyed the one day a week that they baked fresh buns together with a community volunteer and Mom met one of her classmates, Helen Hatfield from her Mountain City School years. April 29, 2014, Mom moved to Tabor Home where she was reunited with many of her relatives and friends from her childhood years. She enjoyed the various Sunday church denomination services and the Tabor Chapel services on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. She enjoyed playing bingo, giving her grandchildren her winnings when they came for a visit. When people visiting would ask how she was doing; her reply often was "As good as can be expected." As the new Tabor Home was being constructed, we would show her pictures, but Mom really wasn't interested. Her comment was that she would much rather move to Heaven; pointing up with her left hand. She told us that she understood that the new Tabor would be much nicer; but Heaven would be even nicer. We couldn't argue with that. October 7th, 2017, we celebrated Mom's 95th birthday. We shared great conversations, laughter and many pictures were taken. We enjoyed Tim Horton's coffee and cake; however, without the 95 candles! November 3rd Mom suffered a mini stroke losing her speech and unable to swallow. November 6th an ambulance transported Mom to the new Tabor. Our families took turns sitting with Mom; keeping her comfortable, reading, talking, and praying with her. Mom received excellent care from the Tabor Staff. November 9th, around 2 a.m. after six days without food or water, the Lord took our mother to her eternal reward in heaven. Although we miss her; we are happy that she is no longer suffering.

Mom was predeceased by her husband, Bill; her parents; 10 siblings and one grandchild. Mom is survived by two siblings, two sons and their families. We know Mom is celebrating in Heaven, enjoying her flowers, garden, visiting with her friends that had gone on before. She will greet us when it is our turn to leave this "land of the dying to hold onto eternity's shore."

Memorial service was held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel in Morden with interment prior at Hillside Cemetery.

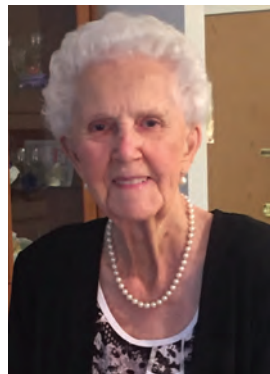
Thanks everyone, for your thoughts and prayers; for visiting our mother while at Tabor; the entire Tabor Staff for their excellent care; to Wiebe Funeral Home and Pastor Morris Vincent for their detailed planning.

-The Wiebe Family

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OBITUARY



Violet Myrtle Pringle (Hinchey) October 3, 1925 - November 6, 2017

At home, with Norris by her side, Violet passed into the loving arms of Jesus.

Born to James and Jessie Hinchey, Violet was raised on her parent's farm in Waskada, Manitoba.

Violet is survived by her husband of 68 years, Norris Pringle of Morden; daughter, Judy Pringle of Winnipeg; daughter, Janette Engen, and son-in-law, Dave Engen of Lethbridge, Alberta.

Violet pursued a teaching career and taught Grades 6, 7 and 8 in Manitou. Violet loved teaching, and throughout her life, spoke with great fondness of her students and her time as a teacher.

It was while teaching in Manitou that Violet met Norris. They were married on July 16, 1949. After their marriage they farmed together for 10 years, and ultimately moved to Manitou where they owned and operated Pringle Insurance Agency. They worked side by side in business until their retirement in 1988.

Violet was a talented woman who willingly volunteered her gifts. She served as Worthy Matron and Grand Martha in the Order of the Eastern Star. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Legion. She played the organ at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, taught piano lessons, organized community concerts, and created beautiful salad bars for community dinners. After moving to Morden in 2001, Violet continued her volunteer activities, organizing banquets at the Friendship Centre. She was a member of St. Thomas Anglican Church in Morden.

Violet passed many happy hours in their garden, caring for her tea roses, and creating a showpiece of red geraniums on the front steps of their home. Perhaps her favourite hobby was her needlepoint, and her award-winning pieces adorn the homes of her family.

Violet and Norris hosted many happy times in their home, and Violet's baking and meals were enjoyed by all. Gales of laughter from card games with friends and family, and sing-songs around the piano were always cadenced with her delicious culinary delights. Violet's fresh biscuits were the best in the land.

Violet's family was priority. She dearly loved her daughters and son-in-law, and was proud of their accomplishments. Violet and Norris were a team, as marriage partners, business partners, and parenting partners. Her love and devotion will remain cherished forever in our hearts.

A memorial service was held at St. Thomas Anglican Church, 131 8th Street, Morden, on Friday, November 10th at 11:00 a.m. lunch followed in the Church Hall and Reverend Diane Guilford officiated. A private family interment took place in the Manitou Cemetery, Manitou, Manitoba.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations in memory of Violet may be made to St. Thomas Anglican Church; 131 8th Street, Morden, Manitoba R6M 1E3, or to a charity of one's choice.

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