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Morden council pulls the plug on Morenet

By Ashleigh Viveiros

After months of speculation and unanswered questions from Morden taxpayers, city council announced Monday it is getting out of the internet service provider business.

"Today we have an update regarding Morenet," Mayor Brandon Burley began his remarks in a press conference held at city hall. "It's the culmination of about 10 months, nine months of analysis, expert opinion, and, frankly, a lot of soul searching.

"After examining the technical viability, costs, regulatory requirements, and associated risks we did not feel that as a long-term solution Morenet would be a fit for the City of Morden to operate as a public entity, particularly as the city continues to grow," the mayor said in a prepared statement.

"Effective immediately, there will be no new Morenet connections and all existing connections will cease functioning as of Oct. 30, 2019." It puts an end to a saga that stretches back to the spring of 2018 when the previous city council announced ambitious plans to make free high-speed internet a public service.

Within a few months, hundreds of households had paid the one-time equipment/installation fee of approximately \$400 and logged on.

Then the rollout stalled.

The culprit at first was technical problems with the towers. Shortly after those issues were resolved, the new city council found out the costs of Morenet would have to soar far beyond initial projections—millions of dollars beyond them over the next several years—if the city was going to have the raw bandwidth it needed to provide the speeds it had promised moving forward.

"When it was presented to council initially the cost was \$300,000, \$400,000

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Skyrocketing costs and regulatory requirements have forced the City of Morden to get out of the internet service provider business, Mayor Brandon Burley said Monday in announcing the discontinuation of Morenet.

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PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE The eighth annual Celebration of Life Fashion Show was a resounding success Saturday, filling the Northlands Parkway Collegiate gym with supporters and raising thousands of dollars for Katie Cares. Ticket sales alone—every single one of the 520 seats sold-raised over \$31,000. The evening's fundraising also included an extensive selection of silent auction prizes. The night included music from the Bare Yogis, performances from the Fun & Fire troupe,



and, of course, a fashion show featuring dozens of models, some of them cancer survivors, showing off clothing from local stores. Left: Among the four generations of models to step out on the catwalk this year was Clarke Reimer, niece of Katie Cares founder and namesake Kaitlyn Reimer.

BTHC helipad on track to open later this fall

By Lorne Stelmach

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Work is well underway on the heliport at Boundary Trails Health Centre.

Construction of the heliport is scheduled to be completed by mid-October, at which point Transport Canada officials will do their inspection. Once approved, a license will be issued and it will open for use possibly as soon as November.

Folkett, executive director of the Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation.

"The goal is to have it in operation before the end of the year 2019. Right now, everything is looking really good, the timeline is looking great. It's coming along."

The heliport will make it possible for STARS (Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service) to land directly at the hospital. It will be a vital improve-

"It's super exciting," said Shannon Samatte- ment given that air ambulance trips to and from BTHC have become increasingly more commonplace.

The helicopter landing pad will be connected to the hospital by a walkway to more quickly and easily transfer critically ill and injured patients. The pad could also reduce the need for ground ambulance transfers.

The \$350,000 cost of the project was covered by a dona-

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Work on the new heliport at Boundary Trails Health Centre should be wrapped up later this month.

Striking for change

Activists gather in Morden, Winkler to raise awareness about climate change

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Morden-Winkler residents joined millions around the world in last Friday's global climate strike.

An enthusiastic group met at Morden Park that morning to march through the city to the offices of Portage-Lisgar Conservative candidate Candice Bergen and Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen to protest government inaction on climate change.

A handful of people also gathered on the steps of Winkler City Hall to raise awareness about the issue.

"I think there are a lot of us who feel like we care a lot about the Earth and we see what's happening around the world and we don't know quite how to start or what to do to change things," said Sandy Plett, who spearheaded the Morden walk.

"My hope with this is that people are encouraged and emboldened to take action on climate change and to talk to their friends and neighbours," she said."Not to be judgmental, but to say let's be hopeful and let's look for ways to act to, really, save the planet, to make it a good place for our kids to live.

"And I hope that people who see us today would also realize that they may not be alone in their concerns or that maybe this is something they should think about.

"Go online and look up Greta Thunberg. Let's just start the conversation."

Thunberg is the 16-year-old climate change activist whose protests in front of the Swedish parliament buildings last year inspired the climate strike movement around the world.

"We're out here to encourage our leaders to be good leaders for us," Plett stressed. "We're here to say let's just work together ... it's a message of hope and a message that [climate change] is really serious and we need to do something."

Tina Fehr Kehler hopped on her bike to make the trek from Winkler to Morden to be able to take part in the

protest in as green a way as possible.

It's not always the easiest way to get around, but that's



the point.

"I felt like I needed to do that," Fehr Kehler told her fellow walkers. "But it's inconvenient, and I think that a lot of our environmental issues are just because we like our conveniences.

"But there are a lot of blessings that come from inconvenience."

The simple act of carpooling, for example, can create time for discussions between friends, she said.

"It can be inconvenient to pick everybody up, but there's community that gets built."

In Winkler, Larissa Wiebe was also encouraging passersby to consider what steps can be taken to lower their carbon footprint.

Her protest signs encouraged the City of Winkler to consider making public transportation, a more extensive bike path system, and better waste management priorities for the community. "If Winkler and Morden got together, public transportation would be a great thing between the two cities," Wiebe said, adding that more dedicated bike lanes throughout town would go a long way in encouraging more people to leave their motorized vehicles at home entirely.

And while Winkler's waste management system does include a compost component, it's not accessible to everyone, Wiebe said.

"We live in a condo and we don't have access to compost pickup," she said, urging city council to take another look at that service to ensure all residents and businesses can truly make the most of it.

"The biggest thing for me is just raising awareness that our actions have consequences," Wiebe said. "We're destroying our home at a scary fast rate."

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Making it easy to get robbed

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have decided to leave piles of cash in my driveway. \$100 here, \$50 there. I also leave sunglasses. phones. wallets, credit cards, debit cards and more. Just laying there in the driveway. Stupid, right?

What if I left my valuables in a safe and put that safe in the driveway but left it open? Just as stupid, I know. What was I thinking? Of course, com-

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Somehow, though,

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erything else there

AGRICULTURE REPORTER Harry Siemens



for the taking. It's

like they're unlocked vending machines with windows for browsing.

By Peter

Cantelon

Why this particular rant?

Well, I just read a wonderful ar-

ticle online about four Morden vehicles that were recently rummaged through by thieves. What did they get, you might ask, for all their effort of opening a door? A combined total of \$575 and three debit cards.

At this point people contact the police to report the thefts, wasting valuable police time because these were allVERY preventable. Then the police have to drone out for the billionth time the reminder to "please do not keep valuables in your car and please remember to keep your car locked."

I feel I need to stop here and point out I am in no way condoning theft. Thieves are bad. Stealing is bad. We all know this, but for some reason we fight the most basic security measures. Maybe it's some sort of yearning for old timey days.

"I ain't lockin' mah derned car and I ain't lockin mah derned house!!! Mah grand-pappy never had to an' I ain't neither and no-how!"

People can be stubborn. Some people would rather be robbed than to have their sense of freedom taken from them. This is silly. Having \$575 not stolen from me gives more freedom than having it stolen and being happy about keeping my door unlocked. Keeping my \$575 means I have the freedom to buy 575 one-dollar chocolate bars, etc.

Like it or not, there are thieves in the Pembina Valley. For many varied reasons there are people who have been resorting to rummaging through unlocked vehicles during the night and stealing valuables.

Maaaaaybe, just maybe, if thieves were not finding \$575 in cash, debit cards, credit cards, or \$1,000 iPhones they would tire of the constant risk and anxiety of rummaging through empty cars and move on. Better still, they might tire of attempting to open a locked car and move on.

Statistically speaking, did you know that the likelihood of having valuables stolen from a car drops to zero per cent when said valuables are not kept in the car and the car is kept locked? It's true!

At least we're not Winnipeg where people I know leave their cars unlocked to be rummaged through to avoid having to constantly replace broken windows. This makes sense because they do not leave valuables in the car and are avoiding insurance deductibles.

All that to say: please lock your vehicles and keep your valuables inside. This has been a public service announcement.

• FAITH FOCUS God made the gardeners

n my teen years. I remember hearing about the renewed concern and attention given to the environment.

I became increasingly aware of holes in the ozone layer, climate change, endangered species, melting ice caps, rising sea levels, and garbage patches in the Pacific Ocean.

Discussions around the proper interpretation of new scientific findings and what these findings meant for the future of our planet made their way into homes, schools, and workplaces. Conversations around



Saying you believed that auto-**By Luke** mobile emissions Hildebrand were contributing

on

to the "greenhouse effect" was like proclaiming your allegiance to one political party over another.

Growing up, the response to this issue I heard most often was a mixture of denial and apathy."There is no such thing as global warming" or "cows do more harm to the atmosphere than cars" was often followed by "besides, even if we are hurting the world, we are all flying away from here anyway" or the more biblically accurate, "Jesus

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"We will be looking to recover as much value as we can"

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in capital costs and \$100,000 in operating costs annually. At this point, we're well beyond those numbers," Burley said, noting the city had already poured \$650,000 into the project and felt it was important to pause and take stock.

"The costs were so incredibly different from what was originally proposed that we felt it was necessary to do a new analysis as a new project and call it Morenet 2.0, because it really was not what had initially been approved by council," he said in explaining the lengthy timeline behind Morenet's ultimate demise."We wanted to make sure that we were approving a project that we believed in, a project that was feasible, and a project that was costeffective."

By April, council had the findings of that analysis before them. It made it clear they could not allow Morenet to continue.

"Many will accuse us of not being bold, but I think for us to have allowed that to happen wouldn't have been bold, it would have been reckless," Burley said, pointing out that in addition to the new costs of simply operating Morenet, council was also concerned about potentially bearing the legal costs should a widespread data breach occur on the system.

A non-disclosure agreement the City of Morden signed in regards to the technology being used for Morenet also had council worried about the future of maintaining the network, as it would not be allowed to bring in outside parties to service the system down the road, thus the City could not ensure competitive costs in the years ahead. That NDA also made it impossible for council to effectively put the entire Morenet matter to a public referendum, Burley noted.

"[Council] spent hundreds of hours combing over information made available to us by experts," Burley said. "By May of 2019 we had determined that we could not proceed with the project and we had made the decision to cancel."

The next four months of "radio silence" in regards to Morenet were necessary as council attempted to find a private buyer for the system, Burley said.

Negotiations with one potential buyer took place this summer, but ultimately fell through.

"We continued to pick away at a sale agreement," Burley said, "and in September of 2019 we saw what was presented as a final offer, which included terms that were not acceptable to the city."

The City of Morden is focusing now on next steps.

First off, neither Morenet users nor taxpayers who never had the chance to connect to the service in the first place will receive rebates.

"It's not that we don't want to, it's that there is no clean way to do so," Burley said, acknowledging both groups will likely be unhappy with this decision, but it's one council felt was most fair.

He pointed out the 450 households/businesses who paid to install Morenet have not had to pay

a monthly fee for internet over the past year, so they have effectively recovered the costs they put into the system.

The \$1.5 million the city had budgeted for Morenet in 2019 (\$800,000 of which was to be borrowed) has not been spent. Unused tax dollars will be reallocated in the city's 2020 budget. Council hopes to sell some of the Morenet assets to recoup at least part of its investment in

the failed project. "We will be looking to recover as much value as we can from that equipment," Burley said, adding they currently have no estimate on how much that might be.

The mayor stressed that council remains committed to reaching out to private internet service providers and ensuring reliable high-speed internet is available in Morden again.

"There remains opportunity in this community for high-speed internet," he said. "We're crying for it, and my next job is to ensure we get it.

"I am willing to be elected out next term on my ability to provide meaningful connectivity to the citizens of Morden. That's something that I'm going to pursue vigorously."

The city's lawyers declined to comment on whether the City of Morden is involved in any ongoing legal proceedings connected to the cancellation of Morenet.

SIX SIMPLE STEPS **Step 4: Emergency** fund-stuff happens

he first thing you need to know about putting money aside or "saving up" is this: you will



Chris

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never regret it.

Even if you never have an emergency MacPherson, (rare, but it could happen), you will find a use for this money and be glad you have it.

I personally like to use the TFSA (Tax Free Savings Account) for this. I also like to use the TFSA for other things that can also form part of your emergency savings. For example, you often get a discount on your home insurance, auto insurance, and life insurance if you pay annually instead of monthly. You probably also have other annual expenses (like property tax), and it would be nice if you didn't have to use a credit card to pay them. It can also be where you can save up for the family vacation and the next vehicle purchase. Let's talk about how we can roll all these up into one.

So in step one you have decided to do some "paying yourself first."You have decided to put \$300 a month away for vacation and/or the next vehicle purchase. You also have an extra \$500 a month that you want to put aside for an emergency. On top of all that, you are also paying your auto and home insurance every month. Let's assume those each cost you \$100 a month.

So you would start month one with \$800 in your TFSA, probably just in a high interest savings since it is a short time horizon until you need the money. No point in adding market risk.

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Three months later, you have \$2,400 in savings. Now your home insurance is due for renewal. Rather than sign up for \$100 a month again, you pay the whole amount, get the discount, and now you can save \$900 a month in your TFSA.

A few months later, auto insurance is due. Same thing—pay the annual, get the discount, and now you can save \$1,000 per month.

You could do the same thing with any other annual payments you have. Eventually you will have 3-6 months of income set aside for an emergency. This should co-ordinate with whatever disability policy you have, whether it is a personal policy or something through your work group plan.

Once you have that, you can continue to contribute to the TFSA for your annual bills and next vacation or vehicle, but the emergency fund money (in this case, the \$500) can now be used for the next step. This will be education savings for your children or retirement savings, or both, depending on your situation.

In the next article we will discuss Step 5: Education Savings Plan.

If you would like a free copy of the complete book, need help or have any questions, please reach out to me at chris.macpherson@manulifesecurities.ca

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> FAITH FOCUS, FROM PG. 6

is going to restore the world and renew it when He returns, so who cares what we do with it now?"I am guessing that you have heard this sentiment before. Maybe you have held this view yourself. Maybe you still do. Whatever your connection, I think the best response to that question of "who cares" is that God cares what we do with the world, and He cares very much.

The book of Genesis describes the newly created world as a garden. This garden is teeming with life: sprouting vegetation, seedbearing and fruit-bearing plants and trees, different kinds of animals to fill the sky, sea, and land that God made. Throughout the process of creating this garden, God calls it good.

Biblical authors are clear—from God's proud display of His creation before Job to the very popular beginning of John 3:16, God loves this world, His garden.

As a final part of His creation, God creates humanity in His own image. Being made in the image of God is key for understanding the purpose of humanity, and as much as it says about our importance, its main focus is our function; what we've been made to do. Immediately following the statement that we are made in God's image, a explanatory statement is given: "They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground" (Gen. 1:26b, NLT). Basically, take care of my garden and everything in it.

It seems that, immediately after creating a garden, God created gardeners. Gardeners who would continue the work that God began in creation: naming and making suitable living conditions for the animals, allowing plants and vegetation to flourish, and creating our own families, neighbourhoods, and civilizations All of this under the guidance and loving care of the ultimate Creator, learning His ways and living out His image in us. The Bible is clear that Jesus will re-

> HELIPORT, FROM PG. 4

tion from Irene Krahn and her children Farrell Krahn and Corissa Wiebe in memory of the late Ed Krahn.

"Our excitement continues to grow as the heliport takes shape," the family said in a statement last month.

"Great comfort has been brought to us knowing the lives being saved as a turn and God will restore His garden. This affirms that God is committed to the garden He loves. In the meantime, those of us who follow Jesus have an opportunity to live faithfully to the one in whose image we were created. We do this by loving what He loves, doing what He does; doing our best to be like Him.

So whether it is global warming, non-biodegradable plastics, or the disappearance of species, people who profess to love God and follow Jesus should be invested and committed to doing what we can to care for this garden.

We are the gardeners, after all.

Luke Hildebrand is the Community Life Pastor at the Winkler MB Church. He likes to laugh, good conversations, and being with his wife and daughter.

result of the heliport will give families precious time with their loved ones.

"We have been encouraged by the overwhelming support of the community. We cannot think of a better way to honour the memory of our father and husband Ed Krahn."



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Infill housing density issues raised at city council meeting

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The walls at the Meridian Exhibition Centre are finally going up.

Construction workers installed the first pieces of steel framing for the arena expansion last week.

"For the next several months, as people go by they'll see progress every single day. It's really exciting," said Deputy Mayor Henry Siemens after the Sept. 24 council meeting.

"We're hearing that they expect to be able to close it up in February or March, and then at that point in time they get to work getting everything done on the inside," he added. "We should still be on track to have ice for the next hockey season. That's what we're really excited about."

DENSITY ISSUES RAISED

At the meeting itself, council approved several rezoning and variation requests for future developments throughout Winkler, including for a proposed apartment block on Victoria St.

Developer Ben Rempel is planning to build a multi-family complex on a large lot that previously had one house.

"I'm looking forward to developing

a nice looking property that is very accommodating and pleasant," he told council.

But his plans generated some opposition from the lot's neighbour, Angela Braun, who raised concerns about population density in the area.

"This was formerly ... the home for one family. Now we're talking about it being the home for 24-40 people. That's a lot of people on that piece of property," she said, pointing to the inevitable increase in traffic and parking issues, even with the planned parking lot the complex will have.

Much of Braun's concern, though, revolved around the fact the area already has a lack of sufficient green space for neighbourhood kids to safely play in.

"For the number of kids we have already it's not enough ... I would like to see that the kids that are living in my neighbourhood have the same opportunities as kids that live on any other street, which is easy access not crossing a busy highway—to a park and an area that they can play with others," Braun stressed. "There definitely needs to be more green space ... I would like it included in every single development plan that these kids would have a yard and a green space that they could go to."



She urged council to keep all these issues in mind as it assesses similar developments in the future.

"This won't be the only street there will be other streets to come," Braun said.

In response, Siemens stressed that the City of Winkler is being very careful when it comes to infill development in older neighbourhoods such as this. The development agreements do take things like traffic, green space, and parking into account (for the latter, he pointed out, Winkler requires two spaces per unit—more than is required in many other communities)

"Our staff is very aggressively working on planning our community," Siemens said. "We took a step back a

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Local Immigration Partnership making headway on action plan

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Valley Local Immigration Partnership has identified the pressing needs of newcomers and are now working to address them.

At its fall meeting in Winkler Sept. 26, PVLIP reps outlined how they're starting to tackle the various priorities laid out in the group's action plan, which was created in June following consultations with stakeholders.

This summer also saw the completion of a communications study designed to identify some of the key failings the area has on that front, said PVLIP coordinator Elaine Burton Saindon.

"This study was a way to see if we're on the right track with pursuing how to improve communication in the Pembina Valley," she said, noting many newcomers struggle to find the information they need to access community services and supports.

"Essentially what it did was give us a strong affirmation towards the efforts that not only do newcomers want to have better ways of finding information, but stakeholders themselves actually really want to work together and make it an easier and more simpler way to build that information up for people," Burton Saindon said.

The PVLIP board, which includes representatives from communities across south central Manitoba, are starting to develop a detailed communications plan for getting information out more effectively.

But finding ways to improve communications between community service groups and newcomers is the goal of just one of three PVLIP working groups.

Another group is taking a look at how it can create welcoming and inclusive communities.

"They will continue to pursue avenues that demonstrate what that looks like so that it benefits not only the community members in general but the newcomers with language barriers and different cultural backgrounds to make them feel like they have a sense of belonging," Burton Saindon said, noting, for example, that the group is in the early stages of planning a knowledge-sharing fair next fall to bring people together.

PVLIP's third working group is looking at how it can promote mental health amongst newcomers, helping them access services that can support them as they get used to life in Canada.



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Pembina Valley Local Immigration Partnership coordinator Elaine Burton Saindon says the group is focusing on communication, creating welcoming and inclusive communities, and mental health.

"All of the components of adjusting, of moving, of learning the language, finding a new job, maybe changing your career" can create a great deal of stress in a person's life, Burton Saindon said. This creates a "real need to see that we have a program and a set of processes in place that meet the special and unique challenges of newcomers' mental well-being."

These three main priorities will be addressed in a variety of ways over the next five years, but the action plan itself can grow and change as more needs are identified, Burton Saindon said.

To that end, PVLIP is in constant communication with an immigrant advisory council on the challenges newcomers face.

A recent report from that group stressed that many immigrant families are wrestling with a severe

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'LEADER' kicks off a new school year

Morden's Cultural & Educational Center LEADER kicked of its seventh year of classes on Saturday with a festive "first bell" celebration. Approximately 50 kids age three to 15 participate in the weekly lessons



designed to help them preserve their Russian or German language skills and stay connected to their native cultures.

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- Avoid installing where the temperature is less than 5oC (41oF) or exceeds 48oC (119oF).
- Keep alarms away from doors and windows.

- Never locate an alarm in front of an air register, fans or vents.
- Keep alarms at least 60 cm (2 feet) from any corner.
- Do not recess smoke alarms in walls or ceilings!
- Smoke alarms in rooms with ceiling slopes greater than 30 cm (one foot) rise per 2.4 m (eight feet) horizontally should be located on the high side of the room.
- Avoid locating an alarm at the peak of an "A" frame type ceiling.
- Never paint a smoke alarm.
- Keep alarms 60 to 90 cm (two to three feet) away from light fixtures.





PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE NDP Leader Wab Kinew was the keynote speaker at the National Student Debate Seminar held in Morden last week. He encouraged the kids to never stop believing in themselves.



Leaders of tomorrow gather in Morden

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Over 100 of the nation's top youth debaters descended on Morden last week for the 53rd Annual National Student Debate Seminar.

The teens spent five days honing their debating skills through workshops and competitions, hearing from guest speakers on the theme of the rural/urban divide, exploring what Morden has to offer, and participating in a model youth parliament at the Manitoba Legislative Building.

At the opening ceremonies Thursday morning, guest speakers reminded the students that they are the leaders of tomorrow.

"Every single adult here, every single person, believes in your potential," said Michael Macaraeg, an instructor at Morden Collegiate and co-organizer of the event.

"You might not realize it, but right now you can change the world," he said, pointing out that climate change activist Greta Thunberg was arguably the most famous person in the world last week, spearheading a protest movement that spread around the globe.

"And she is your age," he said of the 16-year-old Thunberg.

"It's an incredible reminder [that] one person and their ability to articulate and move people with their words can have a profound influence," agreed Andrew Kaplan, vicepresident of the Manitoba Speech and Debate Association. "You're all here because you want to learn how to not only have a voice, but have an influence with that voice."

Morden Mayor Brandon Burley urged the students to use their powers of speech and persuasion to spread good ideas and question bad ones.

"I strongly believe that in this room stands the future of our country," he said. "You folks will go out, you'll graduate, and you'll become leaders in your spheres of influence.

"In age when ... adherence to the facts and truth have become imperiled and jeopardized, you stand as the bright beacon of hope for truth," Burley said. "You stand for justice. You'll stand for freedom and for rights. You will stand for liberty and you will be the face of Canada as Canada continues to be a leader in the world for human rights, for freedom, and for democracy."

In his address, keynote speaker Wab Kinew, Leader of the Manitoba New Democratic Party, shared stories from his life, including how hurtful stereotypes about Indigenous people affected his own view of himself as a youth.

"I had begun to internalize a message that I was not the same, not as good, not as capable as other people in our society," he said." The net result of me learning that lesson and starting to believe those lies is that I actually put a self-defeating attitude in place in my life and I started believing things like, well, I can't make it to the top of this society."

Kinew went on to describe how an encounter he had over a decade ago with then presidential candidate Barack Obama, who would go on to become the first black U.S. president, changed his life.

"It was like a light went off in my head," he said. "Here is an African American man who was the product of a single-parent household, who had a very non-traditional life experience ... and yet in spite of all those things that people put up and said were reasons why he would never be able to be successful, I saw in that moment this guy's going to do it. This guy's going to make it happen.

"And so in that moment I realized, yeah, the road to the top is open," Kinew said. "I realized something important about self-belief, which is that self-defeating attitudes are selffulfilling prophecies.

"If you don't believe that you can do something, you will never be able to achieve it," he stressed. "If you do believe that you can achieve something, that's the first step toward being able to accomplish it.

"The true thing that will determine how far you will get along that road to success is how hard you are willing to work, how respectful you are willing to treat other people along the way, and how strategic you're willing to be about putting the pieces together to get to the endpoint that you want to arrive at.

"My hope for all of you is that you embrace your role as leaders ... that you take something out of this weekend that you'll be able to use to help others."

Check out the Voice online at winklermordenvoice.ca

To Kill a Mockingbird coming to Kenmor stage

Candlewick Productions' Classic Kenmor Players continue their autumn presentations with performances of *To Kill a Mockingbird* this month.

The drama, which is based on the classic novel by Harper Lee, will be presented at Morden's Kenmor Theatre Oct. 18-20.

The show, the theatre troupe says, represents a "bucket list" of sorts for director/producer Richard Klassen, who has long desired to bring this piece and its themes to the local stage.

To Kill a Mockingbird tells the story of a small town in Alabama dealing with the financial strain of the Great Depression as well as the social impacts of prejudice and bigotry.

A black man wrongly accused of rape is defended by Atticus Finch (played by Chuck Fefchak of Morden). The dialogue and the courtroom scenes display the values of the time, using the defamatory language common in 1935.

What transpires is, sadly, a repetitive story line and a sign of those times.

"It is this point that the Classic Kenmor Players hope to make to their audiences," the troupe says. "Although there is humour in the writing, the show is a very thought provoking piece of literature. It is hoped that all who attend will not enjoy the show, but will depart carrying the meaning of the show with them."

Performers from across the Pembina Valley and beyond fill the show's cast, including youth performers Addie Siler as Scout Finch, Rudy Sheppard as Jem Finch, and Ian Fehrmoore as Dill Harris.

"Many in the cast hold this story dear to their hearts and are anxious



CANDLEWICK PHOTO

Candlewick Productions' Classic Kenmor Players are hard at work preparing for their performances of To Kill a Mockingbird Oct. 18-20.

to show patrons their version of the characters," says Candlewick. Show times and ticket information

are available online at candlewick.ca or by calling 204-822-7469.





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HOME SAFETY

KITCHEN:

- Avoid loose long sleeves when cooking.
- Check kettles and toasters for damaged electrical cords and thermostats.
- Use appliances that have an automatic shut-off.
- Keep a timer handy to remind you when the Never leave your cooking unattended. oven and burners should be switched off.
- If you take medication that causes drowsiness, do not use cooking appliances.
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- Fireplace: always use a fire screen, ensuring it is the appropriate size for the fireplace opening.
- Power bars should not be used to overload electrical outlets. Do not use extension cords in the place of additional outlets.
- Smokers should check furniture for fallen cigarettes or embers, which can smoulder undetected for hour before bursting into flames.
- Ensure careful use of smoking materials and Remove all combustible and flammable extinguish in water before disposal.
- Never leave cigarettes in an ashtray unattended.
- Use ashtrays with a double rim and deep centre.
- Keep matches, lighters and lit candles out of the reach of children.
- Never leave lit candles unattended.

BEDROOM:

- Install at least one smoke alarm outside each sleeping area. For improved safety, install a smoke alarm in every bedroom.
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- When replacing an old furnace, consult a professional to determine the most safe, economical and efficient system for your home.
- Chimneys should be cleaned at least once a year.

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- Flammable materials thinners, gasoline, paints, industrial cleaners – should be stored neatly in approved containers and away from possible ignitable sources.
- Do not smoke, or leave matches or lighters in the garage or workshop.
- Install and know how to properly use the appropriate fire extinguisher for the garage/ workshop.
- Keep the area clean. Remove garbage, paper products, oily rags and wool

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Secure your computer

Local company urges people to update old Windows operating systems

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A local computer store is trying to get the word out about the importance of keeping your computer's operating system up-to-date.

Justin Zacharias, owner of Constellation Computers in Winkler, says changes announced for several older versions of Microsoft Windows could have a major impact on the security of your system.

In July, Microsoft discontinued support for its SQL 2008 system. It will do the same for the Windows Server 2008 R2 operating system and Windows 7 this coming January.

Though these systems are over a decade old, many businesses and individuals are still using them and need to be aware of the risks that come with continuing to do so, Zacharias says.

"From our perspective, we see that the vulnerability is probably heightened because there's just more malicious activity online these days than there was, say, 10 years ago," he says, pointing out that with Microsoft no longer providing security updates or patches for these systems, they will become vulnerable to new cyber attacks.

"Moving forward, you become vulnerable to all the new stuff that's coming out," he stresses, adding that it will also become increasingly difficult to install newer software or peripheral devices (printers, for example) as support for these systems tapers off. "We just want people to be aware, to be thinking about what they need to do to secure their systems. There are ways to protect yourself."

Updating your OS is the first step, but Zacharias acknowledges that isn't always possible for everyone.

Some businesses, especially in the manufacturing sector, are tied down



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Justin Zacharias of Constellation Computers is trying to get the word out about the fact Microsoft is discontinuing updates and patches for several older operating systems, including Windows 7.

to defunct operating systems because they're the only ones that work with older pieces of equipment or software.

In those cases, certain aftermarket antivirus programs could help for a time, Zacharias says.

"If people are in a position where they're not sure that they're ready to upgrade or it's not in the budget right now, that is one way to facilitate this sort of transition is to use an after market product, a virus scanner of some sort that can secure your system for awhile longer."

While many larger businesses replace computer hardware every handful of years, the average residential user or small business owner usually waits much longer.

"There's this tendency to think, 'Oh, I've only had this computer a couple of years' but in reality it's been seven, eight years," says Zacharias. "And so technology kind of gets away on us sometimes. It's such an important part of our life, but we also take it for granted.

"Computers are often one of those things where, like, if it's still working why would I change it?" he says."But people need to keep their systems and their software up to date."

Older hardware might not be able to run the latest version of Windows—Windows 10—as effectively as a newer computer would, but that doesn't necessarily mean you can't install it, especially if you're willing to upgrade to a solid state drive or add more RAM.

"There are some things you can do," Zacharias says. "Some systems are worth it; others might not be."

If you're not sure what OS you're running or whether or how you can upgrade, reach out to a local computer repair shop, Zacharias urges.

"If you don't know, ask. There's a few folks in town here, a few businesses that can help ... [they're] happy to answer questions and talk people through what the options are."

SCCR hosting community wellness event

By Ashleigh Viveiros

South Central Cancer Resource is hosting a special Wellness Afternoon at the Buhler Active Living Centre later this month.

On Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 1:30-3:30 p.m., the resource centre will explore the impact of food and stress on one's health and wellness.

It's the first time SCCR has hosted an event like this, and programs coordinator Deb Thiessen hopes it won't be the last.

"It's kind of a stepping stone for us to see how well it will be received," she says, noting staff at SCCR field a lot of questions from cancer patients struggling with eating well during their treatment.

"Our goal is to provide some wellness support for individuals dealing with cancer and other chronic illnesses and also for those that support and care for them."

Leading the presentation will be nutritional therapist Sonia Funk from The Whole Avocado.

Funk will touch on how food supports and impacts one's immune



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opportunity to review prevention guidelines. Here's what you should know.

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number of years ago and developed some infill guidelines to help to protect the residents that are there, [protect] their quality of life."

To that end, the city is in the very early stages of looking at creating a neighbourhood district enhancement fee that could be charged to developers to help with the purchase/development of additional green space in established neighbourhoods.

Siemens also thanked Braun for coming out to voice her concerns, adding that hearing from the public at large is a vital part of this process.

"Our ability to build community comes when we're all at the table and all viewpoints are heard," he said. "When we have public hearings and people come express their concerns, those concerns help create change and help direct some of the policies and some of the procedures that we use."

CENTRAL STATION THRIVING

Council members also heard an update from Central Station executive director Bev Wiebe on the community centre's progress this year.

"For the past year, we've seen more and more people coming through our doors," Wiebe said, pointing out that their community meal program, Café 545, serves upwards of 300-350 people every week—an increase of 100 people from the year before.

The centre's many other programs which range from fitness and cooking classes to life skills courses, grocery programs, and social gatherings also continue to serve hundreds of people.

"When I'm asked why we do what we do at Central Station, I can confidently say we provide a place of belonging, of hope, of support—and that's physically, emotionally, spiritu-



ally—so that individuals and families can thrive," Wiebe said.

"I've been asked what the need is for Central Station and why should we not work ourselves out of a job," she said."The answer is that although families and individuals will maybe not need our services any longer, there will always be new people coming into the community that will need someone to walk alongside them in times of crisis or when they don't know how to navigate the system or when they're just seeking connection.

"We've found that when there's a sense of community and belonging there's a lower risk of crime, of violence, of suicide, and so much more."

Wiebe thanked city council for its ongoing support, which includes funding the city provides in exchange for Central Station managing local affordable housing units as well as money for its Community Care Program for at-risk families.

"This program is already seeing the impact that collaborating as a community [can have on] one family, changing their trajectory when they've been spinning in circles for many years,"Wiebe said.

"Thank you for the funding and the support of our volunteers, for investing in what Central Station is doing," she said. "The city's support has been just invaluable."

Siemens pointed out that it is Central Station that should be thanked for the work it's doing with marginalized families.

"One of the things that we find happening quite often, particularly when you're in affordable housing or otherwise economically disadvantaged, is you become isolated," he said."Our goal here is to try to remove as many of those barriers as possible and let them know that there are opportunities out there for services, there are opportunities out there for community, opportunities out there to get involved.

"Central Station has seen tremendous success in a lot of the things that they've done already," Siemens said, adding it's encouraging as well to see the community supporting the cause through donations and volunteer hours.

"It's amazing what can be done when the community decides that we want to do something together.

Live2Lead simulcast in Winkler Oct. 11

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Live2Lead is back for its third year in the Pembina Valley later this month.

The P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler hosts the live simulcast of the Atlanta leadership seminar on Friday, Oct. 11 starting at 8 a.m.

"It's a booster shot of learning," says organizer Al Ruttan, an executive director with the John Maxwell Team, which organizes the event for broadcast around the world.

"It's a four hour event where you come in, bring yourself and your

team, learn from industry experts on leadership and personal growth and development ... and then you can get back to work."

Joining leadership expert John Maxwell on stage this year are global researcher and thought leader Marcus Buckingham, former Apple Retail executive Angela Ahrendts, author and entrepreneur Rachel Hollis, and financial coach and retirement expert Chris Hogan.

The messages these speakers provide are relevant not only in the world of business but to anyone who might find themselves in a leadership position, Ruttan says.

"Everybody leads," he says. "This isn't just for business people—it's for people that are in supervisory role, it's for parents, it's for people that want to learn about finances ... it really will have something for everyone."

Ticket information is available online at L2LPembinaValley.com. You can also reach Ruttan at 204-384-5477 for more info.

Group and non-profit rates are available.

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shortage of affordable housing in our region, a lack of viable public transportation, long wait times for driver's licence testing, and a need for more worship spaces for different faiths.

These are all issues PVLIP's members can take back to their respective communities for further discussion, Burton Saindon said.

"We can raise the questions, we can find maybe temporary solutions that are available in other areas of the province that we could bring to the attention of the leaders who can make decisions on those areas." PVLIP has a lot of work ahead of itself, Burton Saindon acknowledged

"It is quite a lofty plan," she said. "But also it kind of is reflective of the fact that we have had immigration in this region for quite some time, and so a lot of these conversations have been on the table but there's never been a

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system and recovery, how stress and relationships can also impact the immune system, and provide some practical solutions, local resources, and recipes for healthier living.

The event has already generated a

vehicle before to address time.

"And so the unique role of a local immigration partnership is to be an advocate for newcomers and to try and pull the stakeholders and the decision-makers together to finally say what can we do to improve this for our communities."

lot of interest.

"I've already got 27 people registered," says Thiessen, noting people can register in advance at sccr@ mymts.net or simply stop by that day. Refreshments will be provided.



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Agriculture

Ag researchers strive to reduce carbon footprint

By Harry Siemens

Research underway at the University of Saskatchewan will help policy makers develop strategies for reducing the carbon footprint of agriculture.

The research is examining the implications of adding high fibre alternative feed ingredients into swine rations and also exploring greenhouse gas generation through the pork production cycle using a model developed by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada.

The study focuses on field peas, which benefit the soil, and wheat middlings, a co-product of flour production.

Dr. Denise Beaulieu, an assistant professor of monogastric nutrition with the university's College of Agriculture and Bioresources, said researchers find they can include these high fibre ingredients in rations at high levels with no adverse effects on productivity.

"We're using a model developed by Agriculture Canada, so I would like to acknowledge their contribution to this project," said Beaulieu. "They are adapting the model primarily used before for beef cattle. The model will take everything into account from growing the crops, taking the byproducts off the crop, producing feeds from those crops, feeding it to the pigs, greenhouse gas production within the barn, manure production in the barn, and then the animals going to market."

"We are then combining this data in one model to look at the effect of different diets and byproduct inclusions on the overall carbon footprint," she said.

"One of the reasons we're looking from growing the crop to sending the pigs to market is because one of the major sources of greenhouse gas output from pork production comes from producing the feed," Beaulieu explained. "So anything we can do to reduce that impact will be significant.

"I worked for several years looking at feeding byproducts to pigs and looking at their production. We know that these are a more economical way of producing pork. A lot of these byproducts are high in fibre," said Beaulieu."My first question, because these fibres ferment in the large intestine, [is] whether this would increase or have some small effect on the actual greenhouse gas output from the pig itself.

"Then, secondly, reading a report of a large study by the Food and Agriculture Organization from the UN published a few years ago on an extensive examination of all the literature related to carbon footprint pork production, I noticed no Canadian studies included in this fairly comprehensive report."

The main objectives of her study are the overall carbon footprint and to provide some data for use in models for pork produced here in Canada, especially in western Canada.

"We're using two different feed ingredients, one including high levels of peas in the diet of finishing pigs, up to 40 per cent peas. We know that including peas in a crop rotation can decrease the overall carbon footprint and it's good for the soil to produce further crops," Beaulieu said. "Secondly, we include a byproduct of flour production, wheat middlings in our diet, a high of wheat middlings up to about 30 per cent a byproduct of wheat production and flour production, relatively high in fibre."

Beaulieu said they're running several experiments to see the effects of the altered diets.

"Specifically from greenhouse gas emissions, we are looking at the effects on the manure," she said. "For example, does the greenhouse gas emissions change depend upon how long they store the manure? We had the pigs in chambers, measured the greenhouse gas with and without the pigs in those chambers so we can separate the gas produced by the pig and from the manure, and the greenhouse gas produced from the pig."

The pigs, at least, seem to be doing just fine with the high fibre rations.

"We can formulate diets with up to 40 per cent peas in the diets and the pigs grow just fine. And large amounts of wheat mids too, and the pigs grow just fine," Beaulieu said.

"We will incorporate data into models to look at the overall carbon footprint, but we can certainly include these in the diets, even in terms of economics."

POLICE BLOTTER Police warn of unauthorized door-to-door sales

Winkler police are warning residents about unauthorized door-todoor salespeople making the rounds in the city.

The department has received a complaint of a private water testing company knocking on doors and offering free water purification testing followed by an offer to sell the homeowner a water purification system.

During this interaction, the company representative asked for the homeowner's driver's licence, which was photographed.

This company has not been granted a business licence for the City of Winkler and is not authorized to conduct door-to-door sales.

Police recommend that homeowners do not provide identification to anyone conducting door-to-door sales and to contact police immediately at 204-325-9990 if approached by an employee of this company.

A few other incidents of note in the weekly police reports include:

• Sept. 23: At 7:20 p.m., Morden Police was dispatched to a three vehicle collision at the corner of Thornhill Street and Route 100.

A black Hyundai Sonata and a grey Toyota Matrix were travelling eastbound on Thornhill. The Sonata was continuing eastbound through the intersection and the Matrix was attempting to turn northbound onto Route 100.

A blue Chevy Cruze was travelling westbound through the intersection, observed the Matrix turning north, and proceeded to turn southbound onto Route 100, resulting in the Sonata colliding with the Cruze. This in turn caused one of the vehicles to also hit the Matrix.

Paramedics examined all drivers and found minor injuries.

Two vehicles were towed from the scene.

• Sept. 25: A young female reported to Winkler Police that several days earlier she noted a suspicious male to be following her throughout the evening. The male was also observed in her yard the following two nights. This investigation is ongoing.

• Sept. 24: Morden Police received a report of a vehicle driving though a Thornhill St. crosswalk while two female pedestrians were trying to cross.

The pair had activated the crossing lights and were about to enter the street when an eastbound grey Mitsubishi Lancer drove through, making no attempt to slow down.

The driver was ticketed \$174 for failing to yield the right of way to a pedestrian at a crosswalk.

• Sept. 26: Winkler Police received a report of three teenaged males who were witnessed shoplifting from a local store.

Officers located the trio and arrested each of them for theft under \$5,000, during which time police found the males to be in possession of stolen merchandise.

Police notified each male's parents of the incident and the teens were released without charges on written youth cautions.

• Sept. 28: Morden Police received a

Spontsarecreation

Rocking W wraps up season by raising \$13K for cancer care





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The Rocking W's Fall Finale Charity Barrel Race overcame wet conditions to raise thousands of dollars for South Central Cancer Resource and the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation. After being postponed the weekend before due to rain, further rain forced the event to move from the Rocking W ranch to the ag. grounds in Carman on Saturday. Despite the challenges, riders and spectators came out for one last day of barrel racing, raising over \$13,000 for the two cancer support agencies. Above: The event's peewee division alone raised over \$3,000. Left: Mary-Ann Bach, riding Smoke 'N Mystery, won the 1D saddle.

Flyers down Blues, Blizzard for first wins of the season

The Winkler Flyers have the first



two wins of the season under their belts.

The Orange and Black headed into Winnipeg Friday night to face the Blues.

The opening period was all Winkler as they outshot the Blues 14-2. Twenty-year-old forward Mateo Albinati scored the team's first goal, giving Winkler a 1-0 lead in the final four minutes.

During a 10 minutes stretch in period two, Sulivan Shortreed, Drake Burgin, and Brody Moffatt all bolstered that lead to 4-0.

The Blues finally got on the board with a pair of quick goals in the first five minutes of the final period, but it wasn't enough to catch up. When Winnipeg pulled their goalie in the final minutes, Moffatt made it a 5-2 win for Winkler.

Dorrin Luding got the win in net for the Flyers, making 20 saves as his teammates outshot the Blues 32-22.

Riding high on their first victory of the regular season, the Flyers went on to down the OCN Blizzard 6-4 the very next night.

Thanks to goals from Shortreed, Alex Cattani, and Svenson, Winkler was up 3-0 heading into the first intermission.

Griffin Leonard and Shortreed responded to a mid-period goal from OCN with two more for the Flyers.

OCN went on to score three more times in the first 10 minutes of the final period, while Winkler, courtesy of Sevenson, scored once more. Goalie Dylan Meilun earned his first Manitoba Junior Hockey League victory, making 25 saves as Winkler outshot OCN 38-29.

On Monday, Winkler headed into Winnipeg for the MJHL Showcase.

They lost to the Portage Terriers 5-2. Shortreed and Jason Townsend both scored for the Flyers in the losing effort, while Luding was between the posts, saving 28 of the 32 shots he faced as Portage outshot Winkler 33-28 overall.

Winkler kicked off October with a showcase game against Neepawa Tuesday night. Results were not available at press time.

On Friday they head north to play Waywayseecappo and then return home to host Winnipeg next Tuesday.

Cycling Without Age launches in Morden

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Morden's Cycling Without Age program is finally ready to hit the road.

Funding from the federal New Horizons for Seniors grant program allowed the City of Morden to purchase two specially designed trishaws last spring.

"They're special bikes that come all the way from Europe, which is why it took so long for them to get here and get assembled," said organizer Heather Francis, who heads up the program alongside Morden recreation programmer Stephanie Dueck.

"Now they're here, they're ready to go, and we're looking for volunteers." Cycling Without Age is a worldwide organization that strives to keep seniors connected to their communities through the simple act of a bicycle ride, Francis explained.

The program's guiding principles

include generosity (rides are always given for free by volunteer pilots), slow cycling (the experience is to be savoured, not rushed), storytelling (learning from elderly passengers), and relationships (making and maintaining friendships).

The trishaws are built to allow one pilot to give a ride to up to two passengers, similar to a rickshaw.

"It's a way to combine physical activity with volunteerism, and to spend some time giving back to our seniors," said Francis. "The idea is that a passenger can take a bike ride down their old street where they used to live, wave to their neighbours, or even end up at their favourite coffee shop. It's about feeling connected, not isolated." Volunteers are needed to pilot the bikes, and they will need to undergo some basic training before they can begin. All pilots must be at least 18 years old and pass criminal record

"IT'S A WAY TO COMBINE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY WITH VOLUNTEERISM, AND TO SPEND SOME TIME GIVING BACK TO OUR SENIORS."



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Cycling Without Age Morden's Heather Francis gives Edit Lovatt a ride in one of the program's new trishaws last week.

checks.

"The more we have, the more rides we can offer," said Francis. "You can give as many or as few as you have time in your schedule for us."

If you'd like to get involved as a pilot, check out Cycling Without Age Morden on Facebook (fb.me/cwamorden) or email heather@cyclingwithoutage.ca. As soon as trained volunteers are in place, rides for seniors will begin. Details on how to book a ride will be posted on Facebook soon.

The bikes are quite sturdy and come equipped with a hood and warm lap blankets, so Francis feels the rides could potentially run year-round, volunteers and riders willing.

Female Hawks lose two, male Hawks win two

The midget Pembina Valley Hawks teams had two very different week-ends.

The female Hawks, who play in the Manitoba Female AA Midget Hockey League, closed out their pre-season with a pair of losses to the Balmoral Hall Blazers Saturday and Sunday.

It was a close match throughout, with Balmoral only up 1-0 heading into the finale frame.

There, Jolyne LeClair got Pembina Valley on the board, but the Blazers added two more to their tally for a 3-1 win.

Tria Enns and Caitlyn Pike split the time in net, Enns making 20 saves in 27 minutes and giving up all three goals scored against the Hawks, while Pike made eight saves in her 23 minutes.

Things didn't go much better for the Hawks the next day. This time around, the Blazers won it 5-2. Anika Braun did all the scoring for the Hawks. Enns and Pike split the game in half in net, the former making 16 saves and giving up two goals while Pike made 15 saves and let in three goals.

The ladies begin their regular season by hosting the Winnipeg Avros Saturday and then playing the Winnipeg Ice Sunday on the road.

Pembina Valley's male Hawks, meanwhile, had a much better week-

end, handing the Norman Northstars two defeats.

On Saturday in front of a hometown crowd, the Hawks crushed Norman 6-2.

Justin Keck scored twice while singles came in from Guerin Apperley, Riley Goertzen, Daniel Isaak, and Derek Wiebe. Brock Moroz made 35 saves in net.

Sunday saw the home team embarrass the Northstars further, winning 9-1.

The lengthy list of scorers included Andrew Boucher, Cameron Brunn, Goertzen, Trenton Penner, Derek Wiebe, and two each from Michael Hlady and Keck. Brock Moroz made 41 saves in net. This week the Hawks host Central Plains Wednesday, play an away game against the Winnipeg Bruins Saturday, and then host the Southwest Cougars on Sunday.

Twisters 1-1 as season begins

The pendulum swung widely as the Pembina Valley Twisters kicked off their season in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League last weekend.

Game one of the 2019-2020 season saw the Twisters decimating the Riv-

er East Royal Knights 6-0 Saturday night.

Travis Penner had a three goal night while Jordan Keck, Sven Schefer, and Wyatt Sabourin also contributed with goals. Martin Gagnon slapped away 15 shots on net while his opponent across the rink, the Knights' Evan Baty, made an impressive 46 saves.

Winkler Family Resource Centre cuts ribbon on new home

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Family Resource Centre cut the ribbon on its new home in the Emmanuel Mennonite Church on

15th St. last week.

"Our mission is to support parents and their pre-school children by providing quality, free programs to promote healthy child development," said Tina Fehr Kehler, WFRC board chair.

The non-profit agency got its start in church basements a decade ago before moving into Central Station.



The community centre served them well for a time, but it quickly became clear that a larger but still affordable space was needed.

"This space is huge and awesome," said Fehr Kehler, thanking the church for offering to partner with WFRC.

"I think our whole region is going to benefit," she said, noting they've previously had more ideas for programming than space to run them in.

Senior pastor John P. Klassen said the church is excited to be able to open its doors to such a valuable community service.

"When this opportunity came up to host this group, it seemed like the right fit," he said, explaining that the church has long sought to fill the building with activities on more than just Sunday morning. "We're thrilled to have them here."

The WFRC play area is open for drop-ins Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. Its fall programming details are online at winklerfamilyresourcecentre.com.

Winkler Family Resource officially opened its new home in the Emmanuel Mennonite Church last week.

Winkler Arts & Culture hires part-time art instructor

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Three years after first opening its doors, Winkler Arts & Culture is adding on a second staff member this fall.

The Park St. gallery last week announced the hiring of Jennifer Penner as a part-time art instructor and administrative assistant.

"We've needed this for a while already and so it's so exciting to have it come to fruition," said executive director Wendy Klassen. "Having an arts instructor on staff will mean that



Jennifer Penner

we can give the community more programming, which is always our aim."

The financial success of the arts centre's weekly Chase the Ace fundraiser helped make the position feasible.

"That definitely helped us with funding for this, for sure," Klassen said."We realized we could make this work now."

Penner comes to the role with a life-

long love of the arts.

"Art has really been an outlet for me," she said, noting she was an avid artist as a teen and recently picked it up again. "It's become a huge part of my life."

She's excited for the opportunity to grow WAC's slate of arts programming for both kids and adults.

"I want to see a lot of different me-

diums being explored here," she said. WAC is currently offering cartooning and mixed media programs for kids and have adult classes on sign making, graphite, and stained glass coming up.

Details on these and other upcoming programs are available online at winklerarts.com.

> POLICE REPORT, FROM PG. 21

call from an individual stating that around 2:30 p.m. their vehicle was hit while parked in the 200 block of North Railway. The suspect left without leaving any information and the caller was not able to provide any details describing the suspect's vehicle. Anyone with information is asked to call the Morden Police Service at 204-822-4900.

• Sept. 28: An unknown complainant reported to Winkler Police that he saw a suspicious male looking into his backyard and proceeded to chase the suspect on foot.

Officers attended and spoke with the complainant, who provided a description of the male suspect and where he was last seen. Police were able to locate a male who matched the description provided. However, when the officers returned to speak to the complainant regarding whether or not he wished to proceed with charges, he was found to

> TWISTERS, FROM PG. 23

Sunday's game against the St. James Canucks was a much closer affair, but this time it was the Twisters who found themselves on the losing side of the equation.

St. James was up 2-0 after 20 minutes. That score held through the second period and right up until Sabourin scored for Pembina Valley 1:05 into the third.

The Twisters fired eight shots on

have since left the scene and could not be located.

The male suspect was subsequently released without charges.

goal in an attempt to draw even, eventually pulling their goalie for the extra man. That moved allowed the Canucks to get the win 3-1 after an empty-net goal.

Before he was taken out of the game, Luke Zacharias made 28 saves.

Coming up for the Twisters are away games against the Transcona Railer Express Sunday and the Stonewall Jets next week Friday.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROLAND PUBLIC NOTICE

BOARD OF REVISION FOR 2020 ASSESSMENT ROLL

Public notice is hereby given that the 2020 assessment roll for the Rural Municipality of Roland has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 45 3rd Street, Roland, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. That any person, who believes that an assessment ought to be revised, may make application in accordance with section 42 and 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act.

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

"42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, 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;
- classification of property; or C)

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 as indicated in the public notice." The Board of Revision for the RM of Roland will sit on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 10:00 am in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Roland to hear applications. The final date on which the Secretary of the Board may receive applications is October 28, 2019.

Dated this 26th day of September, 2019. Kristin Olson, Secretary **Board of Revision Rural Municipality of Roland** 45 3rd St., Box 119, Roland, MB R0G 1T0



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The

DEVELOPMENT PLAN BY-LAW NO. 1-2014, as amended.

HEARING LOCATION:	Winkler Council Chambers 185 Main Street Winkler, MB	
DATE & TIME:	October 16, 2019 at 7: 00pm	
GENERAL INTENT:	To re-designate the portion From: Urban Employment Area To: Urban Neighbourhood Area	
AREA:	City of Winkler Lot 1, Plan 46684 SW¼ 3-3-4W-2-5W	
FOR INFO. CONTACT:	Glen Wieler, MSTW General Manager 180 5th Street, Unit D, Morden MB R6M 1C9	

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- 1. Fertile desert spots
- 6. Married woman
- 9. Some animals travel in one 13. Fear
- 14. Hawaiian island 15. Fit to work
- 16. Electronic counter-
- countermeasures
- **17. Former Senator Specter**
- 18. Cambodian currency
- 19. Dave Matthews Band hit
- 21. Lists ingredients
- 22. Endangered antelope
- 23. Jerry's TV partner
- 24. Blue grass state
- 25. Obstruct
- 28. Luke's mentor __-Wan
- 29. Fencing swords
- 31. Oh, heavens!
- 33. Insensitive to changes in price
- 36. Hillsides
- 38. Brew
- **39. Gland secretion** 41. A typical example
- 44. Get up
- 45. You put it on your pasta
- 46. Expresses surprise 48. News organization
- 49. Disorder of the lungs (abbr.)
- 51. One millionth of a gram
- 52. Some are of the "suit" variety
- 54. Group of organisms
- 56. Produces
- 60. Passage into a mine 61. and cheeses
- 62. Semitic fertility god
- 63. Dry or withered
- 64. Religious ceremony
- Winger, actress 65.
- 66. German river
- 67. Midway between northeast and east 68. Take something or somebody
- somewhere
- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Lyric poems
- 2. Genus of saltwater clams

OBITUARY





1956 - 2019 On Saturday, September 28, 2019 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Lenard Thiessen, age 63 of Winkler, MB went to be with his Lord and Saviour with his family by his side after a long struggle with pancreatic cancer.

Lenard is survived by his wife, Madeline; son, Eric and Vilma and their children, Claribelle and Alejandro; his daughter, Jenny and Rick Klassen and their children, Savannah, Violet, Troy and Jerry. He is also survived by his siblings, Larry Thiessen, Karen and Rod Schellenberg, Eileen Johnson, Elma and Wally Neufeld and their families; John and Margaret Heppner, Tony and Shirley Heppner, Kathy Stobbe, Tom and Ruth Hepner, Tim and Barb Heppner, Paul and Joann Heppner as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by a stillborn son and his parents, Abram and Helen Thiessen. Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at the Winkler Bergthaler Mennonite Church with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

The family would like to thank the Palliative Care unit for their excellent care, all the home visits and encouragement given, thanks to Karen Schaak, Dr. Convery and Dr. Woelk and the great staff at BTHC.

Lenard will be missed immensely by Madeline and his family with all his great advice and his love so richly given. So, we say, "Till we meet again!" WE LOVE YOU!! If friends so desire, donations may be made in Lenard's memory to Katie Cares.

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CROSSWOR



- 3. Ingroup 4. Type of lounge chair
- 5. Memory card
- 6. Archipelago
- 7. Common Korean surname
- 8. It's up there
- 9. Quantity that helps to define
- 10. First month of the Jewish ecclesiastical year
- 11. Metal-headed golf club
- 12. A shade of green
- 14. Begin
- 17. A good thing to have
- 20. Language spoken in Laos
- 21. Loosely compacted sediment
- 23. Naturally occurring protein 25. Woman
- 26. Central Indian city
- 27. Volcanic craters
- 29. The largest existing land animals
- 30. Rumanian city
- 32. Equal to 10 meters

- 34. Historic Nevada city 35. A point of transition
- 37. Remove
- 40. Overwatch character 42. Records electric currents linked to
- the heart 43. Settles in calmly
- 47. Partner to his
- 49. Banking giant
- 50. Slowly disappeared
- 52. End
- 53. Sword with a v-shaped blade
- 55. Fabric with smooth, shiny surface
- 56. Wild cherry tree
- 57. Traditional Japanese socks
- 58. Make of your hard work

59. Stony waste matter

61. Woman (French)

65. Unit of loudness

