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Morden chamber hands out 2018 business awards

By Lorne Stelmach

Two successful local companies were honoured last week with Morden Business of the Year awards. At its annual awards gala Nov. 1, the Morden and District Chamber of Commerce named Decor Cabinets as the top business with seven plus employees and Morden Nurseries as the top business with less than seven employees. PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Left: Scott Johnson of MMJS Law presents Monique Rampton of Morden Nurseries with a Business of the Year Award at the Morden chamber's gala last week. Above: Receiving the Not-for-Profit of the Year Award was South Central Cancer Resource, represented by Pam King, Deb Thiessen, Sam Hilhorst, and Wes Schroeder.

The event also honoured two previously announced award recipients: Richard Klassen of Candlewick Productions as Entrepreneur of the Year and South Central Cancer Resource as the Not-for-Profit of the Year.

"This award is for the people of De-

cor," president and CEO Larry Dyck said in accepting the honour. The company beat out fellow nominees Sawatzky's Furniture and Appliances and Wolfe Enterprises.

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"We really are passionate about our employees and we believe that it's our responsibility and opportunity as leaders to grow our people.

"It's meaningful to our employees to be part of something that's significant, that's part of contributing into the community," Dyck added, "and it brings a lot of pride. It really builds the community in our company."

Dyck said they were grateful to the chamber and the city, citing in particular how the immigration program in Morden has made a difference for Decor being able to bring many skilled workers to town.

"We have 30 countries represented in our business ... these newcomers bring education, passion, life experience and innovative ideas with them, and we all benefit from their contributions."

Dyck touched on how their commitment to their staff goes beyond the work to caring for and investing time in their overall well-being.

"We all have things going on in our live and it's hard to separate that. In fact, I believe that you can't separate that from the workplace ... so how do we make a workplace a safe place for our people, where they are respected, where they are recognized, where they can be themselves?

"We try to do that for our employees, we try to do that for ourselves," he continued. "It's about the people ... our organization prides itself on building relationships both inside and outside the company.

"I think those are very key components and, along with that, having the right people and treating people as people."

Monique Rampton of Morden Nurseries said they were very honoured to be chosen. They were nominated alongside Bella's Castle and Meilun Denture Clinic.

"It's quite a surprise ... it's quite a shock, but I'm very flattered to have won it, not just me but my company, my staff," Rampton said.

"We've been around a long time, and we'd kind of like to stay in the background, but it's nice to be honoured for something ... it's nice to know that other people appreciate us," she continued. "I really appreciate the support of the city of Morden, the chamber of commerce, and the whole surrounding area for all these years."

Rampton touched on how her parents started the business and she is now the second generation running

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PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE Above: Scott Johnson presents Decor Cabinets president and CEO Larry Dyck with a Business of the Year Award. Right: Taking home the Entrepreneur of the Year Award was Richard Klassen of Candlewick Productions.





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"I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day"

CFL star reflects on his upbringing, storied career, and abiding faith

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Canadian Football League superstar Michael "Pinball" Clemons delivered a rousing speech about his life and faith at the Salem Home Building for Tomorrow banquet Nov. 1.

Growing up in poverty in Florida, Clemons said his mother, who raised him on her own, gave him many gifts, among them an emphasis on the value of education.

"My mom prioritized education," Clemons said. "I could always run, but education was first in our house. If I got a C, I couldn't play sports.

"She didn't say that because she was mean or strict. She said that because she believed in me."

That unwavering support drove him to work hard to succeed on the field where he went on to set performance records and win awards and championship titles during his time as an NFL and CFL player and coach—and off.

It was also his mother who passed along another foundational part of Clemons' life.

"The thing she gave me most is a love of God," he said, going on to explain that he's always tried to demonstrate his Christian faith through actions rather than words.

"If you want to show me what being a godly person is, don't sit down and tell me a sermon. I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day.

"The greatest manifestation of the love of God is how we treat people."

Being open to God's plan for him has given Clemons great comfort in his personal and professional lives.

"The message here is not so much what I did, but what God did for me



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Michael "Pinball" Clemons chats with a few of the guests at the Building for Tomorrow gala in support of Salem Home Nov. 1

because I was willing," he stressed, going on to emphasize his belief in an active God who created each one of us for a purpose. "There's a God of the universe that created us and he's been the foundation of everything that I've done.

"I love God and I believe that the most productive life to live is one that honours Him," Clemons continued, adding that while he's made more than his fair share of mistakes, he always knows he is forgiven. "It is not about being perfect, but the pursuit of loving people and doing things right."

To that end, Clemons urged those in attendance to strive to lead better lives one day at a time.

"If the whole world was going to watch the movie of your life, would you be proud?"

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"We've all got stuff [in our pasts]," he admitted. "If it's good, we had help. If it's bad, it's behind us. What I'd like you to do is just take today and say, 'One day at a time. If the whole world were about to watch a movie of my life today, would I be proud of what the world was about to see?' No edits. Just one day at a time."

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Clemons had the opportunity to tour Salem Home prior to his presentation and came away inspired by the care staff give to residents.

"When I got the chance this afternoon to go to Salem, my faith was restored because I really got the chance to see dignity in action," he said." There are mature adults in Salem that they don't take anywhere else.

"There is a poverty greater than having nothing to eat," Clemons continued, quoting Mother Teresa." That poverty is being unwanted, unwelcomed, uncared for, forgotten.

"And many times with the elderly we have done just that: We have forgotten them. They are our parents, they are our grandfathers, they are our aunts and uncles. They are the ones who have paved the way.

"It is wonderful to see when people aren't just doing a job," he said of Salem's staff. "That they really care. And today that's what I got the chance to witness."

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

The proceeds from the evening are earmarked for future expansion at the Winkler personal care home.

"We're looking to expand our beds," said Arlen Hildebrand, president of the Salem Foundation, which hosted the banquet alongside the Salem Ladies Auxiliary.

"What that number exactly looks like, we're working with the provincial government right now [to figure it out]," he said. "We know we're going to need \$14 million to get going. It's a big project."

But with the community's support, it's one that will become a reality.

"I'm happy to say that there's people supporting it already," Hildebrand said, noting the foundation received a bequest of \$120,000 for the project just last week."So there are people and families that recognize this need and are willing to support us. It's a great encouragement."

While awaiting the green light from the province on expansion, Salem Foundation will continue doing whatever it can to improve quality of life for Salem's residents.

"We have not just huge projects that we're looking at," Hildebrand said, pointing to relatively smaller but no less important campaigns such as the recent completion of a new Cottonwood dining room and the facility-wide blind replacement project.

"This is people's homes," he said. "We're trying to make it a place they want to live and we want to give them their best-lived experience.

"We want to give them the same pride as they would have living in their own home."



Newly-formed Winkler city council settles in

By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler city council is set to get back to work after its inauguration meeting Oct. 30.

Mayor Martin Harder and a council made up of five incumbents and one newcomer took their oaths of office and were assigned various committee and board roles for the year ahead.

"We have four years ahead of us," said Harder, who is joined at the council table by newcomer Karina Bueckert and incumbents Don Fehr, Andrew Froese, Michael Grenier, Marvin Plett, and Henry Siemens.

"We have a lot of pent up projects that come from leftovers from the previous couple years. Some of them we've worked on an awful long time through this previous council and the council before," noted Harder. "We're really anticipating that we can get these things done in this coming council period."

He is especially glad to see the Meridian Exhibition Centre becoming a reality with a ground-breaking ceremony anticipated later this month.

"Hopefully the wastewater treatment plant will come to fruition this coming year and Hwy. 32," Harder added. "So there's a lot of stuff that's happening, but it's long overdue."

The appointments for 2018-19 include Siemens serving as the deputy mayor and Harder having an ex-officio role on all committees, which include:

• Finance: Harder, Siemens, and Bueckert.

• Transportation, environment, and utilities: Froese and Plett.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Winkler's city council swore their oaths of office at their first meeting last week. From left: Councillors Andrew Froese, Karina Bueckert, Henry Siemens, Mayor Martin Harder, Marvin Plett, Michael Grenier, and Don Fehr.

• Recreation, cultural and tourism: Froese and Bueckert.

• Personnel and finance: Harder, Siemens, and Bueckert.

to health and welfare and organizations like the

"I make a point of speaking to each one of our

Winkler chamber.

Bueckert. the Several other council appointments were also "I approved, ranging from police and fire boards mo

councillors after they get elected and find out where their interests are and where their skills are and try to match them up ... so they can do the most effective job possible," said Harder.

"It is a bonus having experience. It's much more difficult when you have a new group that you're working with ... than having some experience at the table," he added. "We have a great council. We have great people working together.



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GVC students collect cans for food cupboard

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Local teens did their part to help fill the Winkler and District Food Cupboard's shelves last week.

Garden Valley Collegiate's yearbook course spearheaded a three-day food drive that brought in hundreds of items for families in need.

Instructor Darren Crane explains the annual campaign offers students the chance to get \$10 off the price of their yearbook if they bring in at least 10 tins for the bin.

"We had 351 non-perishable items come in," he said, noting that's up a fair bit from previous years. "It's our way of helping out any way we can."

Gr. 11 student Stefan Price said the yearbook staffers are always pleased to be able to offer their peers a discount while also doing some good in the community.

"I think it's a great idea," he said, adding the sheer number of dona-

Valley Collegiate

Garden

book students with some of the haul of food they collected

for the Winkler food cupboard last

week.



tions this year took him a bit by surwould come in and bring so many prise. "I didn't think so many people cans."

Giving Challenge to benefit local fdns.

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Your donation to a local community foundation next weekend will go much, much further than usual.

The Winkler Community Foundation, Morden Area Foundation, and Plum Coulee Community Foundation are all taking part in the annual 24 Hour Giving Challenge on Saturday, Nov. 17.

Thanks to the support of the Winnipeg Foundation, the Province of Manitoba, and several local businesses, every single dollar donated on that day will be stretched to further benefit each foundation's community endowment fund, which distributes grants to local projects.

In Winkler, for example, a \$5 donation turns into \$15, says Winkler Community Foundation executive director Myra Peters.

"There's never been a better time to help our community grow," she says.

In addition to the province and the Winnipeg Foundation, the City of Winkler, Access Credit Union, Triple E, Kroeker Farms, Protec Plumbing and Heating, Golden West Radio, Southern Potato, and Winkler Concrete have all committed to donating \$1 for every \$5 received (up to \$2000 each).

"It is the highest we've ever had," Peters says of those commitments "We have some wonderful support from our community businesses that are

stretching our dollars, and so we're very excited about this challenge this year."

In Morden, every \$5 donation becomes an \$8 one thanks to additional funding from the province, the Winnipeg Foundation, and Access Credit Union. All three will make donations of \$2,000 each if MAF hits its \$10,000 goal that day.

"It's such a spectacular opportunity," says executive director Lynda Lambert, pointing out the 24 Hour Giving Challenge provides donors with the most bang for their dollar."It's a huge return on investment.

Every single donation helps, Lambert adds.

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A little crafty holiday shopping

The Access Event Centre was abuzz Saturday with the annual holiday arts & craft sale in support of the Pembina Hills Arts Council. The show featured around 80 tables and brought together over 60 artists and crafters from across the Pembina Valley to sell their handmade wares. The arts council uses the funds raised to support local artists and provide its varied arts programming.

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Habitat looking for Christmas tree decorators

By Ashleigh Viveiros

What better way to get into the holiday spirit than with a bit of Christmas tree decorating?

That's just what the Winkler-Morden chapter of Habitat for Humanity is offering with its first-ever Christmas at the Museum event.

The chapter has put out a call for businesses, community groups, and individuals to decorate a tree that will be set up at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre in Morden on Nov. 24. Organizers hope to fill the museum with trees, says chapter secretary Christina Falk.

"It's going to be a fun day," she says, noting the public will be invited to stop by from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. that Saturday to check out the small forest's worth of decorations. "It's a family event. Everyone is welcome."

The day will included performances from several school choirs, a scavenger hunt and crafts for the kids, snacks, and a chance to snap a photo with "Santasaurus." Entry is by museum admission.

You can get involved as a tree decorator with a donation of \$100 or more to the Habitat chapter. Alternatively, you can choose to have your decorations auctioned off in a silent auction, with proceeds going to the chapter.

You can decorate your tree however you wish, Falk says, noting everything from classic decorations to creatively themed trees are most welcome.

To sign-up, email wmhabitat@out-look.com as soon as possible.

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it alongside her brother. Rampton's daughter is also back in Morden helping out.

Behind it all for her is "just a passion for plants ... it's something I really enjoy," she said. "We're looking forward to continuing to support the communities in any way that we can and we really appreciate the support of everybody in the area ... hopefully we can keep our city and the surrounding area greener all the time."

Entrepreneur of the Year Richard Klassen said seeing this region's acting, dance, and musical talent shine on stage is always reward enough for him.

"When you love what you do, you don't often see it as work," he said. "You see it as a career, you see it as an opportunity to leave an impact.

"We've got amazing kids in our

communities," Klassen added, noting the joy he sees when his students step up to the plate and show what they can bring to the stage

"I don't see this award as an entrepreneur award for myself, I see this as a huge thank you to our kids in our communities, a huge thank you to our artists in our communities."

Klassen encouraged everyone to work together as a community to build them up, adding that he sees the arts as an opportunity for all of us to be mentors.

"I think all of us as business men and business women we have that opportunity to get on the stage of life and do things that will impact our communities. I want to continue to encourage all of us to keep doing that."

SCCR vice-president Pam King called the award "an absolute thrill

and an honour.

"It means a great deal to us," she said. "There are so many deserving organizations."

She paid tribute particularly to the founders of the organization.

"Cancer patients and their families have benefitted for over 15 years from their perseverance, their vision and determination, hard work and the countless hours."

King also expressed gratitude for the tremendous community support that makes their range of programs and services possible.

"This award belongs to all of you for your generous, selfless, and thoughtful support," she said. "We continue to listen to our clients and their families and are always looking for more programs and services to offer that will make their cancer journey more tolerable."



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Valley Fiber on track to bring Winkler online

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Valley Fiber continues to roll out its services throughout Winkler, with an eye to having the entire city online by early next year.

Senior vice president Conley Kehler says things have been going pretty smoothly as the local company works to bring high-speed internet to the vast majority of Winkler homes and business.

"At this point we are still on target to finish the project in spring of 2019," he said."We continue to hook up customers every day."

Kehler said they have over 2,000 customers using the network already. Homes and businesses in north Winkler were among the first to get the service over the past year. The City of Winkler, which contributed \$500,000 toward the \$15 million project, also has all its public buildings operating on the network.

Elsewhere in the city, Valley Fiber work crews have become a familiar sight as workers install the underground fiber optic infrastructure.

"Our contractor continues to dig," Kehler said. "And we continue to pray for the same weather that we have right now ... we will dig until we can't dig anymore."

Recently, Dig All Construction completed its portion of the work in the south part of Winkler and is now moving to tackle as many homes and businesses located on the east side of Hwy. 32 as it can before winter sets in.

The next phase for the south part of town is to have Valley Fiber installers come to each home for interior equipment installation, followed by one more visit a few weeks later to finalize set up.

"That continues every day—and has all summer long—and will continue right through the winter," Kehler said. These heavily populated areas of the city are taking Valley Fiber's installers

some time to get through, Kehler acknowledged. "Certainly the south part of Winkler



FACEBOOK.COM/VALLEYFIBER The company's work vehicles have become a familiar sight as they install fiber optic cable throughout the city.

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"People don't have to give a huge amount," she says. "If everybody gave just \$20 we'd be in a great spot."

In Plum Coulee, the foundation is hosting a fundraising soup and pie supper at The Centre on Main Nov. 17 at 5 p.m. The meal is by donation at the door.

Foundation board member Moira

Porte notes that they were able to raise well over \$5,000 during last year's 24 Hour Giving Challenge.

"Our stretched gifted dollars are added to our endowment fund," she says, "which means more grants for our local organizations."

If you can't make the meal and still want to donate, contact Heather Un-



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Valley Fiber senior vice president Conley Kehler in the command centre of the local tech company, which is on track to finish hooking up thousands of Winkler customers with fiber optic internet by spring.

is definitely more dense than many other parts, so it might take a bit longer there," he said. "But our hope is that all of that will be done before Christmas."

Kehler thanks Winklerites for their patience and ensures them the wait will be worth it.

"Know that we are coming. Know that it's going to be good," he said, stressing that their dedicated fiber lines going into each home means customers are guaranteed to get the speeds they're paying for.

BRANCHING OUT

Thanks to \$10.3 million in funding from the federal government's Connect to Innovate program, Valley Fiber is able to start making plans to branch out beyond Winkler.

"We have signed with a number of RMs," Kehler said, explaining the government funding will help the company bring the network to rural communities and then the local councils need to come on board to help take it the rest of the way to people's homes. "We're bringing 75 per cent savings to the RMs for the backbone fiber build."

The rural municipalities of Morris, Montcalm, and Dufferin, and the Town of Altona are among those who have signed up for Valley Fiber thus far.

The company is also working on bringing Valley FiberTV to the area, Kehler noted, adding that more details on that project will be released this winter.

"WE CONTINUE TO HOOK UP CUSTOMERS EVERY DAY ... [THAT] WILL CONTINUE RIGHT THROUGH THE WINTER."

ger at 204-325-2527 or donate online at endowmanitoba.ca.

That's also the website to head to for donations to both the Morden and Winkler foundations.

In-person donations can also be dated for Nov. 17 and dropped off at the Winkler foundation office in City Hall or the Morden foundation office at 104 8th St.

Lambert will also be at the Morden office from noon to 5 p.m. on Nov. 17 to accept donations, while Winkler foundation board members are setting up a donation booth at the Winkler Co-op grocery store from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. that day.

10 The Winkler Morden Voice Thursday, November 8, 2018 Elf on the Shelf hiding at Winkler retailers

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Chamber Elf is back for another season of hide and seek.

The Winkler and District Chamber of Commerce kicks off its fourth annual Elf on the Shelf promotion on Monday.

Fifteen Winkler businesses are taking part this year, each hosting the elf for two days from Nov. 12 to Dec. 15.

Five of those are new to the program, said chamber executive director Tanya Chateauneuf, who points out they had businesses signing up to take part months ago.

"We actually already have interest from new businesses that have opened up for next year," she said. "They're signing their name up because it's just such a fun promotion."

Each location will hide the little elf doll in a different spot. Find it and you'll have your name entered into a draw for a grand prize valued at \$750.

"Each business is required to give a gift card or something at the value of \$50," Chateauneuf said, explaining that's the only cost to the businesses for participating. "We're grouping it all together as one big prize."

The winner will be contacted on Monday, Dec. 17. No purchase is necessary to participate, though a purchase at the store does earn you a second entry.

Elf on the Shelf has received rave reviews from businesses and customers alike.

"It's super well-received. People are excited about it," said Chateauneuf. "There are certain people that go and find the Elf on the Shelf every single day.

"It just adds something to your shopping experience ... another reason to keep your Christmas dollars in Winkler," she said, adding that it's all about"supporting local businesses and maybe discovering [a store] that you might not have discovered previously."

The Chamber Elf will be at three locations every week, starting with Country Cycle Nov. 12-13, Winkler Fabrics Plus Nov. 14-15, and RB's Home of Tools Nov. 16-17.

The week of Nov. 19-24 it will be hiding at Hi-Way Groceteria, Sunny Day Products, and Co-op@Home; Nov. 26 to Dec. 1 it goes from Staples to Pure Anada to Sawatzky's Furniture and Appliances; it's at Janzen's Paint and Decorating, Time Out Sports, and Parkside Home Building Centre Dec. 3-8; and it wraps up the promotion





PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Winkler chamber executive director Tanya Chateauneuf with the Elf on the Shelf that will be hiding at 15 area retailers over the next few weeks. Find him and you'll be entered to win a \$750 prize package.

Dec. 10-15 at Bloom Petals and Gifts, Constellation Computers, and Domi- line at winklerchamber.com. non Outdoors.

A detailed schedule is available on-

Getting in the holiday spirit

Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas, community tree lighting next week

By Lorne Stelmach

Two events usher in the Christmas season in downtown Morden next week.

The Morden chamber's annual Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas on Thursday, Nov. 15 is followed by the City of Morden's tree lighting festivities on Friday, Nov. 16.

Wrapping up a Morden Christmas is heading into its fifth year now, with each one getting a bigger response than the last, said chamber executive director Candace Olafson.

"The focus is to promote local businesses and really encourage the community to shop locally," she said.

"We hear from the community that they're looking forward to the event," Olafson added. "I think it's got great momentum, and the community is really getting behind it ... it's really great to see the community support for our local businesses.

"It's also great to see the participating businesses collaborate and work together on this, she said. "By working together, everyone can benefit."

Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas

goes from 5-10 p.m. at participating downtown merchants.

You can take part by picking up your passport at participating businesses and then gathering stamps for each location you visit. Drop off your completed passport at the last store you stop at that night for a chance to win a variety of prizes.

Shoppers are then encouraged to wrap up the evening at Rock's Bar and Grill for appetizer and drink specials.

Christmas festivities take over the downtown again the very next night as the city flips the switch on the community's Christmas decorations.

Santa Claus arrives at the Morden Civic Centre around 5:15 p.m. for free photos courtesy of Steve Hiebert of Personal Expressions Photography.

Back outside, the Morden fire department will have a fire going to keep people warm while they wait for Mayor Brandon Burley will do the honours with the tree lighting at 7 p.m.

Mordenites are encouraged to bring along a donation of non-perishable food items for Donate Love. You can also drop off your Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes or toy donations for the Morden Christmas Cheer Board.

"It's been very well attended in past years," said recreation programmer Stephanie Dueck of the event. "There's lots going on, and it's a great festive atmosphere.

"[It's a] fun, free event for everyone."

RM of Stanley council meets for inauguration

By Lorne Stelmach

The new council for the Rural Municipality of Stanley met for the first time last week.

Councillors took their oaths of office Nov. 1 as part of the municipality holding its inauguration meeting.

Taking seats alongside Reeve Morris Olafson were incumbents Don Falk, Peter Froese, and Bob Giesbrecht along with newcomer Ray Unrau for Ward 1 and newcomer Ike Friesen and incumbent Alfred Loewen in Ward 2.

Back for another term by acclamation, Olafson welcomed the mix of familiar and new faces on council.

"They're a welcome addition," he said of the newcomers. "We've got the basic crew that we had last time, which is great ... we've got a really nice council, very good mix.

"[It's] a lot of business people, a lot of people who know their numbers and have the municipality in their mind, that we're going to make things better," Olafson continued."They're here for the betterment of the entire area."

One of the first acts of the new council was to approve its committee appointments for 2018-19 starting with Froese being named deputy reeve.

Heading up the finance, equipment and administrative committee will be Froese and Falk. The other four main committees all operate on a committee of the whole basis, though Loewen will head up roads, Falk drainage, Froese utilities, and Friesen the planning committee.

Council members were also appointed to a variety of boards ranging from the planning and conservation districts to other local committees in areas such as health, water management, landfill, and economic development.

One key committee includes the one that oversees



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The new RM of Stanley council met for the first time Nov. 1. From left: Ike Friesen, Alfred Loewen, Peter Froese, Reeve Morris Olafson, Bob Giesbrecht, Don Fehr, and Ray Unrau.

fringe development on the border areas of Winkler and Stanley. The RM's representatives there are Olafson and Froese.

Olafson highlighted taking that kind of regional approach as being of growing importance not only to Stanley but to the wider region.

"If you don't have the clout of the numbers to go in for grant monies or get a new project going ... if you just go by yourself, you are not going to be gaining right now in the political climate there is," he said. "But if we go in with enough numbers and enough want and need ... we have

a way better chance of getting those things to happen.

"If you have the clout of the region, it bends their ear a little bit more," he continued. "Everybody's come to that realization that we have to do this.

"There's some special things out there that could happen," Olafson said. "There's a bigger picture here, and everybody's realizing that we can't go it alone anymore. It just isn't going to work.'

Winkler, Lowe Farm Co-ops looking to merge

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FOR THE FUTURE FOR

By Lorne Stelmach

Officials see much to be gained with the proposed merger of Lowe Farm Co-op with its larger counterpart based in Winkler.

By partnering together, the new Coop will be more resilient and have more resources and talent to pool together in order to innovate and grow, representatives suggested last week.

"The diversification is going to be helpful for Lowe Farm as well as for Winkler," Winkler Co-op general manager Evan Toews said in advance of a Nov. 15 members information meeting taking place 7 p.m. at the Buhler Active Living Centre in Winkler.

Voting on the merger will take place Nov. 27 with member registration at 6:30 p.m. and voting to follow at 7 p.m., also at the 6th St. complex.

If approved, the proposed starting date of the new Co-op will be March 24, 2019 with a new board consisting of seven elected members from Winkler Co-op's board of directors and two from Lowe Farm's.

There would be about 500 Lowe the larger area. As both Co-ops share

Farm members joining 17,000 members of the Winkler Coop, and the amalgamated Co-op would be in five communities with 23 different locations.

Toews said they see this partnership as making for a stronger, united Co-op that will better serve their communities. The discussions

came about because they recognized that

there is a "need to make sure that we're both relevant for the future as things progressively get larger around us," he said.

positions two like-minded Co-ops in two like-minded communities to share the products and services in

> the vision to impact our communities, this new partnership will continue to carry this out through service, relationships and generosity.

´" Culturally, we're very much the same," Toews added. "A lot of the Lowe Farm residents retire to Winkler; a lot of them already shop in Winkler. We share

a lot of memberships in both locations already.

"So for us, by joining forces, with a lot of the talent and expertise that we "This partnership is a great fit that have in the different commodities, we can help each other out," he continued."A large focus of this is obviously agro or ag inputs as well as petroleum because those are their two largest portions of their business."

Lowe Farm Co-op general manager Matthew Almey agreed that the merger will be of great benefit to members in both communities.

"A partnership ensures the Co-op remains relevant for the future to the members and communities we serve. By seeing these two Co-ops partner, members and staff will see a stronger future by being stronger together."

"The cornerstone of our Co-ops is our strong and rooted principles. The commitment Co-op has to their communities will only be strengthened as a result of partnering together," added Toews. "Remaining locally invested with a strong communityminded approach will only serve to better support the lifetime of membership benefits for all current and future members."



"Council has been chomping at the bit to get going"

By Lorne Stelmach

The new mayor and council of the City of Morden officially got to work Monday.

At their inaugural meeting, Mayor Brandon Burley took the oath of office alongside council members Doug Frost, Garry Hiebert, Hank Hildebrand, Jim Hunt, Gord Maddock, and Nancy Penner.

Burley said they were all anxious to get work.

"It was exciting. We've been waiting 11 days to get going," he said. "Council has been very eager and chomping at the bit to get going, so I'm excited for them. I'm excited to keep going with this."

It is both an interesting and challenging time with the new mayor and four of the six councillors being new and facing a bit of a learning curve, but Burley is excited about what awaits Morden in the years to come.

"There's a lot of projects on the go," he acknowledged. "There's a lot of reasons to be very optimistic about Morden's future. It's a very, very bright future, and if we keep pulling the same way we're going to get a lot accomplished over four years.

"My commitment is, of course, to ensure that happens and make sure that we have a spirit of conciliation in council and make sure that we iron out our problems before they become serious. As soon as we get divided, we will inevitably fail.

"I think if we treat each other with respect, we will be able to work well together."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Morden city council held its first meeting Monday. From left: Gord Maddock, Hank Hildebrand, Nancy Penner, Jim Hunt, Mayor Brandon Burley, Garry Hiebert, and Doug Frost.

Burley noted a short-term priority will getting city staffing settled with a new city manager coming on board.

"He does have an idea of what he is stepping into," Burley said of Faisal Anwar, the current director of sustainable economic development for the City of Selkirk who begins as Morden city manager in December.

Meanwhile, one of the first acts of business for council Monday was the appointment of Nancy

Penner as deputy mayor.

Burley said it will be a two year appointment as council's feeling is that "one year is too short to really get immersed.

"She's a class act and everything she does is with poise and grace, and she's determined," he added of Penner.

"She has a real determination to see Morden advance and it became clear to me that she was an obvious choice for that position."

Man taken into custody after armed standoff

A man was taken into custody last week after a two hour standoff in Morden.

Morden police say they were called to a Rose St. home around 2 p.m. Oct. 31 about a man who was reported to be armed and barricaded inside.

Police negotiators along with the regional support tactical team and members of the Winker and Altona police services and Morden Fire and Rescue were called in to assist.

Several nearby residences were evacuated as a precaution.

Negotiators were eventually able to convince the man to surrender. He was taken into custody without incident at around 4 p.m.

No further information had been released about the matter at press time.

CHECKSTOPS LEAD TO TICKETS

Both the Winkler and Morden po-

lice services recently conducted additional traffic enforcement in the two communities.

Throughout October, Winkler officers not on regular shifts conducted a Manitoba Public Insurance distracted driving campaign with a focus on cellphone use while driving and other infractions.

As a result of the campaign, 27 tickets were issued. Twenty-four of them were for using a cellphone or electronic device while driving.

New distracted driving legislation came into effect Nov. 1 that brings not only a \$672 fine but other sanctions including a three day licence suspension and five demerit points.

Morden police also participated in several MPI-sponsored checkstops. Police charged two individuals for unlawful transportation of liquor, one for speeding, one for driving an unregistered vehicle and driving with an expired license, and one for using a cellular device while driving. Other items of interest from the weekly police reports include:

• Winkler police received a report Oct. 31 of a theft that occurred Oct. 25 from a gas station convenience store. Police reviewed the video surveillance and recognized the suspects, two of whom will be served store banishment notices and charged with theft.

• Morden police were called Oct. 31 to a Thornhill St. home about an earlier break-in. It was discovered that nothing was taken but a fire extinguisher and extension cord had been left behind and one window was broken.

• Winkler police were called Nov. 2 to a Main St. South home about an attempted assault with a weapon involving several individuals. Police assisted in mediating the situation and all parties did not wish to press charges.

• Morden police responded Nov. 3 to an accident at the corner of Falcon

Dr. and Thornhill St. One vehicle was attempting to turn southbound onto Buhler Dr. when they were rear ended by another vehicle. One driver was treated by paramedics and released at the scene and one of the vehicles had to be towed.

• A resident of Challenger Cres. in Winkler reported Nov. 2 that his locked vehicle was stolen from his driveway overnight. A nearby neighbour also told police he found damage on his vehicle consistent with someone attempting to gain entry. The stolen vehicle was later located near Cargill Rd.

• A 15-year-old girl reported Nov. 3 that she was assaulted by another girl while at a public park. The matter is still under investigation.

• A resident of Cedar Ave. in Winkler reported an attempted break-in to his residence during the night Nov. 3. The homeowner advised that entry was not gained to the residence.



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Libraries collecting PJs for Genesis House

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Genesis House women's shelter has joined forces with the South Central Regional Library for its annual Power of PJs campaign.

All through November, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, SCRL branches are accepting donations of pyjamas, socks, underwear, bathrobes, towels, face clothes, and toiletries for the women and children who seek refuge at the shelter.

The shelter sees about 65 women and 80 children each year, some of whom come with little more than the clothes on their backs.

Campaign organizers hope people will donate enough cozy pyjamas for each and every one of them.

"The idea of pyjamas really resonates with the community because it is something that everyone needs," says Genesis House executive direc-

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PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE Genesis House's Angela Braun at the Winkler library, which is one of several SCRL branches collecting donations for the shelter's Power of PJs campaign this month.

"We are really excited about the positive impact the pipeline has made in our community"



Evan Toews General Manager, Winkler Co-op

"The pipeline has been here for a number of years and when we heard that Line 3 was going to be replaced, we were super excited. There is a bit of a buzz knowing there will be hundreds of people in town on a daily basis. We've been working with Enbridge to donate equity earned by their employees using their Co-op number to the local community. We're really grateful that Enbridge has looked into where they can support locally."

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Pioneer Patch decked out for the holidays



Winkler Horticulture Society volunteers were hard at work at the Parkside Pioneer Patch last Thursday to get it decorated for the Christmas season.

PHO-TOS BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/ VOICE





By Ashleigh Viveiros

Winkler's Parkside Pioneer Patch is all decked out for the upcoming Christmas season thanks to the hard work of the Winkler Horticulture Society.

Volunteers wasted no time taking down the fall pumpkin decorations on Nov. 1, spending the morning transforming the roadside stop off Hwy. 14 (located a stone's throw away from DJ's Family Restaurant) into a winter wonderland.

The Pioneer Patch has rapidly become a favourite photo stop for Winklerites and visitors alike, noted society member Valerie Harder.

"This is a spot where a lot of people come for their family pictures and so we thought we would give them a beautiful Christmas background," she said, adding the volunteers also get a kick out of transforming the site

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A love of family and farming runs deep in Cody Falk's heart. Cody and his wife, Jaime, farm together in Rosetown, Manitoba with Jaime's parents, Rod and Angela Fehr. A busy, growing farm is a great match for their busy family of four girls. Whether it's watching their oldest daughter Cyrus (9) driving at the racetrack, helping Tenley (7) drop the puck on Hockey Fights Cancer Night, or watching the two youngest, Scarlett (5) and Shiloh (3), share each other's clothes, this close-knit family is always on the go on top of their already busy farm schedule.

A self-described "outlaw" on the farm ("because outlaws are wanted" Cody explains), Cody earned his place on his in-laws' farm by starting at the bottom and jumping in with both feet from day one. They run a rotation of corn, wheat, beans and canola. There was a huge learning curve for Cody coming from a farm in Crystal City, Manitoba with a wheat and canola rotation. He describes his first year "like you were standing in front of the headlights with blinders on and you have no idea what is going on." Now, he is a leader who is pushing the envelope for growing corn in the Red River Valley and passing his knowledge and passion for learning on to fellow growers and others in the industry.

When asked what he loves about farming, Cody noted that learning is a big part of his passion for farming. "I love how rewarding it is to be able to watch seeds you put in the ground grow and then be able to harvest them. That's probably my favourite part. And then everything that goes along with it; working with the employees, the retail staff, other farmers and the fact that you never stop learning. There's always something new that you can learn and try."

Cody has worked with his local DEKALB^{*} agronomist, Bruce Murray, and DEKALB^{*} Territory Account Manager, Kevin Chevalier, to run DEKALB^{*} corn Market Development Trials on the farm for the past few years. Each year, the DEKALB^{*} corn hybrids are tested in a different field to look at the real-life performance in different micro-climates and to see which products perform best in different locations. Cody has confidence in the trial data that he is generating with Bruce and Kevin; everything that is harvested goes across a weigh wagon and all hybrids are marked out using GPS technology allowing the team to know exactly where each hybrid is. A few years back, there was a growing season with high mould pressure, and after seeing the impressive disease tolerance in many DEKALB^{*} hybrids, the farm is currently growing 100% DEKALB° corn. Today, about 70% of their corn acres are planted with DKC33-78RIB corn. Although some farmers may be hesitant to plant so much of one hybrid or even one brand on their farm, Cody and the management team believe that DEKALB^{*} products provide a strong agronomic package and solid vield data across maturities and it fits their farm. Located almost at the US border, Cody takes advantage of the heat units available by primarily growing hybrids with 80+ day relative maturity. Cody has family growing crops a little further north and true to his passion for learning and testing, he's encouraged them to do a trial year with DKC26-40RIB corn, a 76-day hybrid, due to its fast drydown, which helps with early maturity.

While most of the farm is focused on doing what they know works, they also really embrace a culture of innovation. Each year, Cody has a quarter or two of each crop where they try out new products and really throw "the groceries at it" and he is always eager to try out new, experimental varieties from the DEKALB* brand. This allows them to "plan for the future" by performing their own trials and really dig into what works best for their farm. This is one of the many reasons why Kevin looks forward to working with Cody for years to come. "I'd say the best part I like about working with Cody would be that I get to learn stuff from him every single year. We wouldn't be where we are today with corn in the Red River Valley if it wasn't for him, that's for sure."

Always looking forward, Cody is part of a group of young farmers in the area that refer to themselves as "the future" of farming. Collaboration and innovation drive the group forward as they share best practices and encourage success among one another. "It's all about building relationships, that's how we based our farm." When it comes to the future of the farm, Cody is confident that at least one of the girls might be interested. "Well, there are 4 of them, so one of them is bound to [take over the farm]" he jokes. "Scarlett [5], my second youngest, seems the most interested." No matter what direction it goes, the future of the farm looks bright.

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> PIONEER PATCH, FROM PG. 17

for the holidays. "We have so much fun getting together and doing all this ... it's just a great community spirit project." Last week's work bee included festooning the site with wreaths, bows, and garland, giant ornaments, and several new decorative reindeer. The park will also have electricity for the first time this year, allowing for Christmas lights and a large star and candelabra that was built and installed by City of Winkler staff.

"That will be another great asset to this spot, adding a little more brightness to this area," Harder said, inviting the community to stop by and check it out.



The park located just off Hwy. 14 has electricity this year, allowing for several lit pieces.

Morden Police Board puts call out for citizen members

The City of Morden has put a call out for concerned citizens to join the Morden Police Board.

The board, which meets at least once every three months to oversee the local police department, is two people short of the five members it needs.

To be eligible to join the board a person must be at least 18 years old, a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, and live, be employed in, or have a business in the area in which the police department provides its services.

If you're interested in putting your name forward, write a short letter describing your interest in serving and why you feel you would be a good representative on the board and drop if off at or mail it into the Morden Civic Centre, 100-195 Stephen Street, Morden, MB., R6M 1V3.

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Local family's story honoured at Juno Beach Centre

By Lorne Stelmach

Harvey Kinsman never imagined he would find himself returning to France after his first journey a few years ago to find his uncle's grave at a Canadian war cemetery.

In 2012, while visiting the Juno Beach Centre, the Morden resident donated a number of artifacts and documents that belonged to his uncle Harvey Kinsman of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, including a memory cross, letters, photographs, and the telegram announcing his death.

Now, it is that memorabilia that not only helped lead to the family being featured in a new exhibit, but also led Kinsman to return overseas this past year to see it for himself.

"There's lots of families with stories ... it was just coincidence that we had donated some of these things that led them to ask more questions," said Kinsman, who will be the guest speaker at this weekend's Remembrance Day service in Morden.

The story begins with his uncle Harvey, who died in battle at Normandy August 5, 1944, and Kinsman's promise to his grandmother that one day he would visit his namesake's final resting place. "It always bothered her that he was buried so far away, so she always said somebody should go visit ... so we did."

That first trip to Normandy gave Kinsman the chance to pay his respects at his uncle's grave, tour the Juno Beach Centre, and donate artifacts relating not just to his uncle but also several other family members who served.

Kinsmen left behind documents belonging to another uncle, Elmer Kinsman, a member of the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery regiment who fought in Italy, as well as those of his great-uncles Edward and Frank Kroetsch, who fought in the First World War.

All told, there were four Kinsman family members who fought in the First World War and three in the Second World War.

Intrigued, the war museum set out to create a temporary exhibit drawing connections between the two wars.

"That's seven people from one family involved, so it kind of got their attention I guess," said Kinsman, noting the exhibit is called From Vimy Ridge to Juno Beach.

"Over the course of two years ... we had done a lot of research in CONTINUED on NEXT PAGE



Mordenite Harvey Kinsman with cousins Jacqui Tickner and Judi Hodgson getting a tour from Juno Beach Centre director Natalie Worthington. The trio travelled to Normandy to see how their family's story was incorporated into the From Vimy Ridge to Juno Beach exhibit.

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Harvey Kinsman, who served with the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada in the Second World War and died in action.



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our family and got some other relatives involved too and donated more information and different things that could be of use."

The exhibit features the stories of four different families. In the case of the Kinsmans, their story is told through the voice of Alyssa, a young member of the Kinsman and Kroetsch family.

Having the spotlight on his forebears is an honour Kinsman wanted to see for himself. He was joined on this most recent trip by cousins Judi Hodgson and Jacqui Tickner, Elmer's daughters. Tickner is also Alyssa's grandmother.

On this trip, Kinsmen donated additional photos and documents about the Kroetsch brothers as well as information on both of his parents, Nora Snyder and Orval Kinsman, who also served.

"It's unfortunate people aren't here to tell those stories," said Kinsman, noting there is likely so much more to the stories of all these family members that is unknown.

Still, he likes how the new exhibit uses what is known of personal stories to help paint a bigger picture of our nation at war and the impact it had on so many families.

We will always remember! As it was the first time, visiting Juno Beach once again was a powerful experience for Kinsman.

"It is always emotional to visit these graves," he said, reflecting that he wishes it was an experience more people could have."From a Canadian perspective ... we really don't appreciate what the French people appreciate. It's unfortunate that everyone can't visit.

"You see more things maybe the second time, and I think being with my two cousins, with it being their first time ... it's just amazing to visit these grave sites; they're immaculate, how they are kept."

"You're always proud to be a Canadian when you go there," Kinsman added, stressing it really makes one grateful for the relative peace of modern times. "Our generation has been so fortunate. You wonder how would you react, given the same situation."



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Remembering those who served

hen I went to school in Morden in the 1950s, Nov. 11 was not just a day off. A Remembrance Day service was planned weeks in advance by our principal and staff. The entire student body gathered in the school auditorium to listen. Bright red poppies,

bought with the 10 cents we had brought earlier, adorned our chests. We were dismissed for the day when the service was over. The only time the date for the service was changed was if Nov. 11 fell on a Saturday or a Sunday.

Different classes and students were chosen to participate in the service. When my class was chosen in Grade 5, I had to wear a tunic and a white blouse. The boys had to wear dark pants and white shirts. We recited *In Flanders Fields* by John McCrae. A former serviceman from the Legion came to talk to us. I remember the hymn "Faith of our Fathers" being sung and a local pastor closing the service in prayer.

One day when I was in Grade 10, our very stern principal, Miss Neelin, called me to her office. I was filled with trepidation wondering what I had done.

She motioned for me to sit down and then handed me an old book with underlined words.

"I want you to memorize those four sentences and break the two minute silence next week at our Re-

membrance Day service," she said. I still remember the words I memorized from the poem *For the Fallen* by Lawrence Binyon:

"They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old, Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them."

I must have performed to her satisfaction as I had to break the silence reciting the same refrain the following two years also! Even though I had not personally lost anyone in the war, Remembrance Day has always been special to me. Whenever possible, I took my children to watch the veterans and others lay the wreaths at the war memorial in Morden. Then we walked with them as they marched back to wherever their service would be conducted.

Over the years the numbers of vets marching grows smaller and smaller. In Penticton, they no longer are able to march outdoors as it is usually too cold for them. Those who are still able to attend stay inside and walk up the aisle to take their place of honour at the front.

My dad did not volunteer for the war effort, nor did he become a conscientious objector. He suspected he had health problems from his two bouts of rheumatic fever. In 1944, when he was already married with two small children and another on the way, he was conscripted. The fourth doctor to examine him declared that he was totally unfit for battle.

"Your heart is twice the size it should be," the doctor exclaimed.

Dad's older brothers were either farmers or too old to be conscripted, but his two youngest brothers signed up. John joined the navy and Herman joined the army.

Uncle John told us about being in a sub on the Atlantic and surviving a torpedo attack. He did not elaborate, so that is all we know.

My mom's oldest brother, Jacob, volunteered for the army. He was disappointed not to be sent overseas. His qualifications were excellent, but because his mechanical skills were also good he was needed in Quebec to teach young recruits how to look after the trucks and tanks they would be driving in France.

A younger brother, Cornelius, chose to sign up for a CO Camp, as did my father-in-law and other family members. Both my husband's family and my family came from Mennonite backgrounds and also had the option of becoming COs, even though their families were not strict observers of the faith.

Mennonite boys who went off to war despite their parents' and their churches' objections were often shunned and banned when they returned, as one of the main ten-



SUPPLIED PHOTO The author's Uncle Jacob, who served in the Second World War, with his sisters Susan (left) and Katharina.

ants of the Mennonite faith was pacifism.

As Mennonites moved from The Netherlands to Poland, Prussia (later Germany), Russia, and finally Canada, they continued to seek assurances they would not have to go to war. Many young Canadian Mennonites, though, volunteered to become medics or to serve in other capacities where they did not have to carry weapons.

After years of discussion and opposition, a cenotaph finally stands in Winkler. This memorial was built in 1998 and placed in the new Bethel Heritage Park in 2011. The name of the one local World War I veteran and the eight local World War II veterans are on it. These fallen can now be remembered and honoured by their community.

Florence Dyck is a former Mordenite now living in the Okanagan

Teams to don Peace Begins at Home jerseys

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tor Angela Braun. "It is a tangible gift that you know will bring comfort and warmth to the person that receives it."

The shelter has been overwhelmed by the community's support of previous Power of PJs campaigns, Braun says, which have far surpassed its goals.

Donation boxes are set up at every SCRL branch and open for drop-offs during regular library hours.

PEACE BEGINS AT HOME

The pyjama drive isn't the only way Genesis House is raising awareness

this month.

The shelter is also excited to bring back its Peace Begins at Home hockey games.

Several area hockey teams will don special jerseys at home games over the next few weeks to show their support for the victims of domestic violence.

The Pembina Valley Hawks female team are slated to wear the jerseys at their Nov. 18 game, the Winkler Flyers get them Nov. 20, and the Garden Valley Collegiate Zodiacs for their Nov. 24 game. Genesis House was also in talks with a few other unconfirmed teams at press time.

Genesis House volunteers and staff will be manning booths at each of those

games to share information about their services and encourage hockey fans to take and wear a Peace Begins at Home white ribbon.

It's a way to get their message out to a much wider ranger of people than usual.

"It's an entirely different audience," Braun says. "And that's really what we want: to find new ways to engage people where they are, to encourage them to be part of the solution.

"Wearing that white ribbon, it's a start," she adds."By wearing that, somebody else might ask you why you're wearing it, and now you've helped start a conversation."

"IT'S A TANGIBLE GIFT THAT YOU KNOW WILL BRING COMFORT AND WARMTH TO THE PERSON THAT RECEIVES IT."



By Florence Dyck

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Thunder struggle, Zodiacs on top in Zone 4 hockey



The Morden Thunder's Ethan Doell and Brody Clyde team up to defend against the advance of Portage's Rylan Crawford Friday night in Morden. Portage got the win 3-2

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The Morden Thunder fell to the visiting Portage Trojans-Saints 3-2 in Zone 4 High School Hockey last week. The narrow loss saw Portage score the game-winner in the final eight seconds.

Elsewhere in the league, the Garden Valley Collegiate Zodiacs beat the Pembina Tigers 5-1 Friday night and then Carman 4-1 on Monday.

In high school varsity volleyball action, the Morden Thunder boys sent the Sanford Sabres packing in three sets Oct. 30 while the Thunder girls lost their match in three.

GVC's girls fared better against the W.C. Miller Aces, winning the hard-fought match Oct. 30 in five sets. The male Zodiacs, meanwhile, beat the Aces in four.

In the SCAC, the Northlands Parkway Collegiate Nighthawks boys team fell to Steinbach in four Halloween night and then lost to the Westgate Wings in five Monday night.

NPC's girls also fell to Steinbach in four.

Flyers and Wolverines take battle into overtime

Winkler posts 3-2 win after shootout

The Winkler Flyers needed more than 60 minutes to decide a winner Sunday for the 10th time in 19 games.

The Flyers defeated the Waywayseecappo Wolverines 3-2 in a shootout to capture their eighth extra time victory of the season.

Eric Fawkes scored the only goal in the shootout while Riley Morgan stopped all three Wolverine shooters to help the club pick up the win.

It helped as well that Winkler was a much more disciplined team this time around. In their two previous games against Wayway, the Flyers had given the Wolverines 14 powerplays while losing one of the games in regulation and one in overtime.

Winkler trailed by two goals before Jayden McCarthy connected on a powerplay 6:19 into the second then Trent Halfdanson drew them even.

Winkler outshot Wayway 32-15 overall, and the Flyers went 1-for-5 on the powerplay and 4-for-4 on the penalty-kill.

It concluded a three game weekend which saw the Flyers' point streak end at eight games Saturday with a 3-2 loss to the Oil Capitals. It was the team's first regulation loss since Oct. 12 and first loss of the season in three games against Virden.

The Flyers played well as a group in Virden, but at the end of the day, turnovers and missed opportunities would be their undoing.

Everett Bestland scored in the second period and Jesse Korytko connected on a third period powerplay, while Britt League (2-1-1) took the loss in net, making 24 saves as the Flyers outshot Virden 37-27. Winkler went 1-for-3 on the powerplay and 3-for-4 on the penalty-kill.

Winkler had started their weekend road trip with an overtime 2-1 win in Dauphin.

Josh Kagan scored his third goal of the season with 25 seconds left in overtime. After taking the pass in the neutral zone from Garrett Kuklica, Kagan entered the Dauphin zone, cut to the middle of the ice and wired the game winner into the top corner.

Bestland had scored for the Flyers in the second period, and Morgan was fantastic between the pipes for Winkler in stopping 32 of the 33 shots he faced, picking up his third win in a row.

The Kings outshot the Flyers 33-26 overall. The Flyers went 0-for-2 on the

powerplay and 3-for-3 on the penalty-kill.

Earlier last Tuesday, the Flyers got past the Winnipeg Blues 4-3 in overtime thanks to a thrilling come from behind finish.

Griffin Leonard tied the game with just 21 seconds left in regulation and Drake Burgin scored the game winner 19 seconds into overtime.

League made his third straight start and had another solid game in making 25 saves. Winkler outshot Winnipeg 39-28 overall, and the Flyers were 1-for-5 on the powerplay and 6-for-7 on the penalty-kill.

The Flyers, now sitting in fourth place at 11-6-2, host Waywayseecappo Friday.

With the Winkler arena closed for repairs (see that story on Pg. 28), the home game will take place at the Access Event Centre in Morden.

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Flyers to induct Duane Derksen into Hall of Fame

By Lorne Stelmach

Duane Derksen will be revisiting fond memories of his younger years as he takes his place in the Winkler Flyers Hall of Fame this weekend.

The goaltender for the junior hockey team from 1985-1988 is being welcomed as the latest inductee at the team's hall of fame dinner Saturday.

Recalling his time with the Flyers in a phone interview from his home in Ann Arbor, Michigan last week, Derksen recalled the teams during his time here as very much being a reflection of their environment.

"Our character was very reminiscent of our surroundings, being a lot of farm kids, tough kids who had good work ethic. We also had some pretty good skill ... there were character players who would get in there and do the dirty work."

In addition to en-

tering the hall of fame alongside past honorees Dan Giesbrecht (team builder), Peter Derksen (coach), Steve Harder (player), Wade Sambrook (player), and the entire 1991-1992 Winkler Flyers championship team, Derksen takes his place beside another goaltender who he backed up in his first season: none other than Ed Belfour.

Having grown up in Morden, Derksen not only played with the Pembina Valley Hawks but also in high school for Morden Collegiate, where he went up against Carman's Belfour.

Derksen remembered Belfour as a fierce competitor with a strong work ethic, but he saw those same qualities in many of his other teammates as well.

"I just remember we had a pretty good, close knit team," he said."It was just a good, well rounded bunch of guys ... everybody just loved to play hockey."

The Flyers had competitive teams during his run here, but their nemesis proved to be the Selkirk Steelers, who vanquished them three years in a row in the playoffs.

The game was rougher and tougher back then, Derksen reflected, recalling more fighting and full-fledged bench clearing brawls.

"Obviously that stuff wouldn't be tolerated in today's game. Everything has evolved, but we had some great tough series with them ... there definitely was no love lost with the Selkirk Steelers."

He sees his time with the Winkler Flyers as being key formative years both in terms of his hockey career and

his personal development.

"It was a great learning experience ... we weren't just playing hockey. The Winkler Flyers provided us with a day-to-day job, so I was fortunate enough to land a job with Triple E, one of their main sponsors at the time."

Derksen would go to work every day and then have practice a few evenings a week, and he remembers that all as helping teach him some good life lessons.

"I definitely gained hard work, good character, being a good person ... just that hard work ethic," he said.

It also led to what became a varied hockey career for Derksen, who went on to play four years with the University of Wisconsin (NCAA Div. I),



WINKLER FLYERS PHOTO

Winkler Flyers alumni Duane Derksen (right, back in his player years alongside teammate Ed Belfour) will be inducted into the junior hockey team's hall of fame this weekend.

where the Badgers won the Frozen Four championship in 1990.

He was drafted into the NHL in 1988 by the Washington Capitals, who took him in the third round, 57th overall.

Over the next 12 years Derksen played at various levels of professional hockey in the American Hockey League, East Coast Hockey League, International Hockey League, and then for professional leagues in Finland and Germany.

"The Flyers really kind of spring boarded me into getting a scholarship with the University of Wisconsin, so without the Winkler Flyers' organization giving me that opportunity to play junior hockey ... it was a great opportunity."

"Those were all just great experi-

ences overall," Derksen said, par-

ticularly noting having the chance to play in Europe. "I love to travel, love to meet new people ... so it was just a great time of my life."

He looks forward to reconnecting with people back here at home when he's in town for the hall of fame ceremony this weekend.

It's an honour that came as quite a shock.

"I was completely humbled and honoured just to be recognized," Derksen said. "You're just playing the game because you love it ... but to be recognized by the Winkler Flyers is just the utmost privilege and honour."

The evening is also slated to include a speech from three-time Olympic gold medalist hockey player Jennifer Botterill.

Royals, Redskins fall to Maroons, Terriers

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler and Morden teams in the South Eastern Hockey League both had difficult weekends.

On Sunday, the Winkler Royals dropped an 8-4 decision to the Altona Maroons, while the Morden Redskins fell 4-3 to the Portage Terriers.

Michael Moore got Winkler on the board in the final five minutes of the first, following up on four Altona goals.

Cole Smith and Cody Friesen scored

at either end of the second, with three more Maroons goals in between.

In the final period, Marcus Neufeld got Winkler's last goal in the last 15 seconds, wrapping up 20 minutes that saw Altona score their eighth goal three minutes in.

Trevor Hiebert got the loss in net, making 38 saves as Altona outshot Winkler 46-37.

Morden's game was a much closer affair. Portage took control of the first period, scoring twice, but Morden fought back by doing all the scoring in the second. Goals from Tyler Peers and Keith Bially tied the game at 2-2.

Jordan Valentino pulled the Redskins into the lead briefly 13:17 into the final frame, but Portage found their footing once again and tied a minute and a half later and then got the game-winner three minutes after that.

Reed Peters stood tall in net, making 28 saves as Portage outshot Morden 32-21.

In the standings, Winkler is now 1-1 (the Oct. 29 game against Notre Dame saw the Royals awarded the win after the fact due to the Hawks using an ineligible player), putting them in third place behind Portage and Altona. Morden is 0-2 and in sixth place.

This week the Redskins host Warren Thursday and Altona Saturday. The Royals play at Carman Saturday and then, due to the Winkler arena being closed down due to equipment failure, have a relocated home game against Portage at the Morden rink Sunday.

"YOU'RE JUST PLAYING THE GAME BECAUSE YOU LOVE IT."

Winkler rink shut down for three to four weeks

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler arena is closed for business for the next few weeks.

The arena's ice plant malfunctioned last Tuesday, forcing the city to shut things down until a replacement can be installed.

Mayor Martin Harder said the unit, which has been in use for many years but still had a life expectancy of a few more, simply could not be repaired.

"A fix was not possible and would not be a long-term fix in any case," he said."We decided the best step forward was simply to replace it."

The city immediately got the ball rolling, ordering a replacement to be shipped in from Toronto.

The new equipment should be here soon, but it's still going to take some time to remove the old unit and get the new one up and running, Harder said, estimating the rink will be shut down until the end of the month.

The new unit will cost the city between \$125,000 to \$135,000. "It's a good thing we have a reserve fund," Harder noted.

The closure comes just as groups like the Winkler Flyers, Winkler Minor Hockey, and the Winkler Figure Skating Club,



The Winkler Centennial Arena's ice plant gave up the ghost last week, forcing the city to shut down the rink while a new ice-making machine is installed.

among others, are getting their seasons into full swing. All will need to find alternative ice in the weeks ahead.

"We've notified all the users and we apologize for the inconvenience," Harder said. "We know the challenges this will present to the users of the rink, but these are circumstances out of our control and we will do everything in our power to complete the repairs as quickly as possible."

Sager family to be inducted into baseball hall of fame

By Lorne Stelmach

Baseball always has been and continues to be a big part of life for the Sager family of Morden.

It is fitting then that they collectively are getting a place in the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame next year.

Their induction as a family was announced Monday among the 2019 class of inductees for the hall of fame located in the Access Event Centre here in Morden.

"As a family, we're really excited ... it's a big honour," said Steve Sager, who paid tribute to his parents Howie and Oddney for inspiring the family's passion for the game.

"I'm especially proud for my parents ... for all that they've done for Morden minor baseball and baseball as a whole in Manitoba," he said. "My parents have always been involved in coaching or involved in minor baseball."

"To be chosen with all our family, that's just a great accomplishment for our family," Howard said when reached late Monday. "It's an honour for us and the three kids, and we're just really proud of it. We're really proud of everybody."

The Sagers were cited for having made significant contributions as dedicated and skilled performers, leaders, and builders of baseball and fastball in southern Manitoba.

Howie has contributed to Morden baseball as a long-time player, coach, and executive and is known for having chaired the Elks' Canada Day minor ball tournament for 20 years, while Oddney worked alongside him in minor ball as a coach and executive.

Steve, who is their oldest son, had an outstanding career as an all-star third baseman and pitcher in junior and senior ball. Since 2006, he has coached minor, high school and senior teams and been involved in winning silver medals at the Westerns and national levels.

His brother Wayne was a talented left-handed pitcher and powerful home run hitter. He too had an impressive junior and senior career and upon taking up coaching reached the pinnacle of success by winning gold at the Westerns with the Carman Goldeyes.

Daughter Jennifer might have been the most talented ball player in the family with a stellar career in fastball. She was named all-Canadian at first base at the junior nationals and has since had a distinguished coaching and clinician career.

Steve said he feels fortunate to have played and been involved at a number of levels on different teams over the years.

He sees the team aspect of the game as being a draw for the family, and it continues on with the next generation of Sagers still involved in the game at various levels

"Growing up, we were just always playing catch or playing different games in the yard. Baseball has always been a big part of our life," he said, adding the induction banquet "will be a special time for the family. It's going to be an exciting event."

"It's just something that we love doing ... we always played ball," added Howard. "Over the years, we've just always enjoyed sports ... and our kids have carried on with it ... and now we've got grandkids playing." The 2019 inductees to the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum include outstanding players, builders, and teams who have left their legacy both on and off the baseball field.

The 2019 class includes Greg Cameron, Armin Gitzel, Dean McBride, John Robbin, Randy Robertson, Bruce Stephens Brandon Cloverleafs of 2006-2012, the Carillon Sultans of 1996-2003, and the Springfield Juniors team of 2007-2011

In addition to the Sager family, other inductees in the hall's special category in 2019 include the Coulter Red Sox of 1968, Bob Senff as umpire, Paul Edmonds as media, and Chuck Lindsay for pre-1950.

The Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame will hold its 23rd annual induction banquet June 1 in Morden. Tickets are available locally from Joe Wiwchar at 204-422-4636 or mbbbhof@mts.net.

Four point weekend for Twisters

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Twisters got their offense going and picked up another four key points in the process.

They kept in the hunt near the top of the MMJHL standings with the two road wins, following up a 6-5 win over the St. Vital Victorias last Thursday with an 8-3 victory over the Fort Garry Fort Rouge Twins on Sunday. It improved their record to 7-2-2 for 16 points, which has them third behind the St. James Canucks at 19 and the Raiders at 18 points. On their heels are Transcona at 13, the Twins at 12, the Victorias at 11, and both Stonewall and Charleswood at 10.

The Twisters hung on to squeak out the win against the Victorias after be-

ing up four goals at one point.

Jeremie Goderis led the way with a pair of goals, lifting him to 12 on the season, which put him second in the league in goals as well as second overall in points at 20. He would end up behind teammate Braeden Beernaerts, who logged three assists on his

Agriculture Biosecurity the key to keeping ASF out

By Harry Siemens

With the continued spread of African swine fever across hog facilities in China and now into Eastern Europe, concern about the illness keeps elevating.

The fever doesn't affect humans, but is 100 per cent fatal when contracted by pigs. There is no cure and no preventative vaccine.

Under Secretary of Agriculture Greg Ibach said the USDA is elevating efforts to keep this viral disease of swine out of the United States and, ultimately, North America.

"We've upped our surveillance at the border in cooperation with Customs and Border Protection," he said, explaining that includes help from USDA dogs trained to sniff out banned items people attempt to bring across the border.

"The other day, one beagle led inspectors of the Atlanta airport right to a roasted pig's head in the luggage of somebody coming in from Ecuador," Ibach said. "That head could have carried the African swine fever virus. And so, it's those types of screenings that we need to have in place to keep it off of North American soil."

If the illness did make its way into the U.S., the pork industry could see huge losses.

"We're working every day to expand our ability to be able to react quickly if the virus would show up in the US," noted Ibach.

International livestock consultant and veterinarian Dr. John Carr said that Poland had ASF for five to 10 years. They kind of had it under control as it was mainly seen in wild boars.

"But unfortunately it had [a] slow spread westward and then ultimately into Germany," he explained.

The recent discovery of the virus in luggage at Hokkaido airport in Japan is a wake-up call for the rest of the world.

"The Japanese had [been] on heightened alert after their classical swine fever outbreak some time ago," said Carr. "But we do need the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, the CFIA to step up to the challenge and think about visitors from China more. Even more dogs at the airport would help."

Back in the U.S., if ASF would show up the USDA's chief veterinarian, Dr. Jack Shere, would take the lead.

The first step would be an immediate quarantine of the herd, he said.

"[We would] stop movement and contract of localized animals. If there were movements from that herd, we would trace those animals out and stop the movement of those animals also so that we can control or stop the spread of the disease as quickly as possible," said Shere.

"If widespread, we may be looking at a national stop movement for up to 72 hours to find out where the diseased animals moved and how widespread that infection could be so that we can respond without endangering

the rest of the herds."

Meanwhile, for infected facilities there would be rapid depopulation, culling, and planning a process to dispose of the carcasses and then clean and disinfect the facility to eradicate the virus.

Shear said so far the preventative measures have kept ASF out of the U.S., but they're putting hog producers on full alert now to boost their biosecurity measures and to keep a close eye on their herds. They should also immediately report any unusual mortality or other problems just in case.

Canada West Swine Health Intelligence Network manager Dr. Jette Christensen agrees that preventing ASF from entering Canada revolves around biosecurity.

There are five pathways along which African Swine Fever could enter Canada, she said.

"Live animals, semen, and embryos: that is the highway into Canada. If we import live animals, semen or embryos infected with ASF we are almost guaranteed to get it," said Christensen. "The other pathway is food, food scraps; swill feeding is a bad idea. Feed ingredients could either be contaminated directly with AFS because the virus is in the ingredients or it could be on bags and other equipment transporting the feed."

She said the fourth pathway is people travelling, while the fifth is how it spread in Europe: through and from wildlife.

Expression Churchill is a railway town once again

By Harry Siemens

In 2017, spring flooding severely damaged the Hudson Bay Rail Line, Churchill's only land link to the rest of Canada.

Since then, people and freight could only access Churchill via air and sea. Prices on everything from fuel to groceries skyrocketed, tourism declined, and locals were stranded.

And yet there were still those who didn't lose hope while others scurried away.

Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau announced last week that by the end of November the rail line will resume its operations, servicing both passengers and freight.

My friend Joe"the Shipper" Stover, now an air traffic control assistant, lay awake last Wednesday evening.

First he heard one train whistle and thought, 'This cannot be.' Then Joe heard the second and ran outside to capture on video the arrival of the first train since the spring of 2016.

"Today was one of the first days of

kind of a new beginning for the Town of Churchill, the port and the railway," Joe said. "It's just a darn good feeling to know that basically we're a railway town again, and we're going to be a port town still. And, having the Prime Minister here today was just a huge deal with the community. It was terrific to have people here acknowledging that we are indeed back on the scene, as it were."

I asked Joe whether he knew that first train was coming.

"I was not sure ... I knew it was going to go at some point, but I just wasn't ready for it," he said. "What a surprise it was to hear the whistle of the train ... to have that back up here again is just fantastic. It's huge."

The atmosphere in Churchill is one of excitement, Joe said.

"I think at least in town here, people are extremely optimistic," he said. "We've had the man in charge of the Arctic Gateway tell us pretty much flat-out that he's no miracle worker or anything like that.

"But I mean, there's a reason that they invested in this port, and with their network of grain and having their cars and things like that, there's just no reason to think otherwise.

"The new group I'm sure wants to prove that this asset works, and they're going to ship a bunch of grain through here next year is the hope. And, that's what a lot of people around here are thinking, and banking on.

"The hope is that once we can again—because Churchill always has to prove itself—once we can prove yet again, that we are a competent grain-handling facility, strategically placed for the prairie farmers, I think everybody will get on board with that too," Joe said. "Not just for grain shipping, but for shipping goods through here, and from the prairies up to the Nunavut communities as well.

"So I think once we have a year or two under our belts, showcasing what Churchill can do, and showing that it is a financially responsible choice, I think that only good things will follow."

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Hawks fall 3-1 to defending champions

By Lorne Stelmach

The female AAA Pembina Valley Hawks saw their four game winning streak come to an end this weekend when they went up against the defending champions.

Breanna Millions scored the lone goal for the Hawks in the third period Sunday afternoon as they fell 3-1 to the Eastman Selects.

"Éastman came out to play and were ready to go," said coach Shanley Peters, whose team remains in third place despite the loss, although the race at the top of the standings has tightened up considerably.

"I thought we definitely didn't have our best game ... I didn't think we were necessarily wanting the win," said Peters. "I think that's the learning curve for our girls. We've been playing well, but there's going to be days where it just doesn't seem like our day or just doesn't seem like things are going our way."

Peters said that goaltender Regan Durand, having just returned from the injured list, had a good game in net.

"Regan stood on her head for us. She definitely kept us in the game ... she's still transitioning back into game mode," she said, noting they also will have fellow injured goaltender Kadynce Romijn returning to action as well.

It comes at a good time, as the Hawks will not only look to keep building momentum but also venture south across the border this week for the annual Shattuck St. Mary's School invitational showcase tournament in Faribault, Minnesota.

"It's good to see some of the high level of teams out there. It's a good measuring stick for us ... we'll be facing some pretty tough teams," said Peters.

The Hawks then return to regular league play when they welcome the Central Plains Capitals to Morden Nov. 18.

It will be a key game, as Eastman is tied in points with Central Plains at 10, with Pembina Valley just one point ahead at 11 points with a 5-3-1 record.

Those teams are all chasing the Yellowhead Chiefs at 14 and the Westman Wildcats at 19 points.

"It's definitely a tight race," said Peters. "There's not a lot of wiggle room ... I think it's going to be a tight run to the end, so obviously every game for us is important."



Male Pembina Valley Hawks looking to right the ship

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Hawks are now trying to break out of a three game losing streak after the AAA men's team dropped a pair on the weekend.

The Hawks have lost five of their last six after being blanked 6-0 Saturday by the Winnipeg Thrashers and then being edged 3-2 by the Central Plains Capitals Sunday.

Pembina Valley has slipped to a .500 record at 6-6-0-1 for 13 points and ninth place, which is one back of Kenora and three behind the Winnipeg Bruins. Last-place Central Plains is just two points behind the Hawks.

Winnipeg goaltender Dawson Rattai stymied the Hawks, who did manage 32 shots on goal. Across the ice, Pembina Valley's Dylan Meilun

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way to a big six point weekend overall and take the scoring lead at 21 points.

Pembina Valley also got goals from Travis Penner, Tristan Day, Wyatt Sabourin, and Elijah Carels while Martin Gagnon stopped 35 shots of 40 shots.

The game Sunday seemed never in doubt as the Twisters expanded a 3-0 first period lead to 6-1 after 40 minutes.

stopped 31 shots.

The Hawks once again couldn't get much going against Central Plains, although they did outshoot the Capitals 36-34 overall. Brock Moroz made 31 saves.

Roux Bazin opened scoring just 1:32 in, but the Capitals replied twice including a powerplay marker to take a 2-1 lead after 20 minutes.

Derek Wiebe finally connected 14:16 into the second period to even the game at 2-2, but the Capitals got the winner 2:40 into the third. The Hawks pressed but simply couldn't get the equalizer.

Pembina Valley heads west this weekend starting with a tough game against the third place Yellowhead Chiefs Saturday in Shoal Lake.

They then take on the 11th place Parkland Rangers Sunday afternoon in Roblin.

Both Beernaerts and Penner contributed a pair of goals and an assist with other markers coming from Sabourin, Carels, Tyler Livingston, and Brendan Keck. Travis Klassen earned the win on a 29 save night off 32 shots.

Pembina Valley take on the top-ranked St. James Canucks Saturday at home and then Sunday welcome the 10th place River East Royal Knights, who are winless in 11 games.



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The Morden and Winkler figure skating clubs were well-represented at the Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Figure Skating Championship in Morden last weekend. Among the locals taking to the ice were (clockwise from top left) Alison Convery, Hailey Penner, Dana Hynes, Daniela Heinrichs, and Jessica Kagan.

Local skaters competed against some of the best in the province this past weekend in Morden.

Over a dozen skaters from Morden and Winkler performed Nov. 3-5 at the Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Figure Skating Championship.

The event is a qualifier for the 2019 Skate Canada Challenge and, ultimately, the Canadian Figure Skating Championships. Over 70 skaters took to the ice at the Access Event Centre.

Standout skaters included Morden's Sarah Kagan, who came in second in the juvenile women U14; Alison Convery, 3rd in the juvenile women U12; Ky-Lynn Jenner, 3rd in the pre-juvenile women's U11 category; and Jessica Kagan, who clinched fourth in the same event.

Also proudly representing the Winkler-Morden area at the competition were Leah Braun, Molly Cowan, Madison Gerbrandt, Kate Ginter, Daniela Heinrichs, Gabrielle Hildebrand, Dana Hynes, Hailey Penner, Annika Roberts, and Olivia Sawatzky.



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Getting Down to Business

Morden Area Foundation: 25 years of making a difference

The Morden Area Foundation has come a long way in 25 years.

The organization started in 1993 as a result of a challenge put forward by the Thomas Sill Foundation that saw it make contributions to communities that started a foundation fund.

"Now we're at a little over \$1.7 million in our funds, and we have granted out just over \$1 million, so it's nice that we went over that milestone," says executive director Lynda Lambert.

The foundation invests gifts from individuals, families, and other organizations and then uses the interest generated to support a wide range of local charities and projects.

"It's to benefit the residents of Morden, and any registered charities are allowed to put in applications for grants for any of their projects," says Lambert, who notes they generally look for capital projects in need of funding.

The support of the foundation has made an impact in a wide array of sectors from health to education to sports and for all age groups.

"Whether we've funded the entire project or just in part, we've helped see projects through to completion," says Lambert, citing support for the new Tabor Home as a recent example.

"It has made a difference in the community," she adds, noting every donation to the foundation serves the greater good. "It all adds up. Everything adds up.

"There's been very few huge donations—it's been cumulative ... so people who think they don't really have a large sum of money to give don't have to worry. ... It's awesome when you think about it."

The foundation has a range of ongoing initiatives, including supporting a number of scholarship funds as well as a number of specific targeted funds for such organizations as the Corn and Apple Festival, South Central Cancer Resource, Pembina Hills Arts Council, South Central Regional Library, and the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre.

Another program includes the Women's





Morden Area Foundation executive director Lynda Lambert says every single donation - big or small - allows the organization to have a huge impact on local charities and projects.

Giving Circle, which holds the annual Power of the Purse luncheon where 100 women each donate \$100 to worthy causes. For the first few years, this initiative was boosted by The Winnipeg Foundation, which kicked in an additional \$4,000 to help grow the WGC fund if \$10,000 was raised.

Similar matching happens with the annual 24 Hour Giving Challenge, which takes place Sat., Nov. 17. If the foundation raises \$10,000 that day, not only will the Winnipeg Foundation add \$2,000 but so will the Province of Manitoba and Access Credit Union.

Also close at hand is the foundation's annual meeting and Christmas party Dec. 12 at the Morden Activity Centre.

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OBITUARY **David Peter Teichroeb**

1981 – 2018

On Sunday, October 14, 2018, David Teichroeb, 37 years of Morden, MB passed away.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Ledy; two daughters, Joanna and Joscelin and son, Damien.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at the Pembina Valley Baptist Church with interment at Hillside Cemetery.

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden In care of arrangements wiebefuneralhomes.com







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OBITUARY

Peter Arthur Wiebe 1927 - 2018

On Saturday, October 27, 2018, Peter A. Wiebe, 91, passed away at Boundary Trails Health Center, entering into eternal life with his Heavenly Father.

Peter was born September 19, 1927 to Aron and Aganetha (Neufeld) Wiebe at their home south of Burwalde School. He grew up and worked on the family farm, raising various crops and livestock, enjoying his labor outdoors with God's creation. At the age of 16, Peter gave his life to Christ. He attended schools at Debonair, Clegg & Badger finishing at the 8th grade to work full time with his Dad and brothers on the farm. On July 9, 1955 he married the love of his life, Delores Driedger. Although early married life in the late fifties brought its struggles to make ends

meet they welcomed a son, Loren, within that first year. Two and a half years later, a daughter, Donna, arrived, after which they moved to the town of Morden. Working hard to provide for the growing family, Peter began to work as an electrician, making close ties to the customers he served. He eventually started his own electrical business: Pembina Electric, known to many in the community and surrounding area. Even with his 8th grade education he persevered to take courses and tests, traveling to Winnipeg, to become a Red-Sealed Journeyman Electrician. Through his more than 40 years of business he responded to many calls, not wishing to say "no" to someone's request for his services. Peter lived out his faith in God through daily decisions whether in his business, serving on the church board, donating his services, or just regular attendance at church. He led by example through his devotion to church and God in family values, teaching through loving discipline, daily routines and family vacations. Grandchildren were a special blessing to Peter and he always displayed it in relating to each of them in unique wavs.

He is survived by his wife, Delores; children: Loren (Nancy) and Donna (Paul); grandchildren: Janessa BeauLac, Eryn (Eric) Klassen, Dillon BeauLac, Katelyn (Johnny) Neufeld, Kristyn, Matthew (Lisa) Wiebe and four great-grandchildren: Ty and Reed Klassen (Eryn), Delaney Neufeld (Katelyn) and Hayden Wiebe (Matthew) and siblings, Ann, Janice, Carol and Walter. He was predeceased by his parents and his siblings: sisters, Verna and Viola, and brother, Harold. He will be greatly missed and celebrated by many. We look forward to the day we meet again.

- A celebration of his life and legacy was shared by family and friends on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at the Church of God in Morden with a private interment at Hillside Cemetery.
- Donations may be made in Peter's memory to either Focus on the Family or Samaritan's Purse.

Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden In care of arrangements wiebefuneralhomes.com



OBITUARY

Irvin Pauls

1940 - 2018Irvin Pauls, 78 passed away on Friday November 2, 2018 at Tabor Home in Morden, MB.

Irvin grew up on a farm in Main Centre, SK. After moving to Manitoba around 1960, he spent most of his life living in group homes in the Morden area.

He was predeceased by his parents, two sisters and three brothers. He is survived by two sisters and two brothers and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel, Morden with interment prior at Hillside Cemetery

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