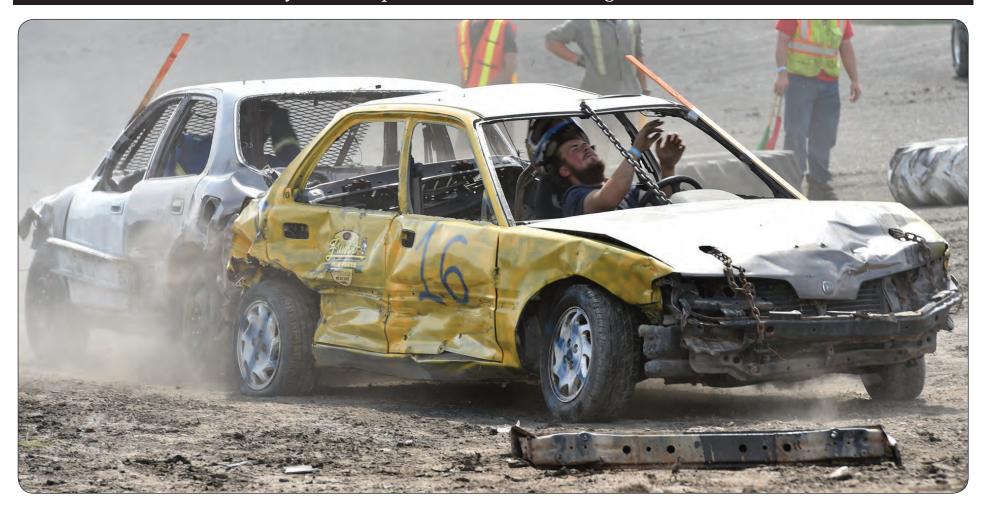


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# High-stakes bumper cars

The ALH Motor Speedway took a break from its weekly races to host a demolition derby on Saturday. The result was some hard-hitting competition, with proceeds going to support Chance 2 Camp. Above: Miami's Josh Jackson (#16) collides with Winnipegger Dean Gagnon (#13). For more photos, see Pg. 15. PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

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### **Communities in Bloom judges visit Morden**

### By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Morden will find out next month how it rates in the annual Communities in Bloom competition.

The program provides municipalities with a comprehensive evaluation aimed at promoting sustainable community development. Judges grade communities on their tidiness, environmental action, heritage conservation, urban forestry, landscaped areas, and floral displays.

The provincial competition can give towns bragging rights, but the real goal is to encourage better practices to foster clean, green sustainable communities, say officials.

"There's always ways to improve," said Shawna Phillips, who was the lead judge touring Morden on July 25.

While not giving anything away, she acknowledged Morden has done really well as a new participant this year.

"Tour day was very good. We saw

many wonderful stops along the way," she said.

Touring Morden along with Phillips, who has belonged to the Killarney Garden Club for 13 years, was Martha Barwinski, who specializes in plant sciences and is a certified arborist currently working as city forester in Winnipeg.

Phillips came away particularly impressed with the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre and Morden's composting program, which she described as "really exceptional."

She also lauded the rain garden at the Access Event Centre, which channels rooftop rainwater runoff toward the garden and provides a small reservoir for parks staff to use for watering.

Phillips suggested communities participating in Communities in Bloom can come away from it having a better appreciation for what is being done in their own backyards.

"Quite often people find that when





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City officials guided the Community in Bloom judges through Morden last week. The city hopes to gain some outsiders' recommendations on how to improve the community on a variety of fronts.

they do give the judges the tour there's things that they never think of or see ... when they put it all together in one day, they can be pretty impressed themselves with their community," she said. "When you live there all the time, you don't notice some of these things."

Clare Agnew, Morden's director of communities services, echoed that sentiment.

"You get this new sense of pride in your community because you recognize what we have," she said, citing the example of how the judges took note of the collection of batteries and pop can tabs for recycling at the Access Event Centre. "To them, that's environmental action ... but to me it's just what we do."

Agnew added that city staff didn't do any special preparations for the judging.

"We did kind of want this to be a reaction based on what we always do," Bloom conference as she said. "We didn't want to plant emony in September.

some extra flowers to get some points ... we wanted to show them what we always do and get their feedback on that.

"I think there may be a misconception that it's just about the flowers," Agnew added, noting the judges also took in such things as the city's new entrance sign and its efforts at urban forestry when it comes to tree planting and protection.

"It's even that we have a parks manager who has his arborist licence," she noted.

Thomas Guenther, Morden's marketing and communications manager, hopes the city will continue with the competition so they can build on the results and feedback year after year.

"It's a natural fit for us ... and it's something that we're excited to continue with," he said.

Morden will find out how it fared at the 19th annual Communities in Bloom conference and awards ceremony in September.



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# Katie's Cottage celebrates one full year of operation

#### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

Katie's Cottage marked its one year anniversary last week with a gift from the Manitoba Government and General Employees Union.

MGEU representatives stopped by Aug. 2—a day before the respite home's official anniversary—to present executive director Ruth Reimer with a donation of \$780.

The funds, which came from the union's annual board retreat raffle, will be used to help create a nature nook on the new walkway leading from the home to Boundary Trails Health Centre.

"The MGEU matches whatever monies the board itself makes on the raffles," explains president Michelle Gawronsky. "And then board members put forward places that they would like the monies to go."

Katie's Cottage, which was one of three charities selected this year, was put forward by local board member Diana Schultz, who felt moved by the work the charity does for BTHC patients and their families.

"It's special and I felt it warranted being submitted as a potential recipient of the funds," she says.

"The rest of the board felt it was a very worthwhile and important cause," says Gawronsky. "We're very, very proud to be able to sponsor it."

Reimer says that the walkway, which was installed earlier this summer, has proven to be a valuable addition to

### "OVER 600 GUESTS HAVE STAYED HERE AND HAVE BENEFITTED FROM IT ..."

### the area.

"That walkway is so important," she says. "We've seen patients in rehab using it so they can walk on solid ground. We've seen visitors just walking back and forth, our guests are using it. We have seen [hospital] staff taking a walk on here.

"It's going to be multifunctional for sure," Reimer says, adding MGEU's donation was a big help in the project's completion.

### **KATIE'S DREAM**

Katie's Cottage was the culmination of the work of Kaitlyn Reimer, Reimer's teenage daughter who passed away from cancer in 2012.

Before her death, Kaitlyn created Katie Cares to provide other sick kids with toy bags to make their hospital stays a little easier.

She also shared her dream of one day seeing a respite home built near Boundary Trails so that patients' families would have a home away from home to go to while their loved ones received treatment.

On Aug. 3, 2016, Katie's Cottage opened its doors. It has since welcomed hundreds of guests.

"Over 600 guests have stayed here and have benefited from it, whether it's just a cup of coffee, whether it's a night stay, whether it's just to be able to walk along the walkway," says Reimer.

"A hospital is a stressful place, it really is, and many things come with that, many emotions," she adds. "So for us to have this facility in our backyard here at Boundary Trails hospital is huge. It helps the hospital do a better job so that we can take care of the patient and we're taking care of the caregiver."

Knowing that they have picked up the torch from Katie and ran with it is





#### PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Diana Schultz (left) and Michelle Gawronsky (right) of the Manitoba Government and General Employees Union presented Ruth Reimer of Katie Cares with a donation of \$780 last week.

an amazing feeling, Reimer says.

"The year anniversary brings back emotions. You never think that your child will be the one to put together something like this.

"A 15-year-old girl who was sick herself, and very sick, had the idea. A community comes together in many ways ... all of Manitoba came together, rallied around this project."

Looking to the future, Katie's Cottage has several beautification projects planned for their grounds and the connecting walkway and, further down the road, a possible expansion.

"There's always stuff going on here," says Reimer. "There's always dreams and hopes."



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### Winkler gallery gets "trashed"

#### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

The Winkler Arts and Culture Centre is getting "trashed" this month.

The Park St. art gallery hosts Trash Art: A Recycled Exhibition through to Aug. 30.

But while the materials may have been saved from the garbage heap, rest assured that the final results truly are works of art.

WAC executive director Wendy Klassen says if the show has a message it would undoubtedly be that beauty is in the eye of the beholderin this case, the artists who saw potential in materials others might simply throw away.

"To some people it would be trash, but to others it would be treasure," she says of the varied submissions, which saw artists take everything from old car parts to scrap metal to chip bags to create their pieces.

"The fact is you don't always have to

buy a canvas and paint on it," Klassen says."You can go find trash and make something cool."

For Sue Denison, inspiration came from a cup of coffee—literally.

"I was trying to think of something to do for the trash art exhibit, I'm drinking my coffee, and I'm like, 'There it is," she says, gesturing to a colourful design on her cup.

That design inspired Denison to scrounge up old bicycle chains, metal gears and sprockets, and other doodads to create a steampunk 3D painting

Denison, who normally works with paints on large canvasses, found the exhibition's theme to be a nice change of pace.

"It was a fun process ... I kind of stay in a rut painting trees and flowers and whatnot, so when someone gives me a theme like this it gives me a chance to kind of think outside the box," she says."I've never done something like

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Sue Denison thought outside the box for her Trash Art piece. Artists were asked to use recycled materials for the August show at the Winkler Arts and Culture Centre.

### this before.

"It just speaks to people's creativity," Denison adds, gesturing to the other pieces in the show."Artists in general tend to be resourceful types of people ... finding ways to use materials in an

innovative way." It's old hat to Melissa Friesen, who admits she has a bit of a stockpile of odds and ends she finds and keeps for future projects.

"I like to do my art on cardboard and then use found materials anyway, so it was nice to have the extra challenge to try and incorporate trash that would normally be thrown away," she says." It's always nice to be stretched and to have to work toward something that you might not normally do."

Friesen has a charcoal portrait and a basket in the show, both using some of the same materials.

"I used this wire that I picked up one day just walking down the tracks," she explains.

"And then this one," Friesen says, pointing to the portrait of an Emberá woman wearing an intricate necklace, "has newspaper rolled up and then the shiny part is inside-out chocolate chip bags."

Friesen hopes people will give the trash art show a look, even if they're a bit unsure about the theme.

"It's definitely interesting to see trash through other people's eyes," she says. "You might not normally think, 'Oh, this could make something beautiful, this can make something interesting' but it's important to be able to reuse things, find a new life for them."

You can stop by the gallery during its special festival hours this Friday from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 1-9 p.m. to cast your vote for the exhibition's People's Choice Awards. Regular gallery hours for the rest of the month are Wednesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Melissa Friesen with one of the pieces she submitted to the Trash Art exhibition on now at the Winkler gallery. PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH **VIVEIROS**/ VOICE



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### Youth job centres wrapping up busy summer

### By Lorne Stelmach

The Manitoba Youth Job Centres in Winkler and Morden are winding down for the season.

They were still tallying up their numbers last week with one more week to go, but staff in both communities say it has been a fairly busy summer.

"We have had plenty of registrations this year," said Esther Schwarzkopf, youth engagement leader in Winkler.

"A good portion of the job orders placed with the centre have been filled," she said. "The youth are eager to work and fill these positions if they are qualified. A large number of our registrations have been with the Odd Job Squad as well."

"Registration numbers are reaching higher than we expected," said Natasha Penner, youth engagement leader in Morden. "These include odd job squaders who are participating in their first work experience as well as older students and youth who are looking for full-time or part-time work in the community."

Penner noted, though, that job placements were not quite keeping up.

"The number is lower than I had hoped for," she said, suggesting it may be "due to the fact that the clients I have registered are looking for full-time and part-time work but the job orders that have been placed through the centre are mainly casual positions." Schwarzkopf agreed that many of the jobs in Winkler have been a variety of yard work and general cleaning, as well as extra hands needed at the city's festival this weekend.

"Many businesses have been looking for extra help or to fill vacation leave," she said.

Meanwhile, the Odd Job Squad kept the younger kids pretty busy organizing and running events in both communities this summer.

In Winkler the squad has run sales of baked good, freezies, watermelon, and Spenst Brothers pizzas. Morden's squad also hosted a bake sale and a doughnut sale, in addition to offering wash windows for businesses downtown.

Work placements aside, both Schwarzkopf and Penner kept busy helping youth write or polish up their resumés and cover letters.

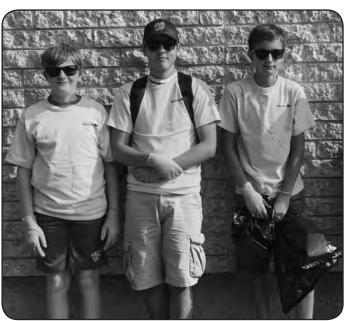
"I also ran the first jobs certificate program workshop, a first for the Winkler centre, and it went very well," said Schwarzkopf.

"I have had quite a few clients come in with no clue on what to include on their resumé or cover letter, or they may be a little outdated," added Penner.

"Even if you have little to no work experience, we are still able to create a resumé that you would feel confident in giving to an employer."



SUBMIT-**TED PHOTOS** Students employed with the Odd Job Squads this summer through the Manitoba Youth **Job Centres** have been involved in a variety of tasks, ranging from garbage cleanup (right) to a bake sales (above).



### **Experience 'A Day in the Trenches' this Sunday**

### By Ashleigh Viveiros

It's been a century since the First World War, but time hasn't lessened the sacrifices of the men who served. This weekend the Manitoba WWI Museum hopes to shine a light on

Museum hopes to shine a light on some of those sacrifices with its annual A Day in the Trenches event.

The La Riviere area museum invites you to stop by from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday to get a small taste of what life was like for the average soldier in the Great War.

"We're going to treat every visitor like a potential recruit, talk to them like it's 1916," says museum curator Bruce Tascona. "We're going to create the illusion of things being 1916, 1917."

Experienced presenters—historians donning full uniforms—will explain the living conditions, drills, communications, trench warfare, and difficulties faced by soldiers on a daily basis as they fought to survive.

You, playing the role of a Canadian soldier, will get to walk the museum's trench system and learn about sniper fire and mortars, see how soldiers were trained to use their bayonets, and visit Trench Headquarters where communication equipment and stores were kept.

Hands-on activities will paint a picture of just what it was like for the millions of men who served.

"It's living history: people touching and feeling and experiencing the trenches," says Tascona, who urges visitors to round out the afternoon by exploring the museum's war artifacts from all over the world.

With the last veterans of the First World War long gone, it's important to keep alive their memories and experiences of the war, says Tascona.

"What's really important is the legacy of what these veterans did in the First World War," he says. "Right now the only reminder left in most communities are those monuments that every town seems to have.

"Hopefully people can walk away understanding what trench warfare was really like. See the poor conditions that they lived in and they fought in. "It was a different kind of war," says Tascona. "The soldiers lived and died below the ground. They lived in trenches, they lived in hollow dugouts and they just endured. And I hope that's what we pass on ... what these people endured for our country."

The Manitoba WWI Museum is located at the Silver Springs Bed and Breakfast, three miles west of La Riviere on Hwy. 3 and one mile north on Rd 58 West.

Admission is free, though donations toward the upkeep of the non-profit museum are greatly appreciated.



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### Let's talk religion, politics, and money

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have to go on a social media diet, I think. (And it was as if billions of people all heaved a sigh of relief at once.)

By this I mean I have to cut back on the crap and keep it lean for a while.

As an opinionated person, I tend to take every opportunity to yammer on about one thing or another. This

is code for "never" knows when to shut up." Now, the three

things I AGRICULTURE REPORTER Harry Siemens



spouting off about most are the three things the wise ancients said never to talk about in polite

**By Peter** Cantelon

ey. If I can find a way to weave them all together into one obnoxious stew of a conversation I feel I have succeeded.

### This is a problem.

Usenet newsgroups before that) I was what might have been called an early adopter, diving into the discussion threads with gusto. If you are "lucky" you can Google variations on my name and still find embarrassing posts about the lack of black vampires in popular horror fiction, for example. Yeah ... I am that guy.

At any rate, ever since the world pushed its foot down on the gas pedal and decided to drive us all into a concrete wall of craziness I, too, have accelerated my social media indulgences.

When it comes to opinions, I would like to think I come from the old purist school of debate. The point of debate is to present solid hypotheses and arguments while at the same time being open to listening to other arguments and hypotheses in consideration of the fact that your position might be partly or entirely wrong.

At some point along the social media tracks I was derailed and continued unknowingly down the bumpy, muddy paths of pure conflict. I never really even noticed it happening.

Social media sites like Facebook are echo chambers that only serve to reinforce our own preconceived ideas. They are becoming self-indulgent spaces we enter so that we can hear our own ideas better and listen to our own voices. Like Narcissus by the water, I (and many others) have stopped at some point along the way to admire my reflection, only to have fallen in love with myself and my ideas and now am at risk of withering away.

I am taking a break from political posts because the false world of social media is not the place to change people. I am tired of yelling at people and being yelled at.

Perhaps my skin has thinned. Who knows? I am okay with this. If I am frustrated with the world I must go into it and work to see its change and entering into juvenile "debates" where people call one another snowflakes is not where change is going to happen.

Now, don't get me wrong: I still believe strongly in the power of the written word. It is simply the method and vehicle that I have decided to refine.

As for social media, I will leave that to be the collection of photos and bad

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### Provincial government working to cut back on red tape: MLA

In response to the many articles and pieces on the topic of the Highway Traffic Board, I want to make clear that Manitoba's government understands the concerns coming from municipalities.

We continue to hear about frustrations of communities and local elected officials on Highway Traffic Board decisions to delay approvals on issues of road safety.

We are listening to these concerns. I have worked first hand with local governments and citizens of Winkler and Morden on speed limit issues. We all agree the process of making sensible changes is unacceptably slow. Too often local authorities know exactly what change is needed for safety, consistency and common sense, but improvements are nevertheless denied.

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eliminating those that are burdensome and ineffective.

The Highway Traffic Board is currently under review to see what efficiencies can be gained and what unnecessary functions can be phased out.

We are confident changes from the review will significantly improvement outcomes for our communities.

It's all part of our 'Fair Say' strategy with municipalities.

> **Finance Minister** Cameron Friesen. Morden-Winkler MLA



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# Winkler festival offers packed-full schedule

### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

The 32nd edition of the Winkler Harvest Festival & Exhibition fills the city's fairgrounds this weekend.

Festival director Deb Penner is eager to see the months of work by volunteers and city staff finally come to fruition with the community's biggest party of the year.

"The best part for me at the festival is when I first see the Ferris wheel start up Friday afternoon, because then you feel that all the planning and all the work and time and effort that everyone's put into it has finally reached the point where we're starting," she says.

For Penner and the 250-person strong army of volunteers hard at work ensuring things run smoothly this weekend, things don't slow down until the fireworks hit the sky Sunday night.

"That wraps it up, knowing and hoping that it was another successful festival," she says.

In between that first Ferris wheel ride and the closing fireworks, the festival's schedule is filled with musical guests to suit just about every taste and activities for the whole family.

Tribute band Aerosmith Rocks anchors the Main Stage entertainment Friday night, while rising country music star Gord Bamford performs Saturday night and Christian band Hawk Nelson close things out Sunday evening.

Opening for the headliners each night are a number of acts—both

homegrown and from further afield including Winkler's Musical All-Stars and The Hunter Brothers on Friday, Winnipeg comedian Big Daddy Taz and Ed Wayne & The North Border Band Saturday, and The Boy and the Sea and Flood the Stone Sunday night.

Too crowded on the Parkland stage's viewing hill? Then consider hunkering down at the festival's second venue, the Showcase Stage, instead.

There you'll find events like the lip sync battle, line dancing lessons, and a cosplay contest; music from Tom & Lori and James Fehr's Classic Country Band; and an afternoon filled with music and dance from around the world on Sunday.

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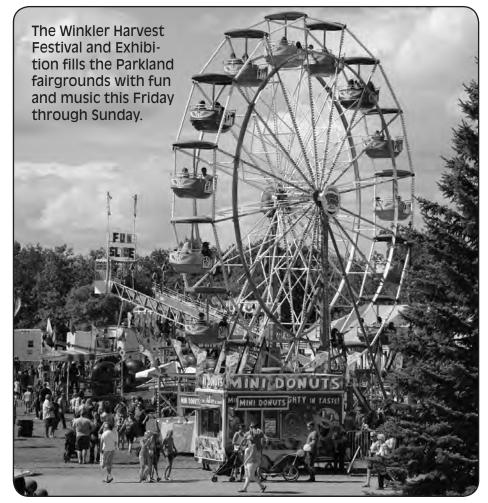
Of course, there's much more to the festival than the stage entertainment.

The Wonder Shows midway is back with games and rides—including a few new ones—at the west end of the fairgrounds.

Over at the Winkler arena, the Stanley Agricultural Society will fill the rink with thousands of entries in its 71st annual exhibition.

The Kid's Zone—located once again just south of the Main Stage—is expected to be a hopping place as well, offering arts and crafts, children's games, a petting zoo, and performances from "edu-tainer" Safari Jeff.

There's also the Saturday morning parade, competitions in the SAG horse show ring, art and historical ex-



hibitions on display at the arena, free watermelon and roll kuchen Sunday afternoon, and the Strong Man competition on Saturday, to name just a few events.

Penner is also excited to see Winkler hosting a couple of unique activities this summer.

"We're really lucky: because of the Canada 150 there's a few exhibitions that are travelling across the country and two of them are going to be coming to the festival," she says.

One is the ParticipACTION Canada 150 Playlist, which will be giving people a chance to try their hand a few different sports.

"Somehow, I don't know how they're going to do it, but they're bringing kayaking and surfing," Penner says. "So for people who have always wanted to give those a try, that's the place to be."

Also making a stop at the festival is the Aquavan from the Vancouver Aquarium, which will bring along a host of marine animals and interactive displays to share.

"That's something totally different for us," says Penner.

The festival officially begins with the midway and food/vendor court opening at 3 p.m. on Friday. Lights go out on the midway Sunday at midnight.

For more details and times for all these events and more, check out the complete festival schedule online at winklerharvestfestival.com.

### Man sentenced to eight years for 2014 sexual assault

A man has been sentenced for a violent crime that took place in Winkler three years ago.

Winkler Police announced on Friday that an adult male has been sentenced to eight years and five months in jail after pleading guilty to a number of sexual assault related offences.

In June of 2014, police responded to a break and enter at a Winkler home.

Officers learned that a masked suspect had broken into the home and violently sexually assaulted the female resident for an extended

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puns it once was for me. A place where distant family members can connect and keep in touch. And when I want to argue or debate religion, period of time.

After a brief but intensive investigation and through the successful use of DNA evidence, police were able to identify and arrest a male suspect.

The man has since pled guilty to aggravated sexual assault, break and enter into a dwelling house, uttering threats to cause serious bodily harm, and committing an indictable offence while having his face masked.

He was sentenced to eight years and five

politics, or money I will do it the old fashioned way: around the dinner table and in the coffee shops.

months jail time in addition to time already served in custody.

To protect the identity of the victim, the police department will not be releasing the name of the man.



# McClung houses moved to their new home in Manitou

### By Lorne Stelmach

It's a fortunate set of circumstances that will have two exhibits relating to Nellie McClung on display as a new heritage site centred around local homes of the woman's rights advocate takes shape.

Plans for the displays were announced this past week as the two homes that were part of the former Archibald Historical Museum were moved to their new location alongside the log house at the town's entrance.

*Nice Women Don't Want The Vote* is an exhibit developed by the Manitoba Museum, while a local display called *Manitou's McClung Family* will focus on the people and events which helped to support Nellie McClung as she came to understand the suffragist cause.

A project of the Pembina Manitou Archive, the latter exhibit has been in the works for about a year now.

"We've been working on getting this exhibit together and using it to complement the whole project of refurbishing and restoring the McClung houses," said curator Al Thorleifson.

The display features a variety of photos, documents and artifacts thanks in large part to the former Archibald Historical Museum, which for years preserved McClung's homes.

"We're going to end up using a lot of this exhibit as part of the displays in the houses once the work is finished there," noted Thorleifson.

Meanwhile, taking its title from a

phrase uttered by Manitoba Premier Rod Roblin during a heated exchange with McClung, *Nice Women Don't Want The Vote* outlines the historical context of the Suffragist Movement and commemorates the 100th anniversary of Manitoba women winning the right to vote.

Thorleifson said that exhibit helps put the movement McClung was part of into context.

"Everybody thinks about The Famous Five," he said, referring to Mc-Clung, Emily Murphy, Irene Marryat Parlby, Louise McKinney, and Henrietta Muir Edwards, who petitioned the courts for the right to vote. "We always tend to forget that there were thousands of people, both men and women, who had been working toward this goal for years.

"One of the first times [McClung] met Annie McClung, her future mother-in-law, was when Annie Mc-Clung was walking around from door to door to get signatures on a petition,"Thorleifson continued.

"Our way of looking at it is Mc-Clung didn't come out of nowhere," he stressed. Instead, there were many people "who influenced Nellie Mc-Clung herself in developing her sense of social justice, her interest in women's rights and women's issues."

Nice Women Don't Want The Vote includes a number of fascinating artifacts and photos that show how the issue of women's rights was a real fight that had been brewing for 25 years. The exhibit also explains why some Canadians, such as Indigenous



**PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE** The heritage buildings were brought to a site beside the log house tourism centre in Manitou last week.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Two former Nellie McClung houses were moved to their new location in Manitou last week. As the houses get settled in their new home, the Manitou Opera House will host two historical exhibits on Mc-Clung's fight for women's suffrage now through mid-September.

people and immigrants, were often left out of the discussion.

Also included in the display is an interactive audio component featuring a selection of oral history clips and a comment "ballot box" where visitors can add their voice to the conversation by writing to the suffragists of the past or commenting on the importance of voting.

In a news release, Manitoba Museum officials offered their praise for the exhibit.

"The Nice Women Don't Want The Vote exhibit outlines the causes, the contradictions and the people involved in the Suffragist movement, emphasizing the fact that suffragists wanted real power in order to change society," Dr. Roland Sawatzky, curator of history.

"Seeing the fragile nature of democracy at this moment in time reminds us that a vote is a form of individual power that needs to be used and protected," added Claudette Leclerc, executive director. "We hope this exhibit will provide an opportunity for Canadians to deepen their knowledge of voting and women's rights."

The two exhibits will be on display at the Manitou Opera House daily from 1-5 p.m. until Sept. 15. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for kids.

### Goertzen announces RHA board appointments

The Manitoba government has made several appointments to the boards of the province's five regional health authorities, Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Kelvin Goertzen announced last week.

"Regional health authority boards guide the important work of providing the right care in the right place at the right time," said Goertzen. "These new board members will help guide health care as we work to strengthen our system and improve access to consistent, quality care across the province." Under The RHA Act, the minister appoints directors to each board. Board members must ensure the organization complies with applicable legislation, regulations, provincial policies and ministerial directives.

Southern Health, the RHA that services the Morden-Winkler area, saw just one new appointment: Tammy de Rocquigny, a bilingual registered nurse from St. Claude.

Board reappointments for Southern Health include Elin Czeranko (Langruth), Debbie Iverson (Carman) and Konrad Narth (Zhoda).



### Test drive a Ford Aug. 17, raise funds for PVHS

#### By Lorne Stelmach

Test drive a new car next week and help out the Pembina Valley Humane Society at the same time.

Hometown Service in Winkler is holding a Drive One 4UR Community event in support of new and improved kennels at the humane society shelter in Morden.

The Aug. 17 fundraiser could potentially bring in up to \$6,000. It runs from 5:30-9 p.m. at the Access Credit Union parking lot in Winkler.

"They're definitely helping the community and animals in the community ... it would be good if we could help them with their kennel refurbishment," said Carl Derksen of Hometown.

Since the start of Ford's Drive One 4UR School and Community programs in 2010, these events have generated over \$4 million in donations for high schools and community organizations across Canada.

Past fundraisers in this area have supported a number of local schools and projects.

"We've done them for a few years

now, and it seems to really work out well, draws a lot of people,"said Derksen. "Usually the people that we're doing it for are having as much fun and end up test driving cars themselves."

"We feel so fortunate to have Hometown Service step up to do this fundraiser for us," said Megan Rodgers, public relations chair for the humane society.

"The timing of this was perfect," she added, noting the shelter's kennel renovations are already underway. This event could go a long way towards making up the \$10,000 still needed to meet the project's budget of just over \$34,000.

So far, PVHS has received a number of grants towards the renovations, including \$14,600 from Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries and \$5,000 each from the Winkler Community Foundation and the Thomas Sill Foundation.

At next week's event, for every person who test drives a Focus, Fusion, Escape, Edge, Explorer, F-150, Super Duty and other available models, Ford of Canada and Hometown Ser-



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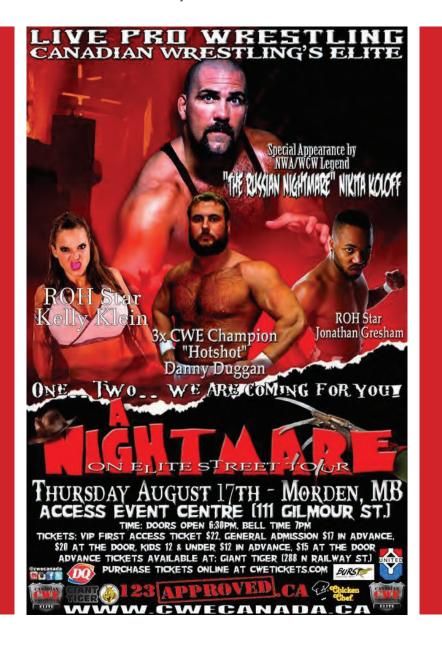
Looking stylish in her Ford cap, Lexi, the Pembina Valley Humane Society's longest-term canine resident, is encouraging people to do a test drive at the Drive 4UR Community fundraiser in Winkler next Thursday. Hometown Service will donate \$20 to the regional animal shelter for every test drive at the event.

vice will donate \$20.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and present a valid drivers license to test drive a vehicle. There is a limit of one test drive donation per household.

In addition, the evening will also include a fundraising barbecue and

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**PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE** For the Kids in Motion day camp's Cultural Day last week, participants made French finger art (above), attacked a Mexican pinata (right), and got Henna tattoos (below).

# Day camp helps kids explore the world

### By Ashleigh Viveiros

Local kids got the chance to explore the world last week—all without leaving Winkler Park. Genesis House and Winkler Parks & Rec. teamed up to host the annual Kids in Motion Camp July 31 to Aug. 4.

Over two dozen kids took part in the daily af-

ternoon sessions, which included activities and crafts focused on a different theme: outer space, nature, sea life, and cultures around the world. The week wrapped up with a swim day at the Winkler Aquatic Centre.

During Thursday's Cultural Day, the campers got to attack a Mexican pinata, try their hand at creating their own masterpieces inspired by French artists, make Ethiopian beaded necklaces, and decorate their arms with Indian Henna tattoos.

The camp, which has run with great success the past several years, is another way for the women's shelter to get involved in the community, explains children's counsellor Kristin Giesbrecht

"It's important for us to build that connection, that relationship with the Winkler Parks and Recreation Department as well as building relationships within the community," she said. "For us, we see it as a way of giving back to the community and just getting to know people."











### **Plenty of reasons to celebrate at Plum Fest '17**

### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

There's a party going on in Plum Coulee next weekend and everyone's invited.

Plum Fest takes over the town's downtown Aug. 18-20.

The annual community get-together has a few extra reasons to celebrate this year.

For one, global violin sensation and Coulee gal Rosemary Siemens is coming home to get married on the festival stage, and she's bringing a number of world-class musicians along with her.

Siemens' wedding to award-winning jazz saxophonist Eli Bennett is scheduled to take place on the Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

"Everyone's invited," says festival organizer June Letkeman, noting the ceremony, which will be filled with music, will be followed by a free faspa of watermelon and roll kuchen. "It's so special to have Rosemary here because she has really put our name out there all over the world."

Siemens will also be on stage Plum Fest Saturday at 1 p.m. performing alongside some of her famous friends who are in town for the wedding.

"We're especially excited about the Rosemary and Eli and celebrity friends concert on Saturday," says Letkeman. "It's going to be awesome

... it's just an amazing lineup. It's talent we've never ever had here in Plum Coulee before."

Another one-off event this year is the Plum Coulee School Reunion, which will bring together students who attended the school between 1931 and 1985 for a celebration in the JKW Shop Saturday evening.

Plum Fest is also marking Canada's birthday with a special Canada 150 Celebration Street Supper from 5-7 p.m. on the Saturday. Tickets to the fried chicken meal are available for \$15 each at the town office or online at divobo.com (search for Plum Fest).

Other events include the festival parade, a duck race at Sunset Beach, the Fireman's Rodeo, community church service, street dance, and, for the first time ever, fireworks Saturday evening.

On the music front, the Bare Yogis and Five Acres take the stage Friday evening, while Saturday's lineup includes Northern Dysfunction, the Warren Friesen Band, and Hot Rod Deville.

Meanwhile, over at the Old Tyme Dance in the Park, The Fugitives perform Saturday night and The Echo Valley Boys and Northern Lights play on Sunday.

Violinist Rosemary Siemens is coming home to Plum Coulee not only to perform at the Plum Fest but also to share her wed-

"I think we have a really good lineup of entertainment," says Letkeman. "It's shaping up to be another great Plum Fest."

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### **Big Hit slow pitch tourney raising funds for Children's Camps**

### By Lorne Stelmach

There's a simple formula behind the success of the Big Hit Slow Pitch Tournament in support of Children's Camps International.

"It is competitive, but it's also for a cause," said Ray Wieler, president of the Winkler-based ministry that reaches out to youth in the developing world.

"Obviously, people want to win, that's just human nature ... but there's a greater cause here," says Wieler. "It's a unique way of allowing people to use their gifts and talents and their passions to be able to support a good cause."

The 10th annual Big Hit tournament takes place August 18-20 at the Winkler ball diamonds.

It is part of a variety of annual CCI fundraising events that range from harvest projects to a bike ride into the Black Hills of South Dakota.

"We have unique ways that people can participate and support our cause," said Wieler, who noted there were 15 teams signed up as of last week. Organizers hope up to another five teams will still come on board.

The tournament is getting an extra boost this year thanks to a donor who will match funds raised up to \$20,000. Once this has been reached, they will double the amount.

"It has been a very good fundraiser for our Children's Camps International ministry," Wieler said. "Over these 10 years now, we've raised just over \$200,000 in total. This year again, we're getting some very good local support and sponsorship."

People can support the effort with one time donations or pledges per home run.

"When we do hit more home runs in the tournament, then people would pay a certain amount per home run, and I do believe that the highest number of homers ever hit was 257," said Wieler. "The highest amount of money that we've raised in any year was \$48,000."

The money raised goes a long way towards CCI's ministry efforts.

"Our primary focus and where it all started has been India. We have sent about 1.6 million children to camp over the last 12 years," said Wieler.

"We're also involved in the countries of Cambodia, Kenya, Figi, Brazil," he added, noting they are also looking to expand further into Mexico and South America."So we're seeing the charity grow."

Tournament games start Aug. 18 at 7 p.m., Aug. 19 at 9 a.m., and Aug. 20 at 1 p.m.

Every player will be entered into a draw where they could win a pair of Winnipeg Jets tickets or a weekend at

Pinewood Lodge in the Whiteshell. The teams, meanwhile, will be competing for Spenst Bros. gift certificates of \$1,000 and \$500. Make a donation by calling 204-331-4003 or stopping by the diamonds.



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6-7 pm	Five Acres
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### Saturday • August 19 Main Ave. (Downtown)

7:30-9:30 am	Waffle & Crackle Breakfast
10:00 am	Parade
11:00 am	Duck Race at Sunset Beach
1:00 pm	Rosemary + Eli & Celebrity Friends Concert
1:00 pm	Back Hoe Rodeo
1:00 pm	Children's Inflatables/Petting Zoo
2:00 pm	Firemans Rodeo
3:00 pm	Northern Dysfunction
3:00 pm	Sandcastle Building Contest - at Sunset Beach
5:00 pm	Heart & Funk
5:00 pm	Canada 150 Celebration Supper - 5-7pm
7:00 pm	Warren Friesen Band
7:00 pm	School Reunion - JKW Shop
9:00 pm	Hod Rod Deville - Blue Grass Country
11:00 pm	Fireworks

### Sunday • August 20 Main Ave. (Downtown)

10:30 am	Church Service
11:30 am	Hot Dog & Home Fries Lunch
2:30 pm	Rosemary and Eli's Wedding
3:30 pm	Free Faspa - Watermelon & Roll Kuchen





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Alexis Hoeppner had a fun time at the Morden Spray Park Friday afternoon along with her grandparents. The 18-month-old from Morden has visited the facility in the Morden Park a number of times now and always enjoys it. The spray park has had good use with the recent warm weather, and the fun continues daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., weather permitting, until mid-September.

# Shelter hopes to raise \$10K more for kennel upgrades

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tickets for the humane society's summer raffle. Prizes include a 49-inch Panasonic 4K Smart TV, a KitchenAid juicer, and a set of New Balance wireless headphones.

To pre-register a test-drive, head to forddrive4ur.ca/en/pembinavalleyhumanesocietytestdrive.

### KENNEL UPGRADES VITAL

With a decade of usage under its belt, the regional animal shelter has started to notice a lot of wear and tear, especially in its kennels.

"There's been hundreds of dogs who have gone through the kennels. It was time to do an upgrade and get some new walls in there that will be more sanitary for the dogs as well as easier for our volunteers to clean," Rodgers said.

"It's just going to be a much more efficient design for us," she added, noting they hope to have it completed by the end of August.

In the meantime, PVHS were fortunate to find temporary foster homes for the eight dogs in their care when the work began.

"We've been very lucky that we have foster homes for our dogs, and some of them have even been adopted since they've gone into foster. We really appreciate the foster families and the other kennels that have stepped up to help us out," Rodgers said.

"We're looking forward to the end result. Sometime in the fall we will be having an open house and we would really love to have the public come down and see our new kennels."

## Hard knocks

The ALH Motor Speedway's Demolition Derby saw some hard hits happening on Saturday. Right: In the very first impact of the 8-cyinder event, Keith Marsolias of Morden gets underneath the D21 car of Miami's Don Morgan, putting him on his side. Below: After crew members righted it, Morgan's car caught fire, eliminating him from the event. Below, right: Another violent impact between Rudy Peters of Selkirk (left) and eventual winner Derick Kunka from Winnipeg. PHOTOS BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE







### ParticipACTION coming to Winkler, Morden festivals

### By Lorne Stelmach

Morden and Winkler have had the attention of ParticipACTION this spring and summer.

Officials with the national nonprofit organization are as anxious as anyone to see how the 150 Playlist challenge turns out between the two communities (the extended deadline is this Friday).

"Both communities have been so

amazingly involved, and we've been following their stories. It's been very exciting to watch that," said project head Kendra Isaak as ParticipAC-TION prepared to bring a nationwide tour promoting the 150 Playlist to both the Winkler Harvest Festival & Exhibition and Morden Corn and Apple Festival this month.

In honour of Canada's 150th this year, communities have been challenged to complete as many physical activities on the playlist as possible.

Isaak said they hope the tour will get even more people involved and excited to be part of it, and they're eager to be making stops in both Morden and Winkler.

"We're so excited about both of them," she said, noting it is "a nationwide challenge with events taking place from coast to coast to coast. Our playlist crew is making a hundred across Canada this year."

Five activities will be highlighted at each of the two local festivals.

In Winkler, the city's cricket club will be offering demonstrations. Visitors to the tour's booth will also be able to try kayaking, field hockey, surfing, and an indigenous stick pull game.

Activities in Morden will involve a demo from the local cycling club in as well as kayaking, field hockey, surfing, and tennis.



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Morden hosted nine teams for the 15U AAA Provincial Championships Aug. 4-6. Home team South Central bounced back from an opening 12-9 loss to Winnipeg South to beat St. James 6-4 and Midwest 10-5 before falling to Interlake 13-5. That knocked the boys out of the running for the title, which ultimately went to Winnipeg South. Above: With a face full of gravel, South Central's Maddox Mateychuk just beats the tag of Midwest's Owen Wareham at home plate Saturday morning.

### Winklerites help Team 'Toba medal at Games

Two Winkler teens helped Team Manitoba earn silver at the Canada Summer Games in Winnipeg last week.

Pitcher Kyle Dyck and shortstop Tristan Peters helped Manitoba finish the round robin with a flawless 5-0 record, crushing Nova Scotia 11-1, Newfoundland and Labrador 5-2, New Brunswick 5-0, Prince Edward Island 10-4, and Ontario 3-0. That send Team Manitoba to the semi-final against Team Alberta last Thursday, which they took 1-0.

Things didn't quite go the home team's way in the gold medal match Friday night, which Saskatchewan won 3-1, making Team Manitoba second in the nation.

Also helping Team 'Toba medal at the Games last week was Winkler's Talia Peters, who played with the provincial basketball team.

Manitoba was 1-1 in their pool early in the week, losing to Ontario 70-60 and then besting Saskatchewan 61-56.

In the quarterfinal they bested New Brunswick 71-68 before falling to Ontario 84-59 in the semi-final.

That put Manitoba up against Alberta in the bronze medal match, which they won 76-63 to make it to the podium.

Week two of the Games began Monday with a new batch of sports.

Taking part from our area is Winklerite Nathanu Botha in swimming and Morden's Spencer Norrie in golf and Abbey Ager in softball.

At press time, Manitoba had earned two gold, eight silver, and eight bronze medals at the Games thus far.

### Mohawks down Whips in two

### By Ashleigh Viveiros

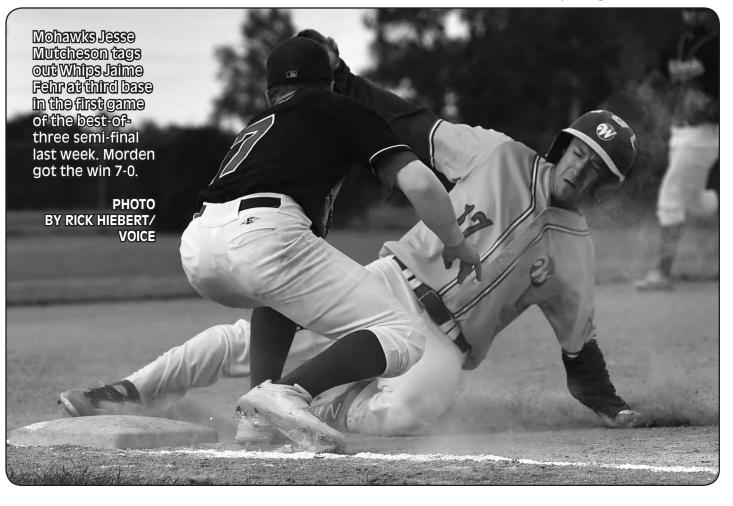
The Winkler Whips saw their season come to an end at the hands of the Morden Mohawks last week.

After making short work of their respective opponents in the Border West Baseball League's quarterfinal round (Winkler downing Killarney in three games, Morden knocking out Clearwater in two), the two rivals faced each other for game one of the semifinals Aug. 1.

Playing before a hometown crowd, the Mohawks blanked the Whips 7-0, making game two on Aug. 4 do-ordie for Winkler.

It was a close match, but one that ultimately swung Morden's way once again with a 5-4 victory, putting an end to the Whips' title hopes.

At press time, Morden was await-



ing the outcome of Tuesday night's game between the Cartwright Twins and the Pilot Mound Pilots to see who

they'll face in the championship final. place wit The Pilots were one spot up on Morden in the standings, clinching first at 7-10-1.

place with a 13-5 record, while Cartwright finished in second-last place at 7-10-1.

### Hawks' Oswald off to U18 selection camp

### By Lorne Stelmach

A key member of the Pembina Valley Hawks female midget hockey team is getting a shot at playing for her country.

Goaltender Halle Oswald is among 42 players attending Canada's national women's under-18 team selection camp from Aug. 5-13 in Calgary. Another 25 have a chance at the national women's development team.

"It's an awesome feeling," said the native of Sanford. "Being part of Team Canada has always been my dream, so actually having a chance at it is the best feeling you can have."

The camps are part of the national teams summer showcase with players and will involve practices and intra-squad games as well as off-ice dryland training, fitness testing, and classroom sessions.

Following thecamp, Hockey Canada scouts and the team's coaching staff will continue to evaluate players with their club teams during the 2017-18 season in preparation for selecting the Canadian team that will compete at the 2018 Nations Cup in Füssen, Germany in January.

Of the 42 players participating in the

camp, 23 will first be selected to play for the national women's under-18 team in a three-game series against the United States Aug. 17-20 in Lake Placid, N.Y.

"This is an important opportunity for us to not only evaluate some of Canada's top female talent within our under-18 and development pool, but also to continue to work with these athletes on their individual growth on and off the ice," said Melody Davidson, Hockey Canada's general manager of national women's team programs.

For Oswald, she hopes her hard

work will pay off and she plans to try to build on what she sees as her strengths.

"I really know how to read the play and just stay focused," she suggested.

"It's going to be very tough competition ... it's going to be competitive hockey," said Oswald, who will be back with the Hawks for one final season this winter.

"I've trained really hard this summer for it, so hopefully I'm ready for it. I've been working for this ... always tried to be the best I can be. I think I'm ready to take this step and get to this high level of hockey."



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# Agriculture

### Feeder cattle thrive on natural supplements

#### **By Harry Siemens**

Nature's Wave Inc. is the source of two main lines of liquid vitamin and mineral supplements for horses and livestock: Eberglo for horses and Boviglo for other livestock.

It was the spring of 2011 at First Start Acres in Milverton, Ontario when owner Eli Ebersol was preparing more than sixty horses for his production sale. He didn't like how some of the horses were slow in shedding their winter coats and their lack of vitality.

He took these concerns to Murray Bast, and together they began blending enzymes, prebiotics, water-soluble vitamins and essential minerals to create a feed supplement.

After seeing results in only ten days with one particular formulation, Ebersol was so amazed that he felt the need to share the discovery, and Eberglo for Horses was born.

Bast fine-tuned the formulation and the result was a product designed to improve an animal's overall digestion, blood, gut, and alertness. This supplement can be easily absorbed by livestock when provided in feed, in water, or given orally.

After the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) registered the product, Eberglo began selling in southern Ontario and introduced it to Iowa in 2013. A product for ruminants, Boviglo, was registered in 2015.

Fast-forward to MacGregor, Manitoba, where Harold Unrau of HU Livestock, distributor of Boviglo, sold out his share of a 12,000 head capacity feedlot to his brother several years ago.

"We built it from scratch, and feed lotted cattle for the east and south, and some for the west. When I sold my share to my brother, Norm, my sons got involved with him at the same time and are still there," said Unrau. "As I managed the Grunthal Auction Mart, an Ontario company kept bugging me about marketing their product in Western Canada."

Unrau was a little reluctant because they'd tried to feed some natural products in the past and didn't have great success.

"These new products are all natural, and I told them I wanted to try them. We did some tests at the feedlot—just basic tests to see if there was any result—and we saw results right away," said Unrau.

The product offers better feed conversion and, with the vitamin and mineral supplement, they don't need to inject the cattle, saving a lot of needles.

"This is a liquid product ... every animal that comes into the feedlot, when it goes through the chute and gets processed, it gets an oral dose. Just the product, no other additives, it's not mixed with anything," explained Unrau. "It's directly shot into their mouth. And it's an instant boost of nutrients and makes them go eat and drink right away, and that's a big part of keeping these cattle healthy and get started, so they don't get sick."

With a 12,000 head feedlot, these feeders come from right across Western Canada. Obviously, if the product gets those feeders off to a quick start, they don't have to deal with all the po-



tential diseases that can come in.

"We've seen a huge, huge reduction in the last year and a half since we've started using Boviglo in sick cattle," Unrau said.

The product is starting to gain traction here, with some vets and purebred breeders getting on board. The breeders find it helps with the development of their yearling bulls.

"And this is just what we've found as we're going because I've done a lot of the research on the product because they didn't have a lot when I started using it," Unrau said. "It was new."



### **By Harry Siemens**

The topic of the Port of Churchill came up on Twitter and raised a Tweet storm that involved former ag minister Gerry Ritz, now the international trade critic in Opposition. Since Gerry knows more about it

than I do by a long shot, I asked him to set the record straight for me:

"There's a lot of misinformation out there that just doesn't seem to get through to people. We [Harper's Conservative government] had come forward with a package for Churchill as part of our northern strategy," he explained, "noting that the port needed upgrades, the rail line of course required to be brought up to heavier standards so that they could move product.

"Over the years the CWB had a subsidy for any product moving north through Churchill. We continued that for five years, and that was going to run right through to the end of the 2017 crop year. But two, three years ago it all dried up to the point where they weren't even shipping average tonnage anymore. I think the one year it was less than 200,000 tons, simply because the rail line had been let go to the point where they couldn't even run trains on it economically."

Ritz said the package their government put forward addressed both the airline capacity in Churchill a \$14 million package they used to increase their capacity—and a \$32 million package for the rail line and port, which Omnitrax was supposed to match. The provincial government was also going to chip in, bringing the pool to close to \$100 million.

It never happened, though. There was a contract, of course, but it's unenforceable: when a company hasn't taken the money there's nothing to enforce.

"Having said that, it's unfortunate to see it go back as it has," said Ritz. "But in the meantime that Churchill was stagnating, the capacity of every other port and freight logistics line in Canada was upgrading to the point where the capacity is there to handle it, and that is unfortunate for the long term value of Churchill."

So really at this point it looks pretty bleak, doesn't it, as far as the railroad and the port?

"Well, I've seen numbers as high as a quarter of a billion dollars to bring the rail line up to some capacity," said Ritz. "The problem always has been with Churchill is the backhaul. The railways don't want to run empty one way ... having said that, they don't have container capacity up at the port."

### **U.S.** hog numbers expected to cause market price drop

#### **By Harry Siemens**

Tyler Fulton, director of risk management with h@ms Marketing Services, said a dramatic increase in U.S. hog numbers will signal a shift to lower market hog prices.

"I think that this week is looking to be a turning point in hog markets," he said last month. "It appears as though we put in, or the US has put in their tightest hog slaughter of the year preceding the July 4th holiday."

Fulton sees this as trend change from what was a good sharply higher market over the previous month to maybe a little softer prices just coming from those more abundant hog supplies.

"So we think that things aren't going to completely collapse or anything like that but we think that we're probably at the tipping point where the hog numbers are heavy enough, the packers will start to pull back some of their cash bids."

Fulton, in his analysis of the USDA quarterly hogs and pigs report in late June, said there are two main things of consequence: the breeding herd and the market hog numbers.

The report pretty much confirmed the idea that market hog numbers were going to increase by roughly four per cent over the course of the next four months or so.

"But it is important to note a four per cent increase, that's very large given the context of the hog market over the last 10 years," Fulton said. "Really, this is second only to last fall in terms of percent increases. That explains I guess the big discount that the lean hog are trading at from the

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"I know they talked about shipping oil, but, again, the rail line would take that type of construction, those kinds of dollars, and then you'd have actually to have a capacity at the port to handle oil," he said. "One of the things that Churchill never did take seriously was they had to become a push port as opposed to pull. What that means is they needed to double their capacity, so they get it up there while everything's frozen through the winter, and then load the boats and out they go.

"They've got about 250,000 ton of storage as I understand it, and they should have doubled that, and they could have started then handling fertilizers and so on, maybe on a backhaul, but they never did put the money into it."

On the topic of trade, Ritz said the feds have a new start-up date, Sept. 21, for Canadian European Trade Agreement CETA. Nintey-eight per cent of what they negotiated will come into effect that day. There's still some work that needs doing at the state level in Europe, and of course, all the provinces in Canada too, but it's done and locked and loaded as the Harper government had done it, except some of the required adjudications.

NAFTA, meanwhile, is under the gun right now. They're putting together a huge team of people.

"My concern there is too many cooks spoil the stew sometimes, and it's who has the authority or the responsibility actually to do anything," said Ritz. "It encourages me that they've announced Steve Verheul as the lead negotiator. Steve, bar none the best in the world. He will get the job done for us, but he needs a mandate actually to make that happen, and there are some concerns and will be continuing to hold hearings at the International Trade Committee to make sure they have the capacity to do the job they're asked to do."

Ritz said it the lack of movement on TPP disgusts him when they had completed it and signed in principle. All they had to do was continue to move forward with ratification.

"With the Americans pulling back, it's even more important that Canada takes that on," he said. "It gives you a huge bargaining chip in dealing with them on NAFTA when you have access to that Pacific rim.

"Diversity in your trade portfolios is important as diversity in your stock portfolio. I can't understand why they're pulling back on that. The lead negotiator for TPP, Kirsten Hillman, has now been named as a Deputy Ambassador with NAFTA tasks in Washington. They're pulling all the people out and not moving forward." current cash market," he said." On the breeding herd side, it really just confirmed the beliefs of the industry anticipating the herd would grow about 1.5 per cent."

To put it in perspective, the average market hog growth on an annual basis was probably 1.5 per cent over the last 10 years, Fulton explained. So this four per cent is greater than double what the typical growth is—it's a decisive move to larger numbers.

"It affects Canadian producers directly because our prices are a function of that US market and consequently, we're going to be moving into a timeframe of lower prices by virtue of the abundant supply that are available across North America," he said.

Fulton said demand is arguably the saving grace, coming in surprisingly strong.

"We've needed it to be really firm in order to maintain profitable hog prices. It has not disappointed as the export market has performed above expectations," he said. "But it's hard to know exactly where the greatest influence is from. But domestic the market appears to be very strong. That's helped us deal with this heavy supplies.

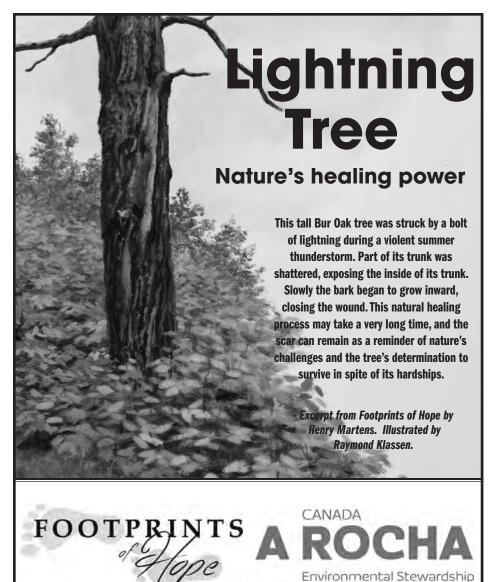
"So the question really is whether or not we can maintain this. There are certain segments of the export market that are also putting up great numbers, but other portions like China, for example, that have really failed to materialize over the last two months." With the U.S. packers increasing it

is critical to a healthy market given these trends toward higher hog numbers in the U.S.

"I think it's important to note that we likely wouldn't be seeing this level of growth without the increased capacity," Fulton said. "A lot of this growth in hog numbers came as part of a larger plan with these integrated plans to grow their on processing capacity.

"So it's kind of a chicken and the egg kind of question but there's no doubt these added plants are critical to being able to deal with the really abundant hog supply.

"Hopefully we'll be able to move through the third and fourth quarters of 2017 without too much trouble in dealing with these record high numbers."





### Saban & Co. hosting speakers on senior financial abuse

### By Lorne Stelmach

A Morden business owner wants to raise awareness of senior financial abuse.

Gina Dyck of Saban and Company hopes the Corn and Apple Festival weekend offers a good time to draw a crowd not only for a fashion show but also to get across what she sees as an important message.

"Hopefully we can help each other and just be aware that it is a really widespread problem," she said. "In fact, almost everyone I've mentioned it to has a story of their own."

The free event set for 2 p.m. Aug. 27 will include a the latest fashions alongside a number of guest speakers, including an RCMP officer, a lawyer, and representatives from the Royal Bank and the health care sys-

tem.

"We just want to have the different perspectives. They're going to give us the information that they have," said Dyck, who noted her motivation arises from seeing the impact on someone she knows. "I've had a first hand look at senior financial abuse, and there wasn't a lot of help in that case.

"It's a really widespread problem in Manitoba especially," Dyck suggested. "Seniors, of course, are a little bit more vulnerable than some of the rest of us. They tend not to ask for help because they think that people are going to think that they can't help themselves.

"Often it's a trusted friend or family member that ends up abusing them financially," she said. "The abusers know how to do it and they know they're going to get away with it.

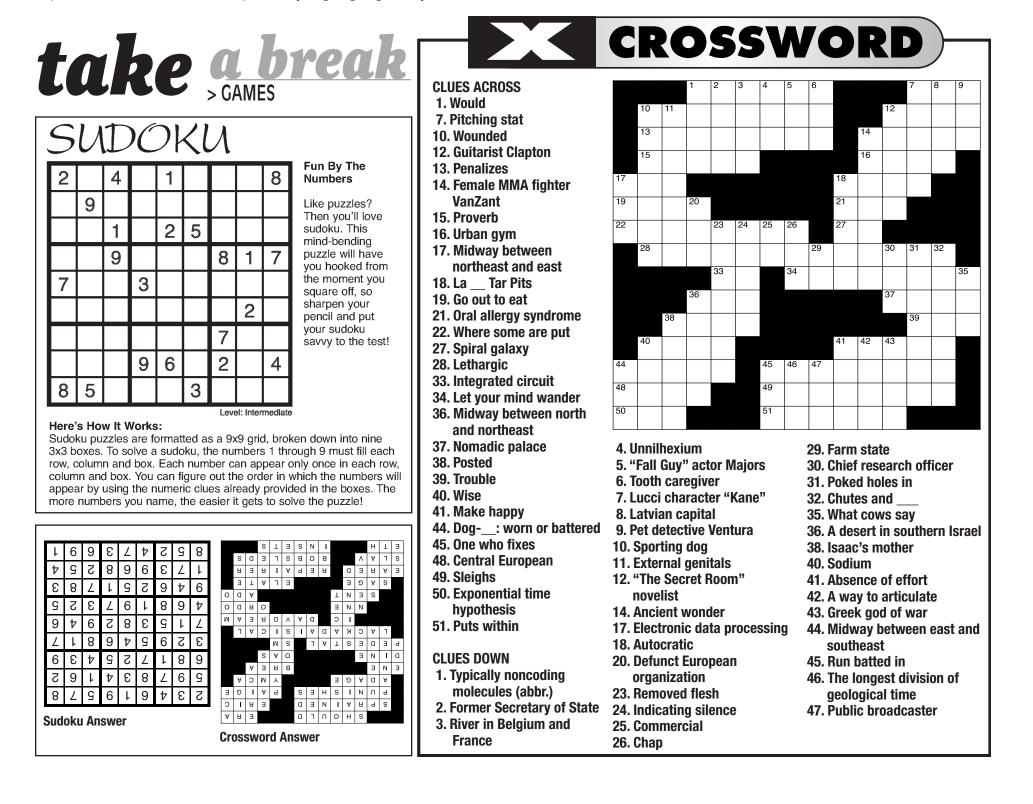


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Saban and Company's Gina Dyck hopes people will come out Aug. 27 for a free fashion show featuring guest speakers talking about senior financial abuse.

"So we're just hoping that we're going to get the word out, and maybe

people can kind of watch out for each other."



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Director of Parks and Recreation

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### Aganetha Hamm (nee Hiebert) 1925 - 2017

On Friday afternoon, July 28, 2017, at Salem Home in Winkler, MB Aganetha (Nettie) Hamm was ushered into glory at the age of 91 years.

Mom was born September 7, 1925 in Blumenfeld, Mexico, to Frank and Aganetha (Wall) Hiebert. The Hiebert family immigrated to Canada when she was nine years old and settled down in Southern Manitoba.

She was baptized upon her confession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and strived to live out her faith right to the end.

On October 28, 1945, she was married to John J. Hamm and together they lived most of their married life on the Hamm

homestead in Friedensruh where they raised their family. Mom and Dad retired to Winkler in 1986, but got busy in a variety of community volunteer positions. Mom got involved in the Willing Helpers Serving Group in their church and together with Dad did church custodian work for many years. Other community volunteer activities included serving with the Harvest Maids, making noodles and serving at the Winkler Senior Centre, Salem Home Auxiliary, Palliative Care volunteer and working at the local MCC store.

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Mom and Dad moved to Cedar Estates in 2002 and enjoyed getting involved with the many friends through Bible Studies, serving meals and sewing MCC blankets. Mom enjoyed travelling with Dad via train and bus and Mom ventured with friends to Churchill and even traveled to Belize to visit her granddaughter. Her gift of hospitality drew in many strangers who became close friends.

When her health began to fail she found it hard to be on the receiving end of care, but she drew strength from the Lord through her dedicated prayer life. A song that helped her many times in her trying times was "Trust and Obey, for there's no other way ...

She is survived by her loving husband, John with whom she shared married life for 71 years; one son, Jake (Carol) Hamm, three daughters, Anita (Allen Kehler), Kathy (Cornie Blatz), Betty Ann (Abe Dueck) and daughter-in-law, Isabelle Hamm, 14 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by one son, John in 1981.

Funeral service was held on Thursday, August 3, 2017 at the Winkler Reinland Mennonite Church. Interment followed at the Winkler Cemetery.

A special thank you to Salem staff, Wiebe Funeral Home and the Reinland Mennonite Church.

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**Reverend Edwin Plett** 1922 - 2017

Edwin Plett went to be with his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, August 2, 2017, at the age of 95 years. He was predeceased by his wife, Mary; one son-in-law, James Burnes, two greatgrandchildren, Aelyn and Declan Brown; two brothers, Ted and Wilfred; four sisters, Tina, Marie, Esther and Clara. He is survived by his children, Joyce Burnes, Carolynn (Ed Enns), Joan (Leo Kirouac), Robert Plett (Anneliese), Dorothy (Reg Giesbrecht), Lorna (John Junker-Andersen) and Kathy (Peter Bergen), along with 23 grandchildren and 29 great grandchildren and one sister, Frances.

A memorial service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 8th, 2017 at the Bergthaler Mennonite Church in Winkler.

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