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New equipment for regional police tactical team

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It's a fitting sort of justice when money confiscated from criminals goes right back into helping police more effectively fight them.

That's just what happened last week when Minister of Justice Gord Mackintosh was on hand in Altona to present the Winkler, Morden, and Altona police departments with \$97,000 from the province's Criminal Property Forfeiture Fund.

The money is earmarked for our region's tactical team, a nine-member unit made up of four officers each from Winkler and Morden and one from Altona.

The team was formed in 2013 and has since been used primarily to conduct specialized home entries (as in the case of executing search warrants, for example). It is also trained to support larger-scale emergency responses.

"These communities have recognized the importance of having a specialized unit with the necessary training and resources to respond to dangerous situations, such as those involving drugs or weapons," said Mackintosh. "The money we're investing will help ensure these officers can do their jobs safely and effectively."

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Chuck Fefchuck, Angela Klassen (left), and Jeanette Hoepfner strike a pose in rehearsal for Pith!, which kicks off Flatlands Theatre Company's 10th season with free performances in Winkler's Bethel Heritage Park this weekend. See Pg. 13 for more info.

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'Pith!' in the park

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Chiropractors donate school supplies

By Lorne Stelmach

Local chiropractic offices have helped better equip area youth for the start of the school year.

The Morden Chiropractic Centre and the Scherr Chiropractic Centre in Winkler were part of the "Pack it Light, Wear it Right" backpack program spearheaded by the Salvation Army and the Manitoba Chiropractic Association.

More than 20 chiropractic offices from across Manitoba took part, donating over 500 backpacks filled with back-to-school supplies for local students.

Dr. Alain Kolt of the Morden Chiropractic Centre said backpacks are important to kids, but they often wear and use them the wrong way, such as wearing them on one shoulder or, more importantly, overloading them with far too many books and binders.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Morden Chiropractic Centre's Dr. Dawn Watkins and Dr. Alain Kolt dropped off several backpacks filled with school supplies at the Western School Division office last week. The pair are shown here with WSD staffers Rosemary Zahn and Betty Peters.

The end result can be things like bad posture and the effect will accumulate from using it day in and day out, he said.

"They actually recommend you should have no

more than 10 per cent of your body weight," noted Kolt. "So now you have someone in Grade 1 who is 50 pounds ... that's only five pounds. That's not a lot of weight."

Winkler Police nab suspected meth supplier

Winkler Police arrested and charged a 27-year-old Winnipegger believed to be a key supplier in our community's meth market last week.

Mid-afternoon on Sept. 1, police tried to pull over the man, who was seen driving on Pembina Ave. He first accelerated heavily for a period of time to evade police before finally pulling over and stopping. He and a passenger in the vehicle were arrested without further incident and taken into custody.

A search of the man produced a quantity of methamphetamine and several hundred dollars in cash. A search of the vehicle—which was determined to be stolen—produced numerous cell phones, drug paraphernalia, and other evidence to support drug trafficking activity.

The accused has an extensive criminal history and was under the conditions of a recognizance as well as two probation orders.

As a result of this latest incident, he faces charges of Flight, Dangerous Operation of Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Controlled Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking, Theft of Motor Vehicle, two counts of Possession of Property Obtained by Crime, and two counts of Breaching a Probation Order and Driving While Dis-

qualified.

The man, whose name police have not released, is currently at the Winnipeg Remand Centre awaiting a court appearance.

The investigation also led to a search warrant being executed at a Pembina Ave. apartment complex where additional meth was seized. One adult female has been charged with drug possession as a result of the apartment search.

In other police business last week:

- While Winkler officers were dealing with the above incidents, a call came in about a violent confrontation

between a father and his teenage son at his home.

Morden officers were called in to respond. They ultimately arrested a 14-year-old male for assault and breaching a peace bond. The youth was released on a Promise to Appear.

- At approximately 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 2, a call was received from the Superstore Loss Prevention Unit requesting assistance with an uncooperative shoplifter in the store's entrance area.

Unaware of the call, an off-duty Winkler police officer who was leaving the store took note of the occurrence and assisted in securing the suspect

until uniformed officers arrived.

As a result of the investigation, a 39-year-old male resident of Winkler is facing charges of Theft Under \$5,000 and is scheduled to appear in court next month.

- On Sept. 4, residents on Pineview Dr. reported seeing two men in dark clothing trying to open the door to their garage at around 1 a.m.

The burglars saw one of the residents in the window and quickly left the area.

Officers patrolled the area but were unable to locate the suspects.

> TACTICAL TEAM, FROM PG. 1

Winkler Police Chief Rick Hiebert notes that the team currently does not have any specialized equipment, so the funding will be used to change that.

"It's an awful lot of money. In many cases it's more than our entire capital budgets for the year," he said. "The sweetest part of it is it's money taken from criminals—cash, property out of their hands turned into cash—to help us fight against them."

Orders have already been put in for protective clothing, including

body armor and helmets, specialized weapons suitable for high-risk situations, and tactical equipment used to effectively enter barricaded buildings.

"This is all safety-related," Hiebert said. "Trying to ensure a safe outcome for our officers as well as those inside [the building being entered or searched]."

So far this year the team has been deployed for home entries five times; last year they were used in 12 situations.

Hiebert noted that though they have not yet been used for a large-scale emergency, having a local team qualified to do so cuts down on the response time significantly.

"If we had a big situation—hostage or whatever the case may be—we'd still utilize the RCMP emergency response team, but it often takes them hours to scramble that team and attend somewhere," he said. "So our team would be an initial containment team in many of those circumstances."

City celebrates new Wardrop bike lanes

By Lorne Stelmach

The bottom line was about creating more safety, particularly for the children of Morden.

And with that thought, Mayor Ken Wiebe led a crowd of about 50 people in officially opening the city's first bike route on Sept. 3.

"It creates a safe avenue for kids to travel," Wiebe said of the designated bike lanes, which run along Wardrop St. from 12th to 5th streets.

It's an ideal location, he noted, as the route is used by many children to and from the schools at either end of Wardrop.

The bike lanes are designated with painted symbols and lines on the street itself, as well as some signage.

"The cost was actually minimal to the city ... a little bit of paint and some signs and a little bit of time for some city staff," Wiebe said. "It'll get the kids and the bicycles off the sidewalk ... and make bicycling safer."

"IT'LL GET THE KIDS AND THE BICYCLES OFF THE SIDEWALK ... AND MAKE BICYCLING SAFER."

And while the addition of the lanes may seem to narrow the street, Wiebe suggested that wasn't really the case to any significant degree. He further noted studies have suggested narrowing streets will help slow down traffic, which will be a further benefit to local residents.

The community response has generally been positive, Wiebe said, although "we've had some residents along the street that have had some objections because of parking."

"We're doing what we can with what we have," he stressed. "And we believe that this is the best use of this



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Counc. Brian Minaker had a grandson along for the Sept. 3 kick-off ride of the first bike route in Morden, located on Wardrop from 12th St. to 5th St.

street."

"If this works as well as we believe it will, this will be the installment factor of a much larger bicycle system throughout the city," the mayor said.



About 50 people tried out the new bike route on Wardrop St. in Morden as its official opening on Sept. 3. Before starting out on a ride from near Morden Park, Cst. Dale Hiebert of the Morden Police Service was on hand to offer some basic bicycle safety tips to those in attendance.

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GVSD to shine monthly spotlight on local schools

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Garden Valley School Division will be shining a spotlight on each one of its schools in turn as part of a new "Celebrating Our Schools" project launching this fall.

The division's community connections committee came up with the idea last spring, says superintendent Vern Reimer.

"One of the things that kept coming up is, is the community that we serve fully aware of all the incredible things that our schools are doing?" he says. "And the feeling was probably not. Many people might know, if they have children in school, what's happening in their school, but they may not know what's going on in all the other schools."

The division plans to change that by highlighting specific school programs or hosting public events each month at each of its schools.

"The whole point is to celebrate our schools and relay to the community the great things that are going on," Reimer says.

The first school on the list is Northlands Parkway Collegiate, which today (Thursday, Sept. 10) welcomes back students and staff with a kick-off celebration that includes a free lunch.

The public is also invited to get in on that celebration, with lunch available

by donation from noon to 12:45 p.m. followed by an afternoon (1-3 p.m.) of free activities that include a dunk tank, inflatables, live music, raffles, and prizes.

Other upcoming school events include J.R. Walkof's community reading in October, GVC's Remembrance Day ceremonies in November, and Winkler Elementary School's December garage sale fundraiser.

Not every month will include a public event, but many of them will, Reimer says, noting full

details will be available monthly at gvsd.ca.

"... IS THE COMMUNITY THAT WE SERVE FULLY AWARE OF ALL THE INCREDIBLE THINGS THAT OUR SCHOOLS ARE DOING?"

HITTING THE BOOKS

The summer was a relatively quiet one for the division this year, Reimer says, though a few schools did undergo major renovation projects in the



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

The summer was a time of renovation projects for the Garden Valley School Division, including the completion of Parkland School's new drop-off loop, which keeps parent traffic separate from the buses.

lead-up to classes starting this week.

Parkland School's student drop-off loop project wrapped up just before school began, providing a new area separate from the existing bus lane.

"That turned out just beautifully," Reimer says. "We now have two lanes—one for buses and one for parents to drop-off students."

"When you consider how the school was originally designed and for how many students and staff, we've far outgrown that ... and we just needed to provide increased safety there."

Other projects included design work on the staff room addition for Southwood School (that project will go to tender any day now), an expansion to the IT department's space inside the division office, roof work at GVC East, and the refurbishing of the change

rooms at Winkler Elementary School.

The division is also in the midst of planning to move one of its portable classrooms from Garden Valley Collegiate to J.R. Walkof School to deal with student overpopulation at the elementary school. That building should be moved sometime within the next few months.

To permanently address the issue of there being so many portable classrooms at just about every GVSD school, the division needs to get the green light from the province to build a new K-8 school in the Pine Ridge area of town, Reimer says.

"That's what we're still hoping and waiting for," he says, noting the division has owned the land on the western edge of the city for years now.

United Way kick-off concert Sept. 19

By Lorne Stelmach

Under the theme of "Let's Get This Party Started", the Morden and District United Way officially ushers in its annual campaign season Saturday, Sept. 19 with a special benefit concert.

The United Way is working with the Back Forty Folk Festival for the evening that gets underway at 7:30 p.m. at the Morden Friendship Centre.

There will be live dance music by Hey Zeus Marimba along with musical guests that include Frank Maclean, Link Neufeld, August Jack and Karen Doell.

Tickets are available at Thornview

Grocery in Morden for \$15.

"It's a joint effort ... for both organizations to build awareness," commented United Way spokesperson Lisa Gandier.

"We really wanted to try something new this year to increase the awareness of not just the United Way but the United Way campaign month, which is October," she noted. "We wanted to kick off the campaign month with a new type of event. And we decided to work with the Back Forty Festival on this. We want to build excitement for the coming fundraising campaign."

With the annual fundraising campaign soon getting underway, the

United Way is also holding an invitation-only luncheon that week as well for local businesses and agencies that support the United Way through payroll deduction plans.

That makes up a good portion of the community support that the United Way hopes will help them hit their fundraising goal of \$90,000 this year, which matches the goal they successfully reached last year.

Since 1996, the Morden and District United Way has raised and distributed over \$1 million to local organizations.

There is a core group of organizations and agencies that are supported each year by the United Way, but

it also looks at applications for new recipients, Gandier said.

"We're always open to looking at whatever the needs are in the community. So we encourage those new groups to apply," she said, noting those who are interested can find out more information through the United Way of Morden website.

Money from this year's campaign goes to a lengthy list of organizations, including, to name just a few, the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Morden-Winkler, Eden Health Care volunteer department, the Morden Parent & Child Resource Centre, Services for Seniors, and many others.

Friesen serves up BBQ to his constituents

By Lorne Stelmach

The main focus for Cameron Friesen was to just gather in fellowship with some of his constituents from his Morden-Winkler riding.

However, there is always also a bit of business at the MLA's annual barbecue, and he is more than okay with that.

"It's interesting always how many issues will arise on a day like this where people say they've been meaning to talk with you ... this is an issue I have ... I've got a concern about this," Friesen commented at the Sept. 3 event in downtown Morden.

He started the annual barbecue in 2012 after his election the year before as a form of community outreach.

"The thinking behind it is not only

to have a community event ... but it also serves to remind people that there's a constituency office here ... and the office is here to serve them," Friesen noted. "It's important to remind people that this office exists here to help them, to help them interface with government and to be able to overcome barriers that often arise as a result of the fact that government is big and difficult to approach."

Friesen said he's always pleased with the number of people who attend the barbecue.

"I know that last year we must have seen about 400 people. I see people here from Winkler, RM of Stanley, and Morden area, so it's great to see the whole constituency."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen enjoyed some laughs and also talked a bit of shop as he held his annual constituency barbecue Sept. 3 in the Kinsmen Suncatch in downtown Morden.

Giveaway Weekend on this Fri.-Sat.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Attention Winklerites: this weekend is the weekend to get rid of all the old junk taking up space in your house or garage that might be of use to someone else.

The city's annual Giveaway Weekend runs all day this Friday and Saturday.

Residents are encouraged to put out unwanted items at the curb, clearly marked as free for others to pick up at their leisure.

Mayor Martin Harder notes you can put out just about anything you like.

"It's totally open. You can put out whatever you feel you want to giveaway for free," he says. "[Everything] from a rocking chair to pictures to a tablecloth to a table to cupboards to whatever you have—put it at the end of the lane and find out who needs it."

The city asks that all items be removed from the end of your driveway by 5 p.m. on Saturday.

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When does 'a' country become 'ours'?

wonder sometimes at what point in history does a country switch from being A country to OUR country?

With the increasing number of conflicts raging throughout the Middle East and North Africa there has been a HUGE increase in migration. Massive numbers of people have been leaving war-torn regions and crossing land and sea to find hope in Europe and elsewhere.

By some estimates, Europe will see more than one million migrants over the next year. Already tens of thousands have died at sea or in the back of cargo trucks as they pursue the simple dream of peace.

Of course, this level of influx has inflamed rhetoric on both sides of the issue, with a vocal group loudly complaining about migrants and with governments building long walls of coiled razor wire along borders, while others are actually busing migrants

straight to the border of the next country in the line.

These perspectives are in stark contrast to our own here in Winkler and Morden where, over the past decade or so, we have welcomed many new residents from around the world, encouraging them to make this place home while continuing to celebrate their own unique heritage, culture and language, as is the Canadian way.

Meanwhile, in the south, our American friends are being eroded by the hot gusts of bloated wind that come pouring forth from bigots like Donald Trump who propose building a wall along the US border with Mexico to keep out "illegal immigrants".

All of which forces me to ask again: when does a country become *our* country? When did we decide enough is enough and no more are welcome in the privileged west?

In the 1930s my great uncle decided he wanted to move to California to become a doctor. So do you know what he did? He simply moved there and is now retired and living comfortably.

In 1890 my great-grandparents left Ireland and came to Canada where another branch of my family had already settled in the 1850s.

It feels as if the people of Europe, the United States and to a lesser ex-

tent Canada said, 'Okay, we have enough people ... no more need come, shut the doors.' The language of the conversation has become a language of "us" and "them" with people yelling "Go back where you came from" oblivious to the irony.

Can you imagine what our ancestors would say if they could see how we treat the disenfranchised of the world today given that they, too, were likely displaced and looking for opportunity?

Perhaps it is time to stop thinking about how we live in a country and start realizing we live in a world and we need to share it.

In Canada, our version of Ellis Island is Grosse Isle, Quebec, where more than 500,000 Irish immigrants passed through and into Canada. Five thousand of them died and are buried there. The island is now known as the Irish Memorial National Historic site in recognition of the importance of immigrants, their contributions to Canada, and the sacrifices made on the road to hope.

It is because of migrants who left hardship that we are who we are and the western world is as privileged as it is. Our history removes from us the right to close our doors or even to build those doors in the first place.



By Peter Cantelon

Letters

Plenty of reasons to think twice about credit union merger

Contrary to the statements made by the Access spokesperson, in our opinion, defeat of the original resolution to merge was brought on by leadership thinking they did not have to make a compelling business case supporting a merger.

They still have not done so. We would encourage the membership to think about a few issues:

1. We are not merging as equals. Assiniboine's website clearly shows it has the majority of the votes on the board: six to five or six to four when

Access is in the chair. Does reality dictate it is a short time before Access board members will have little say about the direction of their credit union?

2. According to the Assiniboine donation policy, their donations have little to do with local community support (please read their website as to what they do and do not sponsor). Where does that leave the significant donations made by Access to many community projects like Boundary Trails hospital, Tabor Home, and lo-

cal sports teams?

3. The local branches will be untouched for five years. Hardly a concession given they are already guaranteed for three more years by a previous merger. The eight small branches of Access can anticipate changes and maybe closure without the protection of Access.

4. The demographics of the two organizations could not be further apart. Access has or had a mem-

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Letters

Family member questions need for Elias "shrine" at heritage museum

This letter is in regards to the front page article that featured the ribbon cutting of the Elias Seed Farm elevator.

First, let me commend the Pembina Threshermen's Museum staff and volunteers who do a lot of hard work up front and a lot of hard work behind the scenes.

I have probably seen the Elias Seed Farm elevator more than anyone living, having it next door to me most of my life.

My mother was a sister to George G. Elias of that farm. Still, I find it disappointing that a publicly-funded museum has allowed the "legacy" of a person and family to have their own "shrine", as it were—a room in the elevator displaying items to honour a private "legacy".

I know I am a very special person and should be happy that there is something to promote the wonderful "legacy" of my family, but, sorry, I'm not that special and neither is my family. I don't think we deserve a special room to our legacy more than anyone else of the public does.

And just because money was donated to that cause doesn't mean a shrine should be at the museum for the legacy of the family who donated the money. The Haskett Store never became a Janzen shrine, even though the Janzen family was a major player in getting the former store to the museum.

If anyone feels my opinions are a little out of line here, they never met George G. Elias. He was much more blunt and vocal about his opinions than I am. The greatest legacy he left to me is that he believed if a person

thinks something is wrong, one should speak up. George did that at every opportunity he got, whether it was a public meeting or in the coffee shops, even approaching complete strangers and giving them literature and his opinions.

I do feel rather sorry for my family in how this "Barley King" award got out of hand. George G. Elias won this award twice on behalf of his hard-working family, who did the work behind the scenes. This award hurt rather more than helped the "legacy" of our family.

In the Haskett Centennial History book there is a picture of George wearing a robe and crown and the

wagon he is riding in with the words "Sponsored by the Brewing & Malt-ing Industries of Canada".

Do you think the beer companies really cared that the Elias family and their workers spent hundreds of hours handpicking kernels for the perfect barley kernels to enter for the contest? Of course not. The beer companies only wanted a splashy picture in the papers to promote the drinking of beer that implied: "If you drink beer you will feel like a king." A cheap marketing gimmick that got blown out of hand.

My suggestion to the museum is that they encourage my family to take their personal "legacy" items

back to their personal homes to display there.

The museum is for items to be displayed that the general public is interested in, and no amount of donated money in the world should force the museum to display items that are personal to a family legacy.

Public museums are not to be in the business of promoting personal legacies. Others that feel the same way need to let the museum know this. George always said, "Speak up!"

Alan Warkentin,
Haskett

Community garden organizer appeals for veggie thefts to stop

As coordinator of the Winkler Community Gardens, I am deeply saddened by reports I'm getting of produce being taken from the gardens.

Each plot is rented to a family or individual and what they grow on

that plot is for their use. These are often families who are trying to make ends meet by growing their own vegetables or who just love gardening and enjoy the fruits of their labor.

PLEASE respect the hard work

that the renters have put into the gardens and remember: if you take what is not yours, you are stealing.

Dave Hoepfner,
Winkler

> ACU MERGER, FROM PG. 6

bership and community-orientated personality and we do not see the community part at Assiniboine.

5. In our opinion, Assiniboine wants Access for its strong financial base and because it wishes to overcome their Winnipeg competitors in size.

These are only five points of many that could be made.

Membership should question who it is that will benefit from this pro-

posed merger.

If, as stated at the annual meeting, we are one of the healthiest and most efficient credit unions, why are we giving away our credit union when it is not necessary?

John B. Wiens, retired Access Credit Union chair, Morden, and John Veldman, former ACU director, Carman

I'M VOTING 'NO'

Recent actions by Access Credit Union management compel me to offer some comments in regards to the proposed merger with Assiniboine C. U.

First, it appears that the leadership of my credit union can not accept 'No' for an answer. If we do not

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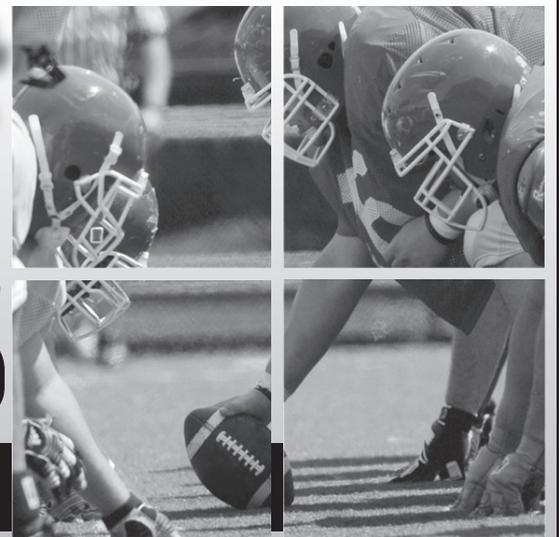
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'Raise the Woof' trades laughs for PVHS support

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Humane Society, like most animal shelters and animal rescue groups, relies heavily on fundraising and is constantly looking for new ideas.

A fun and unique source of support has come through a Canadian comedy project called Raise The Woof.

Now in its fourth year here in support of the PVHS, the annual comedy night has become an important one for the shelter, said fundraising co-ordinator Janet Granda.

"It has been a great event for the shelter," she said last week. "Over the last three years, it's brought in close to \$6,000. And the funds that we have raised have grown by about 20 per cent each year."

This year's Raise The Woof is set for Thursday, Sept. 24 at The Quality Inn in Winkler at 8 p.m.

The evening will include prize raffles (including Winnipeg Jets tickets and a Winnipeg Blue Bombers tailgate party kit), a 50/50 draw, and a cash bar.

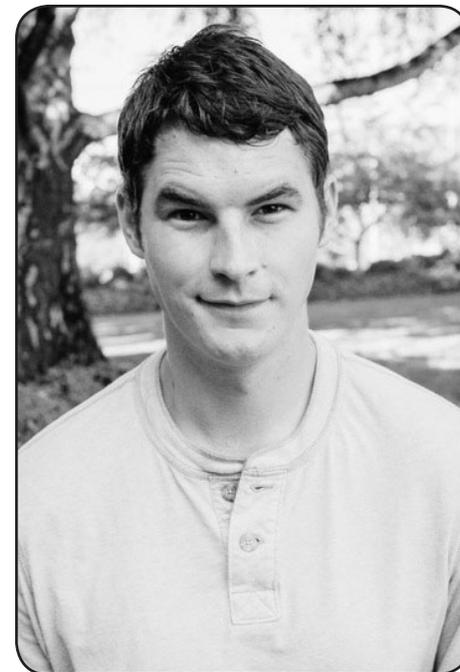
All of the proceeds raised will fund spay and neuter surgeries and vaccinations for the animals who come into the care of the regional humane society.

"It helps to fund veterinary expenses and ensure that services are available to people," Granda stressed. "Last year, the money that we raised actually funded a third of our vet bills for the year. And since our vet bills have actually increased this year, it's really important to us to make this event a success."

As always, the event will include snacks, dessert and two sets of professional comedy with comedians who have performed at events such as *Just for Laughs* and *Comedy Central*.

You can find out more about comedians Lamont Ferguson, Chase May-

"LAST YEAR THE MONEY THAT WE RAISED ACTUALLY FUNDED A THIRD OF OUR VET BILLS FOR THE YEAR."



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Comedians Lamont Ferguson (left) and Travis Nelson are among those performing in Winkler Sept. 24 for the Raise the Woof comedy night in support of the Pembina Valley Humane Society.

ers, and Travis Nelson at the www.woofraise.com website.

Raise The Woof works with animal shelters and rescue groups across the country to help them create a sustainable revenue source. It was created by comedian and producer James Uloth and has raised over \$800,000 for various charities.

With nearly 10 years experience in performing and producing, Uloth brings a fun-filled show with quality performances by all entertainers on

the lineup, said Granda.

"People can come out and have a good time while they are supporting a good cause," she said.

Tickets to Raise the Woof are \$35 per person and are available in Morden at Thornview Grocery and at the animal shelter, and in Winkler at the Quality Inn.

You can also reserve a table of eight for \$255 at the shelter or by e-mailing pvhfundraising@hotmail.com.

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like the results of a vote, I guess from now on we will send out the propaganda people and vote again.

In the current winds of merger mania, the promotion of bigger is better is portrayed as the way to go, but let's remember in this process some things are always lost, such as local control.

In my investigation of Assiniboine C.U. on their website, I find that financial support of certain groups by them is troubling for me. This pushed-for merger would mean I would have to support things I find objectionable and against my conscience.

Will Access C.U. management be forthright and open with its membership as to who and what we would be compelled to support if this merger takes place?

Another item of concern is the Islamic Sharia law compliant products that Assiniboine so proudly offers. In light of what I know about the content and actions supported and prescribed by this set of values, I am not in favour of moving in that direction.

Therefore, at the upcoming vote to merge, I and my house will vote NO.

Abe P. Janzen,
Winkler

urging us to vote yes when they are giving very little details on what we are actually voting on.

In the rural area we have always voted Conservative and in the city for a lot of years it has been NDP or Socialist. The Assiniboine Credit Union has almost three times as many members as Access Credit Union. This means these will be more urban board members compared to rural board members. When any business deals from the rural area are brought in front of the board, with urban thoughts it won't go over very good.

Also, with more members, it means more money equals more security, more office space, and more big salaries creating a way bigger overhead, which equals to less service and higher charges.

These are only a few of the things and when you do more research, there is more.

Going to this meeting and voting would be worthwhile. Do the homework and check things out.

Raymond Klassen,
Winkler

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DO YOUR RESEARCH BEFORE VOTING

I am writing about the vote that the Access Credit Union wants to hold on Sept. 16 about merging with the Assiniboine Credit Union in Winnipeg.

We have always heard that the credit union is working for its members. The credit union is

> Got something you want to get off your chest?

Send your letters to the editor to news@winklermordenvoice.ca. Please include your name, address, and phone number for confirmation purposes.

Get a little culture at CultureFest this Sat.

CultureFest returns for another year in Bethel Heritage Park this Saturday, celebrating Winkler's rich cultural diversity with educational booths, entertainment from all over the world, and a chance to sample food and drink from many of the countries Winklerites once called home. Also available is a Filipino lunch for purchase from 11:30-1:30 p.m. The entire event runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. In the case of rain, the celebrations will held inside at Northlands Parkway Collegiate.



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Morden fdn. grant applications due Sept. 30

By Lorne Stelmach

If there's a good charitable project having an impact on the community, the Morden Area Foundation wants to know about it.

The foundation annually awards grants to the community twice a year in spring and fall, and it is again calling for applications for the next round of funding.

The grants are awarded to charities and organizations with charitable numbers, but they can be for a wide range of projects in all sectors of the community, noted executive director Lynda MacLean.

"Right now, they are really wanting to look at something that's going to really have some kind of impact ... anything that will make a bigger impact," she said.

MacLean cited the example of the foundation's grant of just under \$7,000 to Morden Fire and Rescue for a water rescue boat that is now available for use not only in Morden but within the mutual aid district as well.

"We hope we never use it for saving a life ... we want to wear it out training," Morden Fire Chief Andy Thiessen commented. "We've had a number of instances over the years where we've been fortunate enough to obtain a boat that's already on the water, but that's not something that we can depend on. Now this is something we can depend on that we can use for rescue purposes."

In the last year, which for the foundation went from September 2014 to August 2015, MAF has awarded over \$52,000 in grants to 26 recipients. The funding also annually includes a number of scholarships totalling about \$7,000.

In all, the foundation has made

quite an impact on the community now since its inception in 1993.

"There's a little over \$1.4 million in our endowment fund right now and we have given out around \$750,000," MacLean said.

The foundation will also be considering grants through its Women's Giving Circle program this fall.

The Women's Giving Circle especially looks to support projects relating to women and children, and MacLean said they are particularly looking for new projects or initiatives to support with this round of funding.

To learn more about applying a grant from MAF, check them out online at www.mordenfoundation.ca.

You can also stop in at the Morden Area Foundation office at 100 - 379 Stephen Street or call 204-822-5614 or e-mail info@mordenfoundation.ca for more information as well.

The application deadline is Wednesday, September 30.



Reminder Notice Of Public Hearing

Applicant: Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation

HEARING:

Hearing: The Public Utilities Board (Board) anticipates holding a public hearing of an application from Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) for approval of rates and premiums for compulsory vehicle and driver insurance as of March 1, 2016. The hearing would take place at the Board's Hearing Room, 4th Floor, 330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB (commencing at 9:00 a.m.) on October 5, 2015.

RATE IMPACT:

The Corporation is requesting approval for Basic Autopac vehicle and drivers licence insurance rates and premiums effective March 1, 2016, which, if approved, will result in no overall change in MPI's Basic premium revenue (excluding the impact of vehicle upgrades and an increased overall driver and vehicle population).

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PARTICIPATION:

Parties wishing to submit a brief or to express comments at the hearing should contact the Board Secretary.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

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

Persons seeking further information as to MPI's application, or with respect to the Board's process, and/or wishing to address the public hearing in French should notify the Board Secretary by September 25, 2015.

As well, interested parties may examine MPI's application and supporting materials, either at the offices of the Corporation or on its website, or the Board's office.

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

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Taking a look at your Portage-Lisgar candidates

We chatted with each of the four declared candidates in the Oct. 19 federal election. Here's what they had to say as to why they deserve your vote:

C ANDICE BERGEN, CONSERVATIVE PARTY

By Lorne Stelmach

Steady as she goes could be the theme for Candace Bergen as she seeks re-election in this federal campaign.

The incumbent in Portage-Lisgar has touted the strong, proven leadership of both Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Conservative government.

"It's in order to ensure a strong Canada and a safe Canada ... I think that is the overall theme when we're talking about issues," said Bergen.

She said she believes she has been and will continue to be a strong advocate for the riding.

"I've proven what I can deliver for this riding ... whether it's been infrastructure ... whether its been funding for seniors ... whether its been support for our agricultural sector."

First elected to the House of Commons in 2008 and then re-elected in 2011, Bergen came into federal poli-



tics with experience in both the business and political communities.

Having worked in the financial planning industry, she was the Manitoba campaign manager for Harper's leadership bid for the Conservative Party

of Canada.

She has also acted as an advisor for several Members of Parliament and as a chief organizer for the Conservative Party of Canada in Manitoba.

Bergen served as parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Public Safety from May 2011 to July 2013 and, more recently, became Minister of State for Social Development.

In that latter role she has been active on issues relating to affordable housing, homelessness, and support for individuals with disabilities.

Bergen said some of the Conservative government's key achievements include cutting taxes and increasing benefits for seniors and families through such initiatives as the universal child care benefit.

"I'm very proud of the way we have cut taxes across the board," she said. "And I would like to see us continue to cut taxes."

"I believe strongly that we've cut taxes and red tape, especially for businesses," Bergen added. "Those job creators provincially are being

taxed and red-taped to the max. Federally, my goal is to reduce it so we can help them ... to reinvest in their businesses and create more jobs."

Bergen also cited how the government has strengthened and expanded Canada's global markets through new trade agreements, and she cited that as a continuing priority.

Another key goal for the next term will be to balance the budget, she added.

Bergen said she believes she has been a strong advocate for rural issues such as when the Conservative government ended the long-gun registry as well as the Canadian Wheat Board monopoly.

And in Portage Lisgar, specifically, she noted issues around flooding have taken on increased importance for her as the riding now includes both the town and rural municipality of Morris. She cited federal funding to help build additional channels

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K EN WERBISKI, LIBERAL PARTY

By Lorne Stelmach

Ken Werbiski comes into the federal election seeing a need for a greater degree of co-operation between levels of government.

Someone in Ottawa can't just dictate what someone needs to survive and thrive in rural Manitoba, says the Liberal candidate for our riding.

"So I would bring a willingness to



work together," he commented recently. "We need to work closely with our local governments. I think it's so vitally important to include everyone when you're making a decision."

Werbiski has worked in the health care field as a licensed practical nurse and is currently the Portage District General Hospital dialysis ward representative for the Manitoba Nurses Union, acting as the liaison between the union and his hospital's dialysis ward.

A graduate of Assiniboine Community College's practical nursing program, Werbiski was also a licensed optician.

An active volunteer, he serves on the board of directors for Habitat for Humanity, is a former board member for the Portage Gymnastics Club, and was a former coach for both the Portage Youth Soccer Association and the Nunavut Soccer Association.

Federally, Werbiski sees primary concerns being the economy and job creation.

"We have jobs being created, but they are precarious jobs, they're part-time, there's no benefits, they're low

paying," he suggested.

He also said the programs and policies of the Conservative government are failing in some areas such as the treatment of Canada's veterans and seniors.

"And it's the treatment of Canadians in general ... I just feel we're being treated as fools," he said "When you look at everything that's being done on the federal level ... the Senate scandal is top of the list."

"There's the whole ethics and morality of the way the current government is doing business. And it reflects badly on the country on the international stage as well."

Here in Portage-Lisgar, Werbiski said he has heard "more than a few people ask what we are going to do about crime."

He suggested there is a growing concern that some areas like property crimes are rising.

"And that can be tied closely with social issues. Our current government will not address these social issues at all," said Werbiski. "There are so many things we need to look at ... housing, homelessness ... these are

the social issues. These are all things that go hand in hand."

There are disparities in the riding, he added, saying there are many who are homeless in the northern part in and around Portage. And there are few options for affordable housing.

"We are the only G7 country that does not have a national social housing program."

He suggested another concern is infrastructure.

"Infrastructure spending needs to be reliable and predictable," he said. "If you are going to grow your community, you need to know how much money is coming and when."

"In this riding, I feel as though we need to work much closer with municipal governments," Werbiski concluded. "We need to help them create safer places. We need to create places that are good to live in. We need to address opportunities for work close to home."

"There has to be more of a willingness to work with our local governments with honesty and integrity ... that's a really big thing."

B EVERLEY EERT, GREEN PARTY

By Lorne Stelmach

The Green Party does not “lead from behind” as other political parties do, says Beverley Eert.

“We learn from the mistakes of the past, but we focus on a safe and secure road into the future,” the Portage-Lisgar Green Party candidate commented recently. “As a Green MP for Portage-Lisgar, I would bring some much-needed honesty and vision to Ottawa.”

Eert is very much someone who has practiced what she preaches.

Five years ago, she and her husband Will retired to her home province to design and build a self-sufficient home powered and heated by the sun. Today, the home is virtually complete, and the garden, greenhouse and orchard produce most of their food.

With degrees in both Music and Fine Arts from the University of Manitoba and a later degree in Architecture from UBC, Eert has enjoyed careers in both music and construction. She has had a private music studio and a design-build company producing energy-efficient timber-framed homes.



Those interests continue into her private life as well, as she is the organist at St Paul’s Anglican Church in MacGregor and represents the Diocese of Brandon on the Creation Matters Working Group, a program of the Anglican Church of Canada dedicated to ecological justice.

She is primarily interested in climate science and alternate energy, which led her to become a Green Party member in 1987.

Eert said she is keenly aware of the

need to reduce our carbon footprint and has demonstrated with her own resources just how much can be done. She and Will are members of the Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association.

“My life and my campaign are dedicated to the savings and benefits of a low-carbon future,” she said. “An aggressive shift to energy efficiency and to clean renewable energy will actually save consumers money and put Canada in the forefront of global development.”

Eert also noted that at least 10 reports from reputable institutions conclude taking immediate action to cut carbon and slow global warming would result in a positive return on investment as well as significant consumer savings.

“The trillion dollar question then is why the other political parties are ignoring the key issue of our time ... how to avoid the worst consequences of global warming?” she asked. “The extreme weather events we are experiencing today are just a taste of what is to come. We must act immediately to mitigate and adapt ... or face dire consequences. The fossil fuel industry has far too much influence in Ot-

tawa.”

Eert believes our next big challenge is the development and implementation of low-cost sustainable energy for agricultural operations. We must invest in research to survive into the post-carbon era, she said.

“The key issue for this riding has to be how a low-carbon economy would benefit agriculture. The conversion to clean renewable energy for agricultural production will drastically cut fuel cost for farmers.”

“The renewable energy industry is ready and able to step into the future,” she added. “All that is missing is the political will.”

Eert also said another key issue for this riding and for all Canadians is taking care of the needs of seniors.

She noted that her party supports the creation of a national aging in place program that would include a guaranteed livable income, as well as a national pharmacare program based on the Pharmacare 2020 Report and a strategy to deal with dementia.

“The Green Party is committed to implementing a plan to ensure seniors retain their dignity as they age,” Eert said.

J JEROME DONDO, CHRISTIAN HERITAGE PARTY

By Lorne Stelmach

They may be both to the right of the political spectrum, but there are key differences between the Conservatives and Christian Heritage Party.

In fact, Portage-Lisgar CHP candidate Jerome Dondo says that they present a platform that in many ways “is more conservative than the Conservative party.”

“I truly believe this party is the only real conservative party in Canada in terms of fiscal responsibility, pro-life

issues, and protection of freedoms in this country,” he said.

The St. Claude native said a key issue for him and the CHP is greater fiscal responsibility, citing Conservative government deficits since 2008 and likely another one this year.

“Since then, a few times they’ve promised there would be a balanced budget, and we’re still waiting for that to happen,” he said. “They’re not being fiscally responsible ... we don’t have an endless supply.”

Dondo said he also hears concerns about tax levels, and another need is for the government to better invest in long term solutions for health care.

But an overall issue, he stressed, in all areas of government policy and spending is to provide better accountability.

“There’s a lack of transparency from this government ... they’re not setting the example,” Dondo said.

Dondo’s background is as an accountant who has particularly worked with First Nation reserves. He says his work and dealings with Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency helped ignite his interest and involvement in politics.

Since receiving his Certified Gener-

al Accountant’s designation in 2000, Dondo developed a business that helps First Nations and businesses in the areas of financial management.

Given his experience with First Nations, Dondo said he would work to bring First Nations, businesses, and government departments together to focus on developing long-term solutions to help small businesses and offer programs that benefit their community and improve First Nations.

It’s been too much of an issue that has not been properly addressed for too long, he suggested.

“We need to be coming up with real solutions for the First Nations to get them out of the situations they are in.”

Another issue for the CHP is the government’s failure to act on the area of assisted suicide.

“I get the fact there are people who

want to use it. We’ve got to find a balance ... on the other hand, we’ve got to protect those who are vulnerable. I think it’s a pretty slippery slope we’re going down.”

Dondo said there is also a need for more of a focus on infrastructure needs in Portage-Lisgar.

“Our roads are crumbling,” he said, also referring to the example of a bridge in the Dakota Tipi First Nation that was washed out two or three years ago but still hasn’t been fixed.

Dondo said he and the Christian Heritage Party would present a fresh approach in Parliament beyond the mainstream parties.

He would work to open up more dialogue “but also keep the Conservative government a little more accountable to their conservative base and to the Canadian taxpayers as well.”

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and make the Lake St. Martin channel permanent, but her concern was not only flood mitigation but also supporting those who have been impacted.

She said it has been an honour to serve in this riding and she hopes to continue to represent the residents of

Portage-Lisgar.

“I think that there’s more work that we need to do. I think the risk is all the things that we’ve accomplished over the last nine years could still very easily become undone. I think that’s what’s motivating me.”



Nicks, Jagger, and Stewart: live on stage

New tribute show to the icons of classic rock kicks off its tour in Winkler Sept. 30

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Some of the biggest names in classic rock are coming to Winkler this month.

Well, sort of.

Winklerite Julie C. Meyers of "Nearly Nicks" fame is bringing a new tribute show to the P.W. Centennial Concert Hall stage on Sept. 30.

In *Dreams: A Classic Rock Fantasy* Meyers will once again pay tribute to the music of Stevie Nicks, but this time she's joined on stage by doppelgangers of Mick Jagger (played by Johnny Moroko) and Rod Stewart (played by Martin Andrew). Also on tap is a special surprise musical guest.

Winkler is the show's first stop on a 14-city tour of Western Canada, and Meyers wouldn't have it any other way.

"This is a brand new show and we're debuting it here ... I just love the Winkler concert hall," she says. "The sound quality is excellent ... my only 'complaint' is I wish it held more people!"

Dreams is much more than just a trio of tribute artists singing their namesake's greatest hits, Meyers stresses.

"It's not just the music. It's theatrical," she says. "It tells a story."

That story was inspired in part by

Meyers' father, who passed away from Alzheimer's disease several years ago.

"The story is about a father who is losing his memories, he's been diagnosed with dementia, and he falls asleep and has this dream," Meyers says. "He wants his daughter to make it in show business, and so he dreams this rock fantasy with all these different characters ... you never know who's going to show up."

The show features elaborate sets that transform the stage into a steampunk fantasy.

"It really brings the whole audience into the dream," says Meyers. "I really wanted to do something different with tribute artistry. This is more in step with what's going on on Broadway with the explosion of rock musicals. It's more along those lines with the theatrical element."

Weaving the story together are, of course, songs from the trio of stars' extensive catalogues, as well as a few of Meyer's own songs off her recently released album, *Rock On: Fearless Journey*.

"I sing a few songs, we do a lot of medleys because, of course, it's such a huge library of music to pick from," she says.

Each of the performers works hard



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Winkler's Julie C. Meyers performs as Stevie Nicks in a new "rock fantasy" tribute show opening in Winkler Sept. 30. She's joined by fellow tribute artists Johnny Moroko and Martin Andrew as Mick Jagger and Rod Stewart.

to capture the magic of the artist they're portraying on stage, Meyers says.

"You have to do more than just sing ... studying their movements and their gestures," she says. "It's work—it doesn't just come naturally."

Meyers, Moroko, and Andrew all have had lengthy careers as tribute artists, having performed shows across North America, including in Las Vegas.

"No one can be in this cast unless you're as dead-on to your character as possible," Meyers says. "Because it wouldn't work otherwise. It wouldn't be believable."

With iconic music spanning de-

acades, the show appeals to classic rock fans of all ages.

"I think our audience is multiple generations. In fact, I know it is, just from the Stevie shows, where I've had the mom, the daughter, and the grandmother there that all love the classic rock music," Meyers says. "It's just timeless music, music that you'll always hear ... they'll never go away. They're all legendary songs."

Dreams: A Classic Rock Fantasy debuts at the concert hall on Wednesday, Sept. 30 at 8 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$39 plus fees and taxes at www.winklerconcerthall.ca or at the City Hall ticket office.

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FTC serving up free theatre in the park

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Flatlands Theatre Company in Winkler kicks off its 10th season this weekend with free performances of *Pith!* in Bethel Heritage Park.

In *Pith!*, a play written by Canadian playwright Stewart Lemoine, an itinerant sailor leads a grieving society widow and her stoic housekeeper on an exhilarating and treacherous journey into the heart of the South American jungle—all without ever leaving their living room.

It's a play full of imagination and wonder, brought to life by just three actors and minimal sets and props, says director Patsy Penner.

"*Pith!* is just a wonderful little journey that I think a lot of us take at point in our lives or another as one of the characters," she says. "So I think everyone can relate to it and, if not, perhaps they will yet."

"It's poignant, yet it's fun. There's a lot of funny moments," Penner adds. "But there's a lovely meaning behind the whole thing where we see Jack come in and ... he wants to be that person who makes a difference in somebody's life and he isn't afraid to step out and do it ... that's just lovely to see in the human spirit."

Playing the role of Jack Vail is community theatre veteran Chuck Fefchuck. He says theatre-goers should expect a fun evening, and he hopes people take FTC up on their offer of free theatre.

"I think I speak for all of us when I say we've had a ton of fun with this script," he says, going on to point out the show is family-friendly and action-packed. "I hope people will enjoy the idea of just coming and sitting down in the park and enjoying the show."

Rounding out the cast is fellow FTC veteran Angela Klassen returning to the role of Virginia Tilford (FTC first performed *Pith!* back in its third season) and company founder Jeanette Hoepfner as Nancy Kimble.

"It's a really moving story," says Hoepfner, "that I think helps us understand the concept of grief and how different people deal with grief.

That may sound like an interesting storyline to be dealing with grief and then us also talking about how much fun it is, energetic ... but that is the truth of life. That you can have both of those happening in your life."

"It's the power of story and imagination for healing," agrees Klassen.

Pith! takes over the pavilion at Bethel Heritage Park in downtown Winkler this Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m.

The show runs about 90 minutes, and the actors will be miked for sound, Penner notes.

"So no one needs to worry they won't be able to hear them," she says.

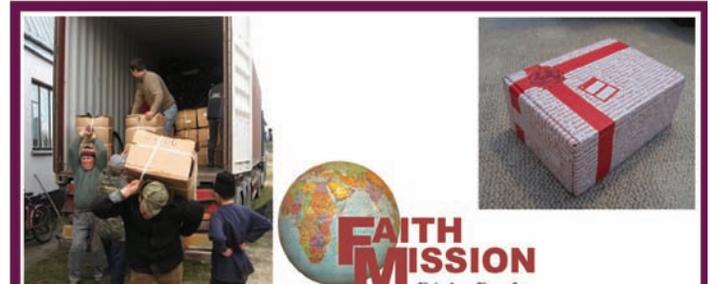
Admission is totally free—simply bring along a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

For more information on *Pith!*, check FTC out online at www.flatlandstheatre.com.



"IT'S THE POWER OF STORY AND IMAGINATION FOR HEALING."

Chuck Fefchuck, Angela Klassen, and Jeanette Hoepfner perform *Pith!* in Bethel Heritage Park this weekend. All the performances offer free admission in celebration of FTC's 10th anniversary.



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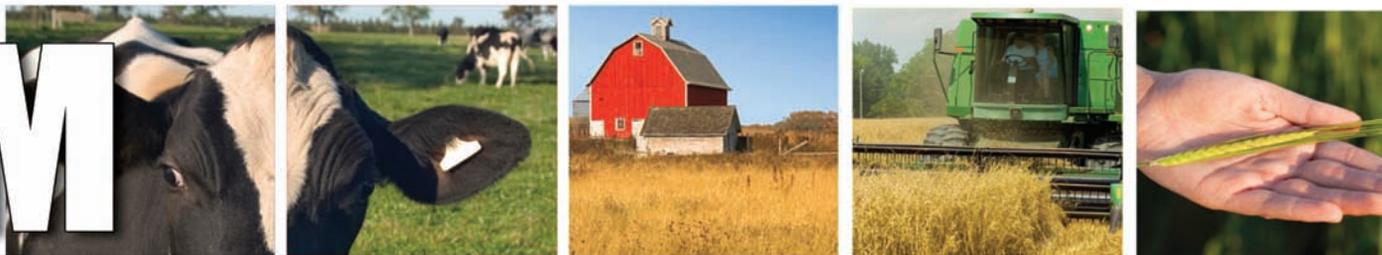
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Hog and meat processing cycles keep spinning

By Harry Siemens

There are things that simply don't make sense, but when one segment of a larger system abuses the rules, often for the greater good, powers that be penalize the whole system.

Case in point with vacant meat processing jobs and climbing hog numbers cutting profits and maybe putting some hog producers in the red once again later this fall.

Ron Davidson of the Canadian Meat Council says every job that remains unfilled in Canada's meat processing sector costs another four jobs within the Canadian economy.

The federal government keeps focusing on new trade agreements that creates export opportunities for Canada's meat processors, but a shortage

of workers limits the ability to take advantage of those opportunities.

Davidson, CMC director of international trade, government and media relations, says labour is one of the industry's primary challenges.

"People just don't realize how much is at stake," he says. "The meat processing industry is the single largest component of the food processing sector in Canada."

While providing a market outlet for the livestock producers, it also provides a market for grain growers who sell feed grains to the livestock industry.

"When we have 1,000 jobs available in the meat industry that are unfilled on the line in the plant it means there's at least 4,000 jobs elsewhere in the economy that aren't going filled,"

Davidson says, citing a study done by the University of Saskatchewan.

Davidson says processors are recruiting as actively as possible and continue to work with government to try to gain access to foreign butchers and meat cutters when it's been clearly demonstrated that there aren't enough available in Canada.

"Unless we have people in the plants to process the animal, the plants can not be processing them and producers will be forced to rely on live animal exports to the U.S.," he says. "And as we know from experience exporting live animals, markets can be shut down very quickly. Every company is still challenged with finding enough workers. We still have hundreds of jobs available."

When it comes to pork demand, hog

numbers, and how those affect hog farmers and their profits, Tyler Fulton, the director of risk management with h@ms Marketing Services, says hog numbers are trending higher than anticipated and, even as recently as the June Hogs and Pigs Report, the USDA didn't suggest the hog industry would be looking at hog supplies quite this high and is pressuring the market.

"Producers in Canada are generally profitable," says Fulton. "There is a possibly a bit of a squeeze that could come later this fall as prices drop as they typically do at that time of year but also partially due to higher feed costs that we expect, largely because of the drought throughout parts of Saskatchewan and to a larger extent, Alberta."



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A home for Riley

PVHS' longest-term resident is finally placed in her 'forever home'

By Lorne Stelmach

At long last, Riley has found a place to call home.

It didn't come about easily for the active Border Collie, but the fact it finally did happen even after a year and a half is testament to the vital role that is played by the Pembina Valley Humane Society.

The time and effort put in by shelter staff and volunteers as well as a dedicated short-term foster home finally paid off. And, so far, Riley's new owners are very happy with the newest member of their family.

"She's doing very well. Riley's been having a great time with it. We are quite happy with her," said Colleen Barnes-West, who recently welcomed Riley into she and her husband's Winnipeg home, which the dog now shares with another Border Collie.

"She's a well-behaved, well mannered, really good dog ... good with other dogs, good with cats. So we were a little bit baffled as to why she couldn't get successfully adopted before," said Anita Hatcher, PVHS shelter manager, who notes Riley was the facility's longest-term resident to date.

Born sometime in late 2012 or early 2013, Riley's journey first brought her to the PVHS through area animal control officers in December 2013.

Sometime after that, she was adopted, but her new home didn't work out in the long term "just due to health reasons," said Hatcher. "She wasn't able to take care of her anymore, so Riley had to be returned, which was unfortunate. That was in 2014."

"At that time, when she came back, she had been with us for a while and has been with us since then. We did have another family try to adopt her, but she was returned again. I think they just didn't understand the Border Collie breed well enough."

Some dogs can be more challenging than others to get them placed in the right situation, Hatcher noted.

"In Riley's case, there was nothing wrong with her. She's a really good

dog. But sometimes it is the breeds ... people don't like the breeds or maybe they looking more for a particular breed like a Lab," she said. "It can depend on the breed. It can depend on the temperament and behaviour when the animal comes in, as well. Some are trained and ready to go but some aren't, so that plays a role in how quickly they can be adopted."

When a dog is at the shelter for a longer time period, the PVHS will first reduce the adoption fee by 50 per cent—down to \$100 in Riley's case—and when their stay is approaching a year, the shelter will look for other arrangements for the dog, such as a transfer to another rescue for a change of scenery.

Another option that is often pursued is a short-term foster home, which is where Riley spent her last few months in PVHS care.

"We found a really good foster home for her. Karen Clark was our foster, and she took wonderful care of Riley and she just flourished in those four months. You could tell she just needed a change of pace from here," said Hatcher.

"It took probably about a month for her to unwind from being in this environment for so long. The foster spent some time working with her ... really working on mental stimulation for her, which has really helped her out."

During her time with Riley, the foster family also helped to promote and look for adoption possibilities for the dog. It was through Hull's Haven Border Collie Rescue that Riley first caught the attention of Barnes-West.

She says she's happy to have come upon Riley and be able to give the pooch a chance at a new home life.

"You have to love a Border Collie because they're with you all the time ... she wants to go where you're going ... doesn't want anything other than to be with you," Barnes-West said.

The family has another Border Collie who will be 14 in December, so the two dogs have had to get used to be-



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Colleen Barnes-West and husband Jeff are happy to welcome Riley into their home. The collie had been in the PVHS' care for over a year.

ing around each other, but it has gone well so far, said Barnes-West, who noted Riley's energetic influence has even gotten the older dog to go for the ball to play once in a while.

"Riley loves to play in the back yard. She's quite an energetic dog," she said, noting Riley gets two or three walks most days. "And she'll run from one end of the yard to the other end of the yard. So she's really settled in nicely."

Hatcher is glad that their dedicated efforts finally paid off for Riley, and she emphasized it is also their volunteers and supporters who make it possible for them to remain committed to animals like Riley who need more time and effort until getting successfully adopted.

"We are able to keep our doors open ... we are able to have a dog here as long as it needs to be," she said, noting they now turn their attention to finding a home for Lacey, a large, high-energy, two-and-a-half-year-old female Bulldog cross who has been at the shelter for about a year.

Hatcher cited the range of support they get—from monthly donors and some funding from local governments to other donation sources such as a Nutrisource outlet in Winnipeg providing food to the PVHS—in allowing the shelter to succeed in its work.

"We are looking for monthly donors ... and anyone who wants to come in and just make a general donation ... for example leashes, collars, dog treats to help us train the dogs, raw-hides to keep them busy ... anything that will help out with the daily activities here. Cats, especially, we need pellet litter, clay litter, treats. Even things like bleach."

"And anyone wanting to foster, we are looking for people."

To explore the ways you can get involved and support the PVHS, you can go online to the www.pvhsociety.ca website, where you can also view profiles of the animals currently available for adoption as well as find information about upcoming PVHS projects and events.

BSI gives back

BSI Insurance staff recently presented a donation to the Manitou Opera House Accessibility Project Committee. The company contributed \$2,777 to the amount raised at a community movie night, raising a total \$4,554 for the major renovation project underway now at the heritage building.

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La Riviere prepares for 2016 homecoming

By Lorne Stelmach

They will be marking a milestone next year, but organizers in La Riviere are getting the word out now.

Planning is underway for La Riviere's 130th anniversary in 2016, and committee members are looking to get community members past and present involved in the celebration.

"What we're hoping for is that all the folks who used to live here do come home and have a good time and get reacquainted," said planning committee spokesperson Evelyn Janzen. "It's a celebration of the community and how it has managed to survive."

The anniversary celebration and homecoming will take place Saturday, July 30 to Monday, August 1 in 2016.

A working committee has been established, with planning meetings at 7 p.m. the second-last Monday of each month in La Riviere's Blair Morrison Hall.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend, Janzen noted.

"This has been in the works for a while ... and there are many ideas," she said. "The committee will have its work cut out for it over the next year. You have to think of all the smallest little details."

"We've got a very, very enthusiastic group of people and they've got great ideas, and they're all problem-solvers."

Many of the details are still be worked out, although there is the start of a possible schedule of events—everything from a parade and street fair and quilt show to an anniversary booklet and a class reunion.

People can go online to www.pembina.ca to find more information and get involved.

Meanwhile, Janzen said the committee members are now looking to the community for help in making as many residents past and present as possible aware of the celebration so they can plan on coming home next year.

"We want to find class reps. for the homecoming part," she said. "I think that's the important part ... to get people involved in that part of it ... help us to get the word out to their classmates near and far."

Southern MB Manufacturer's Summit planning underway

Conference highlights regional manufacturing at the Morden Access Event Centre Oct. 28-29

By Lorne Stelmach

Manufacturing plays a major role in the region's growth, and an upcoming event will showcase that sector of the local economy.

The 2015 Southern Manitoba Manufacturer's Summit has also grown significantly since it was started five years ago by the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters.

The event started small in Winkler in its first year but it "has grown every year until they outgrew it there, and last year they moved into Morden ... it attracted nearly 200 people last year," noted Cheryl Digby, community development officer with the City of Morden.

Digby said they really wanted to showcase the growth and variety of manufacturing in southern Manitoba, and they have expanded it further to include a trade show component as well as a career day component for students.

There is a need to promote career opportunities in the region, she stressed, to both attract and retain young people in the region.

"We want them to realize there are career possibilities right in our area ... and rather exciting ones at that. There are a lot of different aspects to manufacturing that weren't even there 10 years ago," Digby said. "And we really hope manufacturers will participate in the trade show and make it an interesting event for everyone."

Digby said they were hoping to have over 100 exhibitors from across Southern Manitoba at the event set for Oct. 28-29 at the Access Event Centre. It is hosted by Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters in partnership with Morden Community

Development Corporation, but Digby emphasized it is "very much a regional event."

With that focus in mind, the summit has expanded to include local factory tours on Oct. 28 and the full-day trade and education expo open to the public on Oct. 29.

Their hope is that the weekend will provide participants with some insight into manufacturing opportunities with stories from local businesses, their successes, challenges and opportunities, and best practices to help grow the business community.

Digby said they were excited about the addition of the tours of manufacturing facilities.

"They can be part of the conference package or you can book the tours separately," she noted.

"And this year we also want to emphasize women in manufacturing," Digby added, noting Morden's Candace Grenier from Pure Anada is scheduled to be one of the

presenters.

Registration options include an all-inclusive pass for the tours, conference and trade and education expo for \$130 for CME members or \$150 for non-members.

There is also the option of the conference and trade and education expo for \$100 for members or \$110 for non-members, as well as a tour pass for the tours and trade and education expo only at \$40 for members or \$50 for non-members.

General admission for the public and students for the trade and education expo will be \$2.

You can find more information by going online to www.daretocompete.ca or e-mail mb.info@cme-mec.ca or phone 204-949-1454.

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Flyers hopefuls hit the ice

The Winkler Flyers wrapped up a successful Main Camp on Saturday with an intrasquad game, which saw Team Orange beat Team Black 3-2. The game was the culmination of the Sept. 2-5 camp, which saw 85 hopefuls take to the ice to try and convince the team's coaching staff they have what it takes to don the Orange and Black this season. By Saturday's end, the Flyers had whittled down the roster to 32 players for the opening of the pre-season on Tuesday, where Winkler hosted the Winnipeg Blues. The team also played at Winnipeg on Wednesday and will play in Portage Friday. They host the Terriers on Sunday.

PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT



Hurricanes have fingers crossed for third place

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The South Central Hurricanes' season is over, and they now find themselves with fingers crossed that the St. James Legends will fall to the SE Shooters next Monday night.

The local team's spot in the standings is counting on their rivals losing their last game of the season, which would break the point tie and give the Hurricanes the third place spot in the Winnipeg Womens Soccer League's Division 1.

If the Legends win, though, the Hurricanes' 9-3-4 record puts them in fourth place, having lost out to the Legends by just one point.

Either way, the team won't be moving up to the WWSL's Premier league next season—that honour goes to the Victorious Secret and the FCNW Ti-

tans, who clinched the top two spots.

It's a fact that grates on coach Reinaldo Oliveira, who feels the team has the potential to play at a higher level.

"As a coach, you want to go for first place, of course," he says. "My goal was to at least get in the second place, because then we would move up next summer ... but it just didn't happen."

Even though they didn't quite reach the goals set out at the season's outset, Oliveira is still happy with how the ladies handled themselves on the field this summer.

"We started struggling at bit at the beginning, but they came off very strongly in the middle of the season," he says. "Everybody found their position and started playing more together."

The team hit a rough patch again, though, when it came to fielding

enough players for away games later in the summer.

"So we end up with 10 players or nine players sometimes," Oliveira says, noting that without subs it made for some very long, tiring games.

Ensuring players are committed to both home and away games is something that Oliveira hopes to tackle next season.

"The priority is going to be commitment. We need more players that can commit to go to the away games," he says. "I've been thinking about maybe having some players from Winnipeg, as well, who can come for those games there."

If the team can get its commitment issues squared away, Oliveira is convinced they will be ready for Premier-level soccer.

"I see great potential in the Hur-

ricanes," he says. "We have great players, they are willing to learn ... they don't belong in this league—we should move up."

But that will depend on the ladies who make up the team next season. Oliveira expects to see many veteran players return, but stresses they are always looking for new players as well.

"If they have a passion for soccer, if they are willing to come and enjoy working on it, they are welcome," he says. "I'm there to teach them whatever they need."

The team will begin practices in January or February to prepare for the 2016 season's May start.

If you're interested in trying out for the team, contact Oliveira at 204-362-7144.



Dragon boaters hit the water

Team Morden was in Winnipeg recently for a practice session in preparation for this weekend's 2015 Dragon Boat Challenge. The team, made up of residents of the Morden-Winkler area, will hit the water at the Manitoba Canoe and Kayak Centre in Winnipeg this Friday and Saturday in support of the Canadian Cancer Society.

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Registrations open for Thanks for Giving Run

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The ninth annual Thanks for Giving Run hits the streets exactly one month from today, raising funds and awareness Thanksgiving weekend for the Winkler and District Food Cupboard.

While a month might not be enough time for a running rookie to train for the event's half-marathon, the day also includes less demanding 10k and 5k routes, as well as a 1.2k race for kids.

Race director Dwight Suderman says registrations have been pretty quiet so far, but he's hoping it'll pick up in these last few weeks.

"We just want to have a successful event," he says, noting that the run is the largest single annual fundraiser for the food cupboard. "We've stuck with the food cupboard every year because we recognize the need in the community."

Thanks to the generous support of the event's many sponsors, every dollar from registration fees and donations goes to the cause.

The proceeds help to feed a lot of people, Suderman stresses, and so the more they can raise, the better.

Volunteers will also be on hand to collect donations of non-perishable food items the day of the race. By the time the racers cross the finish line,

there's often at least a carload full of food ready to be dropped off at the food bank.

This year's run takes place on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 9 a.m. at the Winkler Recreation Complex. The kid's run starts from the same location, but begins at 8:30 a.m.

Registration forms and information can be found online at thanksforgivingrun.ca.

Registration fees range from \$20 to \$50, depending on which event you're interested in and whether you pre-register before Oct. 8. For guaranteed finisher medals and shirts, registration must be received by Sept. 25. There is no fee for the kid's event.

If you aren't able to walk or run in the race yourself, you can still lend a

hand as a volunteer, Suderman says. "We definitely need volunteers," he says, noting positions range from set-up and clean-up to manning an intersection out on the route to ensure runners go the right way.

To volunteer, contact Suderman at 204-325-8989 or Leanne Wiebe at 204-362-4160.

Can't run the race and don't have time to volunteer? Take a few minutes, then, to come cheer the runners on along the route, which winds its way throughout the city (route maps are available at the race's Facebook page).

"Yell something in encouragement to runners going by—they appreciate it," Suderman says.

Twisters fall to Hawks

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Valley Twisters most certainly did not start off the 2015-2016 exhibition season on a good foot last weekend.

The Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League team held their exhibition home opener last Friday against the Charleswood Hawks.

Charleswood dominated play, scoring six goals in the first period and then four each in periods two and three to earn a resounding 14-0 vic-

tory over the home team.

In net for the Twisters was Justin Jamault, Bobby Matuszewski, and Christopher Lerae.

The Twisters also hosted the Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins on Tuesday, but results were not available at press time.

Coming up, the per-season continues as Pembina Valley hosts the St. Vital Victorias on Thursday, Sept. 10 and then hits the road to play the River East Royal Knights on Sunday and the Stonewall Jets next Wednesday.



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Pembina Valley Hawks look to fill roster



Over 30 players were in Morden Sept. 4-6 to try out for a spot on the Female AAA Pembina Valley Hawks. The MFMHL team is led this year by incoming coach Dana Bell and assistant coach Shanley Peters. Bell, who replaces Jeff Andrews on the coaching bench, previously coached the AAA female bantam and AA midget Hawks teams. The AAA Hawks' regular season gets underway next month. Closer at hand, the Hawks will face the Titans at home and away for a pair of exhibition games this Saturday and Sunday.

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Fourth place finish for 16U Team Manitoba

A pair of local baseball players did our area proud at the 16U Girls Canadian Championships in Saguenay, Quebec last month.

Winkler's Katie Heppner (shown pitching in the photo above, right) and Crystal City's Jenai Buchanan helped lead Team 'Toba to a fourth place finish at the Aug. 13-17 event.

Manitoba earned a place in the semi-finals of the

eight-team competition with wins over B.C. and Quebec. The ladies went on to fall to Alberta 12-8 in the bronze medal game.

"Considering everything, I am very proud of our fourth place finish," says coach Marc Bissonnette. "We gave ourselves a chance to medal and I don't think we could have asked for more from the girls."

Team Manitoba included (above photo, back row,

from left) coach Bissonnette, Jenai Buchanan, Katie Heppner, Olivia Sheldon, Kaitlyn Holod, Brittany Langlais, coach Jeremy Culleton, (front row) Lauren Bray, Sophie Bissonnette, Jamie Johnson, Caitlin Culleton, Emma Anton, Kristi Morris, Laura Kilbrei and Lindsey Rutherford. Missing from the picture are coach/manager Patti Hacault and chef de mission Joanne Johnson.

Agriculture

Grain system keeps upgrading to meet needs

By Harry Siemens

With times changing, and technologies improving as it pertains to the development and research of new crop varieties in qualities for target markets—whether yield, protein, and specific food and feed characteristics—the regulatory system must change with it, too.

Blair Rutter, executive director of the Western Canadian Wheat Growers, says they're happy to see the Canadian Grain Commission focus on bringing that system up to speed regarding the reclassification of certain low-gluten varieties in the CWRS and CPSR class effective Aug. 1, 2017.

"As you'll note, we support the proposed changes based on the long-standing Wheat Grower principle that the price that farmers receive for their grain should reflect its intrinsic value," he says.

After consulting with domestic and international stakeholders and conducting a thorough evaluation, the Canadian Grain Commission will designate 29 varieties of Canada Western Red Spring (CWRS) and Canada Prairie Spring Red (CPSR) wheat to another class.

"In an evaluation of varieties against the revised quality parameters for the CWRS and CPSR classes, the CGC determined these varieties do not meet the quality characteristics of their current designated class," says the CGC release.

In addition, in 2016 the Commission will initiate an up to two-year review of CWRS and CPSR varieties for which more quality data is needed before a decision about their class designation can be made.

The plan to modernize Canada's wheat class system involves reviewing current Canadian CWRS and CPSR wheat classes, maintaining the quality and enhancing the consistency of these Canadian wheat classes to support marketability, potentially adding a new wheat class to include new varieties that would meet the evolving needs of producers and customers of Canadian grain.

The CGC says as of February 26, 2015, the check varieties for CWRS and CPSR were changed by the Prairie Recommending Committee for

Wheat, Rye and Triticale. Varieties slated for evaluation will be compared to these check varieties.

An interim wheat class was put in place for Faller, Prosper and Elgin ND wheat varieties, effective Aug. 1. This will allow the Commission to gather further information before making a decision on the permanence of the class.

As mentioned earlier, the Wheat Growers supports these changes.

"The Wheat Growers support the move by the Commission to restore the quality and integrity of the top milling classes of wheat," says president Levi Wood. "This move should address concerns expressed by customers in the past several years regarding the low gluten strength in Canadian wheat shipments."

The Wheat Growers base their de-

cision on the principle that farmers should be paid for their wheat according to its intrinsic value, he says. Varieties with high gluten-strength are more valued in the marketplace and the price farmers receive for deliveries of these varieties should reflect that.

"Ideally, there would be a driveway test that could test the gluten strength of each wheat delivery and farmers would be paid on that basis," says Wood. "However such a test is not yet available on a cost-effective basis, and so segregating value on the basis of variety is the only feasible alternative."

The Wheat Growers also support the establishment of the new interim milling wheat class and recommend that it become a permanent class.

The strong growth in the past three

years in the acreage of varieties Faller and Prosper suggests there is strong demand from farmers and customers for this type of wheat.

"It is expected that all 29 varieties removed from the CWRS and CPSR on account of low gluten strength would fit into this new milling class," says Wood. "Any company not wanting to buy or sell these low gluten strength varieties on the basis of this new class will be under no obligation to do so. If they wish instead to buy or sell these or any other varieties on the basis of specs, they are perfectly free to do so."

As much as possible, the Wheat Growers encourage farmers to obtain independent tests on their samples, so they have a better understanding of the quality of grain they have and can market it to maximize its value.



> HARRY SIEMENS

New signs, new announcements and new names means times are a changin' for farmers, the local communities, economies, and economies of scale.

While taking their sweet time in finally getting the new plant going in Altona, Bunge Canada is tearing down the old one.

I remember vividly sitting beside my father or brother in the '50s hauling sunflowers first, then canola seed, and buying seed from seed plant manager Johnny Kehler under the Co-operative Vegetable Oils [CVO], then CSP Foods and some other names and owners, and, now, Bunge, one of the world's largest grain companies.

In googling CVO, I reached the University of Manitoba archives and collections and came upon so much

Another sign of the times

history, bringing back many memories.

From the archives: "Co-operative Vegetable Oils Ltd. began in Altona, Manitoba in 1943 under the direction of J.J. Siemens."

This Mr. Siemens was no relation to me, but I know his son Raymond, who took over as president of CVO at one point.

Here is the point that always speaks well for the local community:

"C.V.O. began in 1943 largely because Second World War Canadian imports of edible vegetable oils (from Russia and Argentina) were noticeably reduced, creating a need for domestic production. To support the domestic industry, the Federal Government offered such incentives as price subsidies, transportation subsidies and facilities for processing the crop in Hamilton, Ontario. Although the 1943 crop was shipped to Hamilton, the high costs of long distance transportation of sunflowers—the principle oilseed crop—proved discouraging. Consequently, with a view to the future when these subsidies would be lifted, C.V.O. decided in favour of a local processing

plant."

That first Altona plant was to cost a projected \$60,000, half of which was raised from private funds, with the remainder coming from guaranteed loans from the provincial government. The community eagerly threw its support behind the plant, as it offered long-term economic growth and stability.

The C.V.O. plant provided jobs for locals and an outlet for the alternative crop, the sunflower, later adding soybeans and canola. It was the first company to process commercially sunflowers in North America and process pure sunflower-based cooking oil.

That brings me to the current move underfoot that will change things again for farmers and communities and provide even more competition for canola growers.

Another cooperative, CHS, took over operations at Northstar Agri Industries' canola crushing plant in Hallock, Minnesota and the receiving station in Winkler.

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> SISTERS OF THE HOLY ROCK, FROM PG. 15

are by no means making fun of nuns, but are simply getting into character to do some good.

"We're having fun, but we're certainly not making fun ... we're very respectful of that," she says, adding that male members who sport facial hair don priestly garb instead of the habit out of respect.

But don't come to a Sisters of the Holy Rock show expecting traditional hymnal music.

"The music that we do is recognizable ... some serious, some very silly, funny. It's not a church choir singing hymns at all," Stone says. "It's choreographed ... we change the lyrics in some songs."

If it sounds like a fun group to be part of, it's because it most certainly is.

"It's a great group of people," Stone says, noting some members have

been donning the habit for decades. "There's is not a great changeover because everyone laughs and has a lot of fun with this. Over the years we've attracted many experienced people, but many in the group didn't have any experience in music and they can't be-

> SIEMENS SAYS, FROM PG. 23

That canola plant coming on stream in 2012 at Hallock takes a good chunk of its raw canola seeds from Manitoba farmers. In fact, when Northstar opened its receiving station in Winkler, I heard grumblings from big-boy Bunge in Altona ... well, competition is good for the seller and, as you know, I'm a strong advocate for the seller of canola seed, the farmer.

In checking out CHS Canada, I find its values align with those of the local farmers who first set up CVO way

back when. "Our first priority is to help our farmers grow their businesses," says the company's website. "This means providing quality products, the latest in innovation, and first-class customer service. As agriculture and our communities evolve, we are committed to staying at the forefront of the industry. Locally we employ a knowledgeable and professional staff to assist you with your agricultural needs."

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The Winkler show runs on Saturday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall. Tickets are \$25 and available at Winkler City Hall, by phone at 1-866-943-8849, or online at winklerconcerthall.ca.

global agriculture environment is not a solo act—it's about being part of something bigger."

My thoughts on that last statement are that when becoming part of something bigger, we have to make sure that bigger is better, and not simply getting bigger for the sake of 'bigger'.

I also reflect on the fact that most successful entities were once small, and through vision, solid management, and a few risk takers, they are successful today being bigger.

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> GAMES

SUDOKU

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5	2	8	1	3	4	9	7	6
3	7	4	8	6	9	5	1	2
9	6	1	5	2	7	3	4	8
4	8	9	6	3	5	7	2	1
7	3	9	4	8	6	5	1	2
8	9	4	2	5	1	7	3	6
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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- W. Loman's failed son
- Largest English dictionary (abbr.)
- Wanes
- Lifeless geologic period
- No (Scottish)
- Filled chocolate cookie
- Circular chordophones
- Short-term memory
- Any small compartment
- Poisonous gas
- Cologne
- Scaless fishes
- Ormolu
- Well-known & respected
- Man-made river embankment
- Yearned after something
- Before
- Garlic mayonnaise
- California white oak
- CNN's founder Turner
- Removed contents
- Frighten
- Responded
- "Extant" star
- Aba _____ Honeymoon
- Box (abbr.)
- Reptile leather
- Norse goddess of old age
- Drive obliquely, as of a nail
- Inspire with love
- Affirm positively
- European sea eagle
- Congresswoman Giffords
- Emit coherent radiation
- Fall back time
- Masses of fish eggs

CLUES DOWN

- Leavened rum cake
- Moslem women's garment

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- Quilting duo: _____ & Porter
- S W Pacific state
- The start of something
- Edible
- More coy
- From 56 to 34 million years ago
- Small wind
- Disney heroine
- Helios
- Existing at birth but not hereditary
- Paris river
- Confined condition (abbr.)
- More than charged
- A major division of geological time
- Japanese apricot
- Initial public offering
- A quantity of no importance
- Securities market
- Sharp part of a tool
- Downwind
- Doctor of Education
- Built up
- Borrowers
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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 October 8, 2015 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 **September 22, 2015**

Jody Oakes, Secretary
Board of Revision
The Rural Municipality of Thompson
531 Norton Avenue, P.O. Box 190, Miami, MB R0G 1H0

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The Council of the City of Winkler, under the authority of The Planning Act, will hold a Public Hearing, at the Winkler Council Chamber, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 7:00 PM, at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-Law No. 2140-15, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2140-15, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

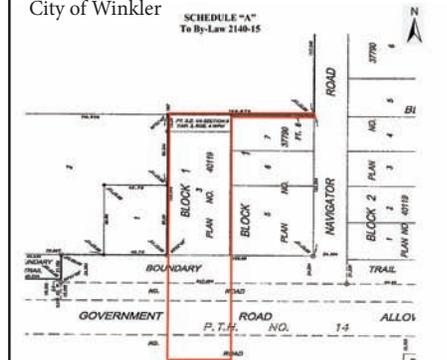
395 Boundary Trail, legally described as Lot 8, Block 1, Plan 37790 MLTO and Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 40119 MLTO as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "CH" COMMERCIAL HIGHWAY ZONE TO: "CL" COMMERCIAL LINEAR ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2140-15, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

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ANNIVERSARY



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OBITUARY

Maria (Mary) Zacharias (nee Giesbrecht) 1930 – 2015



On Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Mary Zacharias aged 85 years of Winkler, MB went to her eternal rest. She was born April 19, 1930 and married Abe in 1955. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Abe; three daughters, Eunice, Eileen, Eleanor; one sister, Katherine and their families. She was predeceased by a great grandson; her parents, Henry and Helena Giesbrecht; sister, Helen and two sisters in infancy.

Memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 5, 2015 at Winkler EMMC with interment prior at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

Donations may be made in Mary's memory to the MCC. Thanks to Dr. Holmes and the Palliative Care Team at BTHC.

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