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Woodlands sisters Yuli and Lina Simonson are taking part in April's 80km Challenge for the Canadian Cancer Society. The girls will be walking and running 80km throughout the month to raise funds in memory of their grandma Diane and the many friends and family they know have battled and are battling cancer. To contribute to their fundraiser, access their Facebook page: April's 80 km challenge for Canadian Cancer Society.

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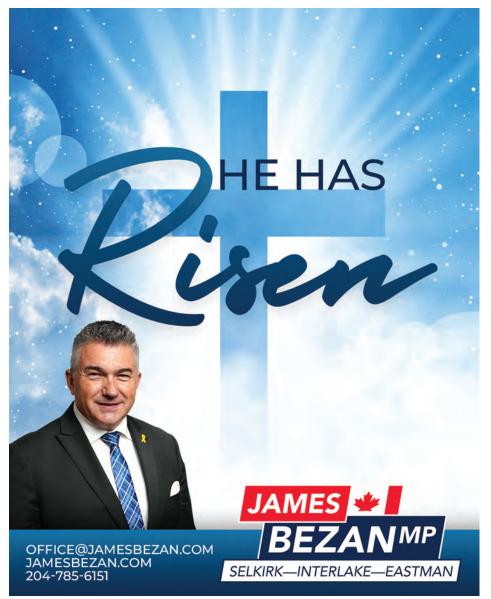








The art of pysanky has been around for centuries and uses a traditional method of "writing" the eggs with melted beeswax through a stylus called a kistka. The wax is applied to the egg, sealing that area from the dye and keeping it white. The egg is dyed, and more wax is applied. This process continues, progressing from light to dark-coloured dyes, and then the wax is removed by heating the egg and gently wiping off the melted wax. The egg becomes a magical piece of art once the wax has been removed. The Green Acres Art Centre held three pysanky workshops last week for those wanting to learn the art of Ukrainian Easter egg painting. Pictured above: Lori and Lily Luczkanin and Baba Pauline Moscall with the drawing, painting and dyeing process.





## Auditor general disappointed 90% of recommendations to province not implemented

By Patricia Barrett

Auditor general of Manitoba Tyson Shtykalo said he's "disappointed" by a lack of action on most of the recommendations that were made to provincial government departments and agencies about four years ago.

Shtykalo released a report last month titled Follow-up of Previously Issued Recommendations, showing only 10 per cent of the total recommendations made had been implemented.

The follow-up outlines the status (as of Sept. 30, 2022) of 209 recommendations that were made between November 2019 and October 2020 regarding the management of foster homes, the oversight of commercial vehicles safety, the management of provincial tourism, the Vital Statistics agency, oversight of drinking water safety, oversight of post-secondary institutions and quarry rehabilitation.

"I recognize that things were exceptionally challenging for a couple of years due to the pandemic, and that this would have impacted entities' abilities to implement our recommendations," wrote Shtykalo in his report. "That said, I am disappointed by the low implementation rate of our recommendations. We found only 20 of 209 recommendations (10%) were implemented as at September 30, 2022."

Of the remaining recommendations, 13 (or six per cent) were reported as "action no longer required," seven (or three per cent) that won't be implemented and 169 (or 81 per cent) reported as in progress.

The auditor general provides independent audits on government operations and financial statements to improve public sector performance. The public release of recommenda-

tions aims to promote government accountability and public administrations excellence, as well as help audited entities improve their practices. The reports are tabled in the legislature then referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to follow up on implementation of the recommendations.

Shtykalo said "reasonable progress" was made with respect to three reports, Oversight of Commercial Vehicle Safety (December 2019), Management of Provincial Tourism (January 2020) and Provincial Oversight of Drinking Water Safety (September 2020). The implementation rates were 29 per cent, 50 per cent, and 32 per cent respectively.

But none of the recommendations in two reports — Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation (May 2020) and Oversight of Post-Secondary Institutions (October 2020) — were implemented.

"For the reports with little to no progress in implementing our recommendations, I encourage the Public Accounts Committee to call those entities to Committee to discuss the lack of progress," wrote Shtykalo.

The auditor general had made 15 recommendations in May 2020 on the Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation, but zero have been implemented.

An investigation into the quarry program was sparked in March 2019 when the auditor general received an audit request from the then minister of finance to "conduct a forensic examination of the irregularities in the financial management of the Quarry Rehabilitation Program," states the follow-up report.

Report	Total	Implemented/ resolved	Action no longer required	Do not intend to implement	Work in progress
November 2019					
Management of Foster Homes	112	4	13*	6	89
December 2019					
Oversight of Commercial Vehicle Safety	17	5	0	1	11
January 2020					
Management of Provincial Tourism	4	2	0	0	2
May 2020					
Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation	15	0	0	0	15
September 2020					
Vital Statistics Agency	19	3	0	0	16
Provincial Oversight of Drinking Water Safety	19	6	0	ō	13
October 2020					
Oversight of Post-Secondary	23	0	0	o	23

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The table shows the status of the auditor general's recommendations to the province as of September 2022. None of the recommendations were implemented on quarry rehabilitation.

Fourteen of the recommendations that followed the investigation were for the then-department of agriculture and resource development, which oversaw quarries. The department of economic development, investment and trade is now responsible for quarries.

The auditor general asked the department to prepare a risk analysis and risk-based criteria for different quarry project types, develop extended procedures (environmental assessments, increased monitoring, etc.) for high risk projects, create and maintain a provincial database of all quarry sites, including Crown

quarries, assess and monitor quarry returns to ensure the department receives levies and royalties owed to it, ensure required tendering practices are followed, separate the administration of quarry inspection from quarry rehabilitation projects, develop a quality assurance process, use up-todate technology to monitor rehabilitation projects, and review data on its inspection function and the rehab program in its annual report so that the public can "determine whether the objective of the Program is being met and how the funds entrusted to

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# Cha-ching! Make your money pay at the Manitoba Coin Club's show

By Patricia Barrett

If you've got a commemorative 1973 Mountie quarter — which honours the centennial of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police — don't plug it into a parking meter or coin-operated laundry machine because it could be worth hundreds of dollars depending on its condition and whether the Queen's image is a small or a large bust.

To get the lowdown on what collectibles — such as old or commemorative coins and coin sets, bank tokens, paper bills, stamps, medallions and comic books — could be worth, bring them to the Manitoba Coin Club's Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show in May at the Red Barn just south of Stonewall.

Club members can price your collectibles, tell you some of the fascinating history behind the items and perhaps make you an offer too irresistible to pass up. They'll also have some of their own collectibles on display.

Coin club member Larry Dalman, who has about 50 years' experience valuing currency, said this is the first time since the club's inception in 1954 that it will hold a show in rural Manitoba.

"We're trying to be more inclusive for people living in the rural areas. We want to give them an opportunity to see old bills and coins and other collectibles and bring their own collectibles in," said Dalman.

The club had one of the "greatest turnouts" last fall at its show in West St. Paul. It drew people from all across the province, including Gimli, Selkirk, Morden, Winkler, Portage la Prairie and Brandon.

In addition to finding out how much your devil-faced 1954 paper bills (is there a devil hiding in the Queen's hair?) are worth — a whole lot if they're in pristine condition — people can learn about the history of money and how Canadian banks operated in days of yore.

Every commercial bank in Canada — including Canada's first bank, the Bank of Montreal — made their own tokens, which were substitutes for coins. Paper notes were also issued by banks in provinces such as British Columbia, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

"There were more than 120 banks in Canada using their own bank notes. People were carrying around a variety of bills from the Bank of Montreal, the Bank of New Brunswick and so forth," said Dalman. "But in 1944 the Government of Canada asked those banks to quit making their money and took over ownership."

Newfoundland made a two-dollar gold coin between 1865 and 1888, he said. The rarest of the lot are those made in 1880. In bad shape it will



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Manitoba Coin Club member Larry Dalman is encouraging the public to come out and learn about Canadian currency and commemorative coins at the Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show being held May 13-14 at the Red Barn just south of Stonewall.

fetch about \$1,570. One that's close to "uncirc" (uncirculated condition) will net about \$3,000. A "really, really nice one" is worth \$24,500. And they're still out there. Somewhere.

"They did put out a specimen [two-dollar gold] coin, one that was

sold separately as a specimen and was not intended to see a human hand. In perfect shape, it's worth \$122,500," said Dalman.

Canadian coinage made from silver will get you only face value if you take it to a bank. Companies that buy Canadian silver currency will give you the current market value of silver by weight. But a single silver coin or a coin set could be worth far more money if they're in good condition and have unique characteristics such as a flaw, small production run or other special feature that make them a collector's item.

Even money that's not considered "old" can be worth more than face value. For example, the Royal Canadian Mint issued three different commemorative 10-cent coins in 2021 for the 100th anniversary of the Blue Nose. One is coloured, one is uncoloured and one has 1921 on its left side and 2021 on its right side, said Dalman. The dime with the dates

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# Community hubs receive Arts, Culture and Sport funding

Green Acres Art Centre (GAAC) and the Woodlands Pioneer Museum both received good news from Lakeside MLA Ralph Eichler.

Eichler contacted president Lana Knor of the GAAC to let her know that they were receiving \$25,000 from the provincial Arts, Culture, and Sport in Community (ACSC) Fund that they had applied for in the fall.

Knor said the process was all completed online and was user-friendly for all organizations.

The GAAC was among a number of recipients of the ACSC Fund.

GAAC was awarded these funds as part of the special initiatives category. In this funding area, establishments are given funds for projects supporting the development and renewal of facilities and spaces used for arts, culture and sport programming and activities. The awards are between 50 and 100 per cent of eligible expenses, to a maximum of \$300,000.

The Province of Manitoba's website states that this funding is meant to "enhance Manitobans' opportunities to access quality programming and facilities in their own community."

The province announced on March 17 that it's providing \$50 million to support arts, culture and sports programs. The money will be divided among 402 projects that foster community, creativity and innovation.

The fund plans to distribute up to \$100 million over two years for large capital projects, small capital projects and special initiatives, and community celebrations.

The funds the GAAC has received will cover the costs to facilitate the Artzy Funtastic Dayz program.

The majority of the funds will be used for instructors' and assistants' wages, supplies and equipment. The funds will be used to purchase various supplies for the activities, such as sewing kits and machines, wood burners, kitchen equipment and other items required to facilitate the program. The GAAC programs and activities have grown past the walls of the centre. The Artzy Funtastic Dayz will be facilitated at different loca-

tions in the community. A portion of the funds will be used to pay facility fees.

"A challenge the GAAC faces continuously when calculating art class fees is the cost of the supplies and equipment. This grant provides relief on the art supplies and equipment budget. The registration fee can now be free or at a reasonable rate. Artzy Funtastic Dayz will give family budgets a break," said Knor.

The Dayz will be held over the school year for ages 7-17. It will include a variety of art genres giving the opportunity to express oneself in different ways. In addition, participants will learn valuable life skills such as cooking, baking, sewing, quilting, working with wood and communication. Other Artzy Dayz will have music, theatre, dance and creative writing activities.

Current GAAC instructors will facilitate the majority of the Dayz.

"The GAAC instructors have many talents, and this grant gives them a chance to grow professionally and share new skills with others," said Knor

Not only do the funds provide budgetary relief for the GAAC, but it also helps grow Teulon and surrounding communities.

"The activities will attract participants from surrounding communities who would not normally visit Teulon. As a result, businesses will potentially earn new customers bringing more revenue to the businesses. Children and youth will meet new people, develop social skills and most importantly, make a new friend with the same interests," said Knor.

The Woodlands Pioneer Museum will be upgrading and improving its information technology after receiving a grant also from the provincial government a few weeks ago.

The museum received \$11,580 from the small capital category.

The Woodlands Pioneer Museum heard about the ACSC Fund from the Manitoba Arts Council. When the museum determines eligibility, it presents it to its museum volunteer board of directors and brainstorms

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ideas for projects that meet the grant its ongoing development of educaprogram's objectives. It gets quotes and begins the grant writing when it reaches a consensus.

Judy Olson, vice-president of the museum, said the museum tries to keep a list of needs for possible grants on hand so it can move on quickly when it gets one that fits.

In the case of the ACSC Fund, they quickly met all the objectives relating to Manitobans having access to and the opportunity to celebrate their unique heritage and eligibility in terms of "acquisition of specialized equipment needed for arts, culture and sport sector programming and activity" in that it's current computer equipment and capabilities simply could not meet its growing needs.

The funds will be used to upgrade its technology by purchasing a laptop, desktop computers, a printer, Office and antivirus software, a signage TV, and an eight-channel camera and surveillance system.

"The museum technology upgrade will move the museum into current standards of operation," said Olson.

Olson said they have recently been transferring data on over 9,000 artifacts from aging typed/handwritten records into a digital filing system but need the computer capability to manage such files. Software is available for museum cataloging systems. However, its current equipment cannot support such a program.

She said they also need to manage

tional programming, its website, and display videos and vignettes created that teach skills and tell stories of its region's ancestors. In addition, a surveillance system will be a bonus for the museum to monitor its extensive grounds and seven buildings housing treasures from the past.

"The museum is a tourist destination and a source of pride and community engagement for our region. Continued growth and development are vital to fulfilling our mission. ... Such assistance is invaluable in sustaining vibrant and healthy communities.

Other local organizations that received ACSC funding include:

- Town of Stonewall -- Kiln Restoration-Phase One. -- \$1,000,000
- Ducks Unlimited Canada --Re-envisioning the Wetland Discovery Centre -- \$1,000,000
- Settlers, Rails and Trails Inc. --Power and Water Services Installation -- \$25,000
- Warren Curling Club Inc. --Lighting, Wiring and Furnace Modernization -- \$23,000

To view the full list of 2022-2023 funding recipients, visit www.manitoba.ca/acsc

Anyone interested in applying for funding, can visit https://www.gov. mb.ca/acsc/small-capital-and-special-initiatives.html

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## Province skips a week of respiratory surveillance reporting

By Patricia Barrett

The provincial government did not release its respiratory surveillance report on COVID and other respiratory viruses last Friday (March 31), which would have been reporting Week 12 (March 19-25).

The surveillance reports provide information on new COVID infections detected by restricted PCR testing, new hospitalizations and new deaths, as well as new influenza and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infections.

A notice on the province's surveillance report website said the next report will be issued on April 6.

There were 155 new COVID infections reported in Week 11 (March 12-18), as well as 49 new hospitalizations with six ICU admissions. No new COVID deaths were reported that week. Wastewater surveillance data for Winnipeg and Brandon up to March 14 indicated sustained COVID activity.

Because of the delay in reporting, or no new deaths to report, Manitoba's COVID death toll remains at 2,470 as of March 18, according to the federal government's COVID webpage. Canada's death toll now stands at 51,930.

#### Other health news:

- The number of pediatric patients in the intensive care unit at the Children's Hospital in Winnipeg has increased because of a "resurgence in respiratory illness" circulating in the province, and some surgical procedures considered non-urgent may be postponed, according to provincial Shared Health in a March 30 statement on its website.

"There were 17 pediatric patients receiving intensive care this morning. The normal baseline capacity for the pediatric ICU (PICU) is nine," says the statement. "A significant number of these patients were experiencing Table 1, Newly reported and cumulative COVID-19 confirmed cases and deaths, by WHO Region, as of 19 March 2023\*\*

WHO Region	New cases in last 28 days (%)	Change in new cases in last 28 days *	Cumulative cases (%)	New deaths in last 28 days (%)	Change in new deaths in last 28 days *	Cumulative deaths (%)
Europe	1 516 637 (41%)	9%	274 323 490 (36%)	9607 (37%)	-15%	2 202 559 (32%)
Americas	1 195 582 (32%)	-28%	191 176 559 (25%)	11 706 (45%)	-38%	2 939 344 (43%)
Western Pacific	966 810 (26%)	-58%	201 888 145 (27%)	4289 (16%)	-76%	407 958 (6%)
Eastern Mediterranean	28 236 (1%)	89%	23 281 781 (3%)	366 (1%)	68%	349 821 (5%)
South-East Asia	18 745 (1%)	70%	60 782 274 (8%)	156 (1%)	-24%	803 958 (12%)
Africa	12 565 (<1%)	-43%	9 509 869 (1%)	23 (<1%)	-57%	175 315 (3%)
Global	3 738 575 (100%)	-31%	760 962 882 (100%)	26 147 (100%)	-46%	6 878 968 (100%)

Percent change in the number of newly confirmed cases/deaths in the past 28 days, compared to 28 days prior. Data from previous weeks are ously with adjustments received from countries

#### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION COVID-19 WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE New COVID cases and deaths worldwide as of March 19.

medically complex cases that were further complicated by respiratory illness, including infants and young children."

Shared Health said it's deploying about 10 staff — including some from pediatric surgical and recovery units — to PICU in response to the increased pressure.

"While all urgent and life-threatening surgeries will continue to be performed, these staffing moves may result in the postponement of some non-urgent procedures," says the statement.

Patient volumes in the children's ER remain "relatively stable" but the number of patients visiting the ER with influenza-like symptoms has increased in the past two weeks, from a low of 22 on March 18 to 47 on March

There were 51 patients in the neonatal ICU (NICU) on the morning of March 30, says the statement.

- The World Health Organization reported over 3.7 million new COVID cases and over 26,000 deaths globally between Feb. 20 and March 19. The latest numbers are underestimates of the true number of infections as a result of reductions in testing and reporting delays by countries.

As of March 19, there have been a total of 760 million confirmed COVID cases worldwide and over 6.8 million deaths.

The highest numbers of new 28-day COVID cases were reported from the United States (792,202 new cases), the Russian Federation (339,564 new cases), China (320,029 new cases), Japan (291,672 new cases) and Germany (281,468 new cases).

The highest numbers of new 28-day COVID deaths were reported from the United States (8,187 new deaths), the United Kingdom (2,474 new deaths), Japan (1,898 new deaths), Brazil (1,587 new deaths) and China (1,472 new deaths).

Canada reported 628 new deaths (1.7 new deaths per 100,000) over that period.

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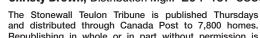
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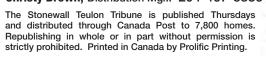
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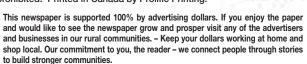
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# Pharmacare deductible rates frozen for upcoming benefit year

#### Submitted by the Manitoba government

The Manitoba government will freeze deductible rates for the Manitoba Pharmacare Program in 2023-24 to keep pharmacare affordable for Manitobans who need it, Health Minister Audrey Gordon announced.

"Our government recognizes the financial challenges facing many Manitobans," Gordon said. "That is why, for the third time in four years, we are waiving any increase to the rates for the 2023-24 benefit year, which begins on April 1."

Each year, program participants are required to pay a portion of the cost of their eligible prescription drugs,

which is the pharmacare deductible. It is updated every year, based on a set formula. Following this formula, the rates for 2023-24 would have increased by more than six per cent if the Manitoba government had not chosen to implement a freeze. In 2022-23, the pharmacare deductible rates increased by 1.8 per cent. In the previous two years, the Manitoba government froze the deductible rates, recognizing the financial challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and related economic recovery.

The deductible is calculated based on adjusted family income, and Manitobans are reminded that a family's deductible may still change this year if their income has changed. Annual filing of taxes is recommended to ensure access to this important program.

Pharmacare is a drug benefit program for eligible Manitobans whose income is seriously affected by high prescription drug costs. Coverage is based on total family income and the amount paid for eligible prescription

For more information about the Manitoba Pharmacare Program, vishttps://gov.mb.ca/health/phar-

### > HEALTH, FROM PG. 6

XBB continues to lead the pack of omicron subvariants on which the WHO is keeping an eye. XBB increased from 5.7 per cent in epidemiological Week 5 to 12.5 per cent in Week 9. XBB has now been detected in 119 countries. XBB.1.5 has been detected in 85 countries.

- Health Canada issued a recall on March 30 for Komera Original's Seasoned Hot Pepper Sauce because of Clostridium botulinum toxin.

The symptoms include facial paralysis, loss of facial expression, unreactive pupils, difficulty swallowing, blurred vision and slurred speech. Botulism does not cause a fever. In severe cases people can die.

The product was sold in Manitoba, Alberta and Quebec, as well as online.

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority reported no new respiratory illness outbreaks (COVID, RSV, influenza, etc.) at hospitals and personal care homes throughout the

region (outbreak page viewed April

- The IERHA's emergency room schedule for the period April 1-15 shows two days (24-7) of ER availability at the Eriksdale hospital and four days (two 24-7 and two half days) of ER availability at the Arborg hospital. The Ashern ER is available for 12 days over that 15-day period, and the Gimli ER is available for 14 days. The schedule is posted online and is subject to change.

At the Eriksdale hospital, outpatient lab and ECG services are available Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Outpatient X-rays are available on Mondays and on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., according to a notice from Shared Health.

- The IERHA is offering a nine-week caring program that will teach volunteers how to understand suffering and compassion, trauma and crisis, and communication and spiritual development, according to a March 29 news release on its website.

The Spirit of Caring course will be

offered online once a week for nine weeks. It will be led by the IERHA's spiritual health services co-ordinator Ferdinand Funk, who had been a pastor for over 20 years before joining the IERHA.

The course prepares volunteers to respectfully and compassionately accompany and support people in a health-care setting.

"This is a course that will build the capacity and increase self-awareness of the participants to engage in the practice of spiritual care, particularly in changing situations such as might occur in a health-care setting," said Funk in the news release. "We welcome those interested in the spiritual aspect of life in general, and in health care particularly, and with the goal of becoming a spiritual care volunteer with the IERHA."

Those interested in registering for the course or need more information can call Ferdinand Funk at 204-461-3414 or email ffunk@ierha.ca The deadline to register is April 14.

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# **Easter**

Throughout the Easter weekend, people often get together with family and friends to share a meal, spend time enjoying a long week-



end and, depending on when Easter lands that year, anticipating spring. While there is not necessarily anything wrong with any of these things, the meaning of Good Friday and Easter Sunday can get lost in the midst of people getting together over a long weekend. For those of Christian faith, Good Friday is a day of remembering Jesus' death on the cross. In Romans 3:23, Paul reminds us "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Jesus came and took our sins upon Himself so we can be reconciled, or be restored to a right relationship, with Holy God. Someone needed to pay for our sins and Jesus willingly did that when He died on the cross for everyone. The disciple John wrote in 1 John 2:1-2 "I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father - Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world." Because of what Jesus did for us we can turn to Him, repent of our sins, and receive the free gift of eternal life. As we celebrate Easter Sunday, let's remember the empty tomb and the power of Jesus' resurrection — He conquered death and rose again three days later. I am so thankful for Jesus' willingness to take our sins upon Himself so we can spend eternity in God's presence. If Easter weekend has been nothing more than ham and chocolate bunnies, perhaps this Easter would be a good time to consider Jesus. As you go about your day, ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you as you ponder these verses and think about Jesus's sacrifice and resurrection for you this weekend.

Pastor Jo-Ann Porterfield Alive Family Church Stonewall, MB alivefamilychurch.ca

# Say Aloha! Karaoke

#### **By Autumn Feh**

For the third time this year, the Green Acres Art Centre (GAAC) will host a Greenlight Karaoke night at Fry-Day's Restaurant & Lounge.

On Friday, April 14 from 7 p.m. until close, community residents can stop by the Fry-Day's for a Hawaiian-themed karaoke evening, food and a damn good time!

"So far, they have been fantastic events. We've enjoyed hosting them, and the crowd seems to really enjoy participating," said Holly Spencer, owner of the restaurant.

"Even though it seems like spring is late in arriving, we still wanted to jump into spring with some bright colours and flowers."

The event hosts are the GAAC guitar instructor Gareth McNichol Briggs

and board member, Maegan Trach.

The event is not meant as a fundraiser for the GAAC.

"The GAAC wanted to bring music to the community and felt karaoke was a great place to start," said Lana Knor, president of the GAAC.

There will be a 50/50 draw instead of a cover charge to assist with the costs of hosting the event. There will be prizes for the best-dressed luau outfits and designated drivers. The winners of the best outfit will be awarded earlier in the evening. Draws will be done throughout the night for those that come up to sing. They will be entered into a draw to win a gift certificate from Fry-Day's for food, snacks and drinks.

A Hawaiian-themed drink spe-



TRIBUNE PHOTO EMILY WOOD FROM STARDUST PHOTOGRAPHY Gareth and Lana Knor, president of the GAAC, at one of the past karaoke nights.

cial will be available throughout the night, where Fry-Day's will donate \$2 of every drink sold to the GAAC. In addition, the kitchen will be open for the whole evening, offering its entire

menu.

The GAAC plans to host regular karaoke evenings during the fall, winter and spring.

# Carbon tax costs average family up to \$710 this year

#### **Submitted Canadian Taxpayers Federation**

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation is calling on the federal government to scrap the carbon tax following the Parliamentary Budget Officer report showing the carbon tax costs families hundreds of dollars more than they get back in rebates.

"The PBO is clear: the carbon tax costs families hundreds of dollars more every year than the rebates they get back," said Franco Terrazzano, federal director of the CTF. "The PBO shows politicians are using magic

math to sell their carbon tax."

The Trudeau government claims "families are going to be better off" with its carbon tax and rebates. However, today's PBO report shows this is incorrect.

"Most households will see a net loss, paying more in fuel charges and GST, as well as receiving lower incomes, compared to the Climate Action Incentive payments they receive and lower personal income taxes they pay," according to the PBO.

The carbon tax will cost the average household up to \$710 this year after the rebates. The net federal carbon tax will cost for the average household, minus the rebate, according to the PBO for the average household, 2023:

Alberta \$710; Saskatchewan \$410; Manitoba \$386; Ontario \$478; Nova Scotia \$431; Prince Edward Island \$465; Newfoundland and Labrador \$347.

"It simply isn't credible to believe the feds can raise taxes, skim some off the top for administration costs and somehow make families better off," Terrazzano said. "Prime Minister Justin Trudeau should scrap the carbon tax to save families hundreds of dollars every year."

Due to the tax-on-tax, the carbon tax also increases the amount of sales tax Canadians pay.

"We estimate that \$429 million in GST from the fuel charge will be collected in 2023-24, rising to \$924 million in 2030-31," according to the PBO.

# Limited edition Terry Fox T-shirts support local run

#### Staff

April 12 marks the 43rd anniversary of the day Terry Fox started his Marathon of Hope in St. John's, Newfoundland.

When he started his run in 1980, the people he inspired began to write him letters.

"I only recently found out that the Fox family has saved every letter that was ever written to Terry," said Cathy Goresky, a member of the Stonewall Terry Fox Committee.

"The ' Dear Terry ' letters have in-

spired this years limited offer T-shirt, which was recently revealed by Ryan Reynolds."

This year's Terry Fox Run is set for Sunday, Sept. 17 at Stonewall Quarry Park. As of April 12, participants can register online at terryfox.org.

"We will also have in-person registration on run day at Quarry Park," Goresky added. The 2023 Terry Fox Run T-shirts can also be ordered online through the Terry Fox Foundation website.

"Proceeds from online T-shirt orders from registered participants will be attributed to the Stonewall run. All proceeds support cancer research. We are happy to say that pre-orders to the Foundation have been amazing," Goresky said.

"We are hopeful that we will have T-shirts for in-person sale once the campaign has been launched. Cancer survivors can also register as members of Terry's Team and receive free survivors T-shirts from the Terry Fox



Foundation."

More information will be available as the campaign progresses.





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# IERHA staff members participate in Philippines recruitment effort

Two Interlake-Eastern RHA nursing leaders have returned from the recent provincially led recruitment trip to the Philippines with positive feedback to share.

From Feb. 19 to 27, Tracy Abraham, clinical team manager for Pinawa District Hospital and cancer navigation, and Angelina Hartwell, clinical team manager for Sunnywood Manor in Pine Falls, embarked on the provincial initiative to recruit trained healthcare workers from the Philippines.

For three days, the Manitoba team interviewed candidates in Manila. Then they split up to conduct interviews in both Cebu City and Iloilo, which are both located on different islands.

"This was a great way to share the opportunity among different cities in the Philippines. The locals were very excited and pleased to have us in their beautiful country. The people are incredibly friendly, polite and eager to please," said Abraham, who was impressed with the hospitality.

"Overall, people were super excited to attend the interviews. We had people travel far and wide to attend. Some folks arrived by bus, boat or plane, and many had come directly after work or had to hang out in a local minimart until the venue opened. These people were very determined to get an interview."

In total, nearly 350 letters of intent were issued by the end of the trip for positions in Manitoba.

"The first question on the interview package was 'Why do you want to come work in Manitoba, Canada?' The answers were amazing — everything from the climate, nature, the stable economy, the growth and opportunity for family and careers, the pension, the health benefits, safety ... and to see aurora borealis," Abraham

"The opportunity to go and meet all of these wonderful people, who were so eager for an interview, was truly humbling. People were so excited to have the opportunity. They wanted selfie pictures and some would cry at the end of their interview, just so emotional to be given this opportunity. So many people thanked us for coming and would even give us well wishes to enjoy our stay in their country. We felt very fortunate to be a part of this experience."

Workers that were recruited will be working in facilities throughout the region where they are needed.

These new team members are going to be instrumental in building capacity within our communities once again. If we can build healthcare teams with staff who live local, raise their families local and participate in the communities, this all leads to improving our economy and the strength of the community," Abraham said.

"Plans are in place to make decisions about where the new health-care team members will work. We are hoping that the new recruits will join our region in the next three to six months."

While the health-care workers adapt to their new jobs, Abraham hopes they'll also be warmly welcomed into their new communities.



Nursing leaders Tracy Abraham and Angelina Hartwell recently returned from the Philippines recruitment trip.

"Having community supports in place is going to be crucial to support our new health-care team members," she said.

"Having supportive team members is one thing, but it's also going to be super important to have neighbours or local community groups introduced to help get them settled with the new environment and show them around."

Learn more at https://healthcareersmanitoba.ca/buildyourfuturemb/.

# Rosser council news in brief

The dust has settled now that the RM of Rosser has amended its dust control policy.

The 2023 rate for a 12-foot by 300foot application will be \$320, and Fort Distributors will supply dust control.

Applications must be received by Friday, May 19.

In other council news:

Council approved a culvert application from Tomatin Farms, and the applicant must cover the costs of supplies and installation.

- Council conditionally approved a proposed subdivision.
- Council approved a resolution to reopen the Rosser cemetery to inter cremated remains only.
- Council agreed to having Manitoba Water Services Board start the design process for upgrades to accommodate CentrePort wastewater for the short term.
- Council approved a sole purchase of a digital security monitoring system from AVO Solutions Inc. for \$15,140 plus tax and a \$240 annual subscription cost.

### > AUDITOR GENERAL, FROM PG. 3

the Department are being used."

The one recommendation the auditor general made for the department of finance was to monitor funds paid out to ensure contracts over \$10,000 are listed on the government's proactive disclosure website.

A spokesperson for the province said there has been "significant progress" on the auditor general's recommendations.

"There are two components to the quarry rehabilitation program that are grouped under many of the auditor's recommendations (private pits and quarries and Crown pits and quarries)," he said. "A private pit and quarry rehabilitation program was delivered in 2020, 2021 and 2022 using an application-based intake process and a third-party consultant to pro-

vide technical oversight and inspections. The Crown program remains paused until further work is done on the overall program and staffing levels are resumed."

The department is also working with the Office of the Provincial Comptroller to inventory and assess Crown pits and quarries, said the spokesperson.

"A contract was issued to provide for an assessment of Crown pits and quarries and recommendations for a five-year rehabilitation plan," he said. "Mining, Oil and Gas awarded \$13.7 million through 133 funding agreements for quarry rehabilitation on private and municipal lands."

The auditor general's reports can be viewed on the Office of the Auditor General's website at www.oag.mb.ca

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# Woodlands council news in brief

#### By Autumn Fehr

At the March 28 meeting, Woodlands council approved the transfer of a portion of Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 49612, to Valley Fiber for the development of a network building, subject to council determining the location of the land to be transferred within the subject property. Valley Fiber has submitted an offer to purchase and a subdivision application for signature. Valley Fiber Limited is a locally owned and operated technology firm based out of Winkler, providing next generation conscious fibre optic internet. Council has accepted the offer to buy, subject to the execution of a letter of understanding which confirms that:

- 1. Valley Fiber is responsible for the installation of a private approach, including all associated costs, in accordance with the municipal bylaw regarding private approaches.
- 2. Valley Fiber is responsible for

maintaining the property.

- 3. If Valley Fiber chooses to sell the lot, the RM of Woodlands shall be given the first opportunity to purchase it for the price of \$1.
- 4. The proposed lot must be relocated to the north end of Lot 5 Block 1 Plan 49612 WLTO.
- 5. If early access to the property is required, Valley Fiber must provide the Municipality with proof of insurance and must indemnify the Municipality against any claims; and the reeve and CAO are authorized to execute the agreement, the letter of understanding and the subdivision application.

#### IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Council has put out a request to approve of the destruction of certain municipal records under the municipal act for the retention and disposition of municipal records. A list of the records that will be destroyed by shredding can be found on the municipal website under this week's minutes.

- Council wishes to hire a clerk to assist with public works administration. To do so, the 2021-2024 collective agreement between the RM and the International Union of Operating Engineers must be adjusted to represent the public works clerk classification. Council has authorized a letter of understanding for the current collective agreement regarding the addition of the clerk classification. The reeve and CAO have been authorized to execute the agreement.
- Council has decided to amend the job description of the public works foreman to reflect the duties more accurately being performed and the RM will compensate accordingly. The 2021-2024 collective agreement between the RM and the Interna-

tional Union of Operating Engineers must be adjusted for the amendment. Council has authorized a letter of understanding for the current collective agreement regarding adding the foreman classification. The Reeve and CAO have been authorized to execute the deal.

- A quote for grader blades from DionCo Sales and Service Ltd. The council accepted it in the amount of \$29,698.94, including taxes.
- The RM has authorized Manitoba Hydro to make the following changes to the street lighting system in Warren.
- Install a pole-mounted street-light, three-metre elliptical arm w/73W LED located at the southeast corner of Forster and MacDonald Avenue. Council has agreed that this resolution will constitute an amendment to the street lighting contract between Manitoba Hydro and the RM.

# Nominations open for Physician Emeritus Award

#### Submitted by IERHA

This year, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority is launching a new Physician Emeritus Award.

Physicians who are retired or have reduced their practice in preparation for retirement are eligible for nomination if they have provided exemplary service and expertise to their communities.

The nomination can be submitted by either physician colleagues or by community members.

Nominations should have three signatures and a paragraph about why

the physician should be considered for the award.

The regional Medical Advisory Committee will consider nominations and make the final decision about granting the designation based on the considerations listed above. The award will be presented at the annual physician dinner in April.

"As a medical professional, there is no higher honour than being recognized by the community you serve or the colleagues you work with daily," said Dr. Charles Penner, regional lead of medical services and chief medical officer, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (RHA).

"I look forward to reading the nominations of physicians in the region who go above and beyond every day for their patients."

Have a physician in mind? Nominations should take into account the following factors:

- 1. Length of service (commitment to the community)
- 2. Scope of service
- Recognition of exemplary

skill by colleagues

- Recognition by the communiy
- Demonstration of the Interlake-Eastern RHA values in their practice (always with compassion, success in collaboration, accountability in everything we do, acting with integrity and respectful of each other)

Please send nominations to Debbie Gregoire at dgregoire@ierha.ca by Friday, April 14.

## BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions to invest \$75,000 to help grow Prairie communities

Nominations being accepted for three prizes of \$25,000 from April 3 to 30

#### Submitted by BASF

Three growers across the Prairies will have a chance to win big for their hometowns this spring with the launch of Growing Home with BASF. From April 3 to 30, individuals in

From April 3 to 30, individuals in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba can nominate organizations that help

grow their communities to win one of the \$25,000 prizes.

This year, BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions is launching a new community investment program, offering rural farming communities a chance to share what matters most to them. Community members will have the chance to rally around and raise support for their local organizations.

"Farming is the biggest job on earth and wouldn't be possible without the inspiring community support seen throughout the agriculture industry," says Nicole McAuley, head of communications and public affairs for BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions. "We are thrilled to have the opportunity to recognize and contribute to the essential institutions that connect and strengthen farming communities across the prairies."

Growers and their rural communities are the heartbeat of Western Canada and BASF is proud to support those communities. Participants are encouraged to nominate local organizations and initiatives on which their communities rely, from recreation centres to playgrounds, and volunteer emergency services to food pantries.

Nominations will be judged based on criteria including alignment to Canadian agriculture and alignment to BASF's values — building safe and healthy communities; diversity, equity and inclusion; and developing future leaders in agriculture.

Following the nomination period, 15 finalists — five from each province — will be selected and announced for public voting to select one winning organization in each province. Voting will be available throughout Canada, with the three winners to be announced in June.

To learn more about Growing Home with BASF and for full terms and conditions, please visit agsolutions.ca/growinghome.

# New angling regulations take effect April 1

#### **Submitted by Manitoba government**

Manitobans and visitors will be able to enjoy year-round fishing opportunities for certain species across the province starting April 1, Natural Resources and Northern Development Minister Greg Nesbitt announced Wednesday.

"As new regulations come into effect, anglers will be able to experience a whole new fishing adventure," said Nesbitt. "It's exciting to be able to catch species such as northern pike and smallmouth bass during a time that has traditionally been closed. The Manitoba government encourages everyone to explore the province's world-class fisheries."

Walleye fishing will be closed starting April 3 this season. The walleye fishing season opens in the Southern fishing division on May 13, except on Lake Winnipeg, which opens one

week later on May 20, and in the Northwest and North Central fishing divisions, which will also open May 20. Anglers must not target species during closed times.

Some areas will be closed to all fishing this spring to protect spawning stocks including the Red River between Lockport Dam and Lake Winnipeg, Dauphin Lake and its tributaries, excluding the Vermilion Reservoir, and the Assiniboine River downstream of the Portage Diversion to Provincial Road 240.

New angling licences can be purchased online and at participating vendors starting April 1. Annual licences will be valid starting May 1 and new one-day angling licences will be valid for chosen dates. Fee changes will align with new licence types.

Anglers will now be able to carry angling licences on an electronic device or as a printed copy and must be able to show proof of licensing upon request. All anglers are required to obtain a Manitoba angling licence to fish in the province, unless exempt or fishing within a federal park.

Manitoba seniors, active military members and veterans who reside in Manitoba do not require an angling licence to fish but must show proof of

age, residency and identification.

For more information on fishing regulations refer to the 2023 Manitoba Anglers' Guide, available online at www.manitobafisheries.com or in stores where angling licences are sold.

For more information or to purchase an angling licence, visit www.manitobaelicensing.ca.

### > ARTS, FROM PG. 5

Large Capital — Grants up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs ranging from \$300,001 to \$5 million for projects that improve the quality, accessibility and availability of facilities and spaces needed for arts, culture and amateur sport programming and activities. Deadline April 24, 2023.

Small Capital — Awards between 50 and 100 per cent of eligible expenses, to a maximum of \$300,000 for projects that support the development and renewal of the facilities and spaces needed for arts, culture and sport programming and activities. Deadline April 17, 2023.

Special Initiatives — Awards between 50 and 100 per cent of eligible expenses, to a maximum of \$300,000 arts, culture and sport sectors, enhance their ability to bring Manitobans together, and contribute to thriving sustainable communities. Deadline April 17, 2023.

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### > COIN SHOW, FROM PG. 4

on the left and right side is the more highly valued coin.

People with American and other foreign currency (coins or bills) including coins from Roman times — are welcome to bring them to the show for evaluation.

Dalman said the club is hoping to get more children interested in collectibles including specialty coins depicting superheroes or Disney characters, as well as comic books.

"Coins nowadays run the gamut of subjects. I will be bringing some of my superman coins, Disney coins and sports coins to the show," said Dalman. "We'll also have Marvel Comics, DC Comics, Batman, Superman, Black Panther, Wonder Women and other comic books at the show."

The coin club will be joined by staff from the Royal Canadian Mint, which

will be offering a free coin exchange. The Mint is bringing uncirculated collectible loonies that people can have in exchange for two run-of-the-mill

People who want to learn about how to value their coins and bills before the show can visit websites such as coinsandcanada.com

The Manitoba Coin Club's Coin. Stamp & Collectibles show takes place May 13-14 at the Little Red Barn on Highway 236 and Road 75, just south of Stonewall. Admission is \$5. There will be giveaways and door prizes. Children under 12 get in free. There is parking for hundreds of cars.

Anyone interested in joining the Winnipeg-based Manitoba Coin Club can fill out an application form at the show. Visit the club online: www. manitobacoinclub.org





# Kilns restoration project gets \$1 million in provincial funding

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall's historic kilns will hopefully remain a prominent part of the town's sightlines well into the future.

And a \$1-million provincial grant will go a long way in the efforts to restore these local landmarks.

This large capital grant, which comes from the Arts, Culture, Sport in Community Fund, will go towards Phase 1 of the restoration.

These provincial grants cover up to 50 per cent of eligible costs for projects that improve the quality, accessibility and availability of facilities and spaces needed for arts, culture and amateur sport programming and activities.

CAO Wally Melnyk explained that Phase 1 includes the cost to complete the rebuilding of the southern kiln.

"The structure will be torn down piece by piece, the base stabilized and the structure rebuilt," he said.

"In addition, Phase 1 also includes completing the engineering work, design and specifications for the repairs for the northern kilns, which will be refurbished as part of Phase 2."

The first phase of the project will cost about \$2 million, Melnyk added. The entire project cost is expected to be around \$6 million, but these costs will be verified as part of Phase 1.

"Phase 1 will hopefully be finished this summer, with Phase 2 to happen in 2024," Melnyk said.

"The final phase is the completion

of the grounds around the kilns. The vision is to create a more accessible public space that will allow visitors an opportunity to engage with the structures with pathways and interpretive signage."

Lakeside MLA Ralph Eichler visited the kilns on Friday, March 31 to share in the excitement of the funding announcement.

"It's great to be here to celebrate this fantastic \$1 million that's coming through to the kilns that was applied for with the help of the Town of Stonewall," said Eichler, who is looking forward to the benefits that increased tourism could bring to local businesses.

Kelly Kimball, Quarry Park manager, is excited for the work to start in April if the weather co-operates.

"When the community sees the progress we're going to make over the summer, I'm really hoping more people will get motivated to help us raise more funds for the project," Kimball said. "More community involvement is always wonderful."

Stonewall Mayor Sandra Smith also shared her enthusiasm about the provincial funding.

"It means a lot to the community. We're ecstatic the province has stepped up and has been able to provide us with \$1 million. They've opened up a second application period, which closes on April 24. We will be going back to the government



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The project to restore Stonewall's historic boost got a \$1-million boost from a provincial government grant.

again with an ask for additional funding because the project is a lot more expensive than when it started," Smith said.

"The province has been fantastic. They've really come to the table for us. We definitely need all the support we can get."

At the same time, Smith acknowledges the hard work of dedicated volunteers who continue to propel the project forward.

"The Save the Kilns committee will be working really hard on fundraising initiatives coming up," she said.

"We're looking forward to rolling out some initiatives for fundraising in the community — not just in Stonewall but across the province if we can get the support. We're hoping the community comes on board and gets excited about the project."



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# New photography rental space opens in Stonewall

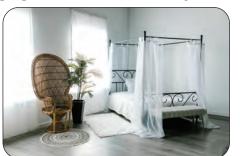
A new photography studio in Stonewall is picture perfect for professionals and shutterbugs alike.

Located at 383 Main St., CDP Studios launched with a soft opening on March 12 and it's already proving to be a popular destination for those with a creative flair.

"CDP Studios is the South Interlake's first photography rental space for photographers, videographers and similar creators," said founder Chantelle Dione Enns of Stony Moun-

"We have seven different decorated areas within our 1,540-square-foot space that folks can use when renting. We also have lighting equipment and a hair and makeup station.'

Enns began photographing with purpose in 2011. While taking some







CDP Studios, located at 383 Main St. in Stonewall, features seven different decorated areas.



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Chantelle Dione Enns

part-time courses at Willis College, known back then as Prairieview School of Photography, she started volunteering with Manitoba Mutts





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The 1,540-square-foot studio is available for rent for photo shoots and more.

Dog Rescue as a pet photographer.

The following year, she began mentoring under a few wedding photographers before opening her own photography business in 2013. After that, she worked primarily as a wedding photographer until 2021.

"Through those years, I created incredible memories for hundreds of amazing Manitoba couples locally and globally. In 2019, I was asked to be the photographer for the Wonderful Wedding Show's annual magazine editorial and marketing campaign, which was an incredible experience, she said.

"In 2017, I discovered what is now The Portrait System, an online education community founded by globally renowned portrait photographer Sue Bryce, and have received 23 bronze portrait awards and six bronze with distinction awards in their global awards program. I am currently working towards my Bronze Associate Accreditation."

Before the pandemic hit, Enns had already let go of her studio space in the Exchange District and spent three years photographing mainly from her

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### Celebrating the healing power of music

#### By Lorne Stelmach

Joel Klassen is obviously a firm believer in the transformative and healing power of music.

The Winkler resident, who is now serving as the president of the Canadian Association of Music Therapists, sees every day how music therapy can help in a wide variety of situations to promote health, well-being and quality of life.

"Every day in my work, I work with people who can't tell me their first name, but they can sing all the words to their favourite songs," said Klassen, who was helping to promote and raise awareness of the field with March serving as Music Therapy Awareness Month.

"It's used in a wide range of settings. ... My experience is in long term care and at Eden Mental Health Centre, but many therapists work in school settings or in intensive care in hospitals or pediatric care or cancer wards and maternity wards."

Klassen believes it is a field that con-

tinues to gain more recognition, with about a thousand music therapists in Canada working in a variety of settings.

Music therapy has been proven to be help people improve skills, decrease stress and feel strengthened during a transition or crisis by alleviating physical symptoms, supporting coping and well-being, and aiding people in processing their spiritual and existential concerns.

It often involves counselling coupled with intentional listening to live and/or recorded music while discussing the personal relevance of song lyrics as well as more active engagement in music experiences such as writing songs, singing or playing instruments.

Klassen traces his interest in the field back to music being a big part of his family life as a child.

"I grew up in a very musical household," he said, noting he learned not only to play a number of instruments but also sang in choirs.



**SUPPLIED PHOTO** 

Music therapist Joel Klassen loves bringing music into local personal care homes and health-care centres.

"After high school I started working in homes with adults with disabilities," he said. "I started to just realize I love working with people, and I started bringing my guitar to that day program setting."

He then learned about music therapy as a career and knew quickly that was what he wanted to be doing.

Today, about 80 per cent of his job is working in dementia care, travelling to work with residents in long-term care homes across the region. Music therapy is also a full-time position at the Eden Mental Health Centre; he started there in 2005.

"It's the most consistently helpful intervention that many of the residents experience," Klassen suggested. "Many of the people hardly come out of their rooms except for meals, but they'll come out for music.

"Actually, a lot of my training was with people with autism, so I would be sitting at a piano ... the child would be sitting with a drum or a cymbal," he recalled. "Maybe they're non-verbal or don't have language in the normal way, but they're banging on this

drum, and I'm matching that at the piano."

Klassen welcomes any opportunity to spread the word about his field of work.

"Our lot in life as music therapists is to have kind of an elevator speech or a way of explaining what it is to people, and even that isn't all that easy to do," he said. "It's interesting to be in a profession where there's that need to explain yourself a lot.

"Music is a part of being human, and music therapy works for people in the same way that music works on all of us. The qualities of music, the rhythm and the emotion, they work on our human systems in very specific ways, and so a music therapist harnesses those qualities of music to facilitate the relationship.

"It's really like any other therapy in the sense that you're forming a relationship between two people, but it's music that is the tool that's facilitating that relationship."

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# The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, April 6, 2023 15 Families took advantage of the first 'normal' spring break since pandemic



Cal Turner was happy to have his family in Steep Rock ice fishing for a few days over spring break even if there wasn't many fish caught. Pictured clockwise top left to right; Josh Learmond, Carson Learmond, Grandpa Turner, Eva Learmond, Gaia Turner and RaeAnn Learmond.





The Daher family took a quick trip to Rapid River Lodge in Baxter, Minnesota where they have more snow than Manitoba but it was just as cold. The hot tub was cozy and the outdoor hot tub was sublime! The kids splashed until the waterpark closed. A nice diversion from an illusive spring.



Stonewall brothers Crew and Chase Corbett and their dog Enzo headed to the mountains in Kimberley, BC for a ski-trip with their mom Leanne.



The Boonstra Family spent their spring break taking in all the fun at Walt Disney World in Florida. Pictured left to right, Pauline, Izzy, Carl, Max, Danielle and Emma Boonstra.



Liam, Brody, Braeden and Kael Ivany from Warren along their parents grandparents enjoyed a week of 28 degrees C. temperatures for their spring break. They enjoyed soaking up the sun, snorkelling and going on excursions in and around Cayo Cocos,



Brody and Rylan Slatcher were happy to get their toes in the sand on the beach in Puerto Vallarta.



Luca and Myles Corbett went fishing at Big Whiteshell and then travelled to St. Adolphe to experience the world's largest snow maze over the March break.

# Spring car maintenance checklist READY FOR SUMMER?

# Spring tune-up essentials 8. Fluids. Several fluids must be changed when you go through your spring tune-up routine. For example, the

After a long, cold winter, spring is in the air. This means it's time to give your car a little TLC before cruising in the sunshine. Ensuring everything is in tip-top shape before you hit the road can help you avoid costly breakdowns. Here are eight essential spring tune-up tasks.

- Battery. Most batteries last five to seven years. However, cold winters are notoriously hard on batteries. With warm weather on the horizon, ask your mechanic to check the condition of yours.
- Windshield wipers. Ice, snow and freezing temperatures can take a toll on your wiper blades. Therefore, when the weather warms up, it's a good idea to check your blades for signs of wear and replace them if nec-
- Tires. If you installed winter tires on your vehicle, now's the time to have them swapped out for summer ones. The rubber treading on winter tires wears out faster in warm conditions. If your car is equipped with allseason tires, inspect them for tread wear, cracking or other signs of damage and replace them if necessary.
- Hoses and belts. Harsh winter weather can affect the life of your car's hoses and belts. It's best to have them inspected by a trusted mechanic for cracks, leaks, fraying and stretching to ensure they're ready to go the distance this spring.
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- Brakes. Don't wait for something to go wrong before getting your



brakes checked. Have the pads and rotors professionally inspected to keep them in good working condition.

Lights. When you take your car in for a spring tune-up, have the mechanic check the turn signal bulbs, brake lights, headlights, marker lights and daytime running lights.



engine oil, power steering fluid, brake and transmission fluids, coolant and windshield washer fluid should all be checked and topped up as necessary.

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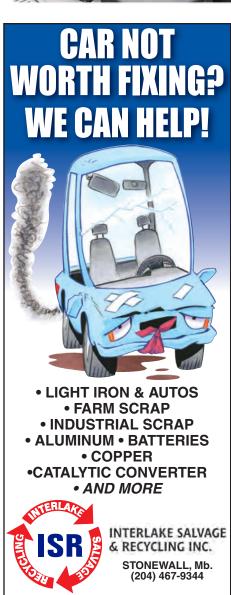
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### GoFundMe page raises funds for Stonewall man's spinal surgery

The community is showing support for the family of a Stonewall man who is preparing for spinal cord surgery.

On behalf of the McLean family, a GoFundMe page is currently raising funds in support of 36-year-old Colin, who was diagnosed in October with hemangioblastoma, a non-malignant vascular tumour.

Since then, his symptoms have quickly worsened, including limited function of his right hand, loss of fine-motor skills and numbness in his left hand and feet to mid-thighs. He also has severe neck pain, headaches, spinal cord swelling and limited tolerance for activity due to pain and fatigue.

"The family was under the impression the tumour was inoperable and sent home with encouragement to have their affairs in order," the GoFund-Me page states.

In March 2023, Colin visited the Mayo Clinic for a second opinion. The family received an introduction to a surgeon who developed a plan to remove his

"This surgery is time-sensitive and imperative to help alleviate not only his debilitating symptoms but also to prevent any further, permanent damage. If all goes according to plan, this will alleviate Colin's spinal cord swelling and in turn his severe pain," states the GoFundMe page.

"It will also allow him to grow old with his family. After much discussion, a decision was made to pursue surgery at Mayo Clinic before Colin deteriorates further. Colin was informed at Mayo Clinic that the functional deficits that he currently experiences will very likely remain post surgery."

Colin's symptoms continue to worsen weekly, the GoFundMe page notes.

"The longer he waits for surgery, the less function he will retain post-surgery," it states. "Therefore, surgery has been scheduled for mid May.'

The family expects that many medical expenses likely won't be covered, so they are grate-



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Friends and family of Colin McLean are looking

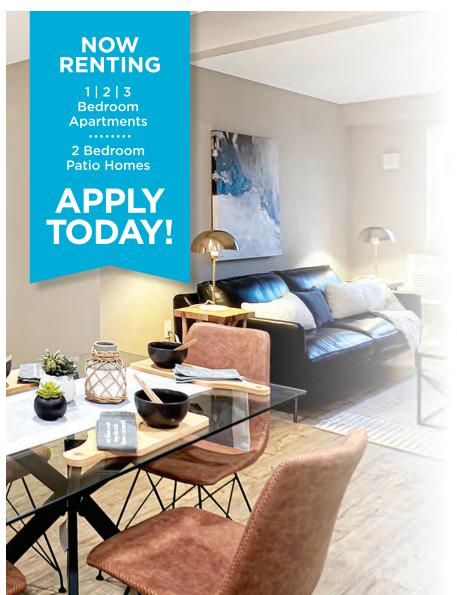
for financial support to help cover the costs of spinal cord surgery.

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By press time, the GoFund-Me page, entitled "McLean Family," had raised more than \$26,000 of the \$180,000 goal.







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living room.

"Near the end of 2022, I had not only begun to outgrow my home studio, but I was now heading back to Winnipeg to use the beautiful spaces other folks had created," she said.

"I came to realize that other photographers from the Interlake area were

doing the same thing with their local clients — and it really became clear to me that we needed a space to support local artists in addition to the spaces in Winnipeg."

After a six-month hunt, Enns and her husband Jamie Gauthier decided that 383 Main St. in Stonewall would be the new home of CDP Studios.

"We spent eight straight weeks reno-

vating the space," she said.

"Everything from mudding, sanding, painting, flooring, new lighting, my husband and I did it all ourselves. A lot of literal blood, sweat and tears went into the space."

Now CDP Studios offers an esthetically appealing area for creative folks of all levels.

"The most important thing to us is that we created an inclusive space where everyone felt safe to create, discover and play," Enns said.

"We offer hourly studio rentals for creatives to explore their craft, create art, discover new skills and play with new ideas. We also have monthly packages for folks that are going to be using our space more often."

Looking ahead, they'd also like to maintain a list of inhouse photographers in case anyone wants a session in the space but doesn't have a photographer yet. In the meantime, lots of local photographers are already using the space with their clients, and CDP Studios shares their information on social media.

For Enns, she enjoys how photography allows her to be a conduit for people to discover their true selves.

"As an empowerment portrait photographer and creator of meaningful images that evoke confidence and self worth, I truly love the moment that my clients become freed from every-

thing that is holding themselves back and they can just simply enjoy the experience of being photographed," she said

"Most of our photographic experiences are passport photos and licences — and we all know how we feel about those. With my work, my purpose through photography is to show people their true selves, to empower them by creating space for them, space they may not have had otherwise. The final images are just the cherry on top, and those cherries change people's lives one at a time."

And for first-time studio users, Enns offers a few helpful tips.

"Don't be afraid of 'failure' or whatever failure feels like to you. After 10 years, I still have moments where I avoid putting a new technique into practice because I don't want it to be a 'failure,'" she said.

"When you realize that failure is an internal factor and not an external one, the floodgates will open and you will be free to just create."

CDP Studios offers space by appointment only. Bookings can be made at www.cdpstudios.ca or cdpstudiosmb@gmail.com.

To check out photos of the renovation process, check out the CDP Studios' Instagram @cdpstudios.





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Founded in 2003 by Jack and Dusty Moore in Falcon Lake, Advance Exteriors initially provided cottage maintenance and tree removal/ landscaping. While they still do some work in the Whiteshell, they found the market was too seasonal, and in 2006, relocated the business back to the Stonewall area.

With the move, the focus shifted to exterior renovations, and now Advanced Exteriors specializes in roofing, siding, soffit, fascia, eavestrough, windows and doors. The majority of the services offered has been a result of customer demand.

The company's commitment to excellence and focus on hiring specialists for each service they offer, rather than a Jack-of-alltrades, has been instrumental in ensuring their workmanship and reputation has them recognized as a leader in the industry.

Quality work and good communication have always been the foundation of their business and after 20 years, they have become known as a subject matter expert in exterior renovations. They are frequently called upon by homeowners, manufacturers, and insurance companies to perform inspections and provide expert advice.

Advance Exteriors are extremely grateful that a large portion of their work comes from referrals from past customers. They always try to treat their customers the way that they would want to be treated and find it very

them enough to recommend their services to their friends and family.

As the company grew, they didn't want to lose the personal touch that has gotten them to where they are.

Advance Exteriors was able to manage its growth while maintaining its high standards through the development of their own construction management software called JobExact. This tool has helped them manage their growth while improving efficiency. Today, JobExact is sold to other service-based industries that face similar challenges.

Dusty Moore, the owner of Advance Exteriors, attributes the company's success to the strong support from the community. "Both my father and I grew up between Grosse Isle and Stonewall, and we are extremely fortunate to be part of such a great community," he said.

Advance Exteriors is also an active supporter of the community, frequently sponsoring local sports teams and community events.

"It is important for us to give back to a community that has supported us for the past 20 years," he said. "We are proud to have found many of our employees from the local community, and I hope my kids raise their families here as it is important for the community to remain strong."

In January, the company lost founder Jack

gratifying to know that their customers trust Moore to a heart attack. While it has been very difficult, Dusty and the dedicated staff of Advance Exteriors remain committed to supporting the community and have set up a fund through the Interlake Community Foundation to give back to the area in perpetuity. So far, they have raised over \$20,000 in Jack's honor.

> As part of their 20th anniversary celebrations, Advance Exteriors will be offering 20 pairs of tickets to the Home Renovation Show where they will be set up from April 13th -16th. This contest can be entered on their Facebook page.

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# Balmoral students excel at creative competition

By Jennifer McFee

When you embark on any adventure, often the journey is just as important as the destination.

That's certainly the case with Destination Imagination, a program that inspires students to work through the creative process and design cycle to meet criteria for given challenges. Through these open-ended challenges, teams of students benefit from their journey to come up with an effective solution.

On March 15, four teams from Balmoral School entered a Destination Imagination tournament at River Heights School after months of preparation — and their hard work paid off. They were the only participants from the Interlake, as well as the only school from outside Winnipeg School Division.

Teacher Kaleigh Poirier said the school had previously attended two provincial Destination Imagination tournaments prior to COVID. During the pandemic, the program shut down, and this was their first year back at it.

"We got involved because we had experienced success in the past and students were excited that the program was running again," she explained.

"I introduced Destination Imagination to Balmoral School on my first year teaching here. I was aware of the program because I was involved in helping with it while still at university. Once I graduated and got a teaching position, I was excited to be able to offer it to students."

Destination Imagination's mission is to inspire and equip youth to imagine and innovate through the creative process.

"The challenges are STEAM-based and provide students with opportunities to face and overcome challenges, work together as a team, express their creativity and work towards a common goal," Poirier said.

"What makes the program so special is the fact that it is completely student-led. Students do all of the work themselves to meet the given criteria. There can be no adult interference throughout. They come up with their own ideas. They work on designing and building their creations and presenting at the tournament."

At the recent tournament, all of the Balmoral teams brought home an award. The Renaissance Award, which is awarded to teams that go above and beyond in an aspect of their presentation, went to two Balmoral teams: The Red Hood and Blood, Sweat and Duct Tape.



Blood, Sweat and Duct Tape team



The Red Hood team

Three Balmoral teams also participated in the engineering challenge, which involved building a roller-coaster out of certain materials to make a golf ball travel as fast as possible. Teams also had to create a launching mechanism as part of their roller coaster design, as well as a play that showcased the experience of their rollercoaster.

For this challenge, two Balmoral teams earned the top spots: Thomas the Tank Engines team ranked first and The Big Bang team ranked second.

In addition, The Red Hood team participated in the fine arts challenge, which required students to flip a fairy tale and present it from a completely different point of view. To accomplish this feat, they used technical methods to showcase a background or character change while also incorporating literary devices into their production.

"Students spent many lunch hours researching, designing, planning and building to meet the criteria of each



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

A large group of Balmoral students recently entered a Destination Imagination tournament. Back row left to right: Coral, Addison, Sawyer, Hayden, Brynn, Duncan, Ryder. Middle row, left to right: Chase, Kolby, Max, Braxton and Thomas. Front row (all kneeling) left to right: Rhiannon, Ryder, Dominic, Kohen, Elliott and Deacon. Missing from the group picture are Malachi, Doyle, Kylie, Macey, Zoey and Ava.



Thomas the Tank Engines team with their rollercoaster creation and props.

challenge," Poirier said.

"We started our lunch-hour practices in November and worked hard until the tournament in March. It is a lot of work but very worth it."

The benefits of this program for students are incredible, she added.

"They have spent countless lunch hours since November working together as a team to solve their challenges. Students came up against many obstacles throughout the process, and they had to learn ways to problem-solve while also still meeting the given criteria of each challenge," Poirier said.

"Their resiliency increased over the time spent working on challenges. Working with six other students was not always easy. They had to learn ways to engage positively with one another in order to make progress on their challenges and experience success. At the tournament, students experienced what it feels like to have all of your hard work pay off."



Thomas the Tank Engines team won the banner for first place.



The Big Bang team with their rollercoaster creation.

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April 12: Cards 1:00pm (In Person)

April 13: Virtual Chat 3:00pm (Zoom)

April 14: Canasta/Cards 1:00pm (In Person)

April 16: ABBA Tribute Concert 12:45pm (Pre-registration required)

April 19: Luncheon 12:00pm (Preregistration required)

April 19: Cards 1:00pm (In Person)

April 20: Outlet Mall Shopping Trip (Preregistration required)

April 20: Ukulele Club 7:15pm (at Something Beautiful)

April 21: Quilter's Corner 11:00am (In Person)

April 21: Canasta/Games 1:00pm (In Person)

April 26: Stitch N Craft/Men's Chat 10:30am (In Person)

April 26: Cards 1:00pm (In Person)

April 27: Virtual Chat 3:00pm (Zoom)

April 28: Canasta/Cards 1:00pm (In Person)

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# Meilleur wins SEMHL title with Ste. Anne

#### By Brian Bowman

Down 3-0 to the Morden Bombers in their bestof-seven South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League championship series, Ste. Anne could have easily folded their cards.

But, instead, they came up aces.

The Ste. Anne Aces defeated the Bombers 5-3 in Game 7 to cap off a tremendous comeback in Morden on March 25.

"It was definitely a really fun experience. I picked a good team to jump on board with because the Aces had four championships prior to before they expanded to the SEMHL," said Brett Meilleur, a former Stonewall Jets' captain. "It was definitely one of those feelings that I am very excited to be a part of."

Morden dominated Ste. Anne in the first three games of the series, outscoring the Aces 17-4. That included a 9-3 drubbing in Game 3.

"We came in wanting to put pucks to the net (but) we were snakebitten. We weren't putting pucks in the net and we weren't playing our offensive tactics up to par," Meilleur said. "They were getting odd-man rushes and scoring goals. After we were down 3-0 (in the series), we had meetings prior to every

game, an hour before, where we set our game plan and everyone was to buy in and we knew what we had to do with their top guys. As soon as everyone bought in, it was like there was no stopping us. We said we wanted to win four straight but, unfortunately, we had to lose three first."

Meilleur led the Jets to a Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League title in 2015-16. He just started playing competitive hockey again this past season.

"After we won with the Jets ... I hung the skates up and did some travelling," Meilleur said. "I was going to school and figuring out my career path and when I had solidified that and met my fiance, soon to be wife, we moved closer to Ste. Anne. I was about 10 minutes to the rink and a friend of mine was the captain of the team and he invited me down.

"So, I thought I would give it a go and it took me a couple of weeks to get the boots going like they used to. But it's like riding a bike so after that big break it felt like I only missed a few years, let alone six or seven."

The Aces, who are loaded with talent, will now play the Miniota/Elkhorn C-Hawks to challenge for the Manitoba Senior 'A' championship.



Former Stonewall Jets' captain Brett Meilleur recently won a South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League championship with the Ste. Anne Aces.

# Extreme excellent once again



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY VANESSA CHETYRBOK

The 13U Interlake Extreme girls' volleyball team won a Bandits Club tournament last Saturday at the Dakota Fieldhouse in Winnipeg. Interlake defeated the Bandits in the best-of-three final after winning the third set 15-13. The Extreme have one more tournament April 21-23, hosted by the Bisons at the University of Manitoba, and then will compete at the provincials April 28-29. Pictured back row, left to right: Kate Rawlings, Isla Gemmill, Mia Mederios, Iyla Koch, Katie Atchison, MacKenzie Boonstra and Emma Cassils. Front row, left to right: Sophie Fumerton, Payton Farthing, Jordyn Chetyrbok, Ella Riddell and Everly Sherry.

# Locals invited to Hockey Manitoba POE U16 camps

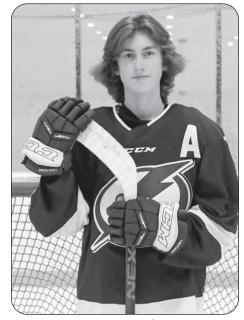
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Mason Bernier, a forward, was the lone Interlake Lightning player invited to the 2023 Hockey Manitoba Program of Excellence U16 camp held at the Scotiabank hockey for all centre last weekend.

Bernier scored 18 goals and collected 24 points in 26 games this past season for the AAA U15 Lightning.

The Male Under-16 Program of Excellence is the first step in the Hockey Canada Male Program of Excellence. Athletes who participated in the U16 POE camp received the exposure to skills and concepts that are vital for success at the Major Junior, NCAA, USport and national levels. Many athletes from the U16 Program of Excellence go on to success with the U17, U18 and World Junior teams as a part of the Hockey Canada Program of Excellence

Meanwhile, several local players were invited to the U16 POE female camp. They included Georgia O'Neil (Interlake Lightning), Kashlynn Keisman (Stonewall Blues), Myla Jo-



Mason Bernier

hannesson (Stonewall Blues), Daisy Ducharme (Lakeside), Bailey Mantik (Stonewall U15), Maria Riddell (Stonewall U15) and Bethany Bear (Peguis Warriors).

# Nighthawks season ends after first round

The Niverville Nighthawks have ended their inaugural MJHL season after a 5-1 loss on the road to the Portage Terriers in game five of their opening round best-of-seven series last Friday night.

Leading the way on and off the ice was 19-yearold Argyle's Brett Tataryn, who scored 35 points in 47 games. Interlakers Chris Fines and Hayden Wheddon also played critical roles for the Nighthawks throughout the course of the season — Fines posted a 15-17 record and .901 save percentage, while Wheddon registered 18 points in 42 games.

Tataryn finished the series with a goal and an assist. He scored the game winner late in the third period to lift Niverville to a 5-4 home victory in Game 3 on March 28.

Fines earned the win in that game, stopping 38 shots. He posted a 1-4 record and 4.28

However, in Game 5 of their first round series, it was an anticlimactic ending to an amazing season full of highlights for the Nighthawks in a game that Portage simply dominated from start to finish.

The Terriers outshot the Nighthawks 16–3 in the first period. And the score could have been worse than 1–0 Portage after the period ended if it hadn't been for the strong play of Stonewall's Chris Fines in goal. Portage would outplay Niverville over the final two periods to win the game 5-1 and the series four games to one.

Despite the tough loss, Nighthawks' head coach Kelvin Cech and his coaching staff say that are pleased that they were able to push the first-place Terriers in a series that felt a lot closer than the result may suggest.

"We're a bunch of castoffs with players from organizations that didn't want them or didn't have room, so we're the misfits that came in and played Portage hard," said Kelvin Cech. "It's unfortunate the series went five games, as I thought it was a lot closer than it was. But that's hockey, and we'll come back stronger next season."

Argyle's Brett Tataryn led the way for the Nighthawks over the course of the season on and off the ice. The 19-year-old scored 35 points in 47 games and hopes to be back next season.

"It was a great ride in Niverville," said Tataryn. "The town was amazing and the atmosphere for every home game was electric. I really grew as a player this season and was able to elevate my game to a new level, so I'm grateful to Coach Cech and the rest of the coaching staff for believing me and putting trust in making me team captain."

The Niverville organization will now turn its at-



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Niverville Nighthawks' captain Brett Tataryn scored 35 points in 47 games in the team's inaugural MJHL season.

tention to Spring Camp later this April followed by an eye towards preparing for next season's MJHL

# Cockerill outstanding in South Africa once again

Stony Mountain's Aaron Cockerill fired a final round seven-under par 65 at last week's Jonsson Workwear Open at The Club at Steyn City in Johannesburg, South Africa.

He posted an eagle on the third hole and added birdies on the seventh, 10th, 11th, 15th and 16th holes to go along with 12 pars.

Cockerill finished play at 16 under par 272, which tied him for 13th with three other players on the leader-

He started play with a 66 and followed that up with rounds of 69 and

Germany's Nick Bachem won the event with a 24-under 264.

Meanwhile, when Cockerill tees it up next and travels the world on the DP World Tour he will do so with a new partner on his bag — literally.

Richardson Wealth, one of Canada's leading independent wealth management firms, has signed on to sponsor Cockerill in a partnership that will see the firm fully brand Cockerill's tour bag with logos in company colours

"We are thrilled to support Aaron Cockerill and we absolutely love his story of chasing a dream, working hard and preparing yourself to compete on the world stage," said Mike Ankers, SVP head of advisor experience & growth – Richardson Wealth.

The partnership will also include various virtual and in-person client engagements with Cockerill where he will share and discuss his unique journey around the globe and his late start to the game.

"Richardson Wealth has incredible roots in Manitoba and I'm so proud to be carrying a bag with their logo on

it," said Cockerill, who attended the University of Idaho on a golf scholarship. "Playing professional golf at this level is impossible withfantastic out partners and I'm very honoured to add Richardson



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Aaron Cockerill shot a seven under par 65 in the Jonsson Workwear Open at The Club at Steyn City in Johannesburg, South Africa, to finish play at 16 under par 272, tied for 13th on the leaderboard.

Wealth as one of mine."

Cockerill got off to a great start to this season with a fourth-place finish at the Alfred Dunhill Championship at just the third tour stop of the year. He recently took the month of February off from the DP World Tour to be at home with his wife Chelsea in Winnipeg for the birth of their first child but still sits within the top 100 on the season long Race to Dubai points list given his impressive play.

Cockerill will debut his new Richardson Wealth golf bag in Japan at the ISPS Handa Championship from April 20 to 23.

In Richardson Wealth, Cockerill is adding to an impressive endorsement portfolio that also includes Private Pension Partners, Cardinal Sport, Princess Auto, Trans Canada Brewing Company, Titleist & FootJoy and

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# Provincial curling recap for the week

By Ty Dilello

Gimli's Kerri and Kyle Einarson participated last weekend at the 2023 Manitoba Mixed Curling Championships at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club in Winnipeg.

Kerri Einarson was back on the ice competing with her husband this past weekend on Team Ryan Wiebe after winning a bronze medal at the World Women's Curling Championships in Sweden last month.

Wiebe's rink qualified for the playoffs through the B-Side after winning two games and losing one. However, in the quarterfinals, they lost to Hayden Forrester of East St. Paul, giving up a five-ender in the end to lose 8-6.

"It was a very cool experience to play with one of the top women's curlers in the world for a weekend," said Ryan Wiebe. "Obviously it was hard to lose in the end and not win the provincials, but it was still a great time and a highlight for my curling

career. I hope one day to be half as accomplished as Kerri in the curling world."

Fort Rouge's Kyle Kurz was victorious at the Provincial Mixed Championship after defeating Corey Chambers of Fort Garry 8-1 in the final. Stonewall's Zachary Wasylik also participated and reached the semi-finals before losing to Chambers.

In other curling news, the 2023 Canadian Junior Curling Championships were also held this past weekend in Rouyn-Noranda, Que.

Winnipeg's Jordon McDonald and McCreary's Zoey Terrick, representing Team Manitoba, both took home the bronze medal in their respective boys' and girls' national championships.

Virden's Jace Freeman and St. Vital's Grace Beaudry also participated at the junior nationals as Team Manitoba 2. Unfortunately, Freeman lost out in the quarterfinals, while Beaudry missed the playoffs.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY CURLMANITOBA

Cimli's Kerri and Kyle Einarson participated in the 2023 Manitoba Mixed Curling Championships at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club in Winnipeg last weekend. Pictured, left to right: Ryan Wiebe, Kerri Einarson, Kyle Einarson and Jennifer Clark-Rouire.

# Teulon Curling Club junior program on target

By Brian Bowman

A major key to the future success of any curling club is their junior program.

In Teulon, their future looks fantas-

The Teulon Curling Club had an extremely successful year with just under 50 kids registered (aged from kindergarten to Grade 7) this past season.

"With COVID it kind of disappeared ... and this year, for some reason, it just kind of exploded," said Jim Hardy, the Teulon Curling Club's junior curling coordinator, who wanted to give a big thank you to his co-coordinator Kathy Good and all of the volunteers that helped out.

"It was really good to see the young ones out. A few years ago we went out and made the investment with the little rocks. They're half the size of the big ones and that's helped a lot because you can teach all of the fundamentals and they don't have to use all of their strength to move the rock."



Hardy said by the end of the season, the young curlers were actually playing an end or two.

The improvement with the kids over the course of the season was amazing.

"At the start they can't even stand on the ice hardly and at the end there is a good chunk of them who have the beginnings of a decent delivery," Hardy said. "It's amazing to watch."

The junior program typically begins



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The junior program is thriving at the Teulon Curling Club with just under 50 kids registered this past season.

in late November and wraps up in the first week of March (with a Christmas break in between). The kids hit the ice in," Hardy said.

once a week.

"They get probably 10 or 12 weeks

# Argyle Curling Club recognizes winners and volunteers











TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

The Argyle Curling Club acknowledged and celebrated the winners and volunteers that contribute to their success. On Saturday night, the Argyle Curling club hosted a barbecue steak and chicken dinner and presented club trophies and prizes to the winners of its leagues. Greg Bartley, Sasha Wiebe, Jared Abraham, Carl Pederson and Owen Thoresby claimed the Men's A-side league accolades, while Kristin McCurdy, Darcy Holod, Christine Buchanan and Jacqui Holod were triumphant in the Women's competition. The evening also saw Argyle's Drop in curling representative Don Adamko present a cheque for \$2,200 to president Carl Pederson. Bottom left photo, the hard work of volunteers Jessica Holod, Lloyd Buchanan, Bruce Buchanan, Christine and Trevor Buchanan was acknowledged as well as that of the runnerup women's team of Haley Cvar, Diane Minaker, Candace MacMillan and Mollie Meier.

## Mini Banana **Rice Pancakes**

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes Servings: 2

1 cup Minute Brown Rice & Quinoa

11/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 cup milk

2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice

2 bananas, divided

1 egg, beaten

1/4 cup pure maple syrup, divided 4 teaspoons butter, melted

2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided

1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Heat rice and quinoa according to package direc-

In large bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt.

In medium bowl, whisk milk and lemon juice. Let

Mash 1/2 banana. Transfer to milk mixture. Add egg and 1 teaspoon maple syrup; stir to combine. Stir in melted butter.

Pour milk mixture over flour mixture. Whisk just until combined; do not overmix. Fold in rice and quinoa. Let batter rest 10-15 minutes.

Preheat large nonstick skillet over medium heat; brush with 1 teaspoon oil. Once skillet is hot, reduce heat to medium-low. In batches, adding oil as necessary, scoop 1 tablespoon batter per pancake into skillet and cook 3-4 minutes, or until bubbles start to form. Flip and cook 1-2 minutes until golden on bottom.

Slice remaining half and full bananas. Serve pancakes with remaining maple syrup, banana slices and cinnamon.

# **Hearty Bacon** and Egg **Breakfast**

Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 30 minutes Servings: 12

Nonstick cooking spray 1 1/2 bags Minute Rice & Ouinoa

9 eggs, lightly beaten

5 bacon slices, cooked and crumbled

3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1/2 teaspoon salt black pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 325 F. Coat 12-cup muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.



Prepare rice and quinoa according to package direc-

In medium bowl, combine rice and quinoa, eggs, bacon, cheese, salt and pepper, to

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#### **RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER**



### **PUBLIC HEARING 2023 FINANCIAL PLAN**

In accordance with Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act the Council of the Rural Municipality of Rosser will hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present the 2023 Financial Plan for the Municipality at:

#### 7:00 P.M. **TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 ROSSER MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

Important Note: This Hearing will be conducted both inperson and virtually.

For anyone who wishes to attend the Public Hearing by in-person or virtual means, you are required to pre-register by emailing the RM of Rosser at clerk@rmofrosser.com.

The Rural Municipality of Rosser 2023 Financial Plan consists of:

- 1) the 2023 Operating Budget,
- 2) the 2023 Capital Budget,
- 3) an estimate of the operating revenue and expenditure for the 2023 fiscal year, and
- 4) a five-year Capital Expenditure Program (2024-2028).

At this time the Council will present the proposed 2023 financial plan for the Municipality. The presentation will provide an overview of the proposed financial plan followed by a forum for questions and comments from the public. The purpose of the hearing is to allow any interested person to make a representation, ask questions or register

Copies of the proposed financial plan are available upon request at the Municipal Office, 77 E PR 221 in Rosser, Manitoba during regular office hours Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Larry Wandowich Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Rosser

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### TOWN OF STONEWALL 2023 FINANCIAL PLAN **PUBLIC HEARING**

In accordance with Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act the Town of Stonewall shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present the 2023 Financial Plan for the Town on:

#### Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 7:00 PM **Council Chambers, Town Hall**

A virtual meeting link is also available on the Town website: www.stonewall.ca

The Town of Stonewall 2023 Financial Plan consists of:

- 1. The 2023 Operating Budget
- 2. The 2023 Capital Budget
- 3. An estimate of the Operating Revenue and Expenditures for the following fiscal year (2024), and
- 4. A five (5) year Capital Expenditure Program (2024-2028)

The purpose of the PUBLIC HEARING is to allow any interested person to make representation, ask questions, or register an objection in respect of the Town of Stonewall 2023 Financial Plan.

Copies of the financial plan will be available for review and may be examined by any person on the Town of Stonewall website at www.stonewall.ca, or at the Town Office at 293 Main Street, Stonewall, Manitoba during the regular office hours as of March

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Wally R. Melnyk, CMMA, CPA, CGA Chief Administrative Officer Town of Stonewall

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#### THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. LAURENT PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act that the council of the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present its 2023 Financial Plan on:

#### Thursday, April 27, 2023 7:00 p.m.

RM Council Chambers (inside the St. Laurent Recreation Centre)

At this time Council will present the proposed 2023 Financial Plan for the municipality. The presentation will provide an overview of the proposed financial plan followed by a forum for questions and comments from the public. The purpose of the hearing is to allow any interested person to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection.

A draft copy of the 2023 Financial Plan will be available on March 27, 2023.

Dated this 20th day of March, 2023

#### HILDA ZOTTER

Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of St. Laurent 16 St. Laurent Veterans' Memorial Road St. Laurent, Manitoba R0C 2S0

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### THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **REGARDING THE 2023 FINANCIAL PLAN**

In accordance with Subsection 162(2) of The Municipal Act the Council of the Rural Municipality of Woodlands shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present the 2023 Financial Plan for the Municipality on

> April 24, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. **Woodlands Municipal Office** 57 Railway Avenue, Woodlands, MB

The Rural Municipality of Woodlands 2023 Financial Plan consists of:

- 1) 2023 Operating Budget
- 2) 2023 Capital Budget
- 3) an estimate of the operating revenue and expenditures for the following fiscal year (2024), and
- 4) a five-year Capital Expenditure Program (2024-2028)

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow any interested person to make representation, ask questions, or register an objection in respect of the Rural Municipality of Woodlands 2023 Financial Plan. If you are planning to attend we are requesting that you pre-register with the RM of Woodlands Office at 204-383-5679 or by email at finance@rmwoodlands.ca.

Information and documents concerning the 2023 Financial Plan are available for review by email, mail or fax as of April 12, 2023 at the R.M. of Woodlands Office at 57 Railway Ave., Woodlands, MB.

Kaitlyn Griffith, CMMA Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Woodlands

Dated March 27, 2023

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#### **CONDITIONS OF TENDER**

- 1. Interested parties must rely on their own inspection and knowledge of the property.
- 2. Tenders may be placed and accepted on one or any number or all parcels of land.
- Tenders must be received on or before 2:30 pm on April 28, 2023.
- 4. Tenders must be accompanied by a \$10,000.00 cheque payable to MMJS LLP in Trust as a deposit. Deposit cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned.
- 5. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

- 1. The bidder whose tender is accepted will be required to complete an agreement covering terms and conditions of sale.
- 2. In addition to the deposit, the balance of the accepted tender must be paid on or before the date of closing which shall be June 1, 2023, or evidence provided that the purchase funds will be available under conditions acceptable to the Vendor. If the balance of the accepted tender is not paid within the set time limit the deposit may be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
- 3. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment are made following acceptance of tender.
- Successful bidder will be responsible for real property taxes commencing January
- 5. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of GST or shall self-assess for

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> -Balmoral Rec Centre **Board of Directors**

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-Silvia Ammeter



#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Position: Aggregate Quality Control Technician Reports to: Quality Control Quarry Supervisor

Department: Winnipeg Aggregates Location: Stonewall Quarry

Term - May through October Type:

#### Overview

The Aggregate Quality Control (QC) Technician's goal is to ensure the quality of aggregate products, ensuring the highest customer satisfaction for the products. Areas of responsibilities include the QC testing of limestone products and ensuring processes are controlled during production, stockpiling and loading of limestone products in our Stonewall Quarry.

#### Responsibilities

- Quality control of limestone aggregate, through the active testing of finished goods
- Interpret and communicate all test results to QC Supervisor and Production in a timely manner
- · Ability to multi-task within business unit, flexible with regard to hours of work and responsibilities.
- · Develop and maintain strong working relationships with Logistics, Production and Sales
- Responsible for the maintenance and cleanliness of equipment and lab
- Performs additional duties as assigned

#### Safety and Environment

- Adhere to all company safety and environmental practices and policies - training provided
- · Assist operations in the support and implementation of safety protocols
- Enforce safety on the work site (truckers, visitors, and plant crew)
- Required PPE must be worn at all time

#### Qualifications

#### **Education:**

- Grade 12 or equivalent
- · CCiL Technician Certificate would be an asset

#### Knowledge & Skills:

- Able to understand and work with QC lab equipment
- Works well in a team environment.
- Excellent communication and leadership skills.
- · Able to handle difficult issues in a positive way.
- Organized self-starter and can work independently.
- · Strong problem solving.
- Excellent time management skills

#### Requirements:

- Valid Driver's License, own transportation must be reliable
- Full-time hours with some OT

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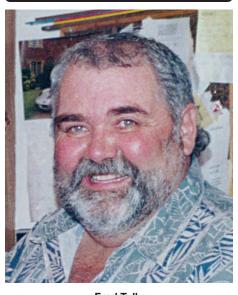
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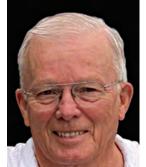
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#### OBITUARY

#### **Donald Arthur Lawrence**



After a short but very brave battle with cancer, Donald Arthur Lawrence peacefully passed away and was surrounded by his family on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at the age of 79 years, at Rockyview General Hospital in Calgary, AB.

He is lovingly remembered and will always be missed by his daughters Heather (James) Jensen and Dawn Marie (Cam) Mead; granddaughters Natalie, Maelle, and Maren; his second love Bonnie Feary, and his "Granddaughters" Lindsay Seens and Melanie Wiens. He is survived by his brother Doug (Meryl) Lawrence; sisters-in-law Norma Howell, Orma McPherson; brothers-in-law Don Steele and George McPherson; as well as many cousins, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Don was predeceased by his wife Elizabeth Joan; parents Arthur and Alice Lawrence; step-mom Thelma Lawrence; Joan's parents

William and Florey McPherson; and sister-in-law Marlene Steele, and brothers-in-law Russ Howell and Bob McPherson.

Don loved farming in his younger years, and later found the challenges as an electrician and owning his own electrical business to be rewarding. His last working years were spent selling real estate in both Manitoba and Calgary. Outside of working he spent countless hours listening to and playing old time music, playing cards and games, attempting to beat his family in Nintendo, and even learning to be a pretty good cook.

Dad always loved traveling in a variety of different RV's throughout his life with some favourite destinations being Rushing River in Ontario and then the Kananaskis area. He was so happy to be able to go on his dream road trip last summer when he and Bonnie went to the East Coast of Canada for four months.

The family would like to thank the medical staff (Unit 94) at Rockyview General Hospital for their care and compassion over the last few weeks. Dad was very grateful for the nurses and health care aids that took such good care of him and filled his last few weeks with laughter.

A Celebration of Don's life will be held on Friday, April 7, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the South Calgary Funeral Centre, 12700 MacLeod Trail South (at Lake Fraser Gate).

 $\label{eq:AtDad's request a private family interment will be held at the Victoria Cemetery in Balmoral, MB$ at a later date. A gathering to celebrate Don's life will be held in Manitoba sometime this summer.

In lieu of flowers, the family would greatly appreciate donations in Don's memory directly to the Victoria Church Fund c/o John Shipley (Box 117, Balmoral, MB R0C 0H0) where Don will be

## **Public Open House**

Teulon Secondary Plan and Zoning By-law Review

The Town of Teulon is creating a new Secondary Plan and Zoning By-law and is seeking your input.

The Secondary Plan is a policy document to guide future development in the Town. The Zoning By-law divides the municipality into zones and sets out the requirements for various land uses. In order to ensure that the Secondary Plan and Zoning By-law meet the needs of the community,

we will be holding a **Public Open House on** April 24th, 2023 to gather information and provide you with the opportunity to share your vision for the future of the Town.

The Public Open House will be a come-and-go format with a series of posters to explore opportunities and issues in the municipality.





Please join us to learn more about the project, ask questions and to have your say.

Date: Monday, April 24, 2023 Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Teulon Rockwood Centennial Centre, 14 Main Street, Teulon** Location:

If you require more information, please contact:

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Remember me on sunny days,
In the fun that summer brings.
Remember me in the fall,
As you walk through leaves of gold;
In the wintertime, remember me,
In the stories that are told.
But most of all...remember,
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there are many to mention.

Marilyn Joan Warkentin nee Kletke April 26, 1940 - March 11, 2023

It is with our deepest sorrow we announce the loss of our family matriarch, Marilyn (often referred to as Marley). She was tragically taken from us in the afternoon of March 11 in Teulon. We were not ready and we had more to do together...

Marilyn was a loving wife, best friend and most recently a dedicated caregiver to her husband of 63 years Jack (Jacob) Warkentin, who will continue to ask for her. A caring mother, mentor and cherished friend to children: Wayne (Gloria), Tim (Lisa), Paul (Jane), Debrah (Chris), Terry (Tammy). A devoted grandmother giving her unconditional love to: Brandy (Dan); Cara (Curtis), David and Deanna; Dakota (Jeff), Gabe (Kristin), Zach (Mina); Jayme (Hanna), Sydney and Isaiah (Kat); Amanda (Cameron) and Rebeca (Kallem); Zane and Cole. A playful great-grandmother, who gave the best cuddles and hugs to Ashton, Payton, Bree and Claire; John, Sadie and Abbie.

Marilyn was the sixth child of seven children of the late August and Edith (Schroeder) Kletke. Leaving to mourn her loss is sister Joyce Measor (Victoria, BC). She was a sister-in-law, aunt, cousin and friend. For all of you we ask for forgiveness as

Marilyn was born and raised in Teulon, MB. Growing up on a family farm meant everyone had responsibilities as there were chores to be done, someone to feed, keep an eye on, or who needed help. She learned early in life about hard work, caring for others and helping your neighbour. She carried those traits throughout her life.

**OBITUARY** 

Marilyn and Jack united their love for each other on May 2, 1959. From then it didn't take long before two became seven. The purchase of a small farm in the Teulon area where pigs, chickens, a milking cow and then a pony was added (much to her dismay). Marilyn would "hold down the fort" towing her "littles" along to accomplish daily chores while Jack held a fulltime job in Winnipeg. On the weekends Marilyn would pick up shifts as a Health Care Aide at Teulon Hunter Memorial Hospital. She was a dedicated part time employee to the hospital for many years.

In 1977, with a new direction in life, Marilyn and Jack became owners and operators of a tourist resort on Lake of the Woods for the next 20 years. Portage Bay Camp was situated 32 miles by boat from Kenora, ON. Marilyn didn't waiver in her growing roles of chief cook, baker, hostess, meticulous kitchen and cabin cleaner, daily laundry (wringer washer style), yard maintenance, supply manager and director of operations.

Her children often reflect on the time when Mom wanted a very large boulder to be moved down the hill to the dock with her vision being this boulder would become a place to sit and put things on. Dad and a couple of the boys started the process of digging it up, Mom was on the dock at the time. The boulder was pried up and started rolling down the hill, much to Dad and the boys dismay here's Mom at the bottom of the hill she grabbed a five foot metal pry bar and was running to the spot she wanted the boulder to stop. Dad and the boys were yelling "Mom get out of the way!" She proceeded to jam that bar into the ground, held on tightly, put one leg in front of the other and stopped that boulder on the exact spot she had wanted. That's Mom. Have a goal in mind, plant your feet firmly on the ground and stand strong.

Marilyn established many friendships with returning guests, which carried on after they sold "Camp". She had a gift of connecting with people and being a true listener. During those years Marilyn also realised a personal dream and graduated from nursing school with her Ontario Registered Nursing Assistant equivalent to LPN in MB. Such a proud day!

Following the sale of Portage Bay Camp, Marilyn worked as the Coordinator for the Adult Day Program in Teulon. For a number of years she dedicated herself to helping to support seniors who attended the program. Taking a holistic approach, she offered days filled with meaningful activities, games, chair exercises and reminiscing.

Reflective in the personal choices Marilyn made, community was important to her. She was active throughout the time her children were growing up by volunteering for the countless sports or school functions that needed helping hands, sitting on various boards and organizing a variety of fundraising activities. All done through her desire that all children who wanted to be a part were given the opportunity. If she could take away a monetary barrier for families she would. She was a longtime member of the Teulon Women's Institute; a board member of the Teulon and District Handivan along with The Teulon Seniors Resource Council; an active volunteer for Nova House in Selkirk, spending countless hours helping to establish the Twice Over thrift store. In her retirement she volunteered at the Teulon Food Bank, along with giving helping hands to special community events or just being called to help out with meal prep at Gateway Manor. She attended and completed the Spirit of Caring Course through the Interlake Regional Health with full intention of becoming a Spiritual Care Volunteer within her community. In her own way she used those skills in helping other family and community members at their end of life.

Marilyn, for lack of better words, was a thrifter, she loved Saturday morning garage sales, a flea market and shopping at second hand stores. Most often finding treasures not only for herself, but for her work and family members. She was an avid reader, an incredible seamstress and crocheter, a hobby gardener, and a social butterfly. She curled for a number of years, mainly for the social aspect and being a part of this with her family members.

Marilyn and Jack developed many friendships within Crescent Creek Estates in Teulon. Looking forward to their gatherings at the centre and the "Patio Parties". More recently, Marilyn moved to a suite in Gateway Manor where she was settling in and commented that it was the best move she could have made and was developing friendships there while still connecting with her Crescent Creek friends.

Family was of the utmost importance in her life. Marilyn would initiate and plan two important family gatherings each year, that we grew to think of as sacred family time. During the Warkentin Family August Long Weekend 2019, Marilyn and Jack renewed their vows in front of their children, grand and great-grandchildren for their 60th Wedding Anniversary; where we all honoured the head (and heart) of our family unit.

Those helping hands were always activated for her children and grandchildren for home renovations, moving, illness, and even to just clean or tidy and do laundry once in a while. She quietly showed up and often stayed a few days. Little did she know, the time she spent also helped us to plant our feet once more, stand firm and stay strong in order to carry on.



Those hands seemed to know.....

Where and when support was needed;

They were never to be idle and most often giving.

They were meant to help others.

This was her "gift" to her family and her community. It was done without her ever having the need nor want of recognition for it.

Marilyn's wish was for a private family service. A celebration of life for immediate family will take place this summer in Kenora.

The family has greatly appreciated all the community support we have received and invite those who wish to collectively share their memories, love and support, to do so on Ken Loehmer Funeral Services tributes and obituaries site.

Should you feel inclined, please honour Marilyn's memory by donating to The Teulon Food Bank or MADD.

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