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Flyers on fire

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 With five minutes left on the clock, Scott Gall misses on a breakaway opportunity to extend the Flyers' 3-1 lead against the Steinbach Pistons on Saturday. Winkler took the game anyway to earn a 2-0 lead in the semi-final series. For more, see Pg. 17.

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Locals share close call in Brussels attack

By Ashleigh Viveiros

While the rest of us were watching the news in horror last week as the terrorist attacks in Brussels unfolded, two Morden-Winkler residents were at the airport where the first bombs detonated.

Pembina Valley Baptist Church pastor Michael Sullivant and missionary Benjamin Reimer had just passed through security in the terminal where two nail bombs exploded the morning of March 22.

"Benjamin and I had gone to get a boarding pass just around 8 o'clock when it all happened," said Sullivant safely back home on Monday.

The pair were transferring flights en route home from a trip to Liberia when the bombs went off.

"We were in the terminal back behind the security and it all happened in the front of security, before they entered security," Sullivant explained.

"We were within 100 yards of everything taking place ... but I can't

say that we really heard anything, as such," he said. "It was just that as soon as it happened then came the rush of people heading our way."

Travellers were evacuated to the far side of the terminal by airport staff, but initially were given little information about what had happened.

"I quickly whipped out my phone and did a search on Brussels airport and by then something had gone on Twitter about rumours of an explosion," said Reimer. "At that point we knew it was something more serious than a routine security evacuation."

"We couldn't see the front of the airport out the window but we were

seeing pictures [online] of the front of the airport, seeing that there was stuff that was blown up. So that gets the heart going a little faster."

Reimer and Sullivant soon joined thousands of other travellers waiting out on the tarmac, leaving their bags behind inside.

"They said that there were possibly more bombs in bags," Sullivant said. Indeed, a third bomb was later found

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Benjamin Reimer (left) and Pembina Valley Baptist Church pastor Michael Sullivant were greeted by loved ones and media after arriving in Winnipeg from Brussels in the wake of the March 22 terrorist attacks. The duo escaped injury in the bombings that killed 35 people.

and safely detonated by police.

An hour after the attack at the airport, another bomb went off in a train at the Maalbeek subway station. ISIS has claimed responsibility for the bombings at both locations.

As of press time, 35 people had died in the attacks, not including three suicide bombers. More than 300 other people were injured, many critically.

Those are sobering numbers, and Reimer is very aware of how close he came to being one of them.

"You all the sudden become very aware of how frail life really is," he said. "You realize that in an instant

you wouldn't even have a chance to have another thought. You could be gone just that quickly. That's an eye-opening experience that a lot of people never really have in their lifetime."

"EVERYBODY RALLIED AROUND"

A few hours after the bombing, Sullivant and Reimer were taken to a temporary crisis centre and then to

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City square idea dropped

By Lorne Stelmach

The city square proposed for downtown Morden is an idea whose time has not come.

Officials cited the results of a survey about the concept in announcing the project will not be pursued further, at least for now.

"We felt, along with the mayor and council, that while there definitely was a positive vibe around it ... there's definitely an appetite for the city square concept ... the numbers weren't overwhelmingly positive enough to make it such a large scale project," said Morden chamber president Chad Sheldon.

The survey drew 478 responses, which represents about five per cent of the population.

The key question asked if a city square along 8th Street between Stephen and North Railway would be a good way to build on down-

town momentum. Agreeing that it would was 51.5 per cent of respondents, while 38 per cent were against the idea and the remainder were neutral.

Mayor Ken Wiebe was disappointed to see the number in support was so low.

"We were kind of hoping for 60 to 65, which would be a good number to make this thing move forward," he said. "With a barely majority support, we just decided to hold off on this."

"We took the hard numbers ... to make the decision," said Sheldon. "We never had a hard and fast number on what it would take. We knew it wouldn't be just a simple majority. We also had to weigh it with the comments and the feedback."

Other survey questions included:

- Other than for events, it is important for

"WITH A BARELY MAJORITY SUPPORT, WE JUST DECIDED TO HOLD OFF ON THIS."

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“We will achieve our goals”

Morden growing on all fronts, mayor says in his state of the city address

By Lorne Stelmach

The national census coming in 2016 may be of particular importance to the City of Morden.

With an ambitious goal to reach a population of 15,000 by the year 2020 set out in Morden’s corporate plan in 2014, the census will provide the hard evidence as to how the city is doing thus far.

Even without that number, though, Mayor Ken Wiebe insisted Morden is making great progress in many respects in his annual state of the city address last week.

“We will achieve our goals, but not at the expense of all the things that make Morden,” said Wiebe, who touched on a range of initiatives and priorities for the city during the speech at the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce’s annual meeting on March 23.

Wiebe’s presentation followed the corporate plan for the city, which emphasizes the key priority areas of

active living, environmental management, infrastructure, economic and community development, housing and population change, protective services and a safe community, arts and culture, governance and education.

Under active living, he cited the completion of the bicycle route on Wardrop as well as sidewalk and pathway improvements such as those that now “provide residents with a safer route to Homestead South and the new Tabor Home.”

He also touted the continued enhancement of programs and services such as those being offered through the Access Event Centre.

In the area of environmental management, Wiebe pointed to the benefits of a new system of ultraviolet water purification as something that “will enhance the security of our water.”

He also touched on Morden receiving a licence to deal with household hazardous waste through its compost



In his state of the city address last week, Morden Mayor Ken Wiebe insisted the community will be able to achieve the goals council has set for growth in the years ahead.

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site as well as the introduction of the three stream curbside pickup program that now includes compost.

“Hats off to all of the citizens taking part in compost pickup,” said Wiebe, noting the first compost pickup collected eight tonnes of material. That

doubled to 16 tonnes in the second pickup.

“We appreciate the positive comments that have been coming in,” he added, noting they have continued

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Pick up your pin today for Daffodil Month

Canadian Cancer Society daffodil pins now available at local businesses

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Organizers of the Canadian Cancer Society's daffodil pin campaign hope to see the area awash in yellow flowers this spring.

Residents are encouraged to pick up a pin from one of the donation boxes set up at the tills of numerous local businesses and wear it on their lapel throughout the month of April and especially on Daffodil Day on April 27.

"The idea is that by wearing a yellow daffodil pin it is showing that you are supporting those that have had cancer, that are in the process of fighting cancer, or those that have lost their battle with cancer," said Tami Thiessen, who is in charge of the pin boxes in Morden.

"Daffodils are a sign of hope," added Winkler area coordinator Nettie Friesen.

In both communities, the pin donations will top off this year's Daffodil Days campaigns, which have already seen \$7,700 raised in the Morden area and \$7,350 raised in Winkler and Plum Coulee through the sale of live daffodils earlier this month.

Last year's pin boxes collected about \$1,000 in Morden, Thiessen said, and they're hoping to see that increase this year.

"I've seen a few people that have started wearing them already, which is great to see," she said.

In Winkler, Friesen is hoping to bring in the last \$650 needed to meet her overall campaign goal of \$8,000 for the year.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Campaign coordinator Nettie Friesen (far right) with Francis Fehr and Ruth Wall of the Winkler Co-op grocery store and one of the boxes of daffodil pins now available at businesses throughout the Morden-Winkler area. Funds raised support the Canadian Cancer Society.

"I think we can do it," she said, noting that amount would double what was raised locally for the cancer society the year before.

The pins are available by donation in Winkler at the Winkler Co-op grocery store, Topper's Restaurant, Del Rios,

and Smitty's, to name a few locations.

In Morden, the boxes will be at numerous restaurants and businesses, with Morden Motor Inn and Chicken Chef both committing to matching whatever is raised at their locations.

"You get to see the goodness of some people"

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the home of one of the many Brussels families who gave the thousands of stranded visitors a place to stay that day.

"People from the community started coming over saying, 'Look, I've got room for two' or 'I've got room for four,'" Sullivant said. "That was something where it just seemed like everybody just rallied around to make up for all the displacements that were happening."

It was that kindness that really left its mark on Sullivant.

"When you experience something like this, number one, you experience the peace of God," he said. "But also, number two, you get to see the goodness of some people."

"I think when you're in a situation like that, you tend to automatically view everybody with suspicion," said Reimer, recalling the hours spent nervously waiting on the tarmac. "You're eyeing everybody ... is there anybody around me that's got a suicide vest strapped to them?"

"So you go through that and then you see that the vast majority of people are not like that. They're wanting to help you. They're wanting to make

this day better," he said. "It makes you feel a little bit better about the situation and people in general."

Like Sullivant, Reimer says he took solace in his faith.

"I've got a wife and two little girls, so obviously you're thinking of that and

you want to go home to them, you want to be safe for their sake," he said.

"But I can honestly say that as far as being afraid of death itself and meeting the Lord ... that was something I was not fearful of. I was at peace with that, knowing I had a relationship

with God.

"You look around and you see many other people with panic and terror on their faces, really in fear, and to have peace in the midst of all that, that's something that money can't buy."

> CITY SQUARE, FROM PG. 2

8th Street to accommodate through-traffic between Stephen and North Railway: 55 per cent agreed, 31 per cent disagreed.

- A permanent stage for year-round events should be included in a city square: 41.5 per cent agreed, 42 per cent disagreed.

- An expanded on-street parking area should be included in a city square, available to the public on days when no events are scheduled: 53 per cent agreed, 23 per cent disagreed.

Key issues for many people on this matter included the impact on parking and the effect of closing the street on traffic flow and business.

Sheldon said they feel it was a worthwhile process for them to engage the community on the issue.

"The consultation really did provide a good opportunity for people to get informed and provide feedback," he said, emphasizing that the chamber was "really happy with how it went in terms of the consultation. It did its job. People had a say."

"What there's clearly an appetite for is cultural, recreational events downtown," he suggested. "Let's bring people to our unique, boutique style downtown. That was loud and clear."

"So it gives us the opportunity now to make some slight improvements to the area there already and utilize what we've got," Sheldon said. "We still have the ability to close the street now and then for a special event ... and start getting the concept and the feel of a city square and

where we can take it."

Wiebe agreed that it seemed like "there is an interest in encouraging cultural and recreation events in Morden, and that is what will be focused on here."

While the project is not being pursued further, Wiebe suggested there are aspects of it which could be revisited.

"I'm not saying it's dead. It's not dead," he said. "This doesn't appear to be the right time. We'll look at this in the future."

"There are some things that are still going to happen in the Suncatch," Wiebe added. "The Suncatch needs some work, and that had been planned anyway, so that's going to go ahead."

Friesen cuts ribbon on campaign office

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Conservative supporters came out in full force March 15 to help Morden-Winkler incumbent Cameron Friesen cut the ribbon on his campaign office.

Friesen is seeking a second term as our region's MLA. He was first elected in 2011.

He'll be running his campaign from a space at 915 Navigator Drive beside the Delmar Commodities offices.

"We've been in this space for a few days but this is our chance to officially open the campaign office and to welcome people to it," Friesen said last week.

With the April 19 election fast approaching, Friesen said he and his supporters have been working hard to get the Tory message out to voters.

"We've been door-knocking and getting out our message that it's time for change in Manitoba," he said.

"It's been 17 years of the NDP and we know that the record of mismanagement is there," Friesen said. "I know that Manitobans are increasingly paying attention and they're looking for alternatives. They're dismayed after the NDP raised the PST to eight per cent and broke their fundamental election pledge not to do so.

"They're dismayed, as well, to see the changes are not happening that they were promised," he added. "They were promised that ER wait times would go down, and they haven't. They were promised that student achievement would go up, and it hasn't. They were promised better value for money, and they haven't



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Morden-Winkler incumbent Cameron Friesen cut the ribbon on his Winkler campaign office last week. The Conservative candidate has been knocking on doors throughout both cities in the hopes of earning a second term in office in the upcoming provincial election.

gotten it."

Friesen said the Conservative Party believes they have the right leader and the right team to bring the changes Manitobans want.

"We believe the time is now," he said.

Friesen is up against Ben Bawdon of the Liberals, Elizabeth Lynch of the NDP, and Mike Urichuk of the Green Party for the Morden-Winkler seat.

Check out next week's *Voice* for our profiles of all the candidates in our area.

Morden chamber reports on a successful year

By Lorne Stelmach

The priority has been looking ahead for the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce.

Addressing the March 23 annual general meeting, president Chad Sheldon said development of a three year strategic plan was a significant step for the organization in 2015.

"This was a great year for us in terms of looking ahead," he said. "Just as an organization, we were able to focus on some vision."

The plan outlined specific immediate and long term goals in a few areas, including developing partnerships, providing value to members, and building advocacy and leadership.

It led to some restructuring at the board level with the creation of several committees tasked for key areas of the strategic plan, such as member services, networking and promotion, and advocacy and leadership.

Sheldon suggested that it has "really provided us with direction on where we're going and the tasks at hand over the next three years."

He feels they made good progress this past year particularly in raising their level of leadership in the business community and the city, including spearheading discussions about the city square idea as well the issue of parking downtown.

"Leadership and advocacy were probably the areas we keyed on this year," said Sheldon. "We still have a lot of work to do on membership involvement and empowering membership to be more involved ... that was sort of year two of the plan.

"So we're quite happy," he continued. "We actually created the strategic plan, followed it ... year one is un-

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der our belts and was a success." There were 18 new chamber members who signed up in 2015, but Sheldon reiterated "it wasn't just the growth in membership numbers that we noted. It was more the level of involvement and engagement with our organization and knowing what's going on in the business community."

Financially, the chamber did have some increased costs with additional advertising and promotion related to a number of community events as well as having additional administrative help.

As a result, the chamber recorded an \$8,000 loss, but Sheldon feels they have a good financial base with an expected break-even budget of about \$90,000 in 2016.

planning ahead to the second phase which will extend this system to commercial and industrial users, something he stressed would significantly further reduce waste going to landfill. Infrastructure projects in the coming year will range from the continuation of Ninth Street South to runway repairs at the airport to a crosswalk at North Railway and Mountain St.

"It's no secret that our Access Event Centre parking lot needs a little bit of love and attention," Wiebe added, while cautioning that "will be a substantial budget item"

Further development of Morden will be greatly boosted with the completion of the annexation of additional land from the RM of Stanley, Wiebe continued.

He also emphasized working in partnership with organizations like the chamber of commerce to help en-

courage new developments and improvements downtown.

"The downtown boutique vibe is a charming feature ... there are so many positive things happening."

Morden's growth continues to be boosted by the new families coming to the community, bringing with them new skills and talent.

"We have people moving here from all parts of Manitoba, Canada, and indeed from all over the world," Wiebe stressed.

He went on to cite the importance of bringing additional child care spaces to Morden this year as well as the construction and completion of the new Tabor Home as key projects.

He also emphasized the importance of arts and culture in the community, citing the continued development of the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre as well as the Corn and Apple Festi-

val marking its 50th anniversary this summer with a designation as a Manitoba star attraction.

The growth of the city will be further enhanced with the eventual new school at the west end of Parkhill Drive, Wiebe said, while also highlighting Western School Division's addition of a new piping trades vocational program.

And Wiebe said the city would continue working to attract more commercial growth to help put less reliance on the residential tax base.

Closing that gap, he stressed, will be a priority as the city continues striving to keep municipal taxes in check.

"We were committed as a council to keeping the mill rate as the lowest possible rate ... while maintaining the beauty, services, and functions that the citizens of Morden expect."

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Sexual violence and lynch mob mentality

Recently, former CBC personality Jian Ghomeshi was found not guilty on four counts of sexual assault and one count of overcoming resistance by choking.

His defense rested primarily on the predication that these were all consensual encounters that were within the boundaries of a BDSM lifestyle.

I am struggling with this and the response that people have had before, during, and after the trial.

Signs and shouts of statements like "We believe the victims" and "Ghomeshi Guilty" are designed to show public support for victims of sexual violence and support is exactly what is needed. Speaking as a victim of years of sexual abuse, I can attest to how important it is to feel supported ... but maybe there is a better way.



By Peter Cantelon

There is a strong sense (deserved or not) that in the rush to offer unconditional support, Mr. Ghomeshi was tried and convicted in the court of public opinion. I am concerned by the pervasive attitude which seems to say, "As soon as an accusation is leveled a person should essentially bypass court and simply be put directly in jail."

There are only four people who know for sure whether Ghomeshi is guilty: Ghomeshi and the three women who leveled the abuse accusations. No one else. Not me. Not you. And not the protestors with their well-meaning signs and chants.

I can tell you right now a witch-hunt style approach to sexual crimes will not help the victim's cause in the long run. A rush to one extreme typically results in a rebound to the other. The last thing we need, with so much progress having already been made in the area of victim's rights (with loads more to go), is a reaction that erodes all the good that has been done to date.

The best system we have to address these accusations is our criminal justice system, as flawed as it may be. If there are problems they need to be addressed there and not by adopting a lynch mob mentality.

As it stands, Ghomeshi's career is over; punishment has already been meted out for something our criminal justice system says he is not guilty of. Don't believe it? You and I do not have access to the evidence presented nor the experience of the judge and lawyers involved. We are bystanders—pure and simple.

Please know that blind belief is not the same as supporting a victim of sexual violence. Of course I want people to believe me when I tell them I have been sexually abused. I am thankful that in the various instances of abuse in my life the justice system evaluated the evidence and each abuser was found guilty of criminal charges and jailed.

If you want to support a victim, help develop an environment where they feel they can come forward that includes a fair and equitable system of justice ... fair enough that, no matter the results, the victim can feel that everything was done that could be done.

More importantly, develop free, easy and anonymous access to mental (and sometimes physical) health care that can assist with the healing process, because it can take years to truly heal.

Letters

Action is needed on personal care home bed shortage

Many Morden-Winkler residents will recall when an alternate placement program was started here in southern Manitoba as a result of the increasing numbers of seniors awaiting personal care home placement in our communities.

That program aimed to take seniors who had been panelled for PCH placement and relocate them from high population centres like Winkler and Morden to underused health-care facilities in places like Swan Lake, Carman, and Crystal City.

A wait list was maintained and seniors were returned to facilities in their home communities as beds became available.

Many local families have paid a personal price and many of our seniors never made the trip back to a facility at home.

It was a Band-Aid approach for complex problems including a growing seniors population, a critical PCH bed shortage throughout the province, and challenges faced by hospitals like BTHC who had less

and less bed capacity for obstetrics, orthopedics, general surgery, and rehab.

While the alternate placement approach initially reduced the number of seniors at BTHC, that number has since rebounded.

Currently at BTHC, approximately 25 per cent of all beds are taken up by seniors awaiting personal care home placement.

The program didn't buy change, it

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Nearly \$100M in sales for Winkler Co-op

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler Consumer's Co-op looked back at the highlights of 2015 and outlined what they expect to be the successes of 2016 at the company's annual general meeting last week.

Co-op had sales of nearly \$100 million last year, with over \$1.1 million in local earnings, director Garry Froese reported.

That's down somewhat from the year before, due in part to fluctuating fuel prices and increasing operating costs, but is still a solid year for the company, Froese said.

"Co-op members and the larger community again benefited from our success," he said. "Equity repay-

ment this year amounted to over \$3.5 million and donations and contributions to the community totalled over \$280,000."

General manager George Klassen said it's that community-mindedness that has brought the Co-op so successfully into their 75th year of operations in 2016.

"Part of the success we're obviously having is what we put back into the community," he said. "There's so many organizations that benefit from us that we contribute to and it's just great to see that they shine as well. It's all about community."

Not many companies make it 75 years, but the Co-op has done so by listening to its members, Klassen

stressed.

"We have been looking after the needs and the wants of our membership," he said. In his report, Klassen noted that their goal is "long-term stability" and to continue being "relevant and changing with the times so as to not wake up one day and not be needed."

To that end, the Co-op turned its attention to reinvigorating several locations in 2015, including a major expansion to the Co-op@Home store to now include furniture and a renovation at the Morden food store.

The company's latest addition is its Morden Agro site, which is expected to be fully operational within the next few weeks.

"Fertilizer and bulk seed is being installed as we speak and should be ready for spring seeding," Klassen said.

Looking to the future in Morden, Co-op is in the midst of building a new gas bar at the east entrance to the city on Hwy. 3.

"We're going to be going to tender next month or so ... and then we start building. We assume sometime early 2017 is when we should be finished with it," Klassen said, noting that Thornview Grocery will continue selling Co-op fuel even after the new gas bar is up and running.

GIESBRECHT STEPS DOWN

Last week's AGM was the final one for long-time Co-op board of direc-

tors member Harv Giesbrecht, who steps down after 15 years.

"15 years of anything is a lot," Giesbrecht said, noting he wants to make room for some new voices on the board. "The Co-op is 75 years old ... so I've been there for 20 per cent of the whole existence of the Co-op, so I thought it was the right time."

Looking back, Giesbrecht said a high point of his time on the board was getting the truck centre built between Morden and Winkler.

"It was one of the biggest projects that we did right off the bat after I got elected in 2001 and it's been a huge asset to the community and the region," he said.

Seeing Co-op's sales grow year after year has also been exciting.

"Nearly \$100 million in sales this year, just over \$100 million last year. It was \$18 million back in 2001," he noted. "I don't think anybody foresaw that."

"We've been fortunate in that our members have supported us," Giesbrecht added. "The fact that of the 15,800 members, we have 14,900 members that are active. We have very few members that are not doing business with us. That's such a tremendous testament to the support that the community gives us."

With Giesbrecht's parting, the Co-op board now consists of Gary Froese, Chris Thomas, Alex Fedorchuk, Harv Dyck, Morris Olafson, Milt Olfert, Eric Peters, and Grant Fehr.



Co-op manager George Klassen (left) bids farewell to board chair Harv Giesbrecht, who is stepping down after 15 years as a director.

PVHS sud, spud, and steak night April 9

By Lorne Stelmach

It's time again to have a night out in Morden and support the Pembina Valley Humane Society.

The ninth annual PVHS Sud, Spud and Steak Night returns to Rocks Bar and Grill Saturday, April 9.

"In the past, the fundraiser has raised around \$2,500 for us and we're hoping to reach that mark again this year," said Megan Rodgers, fundraising co-ordinator.

It goes from 5-8 p.m. and tickets are available for \$20 at Thornview, Morden Motor Inn and at the animal shelter in Morden.

Rodgers noted the Morden Motor Inn has always been a good supporter of the humane society.

"The management at Rocks Bar and Grill has always been great to work

with, and this year they're donating a \$50 gift card that will be raffled as a door prize," she said.

Other prizes up for grabs in a raffle will be a Winnipeg Jets jersey, an iPad Mini, a signed Winnipeg Blue Bombers football, a portable ice machine, zip line passes and more.

Rodgers said events like this are vitally important to the humane society.

"We rely on fundraisers like this to cover the medical expenses for the animals in our care. This includes things like spay and neuter, shots and an ear tattoo," she said. "We are funded primarily by donations, and

we rely on our volunteers for everything from daily chores to helping at events. So we couldn't do what we do without them and without the financial support."

For more on what's happening at the PVHS, find them online on Facebook or at www.pvhsociety.ca.

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A Rocha seeking guesthouse hosts

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Have you ever wanted to live in the Pembina Valley itself, just steps away from miles of hiking trails and natural wonders?

Now may be your chance, as the A Rocha Pembina Valley Interpretive Centre is on the hunt for new guesthouse hosts.

The organization's guesthouse serves as the welcoming centre for visitors to the A Rocha trail system and also as a bed and breakfast.

Its former hosts left for other opportunities last fall, and now the Christian conservation organization is looking to fill the volunteer position before the busy spring/summer season gets underway.

"The ideal applicant will be passionate about hospitality, caring for people, and the outdoors," says director Jamie Fox.

A Rocha welcomes upwards of 2,500 people to the centre annually for hiking, special events, and overnight

stays (about 50 or so of the latter each year).

"The guesthouse host is vital to helping visitors experience the benefits of spending time outdoors," Fox says.

The biggest perk, of course, is that the volunteer (or volunteer couple or family, as the case may be) gets to live in the house itself, which is located on the edge of the valley, sharing a driveway with the Pembina Valley Provincial Park.

The host position term is indefinite, but they are looking for someone who can commit to the summer at a minimum.

If you'd like to apply, contact Fox at jamie.fox@arocha.ca for details.

A BUSY APRIL

A Rocha has several big events coming up in April, starting with its Planting a Footprint of Hope fundraiser April 15 in Winkler.

"We're going to use the opportu-



A ROCHA PHOTO BY BOB SIEMENS

The A Rocha Pembina Valley interpretive Centre is looking for volunteers to man the guesthouse on the organization's property beside the Pembina Valley Provincial Park.

nity to let people know about all the work that we do and the history of the centre," Fox says. "We still sometimes find that there's folks who have never heard of A Rocha."

The evening takes place at the Days Inn Conference Centre and will include dessert, live cello music, an art silent auction, a presentation on the work of A Rocha, and a group quiz competition on ecology.

Free tickets can be booked by calling

Fox at 204-479-8217 or emailing manitoba@arocha.ca.

Later in the month, on April 23, A Rocha teams up with the City of Morden to host a geocaching event to celebrate Earth Day. Then on April 30 they will host a workshop on organic lawn care in Winkler as part of their ongoing Nature Talk series.

For more information about A Rocha's upcoming events and programs, find them online at www.arocha.ca.

Tickets for SCCR fashion show on sale Monday

By Lorne Stelmach

Only in its fourth year, the spring fashion show has already grown to become an important event for South Central Cancer Resource.

Last year it brought in about \$22,000, which was easily the biggest yet for the fundraiser.

"That more than doubled from the year before ... so we're hoping to match that or increase that this year," said administrative co-ordinator Deb Thiessen. "It has been a great success for us. It is one of our main fundraisers."

The Spring Indulgence fashion show takes place Wednesday, April 27 at the Access Event Centre in

Morden.

Doors open at 6 p.m. with a special early bird door prize draw for those who get their tickets in before 6:45 p.m. The show itself gets underway at 7 p.m.

The evening will include a silent auction with a variety of prizes, and new this year will be a free photo booth to capture the occasion.

Tickets go on sale for \$40 each April 4 at the South Central Cancer Resource office in Morden.

The funds raised will help SCCR continue to assist those living with cancer throughout southern Manitoba.

The agency's services include individual support, transportation to

medical appointments, a loan banks of wigs, head coverings, prostheses and bras, a resource library, and educational displays and programs.

"Most of the money gets put into our transportation costs," said Thiessen, noting the demand for that assistance has risen steadily each year. "Last year our transportation costs were at about \$80,000, and this year we're on target for doing about \$120,000."

The organization is funded entirely by the communities it serves and does not receive financial assistance from government or organizations such as CancerCare Manitoba or the Canadian Cancer Society, although these organizations do provide other

resources.

"Our communities do support us very well," Thiessen said. "There are awesome people out there who support SCCR."

Although the emphasis of the fashion show is on raising funds, Thiessen added that "it also helps create awareness in our community ... of what SCCR does for the different communities we reach."

"There are still people out there who don't know about us, and we've been running 11 years," she said.

You can find out more about the South Central Cancer Resource online at www.sccr.mb.ca

Liberals unveil \$317 billion economic blueprint

By Lorne Stelmach

The aim is to revitalize the economy and help the middle class with the first budget of the new Liberal government.

The \$317 billion economic blueprint laid out by the Justin Trudeau government last week is an ambitious plan.

It includes massive new spending for indigent peoples on reserves and infrastructure programs, but also comes with a \$30 billion deficit.

The government plans to increase program spending by more than \$20 billion in 2016-17 and run a deficit of \$29.4 billion as it invests in

everything from clean drinking water on reserves to public transit, student grants, and families with kids.

Critics point to the fact that over five years the government intends to add \$113 billion to the national debt.

Finance Minister Bill Morneau, however, says a strong economy starts with a strong middle class, and they are aiming to build an economy that works for Canadians and their families.

He suggested the budget focuses on people and the things that matter most to them like strengthening the middle class, creating jobs, and growing the economy.

"Our plan will recapture the hope and opti-

mism for the future that existed in previous generations, and put it to work for the next," said Morneau. "Real change is not just about today or tomorrow. It is about revitalizing the economy in the years and decades to come, so that it works for the middle class and helps those working hard to join it."

He stressed their plan is reasonable and affordable and that by the end of their mandate Canada's debt-to-GDP ratio will be lower than it is today.

"The government will make the investments needed to boost the economy over the long term," he said.

"This budget puts people first and delivers the help Canadians need right now. But it's about much more than this moment. It is an essential step in a sustained, strategic effort to restore prosperity and optimism."

A key point was a tax cut for the middle class which the government says will benefit roughly nine million Canadians.

Also touted was the introduction of the new child benefit, which the government said is a targeted benefit that helps those who need it most. They maintain that starting in July, nine out of ten families will receive more money than they did under the previous government.

New investments in infrastructure will total more than \$120 billion over the next decade, and the government will also invest \$11.9 billion in public transit, water and wastewater systems, affordable housing, and in retrofits and repairs to protect existing projects.

Additional longer-term investments will help Canada become a low carbon economy and create more vibrant cities, digitally connected rural areas and safe, healthy, thriving communities.

A few other highlights from the budget include:

- Making investments to support both students and post-secondary institutions.
- Promoting research, accelerating business growth and supporting clean technology to better position Canada in the global economy.
- Investing in clean technologies to address climate change, air quality, clean water and clean soil.
- Establishing a \$2 billion low carbon economy fund.
- Investing in First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities with \$8.4 billion over five years in areas that include education, infrastructure and skills training.
- Ensuring access to clean drinking water.
- Investing for a more inclusive Canada, including efforts to provide federal leadership in health care, help seniors, enhance the Canadian Pension Plan, and assist veterans.
- Providing international assistance for the most vulnerable and welcome as many as 300,000 permanent residents in 2016 to foster sustainable growth and grow the middle class.

Conservative MP not impressed

By Lorne Stelmach

The Liberal government sees its first budget as a significant investment that aims to accomplish a lot.

The Conservative opposition, however, looks upon it as nothing much more than broken promises.

Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen said the government had gone back on its word in many respects—everything from increasing the tax burden for Canadians to providing no tax relief for businesses.

The largest of those broken promises, though, is likely the quickly mounting deficit.

"They were going to run a \$10 billion deficit and now the number's going to be around \$30 billion," said Bergen.

She took aim at the government for what she called a "betrayal of Canadian families ... all of those tax credits that we gave to Canadian families ... all of those benefits that we gave to Canadian families ... they've taken that away."

"The most difficult thing to watch is their bait and switch ... the games they're playing with Canadian families," Bergen said. "They really touted their new child benefit, but what they're giving on one hand they're taking away on the other hand. They're cutting the child tax benefit. A lot of families counted on the child tax benefit ... and they're ending the fitness tax credit ... ending the arts credit ... ending the education and textbook tax credit."

Bergen said it is concerning as well that "personal income taxes are going up this year by \$1.2 billion and by next year it's over \$2 billion."

She suggested the budget harkens back to the old days of former Liberal governments with their mantra of big government spending.

"THEY WERE GOING TO RUN A \$10 BILLION DEFICIT AND NOW THE NUMBER'S GOING TO BE AROUND \$30 BILLION ... THIS IS NOT A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET."

She cited the example of a budget item for something referred to as the "treasury board integrity process" with a total budget of \$500 million.

"What does that even mean?" she asked. "Does this not sound like back to the old Liberal big government, big black hole government spending where boondoggles are hatched?"

"This is what the Liberals do ... they create these big envelopes of money with nothing specific."

Bergen was also disappointed with an estimated \$3.7 billion in cuts to the national defence budget.

As far as rejuvenating the economy, she said there was no clear plan for job creation.

"Apparently, their reason to run the deficit is to kickstart the economy ... there's no plan for jobs," she said. "The only plan for out of work people is you only have to wait a week for your EI. That's not a plan."

Bergen said the Conservatives had hoped "to see a responsible budget that takes into account young Canadians who will be having to pay all this money back at some point in time. This is not a responsible budget."

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The Easter Bunny hopped over to Rush Laser Tag in Winkler last Saturday for an early Easter Egg Hunt. Dozens of kids combed the laser tag arena for treats in the second annual event.

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50 years of service

By Ashleigh Viveiros

As a young Ike Dyck watched as Winkler's volunteer fire department tirelessly battled the blaze that destroyed much of the town's downtown in 1961, he had one thought: here was something he could do to help his community.

In fact, that thought was one he'd had before, Dyck notes.

"There was a fire at Kroeker Seeds at South Railway in winter, January, I think, a few years earlier," he says. "We were working right next door and so I saw what the firefighters were all doing. It caught my interest then, too, and I said, 'I'd like to help.'"

It took a few more years before he followed through on the impulse, but on March 23, 1966, Dyck became an official member of the department. He hasn't left the roster since.

Last week Wednesday, 50 years to the day since he first picked up a fire hose, Dyck's comrades at the fire hall honoured him with cake and congratulations in recognition of his decades of service.

"There's not too many people in the

fire service that have put in 50 years," says Chief Richard Paetzold. "He's very much a leader to the rest of us in how you just keep contributing as long as you can."

At 78 years of age, Dyck is still very much an active member of Winkler Fire and Rescue.

As station captain, he no longer battles blazes (he leaves that work to the younger firefighters, the vast majority of whom weren't even alive when he started at the fire hall), but does serve as a dispatcher in the communications office, keeping records of every call that comes in.

"If we'd let him, he could still grab a hose and go out there and do exterior fire protection," says Paetzold. "We're often putting the reins on him when he's out there trying to help clean up and all that."

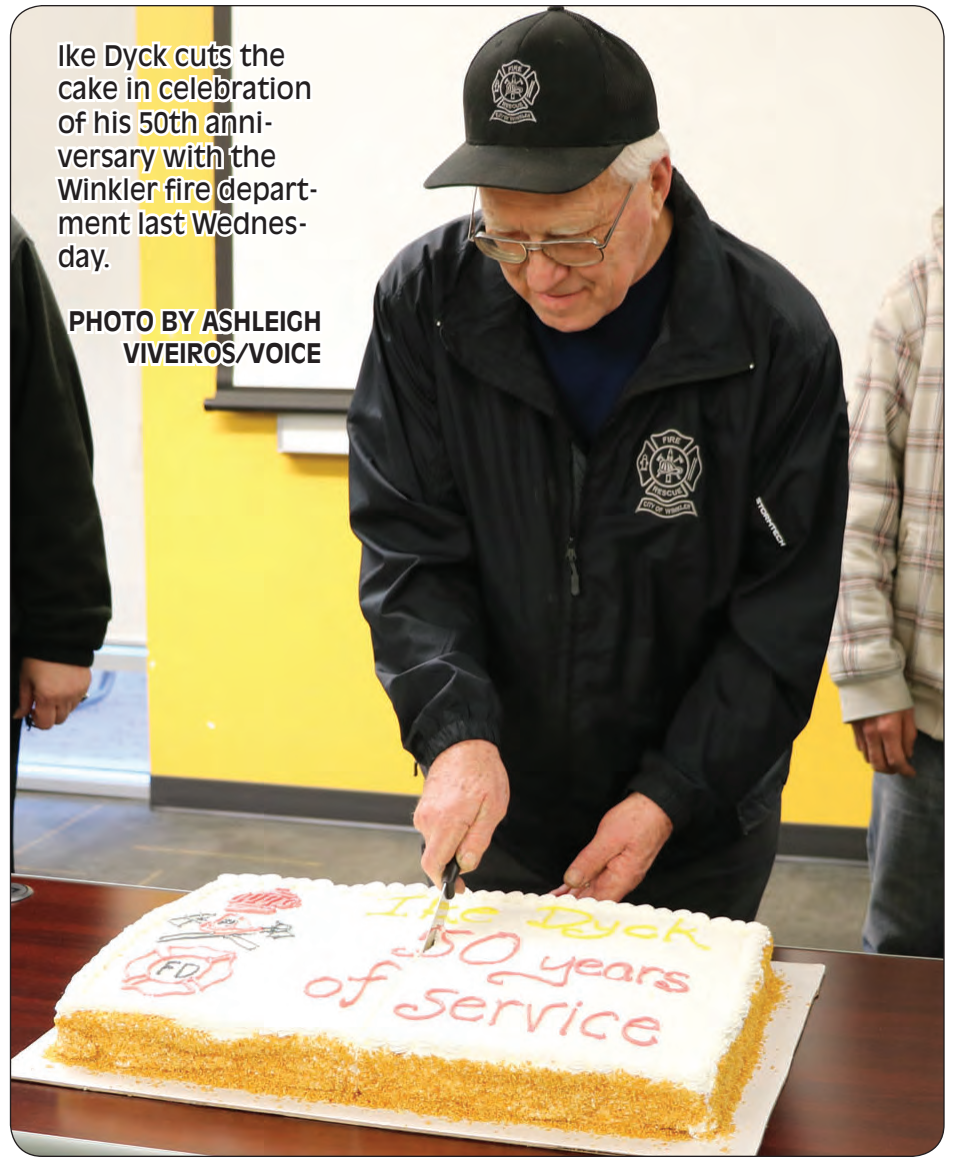
To Dyck, the thought of hanging up his uniform is unfathomable as long as he's physically able to be of some use to the department.

"It doesn't seem like 50 years," he says, looking at the wall that is home

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Ike Dyck cuts the cake in celebration of his 50th anniversary with the Winkler fire department last Wednesday.

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'70s Show raises funds for Back 40 next week

By Lorne Stelmach

The Back 40 Festival is going back again to the 1970s as the theme for its

spring fundraising show.

"The 1970s was a brilliantly creative decade," said events coordinator Steve Dueck in promoting the festival's

Local musicians will once again perform tributes to the biggest artists of the 1970s at the Back 40 Folk Festival's '70s Show April 9.

BACK 40 PHOTO BY ITALIC PRODUCTIONS



plans for *The '70s Show* set for Saturday, April 9 at the Kenmor Theatre.

"It was the expansion of all kinds of new genres and styles, yet rooted in something traditional," he said. "The 1970s theme has such a nostalgic feel and image along with wonderful music for all audiences. I think it's a natural progression from our '60s shows, and there is just a wealth of great musical acts to explore in this decade."

Featured this year are a range of local musicians performing tributes to artists including:

- On The Edge as Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young.
 - Bill Dowling as Gordon Lightfoot.
 - Jess Reimer as Emmylou Harris.
 - Jeremy Hamm as Gram Parsons.
 - The Dirty Dogs as Led Zeppelin.
 - August Jack as Cat Stevens.
 - J.P. LePage and the Tipitinas as The Meters.
 - Frank MacLean and The New Originals as Pink Floyd.
 - The Committee as ZZ Top.
 - Jayme Giesbrecht and company as A Little Slice of Funk 'n Disco.
- Back 40 Festival chair Jenessa Kehler

said the event fits in well with the festival's mandate to support home-made music by providing opportunities to local musicians.

She noted 34 musicians in total will be part of the evening, and Kehler and Dueck themselves will be getting in on the act to perform together as August Jack.

"It's something we all look forward to doing," said Kehler. "It's just a lot of fun to try on a new character paying tribute to a well-known artist, learn a few new songs and spend an evening with other musicians who share your love of music and performing."

Kehler also stressed the importance of the event as the festival's one and only major fundraiser for the year.

"Not only is it a yearly sell-out, but it is a fabulous time for the many musicians involved."

Show time that night at the Kenmor Theatre in Morden is 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 and available online at www.back40folkfest.com/tickets as well as at Whitecap in Winkler or Thornview Grocery in Morden.

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to photos of Winkler's eight fire chiefs stretching back to 1906, six of whom he's served under.

"It's like a second family to me," Dyck says, noting 50 years makes for a lot of dedicated firefighters he's worked alongside. "Some of them are still around, some aren't. I've enjoyed working with all of them."

Highlights for Dyck include being heavily involved in the design of the new fire hall that opened on Pembina Ave. six years ago.

"I was [Chief Garry Klassen's] second hand man, helping him design it and get things in here," he says. "It was an exciting time."

Dyck has also taken an interest in preserving the department's history, including working on the fire hall museum and getting the historical bell tower built at the hall.

He's also had a hand in making sure things run as efficiently as possible at the station, Paetzold notes.

"He's saved Winkler residents thousands, tens of thousands of dollars in his ingenuity and his innovations in different things, from hose racks to items on trucks to hose testers he's built," the chief says. "Whenever there's something that needs to be done in the fire

hall ... he's in charge of getting that done."

'THE TRAGEDIES ETCH IN YOUR MIND'

Dyck has been on countless calls over the years, but two come to mind immediately.

"The very first fire that sticks in my mind is when two children lost their lives in a house fire on Mountain Avenue," he says of the fire that broke out in the late 1960s.

"Also, the Triple E fire [in 1972]. I was employed there at that time and we lost one of the managers in that ..."

He trails off, then. Loss of life is difficult for anyone to face, firefighters included.

"It's the tragedies that etch in your mind," Dyck says.

But in his time with the department, he's also seen how advancing equipment and techniques have allowed firefighters to save lives and properties that would have been lost years ago.

"Equipment then was not what we have today. We have Cadillacs right now, when you compare it," he says, recalling riding out to fires hanging onto the tailboard of the

trucks and, when they got there, having no breathing apparatus to put on as they ventured into burning houses. "What a difference."

"He's seen it all," notes Paetzold, "and I hope he sticks around as long as he wants to."

There's no worries on that front, admits Dyck, who says that while he has had ideas in the past of when he might retire "the number keeps changing"

every time he reaches it.

"It is a commitment," he says when asked what advice he has for younger people considering firefighting as a way to give back, just as he did all those years ago. "But if you enjoy it ... and if you have a supportive family—that is very, very important and I've been very fortunate to have that ... it's worth it."



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Ike Dyck in front of the display of Winkler's eight fire chiefs over the years. The 50-year veteran with the department has served under six of them stretching back to 1966.

ECS students say 'thanks' for Siloam raffle support

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A class of Gr. 6 students at Emerado Centennial School are sending out a big thank-you to the community.

Teacher Margrose Madak's students were selling raffle tickets this month for seven unique pieces of art they had purchased from a trio of homeless men at Siloam Mission.

The class has adopted the Winnipeg homeless shelter as their service project for the year, organizing a bake sale to raise the money to purchase the paintings and also collecting donations of food and toiletries each month for Siloam.

With the art raffle they hoped to raise more money to help out those in need, and they certainly accomplished that goal.

"We raised \$1,925," class spokespeople Reagan Doell, Liam Neufeld, and Janae Zacharias said in unison after the close of the raffle last week.

"We're very proud of ourselves," Zacharias added.

"I didn't expect it to go this well," said Doell.

The kids sold the tickets during parent-teacher conferences and also at a special event they hosted for family and friends earlier this month.

Both events were an opportunity, as well, to talk about Siloam Mission

and its work with the homeless.

"People thought it was a good idea to do this kind of thing for a good cause," said Neufeld.

"Also, the art was really pretty," added Zacharias.

Madak said next year all the Gr. 6 classes at ECS plan to work together to "tackle a bigger Siloam project."

Winners of the raffle were a mix of school staff, students, and community members, including John Klassen, Tristan Wiebe, Garth Doerksen, Brian Driedger, David Fanous, Abigail Nelson, and Noah Friesen.



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These Gr. 6 students at Emerado Centennial School want to thank the community for its support of their Siloam Mission art raffle, which raised \$1,950 for the homeless shelter.

Youth facing assault charges

By Lorne Stelmach

An angry confrontation at a Morden home ended with a family's foster son in custody facing assault charges.

Morden Police were called to the home March 22 in response to a 911 call that described the youth as out of control.

Police learned the youth had become aggressive when confronted about turning down his music. He threw something at the parents, causing damage to a wall and striking both in the head. He then also punched a door several times, causing more damage.

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New and improved Manitou Opera House welcomes you

Renovations are complete, ribbon cutting celebration scheduled for April 23

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The greatest compliment the Manitou Opera House expansion project has received since its completion earlier this year is simply that the addition looks like it's always been a part of the facility.

That's high praise, says project manager Al Thorleifson, since maintaining the integrity of the 85-year-old heritage building was paramount throughout the renovations.

"We've been using it for almost a month now and the most positive feedback is, 'It looks like that addition was always there,'" he said.

That seamlessness was achieved by tracking down modern materials that matched those used when the opera house was built in the 1930s.

"It is essentially exactly the same building: same style, same materials," said Thorleifson of the addition.

The renovations included a new kitchen space and washroom facilities, a roomier stage area, meeting rooms, additional storage space, and, for the first time, a wheelchair accessible entrance.

Several concerts and theatre productions have already made use of the improved facility, and Thorleifson said it's clear these renovations have breathed new life into the building.

"Being able to use the basement of the addition, which is our new green

room, and to be able to use the two other rehearsal spaces, the backstage and the Kinsmen room, that made it a lot easier to manoeuvre [actors] around," he said.

"Another thing that we noticed immediately is that the back stage is so much more serviceable," Thorleifson added. "The high school show was the *Little Mermaid* and they had an entire ship as one of the sets. You couldn't build one of those and put it on the stage last year, it wouldn't have worked, but now we have room back stage to make things like that possible. That's totally wonderful.

Now that the project is complete, the Manitou Opera House Foundation wants to show it off a little.

A two-day grand opening celebration is planned for Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24.

Saturday's festivities include a ribbon cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. followed by refreshments and tours of the facility from 3-5 p.m.

Wrapping up the day will be a concert featuring Retroplay, who will perform jazz standards and pop music from the last few decades.

Tickets to the concert are \$20 for adults and \$10 for youth 19 and under. They are available at Sam's Foods in Manitou or by calling 204-242-4414 or 204-242-2701.

On Sunday, the opera house will be open for tours from 1-4 p.m. At 7



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The addition to the Manitou Opera House has proved a seamless one, breathing new life into the 85-year-old facility. Check it out for yourself at the grand opening celebrations taking place April 23-24.

p.m., the Pembina Valley Music Festival Highlights Concert takes the stage (admission is by donation).

"It's a chance for us to celebrate the construction and celebrate the support of the community," said Thorleifson of the weekend.

FUNDRAISING CONTINUES

Even though the project is finished, fundraising to pay for it all is still ongoing.

"We've had several major donations

in the last couple of weeks, which certainly have helped ... but we still need about \$140,000," Thorleifson said, noting the foundation opted to tackle both phase one and phase two of the renovations at once after the community showed overwhelming support for the project last year. He has no doubt they'll raise the last few hundred thousand dollars they need.

When all is said and done, the total cost of the renovations will be approximately \$1 million.

> POLICE, FROM PG. 13

had to be taken to Boundary Trails Health Centre, where he was treated and released.

He is now charged with two counts of assault with a weapon as well as mischief, breach of recognizance, and breach of probation. He was remanded into custody.

Other items of note from the weekly report include:

- Morden Police were on patrol near the Lake Minnewasta dam March 22 when they came upon two vehicles that suddenly pulled over, raising the suspicions of the officers.

Officers then saw two males fighting and had to physically remove one from inside one of the vehicles.

Police spoke with the other man in the front passenger seat and learned the accused had pulled his vehicle in front of the other vehicle, forcing them to stop.

The accused then reached into the car, driven by a female witness, and hit the other man several times, leaving the victim with swelling to

his face and blood in his mouth.

Police later learned both men thought they were in a relationship with the woman.

A 36-year-old Morden man was charged with assault and will be appearing in court in April.

- While on patrol March 21, Morden police stopped to check a vehicle parked in a remote location. Officers then spotted remains of marijuana on one male youth passenger, who was asked to get out of the vehicle. He promptly dropped some drug paraphernalia as he did so.

Police located other drug paraphernalia inside the vehicle. The department's K-9 unit was used to search the vehicle and turned up marijuana hidden inside along with more paraphernalia.

The driver turned the drugs and items over to police and was taken home to his parents. He will be dealt with by way of alternative measures, police said.

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Beavers clinch SEMHL title

Defending champ Redskins fall to Carman in six

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Morden Redskins forced a game six in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League finals by the skin of their teeth, but it was to no avail as the Carman Beavers took the championship series four games to two Saturday night.

Game six was only possible thanks to a 3-2 overtime win by the Redskins on March 24.

Behind by three games and facing elimination, the Redskins watched their first period 2-0 lead (goals by Clint Olson and Jay Fehr) get chipped away by Carman in the remaining periods, but managed to pull off the win thanks to a goal from Kelby Friesen seven minutes into the extra frame.

Peters got the win that game, making 65 saves as Carman outshot Morden 67-52.

If fans were hoping for a repeat performance Saturday night, they were disappointed.

That game saw Olson score Mor-

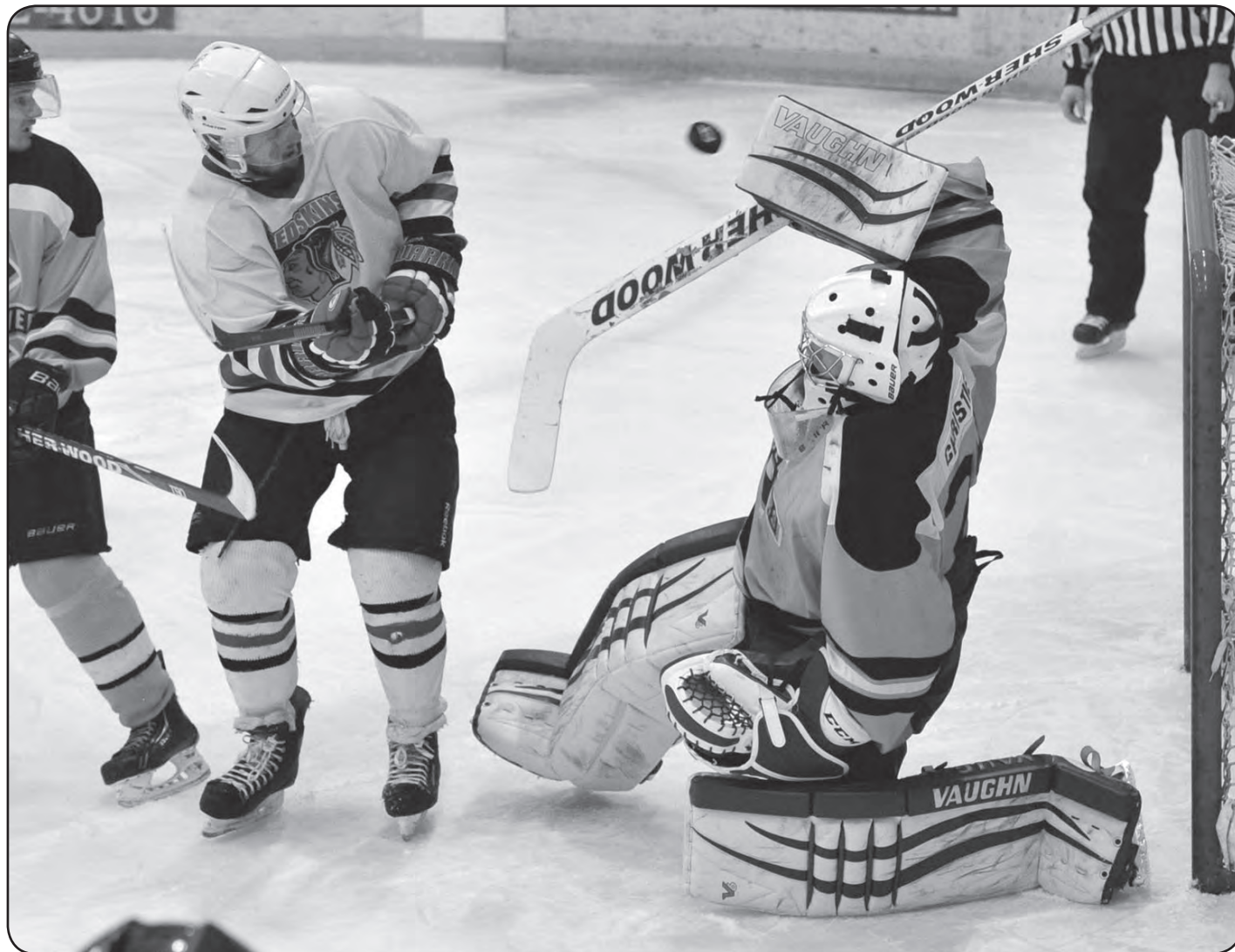


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Carman Beavers goalie Steve Christie proved hard to defeat in the 6-3 Redskins loss on March 22. Morden bounced back with a 3-2 OT win two nights later to stay in the SEMHL championship series, but game six on Saturday went Carman's way 9-1, giving the Beavers their first league trophy in a decade.

den's lone goal in the midst of four Carman goals in the first period alone.

The Beavers made it a 7-1 game after the second period and then put the final nails in Morden's coffin in the

third with two more goals for a 9-1 win that earned them their first Elmer Hildebrand Trophy in a decade.

Peters took the loss in net for the Redskins, making 23 saves as Carman

once again outshot Morden, this time 32-28.

The Beavers will now represent the league at the Manitoba Cup in Winnipeg April 14-17.

Twisters put an end to Canucks, move on to Hawks

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Twisters survived a first round playoff scare and are now facing a tougher challenge in the next round of MMJHL playoffs.

The third place Twisters needed a solid game seven victory to finally take their quarter-final four games to three over the sixth place St. James Canucks, who had fought back into the series after losing the first three.

In the final game on March 22, Pembina Valley got out to a quick start, fir-

ing two early goals on their way to a 3-0 first period lead that ended as a 5-2 win on their home ice in Morris.

Matt Mazinke scored his third and fourth goals of the playoffs and picked up an assist for a three point night to pace the Twisters. Other goals came from Matthew Hadley, Tyler Penner, and Eric Lebrun.

Morgan Wall made 28 saves to earn the win in net as the Twisters outshot the Canucks 42-30, including 18 shots in the second period.

That moved the Twisters into the

semi-finals where they started their best of seven match-up with the second place Charleswood Hawks Saturday in Winnipeg.

Matt Mazinke played the hero in scoring his second of the game and sixth of the playoffs at 2:38 of overtime to give Pembina Valley the 5-4 game one victory.

The Twisters came on strong in the final frame to win this one after trailing 2-0 after two and 3-1 early in the third.

Three unanswered goals by Jamie

Van der Linde at 7:31, Matt Mazinke at 12:05, and Corey Mazinke at 13:18 had the Twisters up 4-3 before the Hawks forced overtime with just under three minutes left.

Chad Millar scored the other goal for the Twisters, who got a solid 42 save performance from Wall with the shots on goal 46-39 in favour of Charleswood.

The series continued with game two in Morris Tuesday. Game three is in Winnipeg Friday and game four is back in Morris Sunday.

Flyers up 2-0 on Pistons

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers took a two game lead in their semi-final series against the Steinbach Pistons last week.

Goalie Nathan Warren was the star in game one in Steinbach last Thursday night.

Warren stonewalled the Pistons through all three periods, facing and denying 12 shots in the first, 15 in the second, and 17 in the third. Overall, the Pistons outshot Winkler 44-21.

Meanwhile, Coltyn Bates scored what proved to be the game's only goal late in the first period.

The 1-0 win sent Winkler home for game two on a high note. There, they treated fans to a 3-2 victory.

Tristan Keck and Kayden Jarvis got the ball rolling in the first with a goal apiece, while Warren once again turned away all nine of the Pistons attempts to get on the board.

Period two saw the Flyers outshoot Steinbach 13-10, but they failed to make good on a one, while the Pistons offensive line got to work chipping away at Winkler's lead with a goal midway through.



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

Midway through the third period on Saturday, a sharp angle shot gets past Pistons goalie Roman Bengert, giving Winkler's Jeff Michiels an easy rebound goal into an open cage for what would end up being the game winning point. The 3-2 win gave Winkler a 2-0 lead in the MJHL semi-final series.

Jeff Michiels reinforced the lead to 3-1 with a point nearly seven minutes into the third. And while Steinbach managed one more late in the period after pulling their goalie for an extra attacker, they couldn't quite catch up, giving Winkler a healthy lead in the best of seven series.

Following on the heels of game one's shutout, Warren made 27 saves this game, bolstering his playoff record to 6-1. Winkler outshot Steinbach 40-29 over-

all and went 1-for-8 on the power play and 3-for-3 on the penalty kill.

Game three was back in Steinbach on Tuesday. The Flyers have won three of the four games played in Steinbach this season and are 12-1-1 in their last 14 road games.

The series continues Friday back in Winkler. Further games, if necessary, take place Sunday and next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Team Pembina Valley looking for members

By Ashleigh Viveiros

If you're 55+ with an interest in taking part in some friendly competition, Lois Dudgeon wants to hear from you.

Dudgeon is putting out a call for Team Pembina Valley members for the Manitoba 55 Plus Games taking place in Brandon June 14-16.

"The Games are all about fun, fitness, and friendship," she says. "It's really like this big

Games family you see year after year ... you meet people from across Manitoba and you also meet people you never knew in your own region."

The three day competition is the only multi-sport event for older adults in Manitoba.

"I always say it's their Olympics," Dudgeon

"THE GAMES ARE ALL ABOUT FUN, FITNESS, AND FRIENDSHIP."

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Team Rach wins farmers bonspiel

The team skipped by Kevin Rach took first event honours when the annual Morden Farmers curling bonspiel wrapped up March 20. Below: Randall Siemens of Rocky Mountain Equipment, which sponsored the trophies, made the presentation to Doug Lone (who had filled in for Rach), Ryan Thomson, Graham Lone, and Lauren Hildebrandt. The second event was won by the rink of Joey Mutcheson, Jenny Mutcheson, skip Eryn Gillis, and Courtney Davison. Third event honours went to Liz, Thomas, Marcus and skip Gord Titchkosky. The fourth event was won by skip Ken Friesen, Mark Gavard, Lynn Sandercock and Carol Gavard.



Agriculture

Talking African Swine Fever with Dr. Carr

By Harry Siemens

Australia's Dr. John Carr, a veterinarian and a worldwide consultant to the animal production industry, highlighted several issues in a recent sit-down interview.

While not personal to Canada, the African Swine Fever (ASF) in Eastern Europe could have some indirect effects if it continues to spread, he says.

Carr consults various hog farms around the world and recently jetted over to the Ukraine where a couple of his farms are right on the edge of the area affected with the fever.

"We have one farm under quarantine at the moment because it was five kilometres away from a positive case, but this is obviously very frightening," he says. "From the Ukraine point of view, it is obviously quite serious because it limits Ukraine's ability to export."

On March 18, European media reported a small backyard farm having to slaughter pigs because of health officials detecting ASF about 80 km from the Russian border.

Carr says the ASF in Ukraine is largely domestic, on very small farms or in wild pigs, which are hard to control, and so the industry is having to put much more effort into biosecurity to contain it.

While Ukraine is a player outside of the European Union, the bigger worry for Carr is the fact Poland and the Baltic states are within the EU and they already have the ASF virus present.

"We watch, rather than get overly involved," he says. "The big concern that I have, if you have a side, this is the eastern side of the outbreak of the African Swine fever issues. So Russia moving into the Baltic States and into Ukraine, on the western side, it's moving ever so slowly, but ever so consistently throughout Russia, and Russia borders China."

Carr predicts it could be over China's border within a decade, and that will have a major play with global economies.

"From a Canadian point of view, we're interested in China's markets, so ASF will potentially affect our long term future," he says. "Canada is in-

terested in the European markets, even in the short term, ASF could play a role, particularly if it does disrupt a major player like Germany if it moves across, further. The European hog industry is struggling, it isn't making that much money."

Carr spent 10 days in Manitoba in February taking in what he calls a great show, the Manitoba Swine Seminar in Winnipeg.

"The thing that I'm particularly interested in, just with the people I work with here, is the new Pigs Code of Practice which will have some fairly major new ideas put into force in July 2016," he says. "One of which is pain relief, boar castrations, and tail docking, and other constraints on euthanasia."

Carr says he has no concern with blunt trauma euthanasia when it's done professionally but "I am concerned though by the subtext that if we're going to use other methods, such as carbon dioxide, and have to sedate or anesthetize the pig before it goes in.

"An injection is still not the greatest thing for little baby pigs—is not the injection quite painful in itself? I have my own little moral problems with some of these issues."

Carr says in looking at the new Code of Practice, it will not cost less to raise pigs in Canada.

"All of these things are nice ideas. As a veterinarian, obviously I'm concerned about costs, but not at the expense of welfare," he says. "My duty

is to give the pigs the best quality of life that I can for the six months or so while they are here with us, but it is not my responsibility, I think, to determine when the pig dies."

He commends the concepts.

"It's just at my age, I've raised pigs for so long, I haven't necessarily perceived as some of these operations as being as painful, but would I like my tail chopped off, probably not," says Carr. "A bit of antiseptic might not do any harm. I want to make sure we don't just do it for ourselves, so that we feel good, these things actually have to work. Five minutes of pain relief, that isn't really answering the question to my mind."



Fifty years of Versatile memories

> HARRY SIEMENS

When I researched the history of Versatile tractors in preparation for attending the open house of Versatile dealer Little Morden Service last week, I found some interesting tidbits that jogged my memory.

First off, founded in Winnipeg by Peter Pakosh and Roy Robinson, Versatile was the first manufacturer to mass-produce articulated four-wheel drive tractors, starting in 1966 with the D100 and G100.

In 1967, the company built the G125 and the D145, G for gas and D for diesel.

Here's is the memory part and walking down nostalgia lane ... as mentioned here before, I farmed with my father Henry C. Siemens,

and my brother Jack at that time. In 1967, dad bought a G125 Versatile with a cab and straight mechanical transmission. Yes, it took some doing shifting gears, but once mobile, it just kept on going. What a novel idea, and how thrilled for a young 21-year-old farmer to drive that tractor. In fact, I got the call, pulled the short straw if you like, of driving it home from the factory on Clarence Ave. in Winnipeg.

When my brother and I left home in the morning my mother asked if she should keep the noon meal warm. I said, 'Mom, I'm driving a tractor so it will be hours before I'm home.' No one had told me this new-fangled four-wheel drive travelled nigh 30 miles an hour. Being only 60 miles from the farm, I was almost home in time for a hot meal.

The other thing is when I came along Clarence Ave. attempting to turn onto Route 80, a left hand turn, it wasn't quite so easy with this hydraulic-assisted steering to turn back. I made a complete 360 degree U-turn bumping across the boulevard going off in the same direction as my initial intentions.

When at the open house March 24,

I sat down with Little Morden Service president Abe Penner, now the company's second generation as it was first acquired by his father Henry from Henry Reimer (and the C.C. Reimer family) in 1987.

"For us it is a couple of things," Penner said of the reason behind the celebration last week. "One of the big things is celebrating Versatile's 50th anniversary since they started to build tractors in 1966 ...[they're] celebrating their anniversary with a special anniversary edition tractor and we have the honour of having one here for today and tomorrow to help celebrate that."

The open house also gave Little Morden Service the opportunity to celebrate their awesome customers and thank them for their patronage over the years.

"About the retrofit tractor, Versatile is building 50 tractors ... with the same colour scheme as the tractors had in the mid-80s. Back to black, yellow, and red colours that they had originally," Abe tells me. "As part of this whole deal to help celebrate,

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Marketing Co-op mails out \$656K in rebates

By Harry Siemens

Last month, h@ms Marketing Services Co-op Inc. mailed out payments totaling \$656,000, a \$0.45 per hog rebate for the more than 1.4 million hogs marketed through the Co-op in 2015

H@ms continues to experience steady growth in Western Canada, today marketing hogs, sows, and boars on behalf of 140 member producers across the Prairies.

President Brad Rodgers sees a continuation of this growth.

"Our philosophy is to take a cautious but steady approach to expanding our profile in Western Canada," he says "In the last three years we have seen an annual increase in marketings of three per cent, with the majority of the growth originating from Saskatchewan and Alberta. I believe this trend will continue as more producers become aware of the superior services we offer at a very low cost."

The agency will be led going forward by Bill Alford, who steps into the manager's role in the wake of Perry Mohr's retirement this spring.

Alford, who is currently the director of producer and marketing services, says Perry has been with the organization from beginning, transitioning the Co-op through difficult times.

"I've learned a lot from him and the organization is still growing and I'm looking forward to that opportunity," says Alford, who takes over May 23. "I will take all the lessons I've learned and apply them into the future."

Alford says the hog industry is in good shape these days.

"The producers are making some money, [there's] a lot more optimism," he says. "I think these things are cyclical just like anything. We will have some new construction in Manitoba by the look of things, if things keep up, something we have not had in a long time. A growth phase and get things efficient again."

Alford agrees with Jason Manness, director of procurement for Maple Leaf Foods, who said recently at the Suncrest Colony opening of a new sow barn that what Manitoba needs is a few hundred more feeder barns.

"We have enough pigs, but we need them staying here and not crossing the 49th parallel," says Alford. "That will take some time, and money, but I think after seeing a barn like the new one at Suncrest Colony ... you could feel the energy in the crowd as more optimistic, and hopefully we get a little bit of a spin off."

Alford says h@ms is looking forward to being at the forefront of this growth.

"Those are opportunities that have

"THINGS WILL GET MORE COMPETITIVE, WHICH IS GOOD FOR THE ENTIRE INDUSTRY."

not been there for a while We are looking forward to looking at renewing some relationships that we lost, and we expect to renew them once

again," he says. "There will be more opportunities and things will get more competitive which is good for the entire industry."

> SIEMENS SAYS, FROM PG. 18

there will be 50 customers in North America that will buy these tractors. Also restored, a 1966 Chevy pickup to go with that. So whoever buys one of those tractors, will get a chance to win this '66 Chevy pickup painted the same colours, red, black, and yellow."

The celebration continues in November when Versatile will invite the 50 farmers buying that retrofit into Winnipeg for a much bigger celebration.

If my memory serves me correctly, my father bought that G-125 in 1967 for \$7,500 and sold it in 1974 for exactly the same price.

Today, the 500 Versatile, rated horsepower at about 550, sells for \$370,000.

Penner says their company has gone through the whole gambit of ownership—from Versatile to New Holland, to Buhler Industries—and while still under that name, the current Russian ownership.

"It definite has some advantages because they have a passion to see this company thrive so spend a lot of money in R&D, and coming out with new models," he says. "We're excited to have an ownership team that cares about the future and willing to invest in it. That is what we've seen the last while. We have new models coming and new product that is encouraging for us as dealers. That means that product will have a long life span."

"The big thing is keeping yourself active"

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says. "Yes, it's fun, but if you're competitive, you're competitive, and this is the highest level."

This year's provincial Games are also qualifiers for the Canada 55+ Games taking place in Brampton, Ontario Aug. 16-18.

The Manitoba Games include events open to all, including predicted walk/run, 5-pin bowling, pool, golf, arts and crafts, bridge, whist floor curling, floor shuffleboard, horseshoes, lawn bowling, pickleball, Scrabble, slo-pitch, swimming, track, and bocce ball.

"The big thing is just keeping yourself active," Dudgeon says of the variety of events. "The longer you stay active, the longer you're

going to keep yourself out of our health care system and the more independent you're going to be. When you stop doing things, that's when things start falling apart, usually."

Team Pembina Valley also needs cribbage players, though the popularity of that game means a regional playoff is required to decide who to send.

That will take place at the Morden 55+ Activity Centre on April 11 from 1-4:30 p.m. To register, call Madelene Blum at 204-822-9937.

"It'll be more of a social afternoon to play cribbage with people from across the region," Dudgeon says, noting, however, that about a dozen of the best players will earn a spot on the team for the Games.

For bridge and whist, players can register for the Games during the regular card sessions at the senior centre April 12 and April 15.

Dudgeon hopes to see Team Pembina Valley stay at 100-plus members again this year. Last year's Games had 105 athletes represent our region; the year before it was 140.

"Our pickleball numbers increase every year," she notes. "That's the one that just keeps growing and growing in popularity."

If you're interested in taking part, contact Dudgeon at 204-822-6207 for more information.

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Send resume to:
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Box 70 Rathwell, MB
R0G 1S0
Or by email to:
jamier@realindustries.com

FOR RENT

FOR RENT

1 and 2 bdrm suites available in Morden.

Rent includes:
fr. st. water, heat, common room for gatherings, activities, everything is on one level, attached heated garage available. Suitable for retired or semi-retired

Call Cindy at 362-7151 or toll free at 1-866-449-0254 for more information.


FOR RENT

Oak West Estates in Morden has one 2 bdrm suite available

comes with fridge, stove and dishwasher. The utility room is ready for your own washer and dryer. Attached, heated garage is an option. Everything is on one level. Rent includes hydro and water. There is a games room, common rooms available for family gatherings, 4 lunches per week. 55+

Call Cindy at 362-7151 for more info or to arrange a tour.

COMING EVENTS



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
Sat., April 2, 2016
7:30 pm at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall
Winkler, MB. Featuring: **WWJD - Family Movie "The Woodcarver"** A rebellious 15 year old, Matthew Stevenson, makes a bad choice to vandalize a church his dad is renovating. To avoid criminal charges, he agrees to repair the damage and develops an unlikely friendship with his mentor. A wonderful example of Faith, Family and Friendship.
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NOTICES

R.M. of ROLAND PUBLIC NOTICE -

2016 FINANCIAL PLAN
The Council of the R.M. of Roland will hold a Public Hearing to present the 2016 Financial Plan:
Wednesday April 20, 2016 • 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers,
Roland Memorial Hall
Interested persons may make representation, ask questions, or register an objection to the Plan.

Copies of the Financial Plan will be available for review at the Municipal Office after April 12, 2016.



NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

is hereby given that the R.M. OF ROLAND intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2016:

1. To control noxious weeds on road allowances, municipal property, MTS, Department of Highways, Prairie Rose S.D., and Natural Resources properties.
The projected dates of application will be from May 15, 2016, to October 1, 2016.
The herbicides to be used include:

- Curtail M
- Amitrol 240
- Maverick
- 24D Amine

2. To control insect pests, including grasshoppers, mosquitoes, etc. The proposed dates of application may be from May 15, 2016, to October 31, 2016. The insecticides to be used include:

- Sevin XLR plus
- Malathion
- Ripcord

The public may send written submissions or objections, within 15 days of the publication of this notice, to:

Manitoba Conservation
Pesticide/Fertilizer Section
Suite 160, 123 Main Street
Winnipeg MB R3C 1A5



CAREERS

Come Join our Team



Crop Production Services is a division of Agrium (agrium.com), and one of the largest farm market retailers in North America. Our mission is to be the trusted and recognized leader in the agricultural industry, the first choice for every customer and producer. Make the move to join our more than 8000 employees across Canada and the US and begin growing your career now.

Our Winkler location is currently recruiting for **Seasonal Operations Support/Tender Truck Driver** to join our team for the 2016 season. The successful candidate must have a valid 3A driver's license, customer service skills and a flexible working schedule. Receiving, processing, warehousing and delivering of farm supplies as well as general labour in and around the facility is also part of this support position. Experience is a definite asset, but will train.

Interested applicants should send their resume in confidence directly to:

Crop Production Services
Attention: John Mintenko, Manager
RR 1, Box 72, Winkler, MB
Phone: 204-325-6498
Fax: 204-325-8495
Email: john.mintenko@cpsagu.ca

NOTICES

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:
THE CITY OF MORDEN BY-LAW 06-2016
Being an AMENDMENT to the CITY OF MORDEN ZONING BY-LAW 22-2008, AS AMENDED

HEARING LOCATION: Morden Civic Centre
195 Stephen St., Morden, MB
DATE & TIME: Monday, April 18, 2016 @ 7:00pm
FROM: "PR" Parks and Recreation
TO: "RS1" Residential Single Family
AREA: Lot 4, Plan 27969 MLTO
Roll#133050
Subdivision number 4433-15-7485

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Martin Sandhurst, City Planner
133 7th Street, Morden, MB. R6M 1V3
Phone: (204) 822-4434

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



COMING EVENTS

COFFEE WITH CAMERON FRIESEN CANDIDATE FOR MORDEN-WINKLER

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CAREERS

TENANT PROGRAMMING ACTIVITY WORKER

Company: Winkler Heritage Village
City: Winkler
Contact Person: Grant Toews

Winkler Heritage Village is a senior housing complex where the emphasis is on providing a good quality of life. This is a part time position consisting of 30 - 35 hours per week, requiring flexible hours and possibly some evenings.

Duties:

- Creative ability to plan and coordinate a variety of group activities for tenants
- Assisting with the day to day needs of tenants, e.g. shopping, errands
- Assisting with the meal program
- Visiting tenants one on one
- Related duties as assigned by management

Qualifications:

- Must be personable, well organized and enjoy working with seniors including sensitivity to their needs being met.
- Experience in programming activities with seniors is desirable.
- Skills in specific areas relative to senior activity programs - music, exercise, crafts, etc.
- Good communication skills necessary and knowledge of Low German an asset
- Must be of good health and physically able to perform all duties
- Safe Food Handling Course.
- Demonstrated ability to respect confidentiality
- Ability to work independently and efficiently

Conditions of Employment:

- Current Criminal Record Check
- Requires a valid Class 5 drivers license

Submit resume with references by April 11, 2016 to **Grant Toews, Manager - email - whv@mymts.net**

Only those applicants contacted will be interviewed.

VACATION/TRAVEL

Imagine your dream vacation, in Cuba and oceanfront. We've gone 10 times. You get full value with our expertise free by acting now. trippvacations.ca or 204-770-7771.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Separated - Widowed - Divorced. Beginning Experience (BE) is a non-profit, peer support grief resolution program helping single-again people deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity for turning pain from loss into an experience of positive growth. We offer 10 week programs 3 times per year. NEXT 10 WEEK PROGRAM STARTS APRIL 13TH, 2016. FOR MORE INFORMATION - please call 204-275-3090 or visit www.beginning-experiencewinnipeg.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS

Antique & Collectible Sale! Huge spring event! Largest of the season. Over 200 tables! Friday, April 8, 4 p.m. - 9 p.m. and Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., \$5 per person. Assiniboia Downs, 3975 Portage Ave., Winnipeg. Great selection, door prizes and free parking.

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LIVESTOCK

48th Annual Lunder Bull Sale, April 2, 2016. For sale: Gelbvieh, Hereford, Simmental, Angus, Limousin, Charolais. Sale time 1 p.m. Contact Jim at 204-467-8809 or Connie at 204-739-5264. Visit our catalogue on www.buyagro.com

FARM EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

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FARM EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

Outback GPS system, includes Max monitor & E Drive X steering system, monitor has RTK unlock, asking \$9500 + GST obo, only 3 years old, new cost \$15,000 plus; one used RTK Royer, \$1500 + GST obo.; 1 used E drive T/C black box, \$1500 obo. Call 204-292-0843.

CAREERS

WANTED

Morden Legion House One & Two Looking for a Year Round Yard Maintenance Person
Start Date: May 1st

Spring Cleanup

Mowing Lawn, fertilize, pruning shrubs, some tilling, plant flowers.

Summer

Mowing when needed, water bedding plants and grass.

Fall Cleanup

Cleanup leaves and pine cones, remove flowers and till soil.

Winter

Snow clearing in front and rear of Legion One and Two. Salt walkways in front and rear of buildings. Multiple times if required.

For more information please call 204-822-6596 or 204-823-4588

PUBLIC NOTICE



ANNUAL MEETING

Mon., April 11, 2016

12 noon at Winkler City Hall South Committee Room

Coffee will be provided

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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COMING EVENTS

St. Paul's United Church Choir and Friends

What a Wonderful World SPRING CONCERT

Sat., April 16

St. Paul's United Church - 7 PM
353 Thornhill Street, Morden

Tickets: \$15
Includes Dessert & Coffee

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COMING EVENTS

FUNDRAISER

Boundary Trails Health Auxillary - Morden Chapter

Sat., April 9/16

at Morden 55+ Activity Centre

Bake Sale
11:00 am
Soup, Sandwich & Dessert Luncheon
11:30 - 1:30pm

Proceeds to Boundary Trails Health Centre - Equipment Fund

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the Morden Police Service, especially Jeff Forster and the paramedics for their quick response to our 911 call. Special thank you to all the doctors and medical staff at Boundary Trails Hospital and St Boniface Hospital for their prompt and excellent care. We would also like to thank everyone for the phone calls, cards and food brought to our house. Thank you for all the prayers, especially Pastor Tom and our Christ Lutheran Church family. To Anne and Jake, Esther and Norman, a big thank you for rides to and from Winnipeg. May God Bless you all!
-Hugh and Jessie Dyck

BIRTHDAY



Happy 40th Birthday Jason!

ENGAGEMENT



Thompson - LeBlanc

Henri and Karen LeBlanc (Miami), Doreen Klassen (Darlingford), and Richard Thompson (Manitou) are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Curtis and Jackie. A July wedding is being planned. Wedding social will be held at Darlingford Community Hall on April 23. Bridal shower will take place at Miami United Church on May 7 (2 p.m.).

OBITUARY



Franz Enns 1940 - 2016

On Friday, March 18, 2016 at Salem Home in Winkler, MB, Franz Enns aged 76 years went to his eternal rest.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Getruda (nee Bueckert); four daughters, Helena and David Giesbrecht, Lisa and Frank Enns, Trudy and Cornie Thiessen, Tina and Isaak Dyck; four sons, Nick and Mary, John and Elizabeth, Frank and Sara, Isaak and Susie as well as 22 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by one daughter, Annie; one son, Peter; one sister and one brother.

Funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at the Christian Faith Fellowship in Winkler with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

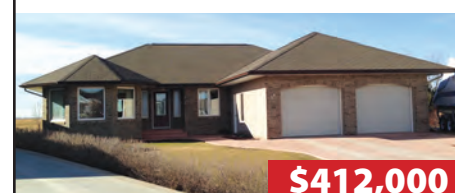
If friends so desire, donations may be made in Franz's memory to the Salem Home Foundation Inc.

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NOTICES



CITY OF WINKLER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2152-16, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2152-16, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

Legally described as Lot 1 Plan 784 and Lot 4 Block 2 Plan 2035 as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "RMH" RESIDENTIAL MOBILE HOME

TO: "I" INSTITUTIONAL

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2152-16, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 17th day of March, 2016.

Barb Dyck, Assistant Administrator
City of Winkler



AUCTION

YARD, TOOLS HOUSEHOLD AND RECREATION AUCTION WILHELM AND HELENA DYCK SAT., APRIL 2 2016 • 10 AM



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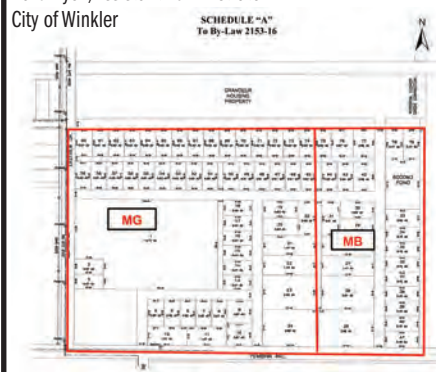
TO: "MG" INDUSTRIAL GENERAL &

"MB" INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS

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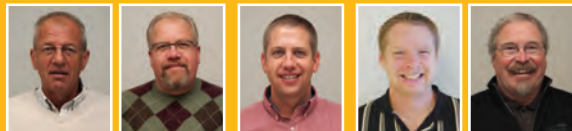
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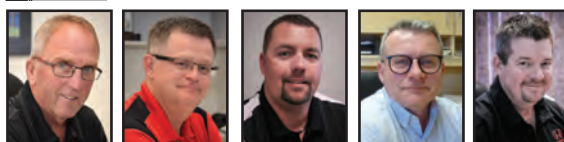
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