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Memory trees at Stonewall and Teulon libraries, tips for dealing with grief

By Patricia Barret

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's palliative care program is providing people with an opportunity to mourn the loss of their loved ones through holiday memory trees that have been set up in public places, health facilities and online.

Barb Ramsay, a palliative care volunteer co-ordinator with the IERHA, said having support systems and the chance to honour loved ones at this time of year can help people deal with grief.

"We have all experienced loss and grief to some degree. Some have experienced the death of a loved one and are bereaved," said Ramsay in a statement shared by the health authority. "Support systems and ways to honour are more important than ever."

The palliative care program, with assistance from companion volunteers, community groups and other IERHA staff, has placed trees at the Stonewall library and at the Teulon library where people can place card ornaments on the trees in memory of their loved one. Grief resources for all ages will also be placed at each tree.

During the holiday season when so

much focus is on family, Ramsay said it can be difficult for people who are grieving to feel like celebrating.

"These [memory trees] are meaningful gestures, which are so important around any special day when our sorrow is heightened," she said.

The health authority is also providing people with an opportunity to submit an online memory, which will be posted on the virtual memory tree webpage.

Visit <https://www.ierha.ca/forms/virtual-memory-tree> or click on the banner at the top of the main IERHA webpage www.ierha.ca

The IERHA is sharing a number of supportive ways people can help themselves during the holiday season. The palliative care program recognizes that this is a difficult time of year and that the absence of loved ones can be more noticeable or painful for many people.

"We all have expectations about what the holidays should be like and how we should feel. We also know that a death in the family changes many things, and this holiday season will be different from others in the past," states the care program.

The palliative care team has put to-

gether the following list of suggestions (with reference to the Victoria Hospice Society) to help people cope with grief:

- As much as we'd like to skip from November to January, this isn't possible. It will be more helpful for you to take control of the situation and plan for what you do and do not want to do to get through this time.

- Family get-togethers may be difficult. It is often helpful to be honest with each other about your feelings, to sit down and decide what you all want to do. Try not to set expectations too high for yourself or other family members on special days.

- Be careful of "should." It is better to do what feels best for you and your family, not what you or others think you should do. Give yourself permission to not do things. Once you have decided how your family will handle the holidays, let others know. Remember, what you choose to do this time can always be changed next year.

- Recognize that your distress about the holidays is normal. It doesn't make you a bad person. Other bereaved people have felt, and do feel, as you do right now.



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People who are grieving the loss of a loved one can place a card ornament on memory trees that are set up at the Stonewall and Teulon libraries and in IERHA facilities.

- Recognize, too, that you can be happy and express joy. This does not mean that you are dishonouring the person who has died.

- Do the holiday preparations

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Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

A Rockwood resident is requesting conditional use approval to operate a home industry for reconditioning and minor repair of vehicles, which would be sold off-site from the Road 78N property.

The 46.91-acre property has an existing single-family home, accessory building and farmland. The proposed business would take place in an existing 2,400-square-foot accessory building on the property. Any vehicles being worked on would be kept in the shop, and there would be no outdoor vehicle storage.

The business would operate part-

time, with the shop being used an estimated two days or less per week. The applicant estimates the business would sell between zero and six vehicles per month.

South Interlake Planning District didn't have any significant concerns with the proposed home industry and recommended conditional approval.

IN OTHER COUNCIL NEWS:

- Rockwood council received a request to vary the minimum front yard setback to authorize the construction of an 850-square-foot secondary suite within a principal dwelling at a property on Highway 7 near Teulon.

The applicant would like the minimum front yard to be 95 feet compared the required 125 feet for the 40-acre property, which is in the agricultural general zone.

The South Interlake Planning District had no significant concerns with the proposed secondary suite within a principal dwelling.

- Council received a request to authorize an agri-tourism business on Road 75N. In April 2020, South Interlake Planning District received information about an unauthorized business operating on the property.

Due to the pandemic, SIPD paused numerous enforcement files, including this one, although correspondence was exchanged with the property

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that you enjoy and look for alternatives for those you don't. This year you could buy baked goods, let others bake for you or do without.

- Be aware of the pressures, demands and fatigue that come with the holidays. Take time out to care for yourself. You will need all your energy during this time.

- Be gentle with yourself. Tears and sadness are normal and do not have to ruin the entire holiday for you or for others. Let yourself cry and you will be surprised that you can go on again.

- As the holiday approaches, it may be helpful to share your concerns, feelings and worries with someone. Try to accept their offers of help.

- Do something symbolic. Think about including rituals that can symbolize your memory of your loved one. For example, putting up a special ornament, lighting a candle or setting aside a special time to remember your loved one. Watch for Memory Trees or memorial events offered in your community. Rituals allow you to direct your feelings and thoughts into an activity. They can make your feelings more manageable.

- You may find yourself reminiscing about other holidays you shared with your deceased loved one. This is normal. Let the memories come. Talk about them. This is part of mourning and doesn't stop just because it is a holiday.

- Consider doing something for someone else. Although you may feel hurt, reaching out to another can bring you fulfillment.

Manitoba Shared Health also provides information about dealing with grief through the "Navigating feelings of grief during the holiday season" posting on its website (shared-healthmb.ca). Selkirk Mental Health nurse educator Mallory Schmitz offers

a number of suggestions that include acknowledging your feelings as you enter the season, being honest about what you need if you feel a gathering will be difficult, setting limits (e.g., declining invitations) if you're feeling overwhelmed and taking time out for

yourself.

People can access online mental health supports through the IERHA at any time by visiting www.ierha.ca/programs-services/mental-health. The IERHA also has a 24-hour crisis line: 1-866-427-8628.

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Holiday safety tips

With the holidays fast approaching, it's important to know how to keep your pet safe! That's why we're sharing holiday safety tips for you and your pet.

Here are some tips so you ensure your Holidays are a safe and exciting time for your pet.

Holiday safety tips

Tinsel: This is a big 'no-no' for pets. Cats and dogs are attracted to the shiny material and if they swallow it, it could cause serious damage to their intestines.

Christmas Tree: Make sure your tree is secure! If it falls over on one of your pets it could cause serious injuries. Check that it's sturdy and consider fastening it to the wall for added security.

Holiday flowers: Christmas flowers can be a nice hostess gift to brighten the home – but they can be deadly to your pets. A list of the most common, toxic holiday plants for cats includes:

- Oleander
- Morning glory
- Holly
- Daffodil bulbs
- Ivy
- Mistletoe
- Impatiens
- Geranium



Holly can cause nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, while mistletoe and poinsettias can cause stomach upset. It's not worth it! Keep your pets safe and keep the plants out.

Holidays meals: We know you're proud of the holiday meal you created – but that doesn't mean you should share it with your pets. Consider keeping your pets in a separate and comfortable room while serving and eating your holiday meal to keep them from sneaking a bite.

Alcohol-Not for Pets: This one seems pretty straightforward. Just like human food, chocolate and candy, alcoholic beverages are not meant to be consumed by pets. So keep an eye on your drink.

Other hazards

Things like wires, batteries, glass or plastic ornaments, are all part of decoration, but keep them out of your pet's reach. They pose a serious hazard to your pet lying around. If you're going to have candles out, make sure they are never left unattended where your pets can get to them. Not only could a lit candle start a fire in your home if knocked over, it could also seriously injure your pet.

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of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, supporting local entrepreneurs is more important than ever. Small businesses rely on a loyal customer base to thrive, and your patronage during the holiday season is crucial to their recovery from the current economic crisis.

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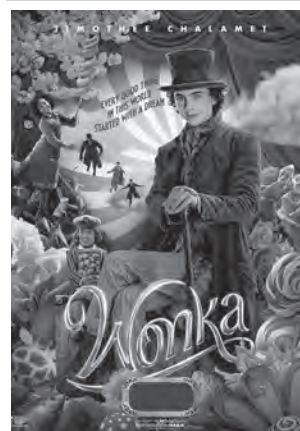
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Woodlands council news in brief

By Autumn Fehr

The RM of Woodlands has realized the response and repair costs for the 2023 spring flood, which had minimal impact. The flooding occurred in localized spots throughout the municipality and had a few roads wash out, which required gravel to fix. The total cost of the gravel was \$4,693.28. The RM requested to participate in the provincial government's Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) Program to assist with the costs. As the total financial impact was so low, the RM was not eligible to claim the costs through DFA as it did not meet the program's deductible, which has to be surpassed if an RM is eligible to claim any of its disaster expenses. The RM's deductible for 2023 was \$13,357. On behalf of its residents and property owners, the RM has sent in a request in the event residents and property owners incurred financial costs related to the spring flood. This resolution allows ratepayers impacted by the 2023 flooding to apply through the provincial DFA program to help with the costs. For more information on the program, visit Disaster Financial Assistance | Manitoba Emergency Management Organization (gov.mb.ca).

Coun. Bryan Myskiw submitted a notice of motion for council to review and reverse the decision to apply for Phase 2 of the LUD boundary expansion. This was to be reviewed at the committee of the whole meeting on Dec. 19, and the motion was to be brought back to the table at the special meeting, which has been called for the same day.

In other council news:

- Council approved Manitoba Hydro's proposed gas works expansion for Rock Lake Hutterite Colony. The colony submitted a private application to Hydro for a natural gas service. The RM is not involved in the contract, except that the natural gas lines are installed in the municipal right-of-way (in the ditch). The colony is responsible for the cost.

- Council authorized a ¼-page ad to be placed in the 2024 Interlake Travel Guide for \$400 plus taxes.

- Council authorized the addition of utility accounts receivables to the tax roll. Every year, outstanding utility balances are added to the tax roll. This means that unpaid utility amounts become owing with municipal taxes the following year and can be collect-

ed in the same manner as taxes.

- Council accepted the tender from Kyle and Kelley Sigurdson for cleaning the RM office, public works shop in Woodlands and the multi-purpose building in Warren. This was an existing cleaning contract that council decided to renew. The contract will be accounted for in the 2024 budget. The rate for the service is unchanged at \$45 per hour, which includes insurance, travel and most cleaning supplies. The cleaning schedule depends on the building — either weekly, monthly or seasonally. So far in 2023, the RM has spent \$5,701.50 on cleaning services, with a couple more invoices expected before the end of the year.

- The RM authorized Catalis Technologies Canada Ltd. to update the RM website to be accessibility compliant for \$1,000. The upgrades required by the Accessibility of Manitobans Act include excluding non-functional icons/spacers from assistive technology, providing descriptions and tagging for background images acting as standard images, consistent hierarchy with titles and tagging elements with button functionality for assistive technology. The money is expensed under website maintenance/upgrades.

Correction

Staff

In last week's edition of the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* in the article "Local hunters have game scored at deer head competition," there was an error in the Youth division.

The youth winner was Erin-view's Noah Long as reported, but second place should have said Elizabeth Evans of Balmoral.

The *Tribune* apologizes for the error.

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erty owners between 2021 and 2022.

The landowners didn't apply for the required conditional use, and in 2023 they indicated that they would be selling the property.

Now the new landowners are seeking conditional use approval for the agri-tourism business, which would include a U-pick berry farm and weekly farmers' markets in the summer, as well as other seasonal events such as a fall fair and sleigh rides.

The new owners might also consider

adding other events such as a petting farm, pony rides and music and craft evenings.

The South Interlake Planning District recommended approval with conditions.

- Starting Jan. 1, the Winfield transfer station and the Teulon-Rockwood waste disposal grounds will only accept debit cards but not cash.

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Last Sunday, Jacob, Grady and Hailey Stetch were at Jimm's Hill trying out a new toboggan that Hailey won the night before at a Christmas party. The Stetch family were enjoying the toboggan hill in spite of the cooler temperatures. The thermometer registered -3 degrees C. with a strong southeast wind that made it feel like -10 degrees. Help the *Tribune* record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: news@stonewallteulontribune.ca.

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God is not dead, nor does He sleep

Recently I came across the background to the writing of one of my favorite Christmas carols: "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day." On July 9, 1861, Fanny Longfellow had her dress catch on fire. Hearing her screams, her husband, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, came and desperately tried to put out the fire and save his wife. Sadly, he was unsuccessful and Fanny died the next day. In the process, he was severely burned on his face and hands.

In his diary on Christmas day, 1861, he wrote, "How inexpressibly sad are the holidays." A year later, on Christmas day, 1862, he wrote, "A 'Merry Christmas' say the children, but that is no more for me." Then in 1863, just before Christmas, his son came home from the Civil War severely wounded. There is no entry in Longfellow's diary for that Christmas.

But on Christmas Day 1864, Longfellow wrote: "I heard the bells on Christmas day their old familiar carols play and wild and sweet the words repeat of peace on earth, good will to men." Because the Civil War was raging at the time, he went on to write, "And in despair I bowed my head: 'There is no peace on earth,' I said, 'For hate is strong and mocks the song of peace on earth, good will to men.'"

However, being a strong believer in a God who is sovereign over all events and that even in the worst of times, He is the only One who can give true and perfect peace, he continued writing: "Then peeled the bells more loud and deep; 'God is not dead, nor does He sleep. The wrong shall fail, the right prevail, With peace on earth, good will to men.'"

Perhaps this Christmas, your world has fallen apart. But I want to remind you: "God is not dead, nor does He sleep." God is very much alive and He will bring to fruition the promise the angels made that first Christmas: "peace on earth, good will to men".

May that be your experience this Christmas.

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REMINDER

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

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

Stonewall Pharmacy prepares to change ownership

By Jennifer McFee

A longstanding family pharmacy is changing hands to a familiar face in the business.

Stonewall Pharmacy will change ownership on Dec. 31 from Darlene Appleyard to pharmacist Trevor Johnson, who has worked at the business for the past eight years.

The business began in July 1950 when pharmacist Don Appleyard launched the pharmacy on Main Street in partnership with his university classmate Ken Reavie and with financial backing from his father, Hugh Appleyard. A couple years later, Ken had the chance to open a pharmacy in Russell, so Don assumed full ownership of the Stonewall shop.

While Don worked long hours at the

drug store, his wife Pat supported his efforts on the home front.

Over time, their son Vern followed in Don's pharmaceutical footsteps and joined the family business. After Don's retirement, Vern took over the family pharmacy. Vern and his wife Darlene further embraced their entrepreneurial spirit with several other business ventures, including Buck or Two franchises, a Christmas store at The Forks and multiple Hallmark stores.

After Vern died in 2021, Darlene continued to run Stonewall Pharmacy and now she's preparing for the next chapter of ownership.

"Handing over the reins to Trevor is something Vern had envisioned. It was something that he was looking



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

Darlene Appleyard, left, has sold the Stonewall Pharmacy to pharmacist Trevor Johnson as of Dec. 31.

towards, and I have followed through with that. I'm very content in my decision," Darlene said.

"Trevor has the same commitment to customers, community and employees, and that is what I want to make sure is carried on. He respects the 73-year history of the pharmacy as well, and that's very important to me — to make sure that the customers and the employees will be respected."

A curio cabinet in the pharmacy's waiting area showcases snippets of the company's history, including the original cash registers, scales and scrip labels.

"The history is really important, as well as the customers and customer service," Darlene said.

"I know that Trevor feels the same way and that's what I want. I want that small-town feeling to continue."

Many families have been customers of Stonewall Pharmacy for generations, and those connections form the crux of company.

part of it to me. When I knock on the door and poke my head in and say 'It's me,' they know who I am," Darlene said.

"Even after the change of ownership, I am still going to do deliveries because sometimes it's the best part of my day. I'm going to be around for Trevor to make sure that the transition goes smoothly and he's comfortable. I'll still be here as long as he needs me, and then I'll decide what I'm going to do next."

As for Trevor, he's excited about the upcoming opportunity.

"Stonewall Pharmacy has been a staple in the community for almost 74 years, and I feel honoured to be a part of that," he said.

"We have a great team of dedicated staff who value our commitment to serving the community."

He also expressed gratitude for the family that's embraced him as one of their own.

"The Appleyard family has been a pillar of Stonewall, and I've had the pleasure of working closely with both Vern and Darlene. They have always emphasized the importance of customer service because, ultimately, it's about the people," Trevor said.

"The people are what make Stonewall such a great town. I'm excited to continue the legacy of Stonewall Pharmacy and look forward to serving the community into the future."



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CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

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I would like to announce the change of ownership as of December 31, 2023 to our trusted pharmacist *Trevor Johnson*.

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***My deepest thanks to all
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More S155+ members welcome to join the fun

By Jennifer McFee

South Interlake 55 Plus fosters a sense of belonging during the holidays and throughout the entire year.

The mission of the not-for-profit charitable organization is to encourage all older adults to improve their quality of life by providing educational, recreational, health and social opportunities through various programs.

This volunteer-based organization has 400 members from the rural municipalities of Woodlands, Rockwood, Rosser and the town of Stonewall, as well as surrounding areas.

"We welcome everyone. We have an extensive list of programs, including active wellness exercise, pickleball, line dancing and various types of card programs, which all are available up to seven days a week," said executive director Deborah Hildebrandt.

"There is a travel club, which organizes outings to various events and trips that take place on a monthly ba-



Isla Hagborg had a visit with Santa for the first time in her life at the Christmas luncheon.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

The South Interlake 55 Plus Christmas Luncheon was a sold-out affair on Dec. 13. Lunch was a turkey dinner with all the fixings prepared by Bob and Carrie Dexter and helpers. Santa made a surprise visit and the ukulele club provided entertainment.

Mountain School and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Collège Stonewall Collegiate.

"It has been proven that socialization increases cognitive functions.

The World Health Organization has now developed a term called 'social prescribing,' which means connecting adults to a range of non-clinical ser-

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“...vices in the community to improve their health and well-being,” Hildebrandt said. “We hosted an event about social prescribing to learn about this new initiative, with hopes to engage more older adults in community.”

On Dec. 13, South Interlake 55 Plus hosted a Christmas luncheon at its

location in the Odd Fellows Hall (374 1st St. West). The catered meal included turkey with all the trimmings. As well, Santa dropped by to hand out a few surprise gifts while the Stonewall Strummers ukulele group entertained the crowd.

“The South Interlake 55 Plus strives to provide a service in the community that fosters a sense of belonging and opportunity to experience a positive lifestyle by providing recreational and educational programs, which supports older adults to live healthy independent lives,” Hildebrandt added.

Membership for South Interlake 55 Plus costs \$25 per year, and you don’t need to be 55 or older to become a

member. Membership provides access to free programs as well as discounts on paid programs and trips. Members aged 55 and older also have a chance to vote at the AGM and join the board.

To sign up for a membership, drop by the South Interlake 55 Plus office at 374 1st St. West on Tuesday to Thursday from 8:30 to 4 p.m. More information is also available online at <https://www.si55plus.org/> or by calling 204-467-2582.



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TCI bands kick off the holiday season with Winter Concert

By Emma McGill

On Dec. 13, family and friends of Teulon band students gathered in the Teulon Collegiate gymnasium for a showcase of what both the junior and senior bands have been working on over the past semester.

The evening began with a four-song set from the junior band, composed of seventh and eighth graders. They played festive tunes such as Jingle Bells, London Bridge, Morning from the Peer Gynt suite and Up on the Housetop, setting a cheerful tone for the Christmas-themed event. Before the senior band took the floor, two junior band members, Zuri Cook and Sasha Waluk, performed a clarinet duet of Jolly Old St. Nicholas.

Band members in grades 9 to 12 then took their places in front of the beautifully decorated shell and played their renditions of Welcome Christmas from the Grinch movie, Silver Bells and A Marshmallow World.

Both bands at Teulon Collegiate are



Ashley Senga and Kati Mott introduced the songs for the Winter Concert.

taught and directed by Mrs. Bilenki-Gervais, a long-time arts teacher at TCI who is back with the students after a year and a half away. The bands feature a wide range of instruments, including clarinets, flutes, trombones, trumpets, a euphonium, a tuba and saxophones.

Kaleigh MacDonald, past graduate



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

The gymnasium was decorated festively for the Teulon Collegiate band concert.

of TCI, was a guest percussionist for both bands during the concert.

"It was so good to be back in the band. I made so many happy memories there as a teen. These kids are very talented and it was an honour to be invited to play with them," said

MacDonald.

Community members are welcome and encouraged to mark their calendars for the students' spring concert on June 4 to see the progress they have made over the year and celebrate the importance of music in schools.

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Père Noël spreads holiday magic



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY CASSARAH TESLUCK

RM of Rockwood Reeve Wes Taplin was spreading Christmas cheer to all the students of Interlake School Division and local daycares last Monday. Santa is pictured here with one of the Grade 3 Ecole RW Bobby Bend School classes.



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Students and their families, teaching and non-teaching school staff, divisional support staff and administrative leadership - thank you!

Wishing you all the best of the holiday season, including a much-deserved opportunity for some rest and relaxation as we look forward to 2024!



Alan Campbell
Chair
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Christmas Cantata spreads festive cheer



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

The Stonewall United Church presented, What Child is This? A Christmas Musical over the weekend. All funds raised from the Cantata support the church.

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KERI WILLEY
Stonewall & District Cheer Board volunteers, left to right, Bob Beck, Andrew Campbell, Christine Campbell, Murray Campbell, Tiffany Bell, Sandy Marohn, Mary Beck and Linda Doubleday were handing out hampers in Stonewall last Saturday. In total, 133 hampers of grocery gift cards, toys, pyjamas, mitts, socks and school supplies went out to families in Stonewall and surrounding areas. Donations were made by schools, churches, businesses and members of the community.

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 Teulon Elementary students and staff have had a very busy month sharing and celebrating with volunteers and seniors. On Dec. 13, school volunteers and students enjoyed a turkey dinner. Pictured clockwise from top left: Hannah Dola, Raisa Brigham, Kendra Spence and the jolly elf with their hot meals; Whytnie Charison serves volunteers Scott and Arlene Smith turkey at the annual Celebration Dinner. This year the celebration was held at the school; Grade 1 and 2 students improvise a family-style table; volunteer Sharon Michaluk wraps presents that TES students chose for their parents on Dec. 11. This community event is sponsored and run by local non-profit Madeline's Closet; TES sent over three shopping carts full of food to the Teulon Christmas Cheer Board; and Miss Jack and her Grade 1-2s visited the seniors at Goodwin Lodge.

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Merry Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Sporty spirit Reindeer Games a holiday hit

By Jennifer McFee

Let the games begin!

The students at Stony Mountain School took to the stage to ring in the holiday season with an entertaining performance of *The Reindeer Games: A Merry Mini Musical for Unison Voices* by Sally K. Albrecht and Jay Althouse.

The Dec. 14 event started with festive music performed by the band to warm up the crowd.

After that, Grade 5 and 6 drama students brought to life a North Pole version of a sporty competition, complete with festive events like the Antler Ring Toss, Dancing with the Claus and the Amazing Race Around the World.

Interspersed with the lively action on stage, kindergarten

to Grade 4 students performed different musical numbers to entertain the audience.

To wrap up the performance with a feel-good message, both the Red and Green teams shared their Christmas spirit by focusing on others rather than themselves.

With a similar sentiment, Stony Mountain School encouraged attendees to give back to the community by contributing a tin for the bin and collecting donations at the door.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JENNIFER MCFEE

The Stony Mountain School Christmas musical was held on Dec. 14 with a matinee and evening performance. The Grade 5 and 6 drama class led the performance while grades K-4 sang and danced delightfully. This year's performance was about having fun and competition with a message of giving back to a good cause.




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Stonewall library open house set for Friday



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KELSEY DINGWALL

Santa made a surprise stop at the Stonewall Library Friday morning for storytime. Mom Cara, baby Carmen and big sister Emma were delighted to see him.

By Jennifer McFee

It's a record-breaking year for the Festival of Wreaths — and there's still time to cast a vote for your favourite.

"We have 39 wreaths on display this year — the most ever," said Joan Ransom, Stonewall branch librarian.

"People have right up until 2 p.m. on Friday to come in a vote for their favourite wreath or drop off their mittens and socks donations."

The Stonewall library branch is hosting an open house at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 22 when they will present the Stonewall and District Christmas Cheer Board with the money raised during the Festival of Wreaths and with all the items collected on the Mitten Tree and Sock Stocking.

"At that time, we will also present the winning wreaths certificates for first, second and third place, based on the number of votes they got during the month," Ransom said.

"We will be serving coffee and cookies for anyone who comes by the library."

For more information, contact the Stonewall Branch at stonewall@sirlibrary.com or 204-467-8415.

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Festive tradition continues with ice church

By Lana Meier

The Rosser United Church continued with their festive tradition of building its annual ice church for everyone to enjoy last Friday.

The holiday tradition started over a decade ago and families and church members have continued to keep it alive.

The purpose of the project is to work together to create something that the church community — and the greater community — can enjoy.

Each year, the Sunday school requests that members of the congregation make ice blocks at home. They can use whatever they want to form the ice blocks, old milk or juice cartons as well as four-litre containers or five-gallon pails.

These larger ice blocks are used for the “foundation” of the ice church. Some families have fun making coloured blocks using food colouring in the water.

This year Sunday School teacher Brooke Darragh said they had 11 families including 17 children help with the construction.

Families deliver the ice blocks to the church and on construction day, young and old gather to peel cartons off of ice blocks. Many hands stack blocks on top of the large foundation ice blocks, creating the ice church or wall. Snow is used as mortar and water poured sparingly from watering cans to glue blocks in place.

On Christmas Eve everyone in the congregation is welcome to place a battery-operated tealight in memory or honour of family or friends in the crevasses between blocks of the ice church. Usually someone sets up a flood light behind the ice church to draw the attention of those driving through town.

To view this year’s ice church, visit Rosser United Church in Rosser Village of Highway 221.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY BROOKE DARRAGH

Rosser United Church has once again constructed its annual ice church in front of the building for all to enjoy.



Eleven families and 17 children joined together last Friday to build the ice church.



Pictured left to right: Marnie Resch, Dr. Colina Wong, Denise McGregor, Arielle Chartrand, RMT, Dr. Ryan Dumont, Julia Somerville, RMT

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Warren Elementary students ring in the holidays with musical



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY HALEY CVAR
Warren kindergarten to Grade 4 students performed a matinee and evening show for their holiday concert, The Grumps of Ring-A-Ding Town.





Christmas STORIES

FIRST PLACE

THE CHRISTMAS LIGHT CATASTROPHE

By Jerzey Dobson, Woodlands School, Grade 4

Santa is coming home for the holidays!

Oh hello! I'm Mrs. Claus, Santa's wife. I'm so excited for him to get home! You're probably wondering where he is. Well, he got tangled up

in Christmas lights in New York City helping his friend George the penguin with his Christmas décor. No one could hear him calling for help until today because he had lights stuck in his mouth and it took awhile for him to get them out. So, he is finally coming home today! I should make him some food. How about milk and cookies?

All of that baking really tired me out. I'll need a nap but I am going to call Santa right now before I fall asleep. Ring, ring, ring!

"Hi Santa!" I say.

"Hi Mrs. Claus. How is Rudolph? Oh, I mean you?" Santa replies.

"Rudolph and I are both fine. How

about you?" I ask.

"Oh, just fine, just walking all the way back to the North Pole. A polar bear named Timmy found me and rescued me from the Christmas lights," Santa says.

"See you soon! Bye, bye Santa," I say.

I lay down for a nap and close my eyes. I quickly fall asleep. When I wake up a guy with a big red suit, black boots and a long white beard is standing beside my bed.

"Santa, you're home!" I say. I give him a big hug. Then I tell him to go say hi to all of the reindeer and elves because they missed him!

He goes down to the stables to look for the reindeer but they were not in there. Then he realized that he was right next door to the elf workshop so he walks over to say hi to the elves. He opens the door and sees a banner with a welcome home sign. The elves shout "Surprise!". Santa says hi to all of the elves. "Hi Judy, Bert, Ella, Chloe, Mike, Candy, Bill, Carl, Jojo!" Santa says. Then he sneaks away from all of the conversations without any elves noticing so he doesn't get stuck there chatting for hours.

He realizes that the reindeer are probably working out on the roof so he grabs a ladder and climbs up. He sees the hoof tracks so he goes to the other side of the roof where he finds the reindeer lifting weights. "Hello Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen!" he says. Rudolph runs towards Santa and gives him a hug. "And you too Rudolph," Santa says. When he lets go of Rudolph he trips and falls off the roof. Instead of landing on the ground he lands in Christmas lights and gets stuck...again!

SECOND PLACE

By Myers Hueging, Age 9, Grade 4, Woodlands School

I love winter! It is the best season, and I know a lot of you agree with me! There are so many things that you can do in the winter lake. You can play and watch hockey! It is great! My favourite hockey team is the Pittsburgh Penguins. I play for the Warren Marks. It is so much fun! There is also a lot of good things to do in winter

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Holiday haul helps fill hampers



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Balmoral School once again supported the Christmas Cheer Board with a Christmas Coin Collection campaign. Students were asked for four days to bring in different coins. At the end of the week Mrs. Kelpin rolled all the coins that totalled \$667.45. Jacquie Derewianchuk of the Stonewall & District Cheer Board came in to collect the cash donation as well as some toys. Pictured, left to right, back row: Jacquie Derewianchuk, Quinn, Thomas M., Mrs. Kelpin. Front row: Morley, John and Zoe.

Merry Christmas
& HAPPY NEW YEAR

> CHRISTMAS STORIES, FROM PG. 22

like you can go sledding in the snow! And there is one thing I like about sweating as you get snow in your face it is cold, but fun! One of my favourite drinks in winter is hot cocoa because it is warm and you can bring it outside and it still stays warm. Another great thing about hot cocoa is you can put marshmallows in warm milk to make it taste super good! Hot cocoa taste, so good! When it snows, you can build snowman and snow fort. It is so great! The good thing about snowman is you can decorate your snowman any way you want. The nice thing about snow forts is you can build them any size you want. It is amazing! There is another great thing about winter. There is a lot of snow in the winter is you can make snow angels and you can have snowball fights. It is amazing! There is another good thing about winter it is you can go ice fishing and it is super exciting! The good thing about icefishing is you can catch the biggest fish and the one with the most meat, they win! It is very exciting! One other good thing about winter is, it is my birthday! Here are some of the reasons I love my birthday because I turn one year older and I can't eat birthday cake and I can see my family! I love it this is my favourite thing about winter is Christmas because you get presents and I also get treats, and I love decorating my Christmas tree and I love seeing my friends. It is fun. Winter is fun!

THIRD PLACE

VINSMOKE SANGIS ADVENTURES

By Jeremy Peden, Stony Mountain School, Grade 3

One day on December 14th, an elf named Vinsmoke Sangi was on his way home from the North Pole. He recently was in L.A for a vacation. He went there to be a really great cook. He worked at a Bestia for a month and now he was finally coming home. When he was flying over the Hollywood Hall Of Fame, all of a sudden the sleigh crashed into a huge building!!! He saw a sign that said - "Free Food, come and cook your own food to earn money!" He was so grateful and he got right to work making lots of delicious meals for other people like macaroni and brie with crab, Scandinavian steak and baby spinach with spiced

pomegranate glaze, short ribs with black barley and mushrooms, double smoked salmon with horseradish cream, lemony mussels with cherry tomatoes and potatoes, cauliflower steaks with hazelnuts and brown butter, beef steaks wellington, chicken and roasted red pepper roll-ups, baby beet and flank steak salad Dijon , chicken with marsala risotto, lamb chops with blackberry chutney, butternut squash ghocchi with herbed brown butter, Japanese roast chicken and baked eggplant with parmesan. He earned 1.5 million dollars and 75 cents he used that money to buy new slay parts. Back in the north pole, all of his friends started getting worried like the elf Nomi was biting her nails and saying "omg omg omg". Luffy was crying, Zoro was napping (like always) and chopper was whining. A couple of days later Santa claus got worried. Eventually Sangi was flying over Stony mountain watching a kid named Jeremy winning 100 dollars in a book writing contest. Then when

he got back to the north pole with the fixed sleigh. Sangi gave the rest to santa so he could make more toys for more kids even if they've been naughty because everyone deserves at least one present

It has been a privilege and a pleasure serving you this past year. We are really grateful for your kind support and look forward to your continued friendship.

Merry Christmas & A Very Happy 2024!



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Merry Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Santa,
My name is Arla Anne Williams and I'm 8 years old. This Christmas I would like a Bitzee or an iPad or a GoPro for my trip to New Zealand. I have 2 questions my 1st question is Do you ever get a vacation? 2nd question is cause you've travelled the whoooooole world where would you like to go on a vacation?
From: Arla Christmas 2023
P.S. Could I come for a visit for one hour?

Dear Santa,
My name is Nora

Wynn Williams and I am 6 years old. For Christmas this year I really don't want much I just want a visit to the North Pole for about 1 whole day.

P.S. I might want a little gift the gift will be a iPad, a Squishmallow stationary set, GoPro, or Playdoh Ice Cream truck.

Love: Nora Christmas 2023

Dear Santa,
My name is Sawyer Paul Williams and I am 4 years old. For Christmas this year I would

like, an iPad, Beyblades, or something you put in and it creates a cool beast.

Merry Christmas Santa!

P.S. Santa, I hope you and your elves have a good Christmas!

Love: Sawyer Christmas 2023

LETTERS TO SANTA - TEULON ELEMENTARY MRS. POWROZNIK'S KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Anshika and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is puzzles. My favourite cookie is Oreos. My best friend's name is Willow. I love winter because I love to build snowmen. See you soon, Santa! Love: Anshika

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Myles and I am 5 years old. My

favourite game is Monopoly. My favourite cookie is ghost cookies. My best friend's name is Dio. I love winter because I love snow. See you soon, Santa! Love: Myles

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Emersyn and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Uno. My favourite cookie is gingerbread. My best friend's name is Levi. I love winter because I love to go sledding. See you soon, Santa! Love: Emersyn

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Parker and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is army. My favourite cookie is chocolate cookies. My best friend's name is Carter. I love winter because I love snow. See

you soon, Santa! Love: Parker

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Levi and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Fortnite. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Emersyn. I love winter because I love to build snowmen. See you soon, Santa! Love: Levi

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Sophie and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Candyland. My favourite cookie is gingerbread. My best friend's name is Lauren. I love winter because I love to go sledding. See you soon, Santa! Love: Sophie

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Juliette and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Minecraft. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Sadie.

I love winter because I love to build snowmen. See you soon, Santa! Love: Juliette

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Willow and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Bug Snacks. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Aubry. I love winter because I love to make snow angels. See you soon, Santa! Love: Willow

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Aubry and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Mario. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Finlee. I love winter because I love to build snow forts. See you soon, Santa! Love: Aubry

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Grayson and I am 5 years old.

My favourite game is Minecraft. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Levi. I love winter because I love to ride on ski-doo's. See you soon, Santa! Love: Grayson

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Daylen and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Tag. My favourite cookie is Bear Paws. My best friend's name is Levi. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon, Santa! Love: Daylen

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Owen and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Backgammon. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Daylen. I love winter because I like to build snow forts. See you soon, Santa! Love: Owen

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Casen and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Minecraft. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Emersyn. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. See you soon, Santa! Love: Casen

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Finlee and I am 5 years old. My fa-

vourite game is Monopoly. My favourite cookie is banana chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Ellie. I love winter because I love to go sledding. See you soon, Santa! Love: Finlee

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Nate and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Marble Run. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip cookies. My best friend's name is Evelyn. I love winter because I get to stay inside and play with my PlayDoh. See you soon, Santa! Love: Nate

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Nell and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Twister. My favourite cookie is all of them. My best friend's name is Brynn. I love winter because I like to go sledding. See you soon, Santa! Love: Nell

LETTERS TO SANTA - ROSSER SCHOOL

I love Christmas break because you have time off

- KIERAN

I think Santa would like my list. So first a blanket. Should I do a blanket yeah. Next a heated seat he would like it. Next a pillow so he is not break his back.

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As we gear up for Christmas, we'd like to share our thanks and best wishes with you, our valued customers and friends here in the community. Your support and goodwill have really made our year special, and we sincerely appreciate your patronage.

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Many Thanks & Merry Wishes

May this festive season lift your spirits with enough joy to carry you through the new year!



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Next is night vision but I think that is way too high-tech for him if I'm being serious. I mean? Next up on the list an umbrella. I mean if it is rainy yeah next is a pair of heated gloves. Yeah, I think he will like that.

- AYAH BALI

The best part about Christmas is when my whole family goes to my uncle Scott's farm and we all have a big huge supper. The kids eat downstairs and the adults eat upstairs. We have chicken mashed potatoes and batie noledels. Then on Christmas Day, we all go to my auntie Brooks house and have brunch and open our presents. Then we go back to the farm and my uncle makes huge snow pile and all the kids make a huge snow for inside of it, and then we have a big fire at night. We roast marshmallows and make s'mores. They're so good Yum. That's what I like about winter.

- Finn Corbett

The best thing about winter is family and Santa. First is Christmas second winter movies third I love it.

- Jackson

Santas wish list - I think what Santa needs for Christmas is heated night vision goggles because he can see in the dark and it can keep his face warm because it's heated. He can see the name tags on everybody's presents. I think Santa needs heated night goggles for Christmas.

- Austin

Santa wants an exercise bike because he wants to get fit. He wants infinity cookies. He wants 4 gallons of milk too because he would love that for Christmas. Santa wants a hot chocolate machine so he would not get cold. A seat warmer because his butt would get cold. A new sleigh because the slake can fall apart any Christmas. New glasses to read the list. A new outfit because he wears the same red outfit. Every year. He needs a red and green outfit a new red and green hat too. A map just in case kids move.

- Jemma Hiller

Santa wishlist I think Santas wishlist would have a big cup of hot chocolate, because if Santa does not have hot chocolate, his inside will be cold.

- Michael L.

The best thing about winter is hot coco. It's so nice when you come in from out side, my mom puts fluffy blankets in the dryer and when they come out they are nice and warm. Warm blankets are nice when you can't go outside because its too cold. Christmas movies are good when you can't go outside I love winter.

- Piper

I think Santa would want a heated seat on his Christmas wish list So his bottom does not get cold. I also think Santa would want a big yeti for his hot chocolate so it stays warm. I also think he would want a snack bin in case he gets hungry he can grab a snack. I think Santa would want a cookie making machine so he can keep eating cookies when he is riding in the sleigh and they are still nice and fresh. So they are really good. He should also have heated mitts on the sleigh so his hands stay warm. Santa should also have his Christmas list fog lights on his sleigh.

Owen Riddell

Santas wish list, I think what Santa needs on his wish list is a bigger sleigh, more reindeer, and a heated seat because he could travel around the world faster with his new reindeer. Santa can use a bigger sleigh because he can carry more toys for children and for the reindeer. He needs around six more reindeer. He also needs a heated seat so his bum doesn't get cold.

- Hugo Melo

The best things about winter, are family and hot coco. I think family is the best but hot coco brings family together. Families are busy but a hot cup of coco can let a family make new memories. I don't need the presents. All I need is family and a cup of hot coco.

- Avery

What would be on Santa's wishlist, I think Santa needs an exercise bike because he has to go down the chimney without getting stuck. He also needs a cookie making machine and that's what Santa needs.

- Scarlet

The best thing about winter is, it's good. Because I love it. And I don't like the bugs in My Home. You make snowman winter is good.

- Kellan

I think that what Santa would like a new sleigh because the first one might break. And maybe a magical cup holder to hold the cup, so it doesn't spill. Also a cookie maker, and a hot chocolate maker.

- Vlad

The best thing about winter is sledding. Going down a hill fast is fun. When you come in you get some warm, hot chocolate and watch a Christmas movie. The best thing about winter is making a big hill, then playing king of the hill.

- AZZAM

What would be on Santa's wishlist? He rides a sleigh so we should get him blanket, heated seats, pillow snacks cupholder umbrella Apple Watch, Spotify subscription, nitrogen and night vision. Well he eats lots of cookies, so we should get him a cookie making machine! He does deliver gifts, by gifts, I mean a lot of gifts so we should give him deliver elves and a present thrower that would be fun.

- Blake

Santas wishlist. Santa needs a blanket to stay warm when he travels. Santa could have a nap. Santa needs a blanket.

- Holden

Santa wants heated mitts because when he drives his hands get cold. When he has the mitts on he's happy.

Kailey

**WARREN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MS. CHARLTON'S GRADE 2 CLASS**

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer this year? Do they like carrot muffins? I do! I am 7 years old and I have been really good this year. I would really like a drum kit for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- Love, Scarlett

Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing great this Christmas. How are the reindeer this year? How do elves get their magic? I am 7 years old and I have been good this year. I would really like a toy car for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Lorenzo

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus this year? How are the elves? I am 7 years old and I have been really good this year. I want a toy Lamborghini for Christmas. Thanks Santa.

- From, Emmett

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a great Christmas! How are the elves this year? I am 7 years old and have been really good this year. I would like some makeup, a puppy and a big Squishmallows kit for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

-Love, Natalie

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a good Christmas. Santa, what is your favourite colour? How is Mrs. Claus? I have been really good this year. I would love a jumbo Squishmallows for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Bentley

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this Christmas? I am 7 years old and have been good this year. I want a Star Wars outfit for Christmas, please. Thank you, Santa.

- Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? What is your favourite cookie? How are your reindeer and elves this year? I am 7 years old and I have been really nice. Can I have a Nerf gun, please. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Evan

Dear Santa,
How do you deliver all the toys in one night? I have been really, really good this year. I would like 100 dinosaurs for Christmas, please. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Marshall

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a great Christmas! How is Mrs. Claus? I have been really good this year. I would like a new hockey stick for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Chase

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I am 7 years old and have been really good this year. I want a Bitzee and a toy elf for Christmas. I hope you eat the sugar cookie! Thank you, Santa.

- From, Alice

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? How is Mrs. Claus this year? I have been really good and would like a puppy for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
How do you have so many toys? How do elves get their magic? I have been really good this year. I want a robot dog for Christmas, please. Thank you, San-

ta.
- From, Owen

Dear Santa,
How are you and Frosty this year? How old are you? I am 7 years old. I have been really good this year. I would love a pig and a horse for Christmas. Thanks, Santa.

- Love, Bella

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? How are the elves? I am 7 years old and have been really good. Santa, I want a puppy, Monster High doll and a stuffy for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- Love, Blake

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? How are the elves? How is Mrs. Claus and your friends? I have been really good. I would like Hot Wheels for Christmas. Thanks, Santa.

- From, Brock

Dear Santa,
I have been really good this year. How is Mrs. Claus doing? What is some food we can give to the reindeer to eat? I love carrots! I have been really good this year. I would like a Monster High doll for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Abby

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? How are the elves? I am 7 years old and have been really good this year. I would like a snowy owl, please. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Camron

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? How do elves get their magic? I have been good this year and I am 7 years old. I would like a Now Dragon book. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Corbin

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a great Christmas! What is your favourite cookie? I have been really good this year. Can I have a Lego spaceship, please? Thank you, Santa.

- From, Adam

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus this year? How is Rudolph? I have been really good this year! I would like a robot cat and a big beanbag chair. Thank you, Santa.

-From, Ayrianna

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a great Christmas! What is your favourite food? I have been really good

this year! I would like a Bitzee and a Rainbocorn stuffy. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Ella

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How are the reindeer? I am 7 years old and have been really good this year. I would like a bunch of cool erasers for Christmas. Thank you, Santa.

- From, Brenden

**LETTERS TO SANTA - TEULON
ELEMENTARY KIM SKINNER
KINDERGARTEN CLASS**

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Ezra and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Mario.

My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Lyr. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Skye and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is BINGO. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Peyton. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Edward and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is tag. My favourite cookie is vanilla. My best friend's name is Jimmy. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Jimmy and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Plants Vs. Zombies. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Waylon. I love winter because I get presents. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,

How are you today? My name is Elliot and I am 5 years old.

My favourite game is Capitan America. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Alex. I love winter because I like Christmas trees. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Waylon and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Fred Bear. My favourite cookie is Blueberry. My best friend's name is Elliot. I love winter because I like. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Lucy and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Minecraft. My favourite cookie is the Christmas kind. My best friend's name is Maddi. I love winter because I love making snowmen. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Autumn and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Tic-Tac-Toe. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Sierra. I love winter because I like presents. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Ezekiel and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Mario. My favourite cookie is the honey kind. My best friend's name is Billy. I love winter because I like presents. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Callie and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Tic-Tac-Toe. My favourite cookie is shortbread.

My best friend's name is Hailey. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Peyton and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Minecraft. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Addy. I love winter because I like catching snowflakes. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Hailey and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Barbie. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Callie. I love winter because I like snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Aubrey and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Hockey. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Jimmy. I love winter because I like to go sledding. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Rheo and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Mario. My favourite cookie is peach. My best friend's name is Levi. I love winter because I love snow. See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Levi and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Mario. My favourite cookie is Vanilla. My best friend's name is Rheo. I love winter because I make snow angels. See you soon Santa!



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INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

U18 AAA female Lightning defeat Avros, lose to Wildcats and Chiefs

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Lightning had a fantastic effort in a solid 3-1 home win over the Winnipeg Avros last Friday.

Tied at 1-1 in the third, Interlake scored a pair of goals in the victory.

Lightning goals were tallied by Claire Hudson, Chloe Minkus and Bre-Ann Windross.

Windross was really good, once again, finishing the game with three points.

Sydney Haggart scored Winnipeg's lone goal. Interlake netminder Rachel Halldorson earned the win between the pipes.

Last Friday, the Lightning lost 3-1 to the Westman Wildcats at the Hartney Arena.

Minkus scored a third-period goal for the Lightning while Kelsey Huibers, Marlier Rutherford and Reese Schutte answered for Westman.

On Sunday, Interlake was dumped 3-1 by the Yellowhead Chiefs in Shoal Lake.

The Lightning's goal was scored by Brooke Barylski in the third period.

Chiefs' goals came from Mia McGregor, Emma Pollock and Dara Thompson.

The Lightning, now 5-9 with an overtime loss, will visit the last-place

Central Plains Capitals on Saturday in Portage la Prairie. Game time is 2:30 p.m.

U18 AAA MALE LIGHTNING

In Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League play, Interlake was beaten 4-3 in overtime by the Brandon Wheat Kings Sunday afternoon in Teulon.

Jaxon Jacobson the game winner in OT. It was his second goal of the contest.

Interlake, which led 3-1 in the third period, received goals from Morgan Waddell, Drew Russell and Mason Munday.

Brandon's other goals were scored by Brady Turko and Aiden Laing.

On Saturday, the Lightning defeated the Winnipeg Bruins 4-1, scoring three third-period goals.

Interlake snapped a 1-1 third-period tie with goals from Jeremy Kawiuk, Ian Buors and Brandon Burak. After a scoreless opening period, Munday tallied in the second.

The Bruins' Lucas Mager answered with a goal at 7:53 of the third.

Interlake was 2-for-3 on the power play while Eastman finished 1-for-4.

Lightning goalie Dylan McFadyen continued his strong play this season,



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY HALEY CVAR

Georgia O'Neill takes a face-off against the Avros last Friday in Stonewall. The Lightning won 3-1.

making 31 saves.

Eastman Selects this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Interlake, now 15-7-2 and in third place with 32 points, will host the

Wildcats, Rams notching WHSHL victories

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Collegiate Wildcats absolutely destroyed the woeful Maples Collegiate Marauders 15-4 in WHSHL action on Dec. 11.

Warren, which scored five goals in each period, must have had a ton of fun in this win.

The Wildcats were led by a spectacular five-goal performance by Owen Shymko.

Other points producers for Warren included Carter Olson (three goals, two assists), Dylan Riddell (two goals, three assists), Kaelen Ivany

(two goals), Ty Olson (goal, assist), Landon Tully (goal), Ethan Shymko (goal), Ethan Corbett (two assists), Daniel Koss (two assists), Colton Bruce (assist), Conaly Chrusch (assist) and Cayden Ingimundson.

Keagan Harvey (two), Sanyeer Singh and Tristan Ross replied for Maples.

Mason Klassen earned the win in goal.

Last Friday, Warren was stung 5-4 by the Lorette Scorpions.

Wildcats' goals were scored by Bruce (two), Ivany and Ethan Shymko.

Owen Shymko had three assists.

Warren will battle the Edward Schreyer Barons this Thursday (2 p.m.) at the Sun Gro Centre.

The College Stonewall Collegiate Rams, meanwhile, were doubled 6-3 by the Sturgeon Heights Huskies on Friday.

Rams' goals were scored by Justin Braid (two) and Adam Newcombe.

Huskies' goals were tallied by Brady Thorsteinson (two), Jordan Picklyk, Brady Dow, Benjamin McLean and Layne Mulligan.

Last Wednesday, Stonewall dumped the Dakota Lancers 3-1.

Rams' goals were scored by Newcombe, Gavin Holod and Matthew Hawryluk.

Tayshon Lindsay-Edwards answered for the Huskies.

Stonewall, now 7-10, hosted the Garden City Gophers this past Tuesday and will have the River East Kodiaks come to the Veterans Memorial Sportsplex on Wednesday.

Game time is 4 p.m.



Stonewall Jets Player Profile

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UPCOMING GAMES

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at Stonewall VMSC

Mercs blast Bombers on Sunday

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Mercs blasted the Morden Bombers 11-6 in SEMHL action on Sunday afternoon.

Warren's Dexter Kuczek had another great game, with three goals and three assists, while Johnny Lazo added two goals and four assists.

Kuczek leads the league with 16 goals and 33 points in just 11 games. That's really good.

The Mercs' other goals came from Patrick D'Amico (two), Dawson Braun, Riley Vautour, Eric Swanson and Chase Faulkner.

Andrew Clark (three), Andrew Perreault, Tyler Peers and Jay Fehr replied for Morden.

Mercs' netminder Mitch Adamyk stopped 50 Bombers' shots for the win.

Friday saw Warren defeat the Ile des Chenes North Stars 7-2.

Darren Bestland (two), Carson Ouel-

lette (two), Kuczek, Vautour and Brett Brooks scored for Warren.

Vautour and Brooks each finished the game with three points.

North Stars' goals came from Riley Beauchemin and Matt Osadick.

Adamyk made 46 saves for the win.

Last Wednesday, the Mercs whipped the Winkler Royals 9-3.

Warren goals were scored by Brooks (four), Braun (two), Wayde Johanneson, Lazo and Vautour.

Lazo had four points in the game while Kuczek chipped in with three assists.

Aaron Lewadniuk, with a pair, and Stephen Grahn replied for Winkler.

Adamyk, once again, earned the victory.

Warren, now 10-1 and in first place with 20 points, will host the Portage Islanders on Jan. 6.

Game time is 8 p.m.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY RICK HIEBERT

The Warren Mercs' Dexter Kuczek tries to get a shot away on Winkler goaltender Jayme Janzen on Dec. 13. The Mercs beat the Royals 9-3

Jets lose pair of MMJHL games

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets were defeated 5-2 by the St. Vital Jr. Victorias on Sunday.

St. Vital snapped a 2-2 third-period tie with three unanswered goals.

Karson King, with his 17th goal of the season, and Brayden Kohlman scored for the Jets.

Vics' goals came from Lucas Gillson (two), Ryland Nechwediuk, Dayton Keisman and Tyler Rubigny.

Last Friday, Stonewall was stopped 6-2 by the Pembina Valley Twisters in

Morris.

Jets' goals were scored by Cole Emberly and Landen Sitarz, on the power play, in the first period.

Twisters' goals were tallied by Ryan Orchard (two), Derek Wiebe, Josh Guilford, Zander Carels and Mark Plett.

The Jets played the Charleswood Hawks this past Tuesday and then will host the Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins on Friday.

Game time is 8 p.m.

Balmoral Judo Club athletes excel at provincials



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The Balmoral Judo Club was awesome at the Manitoba Provincial Judo Championships on Dec. 10 at the Sport Manitoba Sport for Life Centre. Three club members competed in the championships. Pictured left to right: Cooper VanDersype (gold U14 -55kg), Cai James (gold U18 +90 kg and Senior Male Novice +100kg) and Nathaniel Panchuk (silver U16 -66kg). There were over 60 athletes from all across Manitoba in attendance. The next tournament for the club will be the Selkirk Open Jan 20. in Selkirk.

Graduating all stars



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The Warren Collegiate Wildcats were very well represented by Jenna Cassidy and Bryn-Lee Procter at the MHSAA graduating varsity girls' volleyball event in Winnipeg on Dec. 9.

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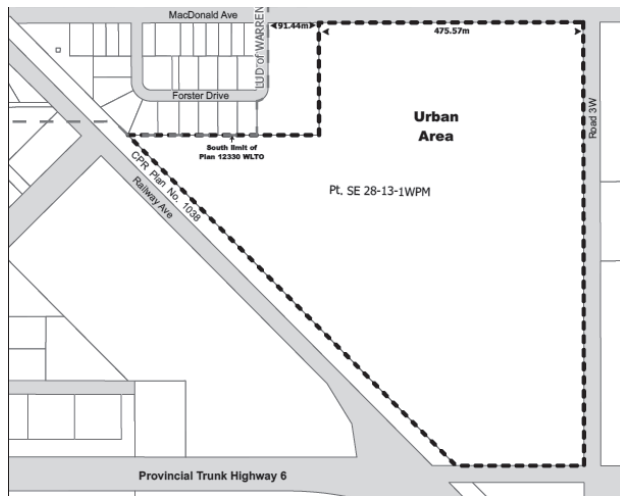
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OBITUARY



Patricia Mary Kotelko

Peacefully on December 17, 2023, Patricia, beloved wife of the late William Kotelko, passed away at the Rosewood Lodge, Stonewall, MB. at the age of 86 years.

In accordance to her wishes, cremation has taken place and a private family interment will take place at a later date.

Friends and family are invited to visit Patricia's memorial page at: www.interlakecremation.ca where memories and condolences may be shared.

Arrangements entrusted to:

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OBITUARY



Evelyn Patricia Roche (Cheadle) January 25, 1939 – December 13, 2023

Peacefully with family by her side, Pat passed away December 13, 2023 at Neepawa Hospital after a short illness.

Pat was predeceased by her husband Ron; brothers John and Carl Anderson; son-in-law Guy and great granddaughter Brynlee Jones.

She is survived by children Rob (Ang), Dwayne (Shari), Cheryl (Kevin), Sandra, Grant (Corie); step-daughter Brenda (Denis); numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and her brother William Anderson.

In her early years Pat worked very hard raising five children while working outside the home. This was no small achievement as the stories abound, school, sports, friends and antics.

Mom spent many years alongside husband Ron making memories with her kids and grandchildren at Arnes, MB.

Mom enjoyed gardening, cooking (especially big family meals) and most of all time with family. She made precious memories for the grandchildren at Arnes. They tell stories of shenanigans at the creek, days at Finn's Beach, Icelandic Festival and Grandma's special dishes and they laugh remembering her grandmotherly ways and her fancy pink living room.

Winters were spent as snowbirds in Arizona, where shuffleboard, bingo and happy hour was enjoyed among new friends. Later years involved cruises and a summer spot at Cherry Hill, Steinbach.

At Mom's request no service will be held. A celebration of Pat and Ron's life will take place at a later date.

We would like to thank the Gladstone Care Home and Neepawa Hospital for the care they provided during her final days.

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OBITUARY

Heather Doerksen (Hilstrom)

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It's with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Heather (Hilstrom) Doerksen. Heather leaves to mourn her Mom and Dad (Howard and Faye); sister Lea Smaldon (Rob and Sarah); daughter Jodi Hilstrom-Walkin (Menno) and her most adored grandchildren Carson, Gracie and Autumn, as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and very special friends.

Heather was a joy to have around. She loved to talk politics, sports and of course brag about her grandchildren. She was a fantastic cook and could make a meal in a flash and it always tasted lip-smacking good. She could cut hair like a pro, play a mean game of cards, and loved a good campfire. She loved animals and had a pet chickadee who would alight on the outside railing and talk to Heather. She will be greatly missed.

As per her wishes, no funeral will be held and a family burial will take place later in the spring in Saskatchewan.

Memorial donations may be made to the Diabetes Association if you wish.

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OBITUARY

John Robert Bowler

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of our dear Dad on December 10, 2023 at Niverville Credit Union Manor (NCU) at the age 86.

Predeceased by his loving wife, Doreen Bowler in 2018 after 56 years of marriage. Dad will be greatly missed by his five children, Randy, Holly (Glenn), Jackie (Brian), Teresa (Rob), Kristy (Fred); his 11 grandchildren, David, Meghan (Evan), Corey (Natasha), Justin (Teagan), Dillon (Jordan), Garrett (Marlee), Miranda, Jessica, Breanna (Colton), Ryan (Ashley), Carson (Haylee); his seven great-grandchildren, Easton, Ashlynn, Beau, Tenley, Oakley, Jax, and Everly; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends. He was loved by his sisters, Joyce Lyndon (predeceased) and Bernice Semeniuk.

Dad was born on the farm in the RM of Rosser to Melville and Anne Bowler. Dad and Mom were married June 17, 1961 and raised their five children on the family farm where he resided for 45 years. Life on the farm came with many challenges and fond memories. His time was divided between helping his dad in the field, maintaining his own farm, work, and volunteering in the community. Dad enjoyed many activities such as curling, bowling, fishing and especially golfing in which he achieved a "hole in one" at the Warren Golf and Country Club. Dad and Mom enjoyed camping in the summer and travelled to many international destinations in the winter.

The family will be planning a service to take place the summer of 2024.

Our family is blessed for the care and companionship Dad received during his stay at NCU Manor. We also deeply appreciate the exceptional care that Andrew Skene, NP, provided to Dad.

Family and friends may sign a Book of Condolence at www.crossingsfuneralcare.ca

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OBITUARY

Calvin Brent Surgenor

May 3, 1957 to December 16, 2023

Peacefully, after a courageous battle with kidney cancer, Cal passed away with Cheryl by his side.

He is survived by his loving wife Cheryl, daughters Carly (Tyler) and Corie Ann (Chris); grandkids, McKenzie, Matthew, Norman John, Crishona and Ainsley; brothers Randy (Debbie), Dwight (Donna), Jayson (Dawn); sisters Karen, Elaine (George) and numerous nieces, nephews and dear friends.

He is predeceased by his parents Dave and Olga Surgenor, brother Ryan and sister Marilyn.

Cal was the sixth of eight children born to Dave and Olga in Eriksdale, Manitoba. Dad met Mom, the love of his life, in grade 3 at Eriksdale Elementary and they would eventually marry on a very hot day in July 1981.

From an early age, Olga instilled a love for music in all her kids which Dad carried throughout his life. He loved to sing and played the accordion, guitar, piano and harmonica. Dad passed his love for all things music on to his girls.

Cal's two favourite pastimes were curling and golfing which helped him meet so many people over the years.

His family was everything to him and he was so happy to have formed an extra special bond with his sweet Ainsley.

A Celebration of Life will take place at the Stonewall Legion on Thursday, December 21 at 11a.m. with a luncheon to follow. A private family burial will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the South West District Palliative Care in Stonewall, MB.

Thank you to Dr. Piotr Czaykowski and Nurse Sean at CancerCare and thank you to the entire palliative care team out of Stonewall Hospital that cared for Dad, you are amazing people. Special thanks to Dr. Kerr Graham – you truly are an exceptional caregiver and human being and Dad cherished your relationship throughout all of the years you have known each other.

Dad, we are so lucky to have had your love and guidance in our lives – we will always carry your memory in our hearts. In the sweet words of his precious Ainsley, I love you forever Papa.



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