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High-flying aerial acts, gravity-defying jugglers and a thrilling globe of death along with stunning acrobatics and hilarious clowns were in Stonewall last week when the Great Benjamins Circus came to town.

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² The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 Woodlands Childcare needs your vote to win \$25,0000

Voting period begins on May 15 until May 31

By Annaliese Meier

The Growing Home with BASF initiative is a great way for local organizations to get an extra boost in funding.

This exciting program is offering three prizes of \$25,000 each to organizations across the Prairie provinces, including Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. And right now, one of those top contenders is Woodlands Childcare Inc.

With your help and vote from May 15 to 31, this incredible organization could be just one step closer to their goal of expanding childcare services in our community — but they need YOUR vote to make it happen.

Woodlands Childcare Inc. is a non-profit organization that has been providing high-quality childcare services for many years. Now, they are looking to expand their services and facilities with a new expansion project set to cost \$2 million.

This important initiative will help meet the growing needs of local fami-





lies who require affordable and accessible childcare options in their community.

By voting for Woodlands Childcare during this period, you can help them secure a crucial portion of their remaining fundraising goal — which amounts to 7.5 per cent of the amount needed.

This year, BASF Canada Agricultural Solutions launched 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 communi-



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The Woodlands Childcare Centre needs your vote to win \$25,000 from the Crowing Home with BASF initiative. Voting takes place between May 15 and 31 and only one vote per email address per province is eligible.

ties 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 were 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 — were 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.

The Woodlands Childcare is one of the five nominated for Manitoba. Help them win the \$25,000 by casting your vote.

Voting is officially live and you can cast your vote here:

www.agsolutions.ca/growinghome Eligible voters (Canadian citizens above the age of 18) can vote for one organization in each province (total of three votes per person) between May 15 and 31. Once an eligible voter selects their three votes, they will need to input their email address to confirm and submit. Full terms and conditions of the entire program are available on the website.



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Stony Mountain outdoor Sounds of Spring concert on May 18

By Annaliese Meier

The magic of music and literacy comes to life as Carolina Nagy's inspiring project promoting singing and exposure to the performing arts takes place at the Sounds of Spring Concert on Thursday, May 18 at the Grand Bison stage in Stony Mountain.

The event, which is a collaboration between the Stony Mountain School's Grade 1/2 teacher Joyce Kurnell and Nagy, is funded by an Artists in Schools grant through the Manitoba Arts Council.

Kurnell and Nagy envisioned a unifying community event that provides the audience with the opportunity to experience a concert on several different levels.

"Parents will be able to see what their children are capable of expressing through music, students can experience the joy of performing for their loved ones, and families can come together to enjoy music they feel a connection to," said Nagy.

The concert is the finale of the Artists in Schools initiative.

The program involves several 90-minute lessons over a two-week period leading up to the concert featuring student choral performances and an interactive sing-along led by the students themselves.

"The student's insatiable curiosity and enthusiasm have been a powerful motivating force; lessons often ran longer than planned because the students didn't want to stop," said Nagy.

With Nagy's expertise in Orff principles and methodologies, get ready to be swept away by the creativity and talent of these young performers.

Nagy has a bachelor's of music performance degree in violin as well as her Level I Orff certification. She currently works as a freelance musician and as a music educator.

Nagy's collaboration with Grade 1-2 teacher Joyce Kurnell is truly inspiring. Their project not only promotes singing and literacy but also exposes young students to the world of performing arts.

What makes this project so special is how it combines different art forms such as music, movement, drama, speech lesson plans designed to reflect a child's world of play which was originally conceptualized by composer Carl Orff (1895-1982) and Gunild Keetman in the early 20th century. The program for the upcoming music concert is filled with exciting performances that showcase the talent and dedication of the students at Stony Mountain School.

One highlight of the event will be a choral performance by the students, its inclusion of a folk song sing-along,



this interactive segment allows audience members to participate in the fun and become part of this special community event. Following this impressive display, pianist Renate Rossol and Nagy will take to the stage for a collaborative performance that will be both moving and inspiring. With their combined expertise in music and performance, these two artists are sure to create an unforgettable experience for all those in attendance.

The literacy and singing development program was specifically geared toward Kurnell's Grade 1/2 class; however, the sing-along portion of the concert is meant to invite audience participation. As a result, students in Grade 1 to 4 classes have also been meeting with Nagy to learn

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Musician violinist Carolina Nagy and pianist Renate Rossol will be guest appearances at the Stony Mountain School Sounds of Spring concert on May 18.

the folk songs as well as to develop connections to the classical pieces.

"We (Kurnell and Nagy) wanted to make the songs accessible to everyone so families have been given access to a YouTube video including the music and lyrics so that students can practice at home. Parents, siblings and extended family members are also encouraged to watch the video often leading up to the concert so that they can participate as well," said Nagy.

Students have been exploring their vocal range, applying simple ostinati (repeated rhythmic patterns) on nonpitched instruments over pentatonic melodie, and executing basic accompanying borduns on barred instruments (xylophones, metallophones and glockenspiels).

"In addition to these visceral expe-

riences, students have been exploring sonata form in the violin sonata and learning basic Hungarian dance steps to the passionate and quick-paced sections of Csárdás," said Nagy.

The success of this program was contingent on the generosity of classroom time shared by the Stony Mountain School teachers so that students could become familiar with the repertoire and the support and encouragement continuously offered by Principal Bill Olson.

The Sounds of Spring concert starts at 7 p.m. (weather permitting) under the Grand Bison Stand in the Stony Mountain Quarry. Everyone is welcome to come join The Stony Mountain School Grade 1/2 class in the sing-along.



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4 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 The Great Benjamins Circus came to Stonewall

Staff

Last Thursday, the residents of Stonewall were treated to not one but two amazing performances by The Great Benjamins Circus.

The family-owned circus dazzled audiences at the VMSC arena with an array of acts.

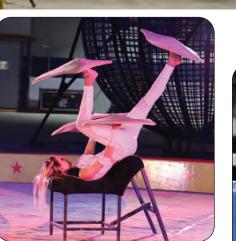
From clowns to acrobats, aerialists to daredevils, every performer in The Great Benjamins Circus was handpicked for their unique talents and skills.

The clowns had everyone laughing with their hilarious antics while the acrobat walked blindfolded on the outside of a aerial ball, leaving young and old breathless.

For those who love a bit of danger, the cage of death was an absolute thrill ride. As three motorbikes zipped around inside a giant metal sphere, audiences held their breath in anticipation of every twist and turn.

It was a family-friendly event with high-flying aerial acts, jugglers, death-defying high-speed motorbikes, stunning acrobatics, hilarious clowns topped off with cotton candy, popcorn, hot dogs, lemonade and snow cones. And if that wasn't enough, some were even treated to light torches, wands and balls.







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Local towing company reminds drivers to Slow Down and Move Over

By Annaliese Meier

As drivers, we have a responsibility to ensure the safety of those who work tirelessly to keep our roads clear and functioning. It is so important to ensure we are slowing down and moving over for emergency vehicles, and tow trucks.

Rockwood Wrecking owners Steve and Dawn Green, own a light-duty towing business located in Stony Mountain, and are reminding drivers to be safe when passing emergency vehicles.

Dawn Green is sharing their experiences on the road and why awareness is crucial for keeping everyone safe. On occasion the Greens have their young family in tow.

"You might be surprised to see a 1-year-old and 5-year-old acting as copilots in the tow truck, but they're always eager to help out," said Dawn Green.

They strive to exceed expectations every time they provide assistance on the road. Being accredited by CAA and MPI is just one way, along with their 10 years of experience in the industry, they demonstrate their commitment to safety, excellence, and professionalism in everything they do.

Unfortunately, there have been numerous close calls over the years where drivers fail to slow down or move over when passing us on the side of the road.

"It's a scary situation that could po-



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Rockwood Wrecking owners Steve and Dawn Green are reminding motorists to move over and slow down when passing emergency vehicles.

tentially result in serious injury or even death. We're grateful that we've never experienced such an incident ourselves or with any of our staff members," said Dawn Green.

However, these close calls serve as a constant reminder to stay vigilant while out on the job. It's important for all drivers to understand just how dangerous it can be for service providers working on the side of busy roads. By simply slowing down and moving over when approaching flashing lights, you can help keep everyone safe.

The Greens are reminding all motorists to be responsible citizens; it is important to follow the laws that have been put in place for everyone's safety. The government of Manitoba has implemented laws regarding slowing down and moving over when approaching emergency vehicles with flashing lights, including tow trucks.

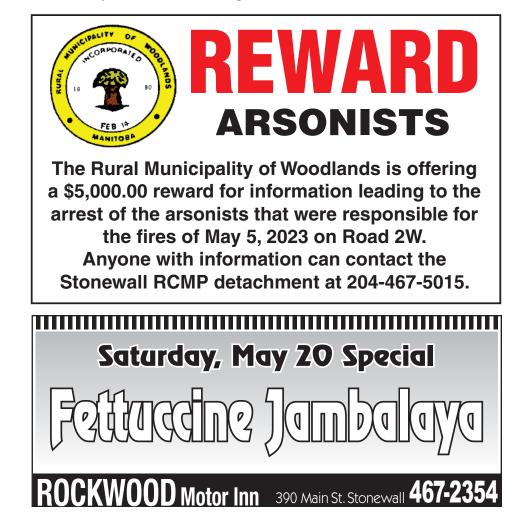
In 2011, the Slow Down Move Over law became part of Manitoba's Highway Traffic Act. The law requires drivers to slow down and move over when they see an emergency vehicle or tow truck pulled over on the side of the road with its emergency lights flashing. According to this law, drivers must slow down to 40 km/h on roads where the speed limit is less than 80 km/h and slow down to 60 km/h if the speed limit is 80 km/h or more.

"This helps create a safer environment for not only tow truck operators but also other emergency service providers who work tirelessly to keep us safe," said Dawn Green.

Moreover, on multi-lane highways, drivers are required to move over to the next lane if possible while passing safely. Failure to comply with these requirements can result in hefty fines along with two demerit points.

The Green family at Rockwood Wrecking Stony Mountain Towing urges all drivers out there: "Save a tow operator's life - Slow down; Move Over." It's essential we take extra precautions and drive responsibly around emergency services as they're putting their lives at risk every day just so that they can help us get home safely.

The Greens message is awareness saves lives. They urge all drivers to always to stay alert behind the wheel and obey traffic laws designed to protect everyone's safety.







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COVID infections, hospitalizations increase first week of May

By Patricia Barrett

COVID infections and hospitalizations rose during the first week of May, according to the provincial government's respiratory surveillance report for the period April 30 to May 6 (reporting Week 18).

There were 105 new COVID infections detected by PCR testing. There were 96 new infections reported the previous week. Provincial COVID data are underestimates of the true number of infections as the government restricts access to PCR testing. Rapid antigen tests aren't tracked.

Forty-eight people were hospitalized with COVID including 10 patients admitted to the intensive care unit in Week 18. There were 39 people hospitalized the previous week with two people admitted to the ICU.

Two people died from COVID in Week 18. There were six deaths reported in Week 17 and 10 deaths the week before that.

Numbers are calculated using comparisons of total outcome data between the current and the previous week's report.

Manitoba's COVID death toll is currently 2,499 according to the federal government's COVID webpage as of April 29. Canada's death toll has reached 52,231.

Wastewater surveillance data for Winnipeg and Brandon to April 25 indicates sustained COVID activity, states the Week 18 report. The Week 17 report provided wastewater data up to the same date, April 25, so it's unclear whether that activity changed in Week 18.

There were four new cases of influenza A and five new cases of influenza B reported in Week 18. There were four new hospitalizations for influenza but no deaths. There were two and

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five new cases, respectively, reported the week before, with no hospitalizations and deaths.

There were 10 new cases of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) in Week 18. There were 15 cases the week before.

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There were over 2.7 million new COVID cases and over 17,000 new deaths from the virus reported worldwide over the period April 10 to May 7, according to the World Health Organization's epidemiological update published May 11.

In the Americas region (North, Central and South America), XBB.1.5 is the most prevalent COVID omicron subvariant followed by XBB.1 and XBB.1.16.

A few recent studies on vaccine effectiveness of monovalent and bivalent (targeting two virus strains) COVID vaccines show there is either marginal vaccine effectiveness of the bivalent vaccine or no difference.

Two studies from the U.K. and France have shown "marginal (approximately 10%) higher VE [vaccine effectiveness] for bivalent vaccines against Omicron infection" while one study from Canada showed "no difference in VE between monovalent and bivalent vaccines against hospitalization," states the epidemiological report.

- The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority reported on May 8 a gastrointestinal outbreak at the Betel Personal Care Home in Gimli. The COVID outbreaks at Red River Place PCH in Selkirk (reported May 1) and Tudor House PCH in Selkirk (reported April 28) are ongoing, according to the health authority's outbreak webpage (viewed May 14).

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The float pool is lessening the reliance on overtime and agency nursing, she added. - The NDP released figures last week

showing the provincial Conservative government cancelled over 2,600 surgeries at Winnipeg facilities over the course of more than a year.

zation said 55 nurses have been hired

in the provincial government's nurs-

ing float pool since it was formed last

year, and that they're working shifts

"Our government is healing health

care by bolstering the health-care sys-

tem's workforce and improving pa-

tient care and staff well-being," said

health minister Audrey Gordon in a

May 9 statement on Shared Health's

website.

in rural and northern communities.

Based on the results of a freedom of information request, the NDP said it found 2,623 surgeries had been cancelled between November 2021 and January 2023.

Of those cancelled procedures, 576 were orthopedic surgeries including hip and knee surgeries. Grace Hospital had the highest number of cancelled obstetrical surgeries with 247. The Pan Am Clinic had 151 cancelled surgeries, Concordia Hospital had 147 and the Health Sciences Centre had 31.

"Every cancelled surgery is a person waiting in pain and discomfort for longer. Brian Pallister created a staffing crisis in our hospitals and Premier Stefanson has made it even worse. Their cuts have been devastating to our healthcare system," said NDP leader Wab Kinew in a statement. "Manitobans deserve timely access to healthcare, including surgeries. It's time for real leadership that will put the healthcare needs of Manitobans first.'

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Have you ever driven down a road and noticed the litter scattered along the side? It's an all-too-common sight, but there are some people out there doing something about it. Meet Emmett and Leo Walsh, who decided to take matters into their own hands by becoming garbage pickers for the day. The brothers collected a bag of trash along one mile of Road 15 West on a cool 16 degrees C., cloudy day on May 7. The act of cleaning up garbage may seem small, but it has big consequences for our environment. By picking up litter on the side of the road, Emmett and Leo prevented that garbage from entering nearby waterways or being ingested by wildlife. They also made an immediate improvement to the appearance of their community. Let us know what this week's weather looked like for you by sending photos of your friends or family enjoying outdoor activities to weather@stonewallteulontribune.ca

Organizers to create Every Child Matters garden for reflection

Garden will honour memory of children who died attending residential schools

Submitted by the Manitoba government

In consultation and collaboration with the organizers of the Every Child Matters flag display at the legislative building grounds, the Manitoba government is creating a new permanent garden on the grounds in memory of thousands of Indigenous children who never returned home from residential schools in Manitoba and across the country, Consumer Protection and Government Services Minister James Teitsma announced Saturday.

"Over the past several years, Canadians have become increasingly aware of the harms caused by the residential school system," said Teitsma. "The new Every Child Matters memorial garden will create an opportunity and a place for reflection for Manitobans in honour of the memory of the children who never returned home to their families from residential schools, as we continue to work toward reconciliation."

The new garden will be on the south grounds of the legislative building alongside Assiniboine Avenue and will feature a mix of orange annuals

and perennials such as lilies, roses and marigolds. Later this spring, a memorial plaque and bench will be installed for visitors to sit and reflect, the minister said.

The orange Every Child Matters flags currently on display on the north side of the legislative building grounds will be relocated to the new garden this weekend, led by the organizers of the display. The flags will be replaced with the garden flowers as soon as weather allows in order to create a more permanent tribute to the children, the minister said, noting that organizers who initially created the flag display have selected meaningful plants in consultation with an elder.

"It has been our absolute honour taking on the task of installing and maintaining the Every Child Matters flag display. We could have never predicted the immense impact that our actions would have on the community," said Tara Martinez, co-organizer of the display installation. "Over the last two years, many Indigenous and non-Indigenous supporters of the Children First Society of Canada have



The Every Child Matters gardens will include a mix of orange annuals such as lilies, roses and marigolds.

helped to make this happen, proving that although we don't always agree on past transgressions, we can choose to move forward in a positive way."

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada has documented 6,000 children who died while attending residential schools across the country. The commission estimates that of the 6,000 documented deaths, 338 children died while attending such schools in Manitoba. However, the true number of children who died while attending these institutions is likely much higher.

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"Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him." (Psalm 28:6-7)

We humans love to be self-sufficient. We enjoy the stories of the self-made person who pulls themselves up by their boot straps in order to be successful. We love for others to see and praise us for our hard work and effort. We love to be seen as someone who has it all together and who has the strength and determination to accomplish all that we want.

The Bible, however, presents us with the reality that nobody is self-made. All that we have and all we are is a gift from God. In Psalm 28, we see this reality clearly. For the writer of this psalm, when he knew he needed mercy, he turned to God and in that moment knew that his strength was from God, his protection was from God, his salvation was from God. He did not have in himself what he needed to continue to live; it had to come from the God of the universe.

This is true for you today as well. You may feel like your life is going smoothly and you have it all together, but that steadiness is a gift from God. You may feel like nothing is certain and you're on the verge of collapse. The only source of true, lasting strength is found in the God of the Bible. He has promised that all who come to Him by faith in Jesus Christ He will adopt as His children and give them all that they need.

Daniel Bredin

8 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 Woodlands grass fire arson: RCMP in search of those responsible

By Autumn Fehr

On Friday, May 5 at 12:47 p.m., the Woodlands Fire Department responded to a large field fire.

Firefighters were dispatched to a call for a fire in a yard at a single residence. However, on the way to the scene, they noticed a tremendous amount of smoke and fire in other locations, not just the yard where the call came from.

The fire department attended to the fire in the yard of the resident who had initially called them. They started to look around and realized they were dealing with a much larger fire than they originally expected.

As other units started to roll in, they had one unit attend the first yard and

other units moved into other yards, said Dean Campbell, fire chief for Woodlands.

The fire was more than the Woodlands Fire Department could handle, so they called for backup. It was an all-hands-on-deck affair. The Stonewall-Rockwood Fire Department came for mutual aid.

Campbell said two gentlemen from the New Haven Colony also came with their truck as they saw something on Facebook.

The fire spread on Road 2W for two kilometres. Five individual yards were affected or threatened, he said.

Two yards had fire burn into the yard. Another yard was half burnt, and the fire department almost lost the home.

"We were able to stop it just a matter of feet from the house. ... There was a very strong wind that day, so this was a wind-driven wildland fire," said Campbell.

The last yard had some damage to trees, but they were able to stop it at the edge of the yard.

Firefighters left the scene at about 5 p.m., and Campbell went back after dinner for another hour and a half to make sure all the hot spots had been put out, since you can see them better when it starts to get dark, he said.

Woodlands had five apparatus and eight firefighters attend, and Stonewall had three apparatus and a full crew. Neighbours were also pitching in where they could, said Campbell. There was no physical value lost. The only municipal infrastructure lost was a hydro pole that was burnt to the ground, which will be replaced by Manitoba Hydro.

Campbell said the fire department determined that the cause of the fire was arson.

The RM of Woodlands is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the arsonist(s) responsible for the catastrophe on Road 2W on May 5.

Anyone with information can contact the Stonewall RCMP detachment at 204-467-5015.

Manitoban anglers are reminded to release spawning fish

Submitted by Manitoba government

Manitoba anglers are gearing up for walleye and sauger fishing season, which officially opened May 13 in the Southern fishing division, with the season opening one week later on Lake Winnipeg and in the Northwest and North Central fishing divisions, Natural Resources and Northern Development Minister Greg Nesbitt announced Friday.

"It's no secret anglers have been eagerly waiting to get out on the water and start fishing for walleye and sauger, so starting this weekend, anglers in the Southern fishing division will be able to cast a line for two of Manitoba's most popular fish species," said Nesbitt. "We are also excited for the first season that makes it easier for Manitoba seniors to fish for free by simply showing proof of age and residency upon request of a conservation officer."

Approximately 22,000 Manitoba seniors take part in recreational fishing, and until recently, they needed to apply for a Manitoba Resident Senior Angling Licence every year, the minister noted. This year, the Manitoba government has also implemented angling licence exemptions for active military members and veterans who reside in Manitoba.

With the late spring conditions that Manitoba is experiencing, deteriorating ice, fast-flowing currents and cold water temperatures may be present. Anglers are reminded to follow safe boating measures, wear life-jackets, check water conditions and use caution.

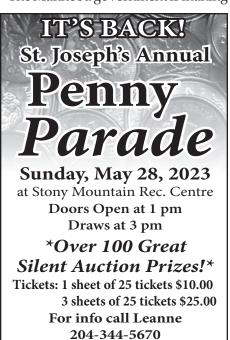
Some fish may still be spawning due to the late spring conditions. Anglers are asked to help protect fish stocks by immediately releasing fish that are discharging eggs. By proactively releasing spawning fish, anglers will help protect fish stocks and sustain Manitoba's fisheries, noted the minister.

Anglers are reminded that a suite of new angling regulations came into effect April 1, which includes new possession limits and size restrictions for certain species. Other changes include new angling licence types and fees. For more information on all angling regulations, refer to the 2023 Manitoba Anglers' Guide at www. manitobafisheries.com.

Water users are reminded that regulations are in place to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS). These include requirements to clean, drain and dry watercraft and water-related gear as well as the requirement for anyone transporting a watercraft (e.g. power boats, canoes, and jet skis) to stop at watercraft inspection stations when they are open. For more information on AIS, requirements, and locations and hours of watercraft inspection stations, visit www.manitoba.ca/stopAIS.

Manitoba government providing historic tax relief

Submitted by Manitoba government The Manitoba government is making



historic investments that will bring total tax and affordability measures to more than \$1.8 billion between 2022 and 2024, providing \$5,500 in total savings for the average two-income family by 2024, Finance Minister Cliff Cullen stated last week.

"We have a Low Tax Plan to make Manitoba a more affordable place to live, and a more competitive place to do business," said Cullen. "This



means creating a positive atmosphere for economic development with new opportunities for Manitoba businesses to grow. Our historic tax relief will help the economy prosper because we understand that affordability and tax competitiveness is the key to creating good local jobs for Manitobans."

This year, the school tax rebate for residential and farm properties increases to 50 per cent in 2023 from 37.5 per cent in 2022. The average rebate to a homeowner will increase to \$774 in 2023 from \$581 in 2022. Rebates are delivered the month in which municipal property taxes are due and will begin being received in Winnipeg and Brandon in June.

Owners of other properties including commercial, industrial, institutional properties will receive a 10 per cent rebate of the total of both the school division special levy and the education support levy payable.

"It would be naive to understate the importance of Manitoba's grocers to our provincial economy," said John Graham, prairie director, Retail Council of Canada. "These primarily national brands provide over 17,000 jobs, pay tens of millions of dollars in annual taxes, support hundreds of charities, as well as being critical champions of Manitoba growers and food producers. Arbitrarily determining who receives a rebate on the taxes they pay based on who owns a company or the size of their contributions to Manitoba's economy not only undermines the importance of fairness and trust, it's simply bad tax policy. Tax rebates allow retailers to lower prices, create jobs and invest in their businesses."

To learn more about the School Tax Rebate, visit https://www.gov.mb. ca/schooltaxrebate/index.html.

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 9 Walk for Miles in support of mental health planned for May 27

By Annaliese Meier

Mental health is a growing concern in our society, particularly among youth. Many young people struggle with anxiety, depression and other mental health challenges that can have lasting impacts on their well-being.

Teulon Collegiate Institute's (TCI) Social Justice League would like to bring awareness to the growing problem and have organized a walk in support of mental health on Saturday, May 27.

The Walk for Miles fundraiser is an excellent opportunity to raise awareness and funds for mental health initiatives.

The approximately two-mile walk starts at 10 a.m. and goes until 2 p.m. Walk for Miles is more than just a simple walk. It's an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young people struggling with mental health issues.

Amy Friesen, the collegiate's guidance counsellor, is helping the students organize this year's walk.

TCI had a student named Miles who passed away from mental health struggles earlier this year.

Friesen said the students and staff are raising funds for the school and community with hopes that no one else has to go through what Miles did. By participating in this fundraiser, you are helping to raise money that will go towards providing vital re-

sources and support services. "The mental health system, like all health-care systems, is very overworked and access to support is not easily accessible. We are hoping with the funds raised, we can start to develop mental wellness supports within our school for the upcoming years," said Friesen.

Advance registration is not necessary and the walk is free. It is an opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals who share a common goal of supporting those struggling with their mental health.

Donations will be taken during the



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TCI Social Justice League, left to right, Amy Friesen, Kathy Simcoe, Gloria Kim, Desiree Chartrand, Annika Kowalchuk, Ali Chairson, Abby Skinner and James Squissato. Missing from the photo, Chelsea Meier, Laura Manchulenko, Jen Chartrand, Ohaira Abacan, Mia Werth, Bella Smith, Keira Waldbauer and Mhea Reed.

walk. There will also be various activities such as a hot dog sale and a

50/50 raffle.

against the resolution.

Council passed second and third readings of a bylaw related to Grosse Isle Settlement Centre capital lot levies. Coun. Lee Garfinkel abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

Council and the CAO are authorized to attend the 18th Annual Ralph Eichler Golf Tournament on Friday, June 9. The RM of Rosser will donate four \$50 gift cards to the charity event.



For the third year in four, Manitoba is holding the line of Pharmacare rates.

This will help make life more affordable for seniors on fixed incomes, lower income Manitobans and families.

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Rosser council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Rosser council approved a balanced budget, which includes an increase below three per cent for most residents.

At the same time, the mill rate is decreasing by 12.72 per cent to 5.825 in 2023 from 6.67 in 2022. Over the past five years, the mill rate has decreased by 22 per cent.

The majority of properties had an assessment increase of between 13 per cent and 18 per cent. The impact on taxes will be under three per cent for almost everyone.

Significant growth continues in the RM of Rosser, with a 25.7 per cent increase in taxable assessment this year. Overall, CentrePort supports 67 per cent of all the taxes paid in the municipality.

The total budget amounts to more than \$40 million for capital and operating expenses.

Major administration projects expenses this year will include CentrePort building, audio-visual equipment for the council chambers, office equipment and an upgrade to the phone system from analogue to digital. Other 2023 projects include a capital development bylaw review and growth studies for sewer, water and roads.

Transportation services will focus on the annual gravel program, drainage improvements and studies, equip-

ment replacement, dust control and road improvements.

Funds will also go towards recreation grants for community centres as well as improvements to recreation amenities.

Utility projects include an \$18.8-million force main for CentrePort sewage, as well as lift station upgrades and water meter replacement in Grosse Isle.

Utilities for Grosse Isle and CentrePort will both see a rate increase on Oct. 1.

In other council news:

Council passed second and ٠ third reading of a bylaw to set indemnities, rates of compensation and expenses for council and committee members. Coun. Angela Emms voted



10 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 Teulon artist David Trach: a musician at heart

By Autumn Fehr

David Trach recalls first becoming interested in music when he came across an old organ in his childhood living room. His curiosity was noted, and Santa brought him a Casio keyboard for Christmas. And following that, his parents signed him up for lessons.

"It turned out that I showed some talent," said Trach.

The family invested in a full-size piano to replace the keyboard and organ.

Trach began studying piano seriously, eventually studying at a high level in The Royal Conservatory of Music program. He later took up the clarinet and played in his high school band.

Trach remembers being deeply interested in music theory and harmonies in his pre-teen years. While piano was the first instrument he learned to play, he was also intrigued by choir in elementary school.

"I remember enjoying singing, but I really didn't think I was very good," said Trach.

After graduating high school, Trach worked as a DJ at many large nightclub venues in Winnipeg, including Silverado's, Boogie Nights and Buffalo Bill's Saloon.

"I'd always try to get up on stage to sing with the bands playing at those clubs because that is what I really wanted to be doing," said Trach.

Some of these included local cover bands Mother Groove and Atomic Candy. Trach eventually became the frontman for The Boom, signed on with Morris Entertainment, and was being booked to play at these large nightclubs, including Winnipeg's World Famous Palomino Club, Whiskey Dix and Alive. He has also written, recorded and performed original

music with his bands, Five Mile High and Hollywood Pinup.

While most of the music he played professionally fell under the rock and country genres, Trach said he isn't attached to any particular music genre in his personal life. He likes to discover more obscure artists and has listened to a few, like Elle King and Chris Stapleton, before they became trendy. One of his favourite artists of all time is Daniel Romano, and Trach always makes an effort to attend his live shows in Winnipeg. Garth Brooks

had a significant influence on him as a young musician.

"I wasn't even that into country music at the time, but then I was like, 'Whoa! What is this?" said Trach.

When asked what musical instruments he can play, Trach said, "All of



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

David Trach, a musician from Teulon, has been interested in music since he was young. During the pandemic, Trach started uploading music videos to YouTube under the alias Bucky Press, an old nickname from his band days.

them!"

This is not far from the truth. Trach learned the piano and clarinet through traditional music lessons, but he is self-taught on the guitar and harmonica and can play by ear. He even picked up an accordion and played an AC/DC song for one of his YouTube videos.

Trach eventually pursued other career goals but kept music as a hobby. During the pandemic, he expanded his hobby to include programming stage lights and filming music videos. He began uploading his work on You-Tube under the alias Bucky Press (an old nickname from his band days). "I'm getting older, and I wanted to create something that I could look back on through the years," said Trach.

Bucky is slightly over the top, with a humorous aspect to some videos and plenty of flashy outfits. However, whether he is being serious or not, Trach's vocal talent and passion shine through in his work.

"I feel inspired by others who are creating some really cool content on social media. I wanted to create a channel for people to enjoy an old-fashioned music video and may-

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RM of Woodlands seeks information on arsonist(s)

By Autumn Fehr

The RM of Woodlands is looking for individuals to come forward that may have information about the grass fire on May 5, when several residences were threatened. It has been determined that the cause of the fire was arson. A \$5,000 reward will be given to anyone that has information that leads to the arrest of the arsonist(s) involved in these fires. See the full story on page 8 in this week's *Tribune*. **In other council news May 9**:

- The RM of Woodlands council approved the 2023 municipal grants, to be paid in accordance with the grant policy program. For a full list of 2023 grant applications, view the minutes on the RM website

- Council approved the purchase of one spare Abloy CLIQ padlock for the lagoons from Shield Supply & Services for \$767.80 plus applicable taxes.

- The RM of Woodlands will observe Monday, Oct. 2, as a general holiday, in lieu of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, as it falls on a Saturday. All municipal services will be closed that day. The RM will also observe Monday, Nov. 13, as a general

holiday, in lieu of Remembrance Day, as it falls on a Saturday. All municipal services will be closed that day.

- Woodlands council designated a burning ban within the RM effective immediately. The RM authorized a bulk mailing to property owners within the municipality.

- Council accepted the quote from Leo's Sales & Service Ltd. for \$3,300 per month and \$850 per week if over one month for a Case IH Maxxum-Puma 150 Tractor with three rear hydraulic remotes.

- Council authorized the public works foreman to purchase the required tools up to the amount of \$4,000 to replace the tools in the public works shop.

- Council approved the purchase of a Millermatic 211 welder from Praxair (Linde Canada Inc.) for \$2,524.51 plus applicable taxes.



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"I'D ALWAYS TRY TO GET UP ON STAGE TO SING WITH THE BANDS PLAYING AT THOSE CLUBS BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT I REALLY WANTED TO BE DOING."

Quarry Pets celebrates 10 years in business

By Jo-Anne Procter

Last Saturday was a day to remember at Quarry Pets Supplies and More, as owner Nicole Nagy celebrated a decade in business with her loyal customers. A highlight of the celebration was the treats for pets, refreshments for their owners and sales throughout the store.

Nagy, has come a long way from her career as a corporate travel agent. In 2004, she moved to Stonewall and her passion for animals led her to work part-time at Pet Junction. This experience gave her familiarity with the shop and all its operations — and little did she know that 10 years later; she would be the proud owner of this pet store.

Nagy felt fortunate to have many good people in her life who helped guide her through the process.

"I was meant to do this. ... My life just guided me here," she told the *Tribune*. After purchasing the store, she renamed it Quarry Pets.

She had a vision in mind — to create a one-stop shop for all pets' needs in Stonewall — and today Quarry Pets is a go-to destination for all things pet-related. From tasty bones to chew toys, beds, crates and food, there is something for every type of pet.

Even though COVID-19 posed challenges, loyal customers continued supporting the store.

"It made people more aware of all the great services offered locally," she said. "And they seem more conscious of the benefits to shopping local."

When you enter Quarry Pets, you're not just greeted by friendly staff but also by some furry and feathered



Quarry Pets Supplies and More staff, left to right, Alison Price, Nicole Nagy, Meghan Adams and Natalie Taylor.

friends. Nagy's two yellow labs, Levi and Riggs, are always ready to welcome customers with wagging tails and big smiles. And they're not alone in their greeting duties — there's also Amigo the parrot who is guessed to be in his late 30s or early 40s. Nagy says Amigo can be temperamental at times; however, if you are lucky, he will show off his impressive vocabulary.

Her love for animals, combined with an entrepreneurial spirit, drives everything she does at the store. Her knowledgeable and enthusiastic staff are always on hand to offer advice and answer any questions you may have about caring for your specific type of pet.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY SANDRA SMITH

Barb Kaminski gets a treat from Nicole Nagy, owner of Quarry Pets Supplies and More, during the 10th anniversary celebration last Saturday.

"They love their job and it shows," she said.

"At Quarry Pets, we believe that pets are more than just animals; they're family. That's why we love when our furry friends come to visit us in the store. It's like watching a kid walk into a candy store."

The store does not sell animals but instead supports rescues through various initiatives throughout the year, including donating to the Tin for Critter Bin campaign organized by Dana and Sue Boyer. Customers are welcomed to drop off donations that can benefit these rescues.

Not only does Quarry Pets provide

excellent products for pets of all kinds but they also offer grooming services that can be booked through Tasha by calling or texting 204-513-0541.

Throughout the rest of this month, the anniversary sale will continue as they are running GO and NOW specials, 25 per cent off clearance sales in the gift department and a 15 per cent discount on clothing. She also has a bunch of new products arriving in the next few weeks, including great stock for summer play.

With such an incredible team behind her, there's no doubt Quarry Pets will continue thriving for years to come.

Stonewall council news in brief this week

By Jennifer McFee

On behalf of Pride Interlake, Tammy Henwood requested that the Town of Stonewall raise the Pride flag for the month of June.

In addition, she asked that the town paint the crosswalks at the intersection of Main Street and Centre Avenue in Pride colours for the month of June.

She also requested that the town donate space at the Heritage Arts Centre for the group to host a fundraising event this summer.

Tim Comack of Ventura Developments voiced support for the regional water project that aims to improve the water systems for Stonewall, Warren and Woodlands.

Together, the Town of Stonewall and RM of Woodlands are working with Manitoba Water Services Board and Stantec Engineering on a study and design work for the project. They're considering reverse osmosis for the water treatment process, which uses a synthetic lining to filter out unwanted particles such as contaminants and sediments.

"We went there to champion and express our excitement for the idea that they're moving towards an improved water treatment facility," Comack told the *Tribune*.

"We wanted to reiterate to them the importance of high-quality drinking water in the town to help stimulate growth and development."

In other council news:

• Stonewall council adopted the 2023 financial plan, which includes a four per cent increase to municipal property tax as well as a decrease to the solid waste special services levy. The total property tax change in Stonewall will be an increase of 2.6 per cent.

• Council discussed a sponsorship opportunity for the 2023 Canadian National U22 Male Championship Tournament hosted by Baseball Manitoba and Baseball Canada. The tournament will take place at Quarry Park starting Aug. 3 for four to five days.



12 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 Brant-Argyle School Spring Tea returns after four years

By Annaliese Meier

Spring is in full bloom, and so was Brant-Argyle School's Parent Advisory Council Spring Tea.

This much-anticipated event returned after four long years, bringing with it a delightful afternoon of musical performances, comical skits, poetry and violin guest performances by Lina and Yuli Simonson. Kindergarten to Grade 8 students showcased their talents while visitors enjoyed an array of activities including the bake sale, student craft sale, cake raffle, plant sale and silent auction tables.

Guests indulged in some delicious treats and enjoyed tea, coffee and iced tea courtesy of the students.

Visitors were also encouraged to take a tour of the 1914 historical building and classrooms and to visit the arcade games, pottery and plants that the students were selling and showing off.

Principal Kristen Smith was grateful to everyone who attended.

All of the proceeds from the Spring Tea are for the Brant-Argyle School.









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Three patients share experiences of their 'excellent' dentures

BY ELISHA VANDOR

Have you ever heard people say, 'when you love what you do, it doesn't feel like work?' Well, the saying goes...Do what you love and you'll never work another day in your life. That's exactly how we feel everyday coming into work at Vandor Denture Centre to transform peoples smiles. What really puts the icing on the cake is when we hear how patients are doing with their new dentures after we have made them. When we do receive feedback, we share it with our entire team and it honestly puts an extra pep into our step. Here's 3 reviews that our patients so graciously relayed to us:

Our Denturist Matthew's patient, Isla called a week after receiving her new dentures to cancel her follow up appointment and said, "Matthew is absolutely excellent. He did a super job on my dentures. Even with no gums left, the upper fit is fantastic and the lower stays in place and isn't loose. If I would have known this would be such a seamless transition to new dentures with-

out pain, then I would have done it years ago." Isla H. - March 29, 2023 Another cool tidbit that makes

the full-service denture experience at Vandor Denture Centre unique is that our dentures are hand-crafted in-house; meaning the same Denturist who sees you for your appointments customizes your denture to look like your smile once was or shapes it to make it uniquely you. Recent patient Shawna says, "It's been a journey for Brock and myself. It started approximately 6 years ago. I was recovering from cancer treatments, which included chemotherapy and radiation. I had several complications and teeth loosening was one of them. Unfortunately, at the time, I thought it was the end for my bright white smile. I had to loose some teeth. I was scared to death, but fortunately I heard of this Denturist. Brock eased all my anxieties and fears. I told him I wanted my new teeth to look exactly like the ones I lost due to the treatments. He made them look exactly like the ones I lost. He knew how important that

was to me. I can't begin to explain how grateful and blessed I am to have Brock work on my 'new smile'. From the moment you walk into his office you are greeted by his support staff like you are family. Not once did I feel uncomfortable. I would highly recommend Brock and his staff to my family and friends. So if you find yourself walking into his office, then expect to be treated as family. I thank Brock and staff for the excellent care I was given." Shawna - April 5, 2022

Lastly, our patient Louise came on April 5th when we had the final winter blizzard blast. She said, "nothing was going to stop me from getting my new teeth today! The people at Vandor Denture Centre are just very nice and caring. They do wonderful workmanship. I love my new teeth." Louise S. - April 5, 2023

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Louise (patient of Denturist Brock) braved the winter blast in early April to get her new teeth and share her experience.

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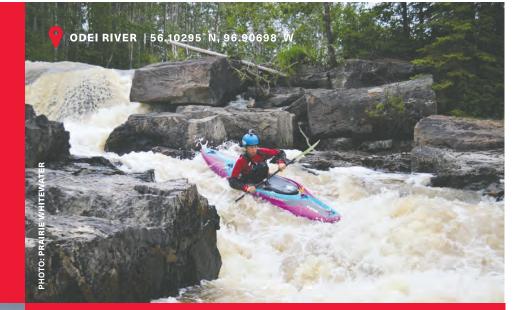








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MANITOBA CANADA'S HEART IS CALLING

14 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 A colourful CancerCare motorcycle fundraiser

By Jennifer McFee

A bright and colourful fundraising idea continues to raise awareness and money for a good cause.

Roy Kelly, who works at Standard Limestone Quarry, has been participating in the Breast Cancer Pledge Ride since 2005 in support of the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation.

"My family has always been a supporter of CancerCare Manitoba whether working, volunteering or participating in events," he said.

"I have been on many different fundraising events, but this is they only one I actively collect pledges for."

For the first five years that he participated, Kelly raised a couple hundred dollars for the cause. Things took







Planning a Project this Construction Season?

Spring and summer are busy seasons for construction, and it's also a time when many are preparing to enjoy the outdoors.

With this in mind, the South Interlake Planning District (SIPD) would like to issue a reminder that Development and Building Permits are required for most types of construction, renovations, and structures (pre-built, site-built, temporary or permanent). These include but are not limited to: Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs, Decks, Sunrooms, Gazebos, Pergolas, Sheds, Fabric Shelters, Interior/Exterior Renovations or Repairs, Solar Panels, Window and Door Installations (structural only), Basement Developments, etc.

Permits help ensure that buildings and structures meet the *Manitoba Building Code*, which makes things safer for everyone!

If you are unsure whether your project requires a permit, or if you have any questions, please contact the SIPD office at 204-467-5587 and we'd be happy to assist you! More information is also available on our website: **www.sipd.ca**

The South Interlake Planning District (SIPD) is a partnership between the Rural Municipalities of Rockwood and Rosser (including CentrePort), and the Towns of Stonewall and Teulon.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED Roy Kelly dyed his beard pink in an effort to raise awareness and funds for the

a bright turn around 2010 when he joked that he'd dye his beard pink if he raised \$1,000 for the ride.

Breast Cancer Pledge Ride.

"Less than an hour later, I had the money so I had to do it, and it kind of morphed from there. I now do it for about two months for a couple of reasons," he explained.

"First, I hate asking for donations, and this way it just reminds my family and friends it's time to open their wallets. Second, it helps raise awareness for the ride and hopefully gain new participants every year. It's been a lot of fun over the years — and, other then a few sideways looks, the response is always great." At the same time, Kelly enjoys the event since it integrates his interest in riding.

"I've been riding since my dad dragged home a second-hand minibike 55 years ago. I've had lots of great adventures and met lots of great people over the years," he said.

"The motorcycle community is very welcoming and a generous group of people.

I don't really have a set fundraising goal every year. I hope for \$1,000 but I've had as high as \$6,000. I think I'm closing in on \$50,000 total over the

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How to clean your car's undercarriage

Your car's undercarriage accumulates dirt, debris and road salt. It also periodically gets wet from rain, mud and snow, leading to rust. Spring is a great time to give the undercarriage a good cleaning. Here's how to do it. 1. Lift the vehicle. Lifting your car with a jack makes accessing every

part of the undercarriage easier. Skip this step if you have a lifted truck.

2. Remove the tires. This is an optional step, but it allows you to move more freely around the vehicle and

4 car deodorizing tips

Keeping your car windows closed

during the winter can trap nasty

odours in the cabin. As you welcome

warmer weather, it's time to deodor-



get into all the nooks and crannies.

3. Rinse the undercarriage. Wash the undercarriage section by section using a pressure washer or garden hose with a spray attachment. Start from the front, moving toward the back. Hold the spray attachment or pressure washer wand at a 45-degree angle for the best cleaning action.

4. Clean stubborn areas with a degreaser. To get rid of persistent dirt and debris, spray degreaser on the undercarriage and let it sit for 20 minutes. Scrub with a brush and then rinse the surface. 5. Dry the undercarriage. Rust can develop if moisture is left behind on the metal. Dry every part of the undercarriage with old towels.

6. Apply a protectant. This helps protect the metal of the undercarriage against damage. It'll also keep it cleaner for longer.

If you don't feel confident washing your car's undercarriage, look for a local car wash that offers the service.



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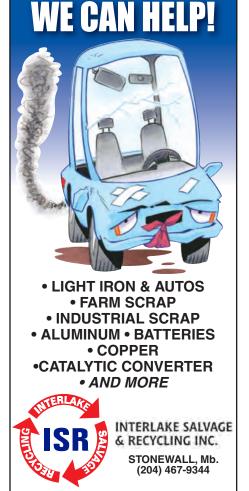
ize your vehicle. Here are four tips. 1. Vacuum your car from top to bottom, including under the floor mats, in the trunk and between the seats. Use the upholstery attachment to rid your vehicle of smelly dirt and debris in hard-to-reach areas.

2. Vinegar is a natural deodorizer. Make a mixture of equal parts water and white vinegar. Then, spritz the mixture on your car's dashboard, cupholders, seats and carpets. Let the solution sit for 30 minutes, then wipe it away with a clean, damp rag.

3. Baking soda lifts unpleasant scents. For example, sprinkle some baking soda on your vehicle's carpet or upholstery if you've spilled something on your vehicle's carpet or upholstery. Rub the baking soda into the area and leave it for a few hours. Then, vacuum it up.

4. Charcoal absorbs impurities and nasty smells. That's why it's commonly used in air and water filters. Pick up a charcoal briquette, like the ones used for grilling, at a local store. Leave the briquette in your car for a few days. Charcoal is highly porous and absorbs any nasty odours floating in the air.

Lastly, spray down your car vents with a specialized cleaner. Over time, your car's vents build up dirt and debris that can cause an unpleasant smell. If any bad smells persist, take your car to a cleaning professional.





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The Teulon & District Museum plant sale on May 27

Museum's biggest annual fundraiser helps keep museum open

By Autumn Fehr

Plant enthusiasts, get ready for the annual plant sale at Teulon & District Museum on May 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at its location in Teulon Park.

The Membership & Plant Sale is the museum's biggest annual fundraiser that helps keep the museum open and assists with constant repairs, along with the other grants and donations they receive.

"This event is important as this mu-

seum preserves the story, artifacts and history of Teulon and the area, and this is very valuable to keep up for future generations to see, read and learn about and enjoy," said Adeline Helwer, a board member of the Teulon & District Museum and chair of the fundraiser.

The sale will have a great variety of plants to offer. Last year it had perennials, annuals, herbs, vegetables, house plants and raspberry and lilac bushes.

Prairie Flora Greenhouse will also join the museum for the day with a plant display of their native prairie wildflowers and grasses, heirloom vegetables, flowers and herbs that visitors can learn about and buy.

Plants are priced according to size, from \$2 to \$10 or more. It all de-



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Volunteers and committee members at Teulon & District Museum grand opening in 1976.

pends on what donations the museum receives. The donated plants are brought to the museum grounds the night before the sale from 3 to 7 p.m. for set up.

There is no fee to come to the plant sale. The museum will have a door prize draw, and tours can be given if requested that day.

At the plant sale, the museum also sells yearly memberships, so people can visit the museum as often as they'd like. If visitors buy a membership, they can choose one plant for free from the entire selection. Individual membership prices are \$10 and family memberships are \$20. pairing the Dr. Hunter House veranda and their Shoe Shop, and is now working on the Ukrainian Church, as it is celebrating its 100 years, said Helwer.

The museum is run entirely by volunteers to help upkeep and preserve these spaces. And sales like this one allow the historical community hub to thrive.

"We have had some very hard-working, dedicated volunteers, presidents and board members over the years that have established this museum for our enjoyment and preservation. For a small town, we are very proud of our big museum," she said.

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The museum has just finished re-





How to re-caulk a shower

Applying fresh caulk to your shower can instantly brighten up the space. Here's a step-by-step guide on how to do it.

• Choose a caulk. There are two types of caulk for tubs and tiles: silicone and acrylic latex. Silicone caulk is durable and flexible but tricky to apply. Latex caulk is easy to apply but may need to be redone more often.

• Remove the existing caulk. Use a utility or putty knife to scour the edges of the old caulk. Once separated, firmly pull it away from the surface. Be careful not to scratch or damage your shower while doing this.

• Clean the area. Remove any remaining caulk residue with a dry, non-abrasive scouring pad. Then, wipe the area with a damp cloth and let it dry completely.

• Apply the new caulk. Cut the tip of the nozzle at a 45-degree angle and insert it into the caulk gun. Hold the nozzle at a 90-degree angle from the surface you want to caulk. Apply steady pressure to the trigger and move your nozzle down the entire surface length. Keep the gun moving consistently, so the caulk doesn't thin out or pile up.

• Smooth the caulk. Take a damp cloth and gently press a small area of the material into the caulking line with your finger. In one continuous motion, drag your finger down the



length of the seam to create a nice smooth surface. Finally, let the caulk set for 24 hours before using your shower. You can pick up everything you need for this quick fix at your local hardware store.



Saturday, May 27 at 10:00 am Fines Field Picnic Shelter (Baseball Diamonds) in Stonewall Please join the fun as we auction off donated perennials, vegetable plants, annuals and assorted garden related items. Light lunch/snacks will be available for purchase. Donations can be dropped off May 27 between 8:30 - 9:30 am If you have items you would like to donate but cannot attend, please contact Tanya Daher @ 204-467-2235 to make arrangements.





Regenerative Agriculture: saving our farmland for the next generation

Educative collaboration between the EIWD and Understanding Ag

By Emma McGill

Humans have been learning to cultivate and care for land since the beginning of the first agricultural revolution about 11,000 years ago and have continued to develop more efficient methods and technology for arable husbandry. The second agricultural revolution brought us things like mechanization, large-scale irrigation and the use of pesticides and herbicides.

Though these methods of farming put into practice on the Canadian prairies have significantly assisted in the foundation that agriculture brings to our communities, they need to be revised. There is major concern rising across the country for the biodiversity of the land and for the health and viability of the crops themselves under current practices. On May 4, Blain Hjertaas and Michael Thiele visited the South Interlake Rockwood Ag Society as a part of a regenerative agriculture workshop hosted by manager Armand Belanger of the East Interlake Watershed District. Hjertaas and Thiele, about five years into their project, come from Understanding Ag, which is an organization of genuine farmers and ranchers who work with clients who are willing to learn about and put a model of regenerative principles into place to create more sustainable and profitable farms. They work with services like Ducks Unlimited to promote conservation.

Hjertaas is a farmer of 49 years from Saskatchewan, 25 of which have been under the regenerative model, who does consulting work for Understanding Ag. Thiele is from the Dauphin area and has always been curious about agriculture, having completed a plant science degree at the University of Manitoba.

Concerningly, after about 20 years of cultivating land using past methods, organic matter in soil has



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Michael Thiele, left, and Blain Hjertaas shared their Continued on page 20 knowledge with farmers at a recent workshop.

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Farmers learned about sustainable farming practices.

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dropped from 12 to two per cent. One third of farmable land has been lost in the last 40 years.

"We are wrecking the resource that our livelihoods depend on," says Hjertaas.

Regenerative agriculture involves using the rules of nature and co-operating with them, and working these rules into our understanding and relationships with nature itself. The six regenerative principles are context (the only man-made principle), living root for as long as possible, diversity, armour on the surface, minimizing disturbance, and animal incorporation. These are the principles that will allow farmers to accommodate nature and its economic processes: energy flow, the water cycle, the mineral cycle, and biodiversity.

During their presentation, Hjertaas and Thiele guided the audience through each principle, its history, and its benefits. They also guided everyone through a few big things that can be done to create healthier soil; the ideal soil is not compact and concentrated but a spacious balance between soil and carbon that allows for water to soak in and room for roots.

This can be tested using a water infiltration test. Understanding Ag also promotes the power of observing the soil directly, using the senses and watching how it changes from day to day. They are highly enthusiastic about these changes being picked up across the prairies.

"There's so much cool stuff being done here in Manitoba and Saskatchewan," says Thiele.

Not only do these methods produce healthier soil with more nutrients and allow for a more biodiverse environment involving large feeders and pollinators, but they also reduce the risk of both droughts and floods. This is where the Watershed District comes in; a watershed is an area of land that carries rainfall and melted snow down to creeks and rivers and eventually to larger bodies of water. The Watershed District is all about protecting those areas of land and sustainably making use of aquatic resources. They also aim to protect wetlands, native grasslands, forests and riparian areas.

Currently, fields that are farmed using typical methods can often take about an hour to absorb one inch of rain, making those fields highly susceptible to floods during intense rainfall. Also, if the field is not soaking up and storing water, it will become very dry very quickly, causing a drought. In contrast, a field that is farmed under regenerative agriculture's ideals would take about 10 to 30 seconds to soak up that one inch of rain. Now, the example being used is just one inch of rain, so let's look at things on a larger, more realistic scale: it is estimated that 25,000 gallons of water could be stored on just one acre of land when following these regenerative principles.

If you missed the collaborative workshop event between the East Interlake Watershed District and Understanding Ag, some things to check out would include any of EIWD's upcoming open houses, or take a look at any of the funding they have available for things like reforestation, prairie rehabilitation and regenerative agriculture practices.



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MFGA Grazing Mentors to support MB Watershed Districts rotational grazing BMPs

Submitted by MFGA

Manitoba farmers interested in the rotational grazing best management practices (BMPs) within the Prairie Watersheds Climate Program (PWCP) led by the Manitoba Association of Watershed Districts (MAW) received great news last week.

Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association (MFGA) has provided MAW with a list of around 15 grazing experts located across the province for watershed districts (WD) to connect farmers with grazing mentors and experts to help bring their PWCP aspirations forward around grazing plans and better understanding grazing practices and BMPs.

"MAW is pleased to announce the PWCP rotational grazing support available to watershed districts through MFGA," said Garry Wasylowski, MAW board chair. "MFGA has been a strong partner within the Prairie Watersheds Climate Program, and we look forward to their services being available to support Manitoba's watershed districts in their delivery of the rotational grazing BMP."

The MFGA grazing mentors all come from within the MFGA network, either board members or supporters. The group's grazing plan approach will be organized by Larry Wegner, MFGA board alumni. Watershed districts may use the provided MFGA mentors list to connect farmers with available mentors. MFGA mentor services to watershed districts may include services such as one-onone mentorship to answer entry-level questions, watershed district support for application review as well as rotational grazing questions.

"The role of MFGA in providing grazing mentors is a great fit for us and we thank PWCP leaders for the opportunity to show our leadership and mentoring abilities on a farmer-to-farmer basis," said Lawrence Knockaert, MFGA chair. "Many of the leaders on our MFGA board and among our grazing mentors are leaders on grazing and regenerative agriculture practices and fully understand what needs to be discussed around grazing plans that help access some of the PWCP rotational grazing funding for farmers."

The MFGA grazing mentor list will help watershed districts facilitate increased uptake of the rotational grazing BMPs of the PWCP, an up to \$40-million program led by MAW through Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's On Farm Climate Action Fund to producers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan to accelerate their adoption and implementation of onfarm beneficial management practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, support production efficiency, sustainability and resiliency on their farm operations.



The Prairie Watershed Climate Program, through the On Farm Climate Action Fund, may fund producers for the adoption or expansion of planning and implementing grazing rotations in their operations. For rotational grazing, these include:

Infrastructure to support the Rotational Grazing Plan

- \$18,0000/quarter to a maximum of \$75,000. Includes all eligible fencing and watering systems.

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- 50% of cost of the plan, up to \$400

practice area that may include the CCA designation). **gement** For more information, contact Duncan Morrison, MFGA executive directo \$400 tor, at 204-770-3548 or Duncan@mfga. net

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22 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 Vidir Vertical Storage Solutions earns Top Employer and other awards for excellence

By Patricia Barrett

Vidir Vertical Storage Solutions earned a number of awards this year for going the distance as an employer.

Vidir Solutions (both its Arborg and Teulon locations) was selected for the second year in a row as one of Manitoba's Top Employers for 2023. It was also selected as one of Canada's Top Small and Medium Employers for 2023

"We are one out of 100 companies Vidir staff were treated to cake after selected across Canada," said Carissa Rempel, program manager, human resources and PR, "and we were one Medium Business Employer this year. of only two product manufacturers selected."

The company designs and builds motorized vertical storage units and carousels for industries including manufacturing, construction, automotive, medical and retail. It has sold its products in over 40 countries.

It was chosen for the awards for a number of business practices that include workplace diversity, staff support and incentives, and charitable giving.

Vidir Solutions provides a maternity leave top-up of 95 per cent for up to 17 weeks, actively recruits women and newcomers, offers free language classes in the workplace to newcomer employees and also pays for half of their time in the classroom, provides employee development incentives that include generous tuition subsidies (sometimes covering an entire university education) and is committed to helping charities with a minimum of 10 per cent of its profits donated each year, said Rempel.

The company's HR team at both its Arborg and Teulon plants was recently awarded a Unity Award from CPHR Manitoba [Chartered Professional in Human Resources] for promoting women in a male-dominated industry, said Rempel. Other finalists for the award included Red River College, the City of Winnipeg and New Flyer Industries.

CPHR is an organization that advances the human resource profession. It offers a number of HR Excel-



winning awards for Manitoba's Top Employer and Top Canadian Small and

lence Awards annually for business and professional excellence. The Unity Award, under the business excellence category, recognizes employers for advancing diversity, inclusivity and accessibility at work. It looks at a culture of inclusion, advancing truth and reconciliation and removing barriers to access.

For its charitable giving in 2023, Rempel said Vidir Solutions will be focusing on Arborg's river trail, Teulon's daycare, the Canadian Food Grains Bank, the Winnipeg Children's Hospital and MEDA [Mennonite Economic Development Associates].

The company rewards its hard-working staff with a number of fun social events and outings each year.

The company recently rented the Scotiabank Theatre in Winnipeg and held a Vidir at the Theatre Day where staff watched a movie and got free popcorn, candy and drinks. It also held a Jets Whiteout Playoffs Contest to see which location (Arborg or Teulon) had more spirit. Teulon staff won and were treated to a pizza party.

"Some upcoming events in the next two months for employees include a cultural potluck, pickleball day with live music and food, a food truck day and a pool party," said Rempel. "Vidsummer camp this summer."

For more information about Vidir Vertical Storage Solutions, visit vidirsolutions.com



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Vidir Solutions earned a Unity Award from CPHR Manitoba [Chartered Professional in Human Resources] for promoting women in a male-dominated industry. From left: Jodi Lee Kaemingk (award presenter), Jasmine Nault, Carissa Rempel (holding award), Dale Stoyanowski and Cristina Vieira (director of HR).



ir is also paying \$100 towards all of Staff watched the 2023 adventure movie The Super Mario Bros. Movie during a their employees' children's tuition to Vidir at the Theatre Day at Scotiabank Theatre in Winnipeg.

> COLOURFUL CANCERCARE, FROM PG. 14

years."

The 22nd annual Breast Cancer Pledge Ride takes place on June 25, rain or shine. The 250-kilometre ride starts in Ile des Chênes, and the first stop is at The Kiln Drive-In in Stonewall. After that, the riders head to Winnipeg Beach before returning to Ile des Chênes.

Last year, 290 people took part in the ride on more than 250 motorcycles. Together, they raised more than \$55,000.

Over the years, the Breast Cancer

Pledge Ride has raised more than \$1.2 million for CancerCare Manitoba Foundation, and all the funds stay in the province.

To learn more about the Breast Cancer Pledge Ride, visit http:// www.breastcancerpledgeride. com/.

To pledge Roy Kelly's ride, visit https://support.cancercarefdn. mb.ca/site/TR/communityevents/General?px=1030122&pg=personal&fr_id=1843



Vidir's female staff enjoying lunch in the lunchroom.

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, May 18, 2023 **23** Ag fair promises an unforgettable weekend full of fun-filled activities

Stonewall Fair making a comeback June 3, 4 and 5

By Annaliese Meier

The Stonewall Fair has been a beloved tradition in the community for many years.

This year, tradition comes alive as Tami Couch and her husband Curtis McClintock are bringing back the old-fashioned fair to their community. From cow petting to writing competitions, there is something for everyone to enjoy during this fun-filled weekend event from June 3 to 5.

Couch and her husband recently became members of the South Interlake Rockwood Ag Society in hopes of reviving the fair.

She wants to share her fond memories of the fair growing up locally.

"Because we live in an agricultural community, we wanted to bring it back into society," said Couch.

She is eager to bring back the event that celebrates agriculture and brings together families.

Couch remembers the writing contests and has partnered with staff at Ecole RW Bobby Bend School and Ecole Centennial School to bring back the tradition. Students are encouraged to practise their printing and cursive writing that will be entered and judged against fellow students. The return of these classic competitions will undoubtedly add an extra layer of fun and excitement for visitors attending this year's agricultural fair.

The fair promises not just fun and games but also opportunities for children to learn about their heritage.

Guests can come out and see a traditional Red River cart and oxen while hearing about one of the original treks from the United States into Manitoba.

This year's fair includes an outdoor market featuring 60 vendors selling crafts, produce and merchandise from local entrepreneurs.

Visitors can expect all kinds of activities during these three action-packed days.

For those who are more interested in cuddly animals, don't miss Six Pines' petting zoo where cows, chickens and pigs await visitors. You'll have a chance to get up close and personal with these farm animals, feed them some hay or maybe even give them a gentle pat or take a selfie.

There will be a pancake breakfast held from 9 a.m. till noon on both Saturday and Sunday. This old-fashioned breakfast is a tradition for many families and will include delicious pancakes, bacon, sausages and syrup.

Guests can take in the horse show that will take place throughout the weekend as well.



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A petting zoo will be one of the highlights at the South Interlake Rockwood Ag Society fair on June 3, 4 and 5.

Also new this year is the live entertainment on Saturday night where visitors can expect a lively atmosphere filled with music, dancing and fun.

The first annual classic car show will take place on Sunday for any car enthusiasts. This event will feature a variety of vintage cars that have been lovingly restored and preserved by their owners.

Couch is also hoping to have the largest sandbox in the Interlake for

kids to enjoy.

Reviving old-fashioned fairs like these is crucial for keeping communities connected to their history while providing fun-filled experiences for everyone involved.

Admission is free, and family and friends are welcome. So grab your friends and family and join us as we celebrate our agricultural roots in style at the Red Barn south of Stonewall just off Highway 236.

> A MUSICIAN AT HEART, FROM PG. 10

be add a little humour to it as well," said Trach.

Last year, Trach reached out to Cover Nation, a social media community of cover creators and fans, and they agreed to feature two of his videos — a Billie Eilish cover and a Brandi Carlile cover. This year they partnered with Atlantic Records for the Singing Gold Contest, where artists could choose one of four song options to cover and submit their entries as a video. Trach decided to put his own spin on the song "Beth" by Kiss. His video was filmed locally inside St. Cyprian's Anglican Church in Teulon with help from his brother-in-law, Craig Cesmystruk. To date, winners have not yet been announced.

Another recent project Trach has been working on with his wife, Maegan, is Rockstars Karaoke. The couple has enjoyed this pastime for over ten years and even built a karaoke stage in their previous residence. David and Maegan have a seven-year-old son whose musical talent follows in his dad's footsteps. Their son is heavily involved with the Green Acres Art Centre (GAAC), a non-profit organization in Teulon offering various arts programming for all ages. Maegan has also recently joined their volunteer board.

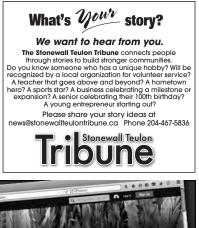
"We are deeply appreciative of the team at the GAAC and all they have done for our son and our family. In fact, the GAAC is the main reason that we decided to move to Teulon. We wanted to come up with a way of supporting the organization and giving back to the community," said Trach.

Maegan approached GAAC board president Lana Knor

with the idea of hosting a karaoke night as a fundraiser. Rockstars Karaoke debuted in January 2023 at Fry-Days Restaurant & Lounge, a rising star sponsor of GAAC. Since then, GAAC has created Greenlight Karaoke hosted by their guitar, banjo and vocal instructor, Gareth McNichol-Briggs, and Maegan volunteer as co-host for their events.

Save the date because Rockstars Karaoke is returning to Fry-Days to kick off Canada Day weekend in Teulon. They will start the party at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 30, and patrons can keep singing until close. David and Maegan will host the event supporting the GAAC by selling progressive 50/50 tickets, which will be available at Fry-Days, Teulon Senior Resource Centre, and 2nd Time Around Market. A winner will be drawn at the event on June 30, and the funds raised will support GAAC summer camps.

"Dave and Maegan are true talents, hosts and entertainers. Rockstars Karaoke creates such a positive energy at Fry-Days that those who attend catch the karaoke vibe, and the crowd participation is wonderful," said Fry-Days owner Holly Spencer.





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By Jennifer McFee

A master chocolatier is honouring her local roots with a mouth-watering treat inspired by her childhood in rural Manitoba.

Rachel McKinley grew up in Stonewall and is now based in Vancouver, where she's enjoying a sweet career

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with Purdys Chocolatier. McKinley, a Stonewall Collegiate graduate, earned an undergraduate degree in science from the University of Manitoba. She applied for medical school and started making chocolate for fun while she waited to hear if she was accepted.

After three years of applications and waitlists,

McKinley decided to change directions and focus entirely on chocolate. She took online courses and did internships with chocolatiers across North America.

Over time, the budding entrepreneur ran her own small business in Manitoba called Prairie Girl Chocolates and another in Vancouver called Cocoa Nymph, while also teaching at a chocolate school.

For the past eight years, she's been working for Purdys Chocolatier based in the company's factory kitchen in Vancouver.

One of her mouth-watering chocolate creations called "Saskatoon Berry" stems from her fond memories of Manitoba.

"The saskatoon berry chocolate starts with a mould, which is sprayed with a coating of light purple-coloured cocoa but-**"IT'S THE PERFECT** ter — cocoa butter is the fat that gives chocolate its structure. Then it is SCIENCE, ART AND a dark chocolate shell and filled with white chocolate mixed with a concentrated saskatoon juice," McKinley explained.

"I grew up in Manitoba and my grandparents were all Mennonites. As early European settlers, my ancestors learned to use saskatoons, and one of my favourite dishes growing up was saskatoon 'verenika' - perogies that my paternal grandmother would make. This chocolate was inspired by my grandma and her cooking."

Purdys Chocolatier sells the saskatoon berry chocolate seasonally, and



Saskatoon berry chocolate is available for the season.

it remains popular year over year. It's currently available for purchase at all Purdys shops across Canada.

"We have sold this chocolate every summer for a few years now," McKinley said, "and people love it and wait for it to come back."

For McKinley, making chocolate has offered an enjoyable career path.

"It's the perfect blend of science, art and sociability. It makes people happy, and that brings me so much joy," she said.

"We are always working on new things in our factory



Rachel McKinley, a master chocolatier with **Purdys Chocolatier**

kitchen. I'm really proud of our new vegan caramel, which allows folks who can't eat dairy to still enjoy caramel chocolates."

Although the West Coast is now home for McKinley, she remains connected to her Manitoba roots.

"I love hearing from folks from back home when our chocolates make them happy," she said. "Say hi through our social channels."

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Age Friendly representatives Joie Van Dongen, Andre Lafleche and Sharon Pakuliak met with Rockwood council at the May 10 meeting to provide an update about the organization's activities.

The group continues to be busy with various events and initiatives. The representatives shared posters with council for a program called Tuesday Talks and Treats, which take place from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Odd Fellows Hall (374 1st St. West) in Stonewall. They encourage younger and older adults to attend the upcoming information sessions, which are held in partnership with 55 Plus.

On June 1, Doug Grantham will speak about wills, power of attorney and health directives. On June 8, Ken Loehmer will speak about funeral planning. On June 15, a representative from the RCMP will speak about keeping seniors safe, with a focus on fraud, scams and abuse.

Registration at the door for each event or by calling 204-467-2582.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

• The RM of Rockwood will sign a contract for the 2023 asphalt trail proposal with the Whiteout Group Inc. for an estimated price of \$376,997.25.

• The RM will install stop signs for southbound traffic at the intersections of 10th Street East and 11th Street East at 74th Avenue South, as well as Road 7E at Road 79N.

• The RM of Rockwood will sign an agreement to provide mutual aid services with the RM of Woodlands when needed.

• Council will request that the Public Utilities Board approve Gunton utility's operating deficit of \$97,428 to be recovered through a transfer from the working capital surplus. The operating deficit was incurred from 2015 to 2020. In 2021, Gunton utility had a working capital surplus of \$504,195, which exceeds 20 per cent of its expenses that year.

• Council authorized a \$100,000 payment to the Town of Stonewall towards recreation funding. Both councils will revisit their recreation funding support for 2024.

• Council conditionally approved a

request to vary a minimum rear yard setback in Stony Mountain to accommodate the construction of an 18-foot by 12-foot attached deck.

• Council also conditionally approved a variation request for a proposed farmstead on Road 10E.

• Council authorized two teams to enter the 18th Annual Ralph Eichler Charity Golf Tournament on Friday, June 9.

• The RM of Rockwood will provide a \$1,000 sponsorship to the Stonewall Quarry Days committee, which is the executive sponsorship level.

• Council authorized Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Commission to approve the Stony Mountain Goose Shoot Association to host a goose shoot at the Stony Mountain Community Centre on Sept. 29 from 3 p.m. to 1 a.m. and on Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

An RM of Rockwood employee will bring a grader to the annual Touch-A-Truck fundraiser on June 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Council also supports a fly-by and landing of RCAF aircraft as low as 500 feet for the event. The event is a fundraiser

for Stonewall Children's Centre and it will be held at the Stonewall Rockwood Agricultural Society, located at PR 236 and Road 75N.

• Council authorized a \$1,000 donation as a sponsor for the National U22 Canadian Baseball National Male Championships, which will be held in Stonewall from Aug. 3 to 6.

• Council approved a request to set off fireworks at a property on Road 5E at 11 p.m. on June 17. However, if there is a fire ban at the time, then permission will be denied.

• Council defeated a request to donate \$100 to Canada Post Community Foundation's charity fundraising campaign.

• Council gave third and final reading to the 2023 budget. Coun. Lyle Willis voted against the resolution, while the rest of council voted in favour. Council adopted the 2023 financial plan.

• Council passed first reading of an amendment to the existing bylaw to establish and operate a waste management system in the RM of Rockwood.

• The committee of the whole meeting on May 24 is cancelled. The next regular council meeting will be on June 14.



Team Manitoba wins medals at 2023 National Aboriginal Hockey Championships

Staff

Team Manitoba won the gold after defeating Ontario 5-2 at the 2023 National Aboriginal Male Hockey Championship at the Seven Oaks Sportsplex in Winnipeg last weekend.

Manitoba's roster included Ian Buors of St. Laurent, who was a forward with the Interlake Lightning this past season, while Peguis' Darian Sinclair played with the KJHL's Peguis Juniors.

Buors finished the tournament with four goals and an assist and also scored in the gold-medal game. Sinclair added an assist at the tournament.

Manitoba advanced to the gold-medal game after beating Saskatchewan 5-2 in a semifinal contest.

Team Manitoba was 2–0-1 in preliminary play after defeating Eastern Door and the North (14-0) and Ontario (4-1) before playing to a 4-4 draw with Atlantic.

Meanwhile, Lundar goaltender Rachel Halldor-

son and East St. Paul's Ella Stewner were members of Team Manitoba that won silver at the 2023 National Aboriginal Female Hockey Championship in Winnipeg last weekend.

Manitoba lost 2-1 to Ontario in the championship game.

Ontario's goals were scored by Ali Altiman and Sydney Sawyer while Addison Dyck replied for Manitoba.

Manitoba reached the gold-medal game after defeating Alberta 4-1 in a semifinal contest.

In preliminary play, Manitoba posted a 4-0 record while outscoring its opponents 29-2. Team Manitoba defeated Saskatchewan (5-0), Alberta (2-0), Atlantic (9-0), and Eastern Door and the North (13-2).

Halldorson received the player of the game award against Saskatchewan and also was in goal against Alberta twice and Ontario in the final.



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Lundar goaltender Rachel Halldorson and Team Manitoba won the silver at the 2023 National Aboriginal Hockey Championships in Winnipeg.

Lightning name new head coach



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The Interlake Minor Hockey Association recently announced that Ashley Ross has been named the head coach of the Interlake Lightning U13 AA female hockey team for the 2023-24 season.

Blue Jays beat Bisons twice

By Brian Bowman

There were a lot of happy mothers on Sunday at Quarry Park.

At least, the ones that were cheering for the Interlake Blue Jays.

The Blue Jays gave their mothers an extra Mother's Day gift by sweeping the Altona Bisons in a doubleheader to begin the Manitoba Junior Baseball League season.

Interlake won games by scores of 11-1 and 5-3.

"The first game (Landin Irvine, a lefty) threw and he threw very well and they weren't as good as I expected," said Blue Jays' coach Dave Meyers. "The second game was a good game. They just played so good, it was fun to be there. They kept fighting, we were losing and then they came back and (Altona) would come back and we finally came back and finished it off."

Connor Smith pitched great in his five innings of work.

"We were in trouble in the first inning and he bailed us out," Myers said. "He got us out of a jam. There was nobody out and the bases loaded and he only gave up one run."

Liam Allen closed out the game with two solid innings on the mound.

The two home wins were a great start to the season.

"I told the boys that we're going to be a lot better this year," Myers said. "Last year was a learning curve for me, too. I didn't know any of these guys so that was a learning curve. You get to know them and you know what to expect. It was fun to start (the season) that way and keep this going."

Interlake will host the St. James A's on Wednesday and the Carillon Sultans next Monday at Quarry Park. Both games will start at 7:30 p.m.

This season for the Blue Jays will be an extremely exciting one as Interlake will host the eight-team U22 men's nationals Aug. 3-6.

"I think it's going to be a great weekend ... and I think we'll be right there," Myers said. "We'll give anybody a run for their money."

Planning-wise everything is going great, said Myers, but there still is a need fo volunteers.

"A lot of stuff has been taken care of by other companies," Myers said. "They're really helping out, they're taking care of a food thing and the beer garden is taken care of and all that. We don't have to worry about stuff like that and that has really taken a load off. But we're going to need volunteers to work the front gate and we're going to need volunteers to work the clothing booth where they're selling the Baseball Canada apparel. And we need people to do the scorekeeping. We definitely need help (with volunteers)."

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact either Myers at 204-791-7087 or by email at drmeyersbaseball@gmail.com or Adam Kirk at 204-461-0593 or via email at homehandyman25@yahoo.ca.

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Open in Belgium at 11-under par 273. He ended the tournament in a five-way tie for 10th.

Cockerill opened the tournament with consecutive rounds of one-under 70, fired a five-under 66, and wrapped up play with a four-under 67. In the past five DP World Golf events, Cockerill has finished tied for 10th, tied for 16th, tied for 21st, placed second and tied for 13th.

Earlier this month, it was announced that Cockerill will compete at the 2023 RBC Canadian Open at the Oakdale Golf and Country Club.

He received an exemption for the elite tournament.

Also accepting an exemption to compete is Canadian golf icon and President's Cup International Team Captain Mike Weir of Bright's Grove, Ont.,

who will be competing in his 31st RBC Canadian Open.

Some of the big names that will play at the Canadian Open include Matthew Fitzpatrick and world No. 3-ranked Rory McIlroy, who will be looking to become the first player to win three consecutive RBC Canadian Open titles. McIlroy and Fitzpatrick will be joined by fellow European stars Tommy Fleetwood and Shane Lowry.

A full Canadian contingent will also challenge for the national championship led by PGA TOUR winners Corey Conners of Listowel, Ont. (world No. 30); Mackenzie Hughes of Dundas, Ont. (world No. 57); Adam Svensson of Surrey, B.C. (world No. 56); Nick Taylor of Abbotsford, B.C. (world No. 65); and Adam Hadwin of Abbotsford, B.C. (world No. 71) as well as fellow PGA TOUR members Taylor Pendrith of Richmond Hill, Ont., and Michael Gligic of Burlington, Ont.



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Rams compete at W.C. Miller Classic baseball tournament

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams finished with a 1-3 record at the W.C. Miller Classic baseball tournament last weekend in Altona.

Many of the top teams in the province make the yearly trek to this tour-

nament.

"I'm really happy with how we did, just considering some outside factors," said Rams' coach Cody Ben-son. "We had a few injuries pop up on the weekend so the team that was

healthy showed up and played really **Phillies win silver**



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The Interlake Phillies U15 AAA team won a silver medal this past weekend at the Regina Season Kickoff Tournament. Interlake went undefeated in the round robin before beating the Regina Fighting Saints 7-5 in the semifinals. The Phillies then played the Lumsden Cubs in the final and lost 10-2. Pictured back row, left to right: Robyn Deprez, Maddy Fines, Peyton Rinn, Riley Swanson, Kassie Siwak, Scarlett Dowsett, Jamie Dowsett, Olivia Hagen, Avery Deprez, Brenda Woods and Kalin McGuirk. Front row, left to right: Paige Powroznik, Brooklyn Sachvie, Taylor Huminuk, Lucy Hoff and Keira Pattie.

going on."

The Rams lost 19-7 to Boissevain/ Wawanesa in a semifinal game on Saturday.

"They were a very good team and we were missing a bunch of guys," Benson said. "We had three guys injured and four guys had to leave for work so we were shorthanded and it was a weekend where we were limited on pitching but they hit the ball. We got off to a good lead right off the bat but they hit the ball when they had to and we didn't."

Boissevain/Wawanesa was then defeated 3-2 by the Steinbach Regional Sabres in the championship game.

Stonewall started the tournament Friday with a 12-0 loss to the Garden City Fighting Gophers.

The Rams were then downed 12-8 by Steinbach Regional later that day. On Saturday, Stonewall doubled the

Morden Thunder 4-2. "We played extremely well," Benson said. "Our defence was solid all game long. We had six innings

well considering everything that was from Hayden Wheddon, who hadn't pitched in a few years. We need the win to make semis and we knew that going in. We scored when we had to and we played really, really good on defence - airtight defence. Alex Myers had to come in and play shortstop because we had an injury and he did really well."

> On May 11, the Rams defeated the Warren Collegiate Wildcats 11-6 in Zone 5 action. The Rams grabbed a quick 11-1 lead and held on for the win.

> "The bats were going and we got a really good start from Ella Holm," Benson said.

> Stonewall will play the Lake St. Martin Cougars in another Zone 5 game this Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in Grosse Isle.

> There are five teams in Zone 5 this season and the top four advance to the playoffs.

> The Rams played the Garden City Fighting Gophers in an exhibition game on Monday at Shaw Park but no score was available.

Selkirk to host pickleball tournament

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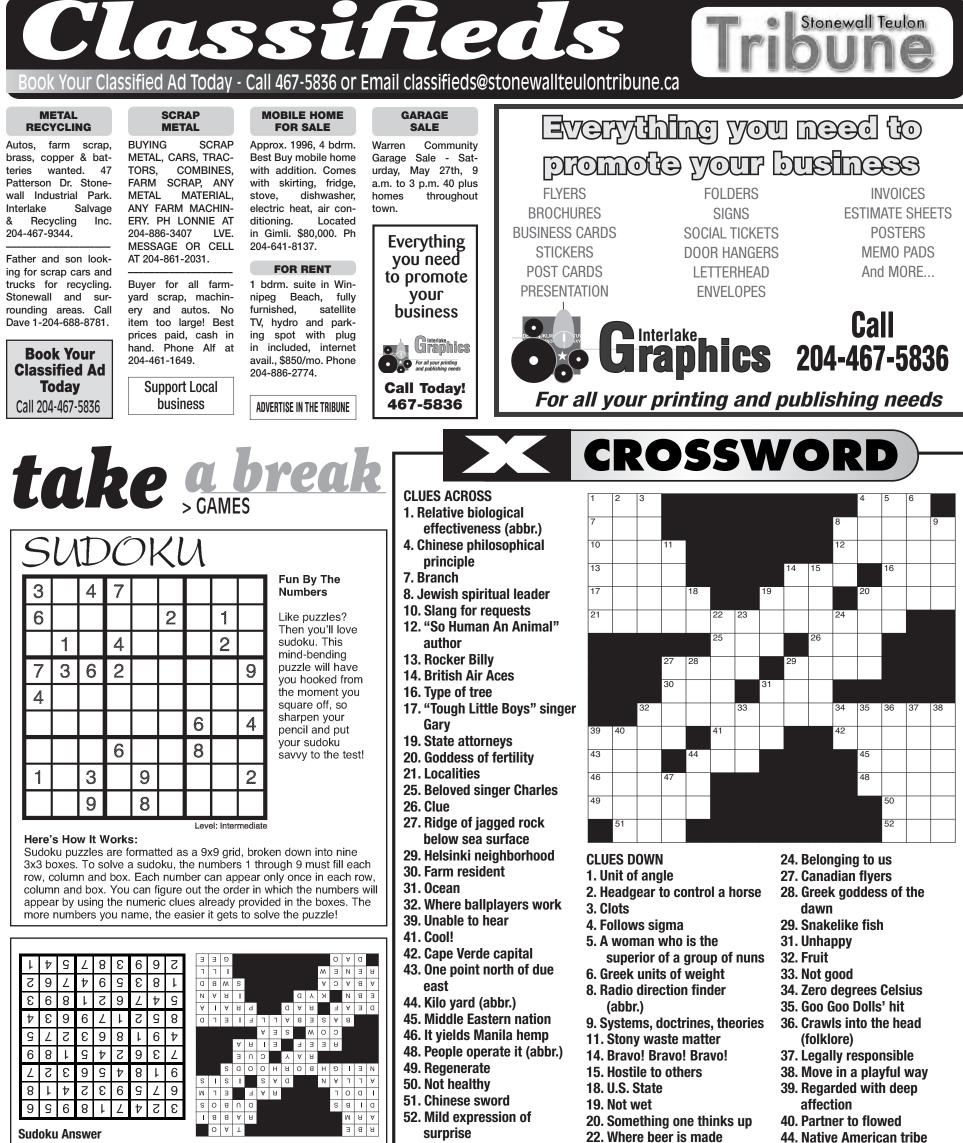
Selkirk is hosting its first pickleball tournament starting this Wednesday and finishing Sunday afternoon.

Recreational and intermediate players will be competing Wednesday, Thursday and Friday while advanced competitive players will be competing on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday evening will feature some of the best in the province. The tournament is being held at the Selkirk Community Church gym, 6569, Highway 9 and has over 200 entries.

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23. Clumsy person



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Town of Stonewall Attention: Jennifer Smith iennifer@stonewall.ca

293 Main Street, Box 250 Stonewall, MB ROC 2Z0 Deadline for applications: 4:00 PM on June 1, 2023

Start date: July 4, 2023

We thank all applicants, however only those granted an interview will be contacted.



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Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Council,

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Please complete the Offer Form in the Notice posted on our website at www.teulon.ca under "Latest News & Announcements". All offer forms, with item(s) clearly identified, are to be received in a sealed envelope marked "Surplus Equipment" at the Town Office, 44 Fourth Avenue SE Teulon Manitoba no later than 4:00 pm Monday May 29, 2023. Pickup of items will take place on Friday, June 2, 2023 no later than 3:30pm.

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Winfried Armin Glas

OBITUARY

Peacefully on May 10, 2023, Winfried ended his journey on Earth and reunited with his wife Johanna in Heaven. During this time Bruce, Tabitha, Travis and Melvina with Ember, Haley, and Tyson kept him company.

Dad was born October 10, 1934 in Germany and managed to survive hardships during a war and the rulings of a communist governing dictatorship. In 1959 he managed to find a way out (escape), along with two of his brothers and made their way to Canada. He left behind five siblings, his mother, and a former wife and three children and it broke my Dad's heart that they were unable to flee with him at the time and later.

Arriving in Canada, Dad self-taught the English language and found work easily since he was a jack of all trades and had many talents. However, culinary was his calling and he first started

prepping meals for the airlines. He then worked at a German restaurant where he met Johanna, catered his own wedding on October 10, 1964 and started a family. Together throughout the years, they ran a restaurant in Northern Manitoba and later owned two restaurants, both in Winnipeg. Times were great, Johanna and Winfried found time to enjoy family vacations, curling, playing cards which, he mostly lost at but was a good sport, dancing, gambling trips to the USA, and on the top of the list was having family gathering for any reason. Winfried was always looking for new challenges and came across property in Inwood that started off as a vacation home. It slowly grew from hobby farm to permanent full-time country living. Hosting all two and four legged animals, that loved to snack in their garden, but leaving enough for freezing and canning.

Unfortunately farm accidents happened and Winfried happened to be in the midst. A vehicle accident where he almost lost his leg and on a separate occasion where he sustained broken ribs from a charging new mother cow. Lastly having being kicked in the head and to top it off, he also suffered a heart attack. Thankfully being a tough European he bounced back. But as time went on, new challenges arose and in 2019 Dad was admitted into a care home. Unfortunately, things did not get better due to lockdowns and isolation that ultimately took a toll mentally and physically to the point his body and mind broke. But throughout these times, he was always positive and witty. He never complained and was always agreeable going with the flow. We were fortunate that he was able to meet his newly great granddaughter, Ember, before his passing.

Thanks to the staff at Rosewood Lodge and Dr. Graham.

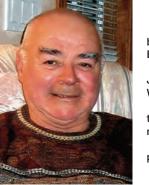
A private family interment will be held at the Stonewall Cemetery. John 5:24

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

May 10 was a bright beautiful warm day and the sky later opened up with thunder and rain revealing the rainbow of God's promise. To me, God answered my prayer by showing me this sign. Thanks be to God!

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OBITUARY

Henry Allan Janzen

August 14, 1944 – May 9, 2023 It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of our brother Henry Janzen, age 78, of Stony Mountain, formerly of Boissevain.

Henry was predeceased by his parents Henry and Emma (Nickel) Janzen, two infant sisters, an infant brother, brother-in-law Peter Wiebe and one niece.

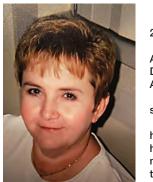
He is survived by his two sisters Irma Wiebe, Betty (Petr) Stryk, two brothers, Vern (Carol), Dennis (Dorothy) and his nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 2:00 pm at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel, 433 Main Street, Stonewall. A private interment will take place at a later date.

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OBITUARY



Susan Kathleen Danard (nee Campbell) Born in Thunder Bay, Ontario, December 11th, 1961 to May 10th,

2023 in Stonewall, MB. Leaving behind husband Rob; son James (Christina); daughter Amanda (Justin); sister Evelyn; grandchildren: Tanisha, Natalie,

Devon, Diego, Sadie, Kirby, Kix; great- grandchildren: Madivh, Aesir, Fenrir, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Predeceased: husband Kirby; father Lloyd; mother Winnifred;

stepmother Doreen; siblings Geraldine, Doug, Warren, and Joyce. Susan worked hard in many different fields but spent most of her time in the trucking industry. She loved spending time with her family, but especially with her grandchildren. Susan never missed a single sporting event, concert, choir or play. She was their biggest fan. Susan spent her summers outdoors farming, camping, quadding, fishing, and winters snowmobiling, driving to

hockey and ice fishing. Susan was always there anytime her friends or family needed her; she was always ready with open arms for a good old hug.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, May 17 at 1:00 p.m. at Gunton-Greenwood Hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations to CancerCare are welcome.

Thank you to CancerCare Manitoba, all the doctors and nurses in Winnipeg, Selkirk and Stonewall as well as all the family and friends for their support.



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



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