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## Winkler, Morden residents meet Giving Challenge

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler and Morden area residents came through for their local community foundations in a big way last Saturday.

The Winkler Community Foundation and Morden Area Foundation both participated in the 24 Hour Giving Challenge on Nov. 14.

For every \$5 donated on that day, the Winnipeg Foundation pledged to contribute \$1, to a maximum of \$2,000 per foundation.

Despite having to cancel a planned funspiel to tie in with the challenge, the Morden Area Foundation handily reached that goal.

In all, MAF raised \$20,110 for its general endowment fund. In total, the fundraising blitz actually brought in \$21,100, but \$990 was given for restricted funds designated by the donors and did not qualify for the challenge's matching funding.

"I think it's miraculous," said executive director Lynda MacLean on Monday. "This is something like four times what we raised last year."

In Winkler, WCF board members set up shop at the Winkler Co-op grocery store to

## Lending a listening ear

PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

J.R. Walkof School Gr. 2 student Jason Brungardt reads to Community Reading program volunteer Margaret Ens during one of their weekly sessions.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Every week, a small army of volunteers heads into J.R. Walkof School in Winkler with one mission in mind: get the young students excited about reading.

They're midway through the Community Reading program's fall session and it's already mission accomplished.

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remind people of the challenge, and they were also blown away by the support they received.

"We raised \$18,221.56," said executive director Myra Peters. "With the matching funds from the Winnipeg Foundation, that adds \$2,000, for a total of just over \$20,000."

The foundation had hoped to hit at least \$10,000 on Saturday, so reaching nearly twice that was amazing, Peters said, noting that last year they collected just under \$3,000 in total with the matching funds.

"We'd like to thank the community for supporting the Winkler Community Foundation," she said. "We couldn't do it without them."

In both Winkler and Morden, all the funds raised will be further stretched as part of the Thomas Sill Foundation challenge, which has pledged to contribute up to \$25,000 to rural foundations who raise \$50,000 for their community funds by next September.

Peters noted the Winkler foundation is about \$34,000 of the way to its goal, with plenty of time still to go until next fall.

— with files from Ashleigh Viveiros



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From left: Winkler Community Foundation board members Justin Funk and Stacey Wiebe and executive director Myra Peters were at the Winkler Co-op grocery store Saturday to remind shoppers of the 24 Hour Giving Challenge.

# Churches looking to help refugees

By Lorne Stelmach

Area churches are working together with the goal of helping bring refugee families here to southern Manitoba.

Representatives came together last Sunday not only to help start raising funds but also to gain some insight from a family who has already made it here to start a new life.

"The hope is just to help out with a pretty dire situation the best that we can," said Michael Pahl, lead pastor at the Morden Mennonite Church.

Over 150 people from at least seven different churches in Morden and Winkler gathered at Pahl's church Nov. 15 to hear from Nafiya Naso and her mother Koulan Fandi, who are both Yazidi refugees who have found a home in Canada.

Nafiya was two years old when they fled their Yazidi homeland in northern Iraq.

After a nine-day desert journey with the sound of explosions in the background, they arrived at a refugee camp in Syria.

They spent the next eight years there until 1999, when their family

was sponsored by members of Pembina Mennonite Fellowship and moved to Morden.

They have since relocated to Winnipeg where there is a small but vibrant Yazidi community.

"Morden is a wonderful community for refugees," Naso said. "We are very grateful to the wonderful people here who sponsored us."

Nafiya and Koulan were joined in their presentation this week by Heidi Reimer, a member of Douglas Mennonite Church in Winnipeg. She shared

her experiences of refugee sponsorship.

"Get to know some refugees," Reimer urged. "They are human beings just like us. They want a safe place to live. They want to enjoy their families. They want to work to support their families."

Morden Mennonite Church, Pembina Fellowship, and Pembina Parish United Church are in conversation together with the Mennonite Central

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## > COMMUNITY READING, FROM PG. 1

The program runs for seven weeks in October/November and again in the spring, bringing in parents, grandparents, former teachers, and other community members into the Gr. 2 classrooms to spend an hour



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Rachel Klos and Anna Friesen have been paired up in J.R Walkof School's Community Reading program, which sees volunteers come in every week to read with the kids. The program has been running with great success for nearly a decade at the school.

and a half reading with students.

"We've been doing this for almost 10 years," said vice-principal Scott Hiebert, who notes that volunteer interest this year allowed them to extend the program beyond the Gr. 2 classes.

"This year because we were lucky enough to have quite a few volunteers we have a separate room going on where students from other grades are able to come and enjoy reading with someone new as well," he said.

Of course, the "someone new" part only counts for the first few sessions—each volunteer returns to the same classroom every week to read with the same handful of students, which means relationships are quickly formed.

Those relationships, Hiebert said, are a big part of what has made the program so successful at the school.

"The adults get to know where the students maybe are struggling a little bit with their reading," he said, noting the schedule also allows the reading pairs to tackle more challenging chapter books over multiple weeks. "That level of comfort and relationship is really important to learning."

The kids, meanwhile, absolutely love welcoming the volunteers into their classrooms every Thursday morning.

"It's great to read by yourself, it's great to read with your teacher, and it's great to read with your classmates, but having somebody special come in just to listen to you read is a really positive experience," said Hiebert. "It's just a really powerful tool. That's why we do it."

The program currently has about two dozen volunteers taking part, the majority of them parents or grandparents of students. Several of the reading buddies come from Gateway Resources.

Linda Klassen first got involved two years ago and is back again for another session this fall. Each time she's come to be paired up with one of her grandchildren; this year's it's granddaughter Taya.

"It's nice to be with the grandchildren, to see how they progress in their

reading ... it's nice to see their class and their teacher and their friends," she said. "And then I have another seven children who read to me each week, so I get to know them, too."

Klassen said she really enjoys seeing the kids slowly but surely improve in their reading abilities. She encourages anyone with a love of reading and a desire to give back to give the program a go.

"They should all give it a try. It's fun, it's rewarding. It gets you out of the house if you're retired," she said, adding with a laugh, "I think maybe I benefit more than the kids."

New to the program this year is Kari Goertzen, whose daughter Daliah is in Gr. 2.

"My daughter brought home a paper saying they were looking for volunteers who had a real passion for reading and I thought, 'That's right up my alley,'" she said. "It's been great so far. I'm really enjoying being around my daughter and all her friends from school. It's a neat experience."

For Goertzen, seeing the kids "come out of their shell" is a highlight of her time at the school.

"Even from the start of the time they read with me to the end ... they're a little bit reserved at first but by the end they're opening up to me, they're talking about what they're reading, and they're even comparing it to their own life experiences. It's kind of neat to get to know each one of them, and I think it's really empowering for them to have adults to read to."

If you have a love of reading and would like to get involved in the Community Reading program, contact J.R. Walkof School at 204-325-7765 for information on volunteering.

"We're always looking for people who want to come in and read with students," Hiebert said. "Even if they don't fit into the program right now, when we have people who want to come in and help out we usually can find a place for them."

"Our biggest requirement is that you're excited about reading," he said, "and you want to share that joy of reading with the children."

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# Morden dog park gets thumbs-up

By Lorne Stelmach

Lenny is living out his retirement years in a good home in Morden.

An Alaskan Husky who had previously worked as a sled dog, he found a new home here with the family of Esther Regier.

"If you put him in a harness, he will still pull, apparently ... so we thought with the kids in the toboggan we could try it out in the winter," Regier commented recently while letting Lenny roam in the new Morden dog park.

"We know that he's a bit insecure, but he does love to play with other dogs," she added. "And that kind of brings out the best in him, so this is our chance for him to be able to do that."

In that respect, the new off-leash area for dogs in the south end of Morden has proven to be a real blessing for Regier and Lenny.

The off-leash dog park was established this summer as a fenced-off area within Stepler Park at the end of Ninth St. South.

Clare Agnew, director of community services for the City of Morden, said

they are pleased that the park is being so well used and enjoyed.

"The feedback I'm getting has been very positive, and it is getting used," she said.

"Every evening there's dogs there. It does seem to have attracted some regular users. We have a few people who have commented that, 'We take our dogs there all the time.' They seem so happy about it.

"And I think the way we located it in the park that still leaves free green space there for people to use otherwise is good," she added. "I think it really is in a good location in the park, so it allows other people to still use it as well."

Regier, who also does volunteer work for the Pembina Valley Humane

Society, was thrilled to learn about the park's existence shortly after they got their active pooch.

"When we came here, I was so relieved to be able to let him off the leash. He's not safe to be left alone, especially in our yard, as we don't have a fence."

She knew, though, that Lenny had enjoyed running around with other dogs in his former home.

"We wanted something that he re-

Esther Regier and her pooch Lenny enjoyed Morden's new dog park last week. The fenced-off area in Stepler Park on Ninth St. South has quickly proved a popular place for dog owners to give their furry family members a wide-open space to run and play in.

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ally enjoyed doing, and this has given him that opportunity," said Regier. "It's also really good to get to know him a little bit better, see how he re-

acts with dogs he gets along with and not. And he's done well.

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# Learning the lessons of the Holocaust

By Lorne Stelmach

The price of silence is far too high, says Dr. Susanna Kokkonen.

That was especially true for the Holocaust, but the director of the Christian Friends of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem says it is a lesson that we need to be equally aware of now in the present.

It's the idea that if you don't learn from history you are condemned to repeat it, she commented after a Nov. 9 presentation in Winkler.

"I really believe that the Holocaust is one such tragedy where you can see everything that happened and you can take lessons from it," Kokkonen said.

"Seventy years seems like a long time ... it's not a long time ... but people are forgetting already what happened.

"And I believe that the Holocaust has really shaped many of us and how we see the world," she added. "I believe that it's really essential to remember. And not just to remember it as history, but to put those lessons into practice and try to understand what's happening today."

The Yad Vashem is the main Holocaust museum in Jerusalem, and Kokkonen stopped in Winkler while in the midst of a speaking tour that was taking her across North America.

Affectionately called a Christian ambassador for the Holocaust, she has a powerful message to share in not only educating people about the Holocaust and about anti-Semitism and Israel, but also how it applies to our world today.

Kokkonen said one can trust that the story of the Holocaust can largely speak for itself, so her calling is to help ensure that we continue to learn from it.

"We all realize that when we move further away from these events, the danger of forgetting is strong," she said.

She said it is a good lesson to remember that ultimately the Holocaust involved people like ourselves.

"The perpetrators of the crime ... the silent bystanders ... the few people who chose to help someone ... and the victims ... are just like ourselves."

Kokkonen said we need to be constantly aware of anti-Semitism and that it is still very much alive.

We can see the roots of it and the patterns that keep repeating itself in



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Dr. Susanna Kokkonen, director of the Christian Friends of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, was in Winkler last week to discuss the impact of and lessons learned from the Holocaust.

many places around the world.

"How is it that from 1945 and liberation we have come to 2015 and in some ways it feels like we have travelled full circle and we are back at the same point?" she asked. "Anti-Semitism has changed its clothes but it still exists."

We need to be aware and be vigilant about the danger of silence and being bystanders who choose to look but do nothing, Kokkonen stressed.

"We don't always understand the reasons for the silence. But we know that the silence makes the crime possible," she said.

"It's very interesting that sometimes children understand these things," she added, citing the example of youth who may take a stand for others against bullying.

"We are all in the danger of being those people who walk by ... we have the power, but we don't do anything," she said. "And I think also now with persecution of the Christians in the

Middle East we have this silence in our society. So it is happening."

The killing of Christians in the Middle East today is one example of the millions today who are still being persecuted because of their faith, Kokkonen pointed out.

"The silence and the persecution are connected," she said. "We as Christians need to stand together. Silence is a choice. To be silent is a choice ... but silence will never help."

"I really feel that this is one of the lessons we need to take from this ... because it's easier always for us to be silent. But the silence is going to enable everything that happens around us."

Ultimately, she hopes she can at least play a part in showing that we can all take a stand in our own way.

"Stand up for the people being persecuted ... I think that's a very important message," she said. "If I could be so effective that people would look at these things in a different way ... that would be more than I could hope for."

**"IT'S REALLY ESSENTIAL TO REMEMBER ... TO PUT THOSE LESSONS INTO PRACTICE AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY."**

## > DOG PARK, FROM PG. 5

"It's great for me and the kids and my husband to get out too and get some fresh air ... and to meet other dog owners as well," she added.

Agnew said they feel the addition of the dog park nicely complements other improvements to Stepler Park.

"It was always the park that people didn't know about it," she said. "We planted some trees there, and we're trying to make it as nice as possible. I think this is all making it a more usable park for more people."



# Local MLA weighs in on NDP throne speech

By Lorne Stelmach

With a provincial election looming next spring, the NDP's throne speech this week could potentially be the last breath of a dying government.

At least that was the perception of Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen Monday afternoon.

"This is not so much a plan of what the NDP intends to do in the next four years ... it is an indictment of what they have left undone for the past 16 years," the Conservative MLA said.

"What we heard was promise after promise after promise to every sector and segment and group ... but they were promises largely based on areas of failure by the NDP," said Friesen. "It is not making promises that is difficult for the NDP—it is keeping promises that is difficult for the NDP."

In the 2015 throne speech, Premier Greg Selinger said the government's focus is on targeted investments to meet the key needs of Manitobans.

Selinger said they were aiming to address the needs of families, especially, be it through speeding up rush-hour commutes to improving health care and building modern, greener cities.

"Our plan focuses on the priorities and values of all Manitobans, in helping children and youth succeed, creating affordable child-care spaces for families, helping seniors, addressing poverty and more supports for victims of domestic violence as well as protecting the environment and restoring the health of Lake Winnipeg," he said. "Our plan rejects cuts to front-line services that some have called for and takes a progressive approach to ensuring that families can continue to prosper while making Manitoba their home."

Friesen, though, said even more troubling than what was in the throne speech was what was absent from it.

"You will notice there is no language in that speech as to a financial plan. It simply seems that it is pedal to the metal on spending, and let the chips fall where they may,"

## > REFUGEES, FROM PG. 3

Committee about developing a sponsorship plan for several refugee families.

Pahl said the world is in the midst of the worst refugee crisis since the Second World War, and they want to play a role to help. Even though it "might seem like just a drop in the ocean to sponsor one refugee family ... we have to do something," he said.

"There's a strong desire to work together," said Pahl, noting their hope is to sponsor an extended family or two or three connected families. "So that wherever they are coming from, they right away have a support group kind of built in, and that can help ease their transition."

"It is a very difficult thing for them ... the whole process. It can be a multi-year transition with a lot of difficult steps along the way," said Pahl. "For the sponsoring groups, it can seem daunting, but you divide up the responsibilities, and you take it one step at a time. So it's a matter of raising funds to help pay for their first year of settlement costs, but it's also just having willing volunteers to help out in all kinds of ways."

Churches or individuals who may be interested in contributing to this effort or in developing their own refugee sponsorship plan are encouraged to contact Pahl by e-mail at michael.mmc@outlook.com or Arisnel Mesidor, MCC Manitoba's migration and resettlement program co-ordinator, by e-mail at arisnelmesidor@mccmb.ca.

he said, suggesting there is no question the end result would be more tax hikes.

As well, Friesen pointed out that there was little to no mention about rural Manitoba.

"I think there was one line about we will invest more for municipal government ... no specifics," he said.

Friesen also noted that there was again no recognition of the issues faced here in Morden-Winkler in relation to the growth of this area and its importance to the Manitoba economy.

"Our communities ... have significant infrastructure hurdles to overcome," he said. "Our challenges are different than in some other

communities in rural Manitoba. We saw no acknowledgement of the extent to which this area is contributing to Manitoba's economy. And we saw no pledge to partner with this area of Manitoba."


"The promises are more hollow ... more desperate," Friesen concluded. "I think they're throwing everything against the wall to see what sticks."

A few of the highlights from the throne speech include:

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## Checker Signs marks 30 years

By Lorne Stelmach

Milestones always make one think back to the way it used to be.

He likely wouldn't want to go back to the way it was 30 years ago, but Merle Block nevertheless can still smile when recalling the early days of Checker Signs.

It wasn't easy working on his own out of his house, but one makes it work the best you can.

"I used to wash screens in the bathtub on the second floor, and I painted billboards on the kitchen table ... air-brushing in the basement," said Block.

"The basement, I had to duck to get around, and I'm not very tall. It was a hundred-year-old house at the time ... a stone foundation. So I did the laun-

dry too while I was at it ... because it was in my way," he added with a laugh.

Checker Signs marked their 30th anniversary in Morden with an afternoon open house Nov. 13.

Looking back over three decades, Block said he takes pride in the evolution of the company, having moved from hand painted signs and screen printing to today's digital imaging and dimensional signage.

"Things are really clicking now. We're doing lots of fun work, and I've never had such a good group of staff," he said.

Block has obviously seen a lot of changes over the years, but especially in terms of the technology available to them.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

On hand as Checker Signs held an open house Nov. 13 to mark its 30th anniversary were staff members Christine Block, Alex Levy, owner Merle Block, Greg Widmaier, and Gerry Peters.

"The technology helped us move into different areas," he said. "We used to screen print, and now it's much easier ... we can do it so much faster. And it is so much more 'friendly' with vegetable-based dyes."

Being able to constantly diversify the business has been a key factor in keeping Checker Signs going.

"Just being schooled in so many different areas ... when people come in, I can always answer their questions ... or have alternatives for them ... to fit any budget," Block said. "Every time it slowed down, I just tried to reinvent myself as something else."

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# Seniors weigh-in on the future of the WSC

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It was a full house at the Winkler Senior Centre's open forum on Nov. 9.

About 60 people came out to weigh in on what programs and services they want to see the centre offer when it moves to its new permanent home in the Buhler Active Living Centre next spring.

Executive director John Klassen said the meeting and the surveys circulating the community in the past month have generated plenty of suggestions for the centre's future.

"We've had some really good discussions," he said.

"Some good ideas came up for us to consider."

Many of the programs people rallied behind include those the centre already offers, which serves as great reinforcement that the facility is on the right track, Klassen said.

As to new programs, a few ideas put forth included group day trips both near and far, cooking competitions, book clubs, scrapbooking classes, and religious services.

All these and more will be seriously considered by the senior centre as it starts to draft its programming in its new home, Klassen said.

"Now we'll digest this information and see what will work," he said.

Klassen was hoping to see more younger and near-seniors come out to the meeting to share their thoughts on what would attract them to the centre as they age.

"We didn't have as many as we had hoped," he said, urging younger seniors to give him a call with their ideas for what would get them into the centre. "If they would let us know what would bring them in, that would be great. We want them to know they are welcome here."

The programming survey will be available at the senior centre (262 Main St.) and online at [Winkler55plus.com](http://Winkler55plus.com) through to mid-December.

## > CHECKER SIGNS, FROM PG. 8

"It was like, okay, now I'm going to start working with concrete ... start working with steel ... we started welding," he said. "My dream right from the beginning was to have departments in all the different areas, all the different media ... from metal to wood to concrete.

"And it's really neat when you can try to pull all these things together," said Block, pointing to the new sign in front of their South Railway Ave. location.

Two years in the making, the sign was created in honour of the 30th anniversary, and Block wanted to feature all of the products that are in use at Checker Signs.

"That was sort of an experiment to see if we could work with everything that we work with."

As he looks ahead, Block said they want to continue to be open to new ideas and technologies, as it is that constant evolution that keeps him not only going day in and day out, but always looking forward to discovering what's next.

"It's the excitement of what's going to come my way ... every day ... and it's just been more and more fun as the years go by. Some days, I can hardly wait to go to work."

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plan by three years to investing \$10 billion beyond 2020 for strategic infrastructure projects.

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# New era for STARS

By Ashleigh Viveiros

STARS Truck and Auto Repair Service celebrated the completion of its newly renovated facility in Winkler last week with a ribbon cutting and customer appreciation lunch.

The repair shop, which has been located at 485 George Ave. for the last four years, added on a new truck parts store and lobby to celebrate the company becoming a certified Volvo Trucks parts and service provider.

"The first reason we started to do the expansion was Volvo Trucks coming on board," explained owner John Giesbrecht, who runs the shop alongside wife Barb. "As we were a little mom and pop shop, to represent the Volvo brand they do want to see more of frontage, so to speak, and we needed to expand as far as the parts room goes, too."

In all, the Giesbrechts built on a two-storey, 1,600 square feet addition to their existing building, also expanding their service garage from



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From left: Deputy Mayor Henry Siemens, Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen, STARS Truck and Auto Repair Services owners Barb and John Giesbrecht and Beaver Trucks' Barry Searcy cut the ribbon on Stars' newly renovated facility last week.

five bays to six.

The company has also added two new mechanics to meet growing service demands.

"We have fully-trained Volvo techs ... we can provide all warranty work for trucks," Giesbrecht said, noting that they'll also continue to sell used Volvo trucks and will have space for Volvo sales staff to come out to Winkler for new vehicle sales.

STARS Truck and Auto Repair Service has come a long way from its

humble beginnings as an on-the-farm repair shop.

"When you hang a shingle on something and you're out in the country, you take what you can get, and the first trucks I got ... was three customers and they each had a Volvo," Giesbrecht said.

Over the years, Giesbrecht gained a reputation for providing Volvo repairs locally, saving customers a drive into Winnipeg.

In time, Volvo took notice of all the

parts orders he was making, and that led to this new official partnership.

"The success with Volvo in this area has been great, and up until now we've had no representation to fulfill the needs of our customers," said Doug Haimes, sales manager at Beaver Truck Centre, a Volvo dealership in Winnipeg. "We know that you'll do a fantastic job ... this partnership is welcomed and we hope it lasts a long, long time."

# Bergen heads into uncharted territory

By Lorne Stelmach

Candice Bergen is moving into some uncharted territory for her.

Now on the side of the opposition in the House of Commons, the Portage-Lisgar MP's role will in some part be different from having been on the ruling side of Parliament until now.

However, she stresses that she will "continue to ensure that funding comes in a fair and equitable way to the riding of Portage Lisgar."

Handily re-elected last month—although with a lower majority than

in the past—Bergen is now working to move ahead with whatever role might come her way.

She recently lost in her bid to be interim leader of the Conservative Party, but Bergen said just adding her name to the list of hopefuls "was a very good experience, in that I spoke to pretty well every one of our Members of Parliament, with 35 new ones, so it was a great chance to call and speak with them."

"I'm glad that I did, and I know I'll be playing an important role," she noted, adding she looks forward

to working with interim Conservative leader Rona Ambrose. "We're not only colleagues, we're very good friends, so I'm looking forward to supporting her in a strong critic role."

Bergen also said she is aware of what her likely critic role will be, though it had not yet been announced.

"I think I can confidently say that I'll be playing a strong role and ... I hope I'll have an important critic position. There's a lot of things that we need to hold this new government to account on ... a lot that can have a huge impact on the country and definitely on the riding in terms of jobs, the economy."

In speaking with municipal leaders in the riding, Bergen said many are wondering what they can expect and particularly about the future of initiatives like the Building Canada infrastructure funding program of the Conservative government.

"There were a number of good projects that were in the queue ... had we formed government, we would have been working very hard to get those through," she said.

"One of my first priorities ... I hope I'll be able to meet with the two regional ministers ... and even before

that meet with the regional municipal leaders because they may want to reach out to these regional ministers as well and get a sense of where these people are."

Bergen also said she hoped politics would not get in the way of getting things done, as many believe it has provincially with this area being staunchly Conservative while under an NDP government.

"We know that with the provincial NDP government ... areas like ours have to fight really, really hard to get provincial funding, and we always have chalked it up to, 'Well, we're not a politically advantageous area of the province for the NDP,'" she said.

"What I'm really hoping ... and I'm not going to pre-judge ... but I hope that won't be the case federally."

"I hope that the Liberal government doesn't look at the southern part of the riding ... and say, 'Well, maybe that will be at the bottom of the list,'" she concluded.

"I know federally we didn't do it that way. We, as Conservative, believe that everybody should get their fair share."

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# CFDC gets an entry in Guinness Book

By Lorne Stelmach

There's no question about Bruce the mosasaur's almost larger than life status as the star attraction of the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre in Morden.

He can further add to his credentials now with recognition from the world's most well-known authority on all things of record proportions.

The CFDC has landed a coveted spot in the 60th anniversary edition of the *Guinness Book of World Records*.

The museum had secured official Guinness World Record status earlier this year when Bruce was recognized as the world's longest publicly

exhibited mosasaur at more than 13 metres, or 43 feet.

Still, a record doesn't guarantee a profile on the pages of the book itself. With more than 65,000 record submissions annually and only about 4,000 entered into the print edition, the odds of getting space in one of the world's bestselling books are pretty thin.

"It was an amazing honour just to receive the record last year, but to actually find ourselves in the

2016 60th anniversary edition is overwhelming," said CFDC executive director Peter Cantelon.

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The CFDC's Peter Cantelon, Victoria Markstrom, and "Bruce" the mosasaur with the Guinness Book of World Records the record-breaking fossil is featured in.

Canada makes us incredibly proud." The Guinness Book of World Records 2016 edition is available at book stores and at the CFDC's gift shop.

## Holiday Schedule

The Winkler Morden Voice

<b>December 17th</b>	<b>Christmas Greetings Edition</b>
<b>Greeting Deadline</b> – December 7th, 4 pm <b>Regular Paper Deadline</b> – December 14th, 4 pm	
<b>December 24th</b>	<b>Boxing Week Edition</b>
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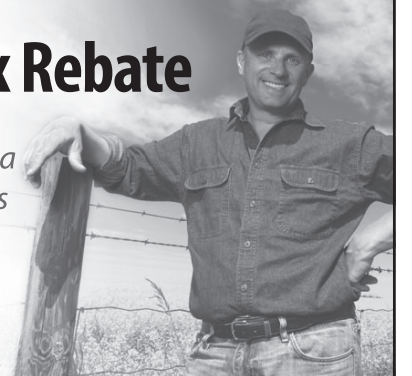
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# City of Winkler drafts FICE action plan

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The City of Winkler is getting to work addressing some of the issues identified in the First Impressions Community Exchange program report.

In August, Winkler swapped teams of residents with the City of Selkirk, with each touring the other and then reporting back on the community's strengths and challenges.

The Selkirk group, who presented their findings in a public meeting a few weeks ago, were overwhelmingly positive about their visit to our city, but they did voice some concerns as well.

From those concerns has come the FICE Action Plan, from which Mayor Martin Harder says a few key projects stand out.

Among them was the Selkirk group's suggestion that additional signage to major Winkler tourist and business sites is needed to help visitors more easily find their way around the city.

"The signage issue, to us, was a high priority and we've already started to get to work on it, creating a design and getting some prices," Harder said. "The hope is before spring we can have them up."

The colour-coded signs will lead the way to the Winkler Aquatic Centre, the arena, Bethel Heritage Park, downtown parking, City Hall, and other notable locations.

Similarly, the Selkirk visitors also suggested the city enhance the highway entrance signage to make it more obvious when you arrive in Winkler.

Harder said they're talking with the provincial highways

department to find out what options the city has to make the signage more visible.

A few of the other identified problem areas are things the city doesn't feel immediate or any action needs to be taken on.

"There were some things they highlighted that we didn't really feel were quite as a high a priority as what they thought it was," Harder said. "When you come into a community, you really don't understand what we have already done because it's not something you can see just driving into town for a day."

For example, the visitors expressed concerns about the visually unappealing entrance to the city from the west on Hwy. 14.

Harder noted that trees have been planted there and once they mature it will change the entire look of the area. A commercial district being developed in that area will also improve things, he said.

The Selkirk group also thought it odd that Winkler doesn't have an economic development officer.

"They obviously weren't aware of what we are doing for economic development," Harder said. "We made a deliberate decision not to hire an economic development officer because we feel that we are doing a good job."

Harder points out the duties of that role are

split between himself, the city manager, and other city staff, saving the city tens of thousands of dollars every year.

The need for public transit was also identified. That one is not news to the city, Harder said.

The mayor noted that an inter-community transit system between Winkler and Morden has been talked about for years, but has been continually hampered by the provincial government in obtaining licensing.

Harder said the city will take a look at how Selkirk runs its public transit system (which runs within the community instead of between two communities), but stressed that it's an inter-community system that would really benefit this region.

"We'll continue to work on it, but it's not something that will be done in the near future," he said.

On the positive side of the spectrum, the visitors raved about both the Bethel Heritage Park and the museum at the Winkler fire hall. Harder said they intend to work to promote both these locations in the city's tourism campaigns.

"[Bethel Park] is a tremendous tourist attraction. People that come just can't get over the beauty of the park, and so we want to make sure we do a good job of promoting that," he said.

## Start your holiday shopping in Morden

Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas on tonight, Nov. 19

By Lorne Stelmach

Morden is aiming to get everyone in the Christmas spirit this week.

Not only is the city holding its annual tree lighting evening Friday night, but Thursday is the day to get going on your Christmas shopping.

The Morden and District Chamber of Commerce has organized its second "Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas" shopping event.

It takes place from 5 to 10 p.m. on Nov. 19, with even more businesses taking part this year.

"This year, it has doubled in size. We have 17 participating retailers," noted chamber director Candace Olafson.

Spend the evening shopping and earn chances to win some fabulous prizes. There are \$2,000 in prizes to be won, with an opportunity to enter the free draw in each of the participating stores.

Then wrap up the evening at Rocks Bar and Grill for drink and appetizer specials as well as another chance to win prizes from each of the participating stores.

Prize winners will be announced shortly after 10 p.m. during the wrap up at Rocks, but you do

not have to be there to win.

Olafson said the event is a way of promoting Morden's downtown and the variety of shopping experiences it has to offer.

"We are really proud of the unique shopping experiences that Morden has to offer. We really want people to think Morden first when they are doing their shopping and especially their

holiday shopping," she said. "We have a really unique downtown and a really great unique boutiques. We really want to promote that.

"I feel like people could probably do most of their shopping when they get looking around at the stores that we have.

"We really hope that people will make an effort to visit most of the stores."

The participating retailers, some of whom will be offering various special deals, include Appelt's Jewellery, Double Images, Epic Board & Apparel, Feelin' Good, Floral Scents, Fringe Hair Salon, Marni LuHu Designs, MiaMia Boutique, Morklers, Olympic Source, Pharmasave, Pure Anada, Quilters' Den, Regina Akhankina Photography (located today at Pure Anada), Terra Bella Travel, The Brick, and The Olive Tree

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- Do you overflow the cup of your bra?
- Do your bra straps dig into your shoulders leaving red and painful marks?
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She doesn't come into town very often so she advises booking as soon as possible. Although Chapman enjoys coming to this area, she is on the look-out for someone to train for the business.

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# Taking the cake

By Ashleigh Viveiros

When you hope to become known as the wedding destination of Southern Manitoba, what better way to celebrate your grand opening than with a wedding cake?

That's just what the new Days Inn & Suites Conference Centre did last Saturday, foregoing the traditional ribbon cutting ceremony in favour of a cake cutting.

"I wanted to do something different for the opening," says manager George Klassen just before slicing into the three-tiered cake. "We are going to be known for weddings ... that's our goal, so what would be better than to cut a wedding cake?"

The 9,700 square foot conference centre, located off of Hwy. 14 in Winkler, provides a brand new venue for banquets, conferences, and, yes, weddings.

The facility seats upwards of 300 people for larger functions, and can also be split into three smaller spaces with seating for just under 100 each.

It will be a full-service event centre, with Klassen's catering company, George K. Catering, and his staff of over 40 casual and full-time cooks and servers able to provide full banquet service.

Days Inn board president Henry Enns says a facility like this is long overdue in the region.

"We believe we have something here that is second to none in this whole area," he says. "We believe this is an option that many people were looking for."

At the grand opening, Klassen led guests on a tour of the facility, including behind-the-scenes in the state-of-the-art kitchen, which includes the newest in food preparation equipment and an efficient layout.

"I feel blessed that the board gave me a lot of leeway in the kitchen to get it the way I wanted it to be," Klassen says, noting the kitchen is built for both speed and quality. "To me that's important because if the kitchen isn't efficient it affects everything down

the road."

The banquet hall itself has a modern aesthetic, which Klassen hopes will lend itself well to many different kinds of formal and informal celebrations.

"Winkler has needed a facility like this for quite some time already," he says.

With work wrapping up on it earlier this month, the centre has already hosted several events, with great response.

"We've had a couple of good runs

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From left; Winkler Mayor Martin Harder, Days Inn general manager Diane Craig, MP Candice Bergen, George K. Catering's George Klassen, and hotel board president Henry Enns cut a slice of wedding cake to celebrate the grand opening of the new conference centre on Saturday.

and it's gone very well," says Klassen.

The centre already has 15 weddings booked for the next year, as well as several other meetings and banquets.

"We do have quite a few events booked. If you're looking for Christ-

mas banquets, though, we do still have some openings," says Klassen.

For more information on the conference centre, contact Klassen at 204-362-2815.



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The new Days Inn and Suites Conference Centre held its grand opening last Saturday, inviting the community to come check out the 9,700 banquet and meeting facility.

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## Sweet harmony

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Douglas Kuhl School of Music received support from Sing Canada Harmony last week.

Sing Canada Harmony representative Gordon Billows stopped by the school's Homeschool Harmony Choir rehearsal on Nov. 10 to present director Rochelle Drudge with \$900 from the charity's scholarship fund.

"We've had a full fall and this helps to cover expenses," Drudge said, pointing to the costs associated with additional music workshops for the students and partnerships with out-of-town musical groups and orga-



Sing Canada Harmony's Gordon Billows (far right) with the Douglas Kuhl School of Music's Homeschool Harmony Choir last week. Billows presented the school with a scholarship to help cover the costs of its many music programs.

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nizations. "This helps complete the funding we need for our programs."

Sing Canada Harmony is happy to help, Billows said, as its mandate is to

support local music education of all kinds across the nation.

"Youth, community, music—that's all right what we want to promote," he said, noting Sing Canada Harmony has invested over \$380,000 in music programs since 2008. "Just listening to these kids today: wow. They're doing fantastic work and Sing Canada wants to support stuff like this."

"We feel that singing, you can do all your life," he added. "We want our youth to experience this and have the love of music that we have."

The homeschool choir currently has about 60 children involved. Similarly, the Douglas Kuhl School of Music's four string ensemble programs have 53 students taking part this year.

These programs give students a chance to learn and perform with other young music lovers, Drudge said.

**"YOUTH, COMMUNITY, MUSIC—THAT'S ALL RIGHT WHAT WE WANT TO PROMOTE."**

"A lot of students, I find, learn to sing here," she said. "They don't necessarily have any skills or singing experiences."

For homeschooled children especially, programs like the choir also give kids the chance to learn important teamwork skills.

"Learning to work as a group in putting together a performance ... having

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### What Has Evolution Given to the World? from *Creation Moments* Radio Program

#### **Ecclesiastes 1:14**

**"I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit."**



We get lots of interesting letters and e-mails here at Creation Moments. Most of them are positive, but occasionally we hear from someone who disagrees with us. One such writer told us that there are, and I quote, "thousands upon thousands of articles written in medical journals about how evolution has been of enormous benefit in medicine."

Want to hear how we responded? We began like this: How many of those thousands of articles have you read? We've read some, and the references to evolution appear to have been added without thought or reason. Evolution has had absolutely nothing to do

with medicine. In fact, Bible-believing surgeons in the past learned from the Bible how to wash their hands under running water. Evolution had nothing to do with the development of antiseptics. Actually, that comes from Joseph Lister, a Bible-believing scientist. Evolution had nothing to do with X-rays or Magnetic Resonance Imaging. Actually, it was a Bible-believing Christian who invented the MRI.

Evolution has played no part in the science that has given us modern technology, medicine and so much more. Evolution didn't even have anything to do with putting a man on the moon. In fact, it was a combination of applied scientists and engineers who accomplished this.

So what has evolution given mankind? Well, it has given us thousands of scientists who make their living writing about evolution and teaching it. Yes, it has created quite an industry for itself. But it has advanced science not one inch.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, I pray that You will help millions to realize that Darwin is an emperor with no clothes. Reveal to them that they have been foolish for believing that there's any truth in evolution. Amen.

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Left: Members of the Homeschool Harmony Choir will be joined by a few older local singers to perform a barbershop quartet-style piece at a concert Dec. 3. Above: The younger choir members practice.

## > CHOIR, FROM PG. 14

the experience of being able to participate in something together with other people where you have to work as an ensemble," said Drudge.

### CONCERT COMING UP

Billows was also on hand last week as a representative of the Tempo barbershop quartet, which will be performing alongside local choir and orchestra students at the *What Sweeter Music* concert taking place Dec. 3.

The evening will include performances from the Homeschool Har-

mony Choir, the Emmanuel Handbell Choir, the Encore Strings ensemble, and Tempo.

Tempo will sing one song with several choir boys and their fathers and a few other local male singers. Many of the kids have just recently learned to sing in the barbershop quartet style.

"It's a concert with several different groups and also collaborations within those groups," Drudge said of the show, adding that these partnerships are part of what the school of music is all about. "It's part of the vision of

our music school to do these musical collaborative events. Working together with the existing musicians in our community, but also connecting with musicians outside our community."

The concert takes place at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler at 7 p.m. A freewill offering will be taken in lieu of admission.

Some of the music school's students are also performing this Friday, Nov. 20, at Garden Valley Collegiate upstairs in The Zone.

The *Friday Night Jazz* concert will feature the Pembina Hills Strings

conducted by Wes Hamm, with house band Loren Hiebert, Dwayne Schott and James Johnston.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$3 for kids at the door.

"Come check us out," urged Drudge. "There's so much happening in terms of kids getting excited about music.

"We'd like to encourage families to expose their kids to ... live instrumental music so they can see it's fun and not boring," she added. "The concerts that we're doing have a lot of variety and they're very kid-friendly."

The Morden Curling Club would like to thank the Access Credit Union for their generous donation which helped us upgrade our chairs.



Dan McCausland, Regional Manager for the Access Credit Union West presents the donation to Lloyd Hemminger, past member of the Morden Curling Club executive committee.

Lloyd was instrumental in this project and the executive would like to thank him for this and all of the hard work he has done for our club over the years!"

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# New look for Giant Tiger

Manager James Steedsman (second from left) was joined by other Giant Tiger staff as well as Friendly the Giant Tiger mascot Saturday as the Morden retail store celebrated the completion of its renovations. There were significant improvements to the interior of the store to modernize and better utilize the space, as well as allowing for some product expansion. Saturday's grand opening celebration also featured some promotional giveaways and gathered donations for the Donate Love organization in Morden.

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## Nominations open for P.W. Enns Biz Awards

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Do you know of a local business doing great work in the community?

The Winkler and District Chamber of Commerce wants to hear from you.

Nominations are now open for the chamber's 2016 P.W. Enns Business Awards.

"It's important to take some time to recognize those businesses who have worked so hard to accomplish their goals and to make an impact on the community of Winkler," says chamber executive director Tanya Chateauf.

Anyone can nominate a business for these awards, which include the Business Excellence Award, the Business Builder Awards (one for companies with over 10 employees and one for those with fewer), the Customer Service Award, and the Non-Profit Service Award.

"We'd like to remind people that it's such a simple nomination process—it takes literally minutes to do," says Chateauf.

To nominate a business, simply go to [www.winklerchamber.com](http://www.winklerchamber.com) and fill out the nomination form.

The form itself is a brief one; the chamber gets in touch with suggested nominees itself to flesh out the nomination if a company agrees to let its name stand for an award.

The winners will be honoured at the awards gala in April, which will also feature as guest speaker former NHL player Clint Malarchuk.

Nominations will be accepted until Dec. 31. If you have any questions about the nomination process, contact the chamber at 204-325-9758.

### NEW CHAMBER LOGO, WEBSITE

Additional information on the business awards can be found online at the chamber's new website, which launched just last week.

The website offers a more streamlined experience for users and also features the chamber's redesigned logo.

"The chamber has had the same branding approach for so long and although it has been really successful it was time to take a look at what our image is to the community, take a look at how the business community in Winkler has changed ... and go with a look that is more encompassing," says Chateauf.

With the website, the chamber hopes to create a hub for chamber members and non-members alike.

"We hope to create a bit of a hub for all things happening in the business community," says Chateauf. "So we hope that this becomes a major resource

for our members and also for non-members, for the community in general to come and find out what's going on."

The website will include a detailed directory with links to members' websites as well as a calendar that chamber members can post events to.

Chateauf invites the community to contact the chamber with feedback and suggestions on its new website.

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# Council okays emergency sewer repairs

By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Winkler is facing some emergency work on sections of sewer line.

Council at its Nov. 10 meeting had to approve immediate work on one section of sewer line that posed a risk of collapse if not addressed sooner rather than later.

The relining of two sections of about 210 metres of sewer line along Pembina Avenue will be done at a cost of about \$40,000, but provincial funding is expected to cover at least 30 per cent of the bill.

"This is a project that would have been on the list for next year at any rate," noted Deputy Mayor Henry Siemens.

Meanwhile, another two lengths of sewer line totalling about 600 metres was also identified through recent inspection as being in poor condition.

The estimate for that work came in at about \$125,000 with a percentage to be covered through provincial funding, as well. That work is slated for 2016.

Meanwhile, council also dealt with a number of other matters at its Nov. 10 meeting:

- The city approved hiring some help for the Winkler police department.

The special constable position will provide mostly administrative assistance to the force.

Meanwhile, a proposal for the future addition of two more positions to the department is expected to be considered in 2016.

- The City of Winkler is being asked to provide close to \$100,000 in funding for local health care in the new year.

The 2016 budget of the Winkler and District Health Care Board asks for just under \$60,000 in operating funding as well as almost \$30,000 towards a reserve fund for equipment replacement.

Both amounts are unchanged from the past year.

- New housing starts are up in Winkler so far in 2015.

The building permit report to the end of October showed permits for single family residential homes were up from 56 to 92, although the value of the development was down slightly from \$11.7 million to \$10.6 million.

Other significant changes included permits for modifications and renovation work being down substantially from 91 to 31.

Permits for commercial development are up from 26 to 33, while the value of the development was down \$29.9 million to \$11.5 million.

And permits for industrial development were down from 38 to 22, while the value of the development had also dropped from \$10.7 million to \$1.4 million.

Overall, building permits in total were down from 240 to 206, and the value of the development was down by about half from \$60 million to \$33 million.

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The cities of Winkler and Morden paid tribute to soldiers past and present with the Remembrance Day services at the Access Event Centre and the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall last week. Clockwise from left: The Winkler Veterans' Association's Rob Wiebe reads the Acts of Remembrance; Morden Legion members pause to remember fallen comrades; an RCMP officer lays a wreath at the foot of Morden's cenotaph; members of the Armed Forces stand guard in front of Winkler's memorial to its lost soldiers; Winkler's Max Wilson, son of Afghanistan veteran Mark Wilson (far left in photo at left), reads "In Flanders Fields." For more Remembrance Day coverage, see our story on Morden speaker Darryl Toews' presentation on Pg. 20.





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# Toews shares stories of Morden's fallen soldiers

By Lorne Stelmach

Their names must not be forgotten, but a Morden teacher also believes their stories need to be remembered.

With so many years now between us and the world wars, there is a tremendous responsibility for all of us to ensure that happens, guest speaker Darryl Toews said at the Remembrance Day service in Morden.

"It is essential that we remember more than just their names," he stressed.

Toews spoke on how he began doing research on the names on the local honour roll in 2014 to incorporate into his history class at Morden Collegiate.

"It proved to be a task more challenging than I had expected," he said. "Information existed somewhere, but

the challenge was to find it."

He came to discover that more and more of this information is becoming available online.

"It is expected that all 600,000 plus World War One service records will be available online by the end of 2018," said Toews.

Toews' research has already paid off, with his efforts having turned up three area soldiers whose names were missing from the cenotaph in Confederation Park. They have since been added.

Toews touched on some of the individual stories behind the names on the memorial.

There was Morden's first casualty in the First World War, George Simmons, who, at just 19, died of wounds he received as a result of shrapnel from an artillery shell.

"He'd only been in the trenches in France for a few weeks when he was killed," said Toews.

Fellow Mordenite David Scott Borthwick had been studying law when he enlisted in November 1915. A few weeks later, while in training, he got married before going overseas with the 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles.

He was in Belgium in June 1916 at a place called Sanctuary Wood when he was severely wounded and reported missing.

"Borthwick's wife Nora had just sailed to England to visit him ... upon

her arrival discovered he was missing," Toews said. "She remained in England with her father awaiting for news."

Eventually a letter from a soldier who was with Borthwick in the battle indicated he had to leave him behind due to the heavy shelling.

"It appears that Nora never remarried, and she died in B.C. in 1984," said Toews, adding Borthwick's name appears on a memorial in Belgium along with over 6,900 other Canadians, including eight from Morden.

From the Second World War, meanwhile, there are stories like that of the flying officer on a Lancaster bomber that was shot down over France in 1944, leaving him as one of only two crew members to survive the crash. He eventually returned to England after being hidden by the French underground. Toews has a personal connection to Herman Schellenberg, a great uncle, who was one of five brothers who served. He enlisted in the RCAF in 1940, and his death was an accidental one in a practice flight.

One of the most heroic tales associated with the Morden honour roll belongs to William Biehl.

He served as a wireless officer and he came to the rescue one day in London when a shelter received a direct hit.

"Biehl had been in the shelter three

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At the city's Remembrance Day ceremonies last week, Morden Collegiate history teacher Darryl Toews shared the stories behind the names on Morden's cenotaph in Confederation Park.

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# PVCPTA makes tourism pitch to Stanley council

By Lorne Stelmach

Municipal officials have made their pitch to get the Rural Municipality of Stanley fully on board with tourism promotion for the region.

Morden city councillor Alex Fedorchuk and RM of Rhineland councillor Mark Ratzlaff addressed Stanley council at its Nov. 12 meeting.

They were hoping to convince the RM to increase its contribution towards the Pembina Valley Central Plains Tourism Association.

Ratzlaff told council they are working to build more regional support and involvement in tourism through the association.

"This area has got a lot of growth ... and we know that tourism is very im-

**"THE COMPETITION FOR TOURISM DOLLARS IS FIERCE ... WE REALLY HAVE TO STAY BEFORE THE PUBLIC."**

portant to this area," he said.

"We're looking for more growth," agreed Fedorchuk, who stressed that tourism is a leading growth industry in the province.

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> MY HEALTH TEAM'S CORNER

# Time to start the conversation on prostate health

**G**uys have a problem that needs discussing. It involves a part of our bodies that we give little thought about until it begins impacting how often we go to the washroom. Once our "water works" are affected we begin to take notice.

This little gland is only found in a guy's body. It is located just below the bladder in front of the rectum or lower bowel. This mysterious gland is called the prostate.

Did your husband, father, brother, or boyfriend stop reading at this point and leave the room or grow mysteriously silent? Please reassure them that it is okay to talk about this little gland. Male silence on this subject is killing us. Prostate cancer is the most common cancer affecting Canadian men. It is estimated that one in eight men will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime.

The prostate is a part of the male reproductive system. It adds nutrients and fluid to sperm. Normally the size of a walnut, it surrounds the tube from your bladder called the urethra. Providing it stays small there should be no problems with the flow of urine. It is

the hormone testosterone that stimulates the growth of both healthy and cancerous prostate cells. Unfortunately, sometimes prostate cells grow uncontrollably and cease to be healthy cells. This abnormal growth can, if left undetected, prove deadly.

Common signs and symptoms of a changing prostate that should be followed up are: difficulty urinating, urgent need to urinate, frequent urination especially at night, burning or pain with urination, inability to urinate or difficulty starting or stopping urine flow, painful ejaculation, and blood in urine or semen.

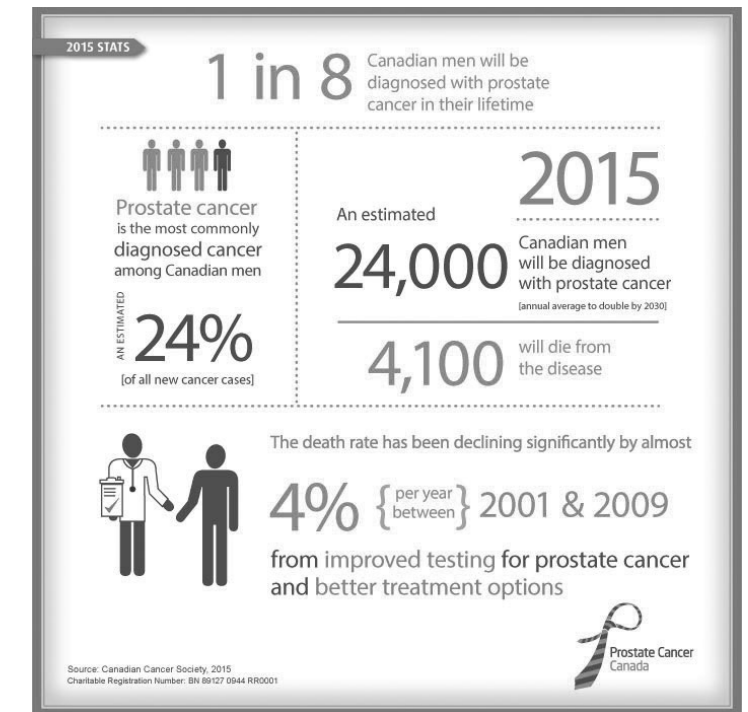
Symptoms are not always present, especially in the early stages. This is why early detection is the key is for increasing your survival.

Ask your health provider to screen your prostate if you are experiencing changes to your "water works," are over 50 years old, have a family history of prostate cancer, are of African or Caribbean decent, overweight, or do not have a healthy diet. Screening involves a simple digital rectal exam and occasionally a simple blood test called a PSA.

Why do guys take their car in for regular check ups but avoid their own regular health check up? Guys are often willing to do anything for their car. The sad truth is we spend more time on fine tuning our cars than ourselves.

The reality is many guys avoid regular check ups for fear of the dreaded finger sweep.

I know it does not make sense, but a simple physical exam that last less than five seconds could cause the average male to squeeze their buttock cheeks tighter than Fort Knox. Instead, we would rather become comedians making prostate jokes with our buddies and



**By Brent Gouthro, NP**

laughing about it.

Thankfully in recent years guys are starting to talk about this little gland more. Organizations like Prostate Cancer Canada are moving the talk out of the locker rooms and engaging more people to start the conversation.

Good examples of awareness campaigns are Don Cherry's Plaid for Dad on Father's Day, the Movember facial hair growing fund raising challenges in November, and the Ride for Dad.

Guys, do the right thing and get yourself checked because chances are you know someone who is diagnosed with prostate cancer. They would not want you to join them. If you do not believe me, start the conversation.

After all, you spent all that time on your car and it would be a shame to let someone else enjoy it.

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hours when he hit the deck as a high explosive struck about 20 feet from where he had been resting," Toews said. "The lights went out ... groping in the darkness, he stumbled on a mass of rubble and heard whimpering. He called for help.

"With bare hands and steel helmets, they tore at a pile of concrete, brick and earth ... quickly they rescued two women, but it was three hours before they extricated four others who had been buried. And, in true Canadian modesty, he was quoted to say, 'I was more concerned about my uniform, which was ruined, than my personal safety.'"

A few weeks later, Biehl was reported missing after operations on a Halifax bomber. Of

the 671 aircraft that left that night to bomb targets, 30 were lost, including Biehl's.

"It is essential that their stories are not forgotten," Toews stressed to the

hundreds in attendance last week. "As a community, the responsibility now falls on us to ensure that these men and women and their stories are preserved and remembered.

"I believe that we as a community inherit the responsibility ... we have an obligation to remember the person whose name is etched in stone on our war memorials."

## > STANLEY, FROM PG. 20

Fedorchuk said that the region has much to offer in that vein, including in the RM of Stanley. He stressed that the RM needs to play a bigger part in helping the region stand out to tourists.

"The competition for tourism dollars is fierce ... and we really have to stay before the public," said Fedorchuk.

Both noted how the Pembina Valley Central Plains Tourism Association

has been revamped with a new website found at [www.pembinavalley-centralplains.com](http://www.pembinavalley-centralplains.com)

That comes at a time when the association had expanded significantly with new municipalities coming on board, including the towns of Austin and MacGregor.

Stanley council members wondered how much did the association really see themselves getting in terms of regional collaboration, given many

communities will be doing their own promotion.

Serving a wider geographic base with more events to promote can work to their advantage in having that much more to promote and attract tourists, council was told.

"We're trying to see the value in doubling up our dollars," said Reeve Morris Olafson, but he added that they want to know that they will be "getting more bang for the buck."



# sports & recreation

INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

## Royals fall to Redskins 2-1

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Royals were handed a 2-1 loss by the Morden Redskins in their season opener last week.

Morden drew first blood in the final minutes of the opening period courtesy of a goal from Ramsay Fehr.

Winkler's Mitch Doell managed to even things out four minutes into the next frame, but the Redskins got what wound up being the game-winning goal at 2:49 in the third from Kelby Friesen.

Overall, Morden outshot Winkler 56-42, with Matt Krahn making 54 saves for the Royals and Reed Peters denying 41 shots on the Redskins' net.

Winkler bounced back from the loss with a 6-5 shootout win over Warren on Sunday.

Down 3-1 after one period (with the lone Winkler goal coming from Steve Doell in the opening five minutes), the Royals clawed their way back into the game with two goals from Mitch Doell and Craig Cornelsen in the second.

Mitch Doell pulled Winkler into the lead at the top of the final period and then, after Warren got two past Krahn in net and were poised to take the win, tied the game at 5-5 with 22 seconds to go in regulation.

After a scoreless overtime period, things headed into a shootout that went Winkler's way for the win.

After besting the Royals, the Redskins went onto blank Altona 4-0 on Saturday.

Doing scoring honours for the Redskins were Ramsay Fehr and Tyler Groening with singles and Graham Leiding with a double.

Manning Morden's net in the shootout was Reed Peters, who made 25 saves as the Redskins outshot the Maroons 41-25.

With most teams having played only two or three games, the SEMHL standings are still sorting themselves out. But, as of press time, Morden was



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The Morden Redskins' Keith Bially tries to split the Winkler Royals' Blake Forsyth and Brendan Heppner en route to the net. It was Winkler's first game of the new SEMHL season, and Morden got the win 2-1.

in first with a flawless 3-0 record, with Warren and Portage rounding out the top three spots. Winkler, at 1-1, is currently in sixth place.

Coming up, the Royals host the Altona Maroons Sunday and then travel to play the Carman Beavers next Thursday.

Morden travels to play Warren on Friday and then plays at Notre Dame next week Wednesday.

## PV Hawks one for three last week

### Despite losses, netminders Brunn and Thiessen shine

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Hawks' goalies stood tall under the gun against two of the top teams in the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League this past week.

The Hawks as a whole, unfortunately, only came out of their three games with one win to show for it.

The Hawks earned a big 5-3 win last Wednesday over the Winnipeg Thrashers before bowing to the

powerhouse Eastman Selects 4-1 Friday and the Parkland Rangers 5-1 Sunday.

Despite the losses, coach Gerry Leiding had praise for the work of both Aaron Brunn and Matthew Thiessen in net so far this season.

"They played really, really well. That part of our game's been good," said Leiding. "It was a good comeback win against the Thrashers. We did a good job of coming back and getting on to our game plan."

The Hawks had a big finish in coming from behind to knock off the Thrashers. Brunn had a huge game in stopping 64 of the 67 shots fired by the Thrashers.

Pembina Valley had fallen behind 3-0 before Troy Lehmann got them on the board at 15:21 of the second period.

The bounces then went their way in the third with four unanswered

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# Thunder girls win banner

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Morden Thunder girls varsity volleyball team snagged the school's first-ever Zone 4 volleyball banner last week.

The ladies downed the Sanford Sabres 3-1 for the title, earning a seat at the upcoming provincials in Swan River.

All the other local high school teams saw their seasons come to an end this past week after getting knocked out of the playoffs.

Both Garden Valley Collegiate teams fell in their Zone 4 playoff games against the Vikings last Friday, the boys losing three sets to one and the girls falling 3-0.

A few days earlier, on Nov. 10, the Morden Thunder boys lost to the Sabres 3-0.

The NPC girls, meanwhile, fell to Glenlawn 3-0 on Nov. 10 and then



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

Zodiacs Kevin Klassen and Isaiah Friesen both call for the ball during last Friday's Zone 4 playoff game against the Vikings. The boys varsity team lost three sets to one, while the girls fell 3-0.

lost the wild card provincials spot to the Fighting Gophers three sets to one Monday night.

Off the court and out on the ice, the GVC and NPC boys hockey teams faced-off on Nov. 11, with the Night-hawks coming out on top 6-1.

The lengthy list of NPC scorers

included Tommy Fehr, Riley Fehr, Jayden Wiebe, Lucas Dyck, Dustin Wall, and Sam Voth. Scoring for GVC was Noah Friesen.

NPC went on to fall to 3-1 to the Tigers on Saturday.

The Morden Thunder also suffered a loss, falling 3-2 in a shootout to the

Trojans on Nov. 13.

Morden's two goals came from Brendan Turnbull, while Jesse Ross manned the Thunder's net through regulation and beyond, giving up just one goal in the shootout.

# Hawks stand tall in tough U.S. tourney

By Lorne Steilmach

The Pembina Valley Hawks skated away from a high calibre tournament in the U.S. with one win in four games.

The ladies' lone victory came Friday with a 1-0 shootout win over their league rivals the Winnipeg Avros.

Action on Saturday then saw the Hawks drop a pair of hard fought 3-2 decisions to the host Shattuck-St. Mary's U16 team and Minnesota Revolution U16 team.

The weekend closed out Sunday with Pembina Valley getting blanked 7-0 by Shattuck-St. Mary's U19.

Against Winnipeg, the Hawks largely outskated and outchanced the Avros, but the game remained scoreless

through regulation and the four minute four-on-four overtime as well.

In the shootout, both sides were stymied through the first three shooters.

Chelsea Dearsley drew first blood for the Hawks, but the Avros also scored to push it to a fifth shooter. Makenzie McCallum scored, but Winnipeg forced it to a sixth round, where Alyssa Alderson scored and Taylor Reimer made the save to seal the 1-0 victory.

The Hawks had outshot Winnipeg 31-16.

In game two, the Sabres came out skating hard and playing a fast, up-tempo style, taking period leads of 2-0 and 3-1 on their way to the win.

Brooklyn Major got the Hawks on the board in the second on a nice feed

from Sage McElroy Scott. Goaltender Halle Oswald shut the door the rest of the game, but Pembina Valley could only manage one more by Mackenzie Hutchinson with 3:32 left in the game. A late penalty against the Hawks sealed the victory for the Sabres.

In game three, the Hawks opened scoring against the Minnesota Revolution U16 team.

Chelsea Dearsley and Major worked the puck down low, and Dearsley thought about shooting but saw a wide open Karsty Nicolajsen, who calmly slid the puck into the wide open net.

After falling behind 2-1, Dearsley then went end to end to tie the game, but the Revolution then fired the winner later in the third period. Taylor

Reimer was solid in net, as the shots favoured Minnesota 46-41.

In the fourth game, the tired Hawks were in tough against a higher level team, and it showed in the shutout loss.

Reimer and Oswald both put in valiant performances in net, as the shots were a lopsided 42-8 against Pembina Valley.

The Hawks now return to regular season league play with a visit to Portage to face the Central Plains Capitals Friday. Then they host the Yellowhead Chiefs Saturday in Holland.

The Hawks go into the weekend at 7-2 for 14 points, trailing the first place Westman at 19 and Central Plains and the Avros at 16. The Hawks, however, have games in hand on all three.

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# Practice makes perfect



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Skaters from across the region were in Winkler last Saturday for a special seminar hosted by the Winkler Figure Skating Club. Skate Manitoba clinician Carol Light and instructors from DanceWorks in Morden ran the kids through on and off-ice skills exercises to help prepare them for this winter's competitions.

# Winkler Flyers extend win streak to four

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers added two more to the win column in MJHL action last week. By downing the Neepawa Natives 6-1 on Nov. 10 and the Dauphin Kings

4-1 on Nov. 13 the team has extended its win streak to four games so far this month. The Flyers kept a firm hand on both shots on net and scoring all through the Tuesday night game against Neepawa, massively outshooting the

Natives 53-20 overall. Nolan McGuire and Tyler Jebenvill gave Winkler a 2-0 lead in the first, with Coltyn Bates and Nico Labossiere scoring two more for the Flyers, sandwiched around the Natives' lone goal midway through the second period. Jeff Michiels and Cam Whyte

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Manitoba Hockey Standings									
MANITOBA JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Portage Terriers	22	20	2	0	40	93	39		
Winkler Flyers	21	16	4	1	33	91	46		
Steinbach Pistons	21	14	5	2	30	85	56		
Winnipeg Blues	23	11	8	4	26	86	67		
Virden Oil Capitals	19	11	8	0	22	56	43		
Selkirk Steelers	19	9	9	1	19	69	83		
Swan Valley Stampers	23	8	12	3	19	61	79		
Dauphin Kings	19	9	10	0	18	67	74		
OCN Blizzard	23	8	13	2	18	68	87		
Waywayseecappo Wolverines	21	5	13	3	13	56	86		
Neepawa Natives	21	5	16	0	10	38	110		
MANITOBA MAJOR JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Raiders Jr. Hockey Club	17	13	2	2	28	64	47		
Pembina Valley Twisters	17	11	4	2	24	74	52		
St. James Canucks	17	11	6	0	22	62	57		
St. Vital Victorias	16	10	6	0	20	65	56		
Charleswood Hawks	15	8	4	3	19	61	45		
Stonewall Jets	17	9	7	1	19	60	49		
Transcona Railer Express	16	7	8	1	15	53	60		
River East Royal Knights	17	6	9	2	14	47	62		
St. Boniface Riels	17	5	10	2	12	53	65		
Ft.Garry/Ft.Rouge Twins	17	3	13	1	7	37	83		
SOUTH EASTERN MANITOBA HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Morden	3	3	0	0	6	8	2		
Warren	3	1	0	0	4	22	20		
Portage	3	1	2	0	2	14	17		
Notre Dame	2	1	1	0	2	9	7		
Carman	2	1	1	0	2	8	11		
Winkler	2	1	1	0	2	7	7		
Altona	1	0	1	0	0	0	4		
AAA MIDGET HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Eastman	17	16	0	0	33	93	23		
Wild	17	15	1	0	31	68	22		
Thrashers	16	11	4	1	23	77	36		
Yellowhead	16	10	3	0	23	48	38		
Central Plains	15	8	5	0	18	53	45		
Brandon	15	8	7	0	16	44	38		
Kenora	15	7	7	1	15	47	54		
Southwest	14	6	6	1	14	51	57		
Interlake									
Parkland	15	6	9	0	12	39	62		
Pembina Valley	16	3	12	1	7	30	70		
Norman	19	1	17	1	3	40	119		
AAA CITY MIDGET HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Winnipeg Warriors	12	9	3	0	18	54	31		
Winnipeg Monarchs	9	8	1	0	16	56	25		
Eastman Selects	13	7	6	0	14	42	42		
Winnipeg Hawks	12	6	5	1	13	57	48		
Winnipeg Sharks	10	4	4	2	10	39	42		
Yellowhead Chiefs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Parkland Rangers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Interlake Lightning	12	0	12	0	0	18	78		
AAA BANTAM HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Winnipeg Monarchs	12	12	0	0	24	72	24		
Winnipeg Warriors	9	6	2	0	13	61	21		
Winnipeg Sharks	12	5	5	2	12	44	52		
Eastman Selects	11	5	5	0	11	43	42		
Winnipeg Hawks	12	5	6	1	11	44	42		
Interlake Lightning	10	1	9	0	2	16	53		
MANITOBA FEMALE MIDGET AAA HOCKEY LEAGUE									
GP	W	L	T	OTW	OTL	Pts			
Westman Wildcats	12	8	1	-	-	3	19		
Central Plains	10	6	2	-	2	-	16		
Winnipeg Avros	12	5	3	-	2	2	16		
PV Hawks	9	6	2	-	1	-	14		
Yellowhead Chiefs	6	5	-	-	1	-	12		
Eastman Selects	10	3	6	-	-	1	7		
Norman Wild	14	2	12	-	-	-	4		
Interlake Lightning	9	-	9	-	-	-	-		
HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY									
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Prairie Mountain Mustangs	7	7	0	0	14	43	15		
Morris Mavericks	6	4	2	0	8	46	16		
Portage Collegiate Institute Trojans	6	4	2	0	8	28	18		
Carman Cougars	6	4	2	0	8	13	15		
Morden Thunder	5	3	1	0	7	23	7		
W.C. Miller Aces (Altona)	5	3	2	0	6	19	22		
Cartwright/Nellie McClung/ Pilot Mound Tigers	8	2	5	1	5	8	28		
Garden Valley Collegiate	7	1	6	0	2	12	48		
Zodiacs (Winkler)	7	1	6	0	2	12	48		
Northlands Parkway Collegiate	8	1	7	0	2	24	47		
Nighthawks (Winkler)	8	1	7	0	2	24	47		
STATS AS OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17									

# Locals honoured

Winkler's Tristan Peters was at the Baseball Manitoba awards banquet in Brandon on Saturday to receive the 2015 Bantam Player of the Year Award. Also honoured this year, though not in attendance at the ceremony, was Winkler's Katie Hepner, who was named the co-winner of the Female Player of the Year Award alongside Team Manitoba teammate Brittney Langlais. Also taking home an award last weekend was Pilot Mound's Anthony Friesen as the Senior AA Player of the Year.



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# Twisters have firm hold on second place

By Lorne Stelmach

The top two teams in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League fought it out on Sunday.

It was a battle that saw both goaltenders turn in solid performances that took a tight the game between the Pembina Valley Twisters and Raiders to overtime.

It was Corey Mazinke's tenth goal of the season 2:34 into the extra session that gave the Twisters the 4-3 victory.

That win paired with a 4-0 shutout of the Fort Garry Fort Rouge Twins Friday helped the Twisters keep in the thick of the battle near the top of the standings. Holding on to second at 11-4-2 for 24 points, they are four points back of the first place Raiders.

Gavin Klassen played a big part in the win with 44 saves in net as the shots on goal were even at 47 apiece.

Mark Klassen had his fourth for the

Twisters in a 1-1 first period, then Remi David's 9th and Alex Tetrault's 11th made it 3-2 for the Twisters after two periods.

David, Klassen and Mazinke each added assists for two point nights, while Braeden Beernaerts had two assists.

On Friday, Morgan Wall led the Twisters to a win with a 40 save shutout of the Twins.

After coming up blank despite 18 shots on goal in the first period, the Twisters broke it open with three goals in the second frame.

Mark Klassen, Matthew Hadley, Paul Remillard and Corey Mazinke scored for Pembina Valley, who had a slight edge in shots at 41-40.

Pembina Valley heads to the city Friday to face the Hawks and then return home to host the St. Boniface Riels on Sunday.

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got in on the action in the final period.

Connor Slipp earned the win in net, making 19 saves in all.

Slipp stopped all but one shot again three nights later as Winkler headed to Dauphin to face the Kings.

That time around the two teams were much more evenly matched when it came to scoring chances—Winkler had 33 to Dauphin's 30—but it was still the Flyers who made good on them.

Winkler goals came from Tyler Lindstrom in the first, Tristan Keck in the second, and Whyte and Michiels in

the third.

Winkler remains in the second-place spot in the MJHL standings with a 16-4-1 record and 33 points. They trail the Portage Terriers in first place and lead the third-place Steinbach Pistons by three points.

This week the team took on OCN on Tuesday and Portage on Wednesday. Results were not available at press time.

Coming up, Winkler hosts the Swan Valley Stampede on Friday. Puck drops at 7:30 p.m.

## > HAWKS, FROM PG. 23

goals in the final 10 minutes despite only having nine shots on net, leaving them with 29 in total for the game.

Scoring for the Hawks in the final frame were Daniel Nychuk, Caleb Unrau, Tye Turner, and Lehmann with his second into the empty net.

Against Eastman, Thiessen turned in another heroic performance in net, stopping 66 of 70 Eastman shots as

the Selects took period leads of 2-0 and 3-0.

Lehmann scored the lone Pembina Valley goal in the third period, where Leiding felt the Hawks showed well against a team that is clearly the standout in the league this year.

"We spotted them three ... then we talked about what we're going to do and went out and did it. We tied them

for the next period."

On Sunday, a big letdown meant the Hawks missed a great chance to pull even with the Parkland Rangers in 10th place in the standings.

"It was a total disconnect. We didn't come ready to play ... couldn't get back on track," said Leiding. "It's unfortunate ... the opportunity was there Sunday to get up in the standings with the team we're trying to catch, but we weren't prepared."

Everett Bestland scored the lone Hawks goal as Pembina Valley trailed 2-1 and 3-1. They gave up two power-play goals to the Rangers, who outshot them 38-18.

The Hawks, now at 3-12-0-1 for 7 points, head north to Thompson this weekend for a pair of games against last place Norman Saturday and Sunday.

"Hopefully, we can come back with four points," said Leiding.

## Trying something new



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

All ages turned out at the Westside Church in Morden Saturday to try their hand at pickleball. The 'Try-It' events for RBC Sports Day in Morden included pickleball, hatha yoga, fitness at the Fittwell Centre, hula hoop fitness, skating, and a South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League game between the Morden Redskins and Altona Maroons. Morden recreation programmer Stephanie Dueck says the mostly free day of activities gave people a great chance to try something new and also served to showcase the many recreation opportunities the city has to offer.



# Agriculture

## Winkler hosts Farm Women conference

By Harry Siemens

The 29th annual Manitoba Farm Women's Conference saw over 100 women come out to Winkler Days Inn conference centre Nov. 15-17.

Organizing committee chair Cindy Klassen says a major goal of the event is to give farm woman a place to network and encourage one another.

"I think the role of a farm woman has changed from 30 years ago to now, with some quite a bit more ... physically involved," said Klassen at the conference's opening. "Some are more involved with management practices, some are more involved with emotional support—it varies from one farm to the other."

Networking at the conference is key, Klassen said, since many farm woman—herself included—can feel quite alone in their jobs.

"So it's nice when you can surround yourself with a room full of women who understand what it's like and to encourage each other," she said.

The theme for the conference this year was "From the Ground Up: Celebrating the International Year of the Soils."

It's an integral topic, said Klassen.

"If you don't have good soil, you won't have good production," she said. "So if you want to have a successful farm, and produce good crops with a good yield, you need to look at good soil."

The event's speakers tackled a broad range of topics. First up was Laura Rance, editor of the *Manitoba Co-operator*, who shared lessons learned from her recent trip to Africa.

"I was given the opportunity to actually be seconded from my regular job with the *Manitoba Co-operator* to work for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank for a period of almost two months," said Rance. "During that time I spent five weeks visiting three countries on the African continent. While visiting three countries out of 54 hardly makes me an expert on Africa, but in those countries I pursued a project that looked at how investing in agriculture furthers a whole hosts

of development goals."

Agricultural development can play a role in everything from food security to reducing poverty to gender equality, Rance said.

The African people are certainly rising to the challenge, she said.

"They're making progress. Of course it depends on where you are, in a very diverse continent, and the issues change somewhat, but essentially we're looking at a population in many of these countries where 80 percent of the people are farmers by default," said Rance. "They farm because they have a little piece of land and that is their only opportunity to achieve the food that they need, and to gain some kind of economic security for their families."

And the CFGB is having an impact with its projects in Africa.

"They're making progress in terms of helping farmers learn and employ some of the techniques with conservation agriculture that are very famil-



PHOTO BY HARRY SIEMENS/VOICE

Manitoba Farm Women's Conference speaker Laura Rance shared her experiences touring Africa with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

iar to many farmers on the Canadian farmers," said Rance. "Eliminating tillage, moving towards mulching, which helps control weeds, conserves moisture, and once you do those two things then the improved seeds now available in many parts of that continent, have a better opportunity to produce to their yield potential."

Rance notes that the approach has

the ability to improve the soil quality and make up for some of the losses in both the biological health of the soil as well as the chemical degradation in terms of replenishing the nutrients that have been lost.

Rance says it is difficult often to get back more than they put in when

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> HARRY SIEMENS

I love to get out and speak, whether to farm audiences, non-farm audiences, churches, and school classes of all levels.

Some years ago I spoke at a Hutterite Colony school. I still marvel at the thank-you card I received from that class.

I remember how the minister came quietly into the back of the classroom, checking me out to see if I would present a civil presentation, I presume. I called him out just as he was to leave the building, "Rest assured, my friend, your students will

## Teaching agriculture to students

get a solid lesson Manitoba agriculture, and all above board." He smiled and stepped outside.

Most recently I spoke to a class of 23 social studies students at the Rosenort High School and, let me tell you, what an inspiration that class was to me.

I asked its teacher, Arlin Scharfenberg, about the course:

"We have completed a very basic overview of Agriculture in Manitoba looking briefly at diversification in agriculture, the production/processing/marketing steps of food getting from the farm to the table, and the physical and climatic features of Manitoba," he said. "We have also talked briefly about water and soil management as well as a brief overview of the transportation of grain."

The students have also started a growing project of their own and are

researching technology in agriculture. They also delve into other farm topics, like the average age of Manitoba farmers, local farm incomes, plant, soil, and animal sciences, and more.

Though a Gr. 11 credit, it's an elective course for Gr. 9-12 students, Scharfenberg said, and it draws quite a variety of kids interested in agriculture.

"There is quite a mix of students," he said, noting there are a few who come from farm families but many others who do not. "There are students who are interested in just advancing their social studies credit ... then some take it simply because they didn't like any other electives, but they need a credit."

"It is my first year in the course,"

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# Proper ventilation key in keeping disease out

By Harry Siemens

Pinnacle Swine production manager Alastair Bratton says properly calibrating swine barn ventilation systems will save producers money on heating costs and reduce disease, thus avoiding the costs associated with treatment and lost production.

Preparing for winter with tips on how to save money and keeping animals safe by making the most of ventilation was among the topics at Alberta Pork's October telephone town hall meeting.

Bratton says now is the perfect time of year to be adjusting or calibrating ventilation systems in all barns, sow barns, nurseries, or finishing barns.

"The fall and spring is when our ventilation systems are under the greatest pressure," he says. "They deliver large amounts of air on days when it's 20 degrees outside, but then we get zero degrees overnight so the ventilation has to be giving us massive amounts of air flow in the day and nothing at night and everything is on minimum speed."

Bratton says getting these settings wrong can be costly.

"If we over exhaust and over ventilate our rooms in the barns, our heaters have to run more often and gas isn't cheap," he says. "It's cheaper to close an inlet than it is to run a heater."

Improper settings also create humid conditions in which disease can thrive. In addition to the costs of

treating disease, producers will also see lower growth rates and increased death losses that can have an even greater impact on the overall production system.

While a key element for barns, these issues have also become increasingly important when moving pigs.

Researchers working on behalf of Swine Innovation Porc plan to assess the value of equipping pot-belly trailers with water sprinklers in combination with cooling fans at the packing plant to reduce heat stress on pigs

during transport.

Dr. Luigi Faucitano, a meat scientist with the Dairy and Swine Research and Development Centre of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, says the study is comparing three trucks.

"The first truck is a control truck with no cooling system applied in the stationary situation before unloading at the plant," he explains. "The second truck is equipped with water sprinklers and on arrival at the plant this truck will park beside a fan bank ventilating and sprinkling during 40

minutes. The third truck will be only ventilated so it is not equipped with a water sprinkler and on arrival at the plant it will be parked beside all along the fan bank. It will be ventilated during 40 minutes."

He says the objective is to see whether mechanical ventilation using fan banks is enough to improve the microclimate inside the truck and the welfare of pigs inside the stationary truck, or if this system combined with the water sprinkling is more efficient.

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planting and going through the whole cropping cycle.

"When you are looking at producing enough food to feed your family, it is very hard to experiment and take risks on production systems that may or may not pay off for you," she said. "In our part of the world, making a change in your farming system might affect your income, it might have a financial penalty or benefit, but when you are talking about feeding your family, the stakes are pretty high."

Farmers tend to be risk adverse there and they need to see how some of these technologies and some of these techniques will actually make it better for them, she said.

For Rance, a few key things stick out to her from her trip overseas.

"I think the images you take away are really related to how you choose to look at the issues and the problems," she said. "As you know we live in a very complicated world. The issues there are easily overwhelming. I

mean emotionally you could go there and walk away with saying this is never going to get better. And yet there are images that give you hope."

She recalled one farmer she met in Zambia who, despite having very little to give, gave her visiting group a live chicken as a parting gift.

"It was a simple act of generosity that reinforced for me that anything we do to improve the world comes back to us in spades," said Rance.

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Scharfenberg shared. "I find it fascinating, the whole area of agriculture I think students are warming up to it. It takes a while to get into this course."

Twice Scharfenberg has taken his students out from the classroom and

across the schoolyard to a nearby field to take a first-hand look at soybean plants and what soil is made up of.

Recently they visited an area egg producer, and next week they plan to visit a local dairy on a trip I hope to

accompany them on.

As I mentioned earlier, it's always an inspiration to interact with and engage those students in a topic so dear to my heart and vital for the virtual sustainability of mankind.

## get inspired

> MEAL IDEAS



### Parmesan - crusted halibut & spicy sprouts

Halibut  
Canola oil cooking spray  
1/4 (50 mL) cup all-purpose flour  
2 egg whites  
1 tbsp (15 mL) fat-free milk  
1 1/2 cup (375 mL) corn flakes, lightly crushed  
1/4 cup (50 mL) fresh parsley, rinsed and chopped  
1/4 tsp (1 mL) black pepper  
1/4 tsp (1 mL) garlic powder  
4 Pacific/Alaskan halibut fillets (4 oz/125 g each), rinsed and pat dry

1/4 cup (50 mL) grated Parmesan cheese  
1 lemon, cut into wedges  
Brussels Sprouts

2 packages (10 oz/300 g) Brussels sprouts, rinsed and sliced in half  
1 tbsp (15 mL) canola oil  
1/8 tsp (0.5 mL) red pepper flakes  
1/4 tsp (1 mL) garlic powder  
1 tsp (5 mL) Parmesan cheese  
Directions  
Preheat oven to 425 °F (220 °C) and place oven rack in upper third of oven.

Coat baking sheet with canola oil cooking spray and set aside. In shallow bowl, place flour. In another shallow bowl, combine egg whites and milk. In third shallow bowl, combine corn

flakes and parsley. Sprinkle halibut with pepper and garlic powder. Lightly dust each fish fillet with flour, dip in egg mixture, then coat with corn flake-parsley mixture. Place on baking sheet. Sprinkle each fillet with 1 tbsp (15 mL) Parmesan cheese and bake for 15 to 17 minutes until fish is opaque and flakes when pulled apart with fork. Set aside and keep warm.

In large bowl, toss Brussels sprouts with 1 tbsp (15 mL) canola oil, red pepper flakes, garlic powder and Parmesan cheese. Transfer to baking sheet that has been coated with canola oil cooking spray and roast for 10 minutes until tender, turning every 2-3 minutes.

Serve alongside halibut with fresh lemon wedge.



**By Candace Hamm**

As a short term motivator, a sticker chart may encourage younger children to practice. A goal system where

Ways to maximize practice time includes the use of a metronome, mem-

Third, fitting practice time into a busy schedule can require some creativity. Try using a timer for practice sessions so the students knows exactly how long they need to practice. Break up practice time into three or four shorter segments as opposed to one long session. And make practice

Happy practicing!

Reach Candace Hamm at [ibcnu@mts.net](mailto:ibcnu@mts.net)

**take a break**  
GAMES

# SUDOKU

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

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

Level: Intermediate

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

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

## Sudoku Answer

[illegible]

### Crossword Answer

**X** **CROSSWORD**

## 2. Carrying bag

1	2	3					4	5	6		7	8	9	
10			11				12				13			
14					15		16				17			
	18				19		20				21			
					22	23				24				
25	26	27	28	29										
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		45	46	47										
48						49				50	51	52	53	54
55						56					57			58
59						60						61		
62						63							64	

### 35. 7th Greek letter

## 58. A way to change color



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Abe Penner 204-822-3886  
Registration on  
November 30, 2015  
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Location: Upstairs  
in the Winkler Arena  
\*\*Club ends in April

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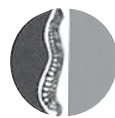
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## COMING EVENTS

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**Darlingford Community Hall**  
**Sat. Nov. 21**  
**10 am to 3 pm**

**Crafts, Baking, Home Business Products**  
**Rainbow Auction**  
**Lunch Available**

## NOTICES

### UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

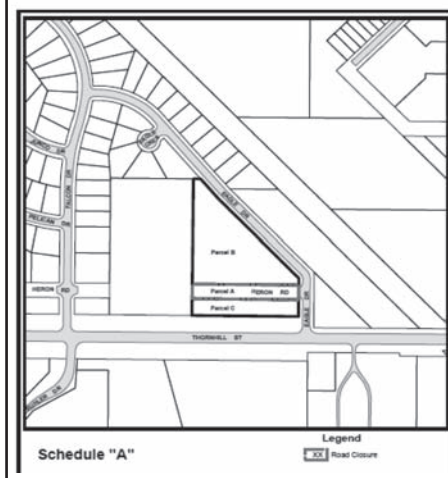
On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

THE CITY OF MORDEN BY-LAW 16-2015

Being a By-Law of the City of Morden to close a Public Road.

**HEARING LOCATION:** Morden Civic Centre  
195 Stephen St., Morden, MB  
**DATE & TIME:** Monday, November 30th, 2015 @ 7:00pm  
**TO:** Close a municipal road described as a portion of Heron Road  
**AREA:** Portion of Heron Road as outlined in Schedule "A"  
**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martin Sandhurst, City Planner  
133 7th Street, Morden, MB R6M 1V3  
Phone: (204) 822-4434

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken therefrom, upon request.



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## COMING EVENTS

**SOUTHLAND MALL**  
**Toy & Hobby SHOW**  
November 20th  
Noon to 9 p.m.  
November 21st  
9:30 to 4 p.m.  
Visit the Huge Lego display and all the great toy vendors!

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THE CITY OF MORDEN BY-LAW 17-2015

Being an AMENDMENT to the CITY OF MORDEN ZONING BY-LAW 22-2008, AS AMENDED

**HEARING LOCATION:** Morden Civic Centre  
195 Stephen St., Morden, MB  
**DATE & TIME:** Monday, November 30th, 2015 @ 7:00pm  
**FROM:** "RT" RESIDENTIAL TWO FAMILY  
**TO:** "CHR" Commercial Highway Restricted  
**AREA:** Lot 5, Plan 2020 MLTO  
Portion of Lot 42, Plan 2020 MLTO being .41 acres as outlined in Subdivision number 4433-15-7438

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martin Sandhurst, City Planner  
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### Winkler Police Service

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Please submit in person, a letter of application, a resume with a minimum of 3 reference letters,

Grade 12 Diploma and marks at the

**Winkler Police Service**

**185 Main Street, Winkler between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, Mon- Fri.**

*Only those selected for further consideration will be contacted.*

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## PUBLIC NOTICE



### Morden Police Board Meeting

**Tues., Dec. 1, 2015 7:00 pm**

Morden Civic Centre  
195 Stephen St.

*All those wishing to be on the agenda and speak must register at the beginning of the meeting.*

## COMING EVENTS

### TABOR HOME Christmas Bake Sale & Tea

**Sat., Nov. 28 2:00-3:30 pm**

Silver Collection Tea Baking, Rainbow Auction  
*Proceeds to Activity Programs*

## COMING EVENTS

### SOUP AND PIE Fundraising Supper

**Saturday, November 21 4:30-7:30 PM**

At Christian Faith Church on Cargill Road, Winkler

Cost is by donation.

*A silent auction will also be held. Proceeds go to church building fund.*

## COMING EVENTS

### PC Progressive CONSERVATIVE

### Brian Pallister

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## TENDERS



### FARMLAND TENDER

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**80 acres**  
**vacant farmland**

**RM of Rhineland**  
SW 1/4 16-3-3  
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Contact Choice Realty for information and to submit offers.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE



### CITY OF WINKLER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

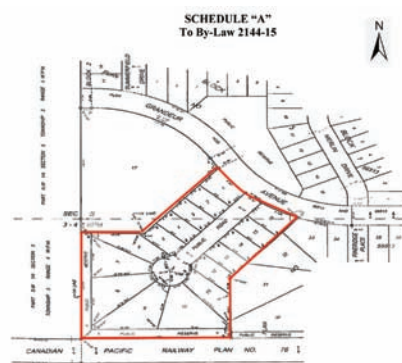
The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2144-15, of the City of Winkler. The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2144-15, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

**Legally described as East 1/2 of NE 1/4 Section 5, Township 3 Range 4 WPM** as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned FROM: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE ZONE TO: "RS" RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2144-15, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 30th day of October, 2015.

Dave Burgess, City Manager  
City of Winkler



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## AUCTION

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# ANNIVERSARY



**Happy Anniversary  
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on their 65th wedding anniversary  
November 23, 2015**  
-Love, your family

# BIRTHDAY



**80th Birthday Celebration  
for Susan Fehr**  
Family and friends are invited to a  
**Come & Go Party**  
November 28, 2015 from 1-4 p.m.  
Common Room #201  
Crocus Village  
320 Main St., Winkler

# IN MEMORIAM



**Frank Zacharias**  
October 13, 1930 - November 20, 2010  
"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord...  
they will rest from their labor, for their deeds  
will follow them." Rev 14:13  
-Lovingly remembered by  
MaryAnne and family

# IN MEMORIAM



**In loving memory of  
Eleanor Harder**  
January 22, 1951 - November 17, 2014  
I'll remember you forever, each and every day,  
Time and space and years will pass, yet your  
memory will stay.  
Deeply buried in my heart are treasures true  
and rare,  
A love that lasts forever, recalling how you  
cared.  
The joy that you experience now, this world  
could never give,  
I know our Savior has a place prepared for  
you to live.  
So freely dance and sing for Jesus, till we  
meet again!

-Love Martin

**Mother -**  
You can only have one Mother, patient, kind  
and true,  
No other friend in all the world, will be the  
same as you!  
When other friends forsake you, to Mother  
you will run,  
For all her loving kindness, she asks nothing  
in return.  
As we look upon her picture, sweet memories  
we recall,  
Of a face so full of sunshine, and a smile for  
one and all.  
Sweet Jesus, take this message, to our dear  
mother up above,  
Tell her how we miss her, and give her all our  
love!

-Love your children Darryl, Lyn,  
Rhonda and all their families

# IN MEMORIAM



**In Loving Memory**  
Vivian Kenaschuk (nee Johnston)  
1929 - 2010

# Announcements

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# OBITUARY

## Solveig Annette McMillan

**November 6, 1926 - November 6, 2015**

On November 6, 2015, at the age of 88, Mum went to her  
Heavenly Home.

She was pre-deceased by the love of her life, Jack McMillan,  
on June 16, 1995. They spent many years on the family farm in  
Rosebank working together, and then retired in Miami. They  
enjoyed the retirement years gardening and traveling. She was  
known for her love of music. She sang in church choirs, taught  
junior choir, and played the organ and piano. She was very  
involved in the lives of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren,  
and loved to bake for them.

Left to mourn her passing, her loving family, son, Bob McMillan  
of Rosebank, granddaughter, Angela McMillan (Kerry Kushner)  
and family of Portage, grandson, Andy McMillan and family of Rosebank, granddaughter, Alicia  
Boutet and family of LaSalle; daughter, Brenda Giesbrecht of Winkler, grandson, Danny (Vanessa)  
Giesbrecht and family of Winkler, and granddaughter, Andrea (Steve) Coukell and family of  
Winkler.

Grandma "So So" will be greatly missed by special great-grandchildren, Kody, Haley and Avery  
McMillan and Brooke Kushner of Portage; Adan, Aria and Alexis Giesbrecht of Winkler; and  
Matthew and Lauren Coukell of Winkler.

The family wish to thank the multidisciplinary team for the care provided to her while in Palliative  
Care on Medical and Rehab. A special thank you to Dr. Bob Menzies for his care for many years.

As per Solveig's request cremation took place and a private burial was held at the Miami  
Cemetery.

If friends so desire, donations can be made in Solveig's name to Palliative Care at Boundary  
Trails Health Centre

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden  
in care of arrangements  
[wiebefuneralhomes.com](http://wiebefuneralhomes.com)



# OBITUARY

## Tryggvi (Trygg) Sigurdur Einarson

**October 2, 1927 - November 6, 2015**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Tryggvi  
(Trygg) Sigurdur Einarson, 88 years, on November 6th, 2015, at  
Boundary Trails Health Centre. Tryggvi will be lovingly remembered  
by his wife of 62 years, Frances; children Darryl (Cindy), Nancy  
(Ron), Brian (Karen), Robert (CheAnne); 10 grandchildren and one  
great-grandchild.

With the loving support of his wife Frances, Trygg led a very rich  
life. During his long life, Trygg always put family first, father to  
four children, Papa to 10 grandchildren and great-grandparent to  
our family's most recent addition. His commitment didn't stop at  
family, however, and throughout his many years Trygg volunteered  
in a variety of capacities such as, Cub Scout Master, Ambulance

Attendant, tenor in the United Church Choir, the Minniwasta Golf and Country Club and one of  
the founding members of the Morden Corn and Apple Festival organizing committee. Whether he  
was hunting with his 1-6 family or joining a foursome of strangers at the Minnewasta golf course,  
Trygg always engaged those around him with a thoughtful charm that opened up opportunities  
for new and old relationships to flourish. For over thirty five years, Trygg and Fran owned and  
operated the Morden Shoe Centre, which is where Trygg's thoughtful approach and commitment  
to service brought faithful customers back again and again. Tryggvi's contribution to family and  
community will be felt for many years to come, and he will be sorely missed by the many people  
who knew and loved him.

Funeral service was held in Morden at the St. Paul's United Church on November 12th, 2015  
with interment at the Hillside Cemetery. Frances and the rest of Tryggvi's family would like to  
express their deepest gratitude to all of the staff at the Boundary Trails Health Centre for their  
compassion and support during Trygg's illness.

The family would also like to express their eternal gratitude to the many extended family and  
friends for their love and support during these challenging times.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the South Central Cancer Resource or the 1/6  
Cemetery Fund.

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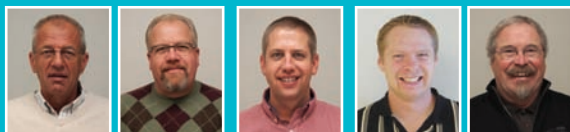
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LINK PKG. ETC.



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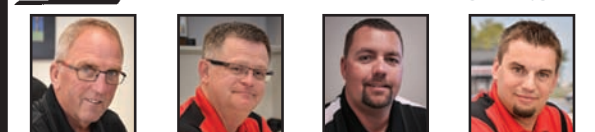
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# BLACK FRIDAY SAVINGS

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## Why Fall and Winter Can Be the Best Time to Sell

When fall sets in and the days grow colder many home owners that have their homes on the market decide to remove their listing until the spring. While others that were thinking of listing decide to wait until the spring to list their homes. A wise choice? Or are they missing out on a prime opportunity to have their property sell?

### Less Competition

There is less competition at this time of year. Many other home owners have removed their properties from the market at this time of the year while others also wait until spring. Less inventory on the market means you're competing against less homes. Drive around, check online yourself to see what listings are still up in your neighbourhood or ask a realtor about list-

ings in your neighbourhood. They have access to market data and can give you accurate data about your area to make your decision easier.

### Motivated Buyers

Buyers that are looking at this time of year are usually very motivated buyers. Perhaps they need to be in their new home by January. Many buyers have time off during the holidays so they focus on finding a home, particularly first time home owners.

### Strengthen Your Position

Another reason to sell now is that it strengthens your position when you negotiate your next home purchase. Offers that are not conditional on selling your own home are much stronger, and can really tighten up closing dates getting

you settled into your new home quicker.

### Show Your Home at its Best

As with any other time of the year, make sure your home is looking its best by de-cluttering, de-personalizing your home, removing excess storage items, and excess furniture. Keep driveways and walkways cleared and salted for potential buyers. Also clear off decks and walk ways in the back - you want to make sure that buyers see these additional features of your home.

### You can take advantage of Holiday Decor

Christmas decorations can add real ambience to your home and emotions play a big part in a home buyer's decision making process. The key thing is to not go overboard, you want to add just the right amount of decor.

For the exterior use soft white Christmas lights to frame and show off architectural details of your home. Note that white lights are the best choice when selling your home, they are a much more sophisticated choice. Use white flood

lights used strategically to emphasize your shrubbery and the front of your home. Incorporate tasteful holiday wreaths and winter arrangements. All of these things will go a long way to add to your curb appeal.

For the interior, again less-is-more, and subtleness is key. Use holiday decor that complements the colour palette in your home and overall enhances your space, rather than distracting from it. Play up a fireplace mantle for example. If your home has blue tones adding red and green decor is not the way to go. Using white and silver decor would complement the space. If you have earthy tones throughout your home using rich reds, greens and gold will work well. If possible use a tree that isn't too big as you don't want it taking over the space and making the room look small. Once the holidays are over make sure you remove the decorations right away!

Talk to a realtor before de-listing your home because this might be the prime time to sell in your particular market area, or if you were thinking of waiting until spring reach out to a realtor to get their advice on listing now.



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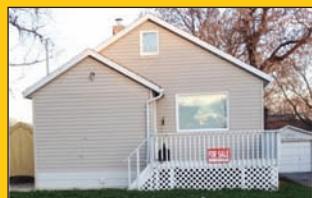
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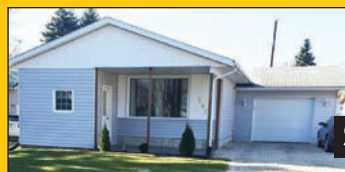
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Holiday shopping dominates many people's free time between the day after Thanksgiving and the final days before Christmas. While many people may shop 'til they drop on Black Friday and Cyber Monday, those days still account for a relatively small amount of the hundreds of billions of dollars that are spent each holiday season.

Shoppers now have a bevy of options at their disposal as they embark on holiday shopping season. Traditional in-store retailers are still around, and online shopping continues to grow in popularity with each holiday season. But many holiday shoppers are looking to buy local this holiday season, and such a decision can pay a host of dividends for both shoppers and the communities they call home.

• Buying local benefits your local economy. Studies from Civic Economics, an economics and strategic planning firm, found that independent, locally-owned retailers return a far greater percentage of their revenue into their local economies than national chain stores. One such study examined the disparity between revenue recirculation among independent, locally-owned businesses in Raleigh, North Carolina, versus four major national chains in the city. The former recirculated 51.1 percent of revenue into the local economy, while the latter recirculated less than 14 percent. Similar results were discovered in many cities, indicating that buying local not only benefits local business owners, but also the communities those owners and their customers call home.

• Buying local creates jobs in your community. One of the biggest ways local business owners in Raleigh recirculated their revenue in the local economy was job cre-

ation. While national chains also create jobs, such jobs only benefit your community if the chains are located within your community. If your local mall is a considerable drive away, chances are the chains within that mall are not employing many of your fellow community members. Local businesses in your community are more likely to employ residents of your town.

• Shopping local may provide access to more unique gifts. In addition to the economic benefits of buying local, shoppers may find merchandise made by local craftsmen is more unique than mass-produced items found on the shelves of national retailers. Recipients may cherish more



unique items that they cannot find on their own, and that appreciation may even spur them to visit more local retailers after the holiday season has come and gone, benefiting their own communities in so doing.

• Local business may provide a more personal touch. Buying from national chains has its advantages, but customer service is not always one of them. Should your loved ones encounter problems with their gift that requires assistance, they might be forced to wait on the phone for extended periods of time as they and thousands of others wait for customer service representatives to answer their calls. Local businesses do not deal with nearly the volume of customers as national retailers and, therefore, are capable of addressing concerns more quickly and personally than large chains.

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When you are making Christmas presents you need to fit it in around your life and by giving yourself lots of time you can ensure that you have time to make them all. There are many different things which you can make as Christmas presents, such as cushion covers, aprons, and bags.

People love to receive a home-made gift and it can often help cut back on the amount you spend at Christmas, we can all too often spend a fortune on people's gifts and sometimes they can be ones that you know the receiver isn't really going to use. If you can create a gift that the receiver will love and which will save you money then you should do so.

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Christmas gifts don't need to mean that you should use Christmas fabric, if you are making something to be used all year round then you can pick fabric up at any time of year, which allows you to get a head start on making

your presents. When you are making presents you can spread the cost by picking up different things you will need throughout the year, such as ribbon, buttons, along with any fabrics you see.

Making your Christmas gifts doesn't need to be difficult, as long as you know where your skills lie, if you are good with a sewing machine then you could run up aprons, oven gloves, and larger items, however if you have more skill with hand sewing then you could make brooches or you could make hanging

scents for wardrobes or drawers. It is important that you put use to the skills you have and create something which you know will show the best of your abilities rather than trying to create something which you are unsure about.

This Christmas you should make use of the skills you have and create handmade gifts for your friends and family, but by starting much more in advance next year you could practice your skills and develop them so that you can create something different for their Christmas gifts. You don't need to have fantastic skills to create your very own Christmas gifts, if you know what you are able to do and push yourself to use those skills then you will be able to create unique handmade Christmas gifts for everyone. You don't need to have the very best skills you just need to know how to use them to create what you want to make.

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Years ago it was said that a new pair on Christmas is bad luck, or that giving a them to friends will make them walk away from you. Times have changed and giving boots, sandals or sneakers can be the most practical and personal of presents.

Determining what size you need to buy is the first step in shoe gift giving. Simply asking is the easiest way to get the information, but that might ruin the Christmas surprise. Sneakier methods like taking a look at pairs they already own when they are not looking may be your best bet to keep your present a secret.

The thought comes in when determining what type of footwear to give your loved one. There are endless options to chose from, so it's important to consider who you are buying for when shopping.

For men, boots are always a good option if they enjoy hiking, hunting or fishing. If they are into construction, steel toe boots may be a better fit. For men with a casual sense of style, flip flops or skate shoe brands will work. Loafers come in many different colors and price ranges for the professional. For those who are into sports, there are high top sneakers for basketball players and golf spikes for golfers.



When it comes to footwear, women can never have enough. Practical choices like running shoes are great for someone who enjoys jogging, but frivolous options like strappy heels and knee high boots can be a special gift for someone who loves to flip

through the pages of fashion magazines. For the woman who loves to curl up with a warm blanket on cold winter days, a pair of slippers will keep her cozy.

When it comes to buying kids shoe apparel for Christmas, think about what activities they are apart of. For athletic boys a new pair of cleats are a good match. For girls who are into fashion, think about shoes that light up or have a little sparkle to them. Cowboy boots can be fitting for both boys and girls, especially if they have a love for horses.

## Did you know?

Many people begin their holiday shopping around the end of summer, when retailers first begin to roll out new clothing lines and mark down existing items to make way for new inventory. Beginning holiday shopping near the end of summer or the beginning of fall may seem a little early, but early shoppers often find that starting earlier affords them more time to find the right gifts at the right prices. Early shoppers can comparison shop without the specter of the fast-approaching holiday hanging over their heads, and comparison shopping

helps consumers feel more confident that they are getting the best deals possible. Starting early with regard to holiday shopping also allows shoppers avoid the financial crunch that shoppers who wait until the holiday season begins often feel. Spreading out spending over several months as opposed to the handful of weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas is a great way for shoppers to avoid buying too many gifts on credit, which can make for a penny-pinching start to the new year when bills come due in early- to mid-January.



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## Western Apparel Gift Ideas for the Holidays

The cowboy and cowgirl are always seeking the latest Western apparel, saddles and tack to fit their needs. Whether they ride horses in shows or contests, or just for fun... western apparel makes a wonderful gift they'll treasure. The great news is that even if you don't have a local western apparel and tack store nearby, you can easily purchase great gifts for your friend or loved one. Western wear can be found at many specialty shops on that offer everything from chaps to boots to western clothing...and even horse products for riding in shows. Western gift items are great for birthdays, Christmas, congratulations for winning a rodeo, or even school or college graduations, and seem to be a great match any time of the year. After all, a true cowboy

lives out their passion every day!

### Cowboy Style Clothing Gifts

For men or women, clothing gifts such as rugged jeans for riding, cowboy hats, button-up shirts and boots are always in season. Be sure to get the correct size and style that your recipient will be able to wear comfortably while riding. If buying western riding show apparel, expect to pay more for high quality clothing. These items usually come in fanciful designs for men, women and children with unique artistic patterns to make the rider stand out at the show. Some western show outfits can be custom made for special riding needs, but these will cost even more. Keep in mind that cowboy hats come in regular or fancy show styles as well. Hats should be purchased according to

accurate head measurements to ensure a snug, comfortable fit. The hat should stay secure while riding without being too tight or causing discomfort. For show cowboy hats, look for a hat in your recipient's favorite color and style, with unique designs that will make him stand out in the crowd.

A great gift for men is a western style belt buckle. Western buckles will compliment his outfit, and these come in various themes from bucking broncos to rodeo designs. Chaps also work well for the avid rider as they protect his legs and pants from weather, brush, briars, and other harmful elements while riding. They also provide protection and a fabulous rugged look for riding in rodeos.

Check with stores that special-

ize in western apparel. Look for holiday bargains to save money on your gifts, or opt for a gift card if you're not sure what to buy.

### General Western Themed Gift Ideas

Other gift items to consider include horse blankets, saddles, horse bridles, a horse tack trunk, or horse grooming products such as brushes, clippers, shampoo and mitts, grooming kits, mane and tail brushes, hoof picks, etc. If your loved one decorates their home in western home decor, look for gifts or knick-knacks to add to the decor such as pillows, throws, welcome mats, lamps, paintings, figurines, and other unique gifts to enhance her home's western theme.

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## Benefits of Buying Designer Eyeglasses

Eyeglasses are not only devices for vision correction but are also fashion accessories, which people use to express their personalities. Most people often question why people buy expensive designer eyeglasses while you can just go for prescription eyeglass frames to correct your vision. It is true that the famous and most common designer eyeglasses brands such as Dior, and Gucci are a little more expensive. However, even knowing that, there are advantages and disadvantages that are associated with the designer products and there is no exception when it comes to designer eyeglass frames.

In most cases, benefits usually outweigh the negative factors.



Assurance of quality. Designer eyeglasses brands always make sure that their products are manufactured from the very best of qualities. This kind of quality usually results to a comfortable product that ensures the customer of a lasting wear.

Another benefit of designer eyeglasses is their innovative and creative touch. Renowned designers know this craft very well since they offer variety of colors and shapes, which complement each individual's face. When looking for designer eyeglasses, you will find that you are met with diverse options, which at the end of every purchase leaves you feeling very content with what you have purchased.

In the end, it all comes down to your personal preference.

## 6 tips for green gifting this holiday season

The holiday season is a time filled with joy and giving, but it can also be a time of great waste as packaging and wrapping from gifts finds its way into landfills. This year, follow these eight tips to spread the joy without the extra waste.

1. Don't leave home without a healthy supply of reusable shopping bags.
2. Look at opportunities to car pool or use public transit when shopping during the holiday season. When buying gifts find retailers that use packaging and delivery options that are better for the environment.
3. Use reusable gift bags, newspaper or even fabric to wrap gifts instead of wrapping paper, which often cannot be recycled.
4. Send greeting cards electronically or make your own cards out of recycled materials.

5. Consider giving an experience, such as tickets to a local attraction or the movies, or something that's homemade, like baked goods made from locally sourced ingredients, or items available at your local retailers.

6. If giving a physical gift, look for items that use minimal packaging or have packaging that can be recycled. Consider gifts made from sustainable and responsibly sourced material, choose electronics that are energy-efficient and opt for edible gifts that are organic or locally sourced.

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# Your HOLIDAY FUN to-do list



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Advent  
calendar



Write a  
letter to  
Santa  
Claus



Prepare  
greeting cards



Decorate  
the house



Decorate  
the  
Christmas  
tree



Buy gifts  
for teachers



Go see Santa



Prepare a basket  
for a charity



Shop for  
holiday outfits



Write  
Christmas  
cards to the  
residents of  
a seniors' home



Watch a  
Santa Claus parade



Go see  
The Nutcracker



Start a collection



Take family photos



Go to the movies



Organize a movie  
night at home



Go skating  
with the family



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