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Red River College's Winkler campus graduated 120 students in nine programs last week. For the full story, see Pg. 3.

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A time to celebrate

Salem Home celebrating 60 years of service

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Salem Home is looking back on six decades of history in the community this year. The Winkler personal care home has come a long way since it opened its doors as the Salem Home for the Aged back in 1956, says CEO Sherry Janzen, who started at Salem in 1991.

"I think what has significantly changed since I've come is the residents coming into the facility are coming in with more compromised health, greater health needs," Janzen reflects. "The supports for seniors that are in place today [home care, assisted living, congregate meal programs] have the ability to keep a person in their home much longer. And so when we get them they're really needing more nursing interventions, more care."

In contrast, Salem Home's first group of residents tended to be a great deal more independent.

"Of those first 59 residents, only 14 of them were considered 'bed-ridden' ... in need of more care than what could be provided at home," Janzen says. "You hear stories that a

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ÉMMS pays it forward

By Lorne Stelmach

The concept of paying it forward is being instilled in the students of École Morden Middle School.

The Gr.5 students of Becky Williams and Barb Price undertook a few projects this school year that have taught them what giving back is all about.

"I think with the majority of them you do see a sense of caring, kindness and trying to pay it forward ... we just hope that's a lifelong thing," Price said as the classes celebrated their accomplishments last week.

The students put the idea of pay it forward into practice this year with one project that raised money through taco in a bag sales.



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Gr. 5 students at École Morden Middle School paid it forward this school year by raising funds for a basketball net and cement pad at the Thornhill Community Hall, building "buddy benches" for the school, and visiting Tabor Home, Homestead South, and the 55+ Centre to interact with seniors.

It raised \$750 for the Thornhill Community Hall for a basketball net and cement pad. The Morden Collegiate Youth in Philanthropy also contributed \$750, and the Morden Area Foun-



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dation kicked in the rest to finish the project.

"So it was kids helping kids," observed Price.

Also this year, the two ÉMMS classes visited Tabor Home, Homestead South, and the 55 Plus Centre to buddy up with some of the seniors

Price said it simply was about "interacting with the elderly people in our community ... putting smiles on their faces ... and getting our kids to feel good inside about doing something good.

"We explained to the kids that some of the people who are in Tabor Home don't have family around," she continued. "We played games with them ... they sang for them. "To see the joy in their faces when kids come around, it just makes it all that much a better day for them."

Another project focused on paying it forward with their own classmates and other students at school by creating two buddy benches.

"We got our welding shop to weld the frames ... then we painted them bright colours and put the lettering on it, put the kids' hand prints on ... and they are up and in use now in our playground, so the kids are pretty proud of them," said Price.

"We're trying to get these kids to always be kind to one another," she said in explaining the idea of the buddy bench.

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Red River College grads overcame all obstacles

"OUR DREAMS

ARE ENDLESS."

By Ashleigh Viveiros

One hundred and twenty graduates were recognized for their achievements at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall June 21 in the Red River College Winkler campus convocation.

Representing range of programseverything from adminisbusiness tration to dental assisting to mature student high school diplomas-RRC's class of 2016 is quite

a varied bunch, noted valedictorian Samantha Ginter.

"Unlike high school graduation, we are not all headed in similar directions today. Many of us are in very different stages of our lives and picked very different careers to pursue," she said. "The one thing we all have in common, however, is that we are one step closer to achieving our

dreams and aspirations.

"From day one we all came here with a purpose," Ginter continued."A purpose that was large enough for us to brave the rumours of how tough this was going to be and, of course, the chance of failure.

> "But we did not fail. We persevered and now we have gained the tools we need to build our future.

> "Our dreams are endless," Ginter said, "and today we proved that nothing can stand in the way of them."

Guest speaker Kim Dyck, regional director of staff development, infection prevention and control with Southern Health, talked about the value of ongoing education in her life. She reminded the grads that this day was not really an end, but rather the beginning of a journey.

"The diplomas and the certificates that you will hold onto today is re-



Students in the college's dental assisting course pose with their certificates after the ceremony.





Red River College valedictorian Samantha Ginter won the 2016 Gold Medal for scholastic achievement.

ally just the learner's permit for the drive through the rest of your life," Dyck said. "Never lose sight of your goals, values. Believe in yourself and surround yourself with people that inspire you every day."

In addition to the diplomas and certificates, several graduates received awards for their hard work.

This year's gold medal, which is pre-

sented to the grad with the highest cumulative grade point average, went to Ginter, who received her business administration diploma.

Other winners included Emily Winkler, who received the Manitoba Dental Association Award, and Lauren Redlin, who was honoured with the MDAA Professionalism Award.



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BTHC Fdn. goes 'above and beyond' for hospital

By Lorne Stelmach

An important void is filled at Boundary Trails Health Centre by the hospital foundation.

Speakers offered their praise for the work of and the role played by the BTHC Foundation at its annual meeting last week.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Southern Health CEO Kathy McPhail lauded the BTHC Foundation for the work it does for the regional hospital. "This foundation goes above and beyond ... this does not go unnoticed," said Kathy McPhail, CEO of Southern Health-Sante Sud.

"The hospital itself relies on the foundation not just for some of the basic fundamental needs such as staffing ... they provide us with two, three or four of the best employees that we have due to the specialized funding that they'll offer," explained Angie Cusson, director of health care services.

"They also offer us leadership in where our money goes," she added. "It's about leadership and vision for our community ... and what it is that we want to have ... so that we can provide support and the resources that a community needs as we grow and expand, not just here at the hospital but in the communities that we serve around the hospital."

Foundation chairperson Debra Enns reported on what has been a challenging but successful and exciting time for the foundation this past year.

The organization is in sound financial shape, coming out of 2015 with a \$137,500 surplus; another surplus of \$154,000 is projected in the 2016 budget.

The foundation held a number of successful fundraising events in 2015, including the fall gala, which brought in about \$71,000, the radiothon, which had proceeds of about \$45,000, and the annual golf tournament, which brought in around \$39,000.

Those funds helped the foundation continue to fund the BTHC palliative care and spiritual care programs, with the former operating with over \$95,000 in foundation funding this past year and the latter working with almost \$59,000.

The foundation also provided \$26,000 for an infant stabilization unit and another \$20,000 for four new dialysis treatment chairs.

"We make sure that our palliative care and our spiritual care programs stay as is ... that we will never lose that ... we fund it completely," explained Enns of the year's disbursements.

"Any other equipment that is needed, if it's in our budget, we will try very hard to make sure that this hospital is always equipped in all areas to the best possible capacity."

One current priority is to work towards the purchase of a gamma probe to be used to help detect breast cancer.

"It's a very important tool ... and at this time, we actually borrow one from Steinbach," said Enns, stressing that the foundation plays a vital role in this way. "There's only so much money to go all around ... there are many hospitals that need the same amount of space and equipment.

"We have also often found that we would not have the equipment that we have were it not for the foundation.

"That's how we kind of bridge the gap between what the government

"IT'S ABOUT LEADERSHIP AND VISION FOR OUR COMMUNITY ..."

can provide and what is actually needed here. Whatever falls through the crack, we try to pick up and make sure the hospital stays at the standard that we are all accustomed to."

Looking ahead, Enns said the foundation is working to make good progress towards the proposed expansion of BTHC.

The first phase is to build a new patient care support centre, which once completed would free up the current administrative space for renovation for use in patient care.

Longer term, a third phase could include a new 50-bed, two storey wing that could accommodate 15 more delivery rooms and a 25-bed rehab unit for stroke, heart attack, and diabetic patients.

"I'm so excited to see this going further. It's been on the agenda every meeting and we want to move it off the agenda and actually see a building," said Enns.

They are close to hiring a project manager to help drive the planning

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Hockey Hall of Fame display coming to Winkler festival

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A month and a half out, the Winkler Harvest Festival and Exhibition is firming up its line-up for the Aug. 12-14 community celebration.

All your favourite festival happenings will be back—the Saturday morning parade, Stanley Ag. Society exhibition hall, a killer line-up of stage entertainment—but organizers have also announced several new events coming to Winkler.

"Some of the new things include wagon rides, displays from the Hockey Hall of Fame (because hockey is what Winkler is all about), activities from Winkler Arts and Culture in their new venue, lip sync battle, and a women's strong man competition," said festival director Deb Penner. That last event is one festival organizers are really excited about, Penner said.

"It's going to

be really cool," she said, noting the traditional strong man event will take place on Saturday as usual, with the women's competition happening Sunday afternoon. "That's always had a really good

following,

lots of people watching, because it is so bizarre to watch somebody lifting a car.

with

"To now have the women's compo-

nent of it, that will be really neat. I think a lot of people are going to be curious to see just how strong these

women really are."

Also sure to draw the crowds are the travelling exhibits from the Hockey Hall of Fame.

"There's been so much talk about hockey again in Winkler lately," Penner said on the heels of the city's own Eric Fehr winning the Stanley Cup and Justin Falk clinching the Calder Cup.

"So we started thinking, 'How can we tie in hockey with the festival?"

The answer is to bring a few trophies and other hockey memorabilia, which will be on display in the arena.

"It will give people the opportunity to get a little bit of a hockey fix in the summertime," Penner said.

A few steps further east will bring festival-goers to the brand new Winkler Arts and Culture Centre on Park St., which will be hosting the festival's first farmers' market, art activities for the kids, and an art exhibit.

It's a chance for people to get their first look at the new cultural centre, Penner said.

"We've never had a farmers' market before ... it's something to really draw people over to the gallery to have a look at that new facility.

To check out the full festival schedule, go to winklerharvestfestival. com.



Winkler clinic accepting new patients

By Ashleigh Viveiros

For the first time in years, the C.W. Wiebe Medical Centre is accepting new patients.

Ongoing growth of the Winkler clinic's medical team means they're finally at a place where they can put the call out for patients looking to secure a family physician, says administrator Jim Neufeld.

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"It's been a number of years and I'm sure there's a number of people out there that have just sort of stopped looking for a family doctor," he says. "We're finally at a place now where we can in fact take on new patients."

People without family doctors have always been able to receive care at the clinic, mainly through its Urgent Care unit, but having that service does not negate

the need for an ongoing relationship with a primary care provider, Neufeld stresses.

"At some point you may have to enter the medical system and you really need someone there to help you manage that," he says.

Dr. Johann Blignaut, an 18-year veteran with the clinic, agrees.

Even if you are a healthy person who needs to see a doctor infrequently, having a family doctor familiar with your medical history will ease your access to the health care system at large when you do need it, he stresses.

"It comes down to what we are trained to do," says Blignaut."We are managers of health care.

"We're primary care providers, so we're not like the specialists with a

very narrow focus," he adds, noting that while a family physician may have expertise in various fields of interest—cancer care, palliative care, addictions treatment—they all come to the job with a broad background of knowledge.

"Especially in rural family practice, you get somebody that probably also works in the emergency room, also does some operating, possibly delivers babies, possibly delivers on a cancer care ward. So

you get somebody with a very wide range of knowledge and then you get that person to be your advocate for your health.

Dr. Aly Dhala, who joined the clinic in 2014, notes that today's approach to medicine is very much about finding ways to keep people healthy rather than responding to illness after the fact.

"For me, the biggest thing is just be-



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Dr. Johann Blignaut (left) and Dr. Aly Dhala want to remind people, even those who are generally in good health, of the importance of having a family physician.

cause you're not sick doesn't mean that we can't provide good health service to you," he says, pointing to things like regular cancer screenings. "You can be young and healthy in your 20s and 30s. We'd like to extend that and keep that going, and so checking in and having a relationship

with a family doctor can help maintain that."

Neufeld points out there are also a lot of practical benefits to having a primary physician.

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Pedestrian in stable condition after being hit by vehicle

By Lorne Stelmach

A local man was in stable condition and recovering at Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg after being hit by a car Saturday in Winkler.

Police received the 911 call at 2:20 p.m. about the accident on Main Street at South Railway Ave.

The 68-year-old man was crossing Main St. to the west at the crosswalk when he was struck by a pickup truck going north.

The accident scene was closed to traffic for a couple of hours while traffic analysts reconstructed the scene.

Police continue to investigate the accident but say speed and alcohol are not considered factors.

Meanwhile, Morden Police have charged a local resident following a June 23 collision involving a vehicle and a cyclist accident on Route 100. Police arrived to find a woman in the ditch along with the vehicle stopped near the scene. The 54-yearold woman said her neck hurt; she was stabilized while awaiting paramedics.

Police say the driver was going south on Route 100 when he struck the rear tire of the cyclist. The cyclist subsequently lost control and hit the front passenger side fender of the vehicle.

The cyclist was taken to Boundary Trails Health Centre and assessed to have a minor concussion but no further injuries.

The 75-year-old male driver was known to have a medical issue that meant his license was suspended.

He is now charged with driving while disqualified.

Other items in the most recent Winkler and Morden weekly police reports include: • Morden Police are investigating a possible sexual assault of a child under the age of 10.

Police at this point would only say the assault took place at a local residence and that the suspect is known. A joint investigation between police

and Child and Family Services continues, with charges pending.

• Morden officers are also investigating two hit and run accidents.

One happened June 22 between 5-7 p.m. in the parking lot of Boston Pizza. The owner returned to her vehicle and noticed damage to the front passenger's side of her grey Chevrolet Cruze.

The other incident occurred June 23 in the 200 block of 7th Street. The owner parked their vehicle around 9:30 a.m. and returned at 12:30 p.m. to find a scrape on the driver's side back bumper of the red Buick Century.

Anyone with information on these incidents is asked to call the Morden Police Service at 204-822-4900 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

• A Winkler man is facing breaking and entering, theft, and weapons charges after being arrested at a home on 10th St.

Just after 3 a.m. on June 22, officers were called by a homeowner who advised they had detained an intruder to their house.

The intruder was holding a knife when encountered by the homeowners, but cooperated when told to put it down.

Officers attended immediately and arrested 18-year-old Jordan Rae Myerion without incident.

Myerion remains in custody at the Winnipeg Remand Centre awaiting a July court date.







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Tore letters

A simple solution to a "complicated" problem?

It is with great interest that we read Mayor Ken Wiebe's explanation for doing nothing regarding the ongoing problem with unhappy taxpayers and their waste bins [Residents want more choice in waste bin system, June 23, Voice].

At one point we were told by the city office that there is a stockpile of bins waiting to be used by new people who will eventually move to Morden as the city grows. REALLY! How about serving the people who actually live here? Ken has duly noted that" We've only got so many bins ... and we've had so many requests." What does that ad-mission tell us? This should send a message to the council that you have not gotten it right. Ken Wiebe has made our point for those many requests he admits to. This is really a no-brainer.

If Wiebe states that "it is complicated logistically" to deal with this matter, perhaps we can suggest a very simple solution: have a sign-up sheet at the city office allowing the many frustrated taxpayers to register which size bins they require and what

size they have to trade. Include your phone number and let the people of Morden handle it themselves-they are probably quite capable to work it out in a friendly manner and make new acquaintances along the way. BAM! Problem solved.

Or is this just too easy a fix? It's not rocket science, boys. Give everyone a break.

> George & Wendy Penner, Morden

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'It would be a chain reaction'

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"If they see somebody sitting ... they need somebody to play with, so they are to go and ask them to join into their group so they're not feeling lonely on the playground.

"I think the students feel good about what they've done and especially when the buddy benches got put out on to the playground they were excited to see them. They really got excited to put the paint on their hands and have their hand prints.

Price said the hope is that the idea would carry over for the students not only school-wide but out into the community as well.

"Hopefully, if we can get this group of kids to do that, it would be a chain reaction throughout the school," she said. "That's something else that we did as well is paid it forward with each class and did something nice for each class ... just to share something with another class and then pass it on."

"As kids, they can do something for

our community and feel good about themselves," Price stressed. "Hopefully the adults in our community will also see them as good students as well."

"It's been a really awesome experience to help people in the community," said student Hannah Driedger, who liked doing the taco in a bag fundraiser.

"It was really fun," added Darby Olson, who added he learned "that it's nice to help."

patients able to see their doctor with-

in weeks of calling in for an appoint-

ment rather than months. "We're

For more information on the C.W.

Wiebe Medical Centre, check them

out online at cwwiebemedical.ca or

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making some headway there."

Centre in downtown Winkler.

Making docs more accessible

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"There's a lot of things where you need a family doctor that you just might never think of. Like you get injured at work and somebody has to complete a Workers' Compensation form. Or there's insurance forms you need filled out.

"If you don't have that relationship with somebody then those kinds of things actually become very difficult to get done."

With 33 family physicians and another dozen or so other primary care providers on staff, the clinic is now not only able to accept new patients, but also hopes to provide timely access to its health care providers, savs Neufeld.

"We are working really hard at trying to make sure that physicians are more accessible to their patients on a better timeline than they have been," he said, noting their goal is to have

forward, she said. They are then

hopeful sometime next year the plan

will get the approval of the govern-

ment and a funding commitment

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from the RHA.

"We might see shovels in the ground at the end of 2017," said Enns.

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Left: Morden Adult Education Centre valedictorian Grayson L'Hirondelle said he returned to school out of a desire to "finish what I started." **Right: The cen**tre celebrated the success of 30 students at a graduation ceremony on Monday.

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Adult ed students persevered to make a better life

By Lorne Stelmach

Speakers paid tribute to the 30 members of the Morden Adult Education Centre class of 2016 at a graduation ceremony Monday night.

Their individual journeys have varied, but each of the students faced a range of challenges to get to this point, valedictorian Grayson L'Hirondelle told a packed hall at the Minnewasta Golf and Country Club.

For him, going back to school came out of a desire "to finish what I started.

"I can tell you it was not an easy decision to make," he said, noting family and friends were an encouragement to him, including one

particular friend who "knew how badly I wanted to go back to school.

"It was my chance and I took it," L'Hirondelle said, "but not without a little push to get me

started."

L'Hirondelle spoke about the opportunities given to him through the adult education centre, including being involved in a fundraising barbecue this spring that allowed them to give

back to the community.

Most importantly, he spoke on developing a belief in your abilities and to "celebrate everyone's accomplishments ... all the experiences we've had ... laughs we shared ... even our recollections of why we started this adventure."

Western School Division superintendent Stephen Ross reflected on how the school system may have somehow failed the students somewhere along the way, but it is all part of their individual stories that brought them back to succeed.

"The stories of the graduates are varied," said Ross, who paid tribute to them for overcoming their individual obstacles and for

their desire to make better lives for themselves. Western board chairperson Robyn Wiebe saluted the graduates for their perseverance and determination. She encouraged them to show leadership, be adventurous achievers, and embrace the opportunities that await them.

Centre director John Loewen acknowledged the family and friends who played a part in the graduates getting to this point.

He told the graduates they are not only armed with their diplomas but "you are also armed with the knowledge that you did this."

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"IT WAS MY CHANCE AND I TOOK IT, BUT NOT WITHOUT A LITTLE PUSH TO GET ME STARTED."

Morden youth raises funds for Katie Cares

By Lorne Stelmach

It was no ordinary lemonade stand that was drawing traffic down to 15th Street in Morden last Saturday.

Jaxon Forster was back for a second year with his Lemonade N' Stuff fundraiser in support of Katie Cares.

This enterprising young Mordenite not only offered up lemonade but a garage sale and small silent auction as well to raise money for an organization that has personal importance to him.

"My cousin was diagnosed with cancer, so I'm supporting Katie Cares because they helped him a lot during that time," Forster said in the midst of all the activity.

Not only did Katie Cares help his cousin, but Forster also noted a friend who broke his leg was on the receiving end of the charity's generosity.

"I'm thankful that they are doing this kind of stuff," he said.

Forster efforts raised about \$600 last year, and he was confident he would bring in even more this year.

"And I think we will because it seems like there's a lot more people have shown up," he said.

"People come for all sorts of reasons ... people come because it's for Katie Cares."

His mother, Jeanette Bergmann, is proud of Jaxon.

"He likes to try new things ... but Katie Cares is kind of the driving force, the reason for it," she said.

"He's done the lemonade for a number of years, and for the last couple years he's decided that he wanted



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Jaxon Forster, wearing the Kate Cares t-shirt, looks over some of the garage sale items available at his Lemonade N' Stuff fundraiser Saturday in Morden.

added.

"Each year, we've just kind of added a few things. We've got face painting again this year ... we added a stilt

to donate the money to charity," she walker ... we have a small garage sale as well.

"We're here also to have fun ... a reason for families to get out and do something fun in summer."

NASA mapping soil moisture in local fields

By Lorne Stelmach

Federal scientists here in Manitoba are working with NASA on a project to map soil moisture from space.

The next phase of a joint Canada-U.S. experiment to measure soil moisture from space-based satellite

began this month with this area of the province playing a key role in the project.

"Water is such an issue in Manitoba," research scientist Heather McNairn said in explaining why the province is important to the study. "And we do have a strong Agriculture Canada group out in Manitoba. We have a really strong research capacity." From June 8 to July 22, the U.S. Na-

tional Aeronautics and Space Administration is flying a DC3 over an area of agricultural land between Elm Creek, Carman, and Roland.

The aircraft carries a radiometer instrument similar to the one that is onboard NASA's Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) satellite launched in 2015.

In 2011, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) installed nine permanent soil moisture monitoring stations on a number of private farms in the Carman and Elm Creek area, so the network ties into the satellite-derived soil moisture research.

NASA, AAFC and other organizations conducted a large field campaign in the same area in 2012 when they flew two aircraft carrying radar and radiometer instruments overhead while ground crews sampled over 40 fields.

Over 45,000 soil moisture measurements were taken along with observations on soil temperature, surface roughness, and the types of soil ranging from heavy clays to sandy soils.

The overall aim is to help produce global soil moisture maps that are as accurate as possible, so doing that pre-launch research was vital to en-

"ONE OF THE BIGGEST UNKNOWNS IS THE AMOUNT OF WATER IN THE TOPSOIL."

sure they would have the best information possible.

"We create a model that says this much energy means this much soil moisture. And we want the model to be as accurate as possible ... before we actually put the satellite up into space," explained McNairn "We want to do some further refinements now."

McNairn said one key benefit of the work will be to help improve weather forecasting.

"One of the biggest unknowns is the amount of water in the topsoil. That's why Environment Canada is part of this map team," she said, adding they were incorporating what they learn into their weather models "to see if they can improve the forecasts ... so that's one of the things that benefits everybody including the agricultural sector."

In addition, she noted soil moisture

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The scientific research crew with the DC3 plane carrying radar and radiometer instruments to make soil moisture measurements around the world, including right here in southern Manitoba.

Thrift store distributes grants

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Community Thrift Store is putting another \$100,000 in grants back into the community.

The organization announced the annual disbursement of funds for 2016 last week.

The grants handed out to 13 different organizations or events comes from money raised over the last 12 months from the sale of items at the store, as well as its monthly silent auctions.

"The support that people from various communities have shown us over the past year has made this possible," representatives said in a news release.

A grant of \$20,000 went to the Morden fire department for its training site and building of a metal burn house, while another \$20,000 was presented to Morden Youth for Christ.

An \$18,000 grant was given to Pembina Valley Bible Camp, \$12,000 to the Rock Lake United Church Bible Camp, and \$10,000 to Winkler Bible Camp.

Also receiving \$10,000 is Boundary Trails Health Centre's palliative care unit for two floating mattresses and for two special chairs in the cancer care unit.

A \$5,000 grant went to the Darlingford fire department for equipment upgrades.

Funding of \$3,000 each went to Morden Collegiate bursaries and to the Morden Christian program committee, while Pembina Counseling Centre received \$1,000.

Smaller grants of \$500 went to Boundary Trails Health Centre for outdoor flowers and upkeep, \$300 to Westside Community Church for its vacation Bible school, and \$150 for Morden Collegiate's safe grad.

You can support the thrift store through the donation of clean gently used items.

The store is also always looking for volunteers. To learn more, give them a call at 204-822-3435.





SUBMITTED PHOTO

Thrift store grant recipients this year included (back row, from left) Kayle Dyck, Darlingford Fire; Todd Waldal, Pembina Valley Bible Camp; Andy Thiessen, Morden Fire; (middle row) Dave Brown and John Rempel, Youth for Christ; Ken Friesen and Al Shellenberg, Morden Christian programs; Dale Wiebe, Winkler Bible Camp; (front row) Tara Wyton, Youth for Christ; Judy Stambuski, BTHC flower beds; Barb McLean and Judy Bradley, Rock Lake United Church Camp; and Gord Wall and Paul Penner, Pembina Counseling Centre.



Applicant: Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation

HEARING:

The Public Utilities Board (Board) anticipates holding a public hearing of an application from Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) for approval of rates and premiums for compulsory vehicle and driver insurance as of March 1, 2017. The hearing would take place at the Board's Hearing Room, 4th Floor, 330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB (commencing at 9:00 a.m.) on October 13, 2016. A Pre-Hearing Conference is to be convened by the Board in its offices at 9:00 a.m. on June 30, 2016.

RATE IMPACT:

The Corporation is requesting approval for Basic Autopac vehicle and drivers licence insurance rates and premiums effective March 1, 2017, which, if approved, will result in 2% overall change in MPI's Basic premium revenue (excluding the impact of vehicle upgrades and an increased overall driver and vehicle population). The Corporation is also requesting an Interest Rate Forecast Risk Factor, also effective March 1, 2017, to be developed collaboratively through the General Rate Application process.

Actual vehicle and driver premiums would vary depending on claim and driving experience, insurance use, territory and vehicle rate group. Full particulars, including the rate impact and application, can be found on the Manitoba Public Insurance website www.mpi.mb.ca.

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE:

Those seeking Intervener status should notify the Board of their intention by applying to the Board Secretary before the now scheduled Pre-Hearing Conference of June 30, 2016. Interveners may be entitled to financial assistance, and the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules) provide the related guidelines, which can be seen at the Board's website www.pub.gov.mb.ca or obtained on request to the Board, by either emailing (publicutilities@gov.mb.ca), writing or calling the Board Secretary (204-945-2638 or 1-866-854-3698, toll free). Parties wishing to submit a brief or to express comments at the hearing should also contact the Board Secretary.





Wheelchair access is available



Interested parties should take note that the Board does not have jurisdiction over the MPI lines of business denoted as Extension or SRE, or as to MPI's Driver and Vehicle Licensing operation.

Persons seeking further information as to MPI's application, or with respect to the Board's process, and/or wishing to address the public hearing in French should notify the Board Secretary by August 26, 2016. As well, interested parties may examine MPI's application and supporting materials, either at the offices of the Corporation or on its website, or the Board's office.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has recently issued privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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DATED this $17^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ day of June, 2016

Jennifer Dubois, CPA, CMA Assistant Associate Secretary The Public Utilities Board



> SALEM HOME, FROM PG. 1

lot of the residents that lived at Salem Home back then actually still drove their own vehicles ... they had their own garden that they tended.

"So it was kind of more a youth hostel for older people," she adds, laughing. "It really was an altenheim, a home for the aged, where it was what we'd consider more assisted living today."

Salem's start in the region goes back to 1951, when Mennonite church leaders first began discussing the need for a home for the elderly in the Pembina Valley.

While many people then were still able to care for their aging parents in their homes, there were those who were falling through the cracks, Janzen says.

"Individuals who had never gotten married and maybe didn't have the same kind of support system that someone with children would have had. Or widows, seniors whose children had moved away ... where do those people go?"

By 1954 it was decided the facility should be built in Winkler. Two years and just over \$146,000 later, Salem opened with 54 beds. Two years after that, they added 16 more to meet growing demand.

Many more expansions have followed in the years since—including a brand new building in 1987 when the older one was condemned—bringing the care home's total to 146 beds today.

CHANGING TIMES

Adding more beds every few years is just one of many changes Salem has had to weather over the last half century.

At the beginning, the facility was operated and primarily funded by a collection of local Mennonite churches (13 churches still form its ownership group today).

As such, it was very much the community's project, says John L. Friesen, who served as Salem's fourth reverend/administrator from 1969-1971.

Friesen was there when the government first started to get involved in the operating of the care home. It was quite an upheaval, he recalls.

"The community was used to calling it 'our home," he says."The transition to more government involvement caused some difficulties for people.

"In the fall, the community always brought a lot of canned stuff and meat that they had raised on the farms and they donated it to help lower the costs of operations," Friesen says, noting that when the province implemented stricter regulations, donations like that could no longer be accepted. "When that was taken away a lot of people couldn't quite understand it."

But then as now the community still found ways to ensure Salem Home's residents had what they needed.

Friesen recalls going door-to-door during the early years when the facility ran a deficit; most community members wouldn't think twice about chipping in to help cover the shortfall, he says.

Today, Winkler area residents carry on that spirit of generosity by sponsoring projects not fully covered by provincial funding.

In recent years that's included building on a new multi-purpose room, renovations to the chapel and Oma's Kitchen, and purchasing items such as specialized meal carts, permanent lifts for each bed, mechanized wheelchair cleaning units, and more.

"We have way more community support than a lot of other organizations," Janzen says. "And, truly, we couldn't do what we do if we didn't have community and church support.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Salem Home CEO Sherry Janzen in the new Maple North dining room built last year. The facility's history has been one of ongoing growth and expansion ever since it first opened in 1956.

It's just that simple."

LOOKING FORWARD

Even as they look back during this milestone year, Salem Home's staff and board are also looking to the future.

As the baby boomer generation enters their golden years, the demands on Salem are beginning to change once again, Janzen says.

"If you look at the Canadian statistics, by the year 2033 the number of people that are going to have dementia or Alzheimer's is going to be almost double.

"We're already starting to see that in our building in that more and more of our residents are moving in with dementia or a combination of dementia and mental health issues. So that changes how we will have to do things."

Salem already has a dedicated de-



Salem Home has undergone many changes over its six decades in the communityboth in terms of the facility itself and its approach to long-term care. Here, residents in the early years enjoy a summer barbecue outdoors.

mentia unit as well as a Behaviour Treatment Unit—one of only two in the province—but more secured wards in the facility will be needed in the years to come.

A need for additional beds in general has also been identified for some time now, Janzen says, but exactly what that expansion will look like is still being worked out.

They're currently researching specialized models of care that have been implemented elsewhere, she says. Many of these models seek to create a more home-like atmosphere for residents with dementia, in some cases building entire secured communities for them to live in.

Salem certainly has the room to build such a community—since 2007 they've purchased seven lots on 14th St. adjacent to their 15th St. campus—but much needs to be worked out before they move forward on such a project, Janzen says.

"We have lots of things that we need to come to terms with in terms of what we want to see on those lots, what fits with our model of care ... what do we want it to look like, what can we afford, how would we staff it?

"We're going to keep working on what we would like to see happen in Winkler and to Salem Home over time so that when the call comes we're ready to present what we're thinking."

In the meantime, this year's big project at Salem is a major overhaul to its front entrance to make it more accessible.

That reno is being funded by local business donations, but if you'd like to learn how you can support other Salem Home projects or programs, check them out online at salemhome.ca.

News or sports tip? E-mail news@winklermordenvoice.ca or call 325-6888

IMPORTANT NOTICE - GOVERNMENT MAIL How to obtain your Manitoba cheque

To prepare for a possible postal service disruption, the Manitoba government has arranged for government cheques and other essential mail to be available for pick-up at the locations listed below. If you currently receive your payments or benefits by direct deposit, you will not be affected by a postal disruption.

Cheque pick-up information

All offices are open Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Please call **1-866-626-4862** or visit **Manitoba.ca** before going to pick up your cheque and you will be provided with a number to call to ensure your cheque is ready.

Please bring proper identification with you when you pick up your cheque. If you are not sure which location has your cheque, please call 1-866-626-4862 or visit Manitoba.ca.

A. Outside Winnipeg

 Cheques available at locations outside Winnipeg: Trade Vendor/Landlord • Provincial Superannuation DFA Refunds • Manitoba Housing • Employee Paycheques/ Pay Advices Health (ex: Pharmacare, travel subsidy, out-of-province medical claims, insured benefits, doctor payments) Prenatal Benefit cheque pickup/application drop off Note: For Employment and Income Assistance cheques, please see section D below. Payments to the following programs can also be dropped off at these locations: Provincial Taxation, Manitoba housing, Provincial Fines, Maintenance Enforcement (MEP). 	Ashern Manitoba Infrastructure 43 Railway Avenue Beausejour Manitoba Families Beausejour Provincial Building 20 – 1st Street S. Brandon Manitoba Finance Brandon Provincial Building 340 – 9th Street Carman Manitoba Agriculture Carman GO Office 65 – 3rd Avenue N.E.	Carberry Manitoba Agriculture Carberry GO Centre Hwy #5, North of Hwy #1 Churchill Manitoba Families 31 Hudson Square Dauphin Manitoba Families Dauphin Provincial Building 27 – 2nd Avenue S.W. Flin Flon Manitoba Families Provincial Building 102-143 Main Street	Gimli Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations 2nd Floor, 62 – 2nd Avenue Killarney Manitoba Families 203 South Railway Street E. Lac du Bonnet Manitoba Sustainable Development 4 - Hwy #502 Minnedosa Manitoba Agriculture Minnedosa GO Office 36 Armitage Avenue	Morden Manitoba Families 290 North Railway Street Manitoba Agriculture 229 Main Street S. Neepawa Manitoba Sustainable Development 123 Main Street Portage Ia Prairie Manitoba Finance Portage Provincial Building 25 Tupper Street N. Russell Manitoba Education and Training 402 Main Street N.	Selkirk Manitoba Families Selkirk Provincial Bldg. 101-446 Main Street Souris Manitoba Learning and Resource Centre 130 – 1st Avenue W. Steinbach Manitoba Families 316 – 323 Main Street Swan River Manitoba Families Provincial Building 201 – Fourth Street S. The Pas Manitoba Families 79 – 3rd Street W.	Thompson Manitoba Families Thompson Provincial 59 Elizabeth Drive Virden Manitoba Agriculture Virden GO Centre 247 Wellington Street W. Winkler Manitoba Education and Training Distance Learning Unit 555 Main Street
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Above: Mayor Martin Harder grabs his lunch at the first of three Food Truck Festival days taking place in Winkler last week. Left: Dayna Jonasson, Karla Lohr, and Marilyn Nelson walked down from Salem to enjoy lunch in the park.

Food Truck Festival kicks off summer in the city

By Ashleigh Viveiros

If there was ever any question as to whether having food trucks in Bethel Heritage Park was a good idea, they've been laid to rest.

Hundreds of people filled the Winkler park last Friday for the first of three Food Truck Festival days planned for the summer. Serving up eats was Spenst Bros., Smokin' Haut, and The Bunker, all of whom had some fair-sized line-ups in front of their booths during the noon hour feeding frenzy.

Winkler Mayor Martin Harder, just before chowing down on his Spenst Bros. pizza lunch, said events like this are what the park was made for.

"I am more than pleased. This is

absolutely awesome," he said. "It's a perfect day—just look at the crowds of people enjoying themselves. This is exactly what this park is intended for."

Workers from many downtown Marily businesses enjoyed their lunches If yo at the park, but the event also drew food to people from all across the city eager 15 and to take advantage of the fast eats and 1 p.m. wonderful weather.

"It's a pretty great idea," said Dayna Jonasson, who walked down from Salem Home for lunch.

"We'll be back," added co-worker Marilyn Nelson.

If you missed out on the fun, the food trucks will return on Friday, July 15 and Friday, Aug. 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE Luc Ens, Malachi Klassen, and Reese Hamm enjoyed a game of chess in the park during the first Food Truck Festival last week.

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conditions are "also a big risk factor when we have extreme weather events.

"You can think about things like drought ... not having the available water in the soil for long periods of time really elevates our risk of drought developing," she said.

"And on the other end of things, when we have soils that are wet for extended periods of time ... there's not that capacity in the soil to absorb ... that creates risks for saturated soils and that leads to things like increased flood risk or even increased development of diseases that can occur under those really wet conditions.

"So soil moisture is one of those things that's really hard to get a handle on ... it varies so much from one field to the next and from one day to the next ... it's really difficult to really quantify,"said McNairn.

"You never know. Is is going to be

this year ... is it going to be in my region ... and how bad is it going to be? It's really difficult to get a handle on that because it is so variable." McNairn noted the areas around Carman and Elm Creek are beneficial because they are challenging sites in several respects.

"What they're finding out now ... is one of the most challenging landscapes is agriculture and specifically annually cropped land. We speculate it's because we have such variables of vegetation ... different crops," she said. "The Manitoba area, we've got so many different crops. The Carman area also has quite variable soils ... we have some really heavy clay soils that really retain the water. And we have lighter, coarser textured sandy soils.

"So it's a very interesting site here then because of all that, and that's one of the reasons they wanted to come back."

Morden Farmers' Market kicks off summer season

By Lorne Stelmach

It's farmer's market season once again in Morden.

Organized by the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce, the market got its start last Thursday and will run weekly from 4-6:30 p.m. until October.

The 24-vendor market is held in downtown Morden at Stephen and 8th Street.

"We're really happy with what's going to be a full market this year," said chamber executive director Candace Olafson. "That basically fills up the entire space in that area that we have.

"Occasionally, we do have some one-time vendors like during strawberry season ... or corn season," she added.

Olafson suggested the market has grown in recent years with an increased variety of food and other products for sale each week.

"We're going to have a really great variety of products again this year," she said.

Fruits and vegetables, of course, are

the mainstay of the market. Another popular item is the baked goods, with vendors offering more than just the traditional breads, buns, and pies.

"We've got gluten-free options as well," noted Olafson."I think our vendors do a really good job of providing a really great variety ... not just your typical products."

There are also other vendors that sell homemade bath, beauty, and natural cleaning products.

"There's also someone who's making jewelry that's coming as well, so that's going to be a cool addition," said Olafson.

Honey vendor is popular as well, and people can also can get fresh cuts of meat from local producers.

"We've got grass-fed beef and there's also pork ... lots of different meat products that are produced locally," said Olafson, noting the meat options makes the Morden market really stand out. "I think that's something you normally don't associate with a farmers market."

She said a big part of the appeal of the farmer's market is that it provides



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Morden Farmers' Market kicked off its season last week with fresh strawberries and other produce, homemade baking, local meat, and more. The market runs Thursdays in downtown Morden.

a chance for people to buy local.

"The vendors primarily are local, but we do extend out a little further in the Pembina Valley," she said.

"People really do care where their food comes from. We see more and more people purchasing their food at farmers' markets ... or looking for gluten free or organic options.

"We see that trend ... and people support the farmers market for those reasons."

"I think it's also just the atmosphere of the farmers market," Olafson said. "You're sure to run into neighbours or friends. "It's just a great place to come and do your shopping ... we always encourage people when they're downtown to check out some of the local retailers as well and make a bit of a shopping evening."

Darlingford hosts war memorial service Sun.

By Lorne Stelmach

The Darlingford war memorial park continues to be an important part of the small community west of Morden.

Filling a corner near the equally historic old school, the memorial is believed to be the only free-standing memorial building of its kind in Manitoba that honours the war dead.

"It's very unique," said Glen Rasmussen, who is a member of the six person committee that oversees the park, where the annual memorial service will be held this Sunday at 11 a.m.

"And the fact this year is our 95th annual service is special. We've never missed a service right from the day it opened July 5, 1921."

The annual service honours local residents who gave their lives in service to our country.

This year's guest speaker is will

be Harvey Kinsman, who grew up in the Darlingford area and has been a member of the committee.

Following the service, lunch will be served at the Darlingford School Museum with donations going to the museum.

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Linda Menzies invites Tim Wiebe and Eric Olfert to join her team of Health Care Professionals at MMTC! Both Registered Massage Therapists bring extensive knowledge in an orthopedic approach to soft tissue treatments and injury rehab. Together they bring a background in Myofascial Integration, Rib Mobilization, Palliative Care, Pregnancy Massage, Hot Stone Therapy, Pre/Post Sports treatment, and Hydrotherapy,

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Grandeur thanks the community

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Grandeur Housing celebrated four decades in business last weekend by thanking the community that made it all possible.

The modular building company invited Winklerites to their Pembina Ave. factory Saturday to enjoy a free barbecue lunch and tours of the facility.

"This day is for the community," said CEO John Froese, who noted they had hosted a huge company picnic the night before for current and past employees.

Honouring the men and women who helped build the company up over the decades was an important part of that event, he said, but so too is making sure that the community at large knows the important role it has played in Grandeur's success.

"Grandeur is part of Winkler," Froese stressed. "Winkler is a beautiful community [that has] served us well. I hope we have served them as well during the 40 years we have been here.

"We need to give back to the community. And we love doing that for the people and for the employees, as well."

Froese has been with Grandeur for 38 years as of this summer. In that time he's seen it grow by leaps and bounds.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Grandeur Housing CEO John Froese (far right) serves up some free hot dogs and french fries at the modular building company's 40th anniversary celebration and open house on Saturday.

"At the beginning we did not dream of growing to this size ... right now we have about eight times the people, probably closer to nine times the people that we did when we started," he said.

Today the company has over 300 staff on the

400,000 square feet in 2015 alone.

Much of Grandeur's growth has happened in the last 15 years or so as it began building larger and more varied modular projects all across Canada.

Meeting market demand is one reason the payroll, working together to build upwards of company has found such success, but Fro-

ese also attributes it to Grandeur's founding values.

"We've always prided ourselves on quality. Quality first," he said. "It is quality and value for your money. Those two go hand in hand for us at Grandeur."

If Froese could go back in time and offer some advice to his younger self, it would be simply not to worry so much.

"And to keep the faith that the people that you hire, as long as you hire good people with the right attitude, that it will happen and it will carry through," he said. "Just hang in there, go for the long-term, and make it work."



PHOTO BY **ASHLEIGH VI-VEIROS/VOICE**

"It's always been very strongly supported"

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The service includes local school children who place flowers on two crosses in honour of those who never made it home. Some of the children now participating are the fourth and fifth generation of their families to do so.

Two black marble plaques inside the memorial list the names of the

men who served and died in the First and Second World Wars

Work on the Darlingford Memorial Park was started in 1920 and spearheaded by Ferris Boulton, a local farmer and politician.

"Mr. Boulton donated the land for the park ... and it was his idea to have the 'Lest We Forget' in the stonework in front," said Rasmussen.

"It is located by the school, so his

thought was the school kids would walk past that every day to and from school ... it would sort of get etched in their minds.

"And he lost three sons in the First World War, so he was sort of the driving force behind the development of the park.

In 1992, the Province of Manitoba designated the memorial park as a provincial heritage site.

Rasmussen said it has remained important to the community.

"It always has been. It's a very small community, but there was a large number of people who signed up for the First World War," he said.

"It's been important to the community because there are so many families involved ... it's always been very strongly supported by the community."

Dancing Gabe to share his story in Winkler July 11

By Lorne Stelmach

Anyone who has attended major sporting events in Winnipeg knows Gabriel Langlois.

Dancing Gabe, as he has come to be known, can always be seen rocking, high-fiving and cheering on the home teams.

It's difficult to imagine how as a child he never liked noise and would put his hands over his ears to block out sounds.

Born in 1963 and diagnosed with autism at age three, Langlois' journey has inspired many others, and a local support group is bringing him to the Pembina Valley to share his story.

"He is full of energy and so full of life. He is amazing," said Dianne Munro of the South Central ASD support group, which is hosting Langlois and author Daniel Perron in Winkler on July 11.

"He's autistic ... but he shows you can do anything," said Munro, who believes Langlois will inspire local kids and families living with autism. "We're just bringing him out ... to stoke up the kids and have some fun with the kids.

"He has a very inspiring message ... that's one of the reasons we wanted to bring him out here.

Langlois was institutionalized at age six and non-verbal until he was ten. He moved back home at 11, graduated from high school seven years later, and eventually became one of the most recognized and adored figures at Winnipeg sporting events.

His story could have been different were it not for those who helped him along the way.

In *One Step at a Time*, Perron takes readers on a 52 year journey, up-close and personal with Langlois, his mother, family, friends, medical professionals, foster parents and media and sports figures who influenced his life.

Langlois making his mark on the world despite his disability is a certainly an inspiration to people like Munro, whose own daughter is autistic.

"When we started this whole thing, she was non-verbal," she said of the support group."My daughter is talking to-



SUBMITTED PHOTO Winnipeg's Dancing Gabe will be sharing his story of overcoming the challenges of life with autism at a special event in Winkler July 11. day."

Langlois and Perron's visit to our area will take place at Valley Bowling Lanes. It's targeted at families who have special needs children, but anyone is welcome to attend.

Tickets are \$10 per person and are available at the Access Event Centre in Morden.

The event will include a presentation at 6 p.m. followed by bowling until 9 p.m.

Munro said their support group is aiming to help bring more awareness and more events like this to the region in the future.

"There's lot of things we're trying to bring to the area to try to help our children."



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Left: 7-Eleven Winkler workers boogied at the store's grand opening celebrations on Saturday. Above, from left: 7-Eleven field consultant Bob Fournier, marketing manager Paula Araya-Alvarez, and store manager Wesley Wiebe inside the convenience store, which offers a full range of products.

Slurpee capital of the world.

"You guys are holding your own," she laughed. "Winkler likes their Slurpees."

That said, Araya-Alvarez also stressed that 7-Eleven offers so much more.

"We have fried chicken, which we've never in the past in a lot of 7-Elevens. Also, we've got our comprehensive fresh food offerings ... we have salads, we have fresh sandwiches ... we've got Slurpees, we've got fountain [drinks], we've got great tasting coffee at a great price.

"Really, we have everything that

somebody could need to pick up a few things, in and out, and that's what we're known for."

If you missed the grand opening, you have another chance to help 7-Eleven celebrate on July 11, which marks the company's 47th year in Canada.

"On 7-11, our birthday, July 11, we want to invite everybody," said Araya-Alvarez."From the hours of 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. we're going to be giving away free Slurpees, about 1,500 per store. So come out and join us, come out and celebrate our birthday with us."

Winkler's 7-Eleven off to a fine start

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's first 7-Eleven store held a get-to-know-you celebration last weekend.

The store, located just off Hwy. 14 beside the Days Inn, had free samples, face painting, cake, and a live band as part of its grand opening festivities on June 25.

"We felt that it was important, especially during the summer months,

to have an event. A come meet your new neighbour, which is 7-Eleven," said Paula Araya-Alvarez, 7-Eleven's regional marketing manager."

The convenience store/gas station opened its doors back in December to great community response.

"We're getting a lot of positive feedback, so we're very excited about that," said Araya-Alvarez, who added that Winkler is certainly doing its part to help Manitoba retain its title as

Lighthouse Church hosting bake sale at Co-op

By Ashleigh Viveiros

One of Winkler's newest faith communities is hosting a bake sale at the Winkler Co-op next week to raise funds for a new home.

The Lighthouse Church, which currently gathers for worship services at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall, will be setting up shop at the grocery story on Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

They'll be offering a variety of homemade baked goods (including gluten-free and vegan options) as well as beverages by donation and door prizes, says organizer Angie Warenko.

"We'll really have something for everybody there," she says.

Lighthouse has been operating in

Winkler for about five years now, starting out as a home church but quickly growing into the 250-person congregation it is today.

They've met at a variety of temporary locations around town over the years and feel now's the time to find a more permanent home to grow in.

"It's moving from being a big little church to a little big church," says Pastor Tony Froese, who notes they're not sure if they want to build new or renovate an existing space."We're in the process of looking ... and we feel as though we need to start putting away for it now."

Lighthouse hopes to raise upwards of \$500,000 towards its new home, hopefully by next year. Other fundraising events will be announced on the church's Facebook page in the months to come.

Froese says the church is made up of quite a varied group of Christians coming together from

many different paths.

"What we feel what we brought to the community that is different ... is a true interdenominational or nondenominational, eclectic church," he says, stressing that they all agree on "the big stuff" related to the faith, but strive to remain more open when it comes to minor matters of worship.

Their goal is to create a safe space for people who have perhaps struggled to find a home in more traditional church communities, Froese says.

"Our generation, we have to be able

to ask questions, and the church needs to create room for that and not freak out when kids are asking questions," he says. "We're bringing something a bit fresh, a new perspective to the community," Froese says. "Our church mission

statement is simply love God, love people, change the world. If we're doing those things we feel we're doing what Jesus would ask us to do."

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Cadenza invites you to free noon hour concerts

Summer music week faculty to perform daily at Winkler concert hall

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The students at the fourth annual Cadenza Summer Music Week will be learning from the best next week.

Cadenza takes over Emerado Centennial School July 4-8, giving strings and piano students the chance to spend a week in musical camaraderie, learning from professionals from across the nation.

A welcome addition to the faculty this year is violinist Jennifer Johnson of the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra.

Johnson, author of *What Every Violinist Needs to Know About the Body*, will be teaching the students about body mapping, says program director Rochelle Drudge.

"It's basically learning how to play healthfully. Learning how to play in ways that are not going to injure your body, or how to recover from injury," she says. "She'll be teaching body mapping to students throughout the week, both in groups and one on one."

Rounding out the rest of the week will be sessions on different composers and skills such as improvising and composing.

The goals of Cadenza, says Drudge, are simply to give students a place to make music together and an opportunity to be inspired by a variety of different teachers with an array of styles

and backgrounds.

Ninety-five students have signed up for the week this year—up considerably from last summer's session.

The program, which is run by the Douglas Kuhl School of Music, wouldn't be possible without generous support from the community, stresses Drudge.

Last week organizers gathered at Bethel Heritage Park to say thanks to the City of Winkler and WBS Construction for their financial support. Drudge adds that the Kuhl family of Southern Potato, Triple E, and the Kuhl Foundation are also major sponsors.

FREE NOON CONCERTS

While the nuts and bolts of the learning will take place at ECS next week, Cadenza will also take over the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall from 12:30-1 p.m. each day for performances featuring the program's faculty, student teachers, and advanced students.

The lengthy list of talented performers includes Johnson, cellist Natalie Dawe, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra violist Michael Scholz, pianist Leanne Regehr, violinist Elizabeth Lupton, and cellist Karin Erhardt.

"I don't think the students locally here have a lot of chances to see their



SUBMITTED PHOTO BY HANNAH DRUDGE

The Cadenza Summer Music Week sent out a big thank-you to the City of Winkler and WBS Construction last week for their ongoing financial support of the program.

teachers and advanced students perform," says Drudge. "It is quite valuable to be able to just listen and watch and absorb."

The concerts will feature a few pieces from a different classical composer each day, as well as selections from a variety of other genres of music.

"We'll also have some pop music in there, there's a snare drum solo, some Tango ... we're trying to mix it up with different styles, and contemporary styles, too," says Drudge. The students learn a lot from watching their teachers perform, but the shows aren't just for them.

"The public is very welcome to join us," Drudge says, noting it's a great opportunity to get to see high-level musicians perform. "We try to have a very relaxed environment ... it's about sharing music with each other.

For more on Cadenza, check them out online at cadenzasummermusicweek.com or stop by the concert hall during the noon hour next week.

Concerts in the Park start up next Thurs.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Bethel Heritage Park in Winkler is shaping up as the place to be this summer.

In addition to the weekly Monday night theatrical performances being hosted there by Flatlands Theatre Company and Candlewick, the downtown park is also home to the annual Concerts in the Park program.

Concerts in the Park 2016 kicks off

with its first night of music on July 7 and then runs weekly through to Aug. 18.

Each week will feature performances from local musicians from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The Bunker will be also on hand to serve up food (with proceeds going to their ministry, except on July 28, which is earmarked for the Winkler United Way) and there will be inflatables and games for the kids.

"This is our third or fourth year do-

ing this and it's really been growing every year, definitely," said community events planner Deb Penner. "I remember the first year being maybe 50 people kind of scattered about, but that's really, really increased. We're averaging maybe 300 people a night now. It's been a really good response."

Opening the summer's lineup next week is Ed Wayne and the North Border Band.

They're followed by magician Ryan

Price on July 14, Uncle Jake's Country Band July 21, Ravae McDonald, Link, and Steve July 28, Mika Dawn and Cloudcroft Aug. 4, Bowen Wiebe Aug. 11, and The Pylons Aug. 18.

"We've have some that we haven't had before, which is really one of my goals—to try and give opportunities to new, up and coming performers, so I'm excited about that," Penner said.

For more information, go to the events page at www.winkler.ca.

Manitoba's Passion Play starts this weekend

By Lorne Stelmach

Curtis Shupenia is again stepping into the role of the apostle John for the annual Manitoba Passion Play production.

It is a familiar one for the Winnipeg resident who has played that part for all but one of his 10 years in the play performed in the scenic Oak Valley setting near La Riviere.

In fact, it has come to play an important role for him in his own journey. "My own personal faith life has increased just because of the reflection I have to go into being a part of this production. The scripture becomes more alive to me because of this experience," Shupenia said as he prepared for the opening weekend of the 17th year of the Passion Play.

The production that brings alive the life of Jesus Christ begins with performances July 2-3 at 6:30 p.m. and continues July 8-10 at 7:30 p.m.

It was artistic director Belita Sand-

VOICE FILE PHOTO

Manitoba's Passion Play begins its run at Oak Valley near La Riviere this weekend with shows July 2-3 and July 8-10.

ers who, while they were watching a video of the play, suggested she wanted Shupenia to play John.

He has only played one other character the one year when he was not going to be in the production but had to step in last minute to replace the person playing Nicodemus.

The role not only seems to suit him fine, but has had an impact on him.

"I guess in a way I like it because John himself was considered the disciple with a heart most like Jesus," he suggested.

"It's caused me to really reflect on that and really think about the humility that John must have had. It's something that has touched me ... every year I kind of grow more deeply into the role."

The cast and crew started rehearsals for the show in early May.

"It's a good two months of weekends," said Shupenia, noting he doesn't mind the weekly commute at all.

"You see the crops growing from one weekend to the next," he said, adding, "there have been times we would have snow on the ground for rehearsal and then get sunburn in the afternoon.

"Honestly, even just the drive out for every rehearsal and for the shows ... the drive out is really nice. I enjoy it ... for me, it's getting away from the city. I look forward to it."

He suggested the quality of the production and the appeal is also rooted in the dedication of everyone involved.

"I think the fact that we are all volunteers makes a difference ... because we're coming out there for a reason other than making a buck," he said.

"It's an awesome group of people. We come from different walks of life and different Christian backgrounds, but we come together with a common goal here, a common purpose," he added.

"There's something about that ... it's really nice. That makes a difference. It's from the heart."

In the end, Shupenia's simply hopes to see the production have an impact on people in some way.

"I believe that is has a positive effect, life changing effect on some people ... whether I see that or not," he said. "My hope is simply that it speaks to their hearts.

"Many people are probably at a place in their life that they're a little bit lost ... hopefully this will give them some direction ... even those who perhaps have a strong faith that this will somehow increase that faith for them ... be that shot in the arm. Sometimes, we need that shot in the arm."

Tickets can be purchased by calling 1-888-264-2038 or online at www.pas-sionplay.ca.

This year, Winkler Christian band The Color will do a pre-show concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 3.

The following Sunday, July 10, Archbishop of the Diocese of Winnipeg Richard Gagnon will be the celebrant for an outdoor mass also at 4 p.m.

'The heart and soul of what I do is on stage'

By Lorne Stelmach

One description of Ben Caplan pegged the singer songwriter as rugged, raspy, and roaring with charisma. Another offered that his music was infused with melodrama and powerful lyricism.

Those who saw him last year with his group The Casual Smokers performing to a full house at CK's Lounge will testify to all that coming through on the stage.

"For me, the heart and soul of what I do is on stage," Caplan said recently in advance of his July 7 appearance at the Kenmor Theatre in Morden. "The real magic happens in that moment that can't be captured. It's ephemeral."

Music may have began more as a hobby for the east coast resident, but

he started to take it more seriously around 11 years ago.

On the strength of his debut album, In The Time of the Great Remembering, Caplan won numerous Canadian awards including Nova Scotia's 2012 Entertainer of the Year and the East Coast Music Award for Rising Star Recording of the Year for 2013.

Either solo or backed by The Casual Smokers, Caplan has captured the attention of music fans and media and has played everything from club shows to major festivals, including Glastonbury in 2013.

His music is as diverse as those who inspired him early on, with Caplan saying he initially was drawn to performers like Ray Charles.

"When I was 13, I really started getting into Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell kind of stuff," he said. "There was just something about the universality of the music," he said of Dylan. "It was sort of closer to mythology than to songwriting."

With Joni Mitchell, Chaplan suggested there was "very often a deeply personal thing going on with the songs."

Later on his listening interests began to delve greatly into different styles like klezmer, gypsy folk music, and even Balkan brass bands.

"I think there's something about that kind of music where there's a kind of joy within sadness or sadness within joy," said Caplan.

"I find that really moving in some of those Eastern European folk musics ... something that's had a profound influence on my writing and composi-



SUBMITTED PHOTO Ben Caplan performs at the Kenmor Theatre in Morden on July 7.

Grand opening bash at Fehrway





PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Fehrway Feeds & Livestock Equipment hosted a huge grand opening celebration on Saturday to introduce the community to its new, much larger home at 415 1st St. in Winkler, just down the road from its old location. The day, which also served as the company's 20th anniversary celebration, included a free barbecue lunch, grand opening specials, a prize auction, and tours of the new facility.

Corn & Apple fills out main stage schedule

By Lorne Stelmach

Landing a gig at the Morden Corn and Apple Festival can be a big deal for an artist.

Which is why when the entertainment committee went looking to round out the schedule for the 50th anniversary this summer, there was no shortage of acts applying for spots.

"There was no tapping on shoulders saying, 'Hey, would you fill this spot?' ... there was a competitive process," Darren Klassen said as more acts were announced for the Aug. 26-28 festival weekend.

"There were definitely more people wanting to perform than we have spaces to perform. That's always nice because it's an honour for them to perform, just like it's an honour for us to have them come."

Klassen said the entertainment committee "decided to go with a few more local acts to give them the opportunity to play the main stage."

It very much fits in with what he aims to do with Dead Horse Entertainment to introduce people to different acts that they likely haven't heard before.

"I'm always trying to find new stuff," said Klassen.

The main stage entertainment for the festival will feature headliners the Hunter Brothers and Chad Brownlee on Friday and Past the Perimeter, Snake Oil and the Trews on Saturday. The remainder of the main stage line-up includes:

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• Katie MacDonald: a Brandon singer and songwriter with a unique sound and soulful voice. She has performed at the Winnipeg Folk Festival with the young performers program, opened for Juno Award winner Sierra Noble, and performed at many festivals around Manitoba.

• Steve Keys: offers country medleys towing the line between soulful, more traditional storytelling and more post-modern and disjointed narratives. His self-produced album *And Then I Woke Up* is steeped in the influence of The Band and countryera Bob Dylan.

• The Middle Coast: Dylan, Roman, and Liam of The Middle Coast are great friends and musicians with chemistry. Gearing up for the release of their debut record, they offer catchy songs with classic melodies, thick harmonies and grooves and a well-crafted show with energy that showcases their musicianship.

SATURDAY

• The Psychics: made up of songwriting duo Paige Drobot of Morden and Cody Rey Valentonis of Lac Du Bonnet joined by drummer Kerrigan Salnikowski. They aim to push the boundaries of the pop song by fusing it with many genres and experimenting with progressive long form. They also offer theatrical storytelling while often improvising.

• Ed Wayne: a singer and songwriter and country artist. His style of music could be called Americana, folk or outlaw music with songs of love, heartache, faith and the struggles of life. He has been singing songs with The North Border Band for eight years.

Caplan takes Kenmor stage July 7

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tions."

He sees his music now as being equally diverse.

"My music is definitely a blend of a lot of different things.

"It's singer songwriter mixed with folk music around the world. It's got an urgency and energy to it, but at the same time I think maintaining a sort of plaintive honesty."

As for what he sings about, Caplan suggested "perhaps in broad terms

you could say I'm interested in thinking about the human condition.

"I'm interested in thinking about what it means to be a person ... thinking about what it means to be alive in the year 2016," he said, though he isn't averse to a simple love song either." I can be playing to those big themes and very small themes as well. I think it's all fair game to me."

The Kenmor show begins at 7:30 p.m on July 7. Opening the Dead Horse Entertainment concert will be local artist Derek Helps. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$15 for students in advance or \$25 at the door. Tickets are available online through Dead Horse Entertainment or at Computer Remedies.

"I'm hoping people have a beautiful night," said Caplan. "Every show is a little bit different. I try my best to be as fully present and engaged in every show. Typically, people walk away having had an experience, something they will remember."

Eden Fdn. Visit the Villages Tractor Trek returns July 9

By Lorne Stelmach

The Visit the Villages Tractor Trek is gearing up for the ninth year of raising awareness and funds for the Eden Foundation.

"It's a signature event for our foundation," organizer Earl Reimer said of the July 9 event, which will raise funds in support of mental health recovery programs for people in the Southern Health region.

"It is a fundamental fundraising event for us, and our hope is that we might raise somewhere in the neighbourhood of about \$70,000 this year," he said, noting the trek brought in \$67,000 last year.

"We really appreciate the engagement that the drivers as well as supporters give to the Eden organization through this. We're very grateful for that."

The Visit the Villages Tractor Trek was the idea of board member Armin Enns, who Reimer called "a participant and a dreamer and a creator and motivator ... he dreamt this thing up nine years ago.

"It grew from a few tractors. The dream was 40 tractors ... 40 years old ... going 40 kilometres together," said Reimer, noting Enns saw something



similar done elsewhere and thought it would work well here.

Reimer suggested anyone who has participated in this event before will know about the fun and camaraderie. The 2016 Visit the Villages Tractor Trek begins Saturday, July 9 at the Reinland Community Centre and

ends up in Altona. Each participant is asked to pay a \$100 registration fee and to raise at least \$500 in pledges for Eden. "We're looking to raise funds to do a

number of things," Reimer noted.

That includes supporting their programs like Recovery of Hope counselling, Segue Career Options, and Pathway Community Mental Health, in addition to providing funds for an aquasize program in Winkler, library materials for the Steinbach Eden offices, artwork for locations such as the Eden Mental Health Centre, renovations at Enns Courts in Winkler, and more.

"We serve the entire Southern Health region, which encompasses an area from Crystal City all the way through to the Ontario boundary," Reimer said of Eden's many programs. "We serve a very large area, and we have resources located in a number of different places."

If you'd like to take part in this year's Tractor Trek, contact Eden at 204-325-5355 or register online at edenhealthcare.ca.



Jack Edgar worked the grill outside while Courtney Davison shuttled the hamburgers and hot dogs inside for a Father's Day barbecue Thursday at the Morden 55 Plus Activity Centre. The luncheon inside had a good crowd on hand. The centre's annual meeting took place afterwards.

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Swing for Safety July 8

By Lorne Stelmach

The Swing for Safety golf tournament will once again be raising funds for the South Central Committee on Family Violence (Genesis House).

The women's shelter is hosting the 13th annual golf tournament at the Miami Golf Course Friday, July 8.

Executive director Angela Braun said the tournament has certainly grown into a solid fundraiser for them over the years, bringing in \$4,800 in 2015.

She said they usually hold it at the Miami course because it has been very supportive and seems to be a good fit for the event.

"It is a small course ... the number of golfers we can get out and the size of our agency is a super good match," said Braun. "Because our service area is so large, we also try to spread our events around a little bit ... to try to create a bit more awareness within some of those outlying communities. "It is a beautiful course as well," she added. "For people who are avid golfers, I think it's a fun course ... and almost always we sell out both with golfers as well as the sponsorships."

Braun said the range of fundraisers held each year are vital to the organization. They help ensure access to a number of family programs while also raising community awareness.

"It helps us get some of the extras," she explained. "The province provides for the basics. If we want to do any more outreach or different types of programming that we recognize the need for, we have to figure out where those resources are going to come from.

"The community is awesome in supporting us through these events."

The tournament has a 2 p.m. shotgun start and wraps up with dinner.

A registration fee of \$60 includes nine holes, supper, a \$20 charitable donation receipt, and the chance to win prizes.

To register or learn more about the event, call 204-325-9957.



By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Storm earned their second win of the season under rainy skies last weekend.

Winkler swept Brandon Inspire FC 2-0 in front of a hometown crowd last Sunday afternoon.

Christian Hoffman and Nico Nickel scored for the Storm, while goalkeeper Alwin Rode turned away everything sent his way in net.

The win bolsters the Storm's record to 2-2-3 for nine points, putting them in sixth place in Manitoba Major Soccer League's Division 1.

Next up for the Storm is a home game this Sunday at 7 p.m. against the Waverley Mitsubishi FC. They then play at Waverley July 8.

In the Winnipeg Womens Soccer League, meanwhile, the South Central Hurricanes hosted the Titans Monday night and lost 2-1.

The team struggled to focus on the match at hand after goalie Sarah Derksen was injured in a collision in front of the net, says coach Jen Martens.

Derksen was taken to hospital on a spinal board but thankfully was diagnosed with just a bad sprain.

The 'Canes currently sit in seventh place with a 2-5-1 record.

Next Monday they host CSSE Impact at 7:30 p.m.



Brandon's James Dewdney can't stop the Storm's Gorah Kucar in Sunday's Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 1 game in Winkler. The Storm went on to blank Brandon 2-0.

Orioles to host Canada Day doubleheader

By Lorne Stelmach

A couple big innings helped the Pembina Valley Orioles end their losing streak while extending the Altona Bisons' winless run in the MJBL.

The Orioles cracked open a game that was tied 2-2 after five innings with four runs in the sixth and three more in the seventh for the 9-2 win in Altona last Monday.

Ty Enns threw a complete game no hitter for Pembina Valley. He had eight strikes-outs while issuing three walks and allowing one Bison on base by being hit by a pitch.

Nick Friesen went two for four at the plate, while Taylor Drobot went two for five including a double as the Orioles connected for seven hits while giving up two errors. Tyler Penner scored three runs while contributing a hit.

The win boosted the Orioles' record to 5-8, which left them in seventh place in the league. They're ahead of the Bisons with a few games in hand, but are way back of the top three teams: the Brandon Marlins in first, Elmwood Giants in second, and Winnipeg South in third. The Orioles have generated decent offence so far, ranking fifth in the league in runs scored at 84. The weakness has been on defence, where they rank seventh with 105 runs against for an average of about eight against per game.

The team had their June 22 home game with the St. Boniface Legionaires postponed.

They were slated to host Altona this Wednesday in another make-up game.

On Friday they host the Elmwood Giants for a Canada Day doubleheader starting a 1 p.m..



Winkler, Morden teams win championship gold

Over 300 youth soccer players took over fields in Winkler and Morden last weekend for the U12 and U15 Pembina Valley Soccer League championships.

After a 10 game regular season, first ranked Winkler Wild White won the gold medal by defeating third ranked U15 Morden Green 2-1 in the final match. The Notre Dame Reds won the bronze medal by defeating Winkler Wild Orange 5-3. In the U12 division, the Morden Silver, who had been undefeated in 11 regular season games, faced the Winkler Wild coached by Werner Dyck in the championship final. Morden went home victorious after a see-saw game that ended 4-3 in their favour.

In the U12 bronze medal match, two other Winkler Wild teams (those coached by Wes Hamm and Chad Bergen) faced each other, with Hamm's team coming out ahead 6-1.

Teams from Winker, Morden, Carman, and Elm Creek took to the local soccer fields last weekend for the Pembina Valley Soccer League championships. Winkler won the U15 title while Morden took the U12. PHOTO BY ASHLEICH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler Whips battling Pilots for first place

By Lorne Stelmach

The battle for first place is going right down to the wire in the Border West Baseball League.

The 11-4 Winkler Whips were holding a slim lead on the 10-4 Pilot Mound Pilots after splitting a pair of games over the weekend.

A 12-2 loss Sunday to Baldur also allowed the Regals to remain two games back at 8-5 alongside the Mor-

den Mohawks.

Earlier on Friday, the Whips had a seventh inning rally to beat the Cartwright Twins 9-6.

With one out in the top half and runners on second and third, Chris Dymond rocked a two-run double to drive the three run inning.

Marv Quiring pitched five solid innings before Abe Friesen came on in the sixth and got the final six outs. Meanwhile, the Mohawks kept in the running with a 6-1 win over the Killarney Lakers last Tuesday.

The Mohawks took the lead early with a run in the bottom of the first inning then padded the lead with five more in the bottom of the fifth. The Lakers broke the shutout with their lone run in the top of the sixth.

Sam Kalinowski pitched a complete game for his second win of the sea-

son.

This week, the Whips hosted the Mohawks Tuesday in the only game of the week for both teams.

Winkler closes out their regular season July 5 in Clearwater. Morden wraps up their schedule with a three game homestand, welcoming Pilot Mound July 5, Baldur July 8, and Pilot Mound July 12.

Schedule set for Flyers

Fall may still seem like a long ways off, but the Winkler Flyers are already firming up their 2016-2017 season.

The junior hockey club announced its 60 game regular season schedule last week.

They will kick off the season Friday, Sept. 23 in Neepawa and then host the Natives the next night in Winkler.

The rest of the season will include an even split of 29 home games and 29 away games, with two games played at the MJHL Showcase in Winnipeg Dec. 13-14.

Winkler has high hopes for the upcoming season, which comes on the heels of the club's best run in years they finished the 2015-2016 season in third with a 41-13-5 record before falling in the championship semi-finals.

For the team's full schedule, go to www.winklerflyers.com.



jam

There was fun fitness to be had at the Morden Park Friday at the free Hula Hoop Jam led by Karrie Blackburn of Kurrent Motion based out of Winnipeg. "I'm sharing how hula hooping is not only simply play ... it's also beneficial in fitness." the Morden native said.

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Agriculture Most crops weathering rainfall well

By Harry Siemens

Manitoba was hit with rain, high winds, and even hail this past week as the cropping season continues.

Crops in some areas are still almost perfect, but some yellowing has been showing up, especially the low lying areas.

Leaf rust, plant diseases, and mold is also setting in, especially in areas that got significant rainfall.

While good to great crops show up in different areas, Jack Siemens at Plum Coulee said farmers should make sure to check each field because things aren't always as they may appear.

Siemens said some fields he's observed show poor stands either from too dry early on or maybe even some frost damage not initially noticed.

Meanwhile, producers in the Killarney area got upwards of four inches of rain in a short period last weekend, but things were still looking good

"We had three inches out of the rain so we are good and wet right now," said Peter Wolfe, who farms in the area."Crops still look very good."

When asked whether this rain would take all the crops though harvest, Wolfe maintains the early crops will have enough, but the later ones might need some rain in July.

Simon Ellis of Wawanesa's Ellis Seeds tweeted that there is the start of rust on wheat leaves.

"Started to see a little bit of disease in some of the leaves in wheat," he said last week. "Very, very minor, but when I rub my fingers across it, and pull the finger away, I can see a little tinge of orange, and that is a good indicator that there is a little bit of leaf rust."

And what can a farmer do with that? "A lot of the varieties these days, Brandon wheat or Carberry, have good disease packages for leaf rust and other diseases. That is your first line of defense, is using a good variety,"said Ellis. "Since we're past seeding and the crop is up and growing and looking good, find a fungicide that will work correctly for your situation and combat leaf rust and apply at the right time.

"I think you have to pick and choose a little bit determining first what diseases will be prevalent in your area, look at your location, see what has come up in the past," he added of picking the right fungicide."Certainly this year fusarium looks like a hot disease ... hopefully with good management and a good selection of chemical and fungicide we can catch a few other flag leaf diseases that would potentially hurt our yield as well." Ellis says the crop looks real good in his trading area.

"We've been pretty fortunate. I know east of us it has been pretty wet and even to the west of us it has been pretty wet. We are in this middle ground where we're getting all the right rains."

Ellis also has some advice regarding marketing and pricing of grain.

"We just have to keep watching our grain prices. If you see a good price that you can make money with, lock that in and book that for the fall or whenever the time frame is.

"Other than that, watch your spray timing, watch your fungicide timing, and keep monitoring for any insects that could be out there."

Ongoing challenges for swine producers

By Harry Siemens

Manitoba continues to look into the cause of the latest cases of PED virus. Three separate hog farms reported the disease a few weeks back, and now the debate rages as to whether the temporary law regarding forcing producers to wash trailers south of the border is to blame.

Dr. Megan Bergman, Manitoba's Chief Veterinary Officer, says they're still looking for the point of infection. "At this time we don't have anything to pippoint the source of the infec

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"THE NUMBER ONE LINE OF DEFENCE IS ENHANCED BIOSECURITY."

tion. This one is a little bit complicated," she says. "As in many cases there are multiple factors that may have contributed to the outbreak and it's sometimes not possible to pinpoint any one source." They know that all three farms have the same strain of the virus, which is also the same strain identified in earlier cases Ontario and in the United

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Sharing my ideas and opinions

BY HARRY SIEMENS

s regular readers of this column know, I like to write about farmers and what and how they do things, their production techniques, how they got their start, and where they think they're going with their farm.

It really doesn't matter whether that farm is a dairy, hog farm, or grain and special crops farm—they all contribute in one way or another to help feed us and the billions around the world.

The size of that farm doesn't much matter to me either, as you can see by the articles of the quarter section mixed farmer from Argyle, or the 29-year-old dairy farmer from Landmark, or the 7,000 acre farmer from anywhere in Canada or the U.S.

I think of the middle-aged farmer I met who used to be part of a much larger corporate family farm raising hogs, grain and special crops.

He recently split from that corporate farm, ending up with about 1,200 acres. Downsizing—and not worrying about buying that new tractor as often as possible, affordable or not—makes for a much more relaxing and enjoyable farming experience, he says.

"Today I'm more concerned whether that tractor will start or not, instead worrying about whether it is new or not, or the right colour."

And for those of my readers who wonder when I write about a person and don't use their names, it is out of respect and sometimes even concern about helping to avoid repercussions for sharing with me openly and honestly.

Through my efforts on social media, namely Twitter and LinkedIn with a combined following of over 12,000 people, I'm able to get unique story ideas and people to interview. Some people may think I cater to

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States.

"But it will take us some time to get through all of the detail of our epidemiological investigation," Bergman says."So it may take several weeks or months for us to be able to come up with a report of what we think may have happened."

In the meantime, the province's main focus is to contain and eradicate the outbreak.

"The CVO office works really closely with the affected producers, their private veterinarians as well as industry stakeholders to evaluate all movements on and off of affected farms," Bergman says. "That way we can try to identify what the potential source of that virus may have been onto that farm but also prevent any movement of the virus off the farm or detect rapidly if there has been some transmission to other sites. "Really, the number one line of defense is enhanced biosecurity, so all of the producers in the area have been notified of the affected farms and are enhancing their biosecurity on farm." Manitoba Pork general manager Andrew Dickson is among the many

in the industry watching this situation closely. It comes at a time when Manitoba

is finally about to see some new hog barns go up.

Dickson says the industry could well see four or five new swine barn projects in the works by the end of

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special interest groups or one side or the other of some of the bigger issues. I certainly have my biases and opinions, however let me tell you that I read and research all the time, this summer, with possibly five or six more proposals coming forward in 2017.

MP provides the technical assistance to swine producers who are thinking of building a new barn or expanding a hog production facilities under the Pig Production Special Pilot Project Evaluation Protocol introduced in April 2015 under the previous NDP government.

"It's not many but that's on top of some people who have been able to move forward without going through this process because they have per-

whether books and farm papers, people I meet on the street, or simply going to their place of business and/or farm. Colour, creed, or religion does not stop me, nor do ideas that may mits given out some years ago and they're now realizing them and proceeding with construction," Dickson says. "There's a lot of tire kicking going on and I'm hoping that we can go into 2017 with maybe five or six proposals coming forward as well."

He stresses that the biggest problem in western Canada is a shortage of finished pigs processing plants. It's imperative to move forward quickly to get new finishing capacity in place to meet demand.

appear to be off the wall.

In this column I will express my ideas and opinions, but in the articles I write I allow the person interviewed to express his or her opinions.



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A BIT OF HISTORY

Canada was created in 1867 when the British North America Act (now called the 1867 Constitution Act) was signed. At that time, Canada was divided into four provinces: Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The following year, Governor General Monck called on the population to celebrate Canada's birthday, a tradition that has continued for the past 149 years. These annual festivities give us the opportunity to pay tribute to Canada's history, to celebrate the values and symbols that distinguish us (flag, coat of arms, national anthem) and to show our pride in this beautiful country.

Since July 1, 2012, a new activity brings together all Canadians on Canada Day: the Great Canadian Oath. This is a ceremony during which all new Canadian citizens are invited to take the citizenship oath. The first great oath-taking took place on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Since then similar events have been organized in several cities across the country.

TOWARDS THE 150th ANNIVERSARY

Public rejoicing will be at an all-time high in 2017, when Canada celebrates its 150th anniversary. Preparations are already well underway and major celebrations are planned. To learn more about the upcoming festivities - and discover the "Canada 150" logo visit www.canada.pch.gc.ca.

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Canada Day ~ Friday, July 1st, 2016



By Ashleigh Viveiros

Our nation celebrates its 149th birthday next week, and the Winkler-Morden area is ready to party.

Free family entertainment is the name of the game at both cities' Canada Day celebrations.

In Winkler, the festivities take over Bethel Heritage Park downtown.

On the line-up from 3-8 p.m. is musical entertainment from children's performer Mr. Ken, Johnny Cash tribute artist Cold Hard Cash, and cover band Electric Angel.

From 4-8 p.m. a children's carnival will provide a host of games and activities for the kiddies.

And from 5-7 p.m. you can enjoy a \$5 pizza supper courtesy of the Winkler Co-op.

Over in Morden, meanwhile, the July 1st bash is happening at Colert Beach starting at 1 p.m.

The afternoon will include a sand castle contest with prizes from Giant Tiger and Co-op (judging starts at 4 p.m.), a treasure hunt and face painting for the kids from 1-4 p.m., food vendors and market stalls, music from Total Sound, and evening entertainment starting at 8 p.m. from Uncle Jake's Country Band.

Morden will cap off the day with fireworks at dusk.













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• Make it a red and white party. You've heard of a white party — or at the very least, seen one on your favourite TV show, where swanky people in the Hamptons dress up all in white for a fabulous soirée. Put a Canadian spin on the trend by asking your guests to wear only red and white this July 1st — you'll be amazed at how far some might go to creatively embrace our colours.

• It's all in the details. A successful Canada Day barbecue will keep that red and white theme throughout. Decorate using red and white streamers and balloons, create a playlist featuring your favourite old school and contemporary Canadian artists, and use the opportunity to finally display that strange hockey-sweater-wearing moose statue your Aunt Maude gave you for Christmas one year.

• Prepare a Canadian menu. You can't have a Canada Day barbecue without traditional grill fare, but put a national twist on your burgers, hot dogs, and salad ingredients by making sure you buy Canadian beef and local produce. Drinks are easy - serve red and white wine for adults, and cranberry juice and milk for kids. For dessert, stay with the theme by serving Chapman's red and white Canadian Cone or Canadian Vanilla, eh! Ice cream, which you can slice like a cake to reveal a red maple leaf design in the centre. You'll also feel good knowing you're supporting a Canadian family-owned and operated business.

• Make it fun for kids and adults. It's enjoyable for kids and adults to hang out separately some of the time, but plan a couple of activities that you can also enjoy together. One great game that is fun for all ages and easy to put a Canadian spin on is charades — just make it a rule that any people or movies should be Canadian.



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