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Serving up thanks

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Discovery Nature Sanctuary committee member Margaret Klassen served up cake at the Winkler site last week to representatives of several businesses and organizations who have supported the project in its first year. The City of Winkler, meanwhile, marked the occasion with a major announcement about the future of the sanctuary. See Pg. 2 for the full story.

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Land sale leads to expansion, funding for nature sanctuary

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Discovery Nature Sanctuary took a moment last week to thank some of the donors who helped make the green oasis in the heart of Winkler's industrial park possible.

"It is amazing where we have gotten to in such a short time," said committee member Margaret Klassen, noting work on the 32 acre nature preserve in northeast Winkler began in earnest just last year.

Today it has become a popular site for locals and tourists alike, with tens of thousands of dollars in community donations paving the way for the addition of things like a dock, two bridges, an accessible pathway, trees and shrubs, and, slated to be installed in the year ahead, an outdoor classroom.

"It's just incredible to think of all the individuals who have helped ... the businesses that have donated or provided in kind," said committee chair Paul Goossen. "And the City of Winkler has been a huge, huge player in this whole initiative.

"We're very grateful to the business community and we just so enjoy watching the community come here and enjoy the sanctuary itself."

Representatives from Essen Transport, Schnell Industries, Access Credit Union, Manitoba Hydro, the City of Winkler, and the Winkler Community Foundation were on hand for the Sept. 5 thank-you celebration, which included not only cake but also a surprise announcement from the mayor about the future of the site.

Two businesses whose properties run along the sanctuary's south and northwest borders have expressed an interest in expanding into the city-owned land.

Mayor Martin Harder said that council has decided to sell them that land (about an acre to the south and two to the northwest) and then expand the sanctuary's property to the

north, right up to Hwy. 14.

Furthermore, the proceeds from the sale of the land—pegged at about \$300,000—will go to the Discovery Nature Sanctuary's future development.

The businesses involved have also made a \$50,000 donation to DNS and committed to completing the service road on Circle K Drive, which will allow for direct access to the sanctuary from Hwy. 14.

"One of the things that we are excited about is where we can have nature and industry working together and being side by side and complementing each other," Harder said.

"As a council, we've said we like what the Discovery Nature Sanctuary is doing and we would like to help them to make it into a tourist attraction for the entire province and the U.S. side to come to Winkler and say this is our Oak Hammock Marsh," he added. "It's a partnership between the community, the city ... we'll be able to do something fantastic.

"It will become a reality and much bigger than we had originally envisioned."

Thanks to the city's support, the sanctuary committee has big plans for the future of the site, said Goossen, especially for their new main entrance and parking lot off the highway.

"This is huge. We have been eyeing the property for awhile already and now with this official announcement we have a tremendous opportunity to expand the sanctuary not only for wildlife but also for visitors to come and enjoy the place and get invited in as they travel by the highway," he said, noting the committee will spend the next few months drafting a proposal for how it wants to use the seed money the city is providing. One idea is an unmanned interpretive centre. "The possibilities are great and it's going to be great for the community."



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At a celebration held to recognize local donors last week, Access Credit Union's Angela Wolfe (far right) presented the Discovery Nature Sanctuary's Margaret Klassen and Paul Goossen with \$10,000 to cover the costs of the dock recently installed at the site.

That said, the land swap will mean a bit of upheaval for a few established aspects of the sanctuary.

The pollinator garden on the south side has already been moved, but over 140 trees and shrubs planted last

spring will need to be professionally transplanted.

It's going to be a lot of work, acknowledged Klassen, but the long-term impact on the sanctuary is "going to be a blessing."

Bob's Bed Push returns

By Lorne Stelmach

The legacy of Dr. Bob Menzies lives on in Morden with a fundraiser being held next week in his memory.

Bob's Bed Push in support of cancer care is back for a second year as a way for the Agassiz Medical Centre to honour Menzies' spirit and passion.

"I think this speaks to a lot of people ... and whatever we can do to help support people is worthwhile," said organizer Brent Gouthro, a nurse practitioner in Morden.

There was a lot of good feeling around the inaugural bed push last year, he said, and everyone was eager to make it an annual event.

"We're obviously still thinking about him a lot," said Gouthro. "We had a lot of energy around it last year ... so we're starting to formalize a regular bed push as a fundraiser for local cancer care projects ... and it's a lasting tribute to Doctor Bob."

On Saturday, Sept. 21, clinic staff will again be pushing an old Morden Hospital ER bed from Morden to the Boundary Trails Health Centre.

"I'm sure Bob would have been pushing some people around in this bed over the years," said Gouthro, who noted the effort raised close to \$15,000 last year. This time around they hope to raise \$16,000 in support of cancer services, including South Central Cancer Resource.

Donations can be made online through the event's GoFundMe campaign, in person at the clinic, or by tossing a loonie or toonie into the bedpans participants will be carrying on the trek.

Twenty participants have already signed up and there's room for a few more. Head to bobbedpush.ca for details on getting involved.

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Winkler/Morden United Ways launch campaigns

By Lorne Stelmach

A merger may not be in the cards right now, but the United Ways of Winkler and Morden are looking to support each other's efforts in their communities.

The two agencies signalled their interest in taking a co-operative approach by jointly kicking off their 2019 campaigns last Thursday.

As Access Credit Union presented a \$5,000 donation to be split between the two, representatives touched on their interest in pursuing other ways they can pool their resources.

"We've got plans going forward," said Alex Fedorchuk, president of the United Way of Morden and District. "It only makes sense to pool our resources and be more efficient and cover every area ... that's still over the horizon."

"We both feel that having local United Way representation is a huge impact for all the local communities ... we would like to see that continue and hopefully expand," added Kim Nelson, president of the Winkler and District United Way.

"We're still two separate entities ... but exploring the options and exploring possibilities," she added. "I think that regionally we support a number of the same local organizations, and I think that the more hands, the better the outcome. So we want to work together and just continue to promote the Pembina Valley."

Taking a regional approach was applauded by Chris Hildebrand, regional manager with Access Credit Union, as she presented the donation to help kick things off for 2019.

Out of a list of around 20 organizations that benefited last year from Morden/Winkler United Way funding, she counted 12 of them which were common to the two.

"What we've noticed was that the Winkler United Way and the Morden United Way, their list of organizations overlapped quite substantially, so it was great to see that they are already supporting so many of the same things. So if they can work together, it's fantastic," said Hildebrand.

"The United Way has such a long-standing tradition of giving back in all of the communities that we serve that we really believe in this organization and the passion that they have for the organizations that they support is just really outstanding.

"We love that regional focus, and working together, that's what we all want to do ... we all have to work together to support people in our community because there are people in



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Access Credit Union regional manager Chris Hildebrand (centre) presents Morden United Way president Alex Fedorchuk and Winkler United Way president Kim Nelson with a cheque for \$5,000 to be split between the two agencies to help launch their 2019-2020 campaigns.

need," she said. "Your money stays local, and you know you are making a huge impact on the communities."

In addition to the direct financial support, Access Credit Union is also encouraging people to donate at either the Morden or Winkler branches this fall.

"We're trying to put the process in place that we can offer you the official receipt right away so that you're donation's done," Hildebrand said. "You can walk out with your receipt in hand.

"There's also the regular giving option that's available. We can set that up for you as well if you want to set up a regular transfer to go from your account to the United Way account so that you can give throughout the year."

The two campaigns don't have specific fundraising goals yet for 2019. They are taking applications until Oct. 31 from organizations wishing to receive funding.

In Winkler, donors can stop by the United Way tables set up at the Sept. 13 Winkler Flyers game, the Winkler Senior Centre waffle breakfast Sept. 19 from 9 a.m. to noon, and at the Winkler Co-op grocery store Sept. 20 and Sept. 27 from 1-9 p.m.

Donations can be dropped off anytime this fall at the latter two locations as well as at Gateway Resources and the City of Winkler offices. They can also be made online at unitedwaywinkler.com or mailed to PO Box 1528, Winkler, MB., R6W 4B4.

In Morden, residents and businesses will be canvassed by mail. Donations can also be made online at [\[waymorden.com\]\(http://waymorden.com\) or mailed to PO Box 758, Morden, MB., R6M 1A7.](http://united-</p>
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Artists share their creative process

By Lorne Stelmach

Artists across the region opened up their homes and work spaces last weekend for the 15th annual Pembina Valley Studio Tour.

The 28 stops on the self-guided tour highlighted the work of a varied group of artists, including several rookie hosts alongside the many longtime participants.

"I really enjoy the interaction with people experiencing my art. I find that very intriguing," said Lisa Harbinson, who was inspired to add her Morden home to the tour after making the rounds on it last year.

"I thought that would be fun ... it's another venue for people to come view my art, and I can meet more people in the community," she said. "It's a great way for people to come and experience my art face to face. That changes things; seeing something on Instagram is different from seeing it in real life."

Walter Dueck is known around Morden for his woodworking, but this was his first time opening up his studio as a tour stop.

"I had been pretty excited about it, and I was glad the day finally came," said Dueck, who was enjoying meeting people and chatting.

"For me, it's about sharing the passion for what I do and the ideas and hearing their ideas and even just to talk about life really."

In Winkler, acrylic painters Marge Fehr and Mary Klassen were showing their paintings in Fehr's house over the weekend.

The two sisters paint together often. This was their second time on the tour map.

Klassen picked up the paintbrush in earnest just a couple of years ago, while Fehr has been at it for nearly a decade.

"I enjoyed art very much as a child, but I never really took the time until she inspired me it was time to get started," said Klassen.

Artists showcased on the 15th annual Pembina Valley Studio Tour this year included sisters Mary Klassen and Marge Fehr (left), woodworker Laverne Lovatt (above), and Lisa Harbinson (right). The self-guided tour included 28 stops across the region Sept. 7-8.



"We did two tours and that really inspired us to become a stop ourselves," said Lisa Fehr, noting they see quite a few fellow artists making the rounds on the tour, so it's a chance to be inspired by the work of

others.

"It's a great idea," she added. "It brings your art to other people, it brings people to you. With the artists that come in, we learn things from them too."

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Local municipal officials on hand for the kickoff voiced their support for the United Way.

"With all the different charity things that are out there, when you look at how United Way is structured and its mandate or its way of giving out the money ... it is probably one of the more fairest to the general population," said RM of Stanley Reeve Morris Olafson. "It's spread out

pretty fairly ... it's not like a single entity ... this is a broad focus charity organization ... I think that gives you a little more credibility in the general population."

"Human needs are not restricted to one community or another community," noted Winkler Mayor Martin Harder. "When we look at an organization like this and we look at the individual locations where you do contribute ... all of those organizations come up as far as recipients of the generosity of our community."

Morden scores four out of five blooms

By Lorne Stelmach

The City of Morden will have to wait another year in its quest for a top score in the Manitoba Communities in Bloom program.

At the Saturday awards ceremony, put on as part of the organization's annual meeting held this year in Morden, the city earned a second consecutive four bloom rating out of a possible five.

"Although I'm a little disappointed we didn't get a five, we're very close, and they've given us some good feedback," said Clare Agnew, community services and events manager.

Among the participating communities with a population of over 5,000, both Morden and East St. Paul earned four bloom ratings while Selkirk and Portage la Prairie went home with five blooms.

The competition judges communities on tidiness, environmental action, heritage conservation, urban forestry, landscaped areas, floral displays, and community involvement.

"They were very impressed with how tidy our community is and the historical aspects of it," said Agnew, who noted Morden was cited for things like its heritage homes and museums.

"We got special mention for the Access Event Centre," she added. "We have recreational activity as well as history with the museums, but we've also incorporated landscaping and environmental things like with the rain garden."

One area where the judges challenged the city to further improve was in terms of "engaging more of the business and residential communities ... try to get more people involved," Agnew noted.

She felt Morden is in a good position to take further steps in that direction for next year with initiatives like having Morden Horticultural Society volunteers helping maintain Confederation Park.

"Even the Garden and Nature Expo back in April was a result of the Communities in Bloom program," Agnew added. "So I think a lot of things are happening in Morden now because we participate in the Communities in Bloom program."

Don Budinsky, president of Manitoba Communities in Bloom, noted their aim is to encourage communities like Morden through sharing, promoting, and celebrating some of the best practices of participating towns and cities.

"We share best practices, we share



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Don Budinsky, president of Manitoba Communities in Bloom, with Clare Agnew, community events and services manager for Morden, which hosted the annual conference and awards last weekend.

initiatives that work in municipalities ... and there's great networking that goes on at these conferences," he said. "We have seen remarkable community involvement making each and every participating community a better place to live, work and play"

He applauded Morden for its efforts and suggested people will have come away from the conference with very favorable impressions of the community.

"Morden is an absolutely beauti-

ful city. What we have noticed is that Morden is strong in all six criteria," he said. "There's the complete package in Morden. Morden is a beautiful city with a really engaged community and is one of the leaders in our province."

Agnew said having the opportunity to host the conference this year was a good opportunity for the city.

"They loved Morden. We got so many compliments on our community."

Fdn. grant deadline nears

By Lorne Stelmach

Community projects have until Sept. 30 to get their grant applications in to the Morden Area Foundation.

The foundation's directors are on the hunt for worthy projects to support with the interest generated from the agency's endowment funds.

"They're really wanting to know what are the needs?" said executive director Lynda Lambert. "So we're really wanting to hear from people ... just talk to us about what the needs are in the community, and we want to hear from you if you've got a project to help address them."

The foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of community life in Morden and the surrounding area by funding projects that address a wide range of areas, including social, health, heritage, sport, recreation, art and culture, child welfare, youth de-

velopment, family well-being, educational, and environmental.

The foundation would especially love to find those projects that go deeper than, for example, simply providing new furniture or equipment.

Lambert noted that idea was very much a focus of discussions when she attended a national conference of community foundations in the spring.

"There's been a lot of talk about that at the board level," she said. "You can grant out lots of money but it might not actually be an answer to a need? So we want to help, and how can we help with that?"

"Sometimes there's groups out there that are doing these things, but maybe we don't find out about it. Maybe if we did, we could help them."

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Crunching the numbers

I noticed a rant-bait graphic on social media the other day. The kind designed to upset people with statistics.

Now, I love to have fun with statistics (who doesn't?) and so I decided to run some numbers. The graphic showed that out of our 338-seat parliament the prairies (Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba) had a paltry 62 seats compared to Ontario and Quebec's combined total of 199.

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The graphic goes on to state, "As long as we remain in Confederation our Prairie vote is useless" and urges a Canadian western "WEXIT" since BREXIT is going so well for England.

It is this kind of blatantly stupid junk designed by a teenager in an Uzbeki basement between Bitcoin mining sessions that somehow manages to manipulate and convince vast numbers of the mindless masses that we have a problem that requires revolution.

Let us suppose for a moment that people actually research these things instead of blindly reposting them and joining the army of automatons do-

ing the bidding of their manipulative masters of anarchy. Let us suppose for a moment that we can actually figure out if this breakdown is reasonable.

We need to start with a few premises:

1. Democracy, however flawed, is better than every other system we have devised so far.

2. The closer we come to representation by population in a democracy the better.

3. Some readers have already begun having second thoughts by premise two.

4. Therefore we need to stop writing out premises and move on.

With these things in mind, let's determine how many people each seat in our 338 seat parliament represents. With our handy calculator (because our fearless author's math mind is too weak) we determine that each seat represents 103,550.29 people in our country of 35,151,728 as of 2019.

Based on provincial populations, Manitoba has 14 seats when it should have 12, Saskatchewan has 14 seats when it should have 11, and Alberta has 34 seats when it should have 36. Interesting. Further to this, we learn that Ontario has 121 seats when it should have 130 and Quebec has 78 seats when it should have 79.

According to the numbers in my soon to be released graphic, the prairies have three MORE seats than they should have based on population and Ontario and Quebec have 10 too few. Hmm. Also interesting is that when

all the other provinces are combined, they have seven more seats than they should as well.

So, who has the legitimate gripe here when Ontario and Quebec seem to be under-represented and the rest of the provinces seem to be over-represented?

Obviously there are complexities that are introduced in a confederation such as Canada when you have a high concentration of people in a central area and a low, spread out population across vast distances in the north and west.

I have no doubt that if the tables were turned and the bulk of Canada's population lived in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba this conversation would be very different. You might have Quebec and Ontario moaning about feeling under-powered in parliament, but you would not have a lot of volunteers in the west offering additional seats.

In a world that appears to be crumbling all around us with countries on the verge of failure and civil war, let us focus on the fact that Canada is the largest confederation in the world and has been for 152 years. No other country has held together for so long across such vast distance. We have not done so by entertaining ideas of separation but by fighting such impulses and meeting them with good Canadian ingenuity and a willingness to sit down and talk.

Here's to a united Canada.



By Peter Cantelon

letters

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Pembina Counselling Centre cuts ribbon on Winkler location

By Lorne Stelmach

Pembina Counselling Centre has been blessed in order to in turn be a blessing to more people with the official opening of its new, larger location in Winkler.

At a Friday noon hour ceremony, executive director Paul Penner reflected on how it felt great to see how community support helped everything fall into place for them financially to renovate and open their doors at 3-915 Navigator Road.

"The community came together," he said. "Lots of partners helped us make it possible ... we have a lot of people to be grateful for, and we feel like God blessed us giving us this opportunity to serve people here."

With another main office in Morden as well as a satellite office in Crystal City, Pembina Counselling Centre made the decision about two years ago that they needed more space than the 600 square feet they had at that point.

"We were cramped," said Penner, who noted a 2018 conversation with Mayor Martin Harder led them to the space on Navigator Rd. that would offer them about 1,000 sq. ft.

They started raising funds, and by January of 2019 had just over \$16,000 for what had been estimated as a \$70,000 project.

"We took a risk when we had \$16,400. It's a big jump to \$70,000. But it's all covered," Penner said, explaining how it all began to fall into place.

It started with Parkside gifting their estimate for materials and then a skilled carpenter volunteering to oversee the project. Then there were contributions like cabinets donated by Ralph Fehr of Elias Woodwork and Carman Granite providing counter-top, just as a couple examples.

"We had lots of volunteers ... Rite-way let us use their lift; other tradespeople were kind to us by giving us good service, good deals, and so we got the rest done," said Penner.

"It's very comfortable and very useful for us, and clients will feel welcome in that space," he said, noting they now have increased from one to three rooms, which will allow them to



Pembina Counselling Centre cut the ribbon on its new home at 3-915 Navigator Road in Winkler Sept. 6.

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better meet a growing need.

"Obviously we have room for expansion, and we need to expand. We need to enlist some more counselling days and contract with counsellors," said Penner. "For probably two years we've had a wait list ... and although sometimes it's only three weeks, sometimes a month, sometimes it's been two months and longer.

"So that tells us that we can increase how many days we're offering, and of course we have to find the counsellors that we can contract with," said Penner.

Along with their need to attract another counsellor will be another change in the near future: Penner is stepping away from being executive director to focus on counselling and being the clinical supervisor.

"We wanted that to follow the executive director role being filled," he noted.

At the new office's grand opening, dignitaries offered their congratulations.

"You are an asset to the community," said Mayor Martin Harder, who saluted the strong community support that recognized the need and helped make it happen.

Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen also pointed out how this region has really focused on and taken the lead

in providing and supporting mental health services.

"Pembina Counselling is certainly at the forefront of that," she said.

"I think it's great that each one of us can have somebody that we go and

talk to," said Bergen. "I think it's wonderful that we can have somebody, a counsellor, to speak to as we need it so that we don't get to that point of desperation."

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Red River Valley executives looking for rescue

Two Red River Valley businessmen are taking part in the sixth annual STARS Rescue on the Island this week.

Curwin Friesen, CEO of Greenvalley Equipment, and Brent Manning, CEO of Parallel Ag Group, will be “stranded” alongside five other Manitoba business and community leaders on an island in the Whiteshell on Thursday, Sept. 12.

To earn their way off the island, they’ll each have to use their cell-phones to reach out to supporters for donations. The group will also take part in a number of challenges to earn additional money towards their fundraising totals.

With over \$1.4 million raised since the event began in 2013, Rescue on the Island is the air ambulance service’s largest one-day fundraiser, says organizer Lori Derksen, who notes all donations go to help to ensure the next time a Manitoban needs world-class critical care and rapid transport, STARS will be there.

“The past few months have been among the busiest for STARS since full-time operations began in Manitoba,” she says. “While the money raised during this important event will help fund the response to those calls, it also provides our organization with the flexibility to ensure when

our crews are called out they have the best equipment available to them and the training to use it.”

It’s a cause Manning and Friesen can certainly get behind.

“STARS is an extremely important service, especially in southern Manitoba where remote access to Winnipeg health facilities is critical in an emergency,” says Friesen.

“We see the need,” agrees Manning, “and understand that our farm customers, along with our retail partners and staff, all work in the rural areas of Manitoba and don’t have access to emergency services as readily as in the urban settings.

“STARS is a key integral part of reducing the time it takes for someone to get the help ... they desperately require in such a short period of time during an emergency.”

The pair have also given some thought as to what good luck charms or indispensable survival gear they’ll bring along for the challenge.

For Friesen, it’ll be “warm socks.” Manning says he’ll be bringing a photo of his family.

“That alone will keep me grounded as to why I’m doing this.”

Joining Friesen and Manning on the island are Alan Butler, Mark Dufresne, Emeric J. Duha, Dr. R. Bruce McFarlane, and John Kelleher.



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Greenvalley Equipment CEO Curwin Friesen (above) and Parallel Ag Group CEO Brent Manning (right) join five other Manitoba business leaders in the sixth annual STARS Rescue on the Island this Thursday.



STARS will bring in a backup helicopter for this event, leaving the active on-duty aircraft mission ready at the Winnipeg base.

To support any of the seven Rescue participants, go to rescueontheisland.ca.

• SIX SIMPLE STEPS OF PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Step 3: Debt Reduction

Ah, debt. Some people don't mind it, some people hate it. It keeps some people awake at night. Good debt, bad debt, minimum payments, interest-only payments. How 'bout 25.99% YIKES!



Chris MacPherson, CHS

The first step toward eliminating debt requires you to go back to Step 1: Cash Flow – LIVE WITHIN YOUR MEANS. You need a

budget that you are following, and hopefully there is some extra dollars left after the necessities are covered. That is what you can work with to accelerate paying down your debts.

There are two debts that are not as worrisome to pay off. One is your mortgage and the second is your car payment, as these debts usually have lower interest rates, comparatively speaking. Human psychology is also a factor. It turns out that when people don't have a car payment and their vehicle has a breakdown, it becomes really easy for them to go buy a new car rather than just fix the one they have. So although I am all for having

no car payments, for some people it may be more advantageous to pay off other debts or even save/invest money rather than pay off their car early.

There are a few strategies you can use to accelerate paying down your debts. The most common is the Snowball Method. The image is supposed to be that of a snowball rolling downhill, getting larger as it goes and picking up speed. When it comes to paying down your debts, it won't be that fast, but it can get larger and pick up speed.

Here is how the Snowball Method works: you have a dollar amount that you can put toward your debts each month. You also have debts that require you to make minimum payments. Let's use an example to illus-

trate. Assume you have \$1,000 to put toward your debts and \$400 in minimum payments. The remaining \$600 goes against the debt with the smallest balance. Once that first debt is gone, the \$600 and the minimum payment from that debt now get added to the payment of the next debt with the smallest balance (the snowball just got bigger and is moving faster). This continues until all the debts are gone. Behavioral finance tells us that this method has the highest success rate. People like to see progress, and having one or two less payments feels like progress.

Another way is the Debt Stacking Method. It's exactly the same as the

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Community support builds Enns Courts playground

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The surrounding mud may have kept the adults at a distance last week, but the bevy of toys left behind at the new playground at Enns Courts in Winkler made it clear the kids in the neighbourhood weren't so deterred.

Eden Health Care Services last Friday celebrated the completion of the project, which included the installation of a play structure and pergola in the green space between Enns Court East and Enns Court West on Pembina Ave.

Ever since the subsidized housing units were built nearly 30 years ago, there's been something missing, said Eden Foundation director Earl Reimer.

"And that piece that was missing was a place for play," he said. "Today we have that place."

Fundraising for the project began nearly two years ago with a donation from the Parkland Elementary School Youth in Philanthropy group.

After the students got the ball rolling, other community donors stepped forward to help make the playground a reality.

Shoppers Drug Mart donated the proceeds from one of its Shoppers Love You women's health fundraising campaigns and also presented Eden with an unexpected donation last week of \$317 from a recent cosmetics gala at the store.

"The staff there ... have been incredible with their engagement with the community," said Reimer, noting Shoppers employees encouraged customers to give at the till toward the cause, to great success.

Also key to the construction at the site was Elias Trucking. Owner Rich-

ard Elias and his staff leveled the area and provided materials and recommendations to see the project through to completion. "Richard guided us through a visioning of this project and helped to facilitate this well above and beyond the call of duty," noted Eden CEO Kym Kaufmann. Kaufmann also thanked James Friesen and Earl Dyck from Tinker Creek Construction for their work on the pergola, which provides a beautiful central gathering place for the neighbourhood. It's a space that will get a lot of use, said Christine Tuan, director of Eden housing and supports. "On behalf of the residents here at Enns Courts, we are extremely grateful to the contributors ... for donat-



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ing their time and effort and funds to help us build this beautiful outdoor space," Tuan said.

"Our families here and our children thank you for making this such a warm and welcoming environment and a place for people to gather right

outside their front door," she added. "Just having this wonderful space for the children here, right outside where they are safe and don't have to venture very far, is extremely valuable to the residents and to the community in the area."

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Shoppers Drug Mart's Cathy Jackson, Sage Eberhardt, Zehid Zehri, and Mike Agnew (far right) presented Eden Foundation's Earl Reimer (second from right) with a donation of \$317 for some finishing touches on the Enns Court playground project.

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By Lorne Stelmach

The 17th annual Head for the Hills in support of Eden Health Care Services was a success once again in the eyes of Earl Reimer.

The director of development for the Eden Foundation judges that not only in terms of the event's significance as a fundraiser but also in how it helps bring people together.

"This is a delight to see this collect together all these various cultures that are coming together," Reimer said following the ride that took place Saturday morning.

Head for the Hills, which set out from Lake Minnewasta first thing that morning, offered two routes for cyclists again this year, with one taking a bit more of a challenging route via the lake trail and the other going

by road to the finish line south of Morden.

Over 170 riders put foot to pedal and raised about \$108,000. Past years have seen the ride attract as many as 220 riders and raise upwards of \$180,000.

"This has been a well attended event every year, increasing every year ... this year it stabilized," said Reimer.

Regardless, it is always astonishing to Reimer to see how people rally together for the cause.

"Everyone is touched in some way by mental health ... and that happens across all sorts of socioeconomic backgrounds," he said, noting that one in five people are affected by mental health issues.

"I think that this is a reflection of the community engaging with us. This is something that is extraordinary for us," Reimer said. "It's a reflection of community engagement. It's a reflection of the fact that it's a

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Over 170 riders set out from Morden's Colert Beach Saturday as part of the 17th annual Eden Head for the Hills. The event raised \$108,000 for mental health services.

fun event, and we're grateful that people continue to come back." The ride is Eden's most significant fundraising event of the entire year.

"We are grateful for the fact that there are many generous people in the communities," said Reimer. "We have contributions coming from all over.

"Financially, it's very significant, and it makes possible a lot of programs and a lot of services that are not part of our service purchase agreement with the government," he added. "So we are extremely grateful to those who are giving, and we are extremely grateful to the corporate accounts who are covering off the costs that are associated with this event. That's an important component because, as a result, the money that people are giving to the riders in support of their event here are actually going to the work that Eden Health Care Services does."

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Wrap up Mennonite Heritage Week with some crokinole

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Heritage Society is marking Canada's very first Mennonite Heritage Week in a quintessentially Mennonite way this weekend.

On Saturday, Sept. 14, the Southland Mall museum is hosting what it hopes will be the first annual Mennonite Heritage Week Crokinole Tournament.

"When we heard there was going to be a week celebrating the contributions of Mennonites in Canada, we knew we had to do something," says museum staffer Joanne Bergen.

"When you look especially at southern Manitoba, the majority of what's here was built by the Mennonites," she says. "They're the ones that came here and farmed the land and they built and built and built. I think it's great they're getting some recognition for it."

Given crokinole's popularity in the Mennonite community, a tournament seemed the perfect way to wrap up this inaugural Mennonite Heritage Week, Bergen says.

There will be both doubles and singles divisions at the tournament, which kicks off with registration at

10:30 a.m. followed by the first matches at 11 a.m. The tables will be set up in front of the heritage museum in the mall's north end.

The entrance fee is \$10 per person, a portion of which will go toward the cash prizes for each division while the rest goes to support the heritage soci-

ety in its efforts to preserve artifacts from Winkler's past.

Space is limited, so eager crokinole players are encouraged to pre-register by contacting Randy Rietze at 204-325-2983 or randyrietze@hotmail.com. Same day registration is also welcome, space allowing.

If you've never played crokinole before and want to see what all the fuss is about, stop by anytime Saturday afternoon to watch a few games, encourages Bergen.

"If people want to come out and watch, come on by."

A little piece of home

Linda Funk (right, at right), a representative of the Winkler Library's monthly Knit Lit group, recently presented Brenda Solomon, the nursing coordinator for Eden Mental Health Centre, with an afghan blanket the group made for Eden's patients.

Having something from home can provide a measure comfort during uncomfortable times, Funk said, noting a number of members of Knit Lit have been involved with Eden Health Care Services in some way, either personally or through family members needing care.

The group plan to make more blankets for Eden in the future. That's welcome news to Solomon, who thanked the group for their kindness and noted similar donations have been very well-received.

A previous patient has shared that they "felt very comforted by it," she said, adding that this kind of gift from the community means a lot on the road to recovery.



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The Pembina Valley Humane Society, represented in part by one of its dogs, Nash, received a financial boost of \$1,100 last Wednesday thanks to a fundraising hot dog lunch hosted by Focal Point Comprehensive Vision Care. "Getting our team involved in giving back to the community is a priority for our owners, and today's hot dog lunch was one of the initiatives we've undertaken to that end," said Focal Point marketing co-ordinator Laurie Nakonechny, who noted donated pet food and supplies were also collected for the humane society. The Morden Co-op food store supplied the hot dogs, buns, and drinks while Old Dutch donated chips for the BBQ.

Elias Woodwork up for award

A Winkler company is in the running for a Manitoba Chambers of Commerce (MCC) Manitoba Business Award.

MCC announced Friday that Elias Woodwork & Manufacturing is a finalist for the Outstanding Large Business Award.

"This year, once again, we received a high calibre of nominations in all categories, and it's such an honour to learn about and celebrate individuals, companies, and social enterprises for their contributions to Manitoba's strength," says Chuck Davidson, Manitoba Chambers of Commerce president and CEO.

"These awards provide representatives of our 71 chambers of commerce—and community members

from across the province—an opportunity to nominate their business heroes and share inspiring success stories, whether those are about local innovators who demonstrate energy and passion in their pursuits, or the legacy of Manitoba's established, trusted, long-term employers."

Elias Woodwork, which earlier this year brought home the Winkler chamber of commerce's P.W. Enns Business Excellence Award, is up against Civility Experts Inc. Worldwide and GoodLife Fitness for the provincial award.

The Manitoba Business Awards will be presented at gala in Winnipeg Oct. 25.

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Motorcycle hits truck

One person was injured late Sunday morning after an accident at the intersection of Thornhill St. and Mountain St. in Morden involving a truck and a motorcycle. Morden Police say the driver of an eastbound pickup truck was attempting to turn north onto Mountain when the motorcycle rear ended them. One person was transported to Boundary Trails Health Centre and then later transferred to a Winnipeg hospital due to injuries. Police continue to investigate the matter.

At right: Accident reconstruction specialists from the Winkler Police Service were on the scene shortly after the incident, which closed down the intersection for part of the afternoon.



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Fawn and Cub on the move to Winkler

One of the area's popular vendor and artisan markets is on the move to Winkler this weekend.

Organizers behind the Fawn and Cub Market made the decision to change their fall market's location based on issues of space and accessibility.

"We anticipate Fawn and Cub will continue to grow, and this will allow us to make some great additions to the event," said Ashley Funk in advance of the market taking place this Saturday from 1-6 p.m. at the Winkler fairgrounds. "With moving to the Winkler fairgrounds, we can provide a larger area for our tents, better parking, and more space."

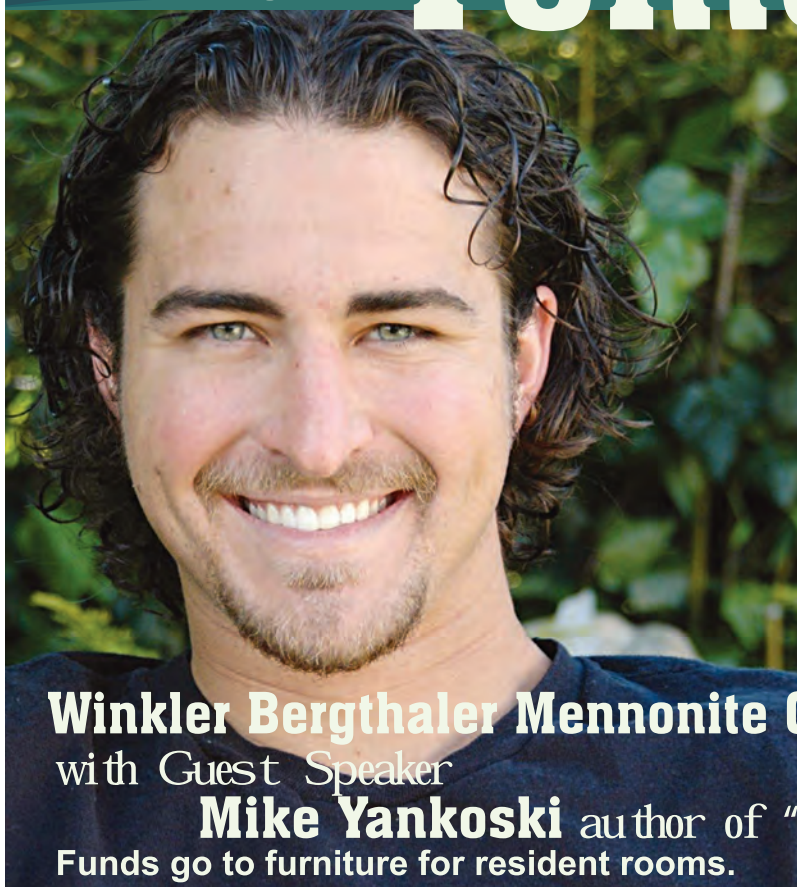
Over 100 vendors are expected to attend.

"The market continues to grow and is bringing in a lot of people from outside the Pembina Valley region, so we wanted to make the experience easily accessible and provide additional space for parking and set-up," Funk said.

Funk noted that they will continue to have a presence as well in Morden, as their wedding show, foraged finds, and Christmas markets will all be held at the Access Event Centre.

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Battle against Dutch Elm Disease continues

By Lorne Stelmach

It is an ongoing battle, but city officials feel Morden continues to do well in the fight against Dutch Elm Disease.

The progress is evident in large part with the reduction in the number of trees being lost in recent years as a result of Morden's efforts under its community forestry agreement with the Province of Manitoba.

"Our five year average, I would say, is starting to decline. It's going in a good direction," said Shawn Dias, Morden's manager of parks and urban forestry.

"It's not to say that we aren't without Dutch Elm Disease. It's still around, and we still have trees every year that need to be removed because of it. I would say the program as a whole, in terms of the pruning, the basal spraying, fungicide injections and the rapid removal is going well."

Fall is a key time for many aspects of the management plan, Dias noted, including an emphasis on the quick removal of infected trees.

"Last year all of our trees were out by the end of September, and this year that is our aim as well," he said, adding disposal of the wood is also vital.

"It's hard to gauge if we are getting ahead of the problem, based on environmental factors that affect the spread of the disease ... during dry years such as last year, we have less trees than we have this year by about 30."

On Aug. 26, the city started basal spraying American elm trees. This treatment helps prevent the overwintering of elm bark beetles,

which can carry Dutch Elm Disease fungal spores.

About 2,800 trees on public and private property will be treated, Dias said.

After treatment has occurred, the contractor Green Drop places a green drop flag in the ground by the tree. Immediately following treatment, residents are encouraged to avoid direct contact with these trees.

If left untreated, there is definitely a greater risk, and Dias said they always hope private landowners will not only be aware but be proactive as well.

"We like to encourage people if they do have larger diameter, high value trees that preventative maintenance treatment does cost money, but there are the benefits that the tree provides," he said.

"It's a hard sell," added Dias, noting how people might forego the treatment and its cost when Morden's involvement in the provincial program means the cost of removing a tree is covered.

"Over that three year period the combined total is less than the treatment cost. Some times it's hard for people to keep track of that in their mind ... over the long term, it's definitely a benefit."

Overall, Dias hopes that the community sees the benefit to be involved in the program.

"Participating in the community forest agreement reduces the incidence of disease, plus we don't have a bunch of standing, dead trees in residential areas that then become a safety risk," he noted. "It's definitely a benefit with the disease, and it's a benefit for our residents."



The Green Drop sign indicates an elm tree has been treated with a chemical designed to combat elm bark beetles, which can carry Dutch Elm Disease.

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Honey, Garlic, & Maple Syrup Festival



There was no shortage of honey, maple syrup, and other food and craft products at the Honey, Garlic and Maple Syrup Festival in Manitou last weekend. The packed-full schedule also included community meals, musical entertainment, and fun and games for the kids, including this firemen's obstacle course (left).

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Flyers bring home the goose

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers bounced back in a big way after dropping their pre-season opener last week.

The Orange and Black hit the ice for the first time Sept. 4, welcoming the Oil Capitals to town.

Winkler put a number of its youngest players on the lineup that night, and the home team found themselves down 7-1 after two periods.

Tanner Barbeau drew first blood just seven minutes in. Virden replied with three unanswered goals in the first period and four more in the second.

Midway through the final frame, rookie Winkler defenseman Trent Sambrook scored on the powerplay to make it 7-2.

That would be Winkler's final goal, while Virden added two more to their tally for a 9-2 win.

Nate Bradbury and Dylan Meilun split duties in net, with Bradbury stopping 11 of 16 shots while Meilun made 15 saves off of 19.

Virden outshot Winkler 35-24 overall. Winkler was 1-for-3 on the powerplay and 4-for-6 on the penalty kill.

The Flyers shook the loss right off two nights later as they welcomed the Thief River Falls Norskies to town for game one of the Goose Cup series.

With more veterans on the ice this night, Winkler skated away with a 9-1 win.

Winkler's Jaden Townsend tries to tip a point shot from teammate Will Irvine as the Flyers downed the visiting Thief River Falls Norskies 9-1 Friday night in game one of the Goose Cup. Winkler went on to win the exhibition series with a 5-2 victory in Minnesota the next night.



PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

Contributing scorers included Tanner Barbeau, Mateo Albinati, Everett Bestland, Brody Moffatt, Sullivan Shortreed (with two), Alex Cattani, Drake Burgin, and Bryce Krauter.

Meilun started between the posts for Winkler and allowed one goal on the nine he faced. Carson Cherepak relieved him and stopped all nine shots that came his way.

Winkler outshot Thief River Falls 61-18 overall, 28-4 in the third period alone.

Game two, played the next night in Thief River Falls, MN, saw Winkler score a few less goals but still earn a decisive 5-2 win.

Trenton Penner got the Flyers up on the board first followed by goals from Cattani, Bestland, and Matty Harrold to make it a 4-1 game heading into the first intermission.

The Norskies cut Winkler's lead to 4-2 in the second frame, but Will Irvine widened the gap once again with Winkler's fifth goal of the night in the

third period.

Carson Cherepak and Dorrin Ludwig split net duties, both performing well as Winkler outshot the Norskies 29-24 overall.

The exhibition schedule continued this week as the boys headed to Virden to play the Oil Capitals on Wednesday. Results were not available at press time.

On Friday they host the Pistons be-

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Winkler Storm down Hanover Kickers 4-1

The Winkler Storm kicked Hanover to the curb 4-1 over the weekend.

The senior mens soccer team welcomed the Kickers to town Sunday for their third-last game of the regular season.

Goals from Philipp Unruh, Derek Giesbrecht, Mamadou Turay, and Emil Rode sealed the deal for

the home team, bolstering their record in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's 1st Division to 5-10-1 as they try to claw their way out of the bottom half of the standings.

The Storm wrap up the season this weekend with an away game against Scotia United Friday and a home match versus Granite United Sunday at 2

p.m.

Meanwhile, the South Central Hurricanes ladies team brought their season to an end with a forfeit to the FCNW Titans Sept. 3.

The 'Canes had a rocky season in the Winnipeg Womens Soccer League's 1st Division, finishing in last place with a 0-12-2 record.

Locals suit up for U16 Team 'Toba

To play for U16 Team Manitoba in Hockey Manitoba's Program of Excellence is a dream for most female hockey players.

For Abby Bourdeaud'hui, Erica Fijala, and Quinn McLaren, that dream became a reality last weekend.

The trio made the cut after Team Manitoba's roster was whittled down following a series of selection camps, evaluation sessions, and inters-squad exhibition games through the spring and summer months.

Bourdeaud'hui (from La Salle) and

Fijala (from Manitou) had previously played hockey for Pembina Valley Bantam AAA Hawks, while McLaren (from Roland) had suited up for the Pembina Valley U18 AAA Hawks.

Over the weekend they donned Team 'Toba's colours at the Wildcats Preseason U18 AAA Tournament in Swift Current, Saskatchewan.

There, Manitoba lost to Saskatchewan's U16 team and to the hosting Wildcats, but wrapped up the weekend with a 5-2 win over the Weyburn Gold Wings.



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From left: Abby Bourdeaud'hui, Quinn McLaren, and Erica Fijala are part of the Hockey Manitoba Program of Excellence's U16 team.

Future looks bright for male Pembina Valley Hawks

By Lorne Stelmach

Optimism always abounds with the start of a new season, but there may be good reason for the positive feeling around the male Pembina Valley Hawks.

A good veteran core of players is part of what has the Hawks' coaching staff anxious to get to work on the 2019-20 campaign.

"I think the future looks pretty bright for us this year," co-coach Jeff Andrews said heading into last weekend's tryouts for the AAA team.

"We're super excited to be heading into camp. We've got quite a few guys who have been doing well at junior A camps too ... most of those guys were going to be around I think when camps starts here.

"We're returning a lot of guys, especially up front, so that bodes well," said Andrews. "Everybody is a year older, they've played in the league for a year, some of them two, and we're looking forward to each and every guy getting a little better in terms of their production and helping our team move forward."

Tryout camp had about 50 kids signed up to take part—a significant increase over past years, Andrews noted.

"We have some new guys signed up who have had some success within the high school league and then some bantam kids moving up that we have

some high expectations for as well," he said. "We're really excited about the way our team is looking on paper just with our tryout sign-up. Obviously, once we get into camp and get into some competitive games, it will become more clear where we're going to fit within our league and what kind of hockey team we're going to be overall."

One goal the team has is to move up in the standings this year. Last season saw them finish seventh with a 24-18-6 record.

It put them up against second place Yellowhead in the quarterfinals, where they fell in three straight, including a 4-3 series-ender that went to double overtime

"The end result was okay based on

the team that we had; we were a little younger, and we had to experience what it's like to play in this league and what it takes to win in this league," said Andrews. "We're going to be gunning to be in the top half of the league if not top quarter of the year ... having a lot of playoff success would be a second goal for us."

As they start to whittle down their roster for this season, Andrews said they're looking for things like "work ethic and the ability to be a good team guy."

"We want the kids to showcase what they can do," he said. "We understand that not everybody brings the same skill set to the table, but in order to have an effective team, you need to have guys that bring those different

skill sets.

"So play your game, show the coaching staff what it is you do effectively, and just try your best. In the end, if all the right attributes come shining through, then there will be a spot for you in the end."

The Hawks got an opportunity to see the new players in action right away with their first exhibition game Tuesday at Eastman.

Their next pre-season action is Sept. 21 against the Central Plains Capitals and Sept. 22 against Eastman, both games here in Morden.

The regular season opens with a home doubleheader against the Norman Northstars Sept. 28-29.

Rocking W charity barrel race Sept. 21

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Rocking W is aiming high for its second annual Fall Finale Charity Barrel Race.

"Last year we raised just over \$18,400. For it being our first event, we were pretty impressed," said organizer Dusty van der Steen. "I'm really hoping we beat that this year."

Barrel racers at the Sept. 21 event are encouraged once again to collect pledges on behalf of South Central Cancer Resource. Half of their registration fees, meanwhile, are earmarked for the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation.

There will also be a silent auction packed full with prizes. Proceeds from that will be split between the two agencies.

Cancer is a cause that hits close to home for van der Steen.

"I think pretty much everybody knows somebody somewhere that's been affected by cancer," she says. "For a lot of years it never really touched my immediate family ... but then last year my dad was diagnosed with cancer."

"He used a lot of services through South Central Cancer Resource and CancerCare Manitoba. They just took such good care of him."

The Charity Classic, which is held at van der Steen's family ranch north-east of Morden off Hwy. 3, is her way of saying thanks.

The races start at 1 p.m. that Saturday. Spectators are more than welcome.

"Admission is free," stressed van der

Steen. "We're really hoping for good weather this year so we have lots of spectators and lots of bidders coming out. The silent auction is open to everybody."

There's also still room for riders of all ages.

"The main jackpot is a 4D open event for all ages, but we also have a special pee wee division for kids that are ages 4-11," said van der Steen, noting there's a champion saddle and other prizes up for grabs for each division as well as prizes for the event's top fundraisers.

"Riders can register right up until the start of the jackpot that day," she added.

Registration details and a map to the Rocking W Ranch are available online at rockingw.com.

"WE'RE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE WAY OUR TEAM IS LOOKING ON PAPER ..."

Check out the Winkler Morden Voice online at www.winklermordenvoice.ca



By Lorne Stelmach

It may be the sports like hockey, figure skating, and gymnastics that had the largest lineups last Wednesday, but a number of other organizations and individuals found it worthwhile as well to be part of the Morden's Sport and Leisure Registration Night and Expo.

The annual event at the Access Event Centre featured upwards of 30 organizations—running the gamut from sports to the arts to personal improvement—looking to get their names out there.

"Most of the people who come here are into the sports for their kids ... we're kind of here to just help with the general awareness of what we can

offer," said Tim Penner of the Pembina Valley Toastmasters Club.

Penner loves to take any opportunity he can to speak to people about Toastmasters and how it can help them find a greater level of comfort with speaking and increase their confidence.

"We need to change the marketing from public speaking being the greater fear to that not getting better at it is the greater fear," he said. "There's a lot of people that I meet all the time, they are very good one on one ... when it comes to getting in front of a larger group, they're not able to transition to that.

"If anybody is interested, we're of course very happy to talk to them ... what we're hoping is that people will



see it and it will start to become part of their consciousness."

Guitar instructor Ken Hiebert was back for his third year at the expo.

"The minor hockey or the skating, that's what brings people here, but hopefully some of them will get over here as well," he said. "I always have a lot of people interested, and sometimes I have a hard time finding room for them."

Hiebert sees himself also benefitting personally from being at the community event.

"I love being here. I get to talk to many different people, and I get to play my guitar. I think it's a great thing. While I'm here, I try to find stuff that our kids can do ... I have a list of things I want to check out."



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE
The Access Event Centre hall was packed Sept. 4 as people came out to sign up for the many sport and leisure programs available in the area. From left: The Morden 4H Club registration table; guitar instructor Ken Hiebert plays a tune; having some fun at the Fun and Fire display.

Female Hawks finding their feet in the pre-season

By Lorne Stelmach

The 2019-20 edition of the female AAA Pembina Valley Hawks got their first taste of game action this past weekend.

The Hawks came back winless from the tournament in Swift Current, Saskatchewan, but it isn't so much about the scores at this point of the pre-season for the Hawks, who were just a week out from tryouts.

"There were a lot of good things we saw, a lot of potential that we saw out there," said coach Shanley Siemens on Monday.

The Hawks were up against high calibre opponents such as the Swift Current Wildcats—a team laden with over a dozen seasoned veteran players.

The Hawks fell 3-0 to the Wildcats Friday before losing 3-1 Saturday to the Weyburn Red Wings and 9-0 Sunday to the Saskatchewan U16 team.

"It was a good weekend for getting some of the young girls adjusted to what the pace will be like and the calibre of hockey we'll be playing in the league," suggested Siemens.

"There's room to improve, definitely, but overall we were pleased with the weekend ... we started to get better,"

she said. "We started to understand how each teammate was playing and were adjusting.

"I thought it was a good learning weekend for everybody, and there's lots for us to come home with, even as coaches to see where we're at as a team and what we need to do in order

to prepare for league play."

The Hawks will now prepare this week and next for a pre-season tournament in Portage Sept. 20-22 that will see them take on the Yellowhead Chiefs, Rink Hockey Academy, Pilot Mound Hockey Academy, and the Winnipeg Ice.

> FLYERS, FROM PG. 16

fore hitting the road to play them in Steinbach Saturday night.

The regular season starts Friday, Sept. 20 in Steinbach.

FLYERS ACQUIRE VETERAN GOALTENDER

The Flyers announced this week that they have added 20-year-old goaltender Dorrin Luding to their

roster.

The Richmond, B.C. native spent the past two seasons in the Western Hockey League (WHL), suiting up for the Saskatoon Blades this past season.

"We are extremely happy to have a player like Dorrin commit to our program, and we feel that having someone of his skill set and experience will be a huge compliment to

our team and is a bit part in us having a successful season," said Flyers general manager Jeff Jeanson.

Luding is a 6'1", 196 lbs goaltender who had a 9-5 record with the Blades last year. He also had a 2.90 GAA and a .909 SV% with one shut-out. Saskatoon drafted Luding in the 3rd Round of the 2014 WHL Bantam Draft.

Agriculture

Trade dispute with China hurting producers

Canadian, U.S. producers turning to their governments for help

By Harry Siemens

The battle between China and Canada continues at so-called diplomatic levels. Meanwhile, the Canadian ag industry keeps feeling the negative effects.

Media reports had Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau going tit for tat with China's leadership.

Pulse Ghana, a news site from Ghana, displayed a headline that said, "China slams Canada for accusations of 'arbitrary detentions.'" That response came after Trudeau told the Toronto Star editorial board that China's use of arbitrary detention as a tool to achieve political goals is a concern not only to Canada but also its western allies.

Canadian Meat Council president and CEO Chris White said the entire Canadian red meat sector is calling for government action to address China's "temporary suspension" of pork and beef imports from Canada.

The cost of the suspension (which was imposed June 25 after Chinese Customs identified a shipment of non-Canadian pork exhibiting technical irregularities and fraudulently certified as Canadian with falsified documents) is approaching \$100 million. This when the agricultural sectors, whether grain, pulses, or red

meat, are suffering from lack of product movement, much of which had markets destined for China.

White said the longer the situation drags on, the higher the losses will be and, when China finally lifts the suspension, the more difficult it will be to regain market share lost to Canada's competitors.

"The immediate task is to assist the industry concerning compensation," he said. "The reason the Chinese government gave to Canada for the suspension was owing to irregularities as a consequence of [CFIA], the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. It wasn't because of anything wrong with the Canadian product, or anything Canadian companies did. The ask for compensation is because it appears from an industry perspective the suspension resulted as action by the government."

The government is already helping to identify and secure other potential markets for Canadian products, but White said if the suspension continues additional assistance will be needed.

"For example, if there are job losses, what can government do to assist people in getting retraining or employment insurance if it's a short term job loss," he said. "There are other provisions the government

has that they can provide some short term assistance to the industry. So the government is looking at what those options might be, and they'll be making some recommendations to industry in terms of what they think they can do."

White said government and industry had established a working group to determine what compensation might look like and what's needed to make intelligent recommendations. The sector is working to provide that data.

Meanwhile, looking at the situation from the American side, the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) said recently that the latest increase in Chinese tariffs on U.S. pork would further limit the ability of American pork producers to take advantage of the opportunities created by declining Chinese pork production.

Since Canada ships so much product south, anything that impacts U.S. prices impacts Canadian ones as well.

With China imposing a 72 per cent tariff on U.S. pork—compared to 12 per cent charged on pork from com-

peting nations—American pork producers are already having a difficult time exporting into China, said Maria Zieba, the director of international affairs for the NPPC.

"We need to have a deal as quickly as possible with the Chinese that eliminates all of these retaliatory tariffs and addresses those issues that limit our exports," said Zieba. "That's what we're asking. We understand

that this is a bigger issue that affects the rest of the U.S. economy. But paying a 72 per cent tariff, in the long run, will hurt our industry and now that African Swine Fever has devastated the China pork industry."

She pointed out that with China being the largest pork producer and consumer of pork in the

world and with African Swine Fever killing a large part of their industry, there's a tremendous opportunity for U.S. pork to fill the gap. But because of that high tariff, that opportunity is going to other countries.

The NPPC continues to urge the Trump administration to end the trade dispute with China, Zieba noted.

"THE IMMEDIATE TASK IS TO ASSIST THE INDUSTRY CONCERNING COMPENSATION."

PHAC holiday craft sale already filling up

By Lorne Stelmach

It's not too soon to be thinking about the Christmas season if you are a local artisan or crafter.

The Pembina Hills Arts Council is now taking registrations for its Holiday Craft Sale taking place Nov. 2 at the Access Event Centre in Morden.

While there will be upwards of 80 tables available, the show in past years has quickly filled to capacity.

"There's still some spots available

though they are quickly filling up, so if people are interested they better act fast," said administrative co-ordinator Laurie Wiebe.

The show brings over 60 artists and crafters from across the region together under one roof.

Tables are \$40 for PHAC members and \$45 for non-members. Proceeds from the event go to the arts council to support local artists and arts programming.

"I think one of the reasons why it is

so popular is because it's the beginning of November, so it's just before people really start planning their Christmas shopping. It's kind of like a jump start for people to be thinking about Christmas," suggested Wiebe. "And because it's been going on for so many years, people look forward to it."

Shoppers also appreciate the variety of items offered, she said, and that there is an emphasis on it all being homemade.

"When people apply, we do go through them ... they need to be vetted just to make sure that they are handcrafted and unique and different from what other people are doing," Wiebe said. "We try to make sure there's always a good variety."

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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 24th, 2019 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. 2241-19, of the City of Winkler.

The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2241-19, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

Plan No. (Dep. 767/2019) MLTO of Part of SE ¼ 8-3-4 WPM including Part of Public Reserve A, Plan NO. 52300 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: "CR" COMMUNITY RESERVE ZONE

TO: "RS" RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY

"RT" RESIDENTIAL TWO FAMILY ZONE

"RMA" RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTED MULTIPLE FAMILY ZONE

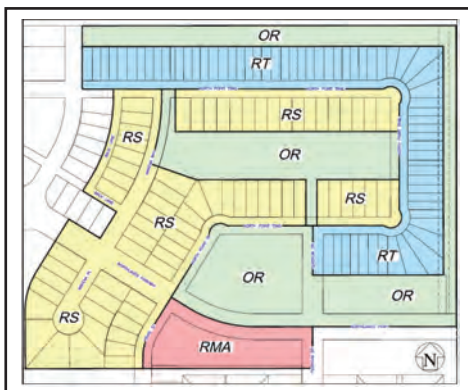
"OR" OPEN SPACE/RECREATION ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2241-19, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 23rd day of August, 2019.

Designated Officer
City of Winkler

SCHEDULE "A"
To By-Law
2241-19



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The general intent of the above By-Law No. 2238-19, is to zone the land described below, Namely:

182 Victoria Street, legally described as Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 30045 MLTO in the SW ¼ 3-3-4 WPM

as shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the map attached hereto as Schedule "A", and forming part of this by-law, be rezoned

FROM: "RT" RESIDENTIAL TWO FAMILY ZONE

TO: "RMA" RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTED MULTIPLE FAMILY ZONE

A copy of the above By-Law No. 2238-19, and supporting material may be inspected by any persons between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, in the City Office.

DATED at Winkler, in Manitoba, this 19th day of August, 2019.

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SCHEDULE "A"
To By-Law
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OBITUARY



Sarah Peters 1924 – 2019

Sarah Peters was born on April 15, 1924, she was the second daughter to Isaac D. and Anna (Siemens) Peters. She died peacefully on August 29, 2019, with family by her side at her residence in the Morden Tabor Home.

She was predeceased by her parents, Isaac and Anna Peters; brother, Jake; sister, Anne and her husband, Norman Bluhm; brothers-in-law, Wilbur McAfee and Willie Hiebert; sisters-in-law, Tina (Isaac's wife), and Tena (John's wife); sister, Mary who died in infancy and great nephew, Mark Peters (John and Marjorie's son).

She is survived by her sister, Helen McAfee and her family; brother, Isaac and his family; brother, John and his family; sister, Margaret Hiebert and her family; brother, Dave and wife, Linda and

their family; sister-in-law, Adeline Peters and her family and brother, Pete and wife, Louise and their family.

Her childhood began 1 1/2 miles west of Haskett in a thatched roof, two-roomed log house. On her way to Paraguay, South America, she turned three years old and was the only one out of 20 of her grandfather David Peters' clan, to suffer severely with typhus fever. One night, everyone believed she would die. Her mother thought, "If we only could get onto land to bury her, not just drop her into the Atlantic Ocean." God had other plans, this was the turning point for her life, but she had lost the ability to walk. She relearned to walk in Paraguay where her dad built a mudbrick, tin-roofed home. After two years of unsuccessfully trying to grow grain etc., they returned to Osterwick, Manitoba, Canada. Her elementary education was in Osterwick where the Word of God was taught as well as in Sunday School. In youth, Jesus Christ became her personal Saviour. What indescribable peace and joy flooded her soul. When only an eight-month babe in Christ, the Lord called her to be a missionary. However, more education was needed - high school, Winkler Bible School, Nursing School, plus a year at Tabor College, Kansas, where her French studies began. In Belgium, she studied more French and tropical medicine. After three years of mission work in Congo, she took midwifery in Belgium. Before beginning to minister in the Congo, Africa, she needed to study the trade language: Kituba.

At the Kajiji Mission Station, she taught in the Nursing Institute - training hospital dispensary nurses and midwives while preparing many courses in French. Many patients became Christians, largely due to the chaplain, Thinyama. She also taught the nursing students the Word of God and how to witness to patients. Some students experienced salvation in Jesus Christ. She considered it her privilege to teach God's Word in the medical field, high school, children, Bible clubs, and village outreach. Everywhere God showed that His Word did not return void. When she worked at the Pai-Kongila Government 300-bed hospital, she mainly worked in the 40-bed maternity ward where they delivered from 100-170 babies each month, during the four years she served there. In Kikwit, the Congolese were pleased when she opened the Women's section of the Kikwit Bible School. This meant setting up a curriculum, preparing courses in Kituba, since only the New Testament and 100 Old Testament Bible stories were in Kituba for the women. The men were taught in French. The purpose was, to teach the women to be mature Christians, and to prepare them to be better wives, mothers, church and community workers. Everywhere she worked, she always enjoyed helping in the local church: training Sunday School teachers, youth retreats, girls and village conferences. Her health was really good but when she approached the age of 65, she was asked by the Mennonite Brethren Board of Missions to retire. God spoke to her that she was to obey her authorities, which was the Mission Board.

A few highlights from her retirement were: Prison ministry: grading and counselling prisoners who were enrolled in the Bible correspondence courses and seeing the Word grip their hearts to surrender to the Lord. Here are a few comments from some of the prisoners: "I am glad I came to prison, now I have forgiveness of my sins." "I'm in love, I'm in love with Jesus." etc. Nine times she was privileged to attend the Prison's Sunday evening services. Her last one was the best - an educated fellow said, "I believe God can forgive my small sins, but not my big ones." She then quoted 1 John 1:9, emphasizing ALL our sins. After a bit more conversation, he said, "I feel as though as big load has come off my shoulders." Praise God! Another highlight of her retirement was short term mission trips. These consisted of door to door evangelism to the Congo, Africa twice; Malawi, Africa; and Asuncion, Paraguay when many prayed the sinners' prayer. Her experienced co-worker and she had just led a lady to Christ when the lady vanished. Soon she arrived from her house with her blind mother and said, "I want my mother to also hear the Word." She had been prepared by the Holy Spirit and also prayed the sinner's prayer. Praise God! Aunt Sarah said "Giving the Word of God overseas was a privilege. Will we meet in Heaven? I hope so."

Funeral service was held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 1, 2019 at the Westside Community Church in Morden with interment at Chapel Cemetery.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Sarah's memory to either MBMSI or Cancer Care Manitoba.

From the family: We want to thank everybody who prayed, wrote letters, and gave encouragement during this time. Thank you to the MB Mission Board who supported her throughout the years, especially during the dangerous times in the Congo. We would like to thank the staff and volunteers at Tabor Home for their kindness and care for Aunt Sarah. Also, we would like to thank Wiebe Funeral Home for their compassionate services they provided.

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Karen Jo Ann Hiebert (nee Giesbrecht) 1965 – 2019

On Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Karen Hiebert age 54 years of Morden, MB formerly of Winkler passed away.

She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Rodney; her parents, Jim and Dianne Giesbrecht; two sisters and their families.

Funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 9, 2019 at the Winkler EMMC with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

If friends so desire, donations may be made in Karen's memory to the Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation designated to Surgery or Palliative Care or to Cancer Care Manitoba.

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OBITUARY



Albert Braun 1940 – 2019

On Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Tabor Home in Morden, MB, Albert Braun age 79 years formerly of Winkler went to his eternal rest.

Albert was in the Special Olympics 33 years, participating in snow shoeing, bowling, basketball, slow pitch, floor curling, bocce ball among others. He also participated on the National teams during the Summer and Winter Games.

He leaves to mourn his passing two sisters, five brothers and their families. He was predeceased by parents, Isaac and Katherina Braun and one sister-in-law.

Funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at the Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

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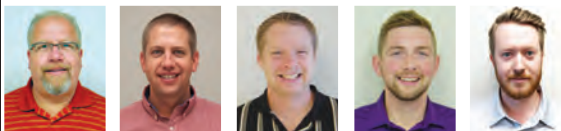
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