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# <sup>2</sup> The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, January 11, 2024 A celebration of birds spanning 61 years

#### Submitted by Jim Duncan

In 1963 Catherine and George Thexton started the Balmoral Christmas tradition of counting birds with the help of friends and neighbours.

This effort added to a growing network of Christmas Bird Counts that started in the U.S.A. in 1900. Thirty years ago, Catherine Thexton asked Jim Duncan and his wife Patsy to take over and co-ordinate the annual Balmoral Count.

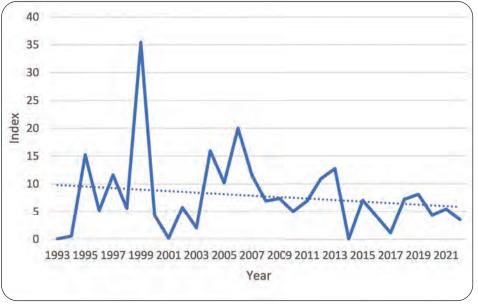
Humans and birds alike enjoyed mild temperatures and limited snow during this year's count last month.

An impressive 37 volunteers helped including Charlene Berkvens, Pauline Bloom, Tim Byers, Dave Byle, Emmy Byle, Bob Cameron, Cindy Cameron, Laura Cliff, Sue Cosens, Jim Duncan, Patsy Duncan, Desiree Fowler, Gary Lacoste, Bob Makowski, Terry Makowski, Kim Meyers, Carol Morgan, John Morgan, Doyle Nugent, Malachi Nugent, Quinn Nugent, Shawna Nugent, Gerry Recksiedler, Maureen Recksiedler, Gaylene Robertson, Jim Roger, Johanna Roger, Don Sexton, Merlin Shoesmith, Stuart Slattery, Helen Slavuta, Tyler Thievin-Andres,

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**TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED** Balmoral area Common Redpoll population fluctuations over the years.

Hilary Versavel, Luc Versavel, Glen Weaver, Sherry Weaver and Allan Webb.

A total of 2,193 individuals (32 species) were counted including 625 Common Redpolls, 391 Snow Buntings, 247 Common Ravens, 176

House Sparrows, 147 Black-capped Chickadees, 97 Sharp-tailed Grouse, 83 Blue Jays, 53 Pine Siskins, 41 Gray Partridge, 39 Bohemian Waxwings, 37 Blackbilled Magpies, 36 White-breasted Nuthatches, 28 Pine Grosbeaks, 27 Downy Woodpeckers, 25 Rock Pigeons, 23 Hairy Woodpeckers, 23 House Finches, 21 Unidentified redpolls, 16 Bald Eagles, 16 European Starlings, 9 Dark-eyed Juncos, 8 Pileated Woodpeckers, 6 Ruffed Grouse, 5 American Crows, 5 Red-breasted Nuthatches, 4 Mallards, 1 Golden Eagle, 1 Hoary Redpoll, 1 Northern Shrike, 1 Northern Harrier and 1 Snowy Owl.

One of the benefits of long-term monitoring is the ability to detect changes in bird numbers and distribution over the years, which may be due to climate change. Volunteers detected two new birds this year: a Golden Eagle and a Northern Harrier. The Redpoll was the most common bird detected this year at backyard

It took this Common Redpoll a day and a half to overcome its fear of owls to eat from this unusual feeder!

feeders, in forests and in open fields in large flocks. It is a cute bird with a yellow bill and a red patch on its forehead (see picture). Irruptive migrations of Common Redpolls typically occur every two years or so (see graph). Here are six fun facts about this bird:

• They can travel great distances — one banded in Michigan was recovered in eastern Siberia!

• They eat up to 42 per cent of their body mass every day.

• They can store seeds in their expandable throats.

• They can live up to seven years.

• They can survive to -54°C and have 32 per cent more feathers in winter.

• In freezing weather they tunnel and roost under snow to keep warm.



## *The Stonewall Teulon Tribune* Thursday, January 11, 2024 **3** Woodlands Fire Department bids farewell to long-standing members

#### By Haley Cvar

Volunteer firefighters Marilyn Campbell and Bill MacLellan are hanging up their helmets and hoses and retiring from the Woodlands Fire Department after a collective 31 years of public service.

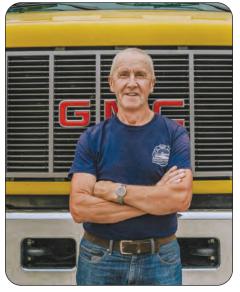
"Marilyn and Bill will be missed by all members of the Woodlands Fire Department," the department said in a statement to the *Tribune*.

"On behalf of Chief Dean Campbell, the RM of Woodlands reeve and council, RM of Woodlands residents and folks just passing through, we thank you for your service."

Campbell, who joined the volunteer department in 2001, spent her professional career working as a paramedic in the Stonewall area.

She is known among her firefighting colleagues as being a skilled emergency responder and often took the lead providing injured motorists with "the best care anyone could have," the department said.

A natural leader and teacher, Campbell acted as the WFD's first aid and CPR instructor for many years. The department credited her as the driving force behind its emergency medical training and practices.



Kind, confident and reliable, Bill MacLellan is known by his fellow firefighters as a shining example of dedication to public service.

"Marilyn has endless initiative, often half done something before the rest of us knew it needed doing. No matter the job, she helped us through challenges with enthusiasm, positivity and a smile," WFD said.

"We are very thankful for all of this and very thankful for Marilyn's time



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Known for her skill as an emergency responder, Marilyn Campbell was the guiding force behind first aid and CPR training at the Woodlands Fire Department for many years.



as a WFD volunteer."

MacLellan, who returned to the department for his second foray into firefighting in 2010, is recognized as a relentlessly reliable man with an "unbeatable" response rate, WFD said.

"When a call came in, Bill would be there with sturdy Engine 4. His knowledge of the RM of Woodlands is incredibly detailed and his experience on the farm was called on regularly at fires in a farm yard or across a Shoal Lakes pasture. He was there until it was all done — sometimes longer."

The department thanked MacLellan for his help in revitalizing the WFD bay at the Woodlands RM shop property, where he dedicated weeks standing on ladders and scaffolding to apply "untold coats of white paint." A committed and experienced firefighter, MacLellan completed both Level I Firefighting training and the Emergency Medical Responder course during his time on the force.

"Right up until his final week before moving, he attended training, participated fully and did so with pride. Bill's unwavering demeanor and quiet wisdom was a foundation for the rest of us," WFD said.

"He was a great mentor to young WFD members and supported all of us, often with just a nod or a kind word. He is an example we will look to for a very long time to come. We're sorry to see him and Nancy moving on from their Woodlands home and we wish them all the very best."





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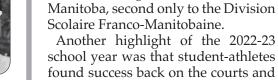
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**By Jennifer McFee** 

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progressed within a relatively new structured literacy program. "We have welcomed many new staff

Interlake School Division marked

some major milestones in 2023, and

there's plenty to look forward to in

School divisions tend to think in

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of great successes for the Interlake

To start, Interlake School Division

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to our ISD team in the last year and look forward to working together to continually improve the educational experience for ISD students and fam-

ilies," said Margaret Ward, superintendent and CEO of Interlake School Division.

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At the same time, the school division faced staffing challenges, just like many other employers. Employment opportunities are posted on the Interlake School Division website at www.interlakesd.ca.

"Similar to many other sectors, filling vacant positions can be challenging at times — of course, we are at our best when we have a full complement of staff," Ward said.

"We continue to hope community members will consider joining our team in the important work of supporting our young people become the leaders of tomorrow."

Also noteworthy, the 2022-23 school year was Year 5 of a continuous improvement plan that focuses on intentional teaching and learning in literacy, numeracy and well-being. The Year 5 Summary Report, which outlines the progress made during the 2022-23 school year, is available on ties." Jennifer McFee 204-461-5352

**ISD** strives for continuous improvement

the Interlake School Division website at www.interlakesd.ca.

"We took time in 2022-2023 to gather the voice of our students, staff and communities as we look ahead to a continuous improvement plan that builds upon the successes of the last number of years and continues to look forward to how we best prepare our young people for the future," Ward said.

"We look forward to continuing to build on our work in literacy, numeracy and well-being with a renewed focus on high-quality learning, which is accessible, equitable and responsive for all students."

The work of a school division is never done, she added.

"New students and families arrive every year and new challenges are faced," she said.

"We are privileged to work alongside all ISD staff as we strive for continuous improvement in our schools and, by extension, in our communi-

# Funds announced to aid unsheltered Manitobans during winter

#### By Lana Meier

The Manitoba government, led by Housing, Addictions and Homelessness Minister Bernadette Smith, has committed to taking tangible measures in tackling homelessness. A fund of \$5.7 million will be allocated in stages to aid those who are currently experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness during the winter season.

According to Smith, homelessness is a complex problem that involves poverty, trauma, discrimination, mental health and addictions. Furthermore, the current low-vacancy rates and high housing costs exacerbate the issue. The provincial government is

dedicated to collaborating with government officials at all levels to alleviate this pressing need by constructing more social and affordable housing options and providing comprehensive support services to help individuals maintain stable housing.

The minister has revealed Manitoba's plan to allocate over \$2.8 million in Phase 1 funding for the development of supportive housing with wraparound services. This initiative will provide up to 250 rental units in cities such as Winnipeg, Brandon, Swan River and Portage la Prairie. The residential properties will consist of a mix of Manitoba Housing,

non-profit and private market rentals, all supported by rent supplements.

In the upcoming year, phase two initiatives aimed at supporting women and LGBTQ2SIA+ individuals will be unveiled. These plans are being spearheaded by a newly formed collaborative action circle, co-chaired by the minister and Southern Chiefs' Organization's mobile crisis response team lead, Carol McCorrister. This group consists of members from various Indigenous organizations, homeless-serving sectors, and women's groups across Manitoba. Once the

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MICHELLE SIMONSON

Yuli and Lina Simonson and their dad Eric were busy cleaning off their backyard rink at their farm outside of Woodlands on Jan. 7. The recorded temperature of the day was -14 degrees C. Help the Tribune record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: news@stonewallteulontribune.ca

# Manitoba Farmer Wellness Program extends support to farm employees

#### **By Allison Inglis**

The Manitoba Farmer Wellness Program (MFWP) is proud to announce the expansion of its services to include farm employees, opening doors to mental wellness and support for all those integral to the agriculture community.

Starting Jan. 1, 2024, the MFWP is extending its service to provide six one-on-one, no-cost, confidential counselling sessions annually by professional counsellors with backgrounds in agriculture to non-family farm employees.

"Farm businesses traditionally lack

dedicated health and wellness programs for employees, yet the stress of the job is real. We want to change that narrative," says Marcel Hacault, MF-WP's chair, emphasizing the importance of acknowledging and valuing the well-being of all farm workers.

This expansion was prompted by direct requests from the farming community.

"We were approached by farmers to enhance the coverage of our program. As we are a grassroots organization open to hearing from our stakeholders, we've embraced this opportunity to extend our support to all farm employees," adds Hacault.

The MFWP remains dedicated to its vision of mental wellness for Manitoba farm families and to bridging the gap in mental health services for the agriculture industry.

"We are thankful for the unwavering support received from the agriculture community thus far through building awareness of our program, financial support and the growing need for the services we provide," says Roberta Galbraith, MFWP's vice-chair.

For more information about the program or to book an appointment, visit manitobafarmerwellness.ca.

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winter response is completed, their attention will shift towards creating a provincewide plan to aid homeless women and gender-diverse individuals in finding permanent housing, as stated by the minister.

According to Jason Whitford, CEO of End Homelessness Winnipeg, these investments demonstrate a firm dedication and prompt response towards tackling important issues. Recent events have emphasized the need to prioritize support for Indigenous women, highlighting the valuable efforts of our various community-based organizations in effectively addressing these challenges with co-ordinated care and compassion.

According to the minister, there will be additional housing developments

in the future through collaboration with various government partners. The current short-term plan is the most substantial provincial investment ever made toward addressing homelessness during winter.

"Our government has a simple goal and an immense task — ending chronic homelessness in Manitoba," said Smith. "We can only solve this collaboratively with all levels of government and the community organizations tirelessly supporting unsheltered relatives, no matter their circumstance."

During the months of November and December 2023, the Manitoba government reached out to various entities, including agencies, municipal governments and Indigenous governments throughout the province. The purpose was to gather input on a prompt provincial solution to support unsheltered Manitobans this winter. Emphasis was placed on those who are most vulnerable, such as women, children and LGBTQ2SIA+ individuals. The resulting winter response plan reflects the insights and recommendations gathered through these consultations.

The new collaborative action circle includes a variety of partners, such as End Homelessness Winnipeg, Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre, Sunshine House, Ka Ni Kanichihk, Southern Chiefs' Organization, Mount Carmel Clinic and Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre. More partners may also be added through ongoing consultations.

Phase 2 is expected to be announced in early 2024, noted the minister.

# Substance of Things hoped for

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I remember how I felt the moment I knew I could go to heaven. I was reading *Ephesians 2:8 For by* grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. The revelation of these words illuminated in my heart that by my faith only I would go to heaven because of what was already done through the hand of the Father. Not because of my works or deeds but based on faith in what has already been done in the life and work of Jesus, I am saved. Saved from eternal separation from my Creator. The requirement is only to believe. Faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen says Hebrews 11:1

It was the most significant moment in my life. You see, up until that point if you were to ask me if I would go to heaven, the answer would have been. "I hope so." Because I knew that no matter how much I tried I am far from perfect. To now know that I could rely on the finished work of Jesus to be saved 100 percent was a real game changer. It freed me from the burden and weight of my own sin. For the first time I was able to let it go & leave it at the cross. The place where Jesus paid for it all. The Lord no longer felt distant but near. My prayers became really honest & the Word became a light to my daily walk.

Before a holy, perfect God how could we ever think that there is something we could do to make ourselves worthy of being in his presence. It is truly a gift. Jesus once said to a woman he met, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." John 4:10 A gift that can only be received through faith.

Isaiah 43:18 "Do not call to mind the former things; pay no attention to the things of old."

Happy New Year!

Laura Lawrence, CEF of MB Discovery Time Director for School Ministry.

# Rosser reeve reflects on first year in role

#### By Jennifer McFee

Ken Mulligan recently wrapped up his first year as Rosser's reeve, and it's been a bustling initiation to his new role.

"It has been a very busy year. Early in the year, we began working on the development of the new CentrePort Canada Rail Park. We now have the first building being built by Fastfrate in this 665-acre rail park. We are also completing Phase 3 of BrookPort Business Park and are now working on Phase 4," he said.

"There has been interest in developing along Mollard Road as well as on either side of CentrePort Canada Way."

All of this development also bolsters employment opportunities close to home.

"Due to the increase in CentrePort development, we have had to increase staff," Mulligan said, "and we will be looking at opening a second office within CentrePort to house some of the staff as the current office space within the village of Rosser is not large enough."

The bustling RM is also home to three inland grain terminals plus a new oat flour mill that's almost complete, which will serve Rosser's farmers as well as those in surrounding rural municipalities.

As well, the RM increased its gravel budget to maintain and improve roads in the municipality.

"We have seen several road projects completed along the West Perimeter and Highway 6," Mulligan added, "including the first traffic circle in the RM and a newly paved service road on the North Perimeter."

Drainage is another focus for the municipality in the year ahead.

"The RM has begun working on drainage, and this winter we will be working on a drainage plan and a priority list for the whole RM," he said.

"Studies are under way to have this completed as efficiently as possible."

In addition to taking care of the municipality's infrastructure, council has maintained a strong focus on its people.

"I am very pleased to say that we are part of the committee made up of surrounding RMs to build a new personal care home in Stonewall," Mulligan said.

"The RM has had discussion of the

possibility of opening a daycare to provide childcare for people in the area."

At the same time, the municipality continues to support active recreation opportunities.

"The RM felt it was important to be involved with the committees of Grosse Isle to help contribute to their outdoor skating facility in the town of Grosse Isle as this is the last outdoor rink within the RM. We hope that interested ratepayers in the RM will make use of this facility," Mulligan said.

"We will be looking into Phase 2 of increasing the number of walking paths in Grosse Isle, which will make it safer for children and adults walking within the town."

Over the past few years, Rosser's population has not increased; instead, it has decreased.

"We will be working on whatever possibilities there may be for additional housing in the RM to help house people who wish to remain or newcomers to the community," Mulligan said.

"Due to the increasing crime in our community, we are looking at any



Ken Mulligan RM of Rosser Reeve

measures we can take to make things safer for residents, businesses and their properties."

As the new year begins, Mulligan offers well wishes to residents of Rosser and beyond.

"I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season," he said, "and I wish you all the best in 2024."

# **Teulon byelection being held on March 6**

#### By Autumn Fehr

A byelection is being held in the Town of Teulon on March 6, following the death of Coun. Ted Hodgkinson on Nov. 25, 2023.

At the end of the month, Teulon residents can nominate individuals to fill the vacant seat in council.

Senior election officer (SEO) Roger A. Bouvier will receive nominations for the office of councillor on Jan. 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30 between the hours of 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Town of Teulon municipal office, located at 44-4th Ave. SE in Teulon.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 3 p.m. Nominations will not be accepted after Jan. 30.

All nominations must be made in writing and signed by at least 25 vot-

ers or not less than one per cent of voters of Teulon (whichever is the lesser), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination must be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may only be filed in person at the above location on the dates and hours specified.

To obtain a nomination paper or a candidate's declaration of qualification, contact Bouvier at 204-792-0849. Nomination papers must be accompanied by the required documents

and properly filed to be accepted.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY AND VOTER LIST: All persons who are Canadian citizens and at least 18 years of age on election day and all who have been residents of Teulon for at least six months before election day or registered owners of land in the municipality for at least six months before election day are eligible to vote.

The SEO may revise the Voters List until Jan. 30, making updates such as adding and deleting the names of voters who are entitled and not entitled to have their names on the list and correcting other errors.

All voters who wish to have their name omitted from the Voters List to protect their personal security may apply in writing to the SEO at the municipal office, in person or by mail or email, including their name, address and proof of identity.

#### **MUNICIPAL BYELECTION:**

The municipal byelection will be held on Wednesday, March 6.

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

Candidate registrations will be accepted until Jan. 30 at the Teulon municipal office during regular business hours.

To obtain a registration form, contact the SEO at municipal solutions@mts. net or by phone at 204-792-0849.

# Manitobans encouraged to participate in Budget 2024

#### By Lana Meier

Last month, Finance Minister Adrien Sala announced that the Manitoba government is urging citizens to be involved in Budget 2024. This can be done through completing the online EngageMB survey, participating in telephone town hall sessions or attending public meetings in person.

Sala stated that the government is dedicated to addressing both the province's financial stability and issues within the health-care system, in addition to reducing expenses for citizens. They are eager to listen to input from Manitobans regarding their concerns in order to ensure that Budget 2024 effectively meets the needs of families in Manitoba.

During the months of January and February, they will be holding both in-person sessions and telephone

# **Ringing in the New Year**

















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Stonewall's Quarry Park was abuzz on New Year's Eve, offering a full day of festivities for all to enjoy. The evening included a stunning fireworks show, while the Heritage Arts Centre provided indoor entertainment with games, crafts, face painting and a play dough competition. The balmy weather also attracted many to the outdoor activities, including skating on the pond and sledding down Jimm's Hill.

# Get \$1,000 for your education, Kin Canada Bursaries

#### By Bonnie Hollingshead

The Stonewall Kinettes is a local service organization made up of volunteers who serve the community's greatest need.

The Kinettes are hoping to raise awareness about the bursaries available through the national organization Kin Canada. Each year, a number of \$1,000 bursaries are awarded. The Stonewall Kinettes donate to the Kin Canada Bursaries Fund annually to help it grow in order to assist students with their post-secondary education.

Kin Canada Bursary applications for the 2024-25 school year are open until Feb. 1, 2024. Bursaries are awarded to successful Canadian applicants who are pursuing post-secondary education at a recognized university, community college, technical institute and other schools for advanced education. (You do not have to be a Kin member or affiliate with a club to apply.)

Applicants must be a full-time stu-

dent in the process of graduating from high school or currently studying or registered at a post-secondary institution. The Stonewall Kinettes select one from our area and forward it to Kin Canada who then selects a number of applicants across Canada to receive a bursary. Successful recipients are notified by June 30.

Online applications can be found at kincanada.ca/bursaries. If you have questions or would like more information, you can contact the Kin Canada office at bursary@kincanada.ca or 1-800-742-5546.

If you're interested in finding out what the Stonewall Kinettes do for our community or if you'd like to become a member, they meet the third Thursday of every month and guests are always welcome. Contact Pat Moldowan at moldowal@mymts.net or Bonnie Hollingshead at bonnie.kinettes@gmail.com for more information.



# 8 *The Stonewall Teulon Tribune* Thursday, January 11, 2024 Around the world: Mulvihill man on mission to see 100 countries

#### By Patricia Barrett

A Mulvihill resident who's on a mission to see 100 countries will be edging closer to his target this month when he packs up and heads to South America.

Garry Steinthorson, who's in his 60s, said his goal to see 100 countries doesn't entail a quick visit and a few selfies but extended stays to really get to know the world beyond Mulvihill.

"Since I was I young fellow, I've been wanting to travel. Reaching a goal of 100 countries got into my blood over the last 20 years," said Steinthorson, who's now been to 92 countries. "At one point in my life, I sold everything I owned and went travelling around the world for four years. I had pretty good jobs and I worked really hard. And it's easy to do when you're selfish and irresponsible!"

Steinthorson said he's scaled mountains, travelled on cargo boats in the Amazon, sailed down the Nile River in Egypt, kipped in caves, biked around Mount Vesuvius (volcano) in Italy and visited some of the world's ancient wonders along the way.

He has taken a bike with him on some of his trips in order to travel off the beaten path and even took jobs for months at a time in places like Australia and Iceland to help fund his adventures.

"I mountain climbed on some of the highest mountains in Canada and other mountains such as in Ethiopia, which was over 15,000 feet. I skied in France for two seasons. I've been in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt and sailed down the Nile River on a felucca [a riverboat with sails] for three nights back in the 1980s," he said. "I cycled 2,000 kilometres across South



Climbing Wedge Mountain in British Columbia



On a river trip in Sri Lanka, alligators were abundant.

America from Buenos Aires [Argentina] across the pampas and over the Andes to Chile and then down to the Pacific Ocean."

On a seven-week bike trip to northern Europe, he cycled 3,700 kilometres from the Netherlands to Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Norway then jumped on a ferry to Iceland. From there he went to the Faroe Islands, Shetland and Scotland.

But it wasn't always smooth sailing. He had his passport stolen at a bus station in Morocco — he got it back later but not his travellers' cheques and money — and was rounded on by people in one town who objected to him and his friend staying for free with a local woman and her family.

"The hotel owners were angry. The police tried to get our passports but we wouldn't hand them over. So they took the woman away for questioning. Then a group of kids started throwing rocks at us. It was a rough night."

In Amsterdam he and a friend were confronted by muggers armed with knives and a hypodermic syringe.

"They were threatening to stab my buddy and I started talking a mile a minute. They had my buddy against the wall and I was pushing them back and telling them they're going to get in trouble and that we had no money," he said. "After a while they gave up. They probably decided they couldn't listen to me anymore."

When he hiked 120 kilometres up and down a mountainside in Ethiopia, he and a group of other hikers hired a mule driver and "two guys with guns" to protect them from bandits wandering around in the highlands.

"When we got up in the morning and got ready to leave, our two guards ran up to a stone wall and started popping off a couple of rounds up the



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Garry Steinthorson at Petra in the Jordan desert. The archeological site contains temples and tombs carved into rose-coloured sandstone cliffs.



Steinthorson visited India's Taj Mahal on his first cycling trip.

mountain. That scared the hell out of us. Later on, we met a group of men armed with Russian Kalashnikovs [assault rifles] but our guards knew them," he said. "Dangerous situations like these didn't deter me from wanting to explore countries."

In addition to seeing a lot of places around the globe and experiencing things most people haven't, Steinthorson said he made friends with people who welcomed him back.

"I found a place to ski-bum in France for two seasons after I became friends with a Swedish group that were all ski-bumming up there," he said. "I was able to ski for five months each season."

His last trip took him 3,000 kilometres across southern Europe in 10 weeks. He biked from Paris to the Pyrenees where he dropped down

into Spain and eventually made his way to Corsica, an island in the Mediterranean Sea, where French emperor Napoleon Bonaparte was born. Then he caught a ferry to the islands of Sardinia and Sicily, where he visited the town of Corleone that was made famous in the movie *The Godfather*.

Panama in Central America and Colombia and Peru in South America are next on his list.

When he reaches 100 countries, does he plan to stop? Doesn't sound like it.

"I'm going to go back to a few places I've been before. I won't worry about getting another country after I reach 100," said Steinthorson. "At first, I wanted to see every country in the world, but that would mean having to do all the island countries and see even more beaches. I eventually got bored with paradise." The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, January 11, 2024 9 Lakeside MLA looks forward to new year in new role

#### By Jennifer McFee

It's been a jam-packed few months for newly elected Lakeside MLA Trevor King, and he's already working towards community goals for 2024.

When he started his term this fall, King was busy setting up his constituency office at 319 Main St. in Stonewall as well as his office in Room 169 in the legislative building. From Oct. 16 to 19, he learned the ropes of his new role in a four-day MLA orientation training session before the PC caucus was sworn in on Oct. 23.

"The first few months have been quite busy and somewhat overwhelming. The orientation was a great process with all new incoming MLAs of all parties learning the proceedings and allowances in the Manitoba legislature," he said.

"Following being sworn in, the PC Leader of the Opposition appointed me as critic and shadow minister for Municipal and Northern Relations and Indigenous Economic Development."

King also attended many caucus meetings, constituency meetings and events prior to the throne speech.

"For the throne speech on Nov. 21, I invited Stonewall Mayor Sandra Smith as a guest to attend in the chamber, which she did. And after the throne speech, I was honoured to attend a reception with Lt.-Gov. Anita Neville at Government House," he said.

"On Dec. 1, I was honoured to rise in the house for my first private member's statement in which I recognized local golfer Aaron Cockerill for his accomplishments. On the same day, I also had the privilege to rise and give my 20-minute inaugural speech to debate the throne speech. Both can be found online or in the Hansard notes should anyone be interested in hearing or seeing them."

It continued to be a busy first session of the 43rd Manitoba legislature until Dec. 7 when the house rose for the December break. Session will resume again on March 6, 2024.

Since he was elected as Lakeside's MLA, King has also been involved with many local events including the ribbon-cutting for the new Stonewall daycare facility and the unveiling of the baseball monument at Teulon Green Acres Baseball Park in October. In November, King met at Something Beautiful with representatives from Community Living Interlake and toured some of their facilities. He also attended a Remembrance Day service in Elie, Teulon Parade of Lights, the South West District Palliative Care gala and a Christmas party at Quarry Park.

"In my role for Municipal and Northern Relations, the leader sent me to represent her at the Annual Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention in Brandon Nov. 28 to 30, where I felt right at home with many municipal officials that I had worked with over the years in my time in municipal government and on the AMM board," he added.

In December, King attended a long list of community events include the Stonewall Santa Claus Parade, the Elie Cartier Santa Claus Parade, Breakfast with Santa at Lillies and Lattes in Woodlands and pictures with Santa at Warren Fuels. He also had meetings lined up in with Ian Bushie, the minister of Municipal and Northern Relations and Indigenous Economic Development. As well, he planned to meet with Winnipeg Mayor Scott Gillingham.

"Throughout session, the new NDP government had put through a number of bills for legislation and were passed, such as the Louis Riel Act, Orange Shirt Day and the gas tax holiday on the provincial sales tax on gas and diesel," King added.

"We, as opposition, felt we were effective on debating this bill as we advocated to include the dyed gas and off-road vehicles for the exemption as well, which their original bill did not include."

Looking ahead in the new year, King has many plans in the works.

"In 2024, our opposition will continue to advocate for our provincial government to lobby the federal government to remove the carbon tax from all home heating fuels. In November, the federal government removed the carbon tax only from heating oils but not natural gas and propane. We will continue to advocate for this exemption to help all Manitobans instead of just a choice few throughout this



Trevor King, Lakeside MLA

affordability crisis we are experiencing," he said.

"There are a number of infrastructure projects and tax breaks that the previous government had budgeted for in 2023 and we will continue to advocate and hold the new government accountable for such projects."

Locally, King plans to reach out to all the municipal councils in Lakeside, as well as other rural municipalities and

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#### By Jennifer McFee

The new year marked new growth for the Town of Stonewall, which expanded by five quarter-sections on Jan. 1.

The annexation of 777 acres from the RM of Rockwood to the Town of Stonewall went into effect on Jan. 1, 2024. In total, 29 homes are located on the annexed lands, and there was no appropriation of private property through the annexation process.

The Town of Stonewall had originally submitted a proposal to the provincial government to annex eight quarter-sections from the RM of Rockwood, for a total of about 1,250 acres. In April 2023, the minister of Municipal Relations advised that the province approved a smaller area with a commitment to support further annexation as growth occurs.

The changed boundaries will provide the Town of Stonewall with more developable land to support residential and commercial development into the future.

Looking ahead, the Town of Stonewall will need to modify its zoning bylaw and a consultant will develop a secondary plan to provide guidance for community development. Throughout 2024, residents will have multiple opportunities to provide feedback on the proposed new zoning and secondary plan.

More information is posted on the Town of Stonewall website at www. stonewall.ca under "Town Hall" and then "Documents" and "Annexation Documents & Reports."

#### IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

• During the last regular council meeting of 2023, Stonewall council provided and update for meetings in the new year. The Jan. 3 regular council meeting was rescheduled to Jan. 10, and the Jan. 10 committee of the whole meeting was cancelled. Also,

the April 10 committee of the whole meeting will be cancelled.

• Council gave first reading to an amended bylaw regarding the licensing and regulating of a raffle lottery.

• Council gave second and third reading to an amended bylaw for traffic regulation.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw the provides for the regulation and control of animals within town limits.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw regarding the prevention and control of fires within the town.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw regarding the parking and storing of derelict vehicles.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw regarding the regulation and control of firearms in town.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to establish and maintain proper lot grades in town.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to regulate and prohibit noise nuisance.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw for the purpose of controlling, regulating or prohibition the removal of topsoil from lands within the town. The bylaw also prescribes measures to be taken for land that has topsoil removed.

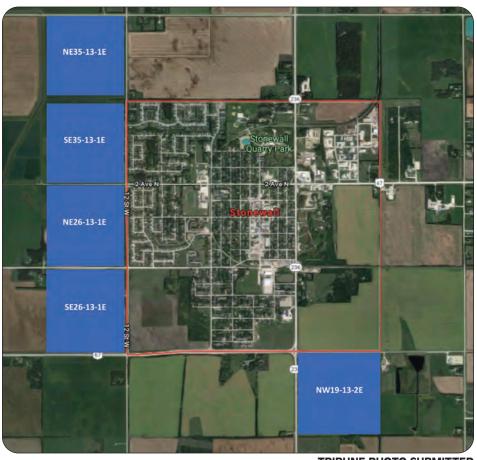
• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to maintain properties and regulate nuisances, abandoned or unsightly properties.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw that establishes criteria and guidelines for the installation or construction of residential driveways onto public streets.

• Council gave first reading to a bylaw to establish a policy and standards for the construction of private approaches and installation of culverts in the annexed areas of the town.

Council conditionally approved a request to

subdivide a strip of land off a residential lot and



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Annexation land approved by the minister of Municipal Relations.

consolidate it with an adjacent property on 2nd Avenue North.

• Council accepted and adopted the 2023-28 strategic plan prepared by Scatliff + Miller + Murray.

• Council agreed to extend the Heart of Our Town Incentive Program for three more years.

• Council adopted the updated Town of Stonewall's emergency plan.

• Council accepted a proposal for a new secondary plan and zoning bylaw review.

• Council accepted a settlement of \$10,565.25 from Manitoba Public Insurance for a 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT that was involved in an incident that rendered it unsafe for use.

• Stonewall's Christmas tree recycling program runs until Jan. 14. Residents can drop off their tree for recycling at the public yard located at 147 5th St. W. All decorations, tinsel,

stands and plastic tree bags must be removed before bringing the tree to the yard.

• The outdoor rink at the Veterans Memorial Sports Complex and the pond at Quarry Park are both ready for skating.

Prior to the pandemic, the Town of Stonewall was exploring the possibility of a full renovation of the town hall. However, the project became fiscally unfeasible at that time due to supply chain issues, construction price increases and other factors. The main focus of the project was accessibility, which continues to be an important consideration. Council is now looking at options to add bathroom facilities on the main floor of town hall to improve accessibility. A consultant is working with the town to find a cost-effective way to achieve this goal while still maintaining the character of the building.

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Notice to Rural Municipality of Rockwood Community Groups and Organizations



This is a friendly reminder that the deadline for all 2024 budget and grant requests are due January 31st, 2024 as per the Recreation Policy. Please visit www.rockwood.ca for the grant applications.

Please send questions or applications to info@rockwood.ca.

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town halls. One in-person session has already been confirmed to take place on Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. at the Riverbank Discovery Centre in Brandon (1 - 545 Conservation Dr.). Stay tuned for more consultation dates to be announced in the new year.

According to the minister, those interested in attending either an in-person meeting or a telephone town hall are required to pre-register and secure their spot by signing up at https:// engagemb.ca/budget-2024. Citizens of Manitoba are encouraged to take part in the digital survey, accessible at https:// engagemb.ca. Additionally, individuals can share their thoughts and suggestions by emailing MBbudgetfeedback@gov.mb.ca or sending written submissions to:

Minister of Finance c/o budget engagement, 103 - 450 Broadway, Winnipeg, MB R3C 0V8

Along with the online survey at https://engagemb.ba/budget-2024, the Manitoba government will also unveil its comprehensive public engagement schedule.

# Christmas movie filming transforms Main Street

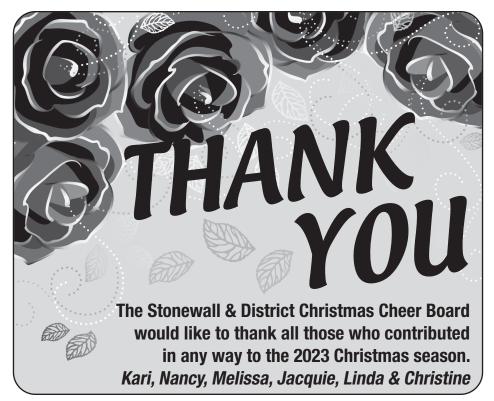


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Film crews rolled into Stonewall in December to film The Best Christmas Pageant Ever at a number of locations in town. Several Main Street storefronts received a festive facelift while garland and wreaths with brightly coloured bows hung across Main and Centre.

The filming got underway at a house on the corner of 1st Street East and 3rd Avenue South early in the week and then moved on to Main Street.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever is based on the bestselling novel by Barbara Robinson. This inspirational comedy follows the rowdy Herdman siblings, who lie, steal, bully — and even hijack the town's Christmas pageant by forcing themselves into the lead roles. Yet, throughout all their mischief, they might just be the ones to share the true meaning of Christmas. Dallas Jenkins (director of The Chosen) is directing the film. The film is produced by Kingdom Story's Kevin Downes, Daryl Lefever, Andrew Erwin and Jon Erwin, along with Darin McDaniel and Chet Thomas. Jenkins will also executive produce alongside Gerald R. Molen, Mark Kendell and Tony Young.

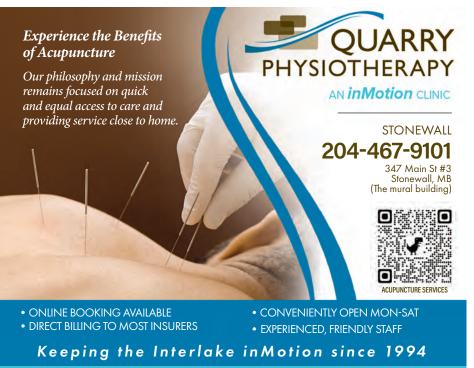


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organizations throughout the province in his role as the critic for Municipal and Northern Relations.

"I also hope to attend as many community events as possible in Lakeside throughout 2024 and get to meet many new residents that I may not already know. I may not get to all of them, but I ask that all include me on Invitations and I will do my best," he said.

"My intention as Lakeside MLA is to respond to all calls, letters and emails throughout my term in office. It has been somewhat of a challenge with the start up with me being a new member and email and phone set up. I ask that residents be patient with myself and my constituency assistant as we get organized and learn to deal with your issues as an opposition member of the legislature." King's constituency office at 319 Main St. in Stonewall is open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when legislature is not in session. Anyone who would like to schedule an appointment can call 204-467-1998.



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# Stonewall celebrates successes, prepares for projects in new year

#### By Jennifer McFee

The Town of Stonewall celebrated multiple milestone moments in 2023, with many more exciting projects are coming up in 2024.

"It has been a very positive year for Stonewall. We have been fortunate to have a lot of our successes reported on by the *Tribune*," said Stonewall Mayor Sandra Smith.

"Some that stand out for me include getting ministerial approval for our annexation of five quarter-sections from the RM of Rockwood. This will help set the stage for Stonewall's continued growth into the future."

Smith also pointed to the commencement of the restoration work on the town's iconic kilns in Quarry Park, which was made possible by funding from the town, province and the Quarry Producers.

As well, the town was abuzz with excitement for the construction and opening of a 74-space daycare facility, all within less than a year.

Smith was also pleased that the town secured an announcement from the provincial government to the next stage in development and design of a 144-bed personal care home facility.

Throughout 2023, the Town of Stone-

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wall hosted multiple open house events to encourage public engagement and participation, including events focused on the Quarry Park master plan, the cemetery plan and the new traffic and parking bylaw.

The town also updated its strategic plan, which sets priorities up to 2028. The strategic plan focuses on six main priorities: community and economic development; housing and growth management; culture, recreation and mobility; community identity and adaptation; partnerships and communication; and sustainability and resilience.

In addition, the town received funding from the federal and provincial governments for an electric vehicle pilot project for Stonewall and Area Mobility Services.

"Through the hard work and dedication of volunteers and town staff, Stonewall has successfully hosted several sporting tournaments, which contributes to elevating our town's profile," Smith added.

At the same time, the town has faced some challenges, including concerns about the criminal justice system and policing.

In a recent letter to the justice minis-

ter, Smith noted that policing services cost the Town of Stonewall about \$900,000 in 2023, which is nearly \$200 per capita. At the same time, residents are expressing concern about issues such as the catch-and-release bail process, policing contracts and service delivery levels. Smith is seeking the provincial government's help to address the underlying issues and direct impact of crime in the community.

"For the most part, I view challenges as opportunities," she said. "The opportunity for council is to continue to engage with the RCMP, our residents and business owners to work towards measures to try to effectively curb the actions of select individuals in our community."

Coming up in 2024, several projects are in the works, while council also considers other major undertakings. These projects include the new water treatment plant, reverse osmosis system, study for the next phase of the Veteran's Memorial Sports Complex, road improvements and paving, expansion of off-leash dog park to create space for smaller dogs and the secondary plan and new zoning bylaw.

"Council continues to look ahead with a view to making improvements

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Sandra Smith, mayor of Stonewall

to benefit our residents," Smith said, "all the while keeping in mind the constraints of budgetary issues and the impacts of the cost of living."

# Manitoba stroke patients to benefit from intensive rehabilitation

#### By Lana Meier

Specialized care and intensive rehabilitation tailored to individual needs will soon be available for stroke survivors in Manitoba, as the province's acute stroke unit is set to open next week at Health Sciences Centre (HSC) Winnipeg. This important announcement was made by Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care Minister Uzoma Asagwara in December.

Asagwara expressed that the people of Manitoba deserve top-quality medical care that enhances patient outcomes and expedites recovery. The new stroke unit at HSC will meet this expectation, offering treatment, management and rehabilitation for Manitoba stroke patients within days of their stroke. The specialized care provided will aid in their recovery process and ultimately improve their overall quality of life.

Located on the fourth and fifth floors of 735 Notre Dame Ave., previously referred to as the Women's Pavilion, the freshly revamped facility will greet its inaugural patients on Monday, unveiling an initial dozen beds. This centralized unit spans about 18,400 square feet and features con-













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# WCI hockey fundraiser















TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The WCI Wildcats hockey team faced off against the 2006 champions of the Wildcats High School Hockey League in Warren on Dec. 30. Fans from both sides filled the stands to support the Alumni fundraising game, which aimed to support the growth of the Wildcats hockey program and student leadership. The funds raised will also go towards running school breakfast mornings and organizing school-wide activities and events to build a sense of community. Grade 11 student Shalene Varnes kicked off the game by singing O Canada while alumni coach Tony D'Angelo and captain Chris Proctor shared their memories and emphasized the importance of carrying on the legacy and love for hockey, as well as representing both the school and community. To add to the excitement, two-time Stanley Cup champion Chuck Lefley from Grosse Isle was there for a ceremonial puck drop, which was taken by his son-in-law and alumni team captain Chris Proctor, along with Wildcat's captain Carter Olson. Special thanks were given to local businesses for their generous donations, as well as officials Bryce Baldwin and Leland Chartrand and student volunteers. The winner of the "Chuck a Puck" contest was Maria Riddell, while Allison Anderson took home the Loonie Stick prize.









# Jets fly past Raiders, Royals Knights

#### By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets won a pair of home games to begin 2024.

On Sunday, Stonewall scored four unanswered third-period goals in a 6-2 win over the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club.

The Jets' Karson King scored twice, including a shorthanded marker, while teammates Gavin Holod, Peyton Bateman, Jordan Gray and Landen Sitarz also tallied.

Raiders' goals were scored by Levi Thiessen and Jack Oleksiuk.

Stonewall goaltender Liam Johnson made 24 saves for the win.

Last Friday, the Jets defeated the River East Royal Knights 5-3.

Stonewall snapped a 3-3 third-period tie with goals from Sitarz and Batemen (empty net).

Stonewall's Jeremy

opened the scoring just 2:53 into the game and then Matthieu Meier tallied in the second with his first goal of the season. Meier finished the game with a pair of points along with Sitarz, Bateman and Gray.

Austin Boge, Liam Urciuoli and Branden Huminek replied for River East.

Johnson made 15 saves for the win while the Jets peppered the heck out of Royal Knights' goaltender Manny Minuk Jr., who faced 59 shots.

Stonewall, now 10-13 with three overtime losses and a shootout defeat, will wrap up a four-game homestand when it hosts the Transcona Railer Express on Friday (8 p.m.).

Sunday will see the Jets take on the St. Boniface Riels in Winnipeg. Puck drop is 3 p.m.



**TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER** 

# **Stick curling tour winners**

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Chad Deprez with IG Wealth Management - Deprez & Associates presented a \$200 cheque to each of the winning teams. Warren's Barb Riddell and Pat Arbuckle defeated the Dawydiuk/Piotroski rink 4-3 in the finals of the eighth Manitoba Stick Curling Tour (MSCT) bonspiel held at the Stonewall Curling Club. The pair claimed the Women's Division Championship. Right photo, Stonewall's Judy Kitching and Howard Hilstrom defeated the Lust/Didyk rink 7-3 in the Open 'A' Championship final while Winnipeg's Dan Namba and Graham Grimes defeated the Coutts/Magnusson rink 4-3 in the Open Championship game. A 50/50 was held over the weekend that raised \$400 for the Ukrainian Youth Association in Winnipeg.

Jets goaltender Liam Johnson made 24 saves for the 6-2 win against the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club last Sunday.

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temporary private rooms with generous room for family members, a well-equipped kitchen designed for occupational therapy evaluations regarding a patient's post-discharge mobility, and a workout area where physiotherapists guide individuals within hours of suffering a stroke.

Each year, around 3,500 strokes take place in Manitoba. Currently, patients have access to two out of three standard treatments while hospitalized: clot busting and clot removal therapies. However, the minister pointed out that the newly opened stroke unit will provide inpatients with better access to intensive rehabilitation. Clinical experts believe this is essential in expediting recovery times.

Dr. Esseddeeg Ghrooda, a stroke neurologist at HSC Winnipeg, announced that the recently opened acute stroke unit will offer comprehensive care for stroke patients. The team of specialists including neurologists, psychiatrists, nurses and rehabilitation experts will provide a range of therapies aimed at preventing further health complications and reducing the chances of a second stroke. The team is excited to offer this enhanced level of care to patients in the near future.

The minister also mentioned that the unit's close location to the HSC's Diagnostic Centre of Excellence, equipped for interventional angiography and stroke care, will be advantageous.

According to Christine Houde, director of health policy and systems in Manitoba for Heart & Stroke, the creation of this facility is truly excellent news for all Manitobans. By bringing together a comprehensive team of stroke experts, we know that individuals who receive care here will have a higher chance of survival, experience fewer complications, and ultimately regain their independence. This unit is committed to delivering the best evidence-based care for those suffering from stroke in our province.

The minister highlighted that the unit's capacity of 28 beds will soon be fulfilled by hiring more nursing staff over the next three to four months. The initial postings have attracted a significant number of applicants, according to HSC officials.

# Argyle Curling Club hosts annual men's bonspiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY TREVOR BUCHANAN

The annual Argyle Men's Curling Bonspiel was held this past weekend with 24 teams competing. The Calcutta had \$4,100 in prize money, with teams being sold for an average of \$800. Photos left to right: The first event was won by Ken DeSmet, Darryl Argan, Warren Erickson and Ron Peters. Andrew McMahon, Clint Eskilson, Devin Smith and Ryan Smith won the second event. Murray Last, Zach Fenske, Jayden Slatcher and Jeff Slatcher won the third event.

# Mercs edge Islanders in overtime

#### By Brian Bowman

The Mercs needed a little extra time to knock off the Portage Islanders in SEMHL action last Saturday in Warren.

Patrick D'Amico scored his second goal of the game to lift Warren to a 4-3

overtime win.

The Mercs, who overcame a 2-0 second-period deficit, also received goals from Dexter Kuczek and Riley Vautour.

Linden McCorrister was lights out, scoring three goals for Portage.

Mitch Adamyk made 40 saves for the win.

On Friday Warren, now 11-1 and in second place in the 10-team league with 22 points, will play at the thirdplace Red River Wild, who are 9-2 with a shootout loss, on Friday (7:30 p.m.) and then host the first-place Ste. Anne Aces Saturday (8 p.m.).

The Mercs are just four points behind the Aces with two games in hand.

Both games should be very entertaining.

# **U18 AAA Interlake Lightning teams earn wins**

#### By Brian Bowman

The U18 AAA male Interlake Lightning split a pair of games with the Kenora Thistles in northwestern Ontario last weekend.

On Sunday afternoon, Interlake blew a 4-0 second-period lead in a tough 6-5 loss to Kenora.

Drew Russell (two), James Franklin, Mason Bernier and Ian Buors scored in the losing cause.

Thistles' goals were tallied by Tallon Caren (two), Callum McCormick, Bo Gartzke, Cole Bodner and Hudson

#### Gagne.

Saturday evening saw the Lightning defeat the Thistles 4-1.

Franklin, Brandon Burak, Jeremy Kawiuk and Lucas Spencer scored for Interlake.

Carter Peters answered for Kenora. Dylan McFadyen stopped 35 shots for the victory.

Last Wednesday, Interlake downed the Winnipeg Wild 3-1 in Teulon.

After a scoreless first period, the Lightning's Buors and Talon Hogg tallied in the second.

Winnipeg's William Marceus and Hogg traded goals in the third.

Lightning netminder Alex Myers was outstanding, making 42 saves.

Interlake, in third place with 38 points, will host the Pembina Valley Hawks on Saturday (7:30 p.m.) and the Parkland Rangers Sunday (1:30 p.m.) in Teulon.

The U18 AAA female Lightning, meanwhile, played a great game in a 2-1 road win over the Winnipeg Avros last Saturday.

Interlake trailed 1-0 in the third pe-

riod but scored a pair of goals for the comeback win.

Lightning scorers were Claire Hudson and Charleen Wong while Rory Lubkey replied for the Avros.

Rachel Halldorson made 37 saves for the win.

Interlake will host the Yellowhead Chiefs on Saturday (7:30 p.m.) in Stonewall and then take on the Pembina Valley Hawks Sunday (2:30 p.m.) in Morden.



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If you answered YES to any of the above questions, try not to miss this important information session. We will also be discussing other daily living activities that you may have restrictions in, such as: dressing, hearing, vision, memory, elimination, feeding, speaking and life sustaining therapy. (Insulin dependent, oxygen, dialysis) Thursday, January 25th/24 @ 2:00PM

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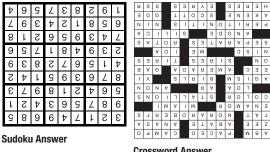
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### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

#### **OFFICE BATHROOM RENOVATION**

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong is accepting proposals for a bathroom renovation at the Municipal office located in Inwood, Manitoba.

Viewing of scope of work expectation can be made at the office M-F 8:30am-4:30pm, please call the office to make an appointment to view.

Contractors will be responsible for providing a submission that accurately describes the scope of work including details of expected labor and materials. All permits, licenses and fees required to complete the project will be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder.

The lowest or any bid not necessarily accepted. The contractor must be in good standings with the RM of Armstrong to be considered and will be required to provide proof of liability insurance.

Proposal Close: 4:30 PM, Friday, January 26th , 2024.

Nancy Howell / Interim CAO RM of Armstrong Lot 55 Highway 17 Box 69, Inwood, MB ROC 1PO cao@rmofarmstrong.com Phone: 1-204-278-3377



### **NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS**

### **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on** the following days:

#### January 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30, 2024

Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the following location:

Town of Teulon Municipal Office, 44-4th Avenue SE, Teulon, Manitoba

I will receive nominations for the office of councillor for the Town of Teulon.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the Town of Teulon, but in all cases by at least two (2) voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person only at the above location, on the date and hours specified. To obtain a nomination paper, and/or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the Senior Election Officer at the telephone number listed below.

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

Roger A. Bouvier Senior Election Officer Town of Teulon 1-204-792-0849 municipalsolutions@mts.net Dated at the Town of Teulon on January 8, 2024 Roger A. Bouvier, SEO, Town of Teulon

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### **NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST/** PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the VOTERS LIST may be revised at the Town of Teulon Municipal Office, 44-4th Avenue, S.E. Teulon, Mb until January 30, 2024 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

At this time the Senior Election Official (SEO) will be available to update the voters list by:

- (a) Adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;
- (b) Deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on the list; and
- (c) Making such other correction of errors to the list as required

#### **VOTER ELIGIBILITY:**

A person if eligible to have his or her name added to the Voters List if he or she is:

1) A Canadian citizen and at least 18 years of age on election day: and

2) A resident of the Town of Teulon for at least six months prior to election day, OR a registered owner of land in the municipality for at least six months prior to election day.

**APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION:** A voter may apply in writing to the SEO at the Town of Teulon Municipal Officer, 44-4th Avenue, S.E. Teulon, Mb. no later than January 30th, 2024 to have his/her name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the Voters List in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail or email and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

#### All changes to the Voters List must be completed on or before January 30, 2024.

Dated at the Town of Teulon in the Province of Manitoba, on January 2, 2024.

Roger A. Bouvier Senior Election Officer (SEO) 44-4th Avenue, S.E. Teulon, Manitoba 1-204-792-0849 municipalsolutions@mts.net

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wall, in Manitoba, deceased. All claims against the above estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at their offices, P.O. Box 1400, Stonewall, Manitoba, R0C 2Z0 on or before the 14th day

of February, 2024. DATED at Stonewall. Manitoba, this 3rd day of January, 2024. **GRANTHAM LAW** OFFICES Solicitor for the Executrix

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF: The Estate of Wernfried Roman Zotter, late of the Postal District of St. Laurent, in Manitoba, deceased. All claims against the above estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at their offices, P.O. Box 1400, Stonewall, Manitoba, R0C 2Z0 on or before the 21st day of February, 2024. DATED at Stonewall, Manitoba, this 5th day of January, 2024. **GRANTHAM LAW** OFFICES

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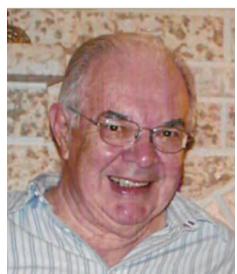
IN MEMORIAM

BIRTHDAY



Helen Wallack Ninety-five (95) years on January 2! You look great! Wishing you a very Happy Birthday Mom! -With much love from all your family!

BIRTHDAY



James Wallace Doucette July 28, 1936 – January 12, 2023 Always in our thoughts. -Lovingly remembered by Wife Lois, Mike, Denise, Ian, Dan and families

Your memory will live forever Engraved within our hearts



### Robert Bruce Reimer

June 15, 1964 - January 5, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of, Robert Bruce Reimer, on January 5th, 2024, at St. Boniface Hospital, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer.

Rob is survived by son Cody, daughter Alexis Lazo (Johnny), and daughter Madison Schott (Christian). Rob leaves behind seven beautiful grandchildren Aurora, McQueen, Everly, Emilia, Tenley, McKenna, and Walker. Rob also leaves behind father Ernest Reimer, brother David (Jing), sister Leanne (Kevin), many other extended family members, and an abundance of great friends.

Rob is predeceased by mother Sandra Reimer, stepdad Clark Braun, and cousin James Gordon.

Dad was a busy body, and he loved to work. Fulfilling his days at Piston Ring Service on Wall Street. His knowledge for cars, and passion for his customers over the years left him with so many great friendships, many in which treated Dad as family. His love for hockey also left him with many great friendships. From playing,

to coaching, to becoming a fan in the stands watching the Winnipeg Jets and his grandchildren play. Dad simply loved the rink. His final passion in life were his grandchildren. Papa Rob always made sure to pop by on weakends. From riding rides at Tinkortown, trins to Kansas City, spending time playing outside

weekends. From riding rides at Tinkertown, trips to Kansas City, spending time playing outside, to hours spent watching hockey and gymnastics. Dad lit up when he was with the kids.

We would like to thank the staff at St. Boniface Hospital for their care over the last couple months. Special thanks to Dr. Farhana Shariff, Dr. Marvin Slutchuk, and the entire Palliative Care team. Thank you to all of Dads' friends, co-workers, and customers who helped keep Dad's spirits up over this difficult time.

Please see Saturdays, Winnipeg Free Press, for funeral arrangements.

We will see you on the other side of the stars, until then, we will miss you every single second of each day.

There is a link death cannot sever, Love and remembrance last forever.



Rosalie Shupenia Best Wishes for a Happy 75th Birthday on January 13th! -Love from Mike your Kids and Grandkids and your whole family xo





TO IDENTIFY URBAN SERVICES OUTSIDE OF THE GENERAL MILL RATE TO BE LEVIED AGAINST A SET OF SPECIFIC ROLL NUMBERS WITHIN THE NINE ORIGINAL QUARTER SECTIONS OF THE TOWN OF STONEWALL

The Council of the Town of Stonewall has scheduled a public hearing at Town Hall, 293 Main Street, Stonewall on the **31st day of January, 2024 at 6:00 PM** to present the **special service proposal** which can be viewed on the Town of Stonewall website at www.stonewall.ca

A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at the Town Office via email to info@ stonewall.ca prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions, or register an objection to the special service proposal.

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

Dated at the Town of Stonewall this 3rd day of January A.D. 2024 and issued pursuant to Section 318 of The Municipal Act.

Wally R. Melnyk Chief Administrative Officer Town of Stonewall 204-467-7979 | wmelnyk@stonewall.ca



### **NOTICE OF REGISTRATION**

### Of Prospective Candidate for Municipal By-Election

Please be advised that a municipal by-election will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024.

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

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

for the office of councillor, Town of Teulon until January 30, 2024

at the office of the Town of Teulon, 44-4th Avenue, S.E., Teulon, Manitoba during the regular hours of business.

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

Roger A. Bouvier 1-204-792-0849 municipalsolutions@mts.net Dated at the Town of Teulon on January 3rd, 2024

Roger A. Bouvier Senior Election Officer Town of Teulon 20 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, January 11, 2024

