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Exploring the fire hall

Sage and Oliver Giesbrecht were all smiles at the Winkler Fire Department's annual open house last week. For more photos, see Pg. 2.

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The Winkler Fire Department marked Fire Prevention Week with an open house last Wednesday night. The community was invited to come tour the Pembina Ave. fire hall, check out the fire trucks, and get hands-on with some of the equipment local firefighters use to save lives. There was also snacks and a bounce house for kids to enjoy.

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Morden Area Fdn. hosting World Café Oct. 21

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Area Foundation is consulting the community with the aim of helping them make Morden even better.

The foundation is inviting people to participate in a World Café, which is a method that makes use of an informal setting for participants to explore an issue by discussing it in small table groups.

Foundation chair Sue Nelson hopes the session this coming Monday eve-

ning will bring up ideas of where and how the foundation can have more impact locally.

"We hope to hear from a variety of people ... what do they think we need more of in the city of Morden?" said Nelson. "I think it will be a way for us to be more connected to the community and knowing what's important for the community and then acting upon that in doing our granting."

The idea arose from a recognition that foundations need to be involved in and connected to the community.

"Our granting should reflect what the community is wanting and needing, so we thought it would be a good thing to listen to what the community has to say," Nelson said. "We want to hear from the community. We want to be listening to what the community needs from us."

"The whole focus is the wellbeing of the Morden area," she continued. "First of all, we want to hear what is great about the community. Secondly, we want to hear where maybe some of the gaps are ... and what kind of

things could we be doing better."

Nelson noted they hope to have diverse representation at the event, including especially newcomers.

"Sometimes they see things in a different light than people who have been here their entire life."

The World Café takes place Monday, Oct. 21 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the 500 Stephen community centre. Space may be limited, so people who are interested are asked to RSVP by email to info@mordenfoundation.ca or leave a message at 204-822-5614.

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Salem Home looks to the future

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Salem Home's staff and board of directors certainly have plenty of ideas to mull over following last week's public forum.

The Winkler personal care home invited community members to share what they'd like Salem to look like in the coming years and decades.

"We want to hear your dreams and insights about what you feel Salem Home could grow into," governing board chair Ray Klassen told the assembled crowd at the Central Station Community Centre Oct. 10. "It is not that we think Salem Home needs an overhaul or that we think something is wrong. But Salem Home is a living being, and like anything living, we are growing. What direction do we want Salem to grow in? How does the community want Salem to grow?"

CEO Karin Oliveira began the night by briefly outlining the situation the personal care home (PCH) and the community it serves is in today.

"Winkler had a population of over 13,700 in 2021," she shared. "The

projection is that it will reach close to 24,000 people by the year 2041."

The 65+ age group currently makes up 21 per cent of Winkler's population, and those age 35-59 represent another 27 per cent.

"We do need to consider the current and future needs of this group of people, because it's going to be a lot of people," Oliveira observed. "That's what we are thinking about when we talk about future planning. We're not thinking about the next two or three years—we're thinking about the next 10, 15, 20 years."

Salem is currently the largest PCH in Southern Health-Santé Sud, with 145 total beds, including 35 specialized beds for residents that require higher levels of care.

Multiple expansions since the facility was built in 1956 have attempted to meet the needs, but those needs are ever-growing. As a result, there is always a wait list to get into the facility, ranging anywhere from three to over 12 months.

They strive to make Salem a place people come to live, not to die, Oliveira stressed, offering a host of in-house recreational opportunities, field trips

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The Salem Home personal care home in Winkler hosted a public forum last week to hear from the community about what they want to see from the facility in the years to come.

out into the community, visits from local school children and other groups, and an atmosphere that is meant to be more homelike than institutional.

That said, "the generations are changing," Oliveira said. "Maybe what you want [from a PCH] is different from what your parents wanted. And it will be different from what maybe my generation or the younger generation wants."

With that, the evening turned to table discussions where participants

were asked to answer whether the current PCH setting is meeting the community's needs and what needs to be changed if not, what they would like to see in a PCH if they ever find themselves needing that level of care, what the challenges are in a PCH setting, and what alternatives there may be to a personal care home when it comes to supporting people as they age.

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PVHS launches cat trap-neuter-return pilot program

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Humane Society is taking on an initiative to help control the stray cat population in Morden.

It has introduced a trap-neuter-return (TNR) pilot program with support from the City of Morden.

The idea grew from conversations with the veterinary clinic and others involved in animal services, but there was also recognition from the humane society with its own statistics that this was an issue that needed to be addressed better in the community.

"The intake of stray cats was very, very high and was becoming a problem," said board vice-chair Scott Wilson. "So we looked at what other shelters and charities have done ... and one of the programs that appeared to have done very well in other areas and with other charities was this trap, neuter, and return.

"The people who have a large cat colony in their neighbourhood are well aware that it's an issue," he said, noting there are multiple concerns

such as cats causing damage, creating a lot of noise and even presenting the risk of transmission of disease to domestic cats.

"There's more than just the slight nuisance factor. It can be a serious problem," Wilson stressed. "One of the problems is that a cat that is feral is not adoptable. The success rate in getting it to live inside is extremely low.

"The hope here is that by running the program successfully, it will reduce the cost to animal services, reduce the number of animals being euthanized and reduce the intake of animals that we receive."

Wilson explained they aim to identify neighbourhoods with

significant numbers of cats and then set the traps.

"We have a small window in the calendar year when we can do that because it can't be too hot and it can't be too cold," he added.

They then go through a process to determine if the cats are actually owned by someone, in which case they will return it to the owner. Otherwise the cat will be sterilized, vaccinated, and then, if it's completely feral, brought

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back to the neighbourhood where it was found.

"If you remove all of the cats from the neighbourhood, cats are territorial, and by creating a vacuum like that, other cats will actually move in, and they will be ones that aren't sterilized," Wilson explained. "So what we want is to have a whole bunch of

sterilized cats ... and no longer reproducing."

There may be other options as well, such as what he called a "barn buddies" program where the cats could be relocated to a farm setting. And in cases where they trap a mother cat

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Morden Chamber receives national accreditation honour

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Chamber of Commerce has received national recognition for being among the best chambers in the country.

The Chamber Accreditation Council of Canada has recognized 23 chambers of commerce and boards of trade who have achieved or maintained accreditation—the highest standard of chamber excellence in Canada—and Morden and Winnipeg were the only two from Manitoba.

To achieve accreditation, a chamber must submit its policies and procedures to the accreditation council for examination against a rigorous set of national standards. The accreditation is formal recognition that a chamber has passed this review and demonstrated excellence in its leadership, governance and operations.

"It's fantastic to see that the organization is thriving under a strong governance model and that we're ahead of schedule on our strategic plan

goals," said chamber board chair Tyler Schroeder.

He cited the example of their initiative to implement a new advocacy framework to best offer a coordinated voice to its business members.

"With a talented executive director in Clare Agnew, a diverse and committed board, along with the continued support from members, sponsors, volunteers and funders, the chamber is well-positioned to foster growth and success in Morden's business community as we aim to deliver value to our members."

"This was a big process to go through, however, you recognize the importance of each step to ensure we are meeting the needs of the chamber members along with the standards of the chamber organization nationally," said Agnew. "I think the Morden chamber should be proud of this accreditation. It demonstrates the leadership and commitment to

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Central MB Youth Choir hits the road this week

40th anniversary concert takes place Saturday in Winkler

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The 40th annual Central Manitoba Youth Choir (CMYC) tour takes place across southern Manitoba this week.

CMYC is made up of 50 up and coming young vocalists. They auditioned for their spot in the choir last spring and have spent the past two week-ends in intensive rehearsals in the lead-up to this week's performances.

The purpose of CMYC is to bring together some of the finest high school singers in the region, to build a choral community, and to prepare and perform an outstanding repertoire, says Heather Clyde, president of the Central Manitoba Choral Association.

"They get so much from this experience," she said of the teen singers. "The memories that they make, the friendships that they make, they're lifelong, truly.

"There are people that are still in contact and still friends with people that they had in their choir days from 40 years ago."

Over 100 of those CMYC alumni—be they former singers, conductors, accompanists, tour managers, tour moms, or parents—are slated to take part in a workshop this Saturday to mark the 40th anniversary. They'll be rehearsing with conductor Kristel Peters and accompanist Leanne Regheer Lee to prepare for a performance alongside the youth choir that evening at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler.

"We have 122 singers registered for that event," Clyde shared. "Every single year of the 40 years is represented. It's amazing ... we have people coming from all over the place, as far as California."

The youth choir, likewise, includes students from over a dozen communities across southern Manitoba.

"We are in a very rich choral music area," noted Clyde. "If you look not even just over Manitoba, but over the country, really, truly, this is a strong



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The Central Manitoba Youth Choir is on the road this week for its annual regional tour.

region for singers, for the desire to want to sing. We're very fortunate that way."

CMYC 2024 includes Amelia Loewen, Amy Doell, Amy Loewen,

Anastasia Klages, Angelus Simard, Annabelle Lanthier, Antony Sawazki, Calleigh White, Callie Friesen,

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Answered prayers

As a little girl, I often longed for silly things.

My mother, aware of my vivid imagination and relentless persistence, never offered false hope or lengthy explanations. Her response to my requests was always a simple, "No." When I reasoned, pleaded, and promised the world to change her mind, her answer remained the same.

At six years old, I decided I wanted a monkey. Inspired by those old "Bonzo" movies, I was captivated by the adorable antics of chimpanzees. I even started collecting baby clothes for my future pet, confidently telling my teasing older brothers, "You'll see. I'll get one."

Thankfully, this dream never materialized. After researching the challenges of house training such a creature, I grew up and opted to raise human babies instead. Though, it's debatable which is more trainable.

Over the years, my mother continued to smile at my outlandish requests, consistently responding with "no." She knew that in time, I would understand and even appreciate her refusals.

This experience mirrors my relationship with God. Like my mother, He listens patiently to my prayers but doesn't explain why my requests can't always be granted. I have to trust that He knows what He's doing. But that's not easy.

Oscar Wilde once said there are only

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two tragedies in life: not getting what you want and getting it. The phrase, "Be careful what you wish for; you might just get it," comes to mind. Answered prayers can be just as challenging, as they imply, "You asked for it. Now what will you do with it?"

On some level, we know when we're not praying for the right thing. We ask God to find us a soulmate instead of helping us become the person our soulmate would be attracted to. We pray for wealth instead of learning how to manage the money we have. We seek the perfect outcome instead of asking for peace of mind, regardless of what happens.

Our prayers are always answered, but we dislike hearing "no." We rationalize, bargain, and beg, convinced we know what's best. Yet, past experiences and red flags suggest otherwise. It's tough when our requests are de-

nied. After the tears and frustration, we might yell, "But you promised!" However, imagine if we said "yes" to every request from our children. With six kids of my own, I can't fathom the chaos that would ensue.

Children can't see the bigger picture, and as God's children, neither can we. God hears both the farmer's prayer for rain and the family's prayer for a sunny wedding day. We pray for Him to save a loved one's life, while the loved one is praying, "Lord, please take me home."

Often, God's answer is "Wait." Wait until we have the maturity or wisdom to receive what we desire. And usually, we're grateful for His hesitance.

Perhaps the hardest prayers are for patience and trust, but they're the only ones where a "yes" is guaranteed.

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the business community and adds credibility to our brand."

Chuck Davidson, president of the CACC, emphasized that "accreditation not only signifies a chamber's exceptional management and strategic vision, it marks an enduring commitment to applying best practices and raising standards across the entire chamber network."

"Accreditation represents the pinnacle of excellence in chamber management," noted Candace Laing, president and CEO of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. "As we strive to build a Canada of thriving business opportunities, a robust economy, and a better life for all, accredited chambers exemplify the leadership that will make this vision possible."

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Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. Fiscal 2025 General Rate Application

Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. (Centra), Manitoba Hydro's natural gas subsidiary, has applied to the Public Utilities Board for the following adjustments to natural gas rates:

- Interim approval of a 4.5% general revenue increase effective November 1, 2024, to be finalized at the conclusion of the Application review process; and
- Approval of adjustments to rates that include costs to transport natural gas to Manitoba for distribution to customers' homes and businesses, and the costs to store natural gas in the summer months for use in the winter.

The proposed general revenue increases are needed to ensure Centra has the revenue to run the natural gas system and perform maintenance as needed to continue to provide reliable, safe and effective service to customers.

For an average residential household, the proposed November 1, 2024 rates result in an annual bill increase of \$24. Residential bills would increase approximately 3.9%, while bills for Large General Service customers would increase between 0.2% and 3.3%, depending on consumption. The bill impacts for High Volume Firm, Mainline and Interruptible customers will be communicated directly to those customers.

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Your FARM



MFGA to host 7th annual Regenerative Agriculture Conference

By Stephen Burns

Farmers from across Manitoba will meet in Brandon in November to learn about regenerative agriculture's newest practices and innovations.

The 2024 Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association (MFGA) Regenerative Ag Conference will bring speakers from across North America who will share their expertise on the future of farming and how it can be done responsibly.

"We're a regenerative-based pasture management group and focus on protecting grasslands, the environment, and renovating pasture," said MFGA chairman Michael Duguid, who operates a beef farm based near Arnes.

"This is our seventh conference, and we are a board made up of diverse farmers who share innovative ideas."

The MFGA website says regenera-

"WE ARE A BOARD MADE UP OF DIVERSE FARMERS WHO SHARE INNOVATIVE IDEAS."

tive agriculture is an approach to farm and ranch management that aims to reverse climate change through practices that restore degraded soils. It adds that rebuilding soil's organic material and biodiversity increases the amount of carbon drawn from the atmosphere and improves soil fertility and the water cycle.


Some common practices include no-till or minimum tillage techniques,

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Cover crops are important for fostering wildlife habitats and protecting soil so it regenerates season after season.



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Each table later shared a few of their thoughts and ideas, and there were many common themes.

"Better internet and Wi-Fi connectivity and infrastructure" ranked high on the list of Don Cruickshank and his tablemates as far as what they want to see in any PCH they may one day find themselves in.

Speaking on behalf of his group, Justin Zacharias noted the need for an integrated housing model "that would allow various levels of care on the same property, and allow people to move into that space as their care needs increase."

His group also wondered whether Salem could play a role in providing or managing in-home support services to keep people in their homes longer, especially in rural areas where such services are limited.

Other groups noted that including spouses in care plans would be an important piece of the puzzle, including trying to keep couples together under one roof for as long as possible. Is there a way to have on-site housing for spouses who need less care?

Other ideas that came up included

the value of having a large indoor green space for residents to enjoy nature in year-round, larger rooms to better accommodate wheelchairs and walkers, a pod living unit structure to better build community within the care home, a workout space, greater cultural sensitivity in programming and services in recognition of the area's changing demographics, and bringing back respite services that haven't been offered since before the pandemic.

The Salem Home board will take all these ideas under advisement, Oliveira said.

"The board is looking forward to working with this plan. We do have a visioning retreat planned for November, so we will continue [with this]," she said. "This is not going to be in vain, but I will also caution you that not every idea that you put out there will happen. But it's a guideline, it's a direction for us to go."

If you couldn't make the forum, Klassen and Oliveira invite you to reach out to Salem Home or any of its board members to share your ideas for the future of the facility.

Your FARM



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Cecelia Klassen, Delaney Smith, Denise Howatt, Eden van Hoof, Evan Griffin, Ian Fehrmoore, Jacob Dyck, Julia Loewen, Kai Hildebrand, Kate Giesbrecht, Katrina Banman, Keeley Sheppard, Laycee Henderson, Lilith Judge, Malcolm Janz, Marley Le Moullec, Marlo Doerksen, Maryn McGill, Matthew Lee, Maya Klassen, Micah Klages, Nadia Lee, Natalie Friesen, Nevae Dueck, Nolan Franz, Nora Enns, Olivia Bamford, Olivia Wall, Orië Plett, Rachel Hesom, Regan Teichroeb, Reuben Dyck, Rudy Sheppard, Russell Klassen, Rylee Wiebe, Sam Kroeker, Serena Driedger, Taylor Hildebrand, Tessa Lesage, Victor Janz, and Scarlet Matychuk.

The youth will be led by conductor Vic Pankratz and accompanied by pianist Loren Hiebert.

They perform this Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Central Manitoba Choral Association Senior Choral Workshop in Winkler; Friday at elementary schools in Winkler, the high schools in Carman and Notre Dame, and a public concert at the Cypress River Church at 7 p.m.; and Saturday at the St. Claude Catholic Church at 10 a.m., Homestead South in Morden at 1 p.m., the Buhler Active Living Centre in Winkler at 3 p.m., and at the anniversary celebration in Winkler at 7 p.m. alongside the CMYC40 Alumni Choir (tickets for that show are available for a donation at cmyc40.ca).

The tour wraps up Sunday with an afternoon stop in Portage la Prairie (tickets available for live streaming access at mbchoralassociation.ca in Community Events) followed by a show the Manitou Opera House at 7 p.m.

> CONFERENCE, FROM PG. 8

cover crops, crop rotations, compost, and managed grazing.

Duguid says this encourages rest periods for the land and helps distribute manure throughout fields to promote plant sustainability and growth.

"We operate with five core principles," Duguid says. "Keep the soil covered, keep disturbance of the land low, ensure plant diversity in fields, help the living roots systems in plants, and integrate livestock if possible."

"This all helps rejuvenate the soil for the next year and has environmental and economic benefits. You put more carbon in the soil, wildlife can thrive, and you get to protect grasslands."

This year's conference will welcome speakers close to home from Manitoba and Saskatchewan but also from as far as Bluffton, GA, and Wolford, ND, in the United States.

Duguid says this year's lineup will also include speakers from Holistic Management Canada. He says regenerative agriculture and holistic management—a form of regenerative grazing and rangeland management—often go together. There will also be a round-table panel discussion so experts can answer attendees' questions.

MFGA executive director Duncan Morrison says attendees can expect to learn a lot this year.

"People can expect a whole lot of



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Cattle graze in a field in Manitoba. Responsible grazing is also good for farm field as it keeps animals healthy and ensures their manure goes back to the land.

awesomeness," Morrison says. "They will learn from keynote speakers who work in the same field they do and will have a chance to network with other farmers and industry representatives."

"We focus on bringing in the top minds in regenerative ag."

He says that patience is key to this type of agriculture.

"We encourage farmers to choose their practices and share with others," he continued. "It does take time and there are no silver bullets. If you follow the guiding principles, you will

properly position your farm with soil health as a top priority and hopefully profitability to follow."

This is the seventh year the MFGA has put on this conference at the Victoria Inn in Brandon, MB. This year's event takes place Nov. 12-13.

In addition to the keynote speakers, Holistic Management Canada will host land and nature-based regenerative agriculture workshops for kids ages 4-12.

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Manitoba's new chief veterinary officer announced

By Lana Meier

Earlier this fall, Agriculture Minister Ron Kostyshyn announced that Dr. Glen Duizer has been selected as the new chief veterinary officer for the Manitoba government. In this role, Dr. Duizer will oversee the province's initiatives pertaining to animal health, disease prevention, and response.

Kostyshyn expressed that the chief veterinary officer is a prominent figure who plays a key role in bridging Manitoba's agricultural and agri-processing industries with animal and human well-being.

"Dr. Duizer's extensive experience and expertise in animal health, emergency planning and response and epidemiology and his strong relationships with livestock and poultry stakeholders and veterinarians will

help guide our work protecting animal and human health, and we are excited to welcome him to this role."

Dr. Duizer graduated as a doctor of veterinary medicine from the University of Prince Edward Island in 1995 and obtained a master of science in epidemiology in 2015. Since 2005, he has been a member of Manitoba Agriculture and has an additional decade of experience working as a clinical veterinarian in both food animal and

mixed animal practices.

Manitoba's chief veterinarian, chief veterinary officer, provincial veterinarian for animal welfare and other stakeholders work together to protect animals, food and people. The chief veterinary office is responsible for:

- leading disease planning, prevention, surveillance and response activities,
- supporting biosecurity efforts,
- collaborating in veterinary public

health issues,

- overseeing Manitoba's veterinary diagnostic services laboratory,
- maintaining traceability and premises identification systems, and
- connecting farmers, processors and others with information and resources on these issues.

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with kittens, the mother would go back into the community but the kittens would be adoptable.

Wilson noted they need volunteers to assist with placing cat traps, trans-

porting animals before and after surgery, and possibly keeping cats for four to five days while awaiting surgery.

They believe a successful program could mean further funding from the

city, as they currently have a small budget to work with, considering the cost of spaying/neutering cats.

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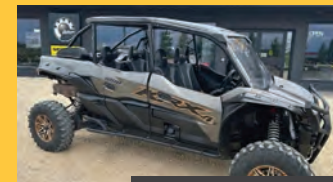
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NPC hosted the annual Winkler Career Symposium last week.

NPC, GVC students weigh their options at career symposium

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler students got the chance to learn more about the opportunities that await them after high school at the annual Garden Valley School Division Career Symposium last week.

Northlands Parkway Collegiate hosted the event this year, which also saw Garden Valley Collegiate bus in its students to check out the displays set up by the more than 50 participating post-secondary institutions and businesses.

NPC guidance counsellor Angela Klassen said the symposium is meant to arm students with a wealth of information as they ponder their futures.

"We have a lot of post-secondary institutions here, but we also have direct entry career options as well," she noted. "We want to let students know what's available."

Gr. 11 students Megan Knelsen and Maya Klassen approached the symposium from different perspectives: Klassen knows she plans to pursue a law degree after graduation, while Knelsen is still weighing her options.

"It was pretty interesting," Klassen said of her loop through the gymnasium packed with booths representing numerous Manitoba universities and colleges as well as area employers such as Kroeker Farms, Friesens Corporation, Meridian Manufacturing, and Salem Home, among many others.

"Most people, when I asked questions, they were very in-depth with their answers. It was very nice," Klassen said, noting she focused in specifically on the University of Manitoba and the University of Winnipeg, both of which she's considering. "I'm not sure what I want to do yet for my undergrad, so they helped me a little bit with that, gave me some options."

"I'm still kind of seeing what's out there more, getting more ideas," said Knelsen, adding it was useful to learn more about both educational programming and the various employment opportunities that abound across Manitoba and right here at home. "For people like me who don't really know what they want to do after they grad-

uate yet, it's good knowing that there's so many different things."

On the other side of the table, the symposium was a great way for participating organizations to showcase what they have to offer potential future students and employees.

Monarch Industries' human resources coordinator Marge Fehr says the day is great exposure for the Winkler foundry with the younger generation.

"We hear a lot of, 'I didn't know you were there' and 'I didn't know you did this,'" she said. "'My Dad works there' or 'My Grandpa used to work there.' It's that type of connection that is good to come out to a high school for."

Kelly Deklerk, who was manning a table on behalf of Manitoba Aerospace and the Tec-Voc Aerospace Manufacturing and Maintenance Orientation Program, echoed that sentiment.

"Interacting with students that are interested potentially in going and furthering their knowledge in the aerospace industry" is a highlight, she said, noting that included discussing careers in everything from engineering to maintenance to the manufacturing side of the industry. "Talking about the breadth and depth of career opportunities underneath the aerospace umbrella ... most come and don't even really know what aerospace all entails."

Danika Nadeau and Sara St-Cyr were on hand to connect with students about Université de Saint-Boniface.

"We're a fully French university in Winnipeg with a variety of programs to offer," St-Cyr said. "We are the largest French university in western Canada."

While Winkler doesn't have a French immersion program, the recruitment duo nonetheless enjoyed the opportunity to raise awareness about their university.

"It is important for us to have a presence here and to reach students," said St-Cyr. "We are always happy to answer their questions and to spread the awareness that we are present in Winnipeg."






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Ed Penner Construction cuts the ribbon on its new home

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Ed Penner Construction (EPC) in Winkler marked two major milestones last week with a special celebration.

Not only did they cut the ribbon on their spacious new building at 525 Viking Road, but the company is also celebrating 20 years in the community this year.

"This day is not possible without all of you," owner Ed Penner told the assembled crowd Oct. 10. "We are fortunate to have the greatest customer base in southern Manitoba. We only have a job because of your success.

"When a business has success and is in need of expanding because of its dedication and great service, it's a blessing to all of us," Penner observed. "It's given us at EPC a chance to help with those needs by coming

up with a great plan, finding a solution, build a team with these great suppliers and tradespeople that are here today to work together to build something greater than we can construct.

"As I look back over the last 20 years, we have built some great buildings, really stretched our capabilities at times, but the greatest thing we have built is relationships and the trust of all of you."

EPC got its start when Penner decided to go out on his own as a journeyman carpenter in 2004.

He began specializing in custom homes and renovations, but eventually made the leap into focusing solely on commercial steel and wood frame buildings. EPC later diversified to include the agricultural sector with the purchase of a machine that aids in the



PHOTOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/ VOICE

Ed and Mel Penner (centre) were joined by the Winkler chamber's Hank Froese and Tanya Chateaufneuf in cutting the ribbon on Ed Penner Construction's new home (right) Oct. 10.



construction of ribbed potato storage units.

The company's project list in the community includes buildings for Sun Valley Tire, MR MIKES Steakhouse Casual, Snap Fitness, Icon Technologies, and Spent Brothers, among many others.

"Sometimes our greatest struggle is our customers all having growth needs at the same time," Penner said. "But somehow we always seem to be blessed with the right trade or crew member to get it done."

They've grown from being a one-man operation in the early days to upwards of 40 employees today.

Their new space in Winkler's north-east industrial park has been a long time coming, Penner shared.

"In our old building, we outgrew the office, we outgrew the shop, we outgrew the yard," he said. "But we actually put this building off for a year because we were just too busy.

"This one is about three times the size of our old facility," Penner said. "We've got a footprint of about 10,000 square feet."

They moved into the space Sept. 1 and anticipate it will serve them well for years to come.

Looking back, Penner said it's hard to believe 20 years have passed. It's been a rewarding journey.

"We don't ever push to get bigger—our goal is never size. We don't ever have a target in mind to get to so and so many employees or so and so much in sales," Penner said. "Our goal is always just to serve the people we have well. We grow because our customers keep growing.

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Legion unveils new commemorative banners

By Lorne Stelmach

The Morden Legion's commemorative banner program expanded with four new additions unveiled last Tuesday.

The banners feature images of area residents who served our country anytime between today and the First World War.

It is a meaningful thing for family and relatives to have their loved ones both remembered and honoured for their service, shared those at last week's unveiling of the new banners going up this fall.

"It is an honour ... it is nice to have him recognized," said a tearful Colleen Lyne, who was there to see the banner paying tribute to her husband Frederick William Lyne. "I really like the banners ... we need to remember the sacrifices ... it's very meaningful."

Dawn Clayton was proud to see her father-in-law Reg Clayton honoured with a banner.

"It was good ... I provided the story but I had to do a lot of research ... he never talked much about it ... we had to do a lot of digging," said Clayton, whose father-in-law earned several honours including the 1939-1945 Star, France and Germany Star, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and 1939-1945 War Medal.

"I think it's very important, and I think the young people need to know," she said. "They get to be free every day, and it's because of these guys that they're free."

Another banner honoured Milton Coll McNaughton, who earned a Military Medal, 1939-1945 Star, Italy Star, France and Germany Star, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, 1939-1945 War Medal for his service with the Royal Canadian Engineers.

The fourth new banner was for George Arthur Simmons, who received the 1914-1915 Star, Victory Medal, British War Medal. He served with the Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) and died of wounds received in action.

All of the banners include the Legion crest, City of Morden logo, as well as the honouree and banner sponsor. Some also feature a poppy to signify that person died in service. Each banner also notes the battle or location



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Morden Legion has four new banners to display downtown in the weeks around Remembrance Day, honouring local residents who served their country.

where the honouree fought.

Families submit a photo of the person and a little bit of their service history, and the only requirement otherwise is that the subjects be members of the community or at least from a family with a strong lasting connection to the community.

The banners are displayed primarily along Stephen Street and in some storefronts as well for about a month around Remembrance Day.

As well, an image of the banners and biographical information are posted on the legion website, and it is those stories that especially stand out for Legion member Ken Wiebe, who cited the example of McNaughton.

"What he did was extremely heroic ... he took his bulldozer, and he cut a bank down so that the infantry and the artillery, the armored corp, could get across the river, while he was being shot at," said Wiebe.

"I think it's important to everybody that they know that the people who did these things are from here," he added. "They're not just some random strangers from a community. They are people that grew up and lived in Morden."

"It goes way beyond the Legion. The job of the Legion is to make everybody aware, and that's what we're trying to do," said Wiebe, who noted they will keep adding more banners if there continues to be interest.

"Initially, I'm kind of wondering is anything more going to happen, and the next thing I know I get a bunch of phone calls, and people are interested

... yes, I am amazed sometimes. "It's just really good to see their memories being kept alive ... they know this is part of their history."

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'Freud's Last Session' at the Kenmor this weekend

By Lorne Stelmach

Richard Klassen is stepping out from behind the sound and light board for the fall show of Candlewick Productions.

The producer returns to the stage to bring the character of Sigmund Freud to life in the two-man production of *Freud's Last Session* at the Kenmor Theatre in Morden.

The story written by Mark St. Germain is centred around a meeting between Freud and novelist C. S. Lewis, played by Chuck Fefchak, in September of 1939 at the outbreak of the Second World War.

"This is an exciting opportunity to get back on to stage and particularly in a rather difficult role," said Klassen. "Freud definitely is a challenging character to embody, but to dig into a dramatic piece like this along with the likes of a character like Chuck Fefchak, that will be rewarding."

The story has Freud living in England, having left his home in Austria a year prior to escape the threat of the Nazis. He has invited Lewis to meet, and the discussions they have are peppered with their own particular world views.

In keeping with Candlewick's fall

tradition of doing classic shows with an edge, this play certainly fits the bill. While still very much a family-friendly play, the topics of conversation range from family dynamics to war and much more.

While he was looking forward to portraying C.S. Lewis, Fefchak was equally looking forward to sharing the stage with Klassen.

"We've done so many shows together, but always with him as a director. I'm grateful for this rare opportunity to be on stage with Richard and seeing what energy it generates."

Fefchak also added that, as they have directed together on several shows, they found themselves "directing each other" while setting up the early scene blocking. While it added to the enjoyment, it was also a sign of the level of comfort the two have created over the years.

Also in the mix is Ashley Sawatzky, who has taken on the duties of both makeup artist and stage manager. She has attended rehearsals to assist the actors in their positioning on stage.

The show is set for this Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m., with an additional matinee Sunday at 3 p.m.

Tickets are available by visiting www.candlewick.ca.



Checking out local volunteering options

The Morden Citizens on Patrol Program, represented by co-ordinator Shannon Sylvester and volunteer Jim Hunt, was among the many organizations and agencies on hand Thursday at a volunteer recruitment fair. The event was hosted by 500 Stephen Community Centre and Volunteer Manitoba.

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Morden on the hunt for new compost processor

By Lorne Stelmach

The closure of a local business has left the City of Morden without a place to take its compost at the moment.

The compost that is collected curbside by the city had previously gone for processing to Enviroclean Landfill Solutions, but it has ceased operations.

In a recent news release, the city stated it was working on finding another sustainable and affordable solution for compost, but it means the compost material collected curbside for

now has nowhere to go.

"It left the city unexpectedly without an alternative place to take our compost ... right now, we're just taking it to the landfill," said Mayor Nancy Penner.

"We're working on it. We're looking at a number of options, but we're also looking at two things ... what is affordable for our ratepayers," she said. "We have a couple of options, but the price isn't what we're looking for."

"We're just trying to be very cost conscious to our ratepayers ... pricing is a concern," Penner noted. "We're

looking at other options. There's not a whole lot of options out there right now for composting."

For now though, they want residents to continue with their composting habits until they establish an alternative.

"In the meantime, we're just asking our residents to, if you have yard waste like branches and grass clippings, take it to our compost site," Penner said. "Keep doing your kitchen waste as normal ... we just want to keep everybody in the routine of composting because when we find a

solution, there'll be a seamless transition for the homeowner."

It could also be an opportunity for people to try doing their own composting, but Penner noted there are limitations with that option.

"The trouble with backyard composting is you can't use the meat products ... you can't put your salad oils or your meat products ... what do you when you have that turkey carcass?" she noted. "It's a tricky solution."

"The city is working hard, and we should have a solution coming soon."

United Way puts call out for Coats for Kids donations

By Lorne Stelmach

United Way Pembina Valley is putting out a call for donations of winter clothing for its annual Coats for Kids campaign.

The donation drive started Oct. 14 and continues until Nov. 12.

The agency is looking for all kinds of winter items for both kids and adults, including jackets, snow pants, toques, mittens and scarves—anything that will help families in need stay warm in the months ahead.

The initiative last year saw the United Way give away over 260 coats and other winter clothing in both Morden and Winkler.

“There’s been good response, and I think we do have that need,” said

board member Audrey Armstrong, who noted there was the one year in 2022 where the need was greater than the supply of clothing, but it did level out last year.

“There were just a lot of extra people in our communities. It was post pandemic and right at the beginning of the war in Ukraine, and we just had a lot of extra people in our area who came in very suddenly.

“I think there were still needs there [last year], but certainly not as extreme as that one year.”

The long-running Coats for Kids campaign is well-supported by the communities every year.

“It’s been around for a while now. It’s well established,” Armstrong said.



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United Way Pembina Valley is collecting new and gently used winter clothing to distribute through its Coats for Kids program next month.

“I think there are people who wait for this to roll around now ... and they keep it in mind when they’re organizing and going through things and are going to make some donations to this program.”

Red donation bins are in place at four locations this year. In Morden, you can donate at the Morden fire hall by the shed at the back of the building as well as at the 500 Stephen community centre. In Winkler, donations can be left at the Winkler fire hall at the front of the building or at the Central Station Community Centre.

The United Way welcomes both new and used items in good condition.

“We get such a mixture of things,” said Armstrong. “Sometimes we get beautiful brand new coats ... others are just really great used coats that will definitely benefit a few more kids.

“It can be used clothes, but we really do prefer stuff that is in good shape ... we don’t have the capacity to do any kind of repair work.”

This year’s cloth-

ing distribution nights are Wednesday, Nov. 6 from 3-7 p.m. in Morden at 500 Stephen Street and Tuesday, Nov. 12 from 3-7 p.m. in Winkler at Central Station. There is no charge for any of the clothing, so anyone who needs it is welcome to come pick something up those nights.

Armstrong sees the value of Coats for Kids even in terms of how much winter clothing can cost families otherwise.

“If you’ve got a few kids, it can be a pretty expensive thing ... it can add up fast, and it can be particularly difficult for people who are not familiar with our climate here ... we certainly have a lot of newcomers here.

“The community has always been very good at responding and donating good stuff.”



Talking fire safety

PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Jonathan Baumgart of Morden Fire and Rescue had two Grade 1 classes from Maple Leaf School on hand last Tuesday for a kickoff to Fire Prevention Week. “We teach them the importance of having a working smoke detector in their home and also how to get out of a home or building in case there is an emergency and to have a fire escape plan,” explained Chief Andy Thiessen. “The theme this year is ‘Smoke alarms: make them work for you.’”

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sports & recreation

Flyers best Swan Valley, Portage

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Flyers trounced Swan Valley and Portage over the weekend.

Saturday's home game against the Stampeders was a 7-2 rout for Winkler. Jayce Legaarden had a two-goal night, while Kam Thomas, Brody Beauchemin, Will Brophy, Marek Miller, and Ethan MacTavish rounded out the win with a goal each.

Bryson Yaschyshyn faced just 19 shots on goal, saving 17 of them, while his teammates peppered the Swan Valley goalie with 40 shots.

Things didn't go any better for the Terriers when they came to town Sunday night.

While the shots battle was a closer one—Winkler had 28 to Portage's 29—it was the Flyers who managed to make good on those shots, with two from Thomas and one from Nicholas Mckee giving the team a 3-0 lead in the second period.

Portage managed two in the third, but they were drowned out by goals from Niklas Gudmundson, Brady Craik, and MacTavish to give Winkler the win 6-2.

Liam Ernst made 27 saves in net for the Flyers that night.

The defending MJHL champs now have five wins and two losses under their belts, which is good for third



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Flyers Jayce Legaarden and Brady Craik look for the point shot in front of the Stampeders' net Saturday night in Winkler. The home team won it 7-2.

place in the MGEU East Division, though they have several games in hand over the top two teams: the Selkirk Steelers (10-1) and the Steinbach

Pistons (6-1-1).

This week Winkler hosts Selkirk Tuesday night and then hits the road to play in Virden Thursday. Over the

weekend, on Sunday, they host the Dauphin Kings.

Male Hawks fall to Chiefs, down Wheat Kings

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Valley AAA Hawks found themselves on either end of 4-2 games last weekend.

Friday night's away game against the Yellowhead Chiefs saw them on the losing side of things.

Goals from Adrien McIntosh and Gavin Rondeau kept the team in the

mix, but the Chiefs doubled up for the win.

Pembina Valley outshot Yellowhead 48-27. Karsen Dyck made 23 saves between the posts for the Hawks.

Then, on Saturday, the team hosted the Brandon Wheat Kings and pulled off the win in front of the hometown crowd.

Brandon drew first blood just 15 sec-

onds in, but goals from Tegan Fehr, Gavin Rondeau, and Haiden Friesen pulled the Hawks into the lead 3-1 after the first two periods.

The Wheat Kings started to close the gap midway through the final frame, but it proved to be the last goal they could manage, while Paxton White sealed the deal with the fourth Hawks goal on an empty net in the final min-

ute.

Ryler Gates made 31 saves in net as the Hawks outshot the Wheat Kings 34-33.

It puts the Hawks in eighth place in the league with a 3-6 record.

Coming up, the Hawks play road games against Yellowhead and Brandon this weekend.

News or sports tip? E-mail news@winklermordenvoice.ca or call 204-325-6888

Female Hawks get first wins of the season

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Valley Hawks U18 ladies team added two to the win column over the holiday weekend.

The Hawks, who play in the Manitoba Female Hockey League, welcomed the Interlake Lightning to Morden Saturday evening.

The home team won it 3-1, courtesy of a pair of goals from Jessica Anderson and a single from Emily Beattie. Kasia Rakowski made 22 saves in net as her teammates sent 24 the other way.

Then, on Sunday, the Hawks hit the road to play the Central Plains Capitals.

Goals from Abigail Brigg and Sophia Cox had Pembina Valley up 2-1 after 20 minutes. A scoreless second period followed, and it took the Capitals eight minutes into the third to tie the game and force overtime.

The extra minutes solved nothing. The resulting shootout went the Hawks' way when Anderson's shot found its mark.

Madison Froese was between the posts for Pembina Valley, saving 22 shots as the Hawks outshot the Capitals 44-24.

With that, the Hawks are 2-3 in the season thus far.

This weekend they head to Minneapolis for a tournament.



Interlake's Chloe Minkus and Pembina Valley's Emma Roch battle for puck possession Saturday. PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

Pembina Valley Twisters fall to last place in MMJHL

By Ty Dilello

It's been a start to the season that the MMJHL's Pembina Valley Twisters would like to forget. The Morris-based junior hockey team lost two games on Friday and Sunday to drop to 1-4-1, putting them into last place in the league standings.

On Friday night at home, the Twisters lost 5-2 to the Stonewall Jets. Owen Vanrobaeys and Mike Heppner had

the goals for Pembina Valley, while goaltender Maysen Mazurat made 20 saves for his club.

The Twisters took to the ice on Sunday hoping for a better result, but instead lost a tight 2-1 contest to the St. James Jr. Spencer Sabourin had the lone goal for Pembina Valley, while Darion Penner made 29 saves in the loss.

Despite the two losses, the Twisters'

coaching staff isn't yet ready to sound the alarm.

"We just couldn't buy a goal against St. James it felt like," said Twisters' head coach Braeden Beernaerts. "Our last two games we played really well, but there's just a few little adjustments that we could be making."

The Twisters have two games this week. For the first one, they are on the road on Thursday, Oct. 17 when they

travel to Winnipeg to take on the St. Vital Victorias. The puck drops at 7:30 p.m. Pembina Valley will then host the Charleswood Hawks on Sunday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Morris Multi-Plex.

"Moving forward, we're just trying to find that consistency of this weekend and hopefully have a breakthrough by putting pucks in the net."



Record year for Thanks for Giving Run

The 18th Thanks for Giving Run took place in Winkler Saturday morning, drawing a record amount of runners and raising thousands of dollars for the Winkler and District Food Cupboard.

PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE



High school rodeo action



PHOTOS BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE

The Miami Ag Grounds hosted the Manitoba High School Rodeo Association competition last weekend, drawing youth competitors from across the province. Above: Jill Goff of Carman chases a calf in the breakaway event. Above, left: Miami's Alana McCarthy rounds a barrel. Left and right: Miami's Morgan Turner in the goat tying and the breakaway competitions.



Carman Gun Show and Hobby Show on Oct. 26

By Ty Dilello

The Carman Gun and Hobby Show will return for its 34th year on Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Carman Hall (60 1st St NW). Admission is \$7 for the day, and children 12 and under are free.

"This year, we have 80 tables with guns, ammo, knives and hunting-related items for sale," said gun show organizer Bruce Reid.

"Back for another show, there will be food served by Crazy Lady's Cafeteria, which is always a big hit. Kel-Lea Outdoors out of Homewood will be supplying the raffle item for the show too. And also, every 100th person receives a door prize from Tim Hortons."

The Gun Show has a special charity portion to the event as they raffle off an item and donate 100 percent of the proceeds to a different charity every year. This year, the proceeds will go to the Carman palliative care program.

The spring show that they held in

Carman has been very well attended in the past. Over 1,000 people came through to check out the vendors. This year, vendors will come all over from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Ontario.

"It's one of the only locations you can go and see so many at one point. The owners know all the info and history about the guns, so you're getting all that knowledge firsthand. The atmosphere is great, and everyone seems to have a common idea as it's the same kind of hobby."

Reid is excited to see how many people will attend the event. The canteen will also be open all day for people to come and get a bite to eat.

"Every show, I try and change it up to make it more interesting," said Reid. "It sounds like my regular crew of volunteers will be returning for another which I couldn't do the show without them. Next year, being the 35th year, we are already planning some things for that. So we're hoping this show is well attended again to



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Carman Gun and Hobby Show will be returning for its 34th edition on Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carman Hall. Eighty vendors will have tables set up with guns, ammunition, knives and lots of supplies.

keep them coming in the future." carmangunshow@gmail.com.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF WINKLER PUBLIC NOTICE - BOARD OF REVISION

Public notice is hereby given that the 2025 assessment roll for the City of Winkler has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 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 subsection 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;
- (c) classification of property;
- (d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

43(1) An application for revision must

- (a) be made in writing;
- (b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- (c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- (d) be filed by delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the Municipal Office at 185 Main Street, Winkler MB., or by serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board.

The Board of Revision will sit on **Thursday, November 21st, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chamber of the City of Winkler to hear applications. The **final date** on which the Secretary of the Board may receive applications is **Tuesday, November 5th, 2024.** Dated this 4th day of September 2024.

**Jody Penner, Secretary
Board of Revision
City of Winkler
185 Main Street,
Winkler, MB R6W 1B4**



CAREERS



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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS & REGISTRATION CITY OF WINKLER BY-ELECTION 2024

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

Please be advised that a municipal by-election will be held December 12, 2024.

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

For the office of councillor: Up to, and including November 6, 2024 at the City of Winkler Administration Office, 185 Main Street, during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the SEO at the email or telephone number listed below:

NOTICE OF NOMINATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:
OCTOBER 31, NOVEMBER 1, 4, 5 & 6, 2024

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the following location, 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba, nominations will be received for the office of Councillor (1) of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is November 6, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters of the local authority. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by email. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number or e-mail listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the voters list may be revised at 185 Main Street, Winkler, Manitoba no later than November 6, 2024, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The Senior Election Official (SEO) will be available to update the voters list by;

Adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;

Deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on the list, and

Making such other correction of errors to the list as required.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION

A voter may apply in writing to the SEO (at the address/email below) no later than November 6, 2024 to have his/her name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail or e-mail and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

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Wendy Klassen
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CREDITOR NOTICE

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GRASS CUTTING & GROUND MAINTENANCE TENDER



APPEL D'OFFRES ENTRETIEN EXTÉRIEUR ET TONTE DE PELOUSE

La DDSFM désire retenir les services de contractuels pour l'entretien extérieur et la tonte de pelouse des écoles de la DSFM et du Bureau divisionnaire situé à Lorette. Ce service sera offert pour une période de 3 ans commençant l'année scolaire 2024-2025.

Tous les documents nécessaires à la préparation de l'offre pourront être obtenus en téléphonant au 204 878-4424, poste 3632 ou par courriel eric.collette@dsfm.mb.ca.

RÉCEPTION ET OUVERTURE DES OFFRES
Les soumissions seront reçues au Service du transport et de l'entretien de la DSFM jusqu'à 15 h, le vendredi **1er novembre 2024**.

CALL FOR TENDERS GRASS CUTTING AND GROUND MAINTENANCE

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RECEIPT AND OPENING OF OFFERS
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FARMLAND TENDER

FARMLAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

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CONDITIONS OF TENDER

1. Interested parties must rely on their own inspection and knowledge of the property.
2. Tenders must be received on or before 2:30 p.m. on November 15, 2024.
3. Tenders must be accompanied by a \$10,000.00 cheque payable to McCulloch Mooney Johnston Selby LLP Trust as a deposit. Deposit cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned.
4. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The bidder whose tender is accepted will be required to complete an agreement covering terms and conditions of sale.
2. In addition to the deposit, the balance of the accepted tender must be paid on or before the date of closing which shall be December 31, 2024, or evidence provided that the purchase funds will be available under conditions acceptable to the Vendor. If the balance of the accepted tender is not paid within the set time limit the deposit may be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
3. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment are made following acceptance of tender.
4. Successful bidder will be responsible for real property taxes commencing January 1, 2025.
5. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of GST or shall self-assess for GST.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MONTCALM

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of *The Municipal Act*, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 5th day of **November, 2024**, at the hour of **10:00 AM**, at Rural Municipality of Montcalm, 46 - First Street East, Letellier, Manitoba, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
69050	ELY 1000 FEET PERP OF WLY 1700 FEET PERP OF SLY 335 FEET PERP OF SW 1/4 20-4-2 EPM - 7047 RD 21 NE	L -\$36,700 B -\$87,500	\$9,062.58
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138760	LOT 11 PLAN 55381 WLTO IN RL 237 AND 239 PARISH OF STE AGATHE - 6 MONTCALM BAY	L -\$23,000	\$2,654.98

The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality **may** exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in **cash, certified cheque or bank draft** to the RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MONTCALM as follows:
 - i) The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - ii) If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
 - iii) A fee in the amount \$500.85 (\$477 + GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 2024.

Managed by:

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PARCEL 4: N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 18-2-7 WPM Roll No. 0023300 (approximately 50 acres)

All land is located on adjoining fields. The initial tender is for a 2-year term, for the 2025 and 2026 growing season

Written tenders must be received by 2:00 p.m. on Oct 31st, 2024. Please include your name, price per acre to be paid, and phone number with your tender.

Winning tender will have access to land immediately upon signing an agricultural lease agreement with the owner of the land. Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of all GST or shall self-assess for GST.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF MORDEN
PUBLIC NOTICE
REGARDING SPECIAL SERVICE PROPOSAL
BY-LAW NO.12-2024 FOR THE PROVISION OF
POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION AND STREET
LIGHTING SERVICES**

The Council of the City of Morden has scheduled a public hearing at the City of Morden Civic Centre, 100-195 Stephen St., Morden, MB on the 28th of October 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to present the following special service proposal:

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SPECIAL SERVICE PLAN NO. 3

Council is proposing to replace Special Service By-law No. 27-2017, dated March 26, 2018, to modify the rates that are subject to the special services tax for police and fire protection and street lighting services. The proposed special service levy will not be a new tax, but will be a separate levy to transparently reflect the costs for police and fire protection and street lighting services, and will be levied on all rateable property including otherwise exempt properties within the City of Morden limits, at estimated costs as follows:

2025	\$3,585,000.00
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2028	\$3,915,000.00
2029	\$4,035,000.00

The method of taxation to be applied shall be based on the portioned value of assessable property. The assessed property is all rateable properties, including otherwise exempt properties, within the City of Morden. The mill rate shall be determined by Council annually, based on the annual police and fire protection and street lighting services budgets set out in the City of Morden's Financial Plan. The actual portioned values of the properties will be supplied annually by the *Department of Intergovernmental and Indigenous Affairs* (\$620,652,130 in 2024). Estimated budget for 2025: \$3,585,000 / (\$620,352,130 / 1,000) = 5.78 mills. Calculated on a residential property valued at \$280,000 (portioned value of \$126,000) and based on 2025 estimated budget and assessment, a \$728.28 special service tax will be levied for police and fire protection and street lighting services.

A written objection may be filed with the City Manager, at 100-195 Stephen St., Morden, Manitoba, prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection to the special service proposal.

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

Copies of the special service proposal are available at the City of Morden office at 100-195 Stephen Street, Morden, Manitoba and on the municipal website at www.mymorden.ca.

Dated at the City of Morden this 24th day of September 2024, and issued pursuant to Section 318 of *The Municipal Act*.

Nicole Reidle, CMMMA
City Manager
City of Morden
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PUBLIC NOTICE



A brief meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, October 19th, 2024 at 1:00 pm** in the Winkler Library, 160 Main Street, to give an update regarding the Neu Reinland Cemetery and to seek input from relatives and friends who have an interest in not only this cemetery but in the preservation of Manitoba's pioneer cemeteries generally. Do mark your calendar. We look forward to seeing you.
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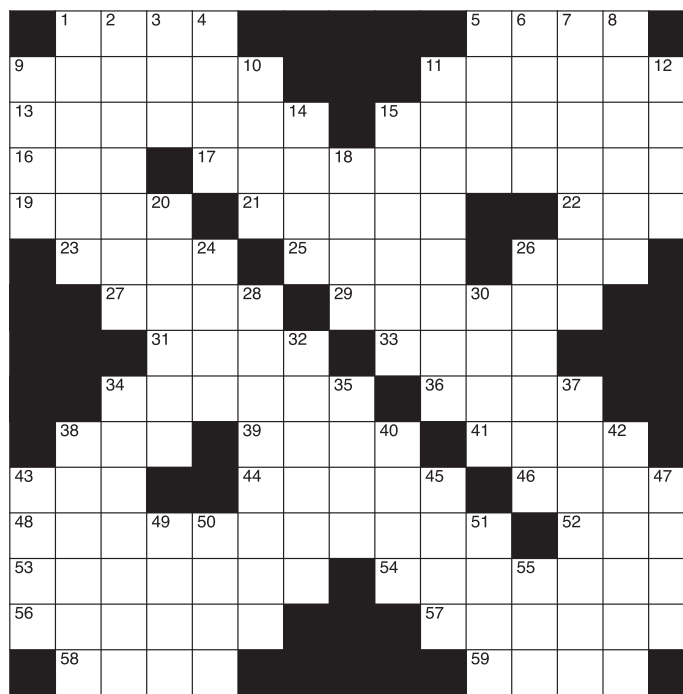
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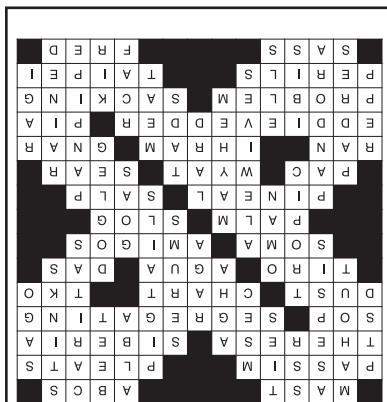


CLUES ACROSS

- Tall, upright post on a boat
- Basics
- Used to refer to cited works
- Folds
- Former UK PM May
- Cold region of Russia
- Standard operating procedure
- Separating
- Particles
- A way to map out
- Referee declares
- Beginner
- Water (Spanish)
- Gov't lawyers
- Non-reproductive parts of an organism
- Spanish friends
- A type of tree
- Walk heavily
- About a wood
- Free-swimming marine invertebrate
- Political action committee
- SB19 hit song
- Scorch the surface of
- Moved quickly on foot
- Sacred state for a Muslim
- Growl
- Pearl Jam frontman
- Irritating person
- Something requiring a solution
- Firing
- Hazards
- Taiwan capital
- Impudence
- Rock frontman Durst

CLUES DOWN

- One who rides an elephant
- Absence of bacteria
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Men's fashion accessories
- "Honey" actress Jessica
- Round red root vegetable
- Latin term for "charity"
- Doesn't smell good
- Mental health issue
- Millisecond
- Hairstyle
- Edible starch
- Middle Eastern military title
- Protein-rich liquids
- Indian musical pattern
- Cancer and Capricorn
- Country along the Arabian peninsula
- A bend
- Fishes of the herring family
- Antelopes
- Chaos
- Popular music app
- Cooking material
- Musical instrument
- San Diego ballplayers
- Small amounts
- Poured
- Fabric
- Food option
- Finger millet
- The U. of Miami mascot is one
- Alberta, Canada river
- Canadian flyers
- Dry white wine drink



Crossword Answer
Sudoku Answer

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Hot Honey Chicken and Waffle

Prep time: 2 minutes
 Cook time: 5 minutes
 Servings: 1
 1 Minute Hot Honey Chicken Seasoned Rice Cup
 1 egg
 nonstick cooking spray
 2 chicken tenders, cooked
 2 tablespoons honey, for garnish
 1 tablespoon powdered sugar, for gar-

nish
 Preheat mini waffle maker. Heat rice according to package directions.
 In medium mixing bowl, combine rice and egg. Mix well.
 Spoon rice mixture into waffle maker. Cook until light goes off.
 Place waffle on plate with cooked chicken tenders on top.
 Drizzle with honey, sprinkle powdered sugar on top and serve.



Buffalo Cauliflower Casserole

Prep time: 10 minutes
 Cook time: 30 minutes
 Servings: 6
 2 cups Minute Jasmine Rice
 1 package (8 ounces) plain cream cheese, softened
 1/2 cup Buffalo hot sauce
 4 cups frozen cauliflower florets, blanched and cooled
 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 1/3 cup finely crumbled blue cheese

2 green onions, thinly sliced
 Preheat oven to 400 F. Prepare rice according to package directions. Transfer to greased 8-by-8-inch baking dish.
 In medium bowl, stir cream cheese and hot sauce. Add cauliflower, cheddar cheese, salt and pepper; toss to combine. Spoon over rice. Sprinkle with blue cheese.
 Bake 25-30 minutes until golden brown and bubbly. Sprinkle with green onions.
 Tips: Substitute goat cheese or feta for blue cheese, if desired. Meat lovers can serve as a side dish to seared chicken or beef.



Mexican Lasagna

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"
 Servings: 4-6
 1 pound ground beef
 1 can (15 ounces) black beans
 1 can (4 ounces) chiles
 2 cans (14 ounces each) fire-roasted diced tomatoes, divided
 1 can (15 ounces) whole kernel corn
 1 tablespoon garlic powder
 1 tablespoon onion powder

1 tablespoon taco seasoning
 6 cups shredded cheese
 18 taco-sized tortillas of choice
 fresh cilantro, for garnish
 sour cream, for serving
 Heat oven to 350 F.
 In large skillet, brown ground beef; drain grease. Add black beans, chiles with juices, 1 can tomatoes with juices, drained corn, garlic powder, onion powder and taco seasoning.
 Open remaining can of tomatoes; take out half and set aside. Add remaining half with juices to beef mixture. Mix well and turn off heat.
 In 9-by-13-inch pan, line bottom with six tortillas, slightly overlapping. Cover with 1/3 of beef mixture and top with

Ask the money lady

Dear Money Lady Readers – my daughter said to me the other day that she had FOMO and I was DRIPPING in my outfit. “What??” I had no idea what she was talking about.

If you don’t already know, let me tell you what the young are now calling “FOMO” – the “fear of missing out.”

Here’s the other slangs they use: “FOBO” – the “fear of better options” or “JOMO” – the “joy of missing out.”

For the “DRIP” – that means you look good and it’s apparently a compliment. Other Gen’Z jargon I have now learned are “BOUJEE” – which means fancy, “SLAPS” – which means excellent or amazing, “LIT” – meaning really good, “TEA” – meaning gossip, and “FLEX” – meaning to show off.

So, I plan on FLEXING here, to make a really LIT and BOUJEE article for you, so I can explain the FOMO/JOMO and give you all the TEA to all my STAN’s (that means fans or followers). Did you get that?

Okay, no matter what you label it, we all have FOMO feelings, and this is due to social media. It’s available 24/7 in our pocket (on our phone), especially through Instagram. We can instantly feel envy and regret about how others have more or are doing more exciting things. Whether real or not, most forms of social media portray wealth, and we now don’t need to keep up with the neighbours, we need to keep up with the millions of people on social media. The sad part is, it doesn’t make you feel good about your accomplishments thus far but rather makes you feel less about yourself because others have done more or have so much more. Parents today are under constant pressure from social media bombarding them with constant examples of better birthday parties, events and experiences that so-called “better parents do for their kids.”

Why not take a FAST from the FOMO. Turn off the social media, either for a couple of hours, days or weeks. This will do wonders for making you feel better about your own life and perhaps will stop the comparisons of your regular life to the polished versions of those online. Remember that credit card



Christine Ibbotson

companies build their business on you borrowing from your future. They want you to buy now rather than saving to buy later. With credit, it’s easy to fall for the instant gratification to convince yourself that later can take care of itself. Be careful not to create “excuse spending.” This is when we feel we are justified to spend because we deserve it. We may think all the hard work we have done, the sacrifices we have made, and the lack of acknowledgement for that work and those sacrifices, warrants or entitles us to a splurge spend....because we deserve it. But, what do you really deserve? Do you feel you are missing out?

If you think that material possessions or experiences are the things you deserve, then you need to think again.

What you deserve is to be free from future financial stress. Remember that while those purchases may feel luxurious in the moment, they could land you in financial stress that you don’t deserve. I am not saying that you need to deprive yourself or your children, but if you are suffering from FOMO and feel you need to reach to credit to improve your situation or your kids experiences, remember that enjoying a stress-free financial life, honestly feels a lot better than any new item or birthday bash ever could.

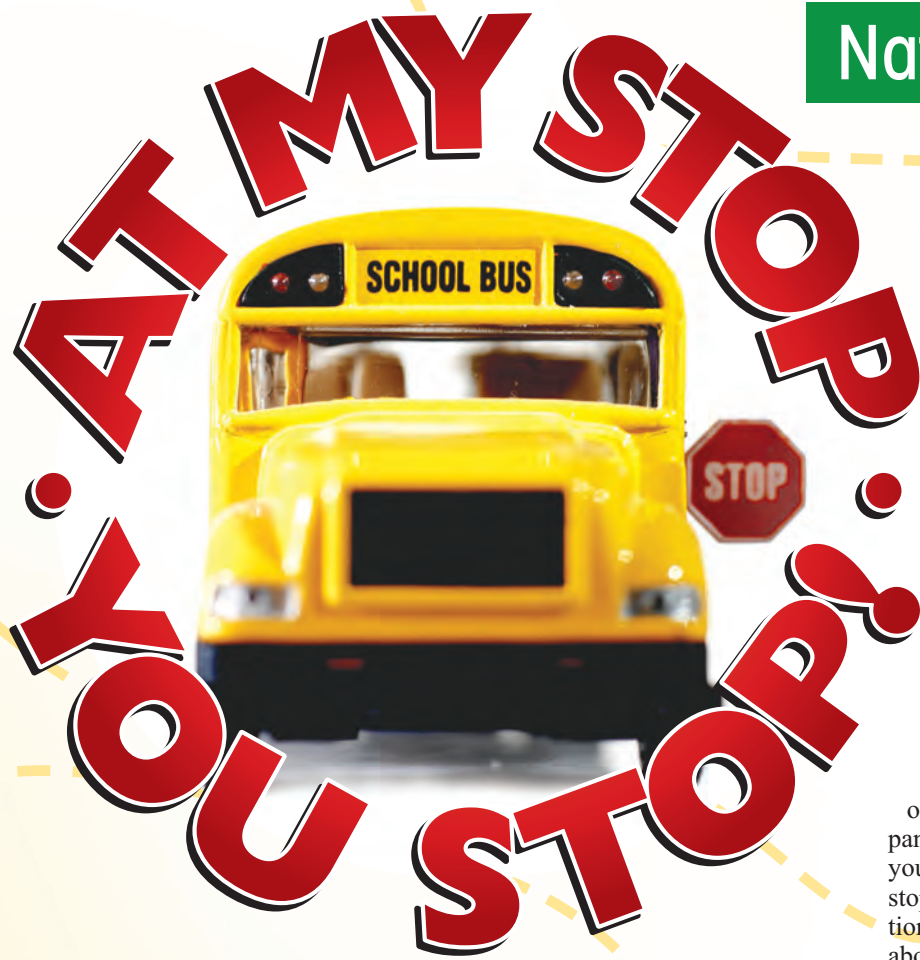
Good Luck & Best Wishes,
 ATML - Christine Ibbotson

Written by Christine Ibbotson, Author, Finance Writer, National Radio Host, and on CTV & BNN, syndicated across Canada. Send your questions through her website at askthemoneylady.ca

2 cups shredded cheese. Repeat with remaining ingredients then top with reserved tomatoes.

Cover pan with foil and bake 30-40 minutes. Garnish with cilantro and serve with sour cream.

National School Bus Safety Week



Everybody does their part

Keeping things safe at the school bus stop requires the participation of everybody concerned: parents, car drivers, bus drivers, and kids. National School Bus Safety Week, October 20-24, 2014, is the perfect time for everybody to brush up on their role in keeping the bus stop free of danger.

PARENTS

Review bus safety rules with your kids on a regular basis. Make sure kids are outfitted with backpacks to keep their school items together as they board the bus, and make sure all straps and buckles are tucked in; getting snagged on a rail or door can cause panic and unwise actions. If you think your child's bus stop is in a dangerous location, talk to your school board about getting it changed.

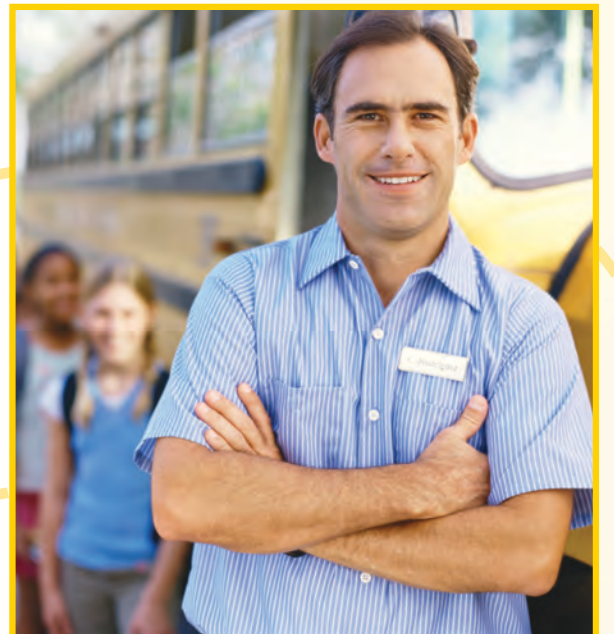
CAR DRIVERS

Be aware of the danger zone around a school bus. It includes the area ten feet in front of and on both sides of the bus. It may be annoying to get stuck behind a bus on the school run, but remember that it is against the law to pass a bus with its stop arm extended and/or crossing lights flashing.

KIDS

Teach your kids the following bus stop basics:

- make sure the driver sees you at all times
- take your time getting on and off the bus
- cross the street at least five big steps away from the front of the bus so the driver and other cars can see you
- ask the bus driver to wait if you have dropped something on the ground near the bus




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