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Winkler United Way making an impact



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Representatives of some of the 18 agencies supported by the Winkler and District United Way were on hand at the Winkler Bible Camp Wednesday to receive a share of the \$120,500 in funding. See story on Pg. 7.

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Morden honours a special athlete

Chrissy Peters celebrated for success at world games

By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Morden came together Sunday to celebrate their world champion.

Local Special Olympics athlete Chrissy Peters was honoured with an afternoon party at the Access Event Centre for coming home with a pair of medals from the recent Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria.

Peters was marched into the hall with the Canadian and Special Olympics flags and then received certificates from dignitaries including Mayor Ken Wiebe, Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen and a representative for MP Candice Bergen.

Raffle prizes were raising money for the local Special Olympics program, and there was a congratulatory banner for supporters to sign, and Peters was thankful for it all.

"It feels really good ... I really appreciate it," she said in between receiving many hugs and congratulations.

"I'm very happy with it all," she said before leaving to go celebrate with friends. "I like to see them dancing, I like to party with them. Everything is really good."

Peters went to compete at her second world winter games and was able to repeat her gold medal performance in at the 2007 World Games.

Having been involved with the Special Olympics program for about 10 years, she already had a gold medal to her credit when she now not only snagged a gold medal in the 100M snowshoe race with a time of 44.94 seconds but also picked up a bronze medal in the 200M snowshoe race with a 2:10.66 time.

Special Olympics coach Sabrina Klassen, who was also part of the games contingent from Canada, expressed how proud she was of Peters.

"I've been there from the start to the



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Chrissy Peters received congratulations at the Sunday celebration in her honour from members of the provincial champion Pembina Valley Hawks. Mayor Ken Wiebe was on hand, signing the congratulatory banner as well as joining Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen in presenting certificates to Peters.

end ... seen her go through the struggles that every athlete has ... and then to go to a world games and put everything she's got into it. She's trained so hard, and to put it into action and come home with two medals is truly amazing," said Klassen.

She added it was meaningful as well to have the community celebrate her achievements.

"It's amazing that the community is out here supporting one of their own. She was representing this community, and she just did really well," said Klassen.

"IT'S AMAZING THAT THE COMMUNITY IS OUT HERE SUPPORTING ONE OF THEIR OWN."

"It shows that the community is behind them, supporting them, to do whatever they are wanting to do in their life," she added. "This is huge when a community can come together and support one of their own."

Denise Thiessen, who manages the group home where Peters lives in Morden and led the organization of the celebration, said there was a lot of excitement for Peters.

"It's such a huge experience for anyone ... and then to come back with a gold medal and a bronze medal," said Thiessen.

"For me, I'm almost speechless from it. It's so big, I can't comprehend what that medal would mean ... not just anybody gets that ... that's an athlete," she concluded.

"We thought it would be great for the community to get together to celebrate her."



Party in your PJs

Parents and kids invited to resource centre event

By Lorne Stelmach

Parents and their young children are invited to a community pajama party in support of the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre.

The Pajama Jam takes place next Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Morden Legion.

"It's always lots of fun ... and the kids seem to have a blast," said co-ordinator Janine North.

The event is just \$5 per child with parents with popcorn and music to be enjoyed.

"Everyone is welcome to come in support of the resource centre," said North.

"Everyone comes in their pajamas, and they can bring along a stuffed animal if they like. There will be a bedtime story about a half hour before we finish the evening."

She said it is simply a fun way for them to involve and engage the community with the centre.

"We just want to get families together and parents together to have some fun ... kind of a great way to start offspring," she said.

"IT'S ALWAYS LOTS OF FUN ... AND THE KIDS SEEM TO HAVE A BLAST."

It can help build support for the centre and its programs while also providing a bit of fundraising to help with their operating costs.

"We try to offer everything for free for the community or at a minimal cost," noted North.

Located in Boundary Trails Place, the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre offers a variety of programs for children and their care givers for free with the exception of Kids in the



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Two of the participants having fun at the 2016 pajama dance of the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre.

Kitchen.

Parents can have fun meeting and visiting with other parents while their children learn and play with other children. Its programs have included:

- Kids in the Kitchen - a great cooking program for school aged children.
- ArtRageous - a program for children aged three to five.
- Let's Make Music - a music-themed

play program targeting pre-schoolers and toddlers.

- Coffee and Chat - a drop-in community building time at the Access Event Centre and Morden Library.
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Imagination Library benefit concert coming up

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Imagination Library will fill the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall with "A Little Bit of Country, A Little Bit of Rock and Roll" next week.

The early childhood literacy program hosts its second annual musical fundraiser April 21-22 at the Winkler concert hall.

Last year's event was a huge success, raising over \$13,000 to help the program mail free books to registered pre-school age kids in our area every month.

They're hoping to beat that amount this year, says organizer and performer Wendy Wiebe.

"Last year the concert hall was about three-quarters full ... we're hoping we'll sell it out this year," she says.

"We had a great response from people last year," Wiebe adds. "Afterwards people were asking right away, 'When are you doing this again?'"

The evening will be a mishmash of the best of classic rock and country music.

Wiebe, who performs as Wendy

Gayle, will pay tribute to country superstars Loretta Lynn and Dolly Parton.

Also taking the stage is Jim Dyck paying homage to Johnny Cash; Ed Wayne and the North Border Band playing music by Merle Haggard, Waylon Jennings, and the like; and The Pylons, who will perform songs by The Eagles and CCR.

Wiebe says it wasn't hard to convince musicians to lend their talents to this cause.

"This program supports our children locally and our artists are all local, too, so they're on board with that," she says. "Just knowing that it's helping children to read and putting books in their hands from when they're first born until they go to school, it really makes a big difference."

The Imagination Library currently sends books to 749 children every month.

The concert gets underway at 7:30 p.m. both nights.

Tickets are available online at winklerconcerthall.ca, at the ticket office in City Hall, or at the door for \$20 (plus taxes and fees).



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Performing in support of the Winkler Imagination Library April 21-22 are (clockwise from above) The Pylons, Wendy Gayle, Jim Dyck, and Ed Wayne and the North Border Band.



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Face of the Co-op stepping aside

Klassen bringing five decade career to an end

By Lorne Stelmach

The Winkler Co-op will have a new face at the helm for the first time in a long time.

After working in the co-op system for five decades, general manager George Klassen retires with May 12 as his official last day.

With this having been such a major part of his life for so long, it doesn't come easy for Klassen.

"The decision was hard, no doubt about it," said Klassen, who has served in the co-operative retailing system for 47 years.

"I'm very happy with how things have happened ... I've had a very rewarding successful career here."

The move to step aside now came about in large part because there had been a few major goals finally achieved in the last couple of years.

"I think there were some major things that I wanted to get done, and they are all done at this point," said Klassen.

"We needed agro sites in our whole territory, and we just finished building the one in Morden," he explained. "We were also looking for another gas bar in Morden, and that's just been done."

"So now we have food, fuel and agro facilities in our whole territory," he said. "The place is in good shape, and the succession plan is in place, so I decided this would be a good time."

His career began as a produce clerk in Altona, and it then took him Lowe Farm, where he served as general manager from 1975 to 1988.

From there, he moved to the Winkler Co-op where he has remained for almost 30 years.

He noted one of his first most meaningful memories goes back to early on when he was in Lowe Farm.

"There were two co-ops there ... one was in trouble, so we amalgamated the two, and then it became a very successful operation," he said.

From that time on, he has continued to see the co-op system really grow and develop over the years in the region.

He pondered recently what was still here in the Winkler area from when he first came here.

"It's only the food store in Winkler ... everything else is new."

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FILE PHOTO

George Klassen began his career with the co-op in Altona then moved on to Lowe Farm and later to Winkler.

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Apples for sale, shiny apples

I used to sell apples when I was in the Boy Scouts. It was done every year on the aptly named Apple Day as a fundraiser for Scouts Canada.

Nobody really wanted to sell apples, but you have to do things sometimes when you are in a group. So since we had to sell these things, we figured we may as well be as successful as possible in the process.

Rumour had it that the best place to sell apples would be the liquor store. Nobody knew why this would be the best place, it simply the lore, and we believed such things. Our own young minds assumed it was because drunk people were more liable to give larger donations being in a state of fuzzy, philanthropic enjoyment.

It was assumed only drunk people visited the liquor store. I have since learned that this is rarely the case.

Armed with such knowledge, teams raced to be the first to the store. Once 'taken', other teams had to move on to different locations. This was understood. You don't sell apples at a store that had been claimed by another team, you would just move on to a different store in another part of town, and in this way the peace was kept, and there was no economic injustice inflicted upon anyone.

These days the peace is increasingly not being kept, although today I am thinking more of business and economics rather than kids selling apples for donations.

I am starting to believe as technology changes the economics of doing business, it may not be possible to avoid economic injustice in the transition.

Take, for instance, Uber - the ride sharing phenomenon sweeping the globe. Recently, I used Uber for the first time in Ottawa, and frankly the experience was a winner. I ordered my ride with my mobile device. It came two minutes later. The app debited my credit card for a cost of half a regular taxi and all was well.

Quick, easy and inexpensive - a rare combination.

Uber came in and set up shop at the same proverbial liquor store and started selling its apples for five cents each - no tips, no markup and no care for who was already there. The competition is being demolished in its wake.

That being said, the impact of Uber has been significant on the traditional taxi industry with drivers rioting and protesting in cities where Uber has come. They have great arguments - that Uber is unregulated and lacks the safeguards of a regulated industry, they say.

It hasn't been all bad.

In 2012 in Toronto, a taxi license cost \$360,000. Today it costs less than \$90,000 and falling.

Uber came into a somewhat monopolized market and turned it on its head, creating economic injustices in its wake because the market embraced it.

The market embraced it because it represented things it wanted - efficient, inexpensive rides.

In our own growing community of the Pembina Valley, we will encounter these things more and more. We live in a fast growing region with more than 40,000 people in our catchment.

I have heard stories of long-standing business owners angry at new entrepreneurs setting up a similar business in the same city - this is my corner, go get your own was the sentiment.

Understandable, but the reality is the market will dictate whether competition can be sustained.

We cannot protect our corners anymore. Growth has come, technology is advancing, and online shopping is not going anywhere. The reality in the market today, as it has always been really, is adapt or die.

In the cut throat world of apple selling, if another scout troop moved into our corner and refused to leave, we had two choices - move on ourselves or outsell the new competition.

Shine the apples brighter and hope the client notices.



By Peter Cantelon

letters

Carefully consider the math before supporting gas project proposal

Re: Natural gas project expands its scope (April 6) and the proposal to build pipelines within the six municipalities of Lorne, Louise, Norfolk Treherne, Glenboro South Cypress, Victoria and Thompson.

Everyone interested in converting to natural gas should seriously look at the calculations.

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tricity, which is a renewable energy source, to burning natural gas is counter-intuitive. Should we be polluting the air instead of using a renewable resource?

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United Way makes an impact

Eighteen agencies serving Winkler receive share of funding

By Lorne Stelmach

Eighteen community agencies in Winkler are the beneficiaries of the Winkler and District United Way reaching its goal for the past year.

As the United Way handed out the grants last Wednesday at the Winkler Bible Camp, organizations like The Bunker expressed their gratitude for receiving a share of the \$120,500 that was distributed.

"We would love it if we could be totally self-sufficient, but unfortunately we are not at that place," said executive director Kevin Hildebrand.

"It's tremendous because we need to get support from all of the communities that we serve, and we are quite widespread," said Sue Nelson, president of South Central Cancer Resource.

United Way president Lori Penner said they were very thankful that they were able to meet the needs of all of the applicants this year.

She also observed how the agencies supported represent a broad cross-section of the community as well.

"It is a variety of organizations ... we have kind of from the elderly to the little ones," she added.

She attributed the success of the campaign to there being a strong sense of community involved.

"From our campaign coordinator down to each one of the canvassers who went out there and knocked on doors and sent letters ... it's still individual people contributing, and we are really fortunate that happened," she said.

And the strength of the United Way is that a little bit of money can go a long way.

"Your contribution, whether it's \$20 or a thousand dollars, it tallies up," she said. "Each dollar counts, and all of the money that was donated was handed out."

Hildebrand said the \$9,000 presented to The Bunker makes a huge difference for them.

"We gain about 25 per cent of our total revenue a year from doing our own individual fundraising events ... so getting \$9,000 from the United Way is three less fundraising things that we kind of have to do on our own," he said.

"We get to spend a little more time doing what we do ... hanging out with kids and connecting ... as opposed to running around and trying to do our own fundraising."

He said the funds will go towards their programming and help them do various things with the kids.

"In the summertime, we take them out on field trips ... all kinds of things like that," he said, adding it is a chance to let them "experience some things they probably wouldn't be able to on their own. We know most of the kids we deal with don't have \$40 to spend on an outing."

The support is vital as it becomes more and more challenging for non-profits organizations like themselves.

"It's challenging for us to survive, but we also realize it's challenging for a lot of families out there surviving," said

Hildebrand.

"We see a lot of those kids, but also, on the flip side, it affects us because now there's less money being donated," he added. "We see that ... we had a huge drop in our donations over the last six months."

Nelson noted the \$11,000 for South Central Cancer Resource is welcome, especially considering a significant portion of their clients are from the Winkler area.

"Last year, we provided 565 rides for people from Winkler and the area ... that's more than a third of our rides coming from the Winkler area," she said.

"So we have a significant role in the community, and we are very happy that the United Way has given us some money to help fund us," who added they are also looking for directors from the Winkler area. "We want to

board members from across the whole area."

Here are the agencies supported by the Winkler and District United Way:

Alzheimer's Society - \$2,500
Big Brothers Big Sisters - \$5,000
BTHC Foundation - \$15,000 (designated for palliative care)
Bunker - \$9,000
Eden volunteer program - \$8,000 (\$2,000 for activities)
Gateway Resources - \$10,000
Genesis House - \$5,000
MCC - \$4,000
NPC day care - \$4,000
PV Pregnancy Care Centre - \$8,000
Salem Home - \$10,000
S.C. Cancer Care - \$11,000



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"Each dollar counts, and all of the money that was donated was handed out," noted Winkler and District United Way president Lori Penner.

Special Olympics - \$2,000
Winkler Food Cupboard - \$10,000
Winkler Bible Camp - \$5,000
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Concerns raised about corridor plan

Cities look for highway zone development to be better controlled

By Lorne Stelmach

As much as the highway corridor serves as a strong connection between the three municipalities in play, its development can also be a divisive issue.

The RM of Stanley brought its proposed corridor development plan before a public hearing Thursday, and Winkler representatives raised their concerns.

Mayor Martin Harder said they want to work closely with the municipality to make this good for the region, but he suggested the development of the corridor needs to be more tightly controlled than what was presented so far.

"I think it can be methodically developed without robbing the urban centres of opportunities ... and perhaps we say that we need to have a tax share of the corridor in order to be sure that the development takes place on an equal basis, not on an unfair basis," Harder said after the hearing.

"I don't like to get everything so tight

in a development plan that it restricts us," replied reeve Morris Olafson.

Acknowledging however that the corridor is vital as a link for the two centres, he stressed that Stanley does want to make sure that they do it right.

"Our intent is surely not to make the corridor or the conduit look poor. We want it to look nice, and we're trying to be as careful as we can in our plan ... so that it stays that way."

The Stanley corridor secondary plan bylaw is aimed at serving as a guide for sustainable and planned development in the highway zone between Winkler and Morden.

Stanley council has stressed it is important to have an overall plan to guide development because there is a lot of interest in the area, but they want to be sensitive to the interests of Winkler and Morden.

Harder said their overall concern in general is that aspects of the plan are not well defined.

There is a danger if too much is left up to the developers with more measures in place for controlled development.

"What happens now is the developer comes along with an idea, comes and

plunks it on the RM of Stanley in the corridor, suggesting that this is great for everybody," said Harder.

"It is great for the RM of Stanley's tax base, we fully understand that, but who is going to service it, how is it going to fit into the rest of the development that's taking place and will it be a planned development?"

"We want to make sure of that," said Harder, who further suggested there is a concern of urban sprawl here that ap-

plies as much to commercial as well as residential development. The commercial development in the cities provides an important tax base.

"We depend on that in order to support residential," said Harder. "For them to say now, well this doesn't include residential, so therefore it's not urban sprawl is wrong because it is in fact robbing commercial development from within cities that are helping pay the taxes and to provide opportunities for recreation.

"Thirty to 40 per cent of the people that use our recreational facilities are coming from the rural municipalities," he added, "and the rural municipali-

ties continue to block opportunities to participate in it.

"It's important for the urban centres to in fact be strong ... so that those services can be provided for the benefit of all of the region."

Olafson acknowledged the concerns with similar issues also raised by Morden representatives as well by letter.

He suggested council would look at those areas of concern such as residential development in general and more specific issues such as property lot sizes.

He further suggested Stanley would not want big industry, but there can pockets of other development that make sense for the area.

"You can't put everything into a tight little basket sometimes," he suggested, citing the Stanley business centre as an example of good development in the corridor. "They're not on huge tracts of land, but they kind of complement the whole area."

"I see different little hubs of things ... I don't see the corridor as being a residential area, that's just not right for it ... the cities are the places for that," he stressed.

Olafson said council would review the bylaw further and work with Winkler and Morden to address their concerns, and he suggested it could two to three months before it comes back to council.

> COOP, FROM PG. 8

As always, the co-op draws its strength from a combination of things, Klassen suggested.

"We have very strong staff ... and our management team over the years has been just an excellent team," he said.

"We've always had good direction

from the board of directors as well," he added, while stressing though that it all goes back to its membership base.

"It's the fact that we gives everything back to the community ... It's a community owned organization, so we give everything back," said Klassen.

"We've always had great support from the community, and they own

the business, so they need to get rewarded for supporting their own business."

As for his plans now, Klassen said there were no worries about him not keeping himself occupied with other things.

"I have a hobby farm so I'm going to spend some time with that," he said,

while adding "I am also on four different boards in Winkler, so I'm going to keep going on those.

"So I am going to be busy enough," said Klassen, who added some parting words and advice for the local co-op.

"Just to keep remembering that the community owns the place and that they are the ones that need to benefit from it."

In a prepared statement, board president Milt Olfert praised Klassen for his "dedication to community and his belief in a strong local economy ... two characteristics that define him.

"He not only dedicated his life to serve at co-op but made it a priority to serve on various boards and organizations. He believed that by working together communities can achieve great things.

"The board expresses its deep gratitude and thanks George for his leadership, guidance and service to Winkler Co-op. Although we will miss him, we know he leaves the organization in a strong position as we move forward."

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payers by Manitoba Hydro sounds a lot like an infomercial. Somewhat random numbers are included in the flyer when very important ones are not included.

There is no mention of the effect the carbon tax will have on the so-called savings. How have they arrived at the savings of more than \$17,700, which is up from \$14,000 in the early release?

The equivalent investment income (or mortgage interest) equal to the cost of equipment installation will out do the savings quite easily during the lifespan of the natural gas

project.

This proposal is being marketed by Manitoba Hydro, which is the same corporation that has placed Manitoba electricity into the huge debt scenario we will deal with for many years.

Is there a credibility issue here?

This opportunity is being made available to a select number of businesses and institutions and now some residential customers. The organizers expect most of the project cost to be paid for by taxpayers.

These potential grants include one third from Canadian tax dollars, one

third from the provincial tax dollars and even more through municipal taxes and school division levies.

Does anyone have better ideas for spending our tax dollars than subsidizing certain others so they can save costs by using your money to pay to install their heating equipment?

This proposal is a public request to subsidize organizations, current and envisioned, that should be able to function and grow without the taxpayer giving them a handout.

E Driedger
Miami

Imagination Library supported Supporting Katie Cares



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Winkler Imagination Library was the grateful recipient of an \$852 donation from Centennial Supply last week. They celebrated their first trade show with a customer barbeque lunch for \$2 on April 6, and all proceeds went to the Imagination Library. Joyce Sawatzky, chair of Winkler Imagination Library, received the cheque from Kevin Braun, president of Centennial Supply.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Katie Cares received support recently from the Altona Elks club with the presentation of a \$1,000 donation at the Katie's Cottage respite home near Boundary Trails Health Centre. "We are here to help kids any way we can ... and our community uses this hospital," said club rep. Geri Pappel.

Expression of Interest

Leased office space Pembina area (Manitoba)

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) invites Expressions of Interest from anyone interested in leasing office space to FCC. All proposals must meet the following criteria:

1. Approximately 4,200 usable square feet within one building, offering the entire space on one floor. Preference will be given to space with high visibility that provides for illuminated exterior signage. Ten (10) electrified staff parking and two (2) customer parking spaces are required.
2. The office space must be located in Pembina area (Manitoba).
3. The building must be accessible to FCC on a 24-hour basis. Heating, cooling and lighting must be available at all times and under the control of FCC.
4. The physical characteristics of the building and surrounding area, including the use of land in the neighbouring area, must be compatible with FCC's intended use as a business office. Build-to-suit options are also considered.
5. FCC requires the landlord or builder to ensure both copper and fibre facilities as well as spare conduit space to the building are available with a private DMARC area for network services. The landlord is to provide written confirmation of DMARC in the building a minimum 60 days before occupancy by FCC. The landlord or builder shall be available to work with our Telco provider to ensure a smooth installation.
6. The space must be available for tenant fixturing no later than March 15, 2018, with a move-in date of August 1, 2018. The term of the lease is negotiable but FCC will require a five-year term, plus an option to extend the lease for at least one additional term of five years.
7. Evening cleaning service must be included in the lease.
8. Must be accessible to persons with disabilities.

For more information, contact Jon Starceвич, Facilities Manager, at 306-780-6384, or email jon.starceвич@fcc.ca.

Please respond in writing with all relevant details of the space being offered and a simple building plan. Agents submitting an Expression of Interest must provide FCC with a letter from the owner authorizing them to do so.

To ensure consideration, letters expressing interest must be received at the following address no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017.

FCC, Facilities and Administration
Attention: Jon Starceвич
1800 Hamilton Street, P.O. Box 4320
Regina, SK S4P 4L3

Note: Do not submit a price as this is not a tender call.

This is only an inquiry as to the availability of the space to lease, and FCC will not necessarily invite offers or lease any of the said space. FCC reserves the right to invite offers for this or similar projects, from any of the interested Lessors, any other Lessor, or by way of public tender.

Déclaration d'intérêt

Location de locaux à bureaux dans la région de Pembina (Manitoba)

Financement agricole Canada (FAC) invite toute personne désirant louer des locaux à bureaux à FAC à soumettre une déclaration d'intérêt. Les propositions doivent répondre aux critères suivants :

1. Une superficie utilisable d'environ 4 200 pieds carrés dans un seul immeuble et l'ensemble des locaux doit être sur un même étage. La préférence sera accordée à un espace qui offre une grande visibilité et qui permet un affichage extérieur lumineux. Dix (10) places de stationnement (avec services d'électricité réservés au personnel) et deux (2) places de stationnement réservées aux clients sont requises.
2. Les locaux à bureaux doivent être situés dans la région de Pembina (Manitoba).
3. FAC doit avoir accès à l'immeuble à toute heure de la journée. Le chauffage, la climatisation et l'éclairage doivent être disponibles en tout temps et FAC doit pouvoir les régler.
4. Les caractéristiques physiques de l'immeuble et des environs, y compris l'usage des terrains avoisinants, doivent être compatibles avec l'utilisation prévue des locaux par FAC, soit un bureau d'affaires. Nous considérerons aussi des projets sur mesure.
5. FAC exige que le propriétaire ou le constructeur s'assure que les installations sont dotées de réseaux de câblage en cuivre et en fibre optique ainsi que d'un conduit additionnel vers le bâtiment avec zone DMARC privée pour les services de réseau. Le propriétaire doit confirmer par écrit qu'il y a une zone DMARC dans le bâtiment au moins 60 jours avant que FAC n'occupe les lieux. Le propriétaire ou le constructeur devra se rendre disponible pour travailler avec notre fournisseur de télécommunications afin d'assurer une installation sans problème.
6. FAC, en qualité de locataire, doit pouvoir accéder aux locaux à bureaux pour l'installation des accessoires fixes au plus tard le 15 mars 2018. La date d'emménagement est prévue le 1^{er} août 2018. Les modalités du bail pourront être négociées, mais FAC exigera un bail de cinq ans, assorti de la possibilité de le prolonger pendant au moins une autre période de cinq ans.
7. Le service de nettoyage en soirée doit être inclus dans le bail.
8. Doit être accessible aux personnes handicapées.

Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements, veuillez communiquer avec Jon Starceвич, Directeur, Installations à FAC, par téléphone au 306-780-6384, ou par courriel à jon.starceвич@fac.ca.

Veuillez nous faire parvenir, par écrit, tous les détails pertinents concernant les locaux à bureaux en question, accompagnés d'un plan simple de l'immeuble. Les agents qui soumettent une déclaration d'intérêt doivent aussi fournir à FAC une lettre de la part du propriétaire de l'immeuble les autorisant à effectuer cette démarche.

Afin d'être prises en compte, les déclarations d'intérêt doivent être acheminées à l'adresse suivante ou par courriel, au plus tard le 11 mai 2017, à 17 h.

FAC, Installations et administration
À l'attention de Jon Starceвич
1800, rue Hamilton, CP 4320
Regina (Saskatchewan) S4P 4L3

Remarque : Ne soumettez pas de prix, car il ne s'agit pas d'un appel d'offres.

Il s'agit seulement d'une demande visant à évaluer la disponibilité des locaux à bureaux à louer et il n'est nullement garanti que FAC lancera un appel d'offres ou louera ces locaux. FAC se réserve le droit de faire un appel d'offres pour ce projet ou des projets semblables auprès des bailleurs intéressés, de tout autre bailleur ou par soumission publique.

La Riviere hosts Raptor Festival April 22

By Lorne Steilmach

The star attractions are already showing up in plentiful numbers as a preview of the 2017 La Riviere Raptor Festival.

The return of thousands of migrating birds in the Pembina Valley is well underway in advance of the festival set for Saturday, April 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Right now, it's a marvel, it's quite amazing ... the Bald Eagles we are seeing right now are just incredible," said festival spokesperson Evelyn Janzen earlier this month.

The sixth edition of the festival offers an opportunity to experience and learn more about the raptors and song-birds who journey between their breeding grounds in Canada and their wintering grounds in Mexico and Central and South America.

Some birds travel 10,000 miles one way or fly non-stop for days, and the festival aims to raise awareness of the significance of the Pembina Valley region as a key part of their migratory corridor.

"The other thing we want to do is make people aware of how important habitat conservation and environmental concerns are for these birds and their survival," said Janzen.

"I think a lot of awareness has been created by the festival," she added. "I think it's grown by leaps and bounds in the last few years."

"The festival is perfect proof of that. The first year ... we had 100 attend. Last year we had almost 600, and it was even a horrible stormy day."

Janzen noted the event is looking at how it can continue to grow.

"We are slowly outgrowing our venue," she said. "But we are going on to the ice surface this year so it's not going to be as crowded."

A popular feature of the festival is having naturalists on hand for guided walking tours and spotting and counting of birds at posting stations.

There will also be displays of raptors including owls, falcons, kestrels and hawks. Handlers will share their

knowledge about the ecology and behaviour of these birds while offering a chance for visitors to get up close to these majestic creatures.

The day will see displays from a broad range of conservation organizations, including the Wildlife Haven Rehabilitation Centre,

Prairie Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, A Rocha, Delta Marsh Observatory, and the Pembina Valley Conservation District, among others.

On hand again this year as guest speaker will be author and photographer Dr. Christian Artuso, who is the Manitoba program manager for Bird Studies Canada.

An expert on owls, Artuso is committed to public outreach and will be giving two presentations using wild-

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VOICE FILE PHOTO

Get up close and personal with a variety of feathered friends at the La Riviere Raptor Festival taking place at the Blair Morrison Hall on Saturday, April 22.

life photos and auditory clips from his travels.

Other popular festival activities include the annual photo contest (head to pembina.ca for entry details), activities and crafts for kids, and homemade soups, sandwiches, and pies at the canteen.

As well, check out the Westoba Credit Union La Riviere branch for

the *Dance of the Pelicans* photo taken by Wayne Benedet. Tickets are available at \$2 each for a chance to win it.

The festival takes place at Blair Morrison Hall at 504 Broadway Street in La Riviere. Admission is free.

For more information, head to pembina.ca.

Open House Winkler looking for venues

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The City of Winkler has begun planning its third annual Open House event.

Open House Winkler gives businesses and non-profit organizations in our city the chance to swing their doors wide open for people to come see behind-the-scenes.

"It's just a neat opportunity for people, whether they're an existing customer or just curious about the product or the service," says community events coordinator Deb Penner. "From the business side, it's a way to

maybe get new customers by educating them and being on site and giving the tours.

"It's just a nice, informal, friendly way to connect."

Last year's event had 16 participating venues, ranging from manufacturers to service organizations to retail stores to tourist attractions.

Venue registration has been a little slow to start so far for the 2017 edition, but Penner is optimistic they'll have a similar number participating this year.

"I'd love to see it grow," she says. "I think we're covering a lot of different

sectors already so it would be nice to just get more of each.

"I think the more opportunities there are the more people will get into it," Penner says, "as well as to take the time to get out and explore."

This year's event will take place on Friday, May 26 from 1-4 p.m. and Saturday, May 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Venues can opt to participate for one or both days.

All organizers ask is venues have some kind of free offer to entice people to stop by—tours of your facility, free coffee, door prize draws, etc.

"For example, Kroeker Farms has

done free french fries both previous years and they had hundreds if not over a thousand people take advantage of that," says Penner. "It's a good little bit of community awareness and giving back to the community."

Penner notes there is no cost for participating in Open House Winkler, and the city takes care of all the marketing for the event.

If you'd like more information about how your business or organization can get involved, contact Penner at dpenner@cityofwinkler.ca by May 1.

Club knits up creativity and companionship

Group offers a place to encourage and share with others

By Lorne Stelmach

Knitting is a solitary hobby for people, but a group in Winkler offers a degree of fellowship around it.

The knitting club that meets once a month on the first Tuesday at the Winkler Library provides a place for people to share their passion for this pastime and to encourage and learn from each other.

"Non-knitters don't necessarily understand," said Linda Funk, who helps head up and organize the club.

"A knitting project is just one stitch after another for a long time, and it usually takes another knitter to appreciate how much effort goes into pulling off something," she said.

"It's a good opportunity to be among people who understand the kind of work you've put into things and understand how wonderful it is to find a real bargain on yarn and who don't think you're insane when you spend \$40 on a single skein of yarn because it's alpaca."

"Linda has shown me how to untangle all kinds of things," offered Hilda Giesbrecht, who agreed they can learn a lot of things from each other in the club.

"Just to be here with them ... they are encouraging and sometimes we have a good laugh," she said. "It's been great. I wish there were more people."

The club started about three years ago after local library staff went to a provincial conference and heard another library talk about its knitting club, Funk noted.



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Members of the knitting club at work in the Winkler Library recently. "We encourage each other and maybe pass on tips if we have some," said Linda Funk (below left).

"They looked at each other, and they said 'we have somebody on staff who can knit ... she would be perfect for this'," she recalled.

As part of their monthly gathering, she usually brings up a fiction and a non-fiction book related to knitting which they talk about for a few minutes, then they just get to work with each other.

"We go around and show off the projects we are working on. The rest of the time, we just knit together, tell knitting stories or other stories as well," said Funk.

"We encourage each other and maybe pass on tips if we have some," she added. "It's pretty relaxed and low-key ... and we've got all kinds of skill levels coming through."

The number of participants will vary from one time to the next.

"I think the most we have ever had come out was eight ... but we've had probably 20 people coming at various times in total," she suggested. "It depends very much on how busy people are with other things."

She always enjoys the interchange and exchange that happens amongst the quiet moments as well.

"You get to see projects you don't necessarily do yourself or wouldn't necessarily come across yourself," said Funk.

"You get some ideas about things you could do ... some ideas about someone who may be able to help you with a technique that interests you, but maybe you've never done it before."

"We haven't done a group project yet," she noted. "I've toyed with the idea of coming up with something that we all could work on ... some sort of charitable project ... but that hasn't gotten off the ground yet."

It all started for Funk at a point when she was dealing with depression and needed something to do.

"That was my free time for the next four months or however long it took me to fin-

ish that sweater," she recalled. "It was something to keep me occupied where I didn't have to make a whole lot of decisions."

In the end, she said there is just something "creative and contemplative about it at the same time."

"Somebody described it as very slow magic," said Funk. "Eventually you transform a ball of string into a sweater or a shawl or a blanket."

"It's therapeutic," agreed Giesbrecht. "And I just don't have to worry about anything ... I'm just doing it and seeing it grow."



The Bra Lady Is Coming To Size You Up

Are you tired of feeling saggy, lumpy, pinched or strained? Well you're not alone. As you've probably seen on Oprah or read in women's magazines, over 80 per cent of all women wear the wrong size bra.

Here's where Barb Chapman, the Bra Lady, comes in.

Due to the overwhelming response to the previous clinic, Chapman is coming to

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to outfit you with the best possible bra for your body. Chapman said she will be seeing clients on a one-on-one basis, explaining the benefits of good bras and measuring their bodies properly.

"Most women just want to find a good-fitting bra that's not uncomfortable," Chapman says. "What they don't realize is that a good support bra is also important for blood circulation and enhanced lymph drainage."

Chapman has over 200 bra sizes available for ordering, ranging from 30AA to 52KK. It's likely that you'll fit somewhere between those sizes.

She offers these questions for women to ask themselves:

- Do you have a drawer full of bras but none that fit comfortably?
- Does your bust line "bounce" when you walk while wearing your "everyday" bra?
- Do you overflow the cup of your bra?
- Do your bra straps fall off your shoulders or dig into your shoulders leaving red and painful marks?
- Does your bra ride up in the back because you tighten the straps to give you added support?
- Have you ever begun an exercise class only to drop out because your breasts ached from lack of support while jumping or running?

If you answer yes to any of these you are in need of a new bra, and a custom one (JEUNIQUE, NUTRIMETICS, COLESCCE) could be the way to go. Put an end to bra shopping forever!

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She doesn't come into town very often so she advises booking as soon as possible.

www.bralady.com

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Winkler Festival of the Arts begins next week

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Up and coming young performers will have their moment in the spotlight at the annual Winkler Festival of the Arts later this month.

The long-running music festival kicks off with its vocal and choral sessions April 18-20 followed by the piano sessions April 24-28.

Festival president Dorothy Plett says the number of piano entries this year hit new heights.

"The piano is way up, so we had to add an extra day with an extra adjudicator," she said, noting the extra sessions will be held at the Covenant Mennonite Church located just a few steps away from the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall, which is where the bulk of this year's festival will take place.

In all, there are 365 entries in the piano sessions and another 41 entries for the vocal/choral section.

Plett says the increase in entries overall is due not just to more people getting involved in the arts, but also the organizing committee's work in raising awareness about the value of festival participation for budding performers.

"We have tried to grow the positive nature of festival," Plett said, noting the younger classes are non-competitive and older students also have the option to take part non-competitively.

Getting up to perform in front of their peers, audience members, and an adjudicator is a vital educational experience for students, helping them not only build self-confidence for other areas of life but also, of course, hone their musical skills.

"A lot of kids don't have chances to perform like they used to ... having something to work towards to perfect it to a different level is absolutely wonderful," Plett said, noting the feedback they get on their performance is invaluable. "We always start with positives. The kids need to hear that, but they also need to hear the things they can improve on."

"I often tell my students this is another way to get somebody else's opinion, because music is very subjective."

Sharing their subjective opinion with festival participants this year are three skilled adjudicators.

In the vocal/choral session, Sonya Williams is return-



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

From left: Tanya Derksen and Loren Hiebert will adjudicate the Winkler Festival of the Arts piano sessions April 24-28 while Sonya Williams is the adjudicator for the April 18-20 vocal/choral sessions.

ing to the role for another year. Williams has been teaching high school music since 2003, helping to build several choir programs from the ground up. She's also been heavily involved with the Manitoba Choral Association.

The piano session adjudicator duties will be split between Tanya Derksen and Loren Hiebert.

Derksen is the executive director of the Regina Symphony Orchestra and has almost twenty years of experience in the music industry as a performer, teacher, board member, and arts administration leader.

Hiebert, who holds a bachelor of arts in music and A.R.C.T. diplomas in piano performance and teaching, is a local music teacher and performer. He has been involved as an accompanist for numerous groups in addition to being an active chamber musician.

If you'd like to check out a festival session, a complete schedule of events is available online at winklerfestivalofthearts.com.

The festival also hosts a celebration concert for the vocal/choral session on April 20 at 4 p.m. at the concert hall.

For piano, awards will be handed out to the lower-grade students at 6 p.m. on April 28 and to the older students starting at 7:45 p.m. that night, also at the concert hall.

Admission to festival sessions is free, though donations are gratefully accepted.

"Anyone is welcome to come," Plett said. "It's nice for the kids to have a little bit of an audience and a support base."

HOPING TO GROW

While they're finding success in their existing festival categories, Plett said the committee would love to be able to grow the festival beyond just piano and vocal/choral.

"I would really like to see a solid band program," she said, adding speech arts is another category they'd like to bring back. "But it's a lot of work and somebody needs to spearhead it ... having enough volunteers is a big thing."

If you'd like to learn how you can help the festival as a volunteer, head online to the website above or contact Plett at 204-325-4040.

Concert raises \$1,880 for Ugandan street kids

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The results are in and it looks like last month's musical showcase in support of Ugandan street kids was a complete success.

Organizer Busiisi Godfrey Mbabazi says the March 10 concert featuring a number local artists raised a total of \$1,880 from ticket sales, sponsorships, and donations.

That puts his newly formed Busiisi Foundation about halfway to its first fundraising goal.

"I didn't think we would get this much, even, because we're just starting out," Mbabazi said. "We had a great turnout ... I'd like to thank everybody who supported it."

The funds are earmarked to purchase land in Mbabazi's home country to help get kids off the streets and into school.

"I wants to help those who are in the same shoes as I was in, by providing shelter, food, clothes, education as well as the basic needs to those that need it," he said, noting he spent much of his own child-

hood on the streets of Kampala.

Mbabazi hopes to hold additional fundraisers—bake sales, garage sales, and musical concerts—in the future.

"It's an ongoing project," he said. "This is a good start."

If you'd like to learn more about the cause or upcoming fundraisers, contact Mbabazi at 204-332-0200 or via email at busiisigodfrey@gmail.com.

Back 40 time warps to 70s again

Musical tribute evening a fundraiser for festival

By Lorne Stelmach

The Back Forty Folk Festival is again taking music fans for a trip down memory lane.

It returns to the Kenmor Theatre in Morden Saturday, April 29 for the annual 70s Show fundraising concert.

Local artists give their time to the Back 40 to support the festival by paying tribute to a selection of favourite music from the 1970s.

"The great thing is that all of the performers volunteer their time," noted

organizer Steve Dueck, who will be performing in one of the acts as well.

The 70s Show this year will pay tribute to artists including Bob Marley, Richard and Linda Thompson, Bad Company, Deep Purple, Bruce Springsteen, Carole King, Bill Withers and Sonny Terry and Brownie Mcghee.

The local musicians offering their talents include Loretta Thorleifson, Jayme Giesbrecht and the Soul Revue Band, The Mood, Hey Zeus Marimba, Reckless Tram and the Frying Pan, The Committee, Jenessa Kehler and Scotch and Soda.

"We have a long list of people who want to play because it's fun to get together with other musicians," said Dueck, noting that each act will do three songs.

Planning the lineup is a co-operative effort with the musicians, he added.

"We have some ideas ourselves and then we also ask the musicians if they have some ideas," said Dueck, who noted he was especially looking forward to the Bruce Springsteen set as "he has so many good songs and such power in his music."

And the key thing of course is that aside from offering a fun evening the show helps put on a great lineup of musicians at the Back Forty Festival each June.

"It's really the only fundraiser we do," he said.

"It's sold out every year, which is great because that helps us to put on the festival. It would be impossible to pay for all the talent at the festival without a fundraiser like this," he concluded.

"I think it's a great idea ... a nostalgic look at the past and all these bands that you listened to on the radio and loved."

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased in advance at Whitecap Coffee in Winkler or Thornview Grocery in Morden or online at www.back40folkfest.com.

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• AN ARTIST'S LIFE

Four things the arts community needs to thrive

As someone who has been immersed in the arts since birth, I have experienced many different aspects of the arts.

It began with watching my parents participate in the arts and taking piano and voice lessons to making music with family and friends then participating in concert and jazz bands, attending festivals and singing in choirs.

I attended university, travelled to various countries to learn more about the arts, studied through the Royal Conservatory of Music then did teaching, participated in competitions, coached singers and instrumentalists and volunteered in various capacities.

As such, I have had the unique opportunity to observe many aspects of the arts, both positive and negative, the good, the bad and the ugly.

Based on my observation, I believe the following four concepts to be in-

tegral to the continued success of the arts both in general and in southern Manitoba.

First, the arts needs an infusion of honesty and integrity.

Too often, those who are involved in the arts will do anything to win, score the next big audition, gain clients or maintain/appease their circle of connections.

The arts needs people who are willing to cheer for others' successes, be honest about their abilities, admit to their mistakes and insist that those around them also conduct themselves with integrity and honesty.

Second, the arts need people who care about the person more than the end result.

The art world is full of people pushing students and children to achieve a certain standard in the arts. While high standards are important, results should never be as important as the well being of a person.

At the same time, those who facili-



By Candace Hamm

tate or participate the arts often experience backlash from others if a performance does not go as expected.

Everyone involved in the arts should realize that part of the beauty of creating art is interacting with others and in knowing that nothing can be expected to go perfectly. Part of what makes art beautiful is the fact that it is imperfect.

Third, the arts need support from those who may not actively participate but are still affected by the arts.

Imagine if only those who were actively working in medicine contributed to health care. Or what if sponsors refused to give to athletic causes because they had never personally stepped on to a football field or ice rink? What if academics were limited to those studying for a Ph.D?

Health care, sports and academics affect our day to day life, and so does the arts. The arts deserves support from the outside community, whether that be through facilitating arts studies, attending concerts, volunteering or financial support.

Fourth, the arts need people who will make participating an enjoyable

experience for all.

Young students need teachers who are passionate about the arts and about teaching others to enjoy the arts. Competitors need judges, jurors and adjudicators to provide honest, fair but encouraging feedback.

Families need organizations to provide them with opportunities to experience and appreciate the arts. Organizations need volunteers who are detail oriented, professional and committed.

Without any of these people, the arts cannot function.

The arts community needs a values system, caring people, support and participation to thrive. Those participating or volunteering in the arts need to know they will be treated with kindness and respect and that their contributions are welcomed and appreciated.

The arts community also needs to know that it is valued, even by those who may not directly participate in the arts. When these concepts are put into action, the arts can thrive.

Reach Candace Hamm at ibcnu@mts.net

Annual exhibit challenges students

Winkler & Morden classes offer interpretations of mystery

By Lorne Stelmach

The annual spring exhibit of artwork by area high school students is always a great opportunity to challenge them.

This year's show is no different with students from Winkler and Morden asked to interpret the theme of mystery.

"It's a great term ... a single word ... it's thought provoking," observed Garden Valley Collegiate instructor Scott Bell. "And certainly, once you see the show, you can see the variety of ways in which the students presented that idea."

"It certainly generated a lot of great conversation in class," added Morden instructor Dawn Rigaux of the exhibit featured through April at the Pembina Hills Gallery in Morden.

The show features 26 pieces by Grade 12 students from the two high schools. It usually also invites other schools but which were not able to take part this year.

The styles of course vary with having such an open-ended theme left open to wide-ranging interpretations.

"It's a very interesting show, very unique," said administrator Patricia Hunt.

"A number of the pieces are actually interactive, which encourages people to get involved with the artwork," she noted, citing how one is a murder mystery set on a board where viewers can put their thoughts on a post-it and put it on the board.

"We have another one that is a suitcase that's been packed, and by going through the items you're supposed to discover the story of the person who's packed it," added Hunt. "And then there's a puzzle which can't be completed ... it's actually inspired by a missing woman."

Bell said they look forward to planning and working on the exhibit each year.

"It's an ongoing tradition ... we pick the common theme ... bounce ideas back and forth ... the students vote on

a theme," he explained.

"That's kind of the starting point, but in terms of the medium or what the students use to create the art, it's usually wide open," he said.

"There's usually a lot of nice variety in these shows," Bell continued. "That's what challenges them, I think it's what makes it fun for them. As a teacher, I can say I certainly enjoy that aspect of it ... the different ways the students interpret that theme."

Rigaux observed that at this point, they want the students to really exercise their creativity.

"They should have the technical skills by now, so it's about the creative aspects and how you apply them," she said.

"We like to have sort of an open ended theme so everyone can take it in their own direction."

She appreciates the directions taken with the works, citing how the one about missing and murdered indigenous women represented as an unsolvable puzzle humanizes the issue.

"It's not just this big, faceless problem ... she put a face to it ... one person, and this is

her story," said Rigaux, also citing the other one that features assorted carriers or containers like a wallet or a purse that all have little clues in them.

"There's no answer there for the viewer either, they have to sort of determine what they think happened," said Rigaux.

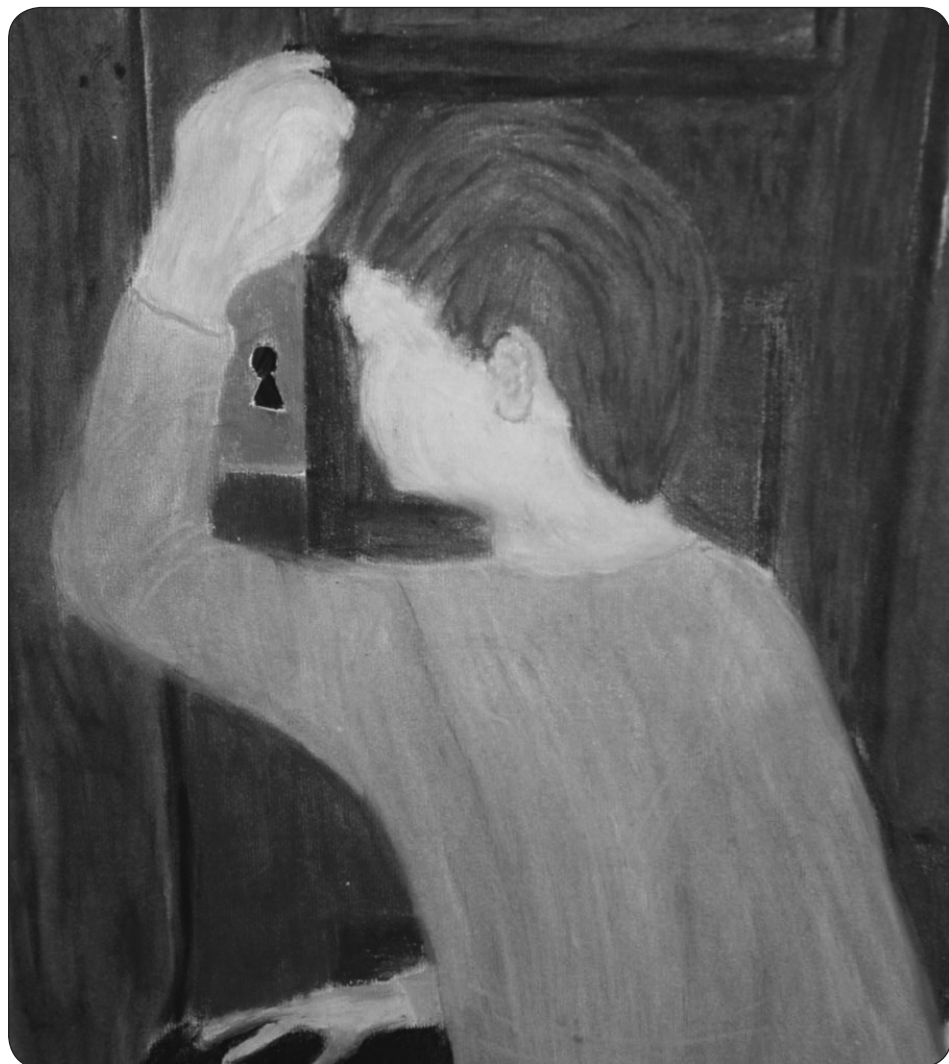
The creator of the latter piece, Olivia Zacharias of Morden, said she liked the idea of challenging people "to look at these items that a person carries and try to figure out what was going on ... why do they have these things."

"Everyone can come up with their own different interpretations of what happened. Everybody comes up with their own ideas of how to answer the unanswered questions," she said.

"It's really interesting to kind of collaborate with other schools and see what they do with it and their takes on it as well," she added. "The theme mystery is kind of cool as well. You can learn a lot even from trying to come up with ideas for this project."

In the end, the exhibit is even just a good chance for the students to put the results their work on display.

"It's about giving them the opportunity but also about getting that



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younger generation involved ... because that's we need to be able to continue," said Hunt.

"I think it's great that they have an opportunity like this to present a work in a professional gallery ... I think it does a lot for the students' esteem ... makes them feel that their work is im-

portant," said Bell.

"It's always a nice opportunity for them to exhibit more like real artists," said Rigaux. "We have our end of the year art exhibit here in the school but it's nice to be in an actual gallery."



Night out at the gallery



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The Pembina Hills Gallery in downtown Morden was packed again Friday for the annual chili bowl night. The evening offered a chance for supporters to pick out a hand made bowl by one of the region's great local potters and fill it with home made chili then take it home. There was live music as well for the ninth annual edition of the event, which not only promotes local artists but also serves as a fundraiser which has usually brought in over \$1,000.

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"It was pretty hard to choose from 150 and 50 films ... I think with my first choices, there were about 30 films, and they said 'well you're going to have to narrow it down,'" she concluded. "We'll see how interested people are in coming two films at the library."

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An ill advised spin on the tractor

By Lorne Stelmach

Going for a ride on a lawn tractor is likely to end up costly for a Winkler man.

The 41-year-old is not only charged with impaired driving but also for driving while disqualified for his April 8 where he also had his young son with him at one point.

Police were called after 9 p.m. about the man driving a lawn tractor on the road near the Parkland area with officers told the man was also holding his young son on his lap while driving on and off the roadway.

Police caught up to him as he was heading south on the sidewalk along Park Street. As he was stopped, the

driver was seen throwing a beer on to the ground while holding a small boy. He told officers he had come from the bar and was having trouble standing and speaking. A search produced three unopened cans of beer, and further investigation showed the man's driver licence was suspended.

Other items of note in the weekly police reports include:

- Morden police received a report of mischief to a vehicle April 3 that occurred sometime between Friday and Saturday in the 100 block of 9th Street. There was damage to the black Hyundai car that may have been caused by a baseball bat, causing extensive damage to the rear passenger side area.
- Winkler police were called April 3

about a man walking along the rows of cars on the Superstore parking lot. The caller provided a good description, and officers were able to locate him there. Police say the 23-year-old resident of Altona was confused and disoriented and having trouble speaking, and he eventually stated he was high on crystal methamphetamine and another unknown substance. He was taken into custody until the effects of the drugs had worn off then released without charges.

- Morden police investigated the theft of an Impact driver - drill from a local business owner April 3. The suspect was known to the victim and had admitted to stealing the drill but agreed to return it, and police had

previously spoken with the suspect as well and warned him to return the drill or face charges.

The drill was not returned and police located the suspect in Winkler. He was arrested for the theft, but officers then also found LSD and methamphetamines. The accused was remanded into custody with the 44-year-old resident of Winkler charged with theft, drug possession, possession for trafficking and breach of probation.

- A Winkler resident called police April 3 after 1 a.m. when he saw two males trying to open the door to his vehicle. Officers searched the area but did not locate anyone.
- Morden police received a report of another computer scam April 5. The victim told police they were contacted by an individual claiming to be from Microsoft and advising the victim of a virus on their computer. The caller requested access to the victim's computer to fix the problem, and the victim sent about \$2,000 for payment through Western Union before discovering that this was a fraud.

Winkler police are investigating an act of mischief after graffiti was found on the gazebo at 15th Street and Grandeur Avenue. Damage was done by carving profanity into the wood.

- Morden police received a report April 6 from the victim that advised an e-transfer for a large amount of money had been fraudulently sent from his account to a friend. The victim was notified of the e-transfer, and it was not accepted by the friend. The victim's financial institution has been contacted and the matter is still under investigation.

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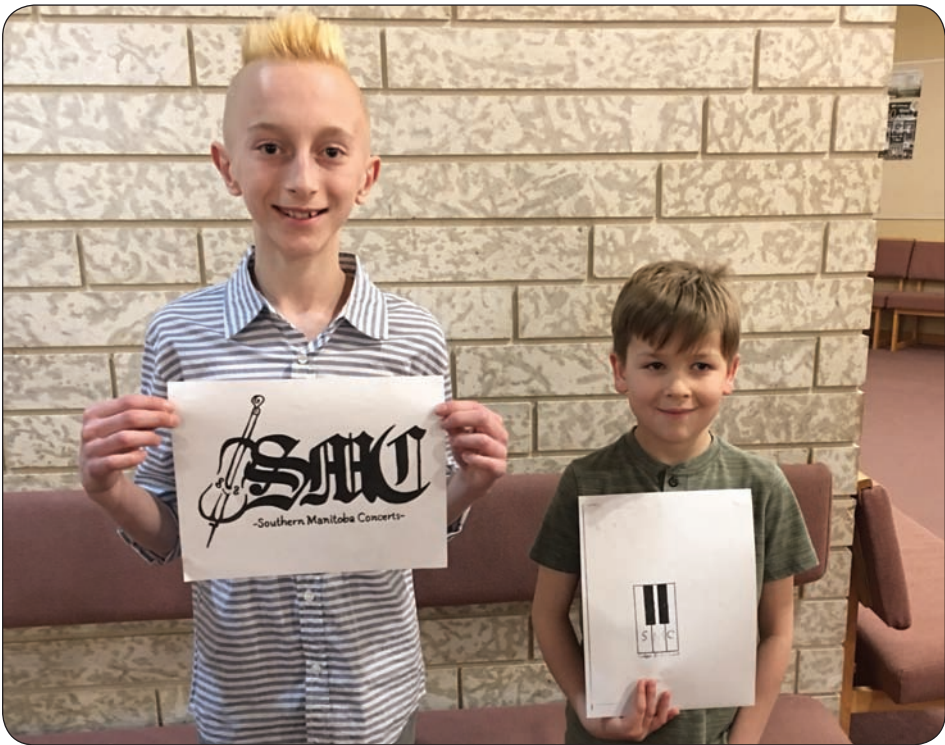
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Winning logo chosen Humane Society benefits



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Southern Manitoba Concerts had a logo competition this year to celebrate its 45th anniversary season. The challenge was put to students across the Pembina Valley area, and the board was very pleased with the number of entries including a classroom submission from the Southwood School in Schanzenfeld. In the end, first place went to Michael Neufeld and second place to Jesse Zammit, both of Schanzenfeld.



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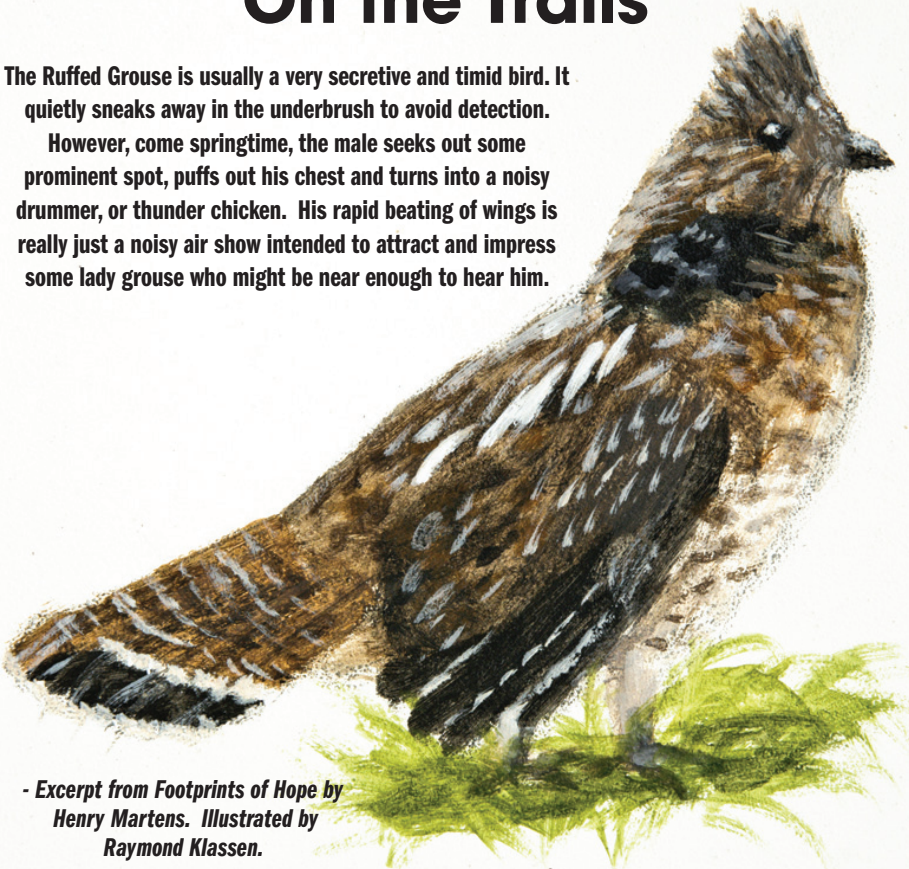
There were some great prizes to be won Saturday as well as good food to be enjoyed as the Pembina Valley Humane Society held its annual Sud, Spud and Steak Night at Rock's Bar & Grill in Morden. The 10th edition of this event raised around \$3,000 for the organization.

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How to encourage kids to take care of their teeth

Parents of young children know that getting kids to brush their teeth can sometimes feel like pulling teeth. Kids have a long history of disliking

dental care, which can frustrate parents who know the importance and long-lasting benefits of proper dental hygiene.

While many youngsters may never excitedly run to the bathroom to brush their teeth, parents can try various approaches to get kids to embrace proper dental care.

- Start early. Parents should not hesitate to begin cleaning kids' teeth once the first tooth appears. The earlier dental care is part of a child's routine, the more likely he or she is to accept it as part of everyday life. Use a soft-bristled brush with a small head. Ideally, use a toothbrush designed for infants, brushing teeth once per day at bedtime. Take kids to visit a pediatric dentist when the first tooth appears, or no later than the child's first birthday.

- Make it a group effort. Young children love to imitate their parents' actions and behaviors, and moms and dads can use that adoration to their advantage when trying to get kids to brush their teeth. Brush teeth together as a family, making it seem like an enjoyable twice-daily activity.

Get down on kids' level and show them how to brush. If kids are resistant, engage them in conversation while brushing so they don't even realize they're cleaning away.

- Involve kids in choosing their dental care products. While parents should be mindful of the type of toothbrush their children use, always sticking with products recommended by their child's pediatric dentist, let youngsters choose their toothbrush and toothpaste. Kids might prefer a particular flavor of toothpaste, and a colorful toothbrush with a favorite film or television character might make kids more enthusiastic and less fussy about brushing.

- Compliment kids after positive dental appointments. When pediatric dentist appointments go well, compliment children and express your pride in them for taking dental hygiene as seriously as they do.

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and begin to break down, causing a bad aroma. Dry mouth is another condition that causes bad breath. Without adequate saliva production, particles of food that may cause odor are not swept away regularly. Bad breath also may be an indication of a medical condition elsewhere in the body. Upper respiratory infections and gastrointestinal disturbances may contribute to halitosis.

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Ten facts everyone should know about dentures

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1: Dentures don't last forever. Nothing does. And while it's true that the modern denture is more durable than ever before, you can still break a tooth or the denture base by simply dropping them a few inches. Even with painstaking care, denture teeth can lose their natural appearance and chewing ability due to the cumulative effects of chewing, brushing and age. Plus, your mouth changes over time. These gradual changes, coupled with the gradual changes in your denture, explain why you should visit your dental professional regularly. Your dental professional will look for:

- looseness caused by tissue changes
- bad odor caused by absorption of fluid and bacteria
- color change due to age or reaction to mouth fluids
- stains and calculus deposits resulting from mouth fluids. As a result, you can expect your dental professional to recommend replacing or refitting your dentures every 5 to 7 years.

2: Even if your dentures fit perfectly, you should still see a dental professional regularly. Why? Mouth tissues can reveal signs of diseases, such as diabetes, that first manifest themselves in the mouth. Besides checking your dentures, dental professionals

will also check for signs of oral cancer and other diseases, and examine your gum ridges, tongue and jaw joints.

3: No one has to know you're wearing dentures. No one wants a denture that looks like a "denture." Unlike old-fashioned dentures, which may look unnatural, today's denture can be made just for you, allowing you to look and feel better without anyone knowing why. Dental professionals use their experience and knowledge to select and arrange teeth in a manner that creates the warm, natural smile you seek. Dentures help you to lose that sunken look in your lower face, as well as the wrinkles around your mouth. You'll likely look younger and smile more often.

4: Denture wearers can eat more normally. In many cases, denture wearers discover they can once again eat the foods they love. While not all denture wearers can eat everything they would like, many have few restrictions in their diets. Moreover, they chew more thoroughly, leading to improved digestion and nutrition. And properly fitting dentures may actually encourage you to eat a more varied and well-balanced diet, further improving your overall health.

5: Denture wearers can speak more clearly. The ability to speak clearly depends on subtle interactions involving your tongue, teeth, lips, cheeks and the roof of your mouth. A denture that's properly fitted allows all five components to work together properly.



6: Adhesives can play a role in your denture's fit and comfort. Dentures are made to fit precisely and usually do not require regular use of an adhesive for comfort. That said, even people with properly fitting dentures may find an adhesive product provides extra security and peace of mind, especially for important occasions. And many people assert that adhesives increase the performance of even the best-fitting dentures. However, if your dentures begin to feel loose or cause pronounced discomfort, see your dental professional immediately.

Some patients have extensive bone loss (ridge shrinkage) and consider themselves "dental cripples." These patients may need to use adhesives daily with their dentures. Denture hygiene plays an extremely important role in preventing problems in this situation.

7: Over-the-counter and prescription medications can affect dentures. Drugs can affect denture fit and wearability. For example, certain medications can reduce the supply of saliva in your mouth, making it difficult to swallow or to chew. Be sure to let your dental professional know of any medications you may be taking regularly – or even occasionally.

8: Don't assume regular denture care is too costly. Before deciding that oral examinations and regular denture care are too costly, discuss the situation with your dental professional. Be frank. Ask about charges for denture adjustments, repairs and possible replacement. Keep in mind that if you are in your 60s, you are likely to have 20 more years of talking, eating, and smiling. Your oral health is a vital part of your total health.

9: Never try to make your own denture repairs. Do not try to adjust or repair your dentures yourself. Denture self-repair can cause irreparable damage and may result in the need for a new denture. Even do-it-yourself reliners can be bulky, causing increased pressure on the jaw and more rapid loss of jawbone, and they can irritate the soft tissues of your mouth.

10: With planning, denture corrections can often be made in one day. Advances in modern dentistry have made it possible for your dental professional to relin or repair dentures quickly—often right in the dental office. If you let your dental professional know you are in need of a denture repair, the correction can often be made on the same day.

Springtime Smiles

As part of oral health month in Canada, National Dental Hygienists Week takes place from April 8 to 14. The week's theme is "Oral Health for Total Health," a reminder that taking care of the mouth, teeth and gums benefits our overall physical and mental well-being.

Sponsored by the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association, which serves as the collective national voice for more than 28,495 dental hygienists across the country, this awareness week is a perfect opportunity to make oral hygiene a priority in our daily lives.

Why not help your smile shine by setting new dental health goals for yourself? Start with six simple steps:

brush, floss, use an oral rinse, eat a healthy diet, eliminate tobacco use, and see a dental hygienist regularly.

Dental hygienists are primary healthcare providers who work in a variety of settings, including independent dental hygiene practice, with people of all ages. Responsible for more than just cleaning teeth, they work with us to develop daily oral care routines and offer treatment recommendations and disease prevention strategies. Whether calming down toddlers at their first dental visit or providing care to adults with periodontal disease, dental hygienists want everyone to enjoy a healthy smile for life.

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Quilt show set to inspire once again

By Lorne Stelmach

The annual spring show of the Barnswallow Quilt Guild is a can't miss event for many people.

As the event now has been around for almost 30 years, it has earned a reputation and is held in high regard.

"It's a real destination to come to the show on the weekend," said Nancy Penner in promoting the show set for the weekend of May 5 to 7 at the Access Event Centre in Morden.

"The added bonus, especially if you're from out of town and you come to the show, is that we've got two quilt shops."

For Penner, who has not really seen herself as a quilter, being involved with the show has eye opening. She appreciates learning from other members and getting ideas and inspiration.

"I like to do hand stitching ... and joining the Barnswallows has opened so many doors in terms of ideas ... it's just a fun group to belong to," she said.

She sees the show as a great venue to not only be inspired but to be challenged by the creativity on display as well.

"Sometimes if you have been to the show enough, you can pick out certain quilter's work because you can just tell who's work that is," said Penner.

"I'm exhausted when I walk out of the show," she continued. "It's so inspiring ... the amount of work that goes into the quilts ... the different techniques and ideas you get from the show. I guess it's a real learning

experience."

This year's show will be a celebration of quilting under the tag of Happy Birthday Canada in conjunction with this year being the nation's 150th year.

As always, it will feature all sizes and shapes of quilt work and fibre art and more, and the featured quilters are mother and daughter duo Jeanie Zacharias and Marie Neufeld.

As always, there will also be a merchants mall and the guild boutique as well as a number of demonstrations.

"We have demos every day, So we are going to demonstrate different uses and techniques."

Another popular feature is the challenge which gives quilters a surprise package of material with a theme to create a work for next year's show.

"You're bringing back whatever it challenged you to do ... so this year we'll see what came from last year's challenge," said Penner, noting the 2016 challenge involved the theme of a quilted garden. "It's a secret with this years challenge will be."

In addition, there will be a rainbow auction in support of South Central Cancer Resource and women's health at Bound-

ary Trails Health Centre, and a special raffle will be for a quilt donated by Karla Warkentin which Penner said "is just such a beautiful quilt ... we are having a separate raffle for that."

The entrance fee helps pay for the hall rental, and otherwise all of the money raised goes back into the com-



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Members of the Barnswallow Quilting Guild were hard at work at their regular meeting at the Morden Activity Centre recently with the annual spring show fast approaching.



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Admission will be \$5 with the show going Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and

Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

For more information, call 204-822-3557, or you can e-mail mordenquilters@gmail.com.

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Sale supports Donate Love

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There were about 50 tables offering a variety of goods for sale Saturday at Garden Valley Collegiate in Winkler in support of Donate Love. A final tally was not available, but the fundraising craft and vendor sale supported the non-profit organization that provides food hampers, clothing and other essentials to families in the area.





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Gearing up for the games

Pembina Valley 55-Plus team coming together

By Lorne Stelmach

Preparations are underway in the area for the 2017 Manitoba 55-Plus Games.

The only ongoing multi-sport event for older adults in the province is celebrating its 35th year in Killarney June 13 to 15, and local games representative Lois Dudgeon is recruiting anyone and everyone interested in joining the Pembina Valley team.

Five years ago, the team topped out at about 180 athletes when the games were held in Morris then had 140 when it was in Neepawa.

"The last three years I think we've been around the 105 mark," noted Dudgeon.

"The closer the games are, the more people we can get out," she said. "And things change every year ... you never know for sure who you are going to

get back."

Dudgeon sees the games as simply being about fun, fitness and friendship.

By participating in the games, people are not only staying active but making new friends and renewing those from past games.

"And some people may think the seniors would not be competitive ... but it doesn't matter how old you are," she added.

"It's the fun of going and playing against different people from different parts of the province," she continued.

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"People go to the games because it's the one time of year they meet the same people that they meet annually. You've got old friends, and you're always making new friends."

The games have something for everyone with such events as a walk/run, five-pin bowling, golf, floor curling, shuffleboard,

scrabble, slo-pitch, snooker, swimming, track and more. New to the games in 2013 was pickle ball.

These are all open events, so people



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Team Pembina Valley members at the opening of the 2016 Manitoba 55-Plus Games. At least 100 athletes are again expected to take part this year.

can simply register for their event with only the cribbage having a local playoff, though even then most of them will likely advance, said Dudgeon.

"We're pretty much able to take anyone interested in going, but they still have to come to that event. We still encourage people to come out because it is a social outing as well."

That regional playoff is Monday, April 24 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Morden Activity Centre. To register, call Madelene Blum at 204-822-9937. For anyone interested in bridge and

whist, registration will be April 25 and 28.

Anybody who participated last year will automatically get a registration form," said Dudgeon. "If I get newcomers though I'm quite happy with that."

You can contact Dudgeon at 204-822-6207 for more information and can also find more details online at the www.alcoamb.org website. The registration deadline for all events is May 12 with an early bird date of April 28.

Stonewall ends Twisters' season

Defending champs oust Pembina Valley second straight year

By Lorne Stelmach

Their championship hopes came to an end in sudden death last week against the same team that dashed their dreams last season as well.

The winning goal came in the second overtime period Wednesday as the Stonewall Jets eliminated the Pembina Valley Twisters in six games.

The 4-3 victory in Morris gave Stonewall a 4-2 victory in the MMJHL semi-final and sends the second place Jets into the final against the upstart sixth place Raiders.

It hearkened back to last year when Stonewall took the championship in a four game final sweep of the Twisters.

Pembina Valley had gotten back into the series with two straight wins after having dropped the first two, but they then came up short with a 6-2 game five loss.

After a scoreless first period, Matthew Hadley got Pembina Valley on the board 2:45 into the second before Stonewall replied with a pair.

The Twisters answered back with Alex Tetrault tying it at 10:16 before a powerplay goal by Fraser Mirrlees at 15:42 gave them the lead at the second intermission.

Pembina Valley held that lead until there was about four minutes to go when Devin Muir fed Chase Faulkner for his 15th of the playoffs, then the same duo combined on the winning goal at 29:10 into extra time.

Both goaltenders performed admirably with Pembina Valley's Matt Kohlman making 64 saves as the shots on goal were 68 to 62 for Stonewall.

The Twisters had earlier advanced with a four game quarter-final sweep

of the Fort Garry Fort Rouge Twins after having finished fourth in the regular season with a 25-16-4 record for 54 points.

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Mirrlees led the Twisters in playoff scoring with seven goals and 10 points followed by Brendan Keck with six goals and nine points and Mark Klassen at two goals and nine points.

Kohlman had a good playoff performance through 10 games with a 2.71 goals against average and .936 save percentage - ranking him third at the close of the semi-final round.

Registration open for Katie Cares Street Hockey tourney

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winter may be just about over but hockey season—namely street hockey season—most certainly is not.

Katie Cares hopes to set a new record for team participation at its third annual Street Hockey Tournament on Saturday, May 13.

The three-on-three competition grew from nine teams its first year to 16 last year, and organizer Don Dueck says they're aiming even higher this time around.

"We're hoping to hit 20 teams this year. That's kind of been our goal, though we're not sure what we're going to do after we hit 20 because we're going to run out of space," he says, noting that will be a great problem to have to deal with in future years. "We'll cross that bridge when we come to it."

The tournament thus far has received rave reviews from participants every year, with many teams returning to defend or vie for bragging rights.

"We've gotten a lot of positive feedback from the teams the last two years we've done this and so far it's been a really good reception for the

third year," Dueck says. "People are looking forward to it."

That support translated into just over \$5,000 being raised for Katie Cares last year.

"We definitely went up from the

first year," Dueck says. "And we hope to go up again this year."

The tournament will take place at the Winkler Recreation Complex.

Registration is \$200 per team of up to eight people. All players must be at

least 18 years old.

To register a team, contact Jordan Driedger at the Winkler Rec. Department at 204-325-8333 or Driedger@cityofwinkler.ca.



VOICE FILE PHOTO

The three-on-three street hockey tournament in support of Katie Cares takes place May 13 in Winkler.

Pembina Valley players chosen for elite camp

Group of seven offered shot at spots on Team Manitoba

Seven hockey players from the Pembina Valley region had an opportunity to both elevate their game and possibly represent the province.

They were chosen by Hockey Manitoba to the rosters for the 2017 U-16 Program of Excellence spring camp held Thursday to Sunday in Winnipeg.

Forwards Andrew Boucher, Riley Goertzen, Justin Keck and Andrew Vasko were joined by defencemen Jacob Carels and William Irvine as well as goaltender Brock Moroz.

The Hockey Manitoba U-16 Program of Excellence is the provincial high performance development and selection program that leads to

the formation of U-16 Team Manitoba.

The final U-16 Team Manitoba roster will compete at the 2017 Western Canada U-16 Challenge Cup hosted by the Western Hockey League October 18 to 22 in Calgary.

The U-16 spring camp featured 108 invites from across the province.

The player list featured 103 of the top prospects born in 2002 who are eligible for the 2017 Western Hockey League and Manitoba Junior Hockey League bantam drafts as well as five under-age players born in 2003 who have been identified as potentials to challenge for U-16 top 40 camp and final roster spots.

All players took part in WHL combine testing assessing on-ice skills and fitness along with a team practice and three games over the weekend at the Seven Oaks Sportsplex and MTS Iceplex.

Sack races ... CHECK!



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Sack races were among the varied activities kids in Winkler took part in last week as part of the ParticipACTION 150 Playlist Camps. Winkler Parks & Recreation organized the series of three one-week activity camps in conjunction with the ParticipACTION 150 Playlist initiative challenge where it is trying to outdo Morden. The first camp included activities such as hockey, capture the flag and dodgeball. The program is open to anyone in Grades 2 to 4 with other camps scheduled for the first weeks of May and June.

Mordenites compete at national masters curling

Foursome makes it to bronze medal game

The Manitoba foursome including members from Morden came up a little short in their bid for a national curling title this past week.

The women's team skipped by Gwen Wooley with third Lynn Sandercock, second Kathy Isaac and lead Mardie Newton were the provincial representatives at the 2017 Canadian Masters Curling Championship at the Guelph Curling Club in Guelph, Ontario from April 2 to 9.

After round robin play in two pools of six teams, the Manitoba rink finished with an unbeaten record through five games, then they came out from the championship round with a 7-2 record,

which left them tied for first place.

The four final teams played sudden death semi-finals, and Manitoba lost to Saskatchewan 9-3 in the semi-final, falling behind 6-0 after four ends before getting three back in the fifth. They then shook hands after Saskatchewan got three more in the sixth end.

Playing then for the bronze medal, Manitoba gave up a four enders in the third, leaving British Columbia holding on to a slim 4-3 lead when it came back with their second four-point end in the fifth end to take a decisive 8-3 lead. Manitoba countered in the sixth and seventh ends, but BC held on to win 8-5.

In the end, Saskatchewan skipped by Delores Syrota won the gold medal over the Ontario team skipped by Dale Curtis.



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The Manitoba women's foursome in action at the 2017 Canadian Masters Curling Championship in Guelph, where they lost in the bronze medal game.

Morden honouring sport volunteers

The City of Morden is again honouring some of its citizens for their roles in the sporting community.

City officials Monday announced the outstanding sport volunteer award winners for 2017.

The program recognizes individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the sport community in Morden.

This year's winners are Lloyd (deceased) and Dorothy Andrews, Troy Ehnes, Steve Sager and Joe Wiwchar.

The presentations will take place at the Access Event Centre at 7 p.m.

Tuesday.

"It's important to recognize the countless hours of time that volunteers put into organizing, coaching and promoting sports in our community," said Clare Agnew, director of community services for Morden.

"Without volunteers, we wouldn't have many of the sports programs in our community. The award and display wall at the Access Event Centre is one way the City of Morden is helping to share the history of sports in Morden."

Morden hosts the awards as part of

its annual campaign for National Volunteer Week, said Mayor Ken Wiebe, who also noted the importance of sports and recreation here.

"Sport and recreation is something that benefits our community greatly, and we are proud to recognize volunteers' contributions," he said.

"The people that we are honouring are but a few of the many that have contributed to the well being of sport in the City of Morden. This annual program was established to enable the citizens to honour those volunteers who go above and beyond."

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Centre hosting health expo in Morden

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Activity Centre is the place to be the following Friday if you have health issues in mind.

The centre hosts its annual health expo Friday, April 28 from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Executive director Dale Ready said they hope anyone looking for more information on a variety of health topics and services will find the expo worthwhile.

Ready said it very much ties in with

part of their mandate involving education, and it is very much not just for their members but for the community as a whole.

"If you're looking for some information about health, hopefully that day will help you out," said Ready.

"It's not just for members, it's meant to be for the City of Morden. We hope to bring as many people in as possible and get out as much information as we can."

He said there will be a variety of displays from businesses, facilities and

services in the community covering a range of health issues.

"We've got things like reflexology, foot care, Prairie Oils and Vinegars for healthy eating ... we've got Fittwell Centre coming in ... Feelin' Good Health Products as well," he said, adding also represented will be the Alzheimer Society, Max Mobility and the Society for Manito-

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bans with Disabilities. In addition, police chief Brad Neduzak will do a short presentation on frauds and scams.

"So it's about financial health as well," said Ready.

"The whole idea really is that we want to try to make this kind of a one stop shop for people," he concluded.

Speaker talks mental toughness at Muscle Hut

By Cori Bezan

The Muscle Hut in Winkler hosted 90 people on Saturday as world-renowned performance coach Ben Newman delivered an afternoon talk on Mental Toughness for Next Level Growth.

Originally from St. Louis, Newman started his career in sales before progressing into a combination of public speaking and coaching.

"Really, when you break it down, that's what I consider myself, is a coach," Newman explained.

"Many people kind of say motivational speaker, inspirational speaker, but I'm really a coach because I love the opportunity to engage with an individual, engage with an audience.

"It's an opportunity to help people connect on a deeper level to what's important to them."

Winkler became one of many stops for Newman, who touched on such topics as perspective, adversity and the focusing on solutions rather than problems.

"It's not about what next level growth is to me, it's about what next level growth is to the individual," Newman said.

"What I really hope for today is that each individual connects on a deeper level to the purpose that they want to fight for in their life, a deeper level to the story that they want to write in their life.

One of the first rules of sports psychology is for an athlete to perform at their highest level.

"They can't solely rely on their natural talents and abilities," he explained. "They have to understand the mental toughness side of what it takes to



PHOTO BY CORI BEZAN/VOICE

Muscle Hut owner Kurtis Fox (left) and professional coach Ben Newman hosted a talk on mental toughness, an event that over 80 people attended on Saturday.

achieve peak performance. So that's really true for anything in life, it's not just sports.

"It's an understanding that we all have talents," Newman continued,

"We've all been blessed with God-given abilities to do things, but you're going to get knocked down

... and mental toughness is about surrounding yourself with the teams, the people and enabling yourself with the mindset to get you up off that mat of life on the days that you don't want to do it."

Muscle Hut owner Kurtis Fox has been following Newman's content online for a while and had a chance to see him speak in Alberta before deciding to bring the event home to Winkler.

"I see the need for the mindset in not only business but also in fitness ... and how important that is, the power of positivity," Fox said.

"How do you build that mental toughness, that positive mindset, in professional life, personal life and with service to others ... those three categories.

"My hope is that you come to this, you learn something, some strategy, some tool ... that you can immediately use. You're sitting there and you're like, I can change that today, that's something I can do, or I see myself in that story."

Saturday's event wasn't a one-time deal for Newman either, as Fox explained that they are arranging to have Newman speak on an annual basis at the Muscle Hut.

Newman is also contributing to a local family, donating \$500 US and helping Muscle Hut to host a sled push in honour of Tenley Falk, who is battling leukemia, next month.

"We're going to give back ... to really help motivate people, to do more and give back because it's stories like (Tenley's) that really motivate me to keep fighting," Newman said.

Community addressed on online dangers

By Cori Bezan

Three presentations in Morden Monday and Tuesday addressed students and parents about the impact of technology and the effect that has had on the sharing of inappropriate content.

Cst. Gord Olson, a member of the RCMP's Internet Child Exploitation unit, offered a presentation entitled Before You Hit Send originally developed by the Ontario Provincial Police.

It covered a variety of topics, such as what constitutes sexting, the social and criminal consequences and the amount of information a social media account can reveal – even if you think your account is 'private'.

"This is what sexting is defined as – creating, sending, sharing sexual images or videos via your device and the internet," Olson explained.

"The sexting, the self peer exploitation, that's the number one investigation that our unit gets right now. This is happening, stuff is happening in every community, and unfortunately it's become normalized."

Approximately three or four out of five teens have sent or posted nude and/or semi-nude images online and about half of teens have participated in sexually suggestive messaging.

Around 70 to 75 per cent of girls reported pressure from a boy was the reason they sent out this kind of content.

"If they're putting this type of picture out there, they're putting themselves out there," Olson said. "They put this stuff up say on Instagram, they're getting lots of likes on the pictures ... and then they'll probably get really great comments about how good they look."

Olson also explained just how much information can be gleaned from social media accounts including family and friends' names and home and school addresses, even if the account is set to private.

Even apps like Snapchat, where the appeal is photo messages are deleted after 10 seconds, are not secure because the images can be saved without notice through third-party apps.

Often, the non-consensual sharing of these kinds of media can lead to anxiety, depression and isolation, such as in the case of British Columbia teen Amanda Todd. After revealing her breasts online through a webcam site, Todd was continually blackmailed for more inappropriate images. Even after changing schools multiple times, bullying continued. Todd posted a video on YouTube before she committed suicide in 2012.

Olson added a teen in this area had been incidentally communicating with the same person who had requested the photos from Todd.

"There was a girl from this area ... 16 years old, back when this was going on ... who came to our office, complaining of the same sort of incident," he

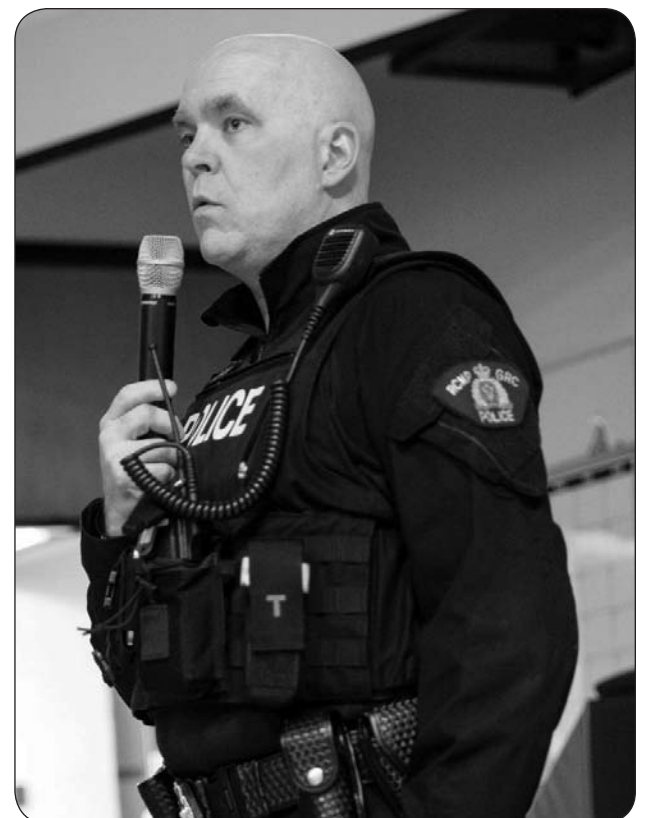


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Cst. Gord Olson, a member of the RCMP's Internet Child Exploitation unit

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Agriculture

Plum Coulee's Global Grain sold

By Harry Siemens

Global Grain Canada of Plum Coulee, specializing in exporting dry edible beans from growers in southern Manitoba, has sold 75 per cent of its shares to Globeways Canada based in Toronto.

The sale will see Frank Reimer and his spouse Margaret maintain 25 per cent of the company.

Marcos Mosnaim, a grain trader/manager with Globeways Canada, said the company decided to buy the Plum Coulee company because of opportunities and good potential in the edible bean and pulse crops industry.

Part of the Hakan Group based out of Dubai, Globeways Canada is a global exporter of top quality lentils, pulses and grains for human consumption and bird feed markets.

Reimer, who bought Global Grain back in the mid-90s, said the sale should be good for business and will mean "more resources, more markets, more outlets for the products we were shipping, more resources, more stable financing for a longer term to do bigger things."

While he doesn't anticipate any major structural changes, they are putting their bins on hoppers right now.

Reimer and his wife Margaret, an integral part of the business management, have an agreement to sell out their remaining 25 per cent of their shares.

In the meantime, they will continue to manage the company locally but with more involvement from Globeways.

"I think the majority will say good. We have another company with deep pockets that we can sell our products to and have more competition. And others may say they are a little bit sorry, that the local ownership has been diluted," he said.

When Reimer took over the company in the mid-90s, he provided a place for local farmers in the fledgling edible bean industry to sell their crop, and Global Grain did the marketing.

Reimer said there's been consolidation taking place in the pulse industry when it comes to processing and marketing companies, and farmers often don't know who they will be

dealing with next.

In looking back on why and how he actually bought the business, he said the buckwheat business he ran at the time and farming in the Interlake had lost some of their challenge.

"I was ready for another challenge. And that was in the fall of '96 when we bought our first, edible bean crop," said Reimer.

"It's been quite a ride ... we tried to accommodate the growth, the production just increased by leaps and bounds, but we tried to accommodate

the farmers. And it's had its challenges."

Farmers in the area said many times that Global Grain and Frank Reimer had played a large part in getting the edible bean business established.

"We tried pretty hard, and it was met with successes and also we made some mistakes," he said.

"Some of the highlights are announcing that we'll gather in the hall, and Plum Coulee and the hall fills up with bean producers, and the noise level is very high."

Things weren't always that good, such as after a crop failure in the mid-2000. With no beans to sell, Global Grain almost shut its doors for good. However, with inventory to sell and a timely World Food Organization contract and hard, steady work and farmers' co-operation, they were able to pay back their debt and put the company into the position it is today.

"I feel privileged to have been a part of it ... traveling around the world and selling the production out of southern Manitoba."



> HARRY SIEMENS

Canadian Prairie Garden Puree Products based at the Food Development Centre in Portage la Prairie went into receivership recently, and the closure could have consequences for many of the province's vegetable growers.

Portage area vegetable grower and Vegetable Growers Association of Manitoba president Roland Jeffries said many businesses in Portage had invested.

"Our producers were all ready with their seed and land to begin planting for it as soon as they could get out there. They are now scrambling, not knowing what to do," said Jeffries.

Many of Manitoba's vegetable farmers have invested sizeable dollars in equipment, buildings and other related infrastructure to help Canadian Prairie Garden Puree Products meet its capacity requirements.

In addition to these losses, local farmers are owed a significant amount of money for the vegetables they have delivered in 2016.

"Our hope is that whichever company or group of investors deciding to pick up what is left of it will leave the facility in Manitoba," said Jeffries. "There is still time to get the plant up and running again for this year's crop."

Vegetable Growers board member and Winkler area vegetable grower

Vegetable growers impacted by plant closure

Garry Wiebe said the receivership is not good news for their family farm.

"Of the farmers that grew product for the Puree plant in Portage, some of them have received some money, but a lot of them did not receive the payment for what they delivered in 2016," said Wiebe.

"We'll likely not receive anything from the receivership. I'm thinking we're out the money that we should have been paid for the product that we delivered in 2016."

On their farm, they delivered somewhere around 400,000 pounds of pumpkins.

"We grew them, picked them, washed them and delivered them. Then they were de-seeded there and pureed ready for shipment to customers around the world," Wiebe said.

He said the plant has run for about four years with a little trouble about two years ago when they had to restructure.

"I wasn't involved at that time, but there were some changes made at that point and things have improved," Wiebe said.

"It seemed like the company was marketing more and offering more contracts. We felt like the business was moving forward, and it was doing well, but since then, in the last while, we noticed they were a little bit slow on their payment for deliveries. It was causing a little bit of concern."

In Wiebe's case, losing the income from last year's production is only

part of it.

"A lot of the farmers have invested money into infrastructure, equipment and buildings and so on. I know one farmer that built a building just for the greenhouse for his transplants for the Puree plant, so he spent well over a hundred thousand dollars."

"I know on our farm we bought some specialized equipment, washing equipment and rebuilt a building a little bit bigger because we could use that size to do the products that they were going to offer us."

Wiebe wondered who would buy his 400,000 pounds of pumpkins if they decide to grow them again in 2017.

"I think there's a possibility that someone might want to pick up the pieces," he said.

"There's probably three or four scenarios that could happen. One of those is the equipment is just bought and scrapped and it's done, or someone comes along and buys it and moves it to another place, maybe into the United States or Mexico because it's maybe cheaper to grow things there."

"Or an organization decides to buy the facility and keep it where it is, keep it in Manitoba and continue producing because there's a nice base of growers and there's markets already established and certain qualities that we can produce in Manitoba," he continued. "Then there's always that chance that farm-

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Hog producer shows optimism with new venture

By Harry Siemens

A Steinbach area hog producer is busy enough with starting a new business venture here, but he remains active as well in the ag. sector provincially and federally.

Father and son duo Rick and Luke Bergmann recently opened a new business with warehouse and storefront called Buckingham Ag in Steinbach.

"It's ag supplies and ag wholesale for livestock producers, not only here in Manitoba but numerous other spots, but we certainly focus at home," said Rick, who is also chair of the Canadian Pork Council. "My son and I started talking about the opportunity of having a family business, and I consider it a pretty good privilege when you have a son that wants to work with you."

"We've been encouraged by a lot of producers actually to do exactly what we're doing, so that's what we did, and we're looking forward to the rest of 2017 and beyond."

And in looking ahead, in his role as

chair of the Canadian Pork Council, he sees some key issues in play including the possibility of some kind of a free trade agreement with China.

"That's certainly on our minds, and how to help the government in accomplishing some of those goals, because we do know that China is a big customer today and hopefully a bigger customer tomorrow for Canadian pork," he said.

"The trade is such a significant part of what we do, exporting to over 100 countries, so we need to put a lot of effort in maintaining good strong relationships across the different places of the world."

On the PED virus and the outbreak in 2013, he said keeping it under control is largely due to the efforts of producers.

"I was in the U.S. several weeks ago, and they were saying there's more occurrences now over the last two months again, so that's a concern for us because we've been working on getting this whole trailer wash scenario with our government resolved,

and that's not happening yet."

"So we're just keeping our fingers crossed and doing whatever we can on farm to minimize the chance of PED," he said.

Bergmann also welcomed the news that a group in western Manitoba was working to help get a soybean processing plant started here. Any expansion or new opportunity is a good thing for the province.

"Whenever there's opportunity or options for producers, whenever there's always another tool in that toolbox, that gives a producer like

myself and all the others opportunity to certainly explore those options," he said.

"So whenever you go after these big, big goals ... it takes a lot of effort, but you know the best time to plant a tree was ten years ago."

"When people have an idea they have to go with it. We've got opportunity all around us, and if there are things out there that better the producers and helps their bottom line then that's a wonderful goal to pursue."

> SIEMENS SAYS, FROM PG. 28

ers could get together and maybe as a group be involved in something like a purchase, but that's another huge step to take," Wiebe said.

The Manitoba facility housed breakthrough technology leveraging direct steam injection to achieve full cook/sterilization in four to 20 seconds.

The fresh, raw vegetable puree the

plant produced using products grown by local farmers was without compare. Its vegetable purees are low in acid and contain no additional ingredients or preservatives.

Vegetable Growers Association of Manitoba believes that the puree is also integral part of the vegetable market.

Garden program gearing up in Morden

By Lorne Stelmach

Gardening season beckons, and Mordenites have the chance to reserve their plots for the year ahead.

Registration night is next Wednesday for the Morden community garden program, which is being overseen by the Many Hands Resource Centre again.

"We sort of changed our outlook ... we have community kitchens, community gardens and the community meals, so it is a good fit for our mission of the community," said Many Hands committee member Edith Lovatt.

Registration night goes April 19 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Morden Library with interested residents asked to go by the back entrance.

The program is again working with three locations on Loren Drive, 19th St. and Grant St.

"There are all together just slightly over 150 garden plots," said Lovatt.

"We are looking at opening a fourth one, but it's not all put together yet," she added.

"I think the city is wanting us to spread out a bit more," she continued, but another future consideration is that the Loren Drive location might not be available if the area is sold for development.

"It's uncertain how long we will have

that one available."

Lovatt said the plots were nearly fully rented last year with only seven or eight that were left open at the Loren Drive location.

"I think that's partly because we opened the 42 sites at 19th Street," she said, suggesting some people likely switched because it was a handier location for them.

"The co-op site has been very popular ... it maybe feels like it's more in town for some people," she said. "Still, to just have seven leftover isn't too bad when we had just opened another 42."

Lovatt suggested the community gardens are popular with people for a variety of reasons such as if they live in rental properties where they are able to garden.

"It's very popular ... and very popular particularly with the immigrant population. I think they've maybe come from countries where they have done a lot of gardening," she suggested.

"For some, they have gardened all their life, and it's just something they really like to do."

It is also a reflection of the trend in recent years for people to know where their food is coming from and for it to be organic and local.

"For some, it is the fresh produce



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The community garden at Loren Drive on the east side of Morden is one of three sites.

that they know where it came from ... that it had no chemicals used with it," she said.

"It's about getting out and getting healthy," she added. "There's a little bit of community that happens out there ... people visit with each other out at the gardens."

"It's an outing for some people. It's fun to go out there ... and there is some sharing going on there as well."

A plot is rented for \$25 dollars for the

season with only a few basic guidelines for people to follow.

"There is an expectation that you keep your site clean and the pathways around your garden site clean," said Lovatt, adding water tanks are available at each site if needed.

"We like when it comes from the sky instead ... and last year we did well in that respect. I think we only bought three tanks of water all year."

Credit Union enjoys continued growth

By Lorne Stelmach

The past year was one of continued growth despite a challenging market for the Access Credit Union.

The financial institution in general had stronger growth in 2016 than many others in the province, CEO Larry Davey said after the annual general meeting April 4 in Carman.

"I think we were very, very pleased with the financial performance of the credit union. We enjoyed strong growth in both deposits and loans," Davey suggested.

"At the same time, we were happy that we were named a top employer again, and we were happy with our support of their communities," he added. "We had a strong volunteer hours from all of our staff, and I know our contributions and investments in the communities were in the range of \$600,000."

With some 60,000 members spread throughout 17 branches, Access Credit Union recorded a net income of about \$12 million in the past year, while its total assets reached over \$2.25 billion.

Davey suggested there are a number of other factors other than financial that help them improve and keep moving forward. It is not just about selling their products but also making sure they are helping our members with their financial situations.

"We spent a great deal of time in the last few years promoting continuous education for our staff and continuous training of our staff," he said.

"We are finding now that our staff continue to leverage their knowledge, and members feel that they are getting trusted, knowledgeable service from our staff."

Davey said they have maintained a strong financial position despite being in a challenging and competitive market.

"Actually about the last eight have been very competitive," he suggested.

"The drop in rates seven or eight years ago when the banking crisis hit has certainly had a strong impact," he continued. "If rates were where they were when the seven credit unions here came together ... our profitability would probably be about 15 million higher a year than it is now."

"It's just simply that drop of the Bank of Canada rate that puts a lot of competitiveness in the environment. It puts a lot of stress on the organization each year to make sure that we are being efficient in our process."

"The other side of that is the Manitoba environment is probably the most competitive in Canada," added Davey.

There are a few ongoing challenges for the credit union including ever-changing regulations in the country.

"At the same time, we are dealing with the ever-changing world of technology," said Davey.

"There is a demand from the membership on wanting the most up-to-date technology ... and at the same time, we're trying to keep a focus on all of the channels that we offer to the membership," he continued.

"We want to make sure that the

service in the branch is very strong each time they come in ... because the times they are coming in are becoming fewer and fewer ... that face to face contact is being reduced."

Those changing demographics are reflected in facts like fewer visits to ATMs and even about \$127 million in cheques being deposited via the mobile app.

"We've even got 65 farmers depositing their checks with their phones," said Davey.

Meanwhile, he added they will continue to watch the continued trend towards amalgamations and mergers.

"There's a number of smaller credit unions in the province that are struggling, trying to meet the technology demands of the members. They just don't have the resources to provide it," said Davey.

"The Manitoba system has reduced from 90 to 30 credit unions over the last 25 years ... and there is talk in the system that the number of Manitoba credit unions will be reduced from 30 to eight or under in the next 10 years," he concluded.

"Right now we are certainly not in talks with anybody, but that is a situation that can change on a dime."

> ONLINE DANGERS, FROM PG. 27

recounted. "As a result of the investigation, we found out that she was speaking to the same male."

Criminal charges can also be laid in such cases.

While situations involving minors may be handled with a little more leniency, the creation and distribution of child pornography carries with it a mandatory minimum jail sentence under the law. Even asking for such images or videos can be constituted as luring, another criminal offense.

First-time offenders with no prior record could still see jail time of one to four years.

One strategy Olson used to help control online content was a rule about who could be a friend or follower online, a tactic he used with his own children.

"We kind of made a benchmark, I said if you don't know your friends well enough on social media that you can't invite them over to meet me or your mom or your family, then why do you have them on there? If they're not known to you well enough or at all, then you need to get rid of them. And we have some unfriending days, we had a lot of unfriending days."

At the end of the presentation, Olson recommended an app called Send This Instead, which provides funny, witty replies to send someone who requests inappropriate photos or images. Olson also gave two resourceful websites – cybertip.ca and needhelpnow.ca – for reporting and gaining more information for online harassment and sexual exploitation.

• HEALTH CORNER

Penicillin: are you truly allergic?

About one out of every ten people reading this article will have at some point in their lives been labelled as allergic to penicillin.

However, in scientific studies in which people thought to be allergic to penicillin undergo thorough allergy testing, 90 per cent of those tested can safely use penicillin type medications!

Why might this be? When a person receives penicillin for an illness they may develop symptoms that are attributed to allergy such as rash, itching,

stomach upset, diarrhea, etc. These symptoms are not necessarily an allergy—they can also be caused by the underlying illness or are simply side effects of the medication.

Other people may have had a true allergic reaction in the past, but with the passage of time lose their sensitivity to penicillin. By five years 50 per cent of penicillin-allergic people are able to tolerate penicillin, and by 10 years 80 per cent are able to use it.

Why does it matter? Penicillin type antibiotics are some of the safest and most effective antibiotics we have.



By Dr. Dan Hunt

Since its discovery in 1928, penicillin and related drugs have helped millions of people with diseases ranging from strep throat to meningitis to syphilis.

Despite increasing rates of antibiotic resistance, penicillin type antibiotics remain the best treatment for many common and life threatening infections. Other antibiotics may be either less effective, have more side effects, or both.

If a person who is labelled as penicillin allergic gets an infection requiring antibiotics, they may need to use an inferior antibiotic because at that point it's too late to have allergy testing done to see if penicillin is safe. Even though we know that most people who have had a reaction in the past can safely take a penicillin

antibiotic, it's too dangerous to give it without allergy testing first.

What can you do about this? If you have been avoiding penicillin type antibiotics due to a reaction to penicillin or a related antibiotic (amoxicillin, ampicillin, cloxacillin, piperacillin) in the past you may benefit from a referral to an allergist for testing. This can be arranged through your family doctor.

By getting tested you ensure that the next time you get a bacterial infection your doctor will be able to prescribe the best possible antibiotic for you.

For more information check out the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology at www.aaaai.org.

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NOTICES

NOTICE UNDER THE EXPROPRIATION ACT

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Winkler has passed a Declaration of Expropriation under s.4(1) of *The Expropriation Act CCSM c E190* in respect of the lands legally described as: Lot 3 Block 1 Plan 2388 MLTO in NW 1/4 4-3-4 WPM, consisting of a parcel of land of 7.63 acres (the "Lands"). The City intends to expropriate the entire freehold interest of the landowner in the Lands for the purposes of assembling and acquiring the lands required on which to construct the proposed Meridian Exhibition Centre and associated parking.

This Notice is given pursuant to Schedule A of *The Expropriation Act CCSM c. E190*. The following is section 3 of said Schedule:

Section 3: The owner of any interest in the land who objects to the intended expropriation may, within 30 days from the date notice of the intended expropriation is served upon him or within 30 days from the date publication is made pursuant to section 1 of this Schedule, whichever is the later, serve upon the Minister of Justice and the confirming authority a notice of his objection in writing stating his name and address, the nature of his objection and the grounds upon which it is based, and the nature of his interest in the matter of the intended expropriation.

The Council of the City of Winkler is the confirming authority referred to in section 3 above. The address for service of the City of Winkler is:

185 Main Street
Winkler, Manitoba R6W 1B4
Attention: Barbara Dyck, City Manager
Please govern yourself accordingly.
Dated: April 4, 2017

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Per: "Barbara Dyck"
Barbara Dyck, City Manager

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NOTICES

R.M. of ROLAND PUBLIC NOTICE - 2017 FINANCIAL PLAN

The Council of the R.M. of Roland will hold a Public Hearing to present the 2017 Financial Plan:

Thursday, April 20, 2017 • 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, 2017.



NOTICES



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON PUBLIC NOTICE

2017 FINANCIAL PLAN

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Subsection 162(2) of the Municipal Act that Council for the Rural Municipality of Thompson intends to present its Financial Plan for the fiscal year 2017 at a public hearing located at:

**R.M. of Thompson Civic Centre
530 Norton Avenue
Miami, MB**

Thursday April 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Council will hear any person who wishes to make representation, ask questions or register an objection to the Financial Plan. Copies of the Financial Plan will be made available for review at the Civic Centre on April 10, 2017.

NOTICES

CITY OF WINKLER PESTICIDE USE PROGRAM PUBLIC NOTICE

May 1, 2017 - October 1, 2017

Public notice is hereby given that the City of Winkler and/or its designated agents may conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2017, if necessary, depending on infestations.

1. To control noxious weeds on road allowances and rights-of-way within the City of Winkler. The herbicides that may be used if required include:

Round-Up, PAR III.

2. To control rodents at the Winkler Municipal Airport, Cemetery and any location within City limits where the designated Officer deems necessary using rodenticide:

Ratak and/or Rozul RTU.

3. To control mosquito larvae in stagnant water within the corporate limits and a 3 kilometer buffer area using **Aquabac 200G** and **Vectobac 200G**, on both private and public property. To control adult mosquitoes using **Malathion ULV**.

4. To control horticultural insect pests using Malathion and Pyrate 480 EC.

The duration of each program will vary within this period depending on weather conditions and pest population levels.

All pesticides used and procedures applied will be in accordance with the approved label recommendations and the Non-Essential Pesticide Use Regulation (MR 286/2014). The public may send written submissions or objections to the program within 15 days of the publication of this notice to the department below:

**Manitoba Conservation
Pesticide/Fertilizer Approvals**

123 Main Street, Suite 160, Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

The City of Winkler's integrated pest management approach has greatly reduced the use of pesticides.



NOTICES



April 3, 2017

The City of Morden (City) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for administrative amendments that are non-rate related.

Details of the City's application are available for review at the City's office or The Public Utilities Board's office. Questions concerning the application for administrative amendments should be addressed to the City of Morden.

Any person who has concerns regarding the City of Morden's application for administrative amendments should either write to:

**The Public Utilities Board
400-330 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4**

or, send an email to: publicutilities@gov.mb.ca on or before **April 28, 2017.**

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision. Council will give By-law 7-2017 final reading at the next Council meeting after receiving Board approval.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accord with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pubmanitoba.ca

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CAREERS



Instructor - Educational Assistant Certificate Part-Time Term Position(s) – Fall 2017 Winkler Campus (Located in Winkler, MB - Approximately 133km from Winnipeg)

This competition may be used to establish an eligibility list of qualified candidates for future, term, part-time or regular vacancies.

Applicants are to clearly demonstrate how they satisfy the selection criteria in their written submissions and must identify the competition number they are applying for in the subject line of the email.

Red River College is a leader in applied learning and innovation. Our talented team of employees is passionate about education, innovation and student success. We offer competitive salaries, extensive benefits, and the opportunity for personal and professional growth in a rewarding career.

Duties: Red River College, Winkler Campus require instructor(s) for teaching, supervision and guidance of students in both classroom and practicum settings. This will include; maintaining student records, student evaluation, development and adherence to the delivery schedule within an allocated time, attendance at scheduled meetings, ensuring curriculum content is consistent with parent program and other professional duties related to instruction.

Qualifications:

Required:

- Bachelor of Education Degree, a relevant combination of education and experience may be considered
- Valid Manitoba Teaching Certificate
- Experience teaching within the school system
- Experience with Microsoft Office Suite, including demonstrated use of PowerPoint presentations
- Ability to manage conflict and use good judgement
- Ability to implement current teaching practices including formative and summative assessments
- Demonstrated verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated presentation skills which include the use of technology
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Assets:

- Curriculum development experience
- Experience teaching adults
- Master of Education Degree

Conditions of Employment:

- This position may be required to work evenings
- Candidates must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- Satisfactory Criminal Records Check and Adult Abuse Registry Check
- Travel within Manitoba may be required

We seek diversity in our workplace. Aboriginal persons, women, visible minorities and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Competition Number: 2017-030
Closing Date: May 19, 2017
Salary Range: \$30.52 - \$45.33 per hour

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Apply to: Red River College by email at humanresources@rrc.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Red River College provides accommodations to applicants with disabilities throughout the hiring process. If an applicant requires an accommodation during the application or selection process, Human Resources will work with the applicant to meet the accommodation needs.

For more information and other employment opportunities, visit <http://blogs.rrc.ca/hr>.

COMING EVENTS



GOSPEL MUSIC NIGHT

Sat., April 15, 2017

7:30 pm at the

**P.W. Enns Centennial
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Sat., April 22

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NOTICE OF WINKLER CO-OP ANNUAL MEETING April 18, 2017 - 7:00 P.M. BUHLER ACTIVE LIVING CENTRE 650 South Railway Ave, Winkler

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE WINKLER CONSUMERS CO-OPERATIVE LTD.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider:

1. Financial Statements
2. Report of the Board
3. Election of 3 Directors
4. Auditors Report
5. Appointment of External Auditors
6. By-Law Change
Delete: #4.08(b) No Director is entitled to hold office for more than three consecutive terms
Change to: No Director is entitled to hold office for more than four consecutive terms
7. Any other business authorized by the by-laws to be transacted at an Annual Meeting of Members

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SAT., APRIL 29 • 10 AM

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SAT., APRIL 22 • 10 AM
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AUCTION

LARGE MIX FARM AUCTION

FRIDAY, APRIL 21 • 10 AM
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AUCTION

FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION FOR GARRY & CINDY KLASSEN

FRI. APRIL 21 • 10 AM

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Rural Municipality of Stanley intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2017:

1) 1) To control noxious weeds on road allowances within the Municipality. The projected dates of application will be from May 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017. The herbicides to be used include:

- Tordon 22K
- 2-4-D amine 600
- Milestone
- Overdrive
- Truvist

2) To control insect pests including grasshoppers, mosquitoes, canker worms, etc. The proposed dates of application for these programs will be from May 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017. The insecticides to be used include:

- Malathion
- Dursban

The public may send written submissions or objections within 15 days of the publication of the notice to the department below.

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

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 4-2017

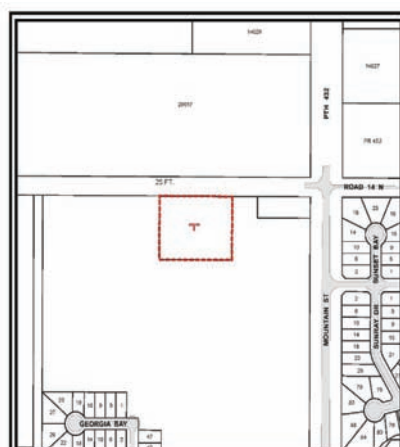
Being an AMENDMENT to the CITY OF MORDEN ZONING BY-LAW 22-2008, AS AMENDED

HEARING LOCATION: Morden Civic Centre
195 Stephen St., Morden, MB
DATE & TIME: Monday, April 24, 2017 @ 7:00pm
FROM: "CR" Commercial Reserve
TO: "I" Institutional District
AREA: Minor Subdivision 4433-15-7463

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Haines,
P. Eng.; Planning & Engineering
133-7th Street, Morden, MB
Phone: (204) 822-4434

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the Morden Civic Centre 100-195 Stephen Street, during normal office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made an extracts taken therefrom, upon request.



Schedule "A"

City of Morden

Lot 17 Block 2 Plan 54932

NE 1/4 T-3-S 5 WPM

Date: 21 Feb 2017

Legend

Attached to and forming part of

BY-LAW No. 24-2017

Amending Zoning By-Law No. 22-2008

FROM: "CR" Commercial Reserve

TO: "I" Institutional

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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 25th, 2017 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. 2167-16, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2167-16, is to zone the land described below, Namely: **LOTS 5 & 6, BLOCK 2, DEPOSIT 1718/2016 MLTO** 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

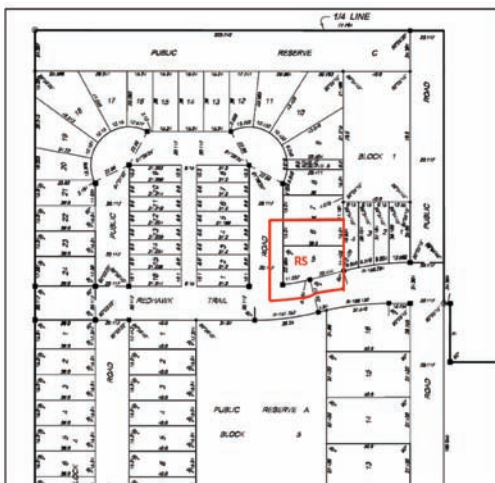
FROM: "RT" RESIDENTIAL TWO FAMILY ZONE

TO: "RS" RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2167-16, 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 28th day of March, 2017.

Designated Officer
City of Winkler



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, May 9th, 2017 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. 2182-17, of the City of Winkler.

THE GENERAL INTENT OF THE ABOVE BY-LAW NO. 2182-17, IS TO ZONE THE LAND DESCRIBED BELOW, NAMELY: **LOTS 1 & 2, PLAN 59497 MLTO IN THE W 1/2 OF SW 1/4 8-3-4 WPM** as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE ZONE

TO: "RR" RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE AND

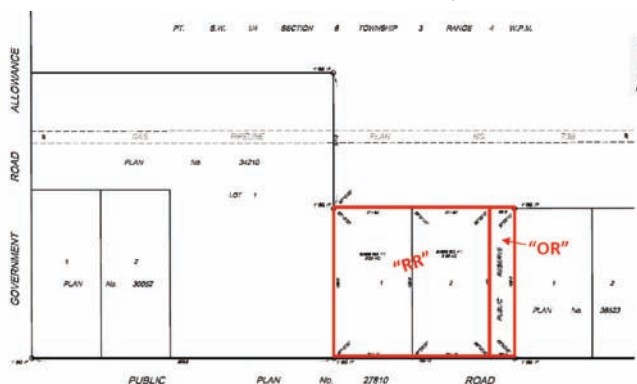
"OR" OPEN SPACE RECREATION ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2182-17, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

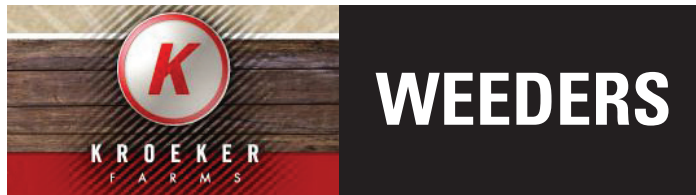
DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 30th day of March, 2017.

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SCHEDULE "A" To By-Law 2182-17



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OBITUARY



Irene Gayle Thompson 1943 - 2017

On Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at Tabor Home, Gayle Thompson aged 73 years of Morden, MB passed away peacefully.

She is survived by one sister, Joyce and one brother, Tom (Janice), niece, Shelley, two nephews Trevor and Jeffrey, their mother, Maxine Friesen and their families.

Memorial service at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 24, 2017 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel in Morden with ash interment at Miami Cemetery at a later date.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Gayle's memory to the Tabor Home Memorial Fund.

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden
In care of arrangements
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Leona Adrina Spangelo (nee Casey) 1918 - 2017

It is with sadness that the family of Leona Adrina Spangelo (nee Casey) announce her passing on April 4th, 2017, at the Charleswood Care Centre in Winnipeg, one day after reaching her 99th birthday.

Leona was born April 3, 1918 to parents, Edna and Wilfred Casey of Morden.

She will be lovingly remembered by her two sisters, Marguerite Kerr and Doreen Johnson; daughters, Jo Ann and Mary Lou and son, Don (Pat). She leaves behind five grandchildren: Joel McIntosh (Jenn); Janine McIntosh (Ian Fenton); Sara, Lisa, and Whitney Spangelo. She will be missed by six great-grandchildren: Nicholas, Katia and Evan McIntosh; Avery, Erin and Rachael Fenton; nieces and nephews.

Leona was predeceased by her husband, Vernon; brother, Wilf Jr.; grandson, Jefferey McIntosh and son-in-law, Jim McIntosh.

Leona grew up on the family farm in the 1-6 area. She graduated from nursing at the Victoria General Hospital in 1941. She married Vernon in 1945 and lived in Pearce district until they moved to Morden in 1960. She is remembered for her strong work ethic and self determination. She worked on the Casey family farm as a young girl and throughout her nursing training. After marrying and while raising three children on the farm, she gardened, canned, sewed for the Red Cross, baked and made many trips to deliver lunches to the field. We have lots of fun memories having lunch with Dad in the field. After moving to Morden, she worked at the Morden, Winkler and Altona hospitals and looked after her elderly parents in their later years. She was a member of the Rebeccas and the United Church Ladies Auxiliary and was an active volunteer with the Multiple Sclerosis Society, the Canadian Cancer Society, and the Manitoba Alzheimers Society. Family gatherings were important to her and often there were cousins, aunts and uncles around the dinner table. She will always be remembered for her African violets and roses; sewing clothes for her young children; and knitting projects.

We very much appreciate the care provided and compassion shown by staff in unit 6 at the Charleswood Care Centre and the many who made her life happy at Lindenwood Manor.

In accordance with Leona's wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel in Morden.

Should friends so desire, memorial donations may be made in Leona's memory to the charity of their choice or the Canadian Blind Institute or Alzheimer Society.

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Community Futures Heartland is currently seeking to fill the position of a Business Analyst for the Heartland and White Horse Plains regions. Community Futures provides financial assistance and support to new and existing businesses. This position would be based out of Portage la Prairie and Elie, MB.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Seek loan opportunities with entrepreneurs
- Meet yearly loan targets
- Assist loan clients with business plan and cashflow development
- Develop credit assessments for loans committee
- Analyze loan requests for viability and sustainability
- Monitor loan clients and their performance
- Provide aftercare services to clients
- Liaison with government agencies/departments, financial institutions, and other lending organizations

Qualifications and Experience:

- University Degree in Commerce, Business Administration, or equivalent
- Experience with commercial lending or credit granting would be an asset
- Fluency in creating and understanding financial statements
- Experience working with a volunteer board of directors

Skills Required:

- Fluent with Microsoft Office Suite
- Client counseling skills
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Understanding of small business and its challenges
- Time Management skills
- Must be able to travel throughout the region

Salary is dependent upon qualifications.

Please forward a resume and cover letter by 8:00am on Monday, April 17th, 2017 to;

General Manager

Community Futures Heartland Inc.

11-2nd Street N.E., Portage la Prairie, Manitoba R1N 1R8

Fax: 204-239-0176

Email: kreimer@cfheartland.ca

For more information, visit www.cfheartland.ca, and www.cfmanitoba.ca/white-horse-plains



Community Economic Development / Special Projects Coordinator

Community Futures Heartland is currently seeking to fill the position of CED / Special Projects Coordinator for the Heartland and White Horse Plains regions. Community Futures focuses on Economic and Community development. Community Futures provides financial assistance and support to new and existing businesses, and community economic development support to our member municipalities and communities.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Coordinate community economic projects for the region
- Meet yearly training targets for the organization
- Assist community groups with strategic planning
- Initiate and coordinate special projects and entrepreneur training sessions
- Liaison with government agencies/departments and community organizations
- Provide aftercare services to clients

Qualifications and Experience:

- University Degree in Commerce, Business Administration Diploma, or equivalent would be an asset
- Experience with initiating and coordinating special projects and events
- Experience in coordinating training events for clients
- Knowledge of strategic planning for communities and non-profit organizations
- Knowledge of the Community Futures Heartland and White Horse Plains region

Skills Required:

- Fluent with Computers and Microsoft Office Suite
- Client counseling skills
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Understanding of rural communities and their challenges
- Time Management skills
- Must be able to travel throughout the region

Salary is dependent upon qualifications. Benefit package available.

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