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A Monarch butterfly paused for a second before flying free at the butterfly garden at Winkler Arts and Culture recently. See inside this edition of the Voice for this story.

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Monarchs take flight

By Lorne Stelmach

A windy afternoon meant that there was little delay in seeing a pair of Monarch butterflies take flight in Winkler last week.

Members of the Winkler Horticulture Society were on hand at the butterfly garden in the Winkler Arts and Culture yard as the family of Mary Wall released two Monarchs they had raised at home.

"We've worked at this garden now for four summers and to see these Monarchs actually be released, it's pretty exciting for us," said Valerie Harder, society secretary.

"It was built as an attraction for them. They have all the natural habitat here for them. They can be raised here, they can survive here, and it's the perfect habitat," she added. "And anybody can have this habitat in their back yard. It's very rewarding ... it's not that difficult to raise these plants."

"We've got quite a few people in the community who are helping with raising Monarchs," observed Wall.

Her interest in helping protect and preserve the species grew from teaching Grade 1 students and seeing that this was a project that could really engage the kids.

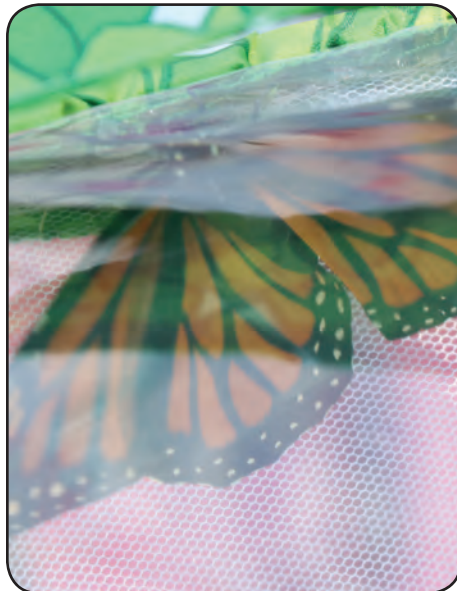
"It grew from that into becoming so much more," Wall said. "We've developed pollinator gardens over the course of time, and it's not just the Monarchs that benefit ... it's sustainability for our planet."

"It was such an interesting way to get students involved in nature and in learning how to take care of living things," she continued. "It's just been really nice to be part of it and sharing that interest with others."

Harder said it feels meaningful to see this kind of community involvement in something so important.

"They have been gathering eggs or they have been gathering the caterpillars and bringing them home and raising them in the confines of a tent in such a way that they are healthy," she said. "There are a lot of people in this region who are actually quite avid in promoting the preservation of the Monarchs."

"I feel very fortunate to be able to be part of this," added Wall.



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A group of Monarch butterfly enthusiasts gathered at the gardens on Park St. to release into the wild a pair of butterflies that recently emerged from their chrysalis.



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Site eyed for Valley Fiber

By Lorne Stelmach

A key step in Valley Fiber's rollout of its high speed internet service in the City of Morden is moving ahead with plans for a service building in the community.

The city recently identified a site for the service building which will house the core equipment for the fiber network in Morden.

Based on the requirements for this building, a small 65-foot by 60-foot deep site in the northeast corner of Lion's Park has been chosen to accommodate a 1,000 square foot with access to Gilmour Street.

City officials noted in a news release that the building would have a simple design to fit into the neighbourhood and shouldn't have any impact on the playground structures, soccer fields or activities that take place in the park.

Because it is city-owned park land,

a bylaw to close a public reserve recently received first reading by council, and area residents will have an opportunity to speak to the change if they wish before it comes back to council for final approval.

Officials with Valley Fiber meanwhile could not be reached to comment last week on the progress of work to expand into the Morden area.

In an earlier interview this past spring, CEO Hank Wall had said the timelines for expansion into a number of municipalities in the region were dependent on the preliminary planning and design as well as the demand.

"We have many communities that will be in 2020 and 2021 ... really, wherever the sign ups happen the fastest, that's where we're going to go first. Wherever the demand is, that's where we're going to be going," Wall had said.



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A corner of Lions Park in northwest Morden is the chosen location for a Valley Fiber service building.

"If we can get everything done in 2020, great, but we definitely anticipate there will still be quite a bit of construction still to do in 2021," he added, while noting though that the initial response from Morden had been very positive.

"We've had an amazing response

from the community ... Morden's definitely been thirsty for getting a good reliable ISP, so the feedback has been great, and we're very excited to be providing the service they're asking for as soon as we possibly can."

Province releases practices and protocols for return to schools

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is releasing practice guidance and protocols to ensure students, teachers and families know what to expect upon returning to classrooms in September and to provide consistency across schools, Education Minister Kelvin Goertzen announced Thursday.

"The safety and health of students and staff, and their families, are the priority as Manitoba returns to in-class learning," said Goertzen. "These protocols, in accordance with Public Health advice, will be implemented by all school divisions as part of the Manitoba government's detailed guidance."

The protocols include additional Public Health advice regarding the use of masks at schools. It is strongly recommended that students in grades 5 to 12, school staff and others in schools wear non-medical masks in common ar-

reas and where physical distancing of two metres is not possible. Younger students can also use non-medical masks if they or their parents or caregivers so choose. Non-medical masks should not be worn by anyone who is unable to remove one without assistance or by those with breathing difficulties.

All students in Grade 5 and up, and bus drivers, will be required to wear non-medical masks on school buses. Masks should be put on before loading and taken off after off-loading.

The province will provide masks to school divisions for distribution to students and staff, as well as other personal protective equipment to ensure safe and healthy schools, Goertzen noted.

Manitoba Education's Practice Guidance and Protocols for Restoring Safe Schools has been prepared in response to school division and independent school planning for the return to classroom learning during the COVID-19 pandemic. The protocols are fully consistent with provincial Public Health and Health Canada guidance.

"Public Health officials worked closely with Manitoba Education and are confident this plan balances the safety of students with the importance of returning to classroom learning," said Dr. Brent Roussin, Manitoba's chief provincial public health officer. "As always, the simplest and most effective prevention measures are staying home when sick, practising proper hand hygiene, covering your cough, and not sharing items with others."

Should a case of COVID-19 occur at a school, Public Health will work closely with school administrators to identify close contacts, notify them and advise them to self-isolate. The areas of a school where exposures took place will be cleaned and disinfected, and these areas will

not be used until it is determined safe to do so. School communities will be notified when a student at their school is a confirmed case, once close contacts have been identified. A closure of a school would be a last resort and only with evidence of transmission among multiple groups of students or staff, Roussin noted.

School divisions will post their individual plans during the week of Aug. 17 for the return to schools and the plans will be linked to the Manitoba Education website. Each division's plan will outline procedures for following Public Health orders and guidelines, for addressing the mental health and well-being of the school community, and for communicating information to students, staff and families.

"The goal of the Restoring Safe Schools plan is to maximize in-class learning while maintaining a focus on safety," said Goertzen. "Parents and students need to know there is a process in place in the event students become ill and how their safety will be maintained."

The province will work closely with Public Health, education stakeholders, school divisions, independent schools, parents, caregivers and students to ensure consistent, timely and responsive information, and to act on issues as they arise.

The EngageMB website at <https://engagemb.ca/welcoming-our-students-back-restoring-safe-schools> will remain the best forum for parents, caregivers and students to post questions for response throughout the return to classroom learning. In addition, a telephone town hall for parents, caregivers and students is scheduled for Aug. 18 with Roussin and Goertzen.

For more information on COVID-19, visit www.manitoba.ca/covid19/ or Manitoba Education's latest COVID-19 Education News website at www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/covid/index.html.

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Highway project progresses

By Lorne Stelmach

City leaders are pleased with the progress of construction on Highway 32 through Winkler.

The project to rebuild and twin the lanes between Victoria Street and PTH 14 along with improved drainage and sidewalks was estimated as being over a third complete as of the end of July.

"When you see those numbers, they're delayed probably for at least two or three weeks," noted Mayor Martin Harder.

"So we are very happy with the overall progress. We certainly expect that it will be fully completed in 2020," said Harder. "I think as far as the target date ... early indications are that by freeze-up, it will all be done."

Detours remain in place that diverts traffic at the south end of the project to the east via Pembina Avenue then

north via Eastview Drive to reach PTH 14.

All traffic travelling on PTH 32 between Victoria Avenue and PTH 14 is shifted to the west on to the south-bound lane and shoulder to allow for construction on the east or north-bound twinned lanes.

During this stage of construction, there are no left turns permitted in order to keep the traffic flowing as smoothly as possible through the construction area.

Throughout construction, efforts are being made to minimize disruptions and maintain local and through traffic whenever possible, although there will continue to be delays and temporary changes particularly to access to local businesses.

"They've been very good at keeping the traffic flowing reasonably well," suggested Harder.

"There will be a short time period



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where ... a stretch will be closed due to having to finish the piece over the railway tracks," he noted. "The railway gives you a certain time period ... you can't have any traffic over it during that time period. That will be the only full shutdown."

He also suggested that businesses in the area have to a large degree been

understanding.

"During this construction period, we have had less complaints than we have the years preceding when nothing was happening (on the road)," said Harder. "So people are understanding and realizing that it had to be done in order to achieve the needed results."

Parkinson's SuperWalk set to go ahead virtually

By Lorne Stelmach

One constant for people living with Parkinson's disease is having to adapt, and the same is true this year for an important annual fundraiser that supports those families.

Like many other events, the Parkinson SuperWalk is going virtual this year as the realities of COVID-19 made it clear the walk could not be held in the same way.

Across Canada, the virtual SuperWalk will be held Sat., Sept. 12, 2020 and Parkinson Canada is calling on people to register for the 2020 SuperWalk including in this region,

where a walk is usually held in Morden.

"Whatever people want to do ... get out and walk or just donate. That's all great. If people want to go for a walk another time and donate, that's fine. Whatever people want to do to support it," said local organizer Lenore Laverty.

She noted the organization had already started a movement challenge back in May to get people involved and engaged.

"So they really started long before the SuperWalk to kind of ramp things up this year and do things a little differ-

ently to encourage people to get moving because that's so important for Parkinsons," she said.

"They're encouraging people to even just do little walks in their neighbourhood with their friends or family."

If you would like to organize a small walk with your friends and family, Parkinson Canada is offering a 'walk-in-a-box' kit that will help you plan, promote and celebrate your own SuperWalk.

Any and all information you need can be found at www.superwalk.ca. As much as possible, people are being encouraged to register and donate online at www.superwalk.ca or call 1-800-565-3000.

Pembina Valley SuperWalk volunteers will be at the Morden Mennonite Church at 363 Gilmour Street that Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. to accept registration forms and cheques. Alternatively, registration forms and cheques may be mailed directly to Parkinson Canada.

People, of course, are encouraged to follow social distancing protocols and wear a mask if possible, and Laverty noted people may walk the usual route, but there will not be signage in place, nor will the

church facilities be available.

The annual fundraiser locally had well over 100 people involved last year and brought in over \$55,000, which was up substantially from the 2018 tally of over \$37,000.

"It will be interesting to see what gets raised this year," said Laverty. "For a lot of people in our core group, it really is sort of a passion to raise the money and to help out. I'm sure that people will take up the challenge."



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The myth of the over-achiever

If you have had a job or have gone to school or have a "driven" parent, you have likely sat through lectures and speeches with the following sound bites:

"You gotta give it 110 per cent!"

"Aim for the moon so you at least touch the sky!"

"If your dreams aren't ridiculous, they aren't worth having!"

Blah, blah, blah.

Before I rant let me set the record straight: I am all for people striving to succeed and attain their wildest dreams. I am. Really. What I am not for is the kind of transparent, lunatic drive that typically does the opposite of what it is supposed to do: demotivate.

I tend to follow a few basic rules in my life the first of which is give trust,

don't wait for others to earn it.

When you trust others and yourself then you trust that they are working hard to achieve their goals. A person who is sitting back and only putting in 40 per cent is not going to suddenly wake up one day after a passionate speech screamed at her or him in spittle laden fanaticism about how they just need to "REACH FOR THE STARS TO AT LEAST LAND ON THE MOON!!!"

This is not how the human mind works. Sure there are some who may get caught up for the moment in the crowded rally of fist pumpers and EDM music and maybe this drives them for about a week before they collapse in depression and exhaustion, not unlike the crash of the fad diet or workout.

If you want to go the distance and reach the goal you need the mindset of an endurance runner. You need to pace yourself and set realistic and achievable goals, be it in the family, in relationships at work, or wherever.

The not so secret philosophy behind the giant goal setting strategy is a recognition that you likely won't achieve the big one, but without it you won't

even try.

Really? How little do we think of ourselves and others that we need such simplistic motivations? In the end what you get are people who feel like they are constantly failing themselves and others. A crowd of depressed individuals who hate themselves and their "laziness" and begin to resent the world around them.

This is not healthy. It corrodes instead of builds. It leads to people who never sleep or rest, or sabbath, or whatever you want to call taking a break, because these things aren't productive. It leads to grumpy nastiness.

The biggest lie of the reach-for-the-top mentality is this: that you will actually get to the top. You never get to the top. You never achieve your goal because the minute you get close you or others push it further away. All this thinking does is leads a person to think believe they have lived life as a failure no matter how well they actually do.

I'm not saying strive for mediocrity and if that's what you are hearing you are not paying attention. I am saying if you set reasonable goals and a reasonable pace your chances of succeeding and being happy with who you are increase exponentially.



By Peter Cantelon

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Manitoba prepares for flu season

While continuing to face a resurgence of the coronavirus, the province is also ramping up preparations for the coming flu season.

The province is doubling its order of the high-dose influenza vaccine to address the anticipated demand and also expanding the criteria for who can receive it free of charge.

"The flu season is always challenging, but COVID-19 will make it even more difficult," said health minister Cameron Friesen. "That's why our government is taking every precaution to help keep Manitobans safe."

"By doubling our order of high-dose influenza vaccine and making it available to more people at high risk of contracting the flu, we are able to protect them as well as our health-care providers on the front line."

The government is expanding criteria for the vaccine to allow more seniors to get the high-dose influenza

vaccine this fall including:

- residents of supportive and assisted living housing;
- those who are newly incarcerated or transferred from other federal or out-of-province correctional facilities;
- those receiving home care services while on a waiting list for admission into a long-term care facility;
- living on a First Nation or remote communities; and
- living north of the 53rd parallel of latitude.

Last year, Manitoba ordered 11,500 high-dose influenza vaccines and for the 2020-21 influenza season, the province will order up to 21,500 high-dose vaccine.

In 2019-20, over 26.3 per cent of all Manitobans received the flu vaccine, the highest ever, and demand is expected to increase this year. During the 2019-20 flu season, 29 Manitobans died.

Starting August 17, pharmacies, physicians and other providers could start placing their influenza vaccine orders with the vaccine expected to start arriving in late September.

"Manitobans need to plan for a challenging flu season as COVID-19, influenza and colds will be occurring at the same time this fall," said Dr. Brent Roussin, chief provincial public health officer. "Getting the flu vaccine or the high-dose influenza vaccine is an important step that will help keep you and those around you healthy this season. Staying home when you are sick, practising good hand hygiene and covering your cough also helps reduce the risk of spreading the virus to others."

Visit Manitoba's seasonal influenza website at www.manitoba.ca/flu or contact Health Links-Info Santé at 204-788-8200 in Winnipeg or 1-888-315-9257 (toll-free) for more information.

Road is clear for city plan

By Lorne Stelmach

The plan that outlines how the City of Winkler could develop over at least the next two decades is another step away from approval.

The draft of the Growing Winkler secondary plan went before a public hearing at council last Tuesday with no objections, which Mayor Martin Harder attributed to the thorough consultation process that went into the plan.

"They have done just a phenomenal job," Harder said of Winnipeg consulting firm Urban Systems, which developed the plan with feedback from the public at large as well as local developers, landowners and other stakeholders.

The city received a great deal of input on what's missing in certain areas of town, especially when it comes to things like residential options and transportation routes, and those things have been taken into account in the plan.

"One of the things that I believe has been very instrumental is the number of meaningful consultations that have taken place," suggested Harder.

A presentation by Dan Penner, community planner with Urban Systems, addressed how planning is needed to guide future servicing, land uses, transportation and recreation to improve coordination between landowners, developers and other municipa-

lities, and secondary plans are key land use tools that municipalities use to coordinate and guide growth and development over the long term.

In this case, the plan has a 20-year framework for managing growth with projections that include the population reaching between 15,724 and 17,310 by the year 2025 and 25,766 to 35,115 by the year 2045.

It focussed on all undeveloped lands within the municipal boundaries but not including lands with current development proposals in the approvals process. In total, 1,721 acres of land were addressed within the secondary planning area.

Penner explained how the aim was creating a flexible and adaptable plan to promote incremental and sustainable growth, understanding Winkler infrastructure and servicing capacities now and in the future, promoting interconnected parks, trails and green spaces, ensuring an efficient and unimpeded transportation system and collaborating with the development and community and stakeholders.

It touches on everything from a mix of land uses and densities to proposed park locations and trail networks with potential connections to a broader regional system, and they aimed for flexibility and adaptability in the overall plan, said Penner.

The plan addresses four specific areas of the city - the Northlands west and east and Southlands west and



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The secondary plan delves into detail about how the four corners of Winkler could develop in the next two decades.

east developments - and is detailed in its intents for the four areas.

In brief, Northlands west, which includes developments north of Hwy. 14 and west of the Pine Ridge area, sets out commercial development as well as a mix of lower and medium-density residential development. Northlands east, which is the area around Northlands Parkway Collegiate, will be a mixed-used neighbourhood with some higher density housing, single-family housing to the north and commercial development along Hwy. 14, and there is also space for some industrial development.

Southlands west, which encompasses the area west of 15th St. South, will be a predominantly single-family residential neighbourhood with open

green space and some neighbourhood-orientated commercial development. Southlands east is located beside the current industrial parks and will also be an industrial and service commercial zone.

"The people who needed to be involved were either directly contacted and multiple meetings were held to come up with a plan that makes sense and met both the developer's needs and ensures that the city's needs are being taken into consideration," said Harder.

The full plan is available for download online at www.cityofwinkler.ca/p/economic-development, and it was expected to come back before council for the next stage of approval at its August 25 meeting.

Virus cases continue climbing

By Lorne Stelmach

The resurgence of the coronavirus continues across Manitoba with another 38 cases announced Monday including one in a Steinbach personal care home.

The province declared an outbreak at Bethesda Place, although no further details were available while investigations continue.

"The care home responded quite quickly, quite appropriately to a symptomatic individual," said chief provincial public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin, noting the person and specific wing of the care home were isolated as a result.

The new cases announced Monday included 12 in Southern Health-Santé Sud with Roussin noting a majority of the regional cases were linked to a known cluster. The cases ranged from

a woman in her 30s up to a male and female in their 70s and a male and female in their 90s.

In total, Southern Health stood at 64 active cases and 82 recovered with three deaths. Winkler showed three active cases and five recovered while Morden was at one active case and RM of Stanley at two recovered. The RMs of Roland and Thompson had two active and seven recovered cases as well as one death, while the RMs of Lorne, Louise and Pembina had two active and one recovered case.

Overall, with four other cases removed from the list, the total number of lab-confirmed positive and probable positive cases in Manitoba increased to 731. There were 11 current hospitalizations with three in intensive care, 232 active cases and 490 recovered, while the number of deaths had increased to nine with passing of

a Portage la Prairie man in his 80s last week.

A known Brandon cluster was now at 64 cases with another 56 connected to a place of business in Brandon that had been widely reported as being Maple Leaf Foods with 24 connected to the two. Public health also advised of a potential exposure to COVID-19 that may have occurred Aug. 5 to 7 at a Brandon 7-11.

"We knew that we weren't done with this virus ... that's what this virus is like. If you get a couple clusters, it can spread quickly," said Roussin. "We've seen case numbers that we haven't seen since the beginning of the pandemic. We're seeing some evidence of community-based transmission."

"That brings anxiety to Manitobans," he continued. "To alleviate some of that is we all know what we can do, we can all make changes today ... if we

haven't been focussing on those fundamentals now we can certainly start today.

"It is paramount, especially as we move into respiratory virus season," said Roussin, stressing the now familiar mantra of not going out while you feel ill, practising proper hand hygiene, covering your cough and physical distancing when you are with people outside your household. If you cannot physical distance, consider wearing a mask.

"We're increasing the messaging on mask use ... wearing a mask in circumstances where you can't physically distance ... we're recommending you wear masks. It's an additional measure; it doesn't replace those fundamentals."

"Nothing's ever been off the table

Boost for cancer resource

Fundraising golf tournament supports regional organization

By Lorne Stelmach

An annual fundraising golf tournament carried on safely this year amidst the pandemic, and South Central Cancer Resource is the beneficiary.

The Mike Pritchard Memorial Golf Tournament held July 11 in Carman resulted in \$17,679 being donated to the organization recently.

"They said this year it means more than ever because so many of their things got cancelled ... so they're not going to be able to raise the same amount of money," said Darren Pritchard, a brother of Mike, who died of cancer in 1998.

This is the 23rd year overall for the tournament, but it has been held in Carman for the last eight years, and it has now raised about \$260,000 in support of cancer care in Manitoba.

The tournament had previously also supported the Carman and Area Foundation, but organizers this year decided to give the proceeds entirely to South Central Cancer Resource and Cancer Care Manitoba.

"We like to keep our money local and help out here," said Pritchard. "It's

nice to keep the money local; my parents still live in Roland, so we want to help out local people.

"I like what South Central Cancer Resource does with the money," he added. "They pay for fuel for people to drive to Winnipeg for cancer therapy and stuff like that, so we want to do whatever we can to help out the rural communities."

The tournament has been a real passion for the family, said Pritchard, noting that his younger brother Al Pritchard, who works for the Winnipeg Jets, has now had to fight cancer twice.

"So cancer obviously is very close to the family," said Pritchard.

As for the golf tournament, it was done differently due to COVID-19 including changing from a shotgun start to staggered tee times to spread the foursomes out with social distancing in mind

"Everyone we talked to said how did you make it happen," said Pritchard, who noted the event attracted 202 golfers. "We had hand sanitizer everywhere because we really wanted to be safe ... and it turned out really good."



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Representatives of South Central Cancer Resource recently received the \$17,679 in proceeds from the Mike Pritchard Memorial Golf Tournament held in Carman.

Mike Pritchard was an avid golfer, working as a superintendent at the Carman golf course for around seven years and then at the Minnedosa golf course for another three years. Even-

tually, he moved on to Grand Pines golf course near Grand Beach where he was a key player in the development of the course before he became sick and passed away.

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for us," Roussin said in response to a question about considering mandatory use of masks particularly in schools this fall. "We're certainly always relooking at the plans ... if we're ever concerned that we're not getting the compliance we need then we can always mandate it."

Roussin again reiterated only individuals experiencing COVID-19 symptoms should go for testing as soon as possible once symptoms are present. Employers were asked to only send employees for testing if they have symptoms or if testing has been recommended. Otherwise, an online assessment tool can be found at <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool>.

Amidst the spike in cases this past week, the government had also started reporting COVID-19 cases based on smaller health districts.

The province will update case numbers and other information based on 68 health districts instead of the five regional health authorities, and there are 23 in Southern Health-Santé Sud.

The move was to help connect Manitobans with more local information about COVID-19, said health minister

Cameron Friesen.

"Conveying information to Manitobans about COVID-19 in their districts will increase confidence and help them to feel more empowered to make decisions in their daily lives," said Friesen.

"This enhanced reporting will provide a more detailed picture of the pandemic and strikes an important balance between timely, regional information about COVID-19, and the need to protect privacy and prevent stigma."

"This additional information allows Manitobans to stay informed on COVID at a more local level," said Roussin. "Every Manitoban though, no matter where they live, must continue to follow the fundamentals to prevent the spread of COVID-19."

In addition, the province last week also formally further extended the province-wide state of emergency under The Emergency Measures Act to continue to protect the health and safety of all Manitobans and reduce the spread of COVID-19. The extension went into effect August 12 for a period of 30 days.

Premier Brian Pallister last week

also commented on the road ahead as the Manitoba government formally launched its RestartMB campaign as a road map to recovery from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Public health and safety is a key driver of recovery, and as we continue to safely restart our economy and reopen our communities, we must learn to live with this virus. We are committed to being ready for what lies ahead - ready to live with COVID-19, ready to return to school, ready to restart

our services, create jobs and grow our economy," he said.

"The past four months since COVID-19 arrived in Manitoba have been a period of rapid response and adaptation for programs and for public engagement," said Pallister. "We have done well and accomplished much, adapting as we go and working rapidly to respond. Now, we are focusing our message on the importance of public health fundamentals as we drive to recovery."

Accident claims life

Staff

A Winkler woman died as a result of a two car collision in the RM of Stanley recently.

Carman RCMP reported Friday that the 29-year-old woman was taken to hospital with life-threatening injuries from the August 5 accident and then succumbed August 7.

RCMP were called around 10 a.m. August 5 to the scene of the two-vehicle collision at the uncontrolled intersection of Road 25W and Road

11N in the RM of Stanley.

Their investigation found a northbound pickup truck driven by a 37-year-old man from Winkler collided with the eastbound vehicle driven by the Winkler woman.

The 37-year-old male was not injured in the collision, in which visibility is believed to be a contributing factor, according to the RCMP.

Carman RCMP along with a forensic collision reconstructionist continue to investigate.

School divisions prepare plans

By Lorne Stelmach

Local school divisions are setting out their plans for getting students safely back to school this fall.

They come about as part of a planning process that followed the province's recent decision that classroom learning for all students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 will resume September 8.

How that will happen and how it will look though will vary according to local circumstances and could likely differ from one school to the next, say local officials.

"We're looking at everything at this point," said Todd Monster, superintendent of Garden Valley School Division. "It's hard for me to say for certain exactly what things will look like. Some of these things are site specific; each school will have different circumstances."

"We'll continue to adapt and adjust as we go," said Western School Division superintendent Stephen Ross. "Certainly we can reassure parents we're doing everything we can within that parameters that we have to work with to make things as normal and as safe as possible."

K to 8 students and those with special needs in all grades will be back at school full-time five days a week, while 9-12 students may have some remote learning to do depending on a high school's ability to implement public health measures like physical distancing and the use of cohorts of a maximum 75 students at the elementary and junior high levels as well, limiting the numbers of people students come into contact with through the day.

Last Thursday, the province then announced additional guidance and protocols to ensure students, teachers and families know what to expect upon returning to classrooms in September and to provide consistency across schools.

The measures included Public Health strongly recommending students in Grades 5 to 12 as well as school staff and others in schools wear non-medical masks in common areas and where physical distancing of two metres is not possible. Younger students can also use non-medical masks if they or their parents or caregivers so choose.

Non-medical masks should not be worn by anyone who is unable to remove one without assistance or by those with breathing difficulties.

In addition though, all students in Grade 5 and up as well as bus drivers

will be required to wear non-medical masks on school buses. Masks should be put on before loading and taken off after off-loading.

The province will provide masks to school divisions for distribution to students and staff as well as other personal protective equipment to ensure safe and healthy schools.

"Public health officials worked closely with Manitoba Education and are confident this plan balances the safety of students with the importance of returning to classroom learning," said Dr. Brent Roussin, chief provincial public health officer. "As always, the simplest and most effective prevention measures are staying home when sick, practising proper hand hygiene, covering your cough, and not sharing items with others."

Should a case of COVID-19 occur at a school, Public Health will work closely with school administrators to identify close contacts, notify them and advise them to self-isolate. The areas of a school where exposures took place will be cleaned and disinfected, and these areas will not be used until it is determined safe.

School communities will be notified when a student at their school is a confirmed case, once close contacts have been identified, but a closure of a school would be a last resort and only with evidence of transmission among multiple groups of students or staff, Roussin noted.

"Parents and students need to know there is a process in place in the event students become ill and how their safety will be maintained," said education minister Kelvin Goertzen, while noting the goal of the Restoring Safe Schools plan is to maximize in-class learning while maintaining a focus on safety.

School divisions were posting their individual plans for the return to schools this week, and the plans will be linked to the Manitoba Education website. Each division's plan will outline procedures for following Public Health orders and guidelines, addressing the mental health and well-being of the school community and communicating information to students, staff and families.

Ross said preparing their plan had involved a lot of meetings with school administrators as well as with provincial officials as part of a process that includes consulting with families.

"Right now, we've brought in a number of our school admin assistants who are actually running a phone survey to check with parents to see if they will be returning their children



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How the resumption of classes will happen and how it will look will vary according to local circumstances and could likely differ from one school to the next, say local officials.

to school in the fall, if they are going to need bus transportation if they are eligible ... just to help us plan in the best possible way for their children coming back to school," said Ross.

Space, of course, is the primary challenge for the division.

"Capacity is always an issue with us, as we do have the smallest square foot per pupil in the province ... but, again, when you're likely not going to be running a regular program this year," said Ross.

"It's not going to be school just like normal," he continued. "We may have some options or elective programming that's not offered this year, and we might be able to repurpose some of that space, where we couldn't in a normal year, for additional classroom spaces."

"We've identified some spaces in every school building right now that potentially could get repurposed," he said, adding that might also create a need for some additional staffing support as well.

"It's kind of a double edged sword here right with all the information that's coming out," he said. "We're waiting for a little more direction ... all of those things are helping us sort of sharpen and refine this plan."

Monster said Garden Valley has also been busy meeting with school administrators "to look at what the implications are and examining the provincial guidelines and determining how we can make those things work in our schools to ensure that staff and students are safe."

All options such as repurposing some space and cohorting students are on the table.

"Specific plans for each schools

won't get finalized until teachers get back and principals are able to have meetings with their staff to look at some of the specific guidelines around processes and procedures that are actually going to happen within their building.

"And every building is different," continued Monster. "For us, as a school division that has been growing for years, many of our schools are at capacity or pretty close to it, even with new buildings that have been added ... so it's still posing a challenge to be able to find (space) to ensure physical distancing as well as many of the other public health guidelines that are in place."

"Many of our schools, especially inside the City of Winkler, are large schools ... we range from probably about 350 upwards of close to 800 (students). So that brings with it its own challenges, but at this point, we're meeting with principals and looking at how we can meet those challenges to ensure the safety of staff and students."

Meanwhile, the province has prepared three response levels and is asking school divisions to have contingency plans ready should the need arise for full or partial school closures.

Level 1 is the plan for September, where in-class learning is in full swing with COVID-19 precautions in place. Level 2 is a blend of in-class learning and remote education, focusing on keeping K-8 kids in the classroom as much as possible while high school students utilize online learning as needed. Level 3 would see all students learning remotely until it is safe to return to school.

• INCREDIBLE CREATURES

Saluting the Red Admiral Butterfly

By John Gavloski

Nature enthusiasts, it's time to salute the red admiral butterfly, one of the migrating species that in some years can be commonly seen in Manitoba. This butterfly has some erratic patterns of flight, interesting food choices, and territorial males.

In this week's Incredible Creatures we will explore the interesting biology and habits of red admiral butterflies.

Red admirals (*Vanessa atalanta*) have black wings with orange or red bands on the middle of the forewings and the outer edge of the hindwings. There are also white spots on the tips of the forewings. They have a wingspan of about 5 cm. Females are slightly larger than the males.

Adult red admiral butterflies have been seen in Manitoba from early May to late August. Red Admirals are sometimes spotted migrating north with painted lady butterflies during the spring. Red admirals prefer fermenting tree sap, fruit, and fresh dung to flower nectar. However, they also drink nectar from a variety of flowers. They are fond of feeding on nectar at composite flowers, such as milkweed, aster, red clover and alfalfa. They also drink from moist soil.

Often when we see caterpillars they are crawling or eating. However, red admiral caterpillars like to stay covered. Young caterpillars live in the shelter

of folded leaves, while older caterpillars will make a nest of leaves tied together with silk. The caterpillars use silk to bind leaf edges together, constructing a little shelter for themselves. It is usually just one larva in one of these shelters, rather than a communal nest like some caterpillars.

Red admiral caterpillar's primary host plant is stinging nettle, but it can also be found on other nettles, and they will also feed on hops. The caterpillars vary in colour, and are covered in several rows of branched spines.

Knowing the flight patterns of butterflies can help in finding and identifying them. The flight pattern of red admirals is erratic and rapid. It may include random elements to throw off predators. One description of their flight is that they "dance their way through the skies, never using the same step twice."

Male red admirals are territorial and perch during the afternoon until sunset. Females will only mate with males that hold territory. Only males of exceptional flying ability are able to chase off intruding males and successfully court females. Larger territories are optimal and subject to intrusion by other males more frequently than smaller territories. Territories tend to be elliptically shaped area ranging between 4-13 m wide and 8-24 m long. Males patrol their territory by flying around the perimeter between seven and 30 times per hour. On average, territory holders interact with intruders 10 to 15 times



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A red admiral butterfly.

per hour.

When another male encroaches on a red admiral's territory, the resident chases away the intruder, often in a vertical, helical path to disorient or tire out the intruder while minimizing the horizontal distance it travels from its perch. The red admiral immediately returns to its territory after chasing off encroaching males.

Time spent patrolling increases as the number of intruder interactions increase. Patrolling behavior is also correlated with warmer air temperatures, so males begin patrolling early and continue later on warmer days.

If you see a red admiral butterfly, take note of its interesting flight behaviour and whether it appears to be guarding a territory. They can be an amusing butterfly to watch.

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Exhibit makes connections

By Lorne Stelmach

The Faces of Winkler exhibit is as much or perhaps even more about community than it is about the art itself.

Both were equally celebrated last Thursday at the closing reception that brought many of the artists and their subjects together at Winkler Arts and Culture.

The annual show recognizing people who make contributions to the community left subjects of portraits - including both a photograph and artwork - marvelling at how they were captured in the pieces.

"I saw she captured a lot of my joyful moments ... those are moments when I felt cherished, so I was also excited when she put that word on there," said Katie Noteboon of the piece created by Willi Richardson alongside a portrait by photographer Lynette Giesbrecht.

"I think she nailed it," Dr. Don Klassen told artist Bev Friesen of her piece alongside a portrait by Merle Peters. "I have untameable hair, I have what I call experience spots on my hands, and I have some pretty obvious veins, and she just got all the detail just

right."

A Winkler area artist, Friesen has been involved in the Faces of Winkler exhibit a number of times, and she always welcomes the opportunity for a number of reasons.

"I think it's great for the community to recognize many people in the community, whether they are well known or not," she said. "It also brings many different people, who would never step foot in an art gallery, into here and meeting other people."

"It's a great way to connect with so many different kinds of people," Friesen continued. "Every person I've painted so far I've gotten to know a little bit better ... I've appreciated the people that I have been able to paint."

After meeting Klassen for a short interview and taking some photos to work from, Friesen joked that she then took him to Mexico to work on while on holiday.

"I was happy to do that ... I wanted to paint on vacation anyway, and this was a really good project for me to focus on there."

As far as how she then approached the piece, Friesen said she stuck to the basics.

"I wanted it to be a simple painting



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Artist Bev Friesen created an artistic portrait of Dr. Don Klassen for the Faces of Winkler. At the closing reception Thursday, artist Willi Richardson visited with her subject Katie Noteboon.



because there's so much strength in the character, and I didn't want there to be a distraction in the painting. I wanted it to be all about him."

Klassen noted his first reaction to the idea of them wanting to do his face was "have they seen my face", but he enjoyed the process starting with meeting Friesen.

"We talked, and now I feel I know her better as well," he noted.

"It tells the story," he said, noting it made sense to portray him as a doctor given his 40-plus years in practice. "I don't like to be thought of as just a doctor ... though my connections inevitably have to do with medicine and being a physician here."

Richardson has also been involved in the exhibit once previously, and she appreciates "the fact that it's chosen individuals who are the subjects of the art and that there is more than one person involved with the art. I like that everybody is kind of getting together to highlight the individual who's been nominated."

She also values the idea of establishing a bit of a relationship with the subject even though it was a brief meeting.

"We only had about 20 minutes. This was based on a 20 minute interview

with her," she noted.

"I knew nothing about her," Richardson said. "In our interview, she was very silent at the very beginning. I really had to dig ... so I had to ask some unusual questions, like if there was one word that meant something to you, what would it be?" Richardson said in explaining her inclusion of the word cherished.

"Finding out why was absolutely stunning. I found out through our interview just how much this girl has gone through, how important it was for her to go through the journey she went through to get to where she is today."

Noteboon said it felt a bit overwhelming at first when she learned of her selection for the exhibit.

"I was very shocked to begin with ... who nominated me? I was very curious to know how I got into this ... but it's a mystery," she said. "I was very honoured. I was surprised but flattered."

She also very much appreciated the select company sharing space on the walls alongside her.

"It's such a cool thing to look around this room and recognize a few of the

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Business co-op program gives alumna head start in career



By Nicolien Klassen-Wiebe

Kayla Yanke (CMU '18) was one of the first students to graduate with CMU's Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Co-op degree, majoring in Accounting. After walking across the convocation stage in cap and gown, she was ready to join the workforce.

But just five months later, she suddenly faced being uprooted from the network she had established when she and her husband had to move across the country from Winnipeg, MB to Victoria, BC for his job in the military.

Luckily, her hard work throughout the BBA co-op program ensured she got a secure job not only shortly after graduating, but also three provinces away. After doing her co-op placement at KPMG Winnipeg, one of the "Big Four" international accounting organizations, the firm offered her a full-time position. With those connections, she got a job at KPMG Victoria as Senior Accountant in Audit.

"I'd recommend that [accounting students] do the co-op program with CMU because it's so much easier to get your foot in the door with a large accounting firm..." Yanke says. "It also helped me understand my courses when I went back to school because I had some practical experience, and then it makes it that much easier to go get a job after."

Yanke did two co-op placements in accounting—one with Argus Industries, an elastomeric products manufacturing company, and the other with KPMG, a financial audit, tax, and advisory services firm.

"Being able to complete my degree with the co-op experience allowed me to gain 15 credible months towards my CPA designation that I'm going for now," she says. One requirement to getting a CPA designation is 30 months of approved work experience. Having already completed half of those months means that once she writes the CPA designation exam this September, Yanke will be able to get her letters behind her name more quickly. She's looking forward to advancing her career, and hopefully one day leading a company.

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Weekly event brings Miami moms together



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Miami moms and their children five and under are meeting each Wednesday morning from 10 a.m. to noon.

By Becca Myskiw

Miami area's public health nurse April Hildebrand is asking parents and their children five and under to meet her at the train park each Wednesday this summer.

"Meet Me at the Train Park" is Hildebrand's way of connecting and supporting women and their children in Miami.

To get her program rolling, she applied for a grant from the Emergency Community Support Fund from the Community Foundations of Canada. The grant of \$5,000 was approved July 10 and the first session happened five days later.

Hildebrand said there were seven mothers, nine children and one pregnant mother present. The next week there were nine mothers, 13 children and four prenatal participants who got a prenatal assessment from Hildebrand.

Hildebrand expects the number of participants to grow each week with the sessions going weekly until Sept. 2 at the Miami Railway Park, and each one has a different lesson.

Week two was all about networking, week three was about child safety, week four was about dealing with unwanted advice followed then by 'do we need to measure everything' and immunizations.

Along with the activities, Hildebrand

also gave out a weekly recipe and a local grocery store gift card. There are also special guests some weeks.

"Many families are feeling isolated because of COVID-19," said Hildebrand. "And there is a high demand for supports locally."

The Miami community doesn't have a Healthy Baby program or a food bank right now. So, the objectives of this group, are to provide mental health support to parents, connect them with each other, promote physical activity, inform community members of their resources and promote healthy eating as well as to connect with the public health nurse.

Each meeting follows social distancing guidelines, and Hildebrand asks that if a parent or their child is feeling unwell to not show up.

At each meeting, there are healthy pre-packaged snacks, baby weigh ins, parenting tips and nutrition lessons along with networking.

"This project would fill the need of a local resource group, which is not available in Miami at this time," said Hildebrand.

"It would provide support to isolated women and children in the community and help those struggling with food insecurity."

Anyone expecting or with children five and under are welcome to come each week.



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other faces. I a hundred per cent agree they should be on these walls, and I feel honoured to be next to them."

The process as well was interesting to Noteboon, who came away stunned by the piece created by Richardson.

"It was very cool to see how it was all done, a very neat experience to meet the artist and chat with her," she said.

"She sent me a picture of the piece within two days after our interview, and my jaw literally dropped. How does a person have so much talent like that to come up with that in just two days?

"I thought it was very unique that she could incorporate multiple images but all of them draw together."

Klassen appreciated the range of people represented in the exhibit.

"I know most of the people here. There's a few I have learned to know just looking at the paintings. It's been a good experience," said Klassen. "I love the community. I think the Faces of Winkler is a really good thing; it's a really good thing for the community."

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Central Energy wins silver at 14U fastpitch provincials

By Brian Bowman

Central Energy earned the silver at the 2020 Manitoba U14 girls' fastpitch provincials in Stonewall last weekend.

Central was defeated 7-0 by the Westman Magic in the gold-medal game on Sunday.

"I'll be honest with you, they exceeded our expectations," said Central head coach Chris McLeod, noting Westman lost just two games all season. "We were ranked fifth going in, so our goal was to make the top four and we finished in the top two. It was a good way to end the year. (I'm) very proud. It was a good group of girls that have played together for three years now. It was a group of eight minors and four majors so to do that with a young team is even more impressive."

Central Energy had defeated Smitty's 10-3 and the Angels 8-3 in a pair of playoff games earlier in the day.

"Against both teams we got out to a lead and they came back to 4-3 in the fifth and then we scored four in the bottom of the fifth against the Angels in the (quarterfinals) and then we scored five in the bottom of the fifth against Smitty's," McLeod said. "The girls didn't cave. They bared down in the fifth and everyone contributed."

Central started the provincials with a 3-2 loss to the Winnipeg Lightning but rebounded nicely to defeat the South Interlake Phillies 6-5.

After a 6-0 loss to Westman, Central Energy whipped the Eastman Wildcats 13-1.



Central Energy's Nelia Fehr delivers a pitch during U14 'A' girls fastpitch provincials in Stonewall.

Winning the silver was a great way to end an unusual season due to COVID-19. Central played a lot of games in a short period of time, posting a 12-16-1 record during the regular season.

The girls were a very dedicated group and had a ton of fun, said McLeod.

"The girls were so enthused coming in this year," he said. "We started practicing back in the winter and then



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Central Energy wins silver at U14 Women's Fastpitch provincials in Stonewall on Sunday. Back row left to right, head coach Chris McLeod (La Salle), Christina Van de Velde (Mariapolis), Elyse Denbow (Plumas), Delaney Penner (Winkler) Celina Toews (Altona), Shayna Bannister (Manitou), Rielle McLeod (La Salle), assistant coach Darren Reichert (Portage); Front row, Maddy Friesen (Altona), Tori Mangin (Somerset), Ava Sanders (Manitou), Molly Conrad (Swan Lake), Nelia Fehr (Morden) and Abby Reichert (Portage).



Central Energy's Ava Sanders gets the out at second base.

everything stopped in mid-March. We were practicing every other week, starting in January. When the girls

came back in June, they were pumped and the parents were pumped.

"Everybody was happy to play."

Hockey Manitoba receives approval for Phase 2 of restart

From the Hockey Manitoba website

The Province of Manitoba has approved Phase 2 of Hockey Manitoba's Return to Play (RTP) Plan – Version 1 for the 2020-21 season. The approval of Phase 2 will allow sanctioned programs to safely resume, following the protocols set by Hockey Manitoba beginning Sept. 1.

Any programs wishing to begin prior to this date are required to submit a request in writing to Hockey Manitoba.

"We continue to work closely with Hockey Canada, Sport Manitoba,

and the Province of Manitoba with the anticipation that Phase 3 will be approved in the near future," read a statement.

The Return to Play plan incorporates the current requirements outlined in Stages 1 – 4 of the Government of Manitoba's Restoring Safe Services Plan, health and safety guidelines from Hockey Canada, and programming, registration and sanctioning for Hockey Manitoba.

Part of our commitment includes an ongoing and regular review of our RTP protocols based on the latest rec-

ommended COVID-19 health precautions, which will help to enhance the positive hockey experience under the province's health directives.

The Return to Hockey Plan has three phases

Phase 1 – On-ice skill development (non-contact), online meetings and clinics, non-sanctioned activities

Phase 2 (approved Aug. 12 and will begin with sanctioned activity starting on Sept. 1) – on-ice skill development (non-contact), drills, team tactics, online or in-person clinic, tryouts

Phase 3 (subject to approval from the

Province of Manitoba) – regular season competition (contact), game play (contact), practices (contact), travel

Hockey Manitoba would like to reiterate for its members that all hockey camps, skills sessions, recreational leagues, and tournaments that are currently operating in the province are not sanctioned by Hockey Manitoba.

The reopening of arenas in Manitoba began as of June 1 as facilities were able to open along with Phase 2 of the Manitoba Restoring Safe Services plan.

Orioles bow out in three

By Lorne Stelmach

A promising pandemic shortened season came to a premature end for the Pembina Valley Orioles this past weekend.

The third seed Manitoba Junior Baseball League team bowed out in three games in their best of three quarterfinal with the sixth place Interlake Blue Jays.

It started off well enough with Pembina Valley taking game one 6-3 last Thursday, but Interlake rebounded to take game two 6-2 Saturday then edge the Orioles 3-2 in game three Sunday evening.

"A few calls I thought could have gone our way, they didn't," lamented co-coach Jim Odlum, praising the work of Kyle Dyck, who pitched a complete game with nine strikeouts. "He deserved a better fate. He deserved to win, but we just didn't get the hits when we needed them."

"It was a tough loss. Our guys battled. In the last two games, our guys

worked hard," said Odlum.

In game one, the Orioles held a 6-0 lead into the sixth inning when the Blue Jays tried to mount a late comeback that fell short, despite the fact they outhit Pembina Valley 9-4.

Tyson Pringle pitched five innings of shutout ball, scattering three hits, then Dyck earned the save in allowing three runs on six hits.

In game two, the Blue Jays took control with three runs in the second inning as they broke open a 2-2 game. TJ Matuszewski gave up six runs on seven hits through six innings of work on the mound.

The Blue Jays now move on to the semi-finals to face the first place and defending champion Elmwood

Giants, who had the first round bye.

The Altona Bisons took down Winnipeg South in three games, rebounding from a 4-2 loss with 3-1 and 5-1 wins. They now face Carillon, who advanced with a pair 11-7 and 4-2 wins.

As for the Orioles, they are left to

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Win and a draw for Storm

The Winkler Storm recorded a win and a draw in Manitoba Major Soccer League division one play this past week.

The Storm battled to a 1-1 tie Sunday evening with Lions FC after having picked up a great win Thursday in blanking the Bandits FC 3-0.

In the latter game, the Storm got a pair of goals from Timo August with another from Nathan Payne, and August then scored again for Winkler against Lions.

It allowed the Storm to continue to hold down second place on a record of 3-1-3 for 12 points, which was just one back of the first place Hanover Kickers, who were at 4-0-1 for 13 points going into their game Monday evening with Forza, who were in third at 3-1-1 for 10 points.

The big test for the Storm comes this Sunday with Winkler paying a visit to Hanover then they next host Forza the following Sunday.

Manitoba Softball Hall of Fame induction dinner postponed

Staff

The Manitoba Softball Hall of Fame and Museum Inc Board of Directors has postponed the annual Softball Hall of Fame Induction dinner that had been rescheduled for Sept. 19 at the Victoria Inn in Brandon.

The event has not been rescheduled, and will not be, until the Provincial Guidelines for the COVID19 Pandemic allows for attendance pro-

visions.

The induction banquet, when it does take place, will honour six individuals and two teams into the Manitoba Softball Hall of Fame.

Previously purchased tickets will be honoured on the new date or tickets can be returned for a full refund. Contact Les Newman at lnewman@live.ca or by phone at (204) 235-1674.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The bats started to fail the Orioles after they connected for six runs in game one against Interlake.

look ahead to next year, and Odlum is optimistic they could field another strong, competitive team again.

"I honestly felt we had the best team

in the league," said Odlum. "We'll look to how we can make things better next year ... we should have most of our core coming back."

Virus shuts down Border ball

By Lorne Stelmach

The Border Baseball League season has come to a halt because of COVID-19.

Word came out over the weekend that the league suspended the balance of the 2020 playoffs as a result of exposure to the coronavirus.

It was reported several Cartwright Twins' players had been in contact with a person in Cartwright who tested positive for COVID-19. The team was advised just prior to a scheduled playoff game with Baldur, and a statement on the Morden Mohawks web page also noted players from multiple teams were notified last Thursday they may have been exposed to the virus because they had been in close contact with individuals who tested positive.

A statement from the league then confirmed the cancellation of the remainder of the season.

"All involved in this decision believe it is in the best interest of public safety and for the well being of our communities, players, coaches, fans, on-field officials and all other associated game day staff and volunteers. We believe that we have made this decision in a

responsible manner.

"After considering this risk, we believe we have come to the only decision that could responsibly be made. We regret that we were unable to complete the playoff portion of our 2020 season, but increased coronavirus infection numbers in various geographies within our league made this decision inevitable."

The eastern playoff bracket was to have gotten underway this past weekend with games between Morden and Altona as well as Carman and Winkler. The western playoff bracket meanwhile had been three games in before the cancellation.

The Morden Mohawks had finished on top in the regular season with a 9 & 1 re-

cord followed by Winkler at 7 & 3.

Year-end honours meanwhile went to several local players including Morden's Chris Moffatt as batting champ with a .652 average and 16 RBIs, and teammate Branden Hatley was the top pitcher with 35 strikeouts and 0.70 ERA.

The first all star team included not only Moffatt and Hatley but also Blake Hartry and Jesse Mutcherson of Morden as well as Josh Ginter, Travis Friesen and Kyle Peters of Winkler.

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Pair of awards for Plum Coulee

Tourism honours for elevator museum and local volunteer

By Lorne Stelmach

A range of organizations, businesses and individuals have been honoured for their innovation and dedication in helping boost tourism in the region.

The annual Central Manitoba Tourism awards were announced online last Thursday from the Fort la Reine Museum in Portage with that facility being cited in two of the honours.

Another pair of awards came to the Plum Coulee Prairieview Elevator Museum as an organization and for one of its dedicated volunteers, while Charley B's and Manitou's festival also received honours.

Named as volunteer of the year, Dorothy Derksen was cited for her involvement in numerous community events and fundraisers including the Plum Coulee Plum Fest and the museum as the secretary-treasurer.

She was celebrated for being a great storyteller who makes tours that much more interesting for everyone because she is so knowledgeable about the history of the area. Her involvement in fundraising and grant applications as well helps the museum to meet its financial goals to continue its work.

"It's an honour, but I feel there's many other people in Plum Coulee who do a lot of volunteering too," she noted.

"You feel like maybe somebody else could deserve this honour as well, and so often we all volunteer together," added Derksen. "So it's humbling."

She sees the recognition as further helping raise what she sees as already increasing awareness about the museum.

"It will be great for the museum; it's great advertising for the museum," she said. "This summer we have already had extra visitors ... we've had a lot of people coming out for day trips."

The museum itself, meanwhile, received the award of distinction for an organization and was cited as a unique venue that has transformed a fading prairie icon into a vibrant centre, promoting culture and preserving

the past.

The museum features different exhibits in grain bins that have been cut out to make rooms, and a lot of the original grain elevator mechanics are featured as well as the unique way grain elevators were built.

"It means a lot to us. We're very excited about it because we have worked very, very hard on our museum," said June Letkeman.

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"A lot of people contribute to the success of our museum," she said. "Everyone involved has done an amazing job, and everyone who comes through the museum is very, very impressed."

"I'm very proud of the museum, and I'm very proud that we got this award."

The award for marketing excellence meanwhile went to Charley B's of Winkler.

The classic burger and ice cream restaurant was cited for not only being entirely locally owned and operated but also for sourcing their products from local farmers and businesses.

"We inspire our brand by who we are and market that in such a way that stands out in our community and communicates our company values," co-owner and manager Katelin Letkeman said by e-mail. "We live and breathe our brand from visits to the grocery store with cheerful hellos to the way we treat our customers to menu items we serve in addition to the work we do advertising."

One of the region's unique fairs was also recognized with event of the year (over \$5,000 budget) going to the Honey, Garlic, and Maple Syrup Festival.

The annual event in Manitou was cited for giving visitors a 'Taste of the Pembina Valley' through such activities as honey, garlic and maple syrup vendors, cooking demos and the Gourmet Alley buffet supper.

Spokesperson Evelyn Lea said it was an honour to be recognized and nominated alongside such great events as the Corn and Apple Festival.

"I feel we are all winners. We all



VOICE FILE PHOTOS

The Honey, Garlic and Maple Syrup Festival of Manitou received an event of the year award from Central Manitoba Tourism, while the Plum Coulee Prairieview Elevator Museum received the award of distinction for an organization.

put in countless hours in making our events the best they can be," said Lea. "We love what we do and putting on the festival is a community event with all hands on deck to make it happen attitude."

The economic importance to the community and surrounding area make it a valuable destination event. Putting our best foot forward to showcase the Pembina Valley area and what it has to offer is our purpose. Winning this award will help boost our presence in the province."

Other awards included the following:

- Event of the year (under \$5,000 budget) - Fort la Reine Museum I Heart Heritage Festival. It is a multicultural celebration organized in partnership between Fort la Reine Museum and the Portage Learning and Literacy Centre.
- Aspiring youth - Madison Connolly

ly for her dedication and commitment to the Fort la Reine Museum and the Portage la Prairie tourism industry.

- Award of distinction for an individual) - Rob Bolack for the Bolack Christmas Lights. Since 2011, the Bolack family has transformed their Holland-area home to usher in the holiday season with a dazzling hour-long light display set to music.
- Innovation award - Altona Hotel was cited for bringing a depth and variety of activities and events into Altona.
- Partnership award - St Claude Historical Society for the July 14 July celebrations involving the gaol museum, Manitoba dairy museum and pioneers museum. It is a town wide event that celebrates Bastille Day with these organizations bringing tourism to their community and helping showcase their francophone heritage.

arts&culture

A Sense of Place exhibit on now at Morden gallery

By Lorne Stelmach

Art continues to be a long journey of exploration and discovery for Yvonne Stowell and Marilyn Wiebe, one that brings their work to Morden this summer.

The sisters behind Mark of the Hand Studio in B.C. feature their exhibit *A Sense of Place* at the Pembina Hills Gallery until Sept. 26

The two fibre artists have put together a show of their unique and varied work that includes textile knits, hand-spun fibres, quilts, and rug hooking art.

They live in the area known as the sunshine coast and share the studio in Wilson Creek. Stowell said by email interview recently that it all goes back to the two of them being blessed with a creative grandmother who ensured that stitching in all forms was part of their daily lives.

She described their exhibition of textile and fibre art as reflecting their interpretation of the world around and within us all.

"Our art always reflects our love of colour and texture and is expressed in a variety of fibre art media," said Stowell, who noted their connection to this region. "We were born and raised in southern Manitoba, and the influences of our Mennonite heritage and prairie environment have always been a steady thread in our work."

"Our heritage influences our work ethic and our desire to surround ourselves with beauty and function," she

added.

Wiebe discovered a love of needle and thread at a very young age and has translated that love into quilting, rug hooking, tapestry stitching, and more.

She has taught extensively throughout Manitoba and Ontario in addition to jurying many quilt shows, owning the Shared Threads Quilt Shop, authoring *Sensational Patchwork Quilting*, and designing patchwork quilts under the name Pennyrose Designs.

Stowell was introduced to "sticks and string" at the age of four, and the passion to create fabric through knitting also generated the need to spin and dye to create the yarns for knitting and weaving.

"I think I was born a designer. As an avid child-knitter, I was frustrated that I couldn't find the yarns and colours that I wanted in order to create my designs. This led me to a journey of working with sheep, learning to dye fibre and spin the yarns I wanted ... to create the clothes I wanted."

Stowell and her husband created and operated the FibreWorks Studio and Gallery in Pender Harbour, B.C. where they showcased a wide range of fibre arts—basketry, fibre, paper, textiles, wood—created by local, national and international artists for about 10 years before moving on to the next challenge.

Her designs are found throughout the world including even in an Ethiopian prison.



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The work of sisters and fibre artists Marilyn Wiebe (left) and Yvonne Stowell is on display now at the Pembina Hills Art Gallery in Morden.

"I am very influenced by my surroundings ... the natural beauty and forms of the forest and foliage are always found somewhere in my designs. I have a strong sense of function in my art and the desire that my work will be part of the recipient's daily life rather than just admired from afar," Stowell explained.

As for the exhibit *A Sense of Place*, Stowell said even the title itself sug-

gests what they hope viewers will take away from the show.

"We are storytellers using fibre art as a medium, and the viewer's stories of their sense of place may be expressed in any media," she said.

"In our art practice, we are influenced by our environment and our experiences. We hope the viewers start to think about their sense of place ... past, present."

Gov't looking for feedback from producers

Voice staff

The provincial government is looking for feedback from Manitoba producers and industry leaders on a broad range of agricultural sector issues and opportunities.

Agriculture Minister Blaine Pedersen announced earlier this month that the province has launched a new online public engagement tool.

"Engaging with farmers allows us to collect important information and make informed de-

cisions and recommendations with my provincial and federal colleagues across the country this October at the annual conference of ministers of agriculture," he said. "We are committed to bringing the voices of farmers forward."

The province is seeking public input in four areas: business risk management, market opportunities, innovation and technology, and resiliency.

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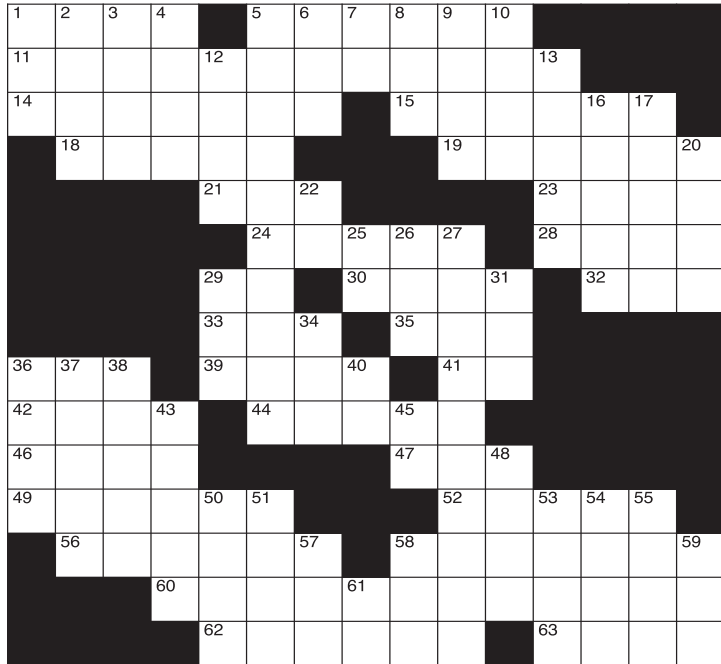
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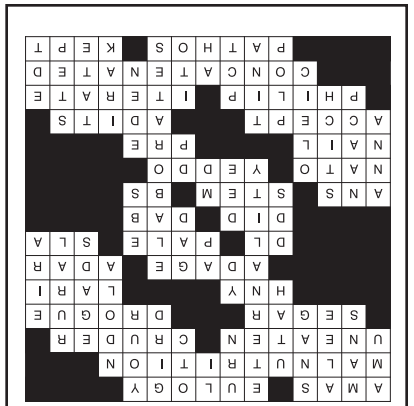
1. Popular musical awards show
5. Speech in one's honor
11. A state of poor nutrition
14. Not ingested
15. More lacking in taste
18. "Popeye" cartoonist
19. Helps to reduce speed
21. January 1 greeting (abbr.)
23. Georgian currency
24. Proverb expressing a truth
28. Jewish calendar month
29. Volume measurement
30. Fair-skinned
32. Patti Hearst's captors
33. Have already done
35. Touch lightly
36. Autonomic nervous system
39. Plant part
41. College degree
42. Military alliance
44. Tokyo's former name
46. Carpenter's tool
47. Before
49. Consent to receive
52. Passages
56. The Duke of Edinburgh
58. Utter repeatedly
60. Linked together in a chain
62. Quality that evokes pity

CLUES DOWN

1. U.S. military school
2. Controls
3. Away from wind
4. Grab quickly
5. Being everlasting
6. Vase
7. Atomic #3
8. Type of medication
9. Encircle with a belt
10. Belonging to you
12. American state
13. City in Zambia
16. Good Gosh!
17. Of the country
20. Helsinki district
22. 36 inches
25. Reporters' group
26. The voice of Olaf
27. Explains in detail
29. Tooth caregiver
31. One point south of due east
34. Scottish river
36. Elsa's sister
37. Civil Rights group
38. Line of poetry
40. Doctor
43. Fatty acid
45. Avatar (abbr.)
48. Awe-inspiring garden
50. Fall down
51. Rock icon Turner
53. Asian country (alt. sp.)
54. UK museum network
55. Stairs have at least one
57. Part of (abbr.)
58. Simpson trial judge
59. Sun up in New York
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REGARDING LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 01/20 – BY-LAW NO. 07-2020 FOR REPAIRS AND UPGRADES AT THE ACCESS EVENT CENTRE

The Council of the City of Morden has scheduled a public hearing at the Access Event Centre at **111 Gilmour Street** in Morden, Manitoba on the 24th day of August 2020 at **7:30 P.M.** to present the following local improvement plan:

The purpose of this local improvement levy is to fund the repairs and upgrades at the Access Event Centre in the City of Morden.

These repairs and upgrades include:

1. New ice plant/compressor and building to house the equipment
2. Replacement of the floor and boards in the Huron Arena
3. Back-up generator to be installed as an emergency back-up, which would fall in line with our Emergency Plan.

The local improvement tax to be levied under this proposal is to be based on the portioned value of all assessable property in the City, which includes taxable, grant-in-lieu and otherwise exempt property in the City of Morden, and the tax is to be based on the portioned value of all these properties. The potential taxpayers under this plan are the owners of said properties.

The total estimated cost of this local improvement is \$2,200,000.00, and it is to be funded by City of Morden borrowing at a maximum rate of 4.5% over 10 years.

The rate will be calculated as follows:

Based on the calculated annual repayment amount of \$278,033.41 and the City of Morden's 2020 local improvement district assessment value of \$511,615,910.00 an estimated 0.540 mill rate will be required. Calculated on a residential property valued at \$250,000.00 (portioned value of \$112,500.00), an estimated \$60.75 local improvement tax will be levied annually for 10 years.

The annual operating and maintenance costs associated with the proposed local improvement will be covered under the City of Morden's annual operating budget.

A written objection may be filed with the City Manager at the Civic Office located at 100-195 Stephen Street in Morden, Manitoba prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection to the local improvement plan.

All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection.

Copies of the local improvement plan are available at the municipal office at 100-195 Stephen Street in Morden, Manitoba and on the municipal website at: www.mymorden.ca.

Dated at the City of Morden, this 30th day of July A.D. 2020, and issued pursuant to Section 318 of *The Municipal Act*.

Nicole Enns, City Manager
City of Morden, 204-822-4434

PUBLIC NOTICE



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON

PUBLIC NOTICE – BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2021 assessment roll for the Rural Municipality of Thompson has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 530 Norton Avenue, Miami, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 & 43 of The Municipal Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION:

42 (1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114 (1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

- a) liability to taxation;
- b) amount of an assessed value;
- c) classification of property;
- d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13 (2)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

43 (1) An application for revision must:

- a) be made in writing;
- b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42 (1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- d) be filed by
 - (i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41 (2), or
 - (ii) serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the Board.

The Board of Revision will sit on Thursday, October 8th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chamber of the Rural Municipality of Thompson to hear applications.

Applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board on or before **Tuesday, September 22nd, 2020.**

Secretary, Board of Revision
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OBITUARY

Don Janzen 1949 - 2020



Don was born on July 18, 1949 in Winkler, MB to Peter and Annie Janzen. As the third child of five, he grew up on a farm in Friedensruh, MB. Growing up, Don enjoyed playing hockey, spending time with his cousins and at times causing mischief in the village. He was baptized upon his faith at the Old Colony Church in Chortitz, MB.

When Don was 17 years old, he met the love of his life, Dianne and on June 25, 1972 they were married. In their 48 years of marriage they had three children, Jonathan, Kimberly and Amy. Don enjoyed doing things with the family like camping, fishing and road trip vacations. Their life together was not the easiest as they dealt with significant health issues and the eventual loss of

their daughter, Amy. Don held a variety of jobs in his lifetime. He delivered the Free Press in the village, worked at the Winkler Bakery as a baker and as a delivery person, worked at and became a part owner of Pic a Pop, and worked for a period of time at Winkler Building Supplies. His employment at Kroeker Farms spanned over many years. While employed at Kroekers Don hoed onions, drove potato truck and semi and eventually moved into a manager position over the Transport Division. He felt fortunate in the opportunity he had to become a shareholder in the company. He loved and valued the relationships that he built with his fellow employees, and especially the members of the Kroeker family. After retirement in 2009, Don was able to put more time into his interests. He enjoyed travelling, camping, fishing, golfing, visiting with family and friends, attending music concerts, cooking, baking, and entertaining others. Don loved his family and spending time with them. His heart grew even bigger when his granddaughters, Camryn and Avery came into his life. He held an extra soft spot in his heart for both of them, always wanting them to have opportunities and for them to feel and know just how much they were loved. One line that was often heard in the house was, "Grandpa said I could." Another line that will be remembered was, "Just come here once."

He leaves to mourn the love of his life, Dianne; daughter, Kim, and son, Jonathan and Cindy, and granddaughters, Camryn and Avery. He was predeceased by one daughter, his parents, his mother and father-in-law, two brothers and two brothers-in-law.

The family would like to thank all the family, friends, community members, doctors, nurses, paramedics, fire department that have supported our family throughout the years, and especially in the later years and the past week.

God is faithful and we have the hope that we will see our husband, dad, and grandpa again.

Private funeral service was held at the Maranatha Christian Fellowship with interment at the Winkler Cemetery.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Don's memory to the Amy Janzen Memorial Fund Inc. Box 580 Winkler, MB R6W 4A7.

Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler
In care of arrangements
wiebefuneralhomes.com



PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF MORDEN PUBLIC NOTICE - BOARD OF REVISION 2021 REAL, PERSONAL AND BUSINESS ASSESSMENT ROLLS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the 2021 assessment roll for the City of Morden has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 195 Stephen Street, Morden, Manitoba and is open to public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 and 43 of the Assessment Act:

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II. serving it upon the Secretary,

at least fifteen (15) days before the scheduled sitting date of the Board of indicated in the Public Notice. The Board of Revision will sit on **Monday, September 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of the City of Morden to hear applications.

The final date on which the Secretary of the Board may receive applications is **Tuesday, September 8, 2020 by 4:30 p.m. local time.**

Dated at Morden, in Manitoba, this 12th day of August, A.D. 2020.

Michelle Braun, Secretary
Board of Revision
City of Morden
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OBITUARY



Sophie Thiessen (nee Dirks) July 9, 1927 - August 14, 2020

On Friday, August 14, 2020, Sophie Thiessen passed away at the Beacon Hill Lodge Long Term Care Home in Winnipeg, MB at the age of 93.

She will be lovingly remembered her children: Peter and Edith Thiessen, Roseann and Ed Kazakoff, Helen Isfeld, Elizabeth and Oliver Knowles, Leona Thiessen, Marilyn and Dave Lewchuk, Linda and Doug Larsen, Richard Thiessen, Sharon Kenny, Karen Thiessen; 21 grandchildren and numerous great and great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her loving husband, Martin Thiessen (1993) and son, Jake Thiessen.

Private funeral service was held at Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler with interment at the Old Colony Church Cemetery, Chortitz, MB.

A special thank-you to the wonderful and thoughtful staff at the Beacon Hill Lodge for their wonderful care of our Mother over the years. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

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In care of arrangements
wiebefuneralhomes.com



OBITUARY



Amy Joy Giesbrecht

Amy Joy Giesbrecht, age 29 years of Winkler, formerly of Altona, Manitoba, passed away on Friday, August 7, 2020 at the Health Sciences Centre, Winnipeg.

She is survived by her parents Abe and Regina Giesbrecht, sister Trish (Brad) and her family, brother Doug (Janessa), and many friends.

The funeral service was held on Saturday, August 15, 2020 at the Winkler Bible Camp grounds.

Amy's relationship with God inspired her to reflect God's love to everyone she met. She sang, she laughed, she served, seemingly tirelessly. Amy's dedication to others was clear in her care for mothers and babies as a midwife, her adventurous spirit took her to many locations and the gifts, letters and music she shared with us were rooted in her faith.

Amy's life, while unexpectedly short, was fully lived. She would take time to sit and listen to those around her, caring deeply, as she went from births to adventures to worship.

Our family would like to thank the health care community and the many who have cared for us as we grieve together.

If desired, donations can be made to Mennonite Central Committee at www.mcccanada.ca, or International Justice Mission at www.ijm.ca.

Wiebe Funeral Home Altona
in care of arrangements
www.wiebefhaltona.com

OBITUARY



Wilhelm (Willy) Guenther 1999 – 2020

Accidentally, on Monday July 27, 2020 at Lethbridge, AB, Willy Guenther, 20 of Winkler, MB passed away.

He leaves to mourn his passing his mother, Anna Guenther; five sisters, Anna and Peter Wall, Margarita and Abram Martens, Maria, Susi and Justina; one brother, David and three nieces. He was predeceased by his father, Wilhelm in 2016.

Funeral service was held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2020 at the German Old Colony Mennonite Church with interment at the Church Cemetery.

Wiebe Funeral Home, Winkler
In care of arrangements
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OBITUARY



Diane Marjorie Parkinson (nee Cruikshank)

1954 - 2020

It is with deep sadness that our family announces that Diane Parkinson (nee Cruikshank) passed away peacefully at home on August 10th, 2020.

Diane is survived by her beloved husband of 46 years, Fred; her mother, Marjorie Cruikshank; four children, Shannon (Ernie), Heather (Matt), Joni (Bruce), and Delany (Mark); nine grandchildren, Kaylin, Sara, Mason, James, Louis, Ethan, Bree, Saxon, and Adeline; her brothers, Harvey (Sharon) and Don (Beth) Cruikshank; her nieces Lauren, Chrissy, and Arli and nephew Troy; and seven great nieces and nephews. Diane is predeceased by her father,

Lorne Cruikshank.

Diane's family was her focus and joy and she was always planning gatherings and trips to be together. She was known for bringing the games and activities resulting in laughter and new traditions. Time spent with Grandma often included exploring nature, learning a new craft, getting messy, playing sports or games, and using lots of creativity. There was always something new and fun at Grandma's house.

Diane grew up in Waskada, Manitoba on the family farm. As the youngest child, her older brothers enjoyed playing tricks on her but she soon learned to get them back. Diane's school days in a small country school created multiple friendships that continue to this day. Shortly after graduation, Diane moved to Winnipeg for school and became an Administrative Assistant. She started dating Fred, who she knew from visiting her grandma in Miami, and they were married in 1974 and moved onto the Parkinson family farm. Fred and Diane farmed together for 44 years until their retirement in 2018. Diane also completed her Early Childhood Education Diploma and enjoyed working in the Miami Children's Facility for many years.

Diane has always been an active member of the community both through volunteering and her many activities. Some of her best times were spent playing ringette with the Miami Ringdingers, golfing and curling with her friends, and taking part in fairs, horticulture shows, and community events.

Diane had many talents and interests including sewing, gardening, painting, crafts, cake decorating, and piano. She had never-ending ambition to try something new including successfully surfing during a family vacation last summer. Diane and Fred developed a love for travel, and with friends, they have explored many international destinations together.

Diane was blessed with many wonderful friends locally and at Good Life Resort in Mesa, Arizona where they have enjoyed winters for the past few years. Diane was always up for an impromptu gathering or an over-the-top planned celebration. Her energy was infectious.

The family would like to thank the staff at Boundary Trails Hospital who showed limitless caring throughout her treatments and final days.

A family interment will take place on August 21st followed by an opportunity for friends and family to come together on-line for a celebration of her life.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Diane's memory to Miami and Area Foundation or Cancer Care Manitoba.

Doyle's Funeral Home
in care of arrangements
www.doylesfuneralhome.ca

OBITUARY



Ruby Simpson (nee Hamilton) October 6, 1925 to July 24, 2020

Ruby died peacefully in Calgary, Alberta with family by her side. She leaves to mourn her daughter, Janie (Donald Orchard) and three grandchildren, Eric, Arlene, and Onalee (Steve Arnott) and two great-grandchildren, Oscar and Archie, as well as nine special nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Jim in 2018, her sister Elva Scharf and brother Cliff Hamilton.

A full obituary can be found online at Pierson's Funeral Home Calgary Alberta.

A private celebration of life will be held at Pierson's on Sunday, August 23 at 2 p.m. Calgary time and will be live streamed. Anyone interested in attending virtually may do so by following the link from Pierson's that day. Burial will take place in Altamont, Manitoba at a

later date safe when safe to do so.

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