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Celebrating hockey was the game plan last Saturday as Stonewall Minor Hockey and Ringette Association hosted their first annual Stonewall Blues Day. Eight minor hockey games were played including a fun skate with members of the Stonewall Jets. The day concluded with the Jets playing the St. James Canucks. Pictured, Stonewall Jets from left to right; Foster Bytheway, Carson Oulette and Brendan Labossiere take a break with minor hockey players after an intense game of British Bulldog.

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Lack of lab doesn't deter Warren students competing in Envirothon

By Melissa McIvor

Five young ladies from Warren Collegiate are studying to get their science on at this year's Manitoba Envirothon. Grade 11 students Kayleigh Malcolm and Kylie Bond have joined returning Grade 12 Envirothon veterans Rebecca Myskiw, Meghan Sholdice and Makayla Baldwin to represent Warren at the regional competition in Rennie. The team's performance could lead to Provincials, currently slated for Churchill, and eventually to the National Conservation Foundation (NCF) Envirothon in Washington, DC.

The Manitoba Envirothon is a hands-on environmental science competition organized by the Manitoba Forestry Association. Participating schools from across the province enter teams of five students in the competition and each student studies to become proficient in one of five topic areas: Water and Aquatic Ecosystems, Native Plants and





TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MELISSA MCIVOR

Students from Warren Collegiate are doing some serious studying in preparation for the Manitoba Envirothon regional competition in April. Pictured left to right: Lee Stewart, Rebecca Myskiw (Wildlife & Wildlife Management), Meghan Sholdice (Native Plants & Forestry), Makayla Baldwin (Soils and Land Use), Kayleigh Malcolm (Water & Aquatic Ecosystems) and Kylie Bond (Climate Change in the North).

Forestry, Soils and Land Use, Wildlife and Wildlife Management and the competition Theme, which this year is Climate Change in the North. Over 3,200 students participate in the Manitoba competition.

"It is student-driven," explained Lee Stewart, a teacher at WCI and the team's advisor." The students have to decide that they want to do it because it's a lot of ownership on them to study."

In April, the team from Warren will join other students from the region at the Alfred Hole Goose Sanctuary to perform a field test and complete technical scientific analyses at various stations within the competition circuit. Afterwards, the team will give an oral presentation in response to an environmental prompt they will receive a few days earlier.

However, the competition is not the only barrier the Warren team must overcome to succeed. "One of the things that I think is admirable is that we're one of the two high schools in the division that don't have a functioning science lab," said Stewart. "These girls are preparing for a hands-on science competition without having those tools that other high schools have.

"It's just a small school division and the board just doesn't have the funds. It's been something that this community has really been pushing, that high school kids need a science lab."

"We did a presentation to the board last year asking for it," said Myskiw.

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This is not Myskiw's first attempt to bring sci-

ence to WCI. In 2017, she earned first place in the "Caring for our Watersheds" contest and won \$1,000 for the school for her proposal on an eco-friendly paint night. She had hoped her winnings would go towards bringing science resources into the school.

The school continues to lack a science lab, but the Warren team is still up for the Envirothon challenge. Last year, they entered the regional competition at Oak Hammock Marsh which pitted them against fully equipped city schools. Despite their disadvantage, the team did well.

"Last year we were close," said Myskiw. "We were right in the middle of the pack. We didn't do that bad. That's why we think we'll have a better chance at Rennie."

This is the second year that students from Warren Collegiate are participating in the Manitoba Envirothon, and Stewart is hopeful that future students will take up the torch.

"With three of the girls graduating, if we wanted to continue this next year, we need to find younger students coming in that would want to carry it on," she said. "This is an area where people are farming, hunting and fishing, so it does tie in with our community."

"It's a lot of fun," added the Warren teammates.

Community members are encouraged to watch for future fundraising campaigns that the team may organize and to support other science initiatives within WCI.

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Share your artwork for a good cause

By Jennifer McFee

Diabetes Canada is starting the new year with a new fundraising initiative. Next month, the organization will host its first-ever art show of previously loved artwork, which will be available for purchase by the public.

To prepare for the event, everyone is encouraged to donate nearly new artwork or home décor items for another person to enjoy.

Locally, Steve Shinnie Law Office will act as a drop-off location. From Feb. 13 to 23, artwork can be dropped off at 70 Main St. in Teulon from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Trevor Slywchuk, co-ordinator of community partnerships, said all types of artwork are welcome.

"It would be fantastic if people would donate their used artwork," he said. "We're very excited because it's our first year hosting this kind of event. I think it's a great event and it's more than people just making a donation — they also get something to take home and decorate their house with if they buy artwork."

The art sale will take place on Saturday, March 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church of Christ located in Winnipeg at 170 St. Mary's Rd. Admission is by donation.

But if you're like to be first in line to make a purchase, a limited number of presale tickets are available for an pre-event on Friday, March 9. The pre-event tickets cost \$5 each and are available online at artfordiabetes. eventbrite.com.

The proceeds of the art sale go towards the 2018 fundraising campaign for Manitoba D-Camps for youth living with Type 1 diabetes.

"It costs \$2,500 to send a kid to camp for one week because there has to be the medical team in place for them when they're at the camp. They need doctors and nurses and dieticians to attend the camp because in one week there might be 400 children living with diabetes," Slywchuk said.

"They might be the only child in their school that lives with diabetes, so they sometimes can feel alone and isolated. This camp really lets them get to know other children living with diabetes so they don't feel so alone anymore. They get a real strong sense of community."

Across the board, diabetes impacts a large portion of Manitoba's population.

"Almost one in three people in Manitoba are either affected personally or know someone who is affected by diabetes," he said.

"There are 125,000 Manitobans who currently are affected by diabetes. As well, there are 202,000 people living in the pre-diabetes stage and 54,000 are undiagnosed."

For more information, contact Slywchuk at 204-935-6191 or Trevor.Slywchuk@diabetes.ca.

Updates are also posted on Facebook under the page entitled "Diabetes Canada: Manitoba."

Lions travel voucher winner



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY CORRIE SARGENT

TPI travel agent Sheryl Marchard holds the winning ticket to the Stonewall & District Lions Club Travel Raffle drawn at Stonewall Lions Manor on Jan. 24. The winner of the \$2,500 travel voucher is Tyler Reid of Petersfield, while Allison Hinds of Stonewall won the second prize of \$300 in gift cards. Pictured above with Marchard are Lion members (left to right) Mel Harrison, Wally Finnbogason and Len Kolenich.



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Proceeds from the Diabetes Canada art sale on March 10 will be for Manitoba D-Camps for youth living with Type 1 diabetes.

St. James-Assiniboia School Division Senior Years Information Evenings February 12-15, 2018







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St. James-Assiniboia School Division's Senior Level schools offer high quality academic education and technology training in safe facilities. Our four collegiates are holding Information Evenings on the following dates for parents and students to meet teachers and learn more about the different types of programs available. **All Information Evenings begin at 7:00 p.m.**

St. James Collegiate 1900 Portage Ave., 204-888-4867 Monday, February 12

Collège Sturgeon Heights Collegiate 2665 Ness Ave., 204-888-0684 Tuesday, February 13 Westwood Collegiate 360 Rouge Rd., 204-888-7650 Wednesday, February 14

John Taylor Collegiate 470 Hamilton Ave., 204-888-8930 Thursday, February 15

Non-resident students are welcome. However it is important to note that students living outside the Metro area must register by May 15, 2018 to be considered for registration. Students who live within city limits must register prior to September 30, 2018.

Call the school, the Division Board Office at 204-888-7951, or visit our schools online at www.sjasd.ca to learn more. Registration forms will be accepted on Friday, February 16, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Shoal Lakes Flooded Landowners Association Year in Review

Submitted by Orval Procter

It has been at least 20 years since the first organization of local citizens and landowners began their efforts to lobby for the infrastructure changes that would ensure the safety and stability of the Shoal Lakes complex.

The region is witness to many failures, which included the devastating floods of 2006, 2010-2011 and 2014. However, the Shoal Lakes Flooded Landowners Association has continued to lobby on behalf of communities for fair and positive change. To that end, the association has worked very hard to build a spirit of co-operation between our local municipalities, our provincial governments and federal representatives.

This past year had started with a great deal of uncertainty with the possibility of rising lake levels, and the closure due to erosion of Provincial Road 518. Last spring, the melt was slow and steady with no significant rise in lake levels. In fact, the dry summer actually led to a significant drop in those levels. By late fall, however, the fire threat was very high. Thankfully, there were no major fires, but the region remains dry, and with miles of dead vegetation for fuel, we may face that danger again this spring.

So what has our organization been up to during all this? Early last spring, our executive alerted the local media about the possibility of rising lake levels and our dismay about the closure of Provincial Road 518. The re-opening of that road in 2013 was a small victory for the people who live and work in the region and important to the economic and social recovery of the area.

Association members travelled to the councils of Armstrong, Coldwell, St. Laurent and Woodlands. A year earlier, the provincial infrastructure department promised there would be money in this year's budget to widen the flooded portions of PR 518. As time passed and with no indication of when improvements would begin, the four RMs were encouraged to work together to make sure the road would be repaired and re-opened. The municipalities formed a joint committee and had several meetings with highway officials. Frustrated by a lack of progress on the matter, they organized a meeting with Infrastructure Minster Ron Schuler, Ag Minister Ralph Eichler and Infrastructure Assistant Minister Derek Johnson. This meeting closed with promise by our local governments that they would be back to discuss the re-opening for PRs 415 and 416. It was also pointed out that a controlled drainage plan was the best insurance of keeping these roads open.

that tenders for the repairs would be called for. As of the new year, the tendering process has closed and we are awaiting the announcement of the successful bid. We are anticipating that construction can begin soon after the successful bidder is chosen.

Last summer we held a joint meeting with Interlake MLA Derek Johnson and representatives of the RMs of Rockwood and Woodlands. Also in attendance were reps from The Friends of Grassmere, Drain. A good discussion took place about the expectations for this drain by all present and how it must be changed to accommodate the each group's needs.

There was consensus by all those present that as long as the whole of the Grassmere Drain was improved, it could also be used as a controlled drainage point for our lakes. Rosser was also supportive of this initiative. With the assistance of the CAOs, letters of support for this plan were adopted by Armstrong, Coldwell, St. Laurent, Rockwood, Rosser and Woodlands and forwarded to the Minister of Infrastructure.

A meeting with West St. Paul also yielded support and the directive that Winnipeg should also be included in any joint plans for the drain improvement. That contact has since been made, and we are hopeful that a joint Municipal Planning Committee will help make this plan a reality too.

Also of significance in 2017 was the opening of Crown Land Leases to longer terms. Although the year had an ominous beginning, it closed with a greater sense of optimism. We wish to thank our local municipal governments for their supportive efforts. We also must thank Derek, Ralph and Minister Schuler for their co-operation and willingness to accept the recommendations of the municipal delegation about PR 518.

We would also like to thank the nearly three thousands citizens who signed the petitions about these roads. It is our hope that the bridges that have been built in our past will help us move steadily forward with even greater trust and reward. We welcome any comments or ideas that you may have. It your support that keeps us motivated.

On behalf of The Shoal Lakes Flooded Landowners executive, happy New Year. President Orval Procter - Woodlands; Vice President Fred deLaroque - Woodlands; Secretary Treasurer Leonard Dziedzic - Armstrong; Director Lee Wirgau - Armstong; Director Gerald Tom - Coldwell; Director Wade Thorglisson - Coldwell; Director Stuart Tataryn - St. Laurent; Director George Hamilton - St. Laurent.

Within a few days, it was announced

Cancer Information Service helps people affected by cancer

Submitted

Jan MacVinnie knows how much stress and anxiety a cancer can bring.

For the last 25 years, MacVinnie has been manager of the Canadian Cancer Society's (CCS) Cancer Information Service, a national toll-free service for people with cancer and their caregivers, family members and friends.

Every day, more than 34,200 people reach out to CCS for trusted information and caring support about cancer — and they receive it, by phone or online, 24-7.

"The calls we get are from people across Canada," said MacVinnie. "The other day, I received a call from a woman who had just learned she has

uterine cancer. She got up the courage after a sleepless night to call us. I was able to give her some information about her diagnosis and the usual treatment options, and I think that helped ease her anxiety a little."

Feb. 4 is World Cancer Day. On any given day, more than 800,000 Canadians are living with cancer. One in two Canadians will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.

A new report from the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer presents compelling data about the experience of people living with and beyond cancer. The report finds that more than half of people with cancer have debilitating physical and emotional challenges and many indicate significant practical challenges during the diagnosis, treatment and survivorship stages. The findings suggest that for many Canadians with cancer, these concerns are not being adequately addressed.

"We get hundreds of calls a day and every person's situation is different," says MacVinnie. "Some people call because they have cancer in their family and they want to know how to prevent it. Others are patients who are worried about coping emotionally or how they're going to make ends meet while they're off work. Some want to understand more about their specific diagnosis and treatment options. All

Vide K.Ken. Wide K.Ken. K.Ken. Wide K.Ken. Mide K.K our cancer information specialists are trained to listen and understand each person's needs and then try to help as much as possible."

Thanks to support from donors and volunteers, the Canadian Cancer Society offers a variety of programs and services for people affected by cancer, including transportation, lodges, support and information programs.

For example, today, volunteer drivers will take cancer patients on 878 rides to essential appointments. This service means they can get the treatment they need. Today, 268 people receiving treatment far from home woke up in a CCS lodge — a warm and comforting home-away-from-home that allows them to focus on getting better rather than worrying about traveling long distances for treatment. And on any given day, CCS funds 300 of the brightest minds in Canada doing the most promising cancer research to improve and save lives.

To find out more about the Canadian Cancer Society's programs and services, call 1-888-939-3333 or visit cancer.ca.



Teulon student's leadership, volunteer work may pay off in a big way

By Melissa McIvor By Melissa McIvor

An exemplary Teulon Collegiate Grade 12 student is in the running for Canada's largest undergraduate scholarship.

Samantha Morin is one of four finalists from Manitoba for the prestigious Loran Award, a scholarship valued at \$100,000 over four years for undergraduate studies in Canada. From Feb. 2 to Feb. 3, she will join her fellow candidates from across Canada in Toronto to participate in the final national selections.

Morin is among the top 88 of 5,000 candidates who applied for the scholarship, which is awarded to students by the Loran Scholars Foundation based on evidence of the individual's character, commitment to service in the community and leadership potential.

"One of the greatest passions of my life is to be involved," Morin said. "I'm part of most of the committees in our school including Teen Talk and Helping Hands. I'm student council co-president and the chair of the Indigenous Culture Club. I'm also the yearbook editor. I try to help out or be a part of everything that goes on in the school as much as I can."

Morin also coaches junior high girls' volleyball in the fall, is a longtime volunteer for the theatre class at Green Acres Art Centre and has personally pioneered the creation of a

community babysitting service called Sam & Friends Sitting Services.

"During community events or on weekends we go to the Arts Centre and we provide snacks, games and movies and a space for parents to drop off their kids for multiple hours," Morin explained. "I think that it was a great way to get students and my friends involved with the community and it was fun for all the kids to interact with one another. It was a great opportunity for the parents to know that their kids were safe, with multiple people at once, and in a community environment."

"I would much rather spend time helping and doing volunteer work or just making sure that everything's done in a fun way."

Morin was already a successful Manitoban candidate from the regional Loran interviews in Winnipeg on Nov. 11, 2017. Accompanied by representatives from the Loran Foundation and past Loran winners, Morin and 20 other semi-finalists participated in two one-on-one interviews, a lunch interview and a large panel interview. Morin believes that both days of the two-day national selection process in Toronto will follow the same itinerary.

After national selections, the Loran Scholars Foundation will grant 34 Loran Awards. If not selected as a Loran Scholar, Morin is still eligible to receive a \$5,000 finalist award for her undergraduate education.



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Samantha Morin from Teulon Collegiate Institute is a finalist for the Loran Award, Canada's largest undergraduate scholarship, valued at \$100,000.

"My plan is to become a kindergarten teacher so I'll be taking Education," Morin explained. She has looked into universities outside of Manitoba, but transferring teaching certificates between provinces is difficult so her sights are set on the University of Manitoba.

Morin's advice for future scholarship hopefuls? "I think that everyone can

benefit from helping in their school or community," she said. "They can grow as a person and get experience and learn who they are in life rather than just conforming."

"Stay true to yourself and don't try to be anyone you're not," she added. "You're going to be successful just by being who you are."

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

At the Jan. 24 committee of the whole meeting, council continued its discussion about the Teulon-Rockwood **Recreation Commission.** A resolution will be brought forward at the next regular council meeting, which will be held on Feb. 14.

In other council news:

Council also discussed the . Partnership of the Capital Region

purchasing system.

The RM of Rockwood is inviting quotes for hourly equipment rental rates in order to establish pay rates for the 2018 construction and maintenance season. The deadline to submit quotation packages is 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 9. More information is available on the RM's website at www.rockwood.ca.





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Greetings, folks.

The sense of a fresh new day invigorated me as I stepped out of Old Red onto the ice of the Red River almost at "the cut" downstream of Selkirk. I had parked by a portable shack and called out, "Is anybody home?"

"Yeah, how ya doing?" came back a response as a guy inside unzipped the door and emerged from the tent. What soon stood before me was a gentle giant of a guy who began talking in a hushed voice, saying his name was Dan Kyryliuk of Selkirk and that he had caught a fish with the transducer line of his fishfinder. He then retreated back into his tent, sat down and showed me his three ice holes, two of which were occupied with rods while the other had the sensor of his fishfinder in it.

Dan explained how a jack struck one of his lines and then wrapped itself around the transducer line. Dan grabbed the finder line, not wanting to see the unit go for swim and began pulling up on it. A good thing, too, because just as the jack broke the water's surface in the ice hole, the hook came free of the its mouth. But since the line was wrapped around the transducer's cable and the fish, Dan was able to capture it.

As happens many times when I am stopped with my car or truck, which has door signs advertising my fishing column, folks walk up to say hi or have a story they want to share. Last week, a tall, fidgeting, rapid-talking chap walked hastily up to me as I was loading groceries into the truck in the Walmart parking lot. He shook my hand vigorously, saying he was

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Dan Kyryliuk with his very nice catch of a walleye on the Red River.

Chris Phillips from Grand Marais and that something unusual had happened to him on the ice not long ago. It seems he and his friend Paul Weselowski were finished a day of ice fishing off Victoria Beach, and as they reached landfall, they met a group of Asian tourists. The group asked in broken English if they could take pictures of them with the fish they had caught. The boys said sure. When their foreign friends wanted pictures of themselves with the fish, the boys said sure once again and obligingly took the pictures for them. Then as the Asians were leaving happy and excited, they turned to Chris and Paul asking,"How much?""How much for what?" Chris asked. "For letting us

take the pictures!" they exclaimed. Chris looked at them for a moment and then offered,"Look, I rent lodges, cabins and ice shacks around here and I know the guys at the hotel you're staying at. I'll make a call and you take these fish to him and they will be cooked for you for supper. You all have an enjoyable trip in Manitoba," Chris said as he shook their hands in farewell. There was a short silence between Chris and I when he finished his story, and then I reached out and shook his hand, saying, "You give Manitoba business a good name, Chris. We need more guys like you." It was cold and windy on the rough

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Stonewall to make sale of cannabis a conditional use

By Jennifer McFee

Stonewall council is making headway towards creating parameters for the future sale of cannabis in the community.

At the Jan. 24 meeting, council decided to make it a conditional use, rather than a permitted use, to operate a business that sells cannabis in Stonewall. That way, the application would need to go through the planning board and through council. Nearby area residents would receive a notice to let them know about the conditional use application, and they would have the chance to voice any comments or concerns. Rather than trying to establish specific criteria in a zoning bylaw, council would have the opportunity to deal with potential issues through a development agreement.

"That will provide a lot of flexibility for council and also for area residents when we have to deal with these applications," Stonewall Mayor Lockie McLean said later in the week.

"The other thing we took into consideration is making sure that there is a buffer in place so that it's a certain distance away from any schools and daycares."

In other council news:

• South Interlake 55 Plus and Rockwood Festival of the Arts made requests for support, which council will consider during upcoming budget deliberations.

• On behalf of REACT (Rockwood Environmental Action Community Taskforce), Debbie Fleury spoke to council about support for acquiring a 40-foot Sea Can container to store plastic bags so that they can be recycled. The Sea Can would be located at the waste disposal grounds to divert plastic bags from the landfill site.

• Council denied a request from Global Homes Development to change the location of green space from where it is currently allocated to a different area of the undeveloped property.

• A major capital project coming up in 2018 will be the complete reconstruction of 3rd Avenue South from 5th Street West to 12th Street West.

"It's basically a gravel road for the majority of it right now, and we've put money aside to get it done in 2018. It's going to make that whole area a whole lot better for all the folks that live down there," McLean said.

"It's a road that goes past the hospital, as well, so the presentation of

Stonewall is going to be so much better when it's done. Stonewall is beautiful, but this will make it more beautiful."

• Mayor Lockie McLean will speak on behalf of the Town of Stonewall at the opening ceremonies of the Skate Canada Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships. More than 300 skaters from across Manitoba and Saskatchewan will compete at the event, which will be held on Feb. 10 and 11 at the Veterans Memorial Sports Complex.

• McLean will also bring greetings from the town at the opening ceremonies for the Veterans Cup, which is one of the premier peewee hockey tournaments in Manitoba. This year's event runs from Feb. 2 to 4.

letter to the editor

The Sustainable Watersheds Act is sound leadership

Minister of Sustainable Development Rochelle Squires has shown sound leadership by introducing The Sustainable Watersheds Act. Combined with robust regulations the new legislation will protect certain classes of wetlands and enable Manitobans to better control the flow and quality of water. Premier Brian Pallister and his government have acted promptly on the principle of the recent Made in Manitoba Climate and Green Plan in advancing this legislation.

All Manitobans stand to benefit from the act's protection of wetlands. They filter water, protect us from flooding and drought, and provide habitat for a variety of wildlife.

Those benefits extend to climate change. When wetlands are draining and destroyed, carbon is released into the atmosphere. If wetlands are protected in Manitoba this could stop the ongoing release of 284.5 million tonnes of global warming carbon dioxide – 20 years worth of emissions from three million cars.

The coming months will be crucial as the government and other stakeholders work to shape new regulations to accompany the Act – regulations that conserve and restore wetlands. Timing is critical, as until the Act passes and strong regulations are developed Manitoba's will continue to lose wetlands at an alarming rate. DUC supports embedding "no net loss" of wetlands goal in the new regulations where wetlands are maintained and replaced when lot to development.

With the passing of the new Act introduced by Minister Squires, and the development of strong regulations under the Act, Manitoban's will have reached a "watershed" moment in conservation.

> Scott Stephens Ducks Unliminted Canada Director of Operations Prairie Region

> GET FISHING, FROM PG. 6

ice of Sandy Bar east of Riverton. Hard wall shacks and old trailers converted to ice shacks were strung out in a line to the south where smoother ice permitted. Last week, I jostled toward one of the converted trailers in my truck, paying close attention to the big ice spikes on both sides of the trail. As I pulled up, an averaged-sized fellow came out of the trailer. I pushed open the door of the truck, asking how the fishing was. "It's been good," our new friend with a salt-and-pepper beard said. He gave his name as Calvin French from Poplarfield and he had a story. Years ago, he remembered he and his daughter were fishing at Stephenfield Provincial Park lake by Carman and the little

girl caught a perch. It took the hook in the bulrushes right on top of the water. The girl, Catherine, squealed with glee as her fish quivered on the surface, sending sprays of sunglistening water droplets into the air. Suddenly, just behind the perch, a fairly large Jack emerged from the depths like a snake following the perch bent on making it his lunch. Catherine cried out in dismay, "It's going to eat my perch." The jack lunged forward, snapping at the perch's tail. Catherine pulled up on her rod and the perch flew free of the beastly jack. She landed it and made Dad take and release it safely far down shore.

Good fishing, my friends. I'll see you next week.





Deprez family offers financial advice when planning for 2018

By Jennifer McFee

Now that we're a month into 2018, perhaps it's time to take a tally on whether your financial goals are adding up to a successful year.

For the Deprez family, financial awareness is more than just a New Year's resolution — it's a way of life.

Don Deprez of Stony Mountain has been working as a certified financial planner with Investors Group for 24 years. Following in their dad's footsteps, Jaymie Deprez came on board in 2011 and Chad Deprez joined the team in 2014. Their mom, Laurie, serves as the executive assistant for the trio.

Together, they operate Deprez and Associates Private Wealth Management, which is committed to providing clients with short-term and long-term strategies to manage their money.

To keep in the black, Jaymie's main recommendation is to simply spend less money than you earn, particularly during the holiday season. That way, you won't be saddled with stressful debts long after Christmas has come and gone.

"You need to figure out what your budget is and stay on track," she said. Similarly, a plan is essential in order

to identify and achieve financial goals. "Our team is focused on proactive planning, and that involves getting together with our clients once or twice a year at a minimum. We review their situation and their investments to make sure they're on track. We also re-address their past goals and anything new that comes up," she said.

"In our experience, that's been very beneficial for them to stay on track financially throughout the year rather than having reactive financial planning where we're addressing debt issues after the holidays. We try to help our clients stay on track throughout the year on a year-to-year basis."

To develop a plan, it's useful to seek the advice of a certified financial planner, she noted.

"Chad and I have been encouraged to be saving since we were about eight years old under the guidance of our father, so we understand the value of advice and having our money work for us. Now we're also able to understand the individual financial goals of our clients and, in turn, what their investment profile is. Then we can make investment recommendations and come up with a financial plan for them," Jaymie said.

"After that, they need to stick to their plan. When you're talking about having money for retirement, it's imperative that you don't spend your longterm money for short-term purposes."

It's also important to plan ahead for the possibility of disability or critical illness, Chad added.

"If something tragic like that does happen, then you want to make sure that your family is covered through critical illness insurance, which is a lump sum tax-free payout. If you're unable to go to work, you'll have this lump sum to spend while you're recovering," he said.

"With disability insurance, it pro-



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The Deprez family (left to right) Chad, Laurie, Don and Jaymie, operate Deprez and Associates Private Wealth Management, providing clients with short-term and long-term strategies to manage their money.

vides a monthly benefit if somebody was disabled, so it comes in as a monthly salary until that person is able to go back to work. Even if it's a long-term disability, it will pay them until retirement."

For folks who have gone down the wrong financial path, Don offers some words of wisdom based on decades of experience.

"If someone is adherent to a longterm plan, they're probably not going to get themself into that situation. If they do, they're going to get back on track right away. They're going to pay that high-interest debt first, which means their credit cards. If they have any other debt, they can peck away at that as time goes by," he said.

"We're going to advise people not to overload their credit card on an ongoing basis. It's really important for people to create a financial plan and then monitor it and adhere to it."

For more information about Deprez and Associates Private Wealth Management, visit www.deprezandassociates.com or call 204-786-2708.

Manitoba government extends freeze on cottage fees

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The Manitoba government has extended its moratorium on increases to park land lease and service fees for cottages in provincial parks for another two years, Sustainable Development Minister Rochelle Squires announced last Friday.

"We believe cottagers are prepared to pay a fair price for the services they receive and for the value of using provincial park land for their vacation retreats," Squires said. "We are continuing to explore the development of a fair and sustainable fee structure, and are working in partnership with cottagers to ensure Manitobans can enjoy their cottages and be able to pass them on to future generations."

Cottage service fees cover a variety of services including garbage disposal, water and wastewater, and road maintenance. Lease fees are based on a percentage of assessed land values. Service fees are calculated annually based on the cost of delivering services over the previous season.

"Cottagers derive great joy from the year-round beauty and tranquility of Manitoba's wonderful provincial park system," said Daniel Klass of the Man-



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Ralph R. Eichler, *MLA for Lakeside* **Constituency Office** 319 Main St. Box 1845 Stonewall, Manitoba ROC 2Z0 HOURS: Tues & Thurs 10 am - 2 pm Tel: (204) 467-9482 Website: www.ralpheichler.com itoba Provincial Parks Cabin Owners Association. "The extension of the current freeze is a positive indication of faith on the minister's part that will provide an additional period of cost certainty for cottagers.

"Also, it will allow the continuation of current productive discussions we've had with the minister to reach a funding formula that will support the park system and benefit the province, Manitobans and cabin owners in the long run."

The moratorium, initially established in 2016, had been set to expire in July. This extension means cottagers in provincial parks will pay the same fees in 2019 and 2020 as they did in 2017. Cottage owners and associations will continue to be consulted and future changes will be developed with their input, Squires noted.

Government cuts funding to eliminate duplicate expenses

By Jeff Ward

The long-running organization that has helped fund more than 10,000 community projects in Manitoba has had its administrative funding cut by the province, crippling its ability to continue.

The Manitoba Community Services Council (MCSC) received a letter from the provincial government last week that said effective April 1, 2018, the province will cease to provide funding to cover their administrative costs. The organization reviews applications from non-profits that are volunteer-driven to help fund community projects.

MCSC chairperson Jay Boaz said he was surprised to receive the letter and is concerned about the future of how smaller rural projects will be funded in the coming years. MCSC staff compiled a list of the 72 projects the council helped fund in the Interlake from 2014 to 2017 that totalled \$783,141. The list details a wide variety of projects like purchasing new appliances, equipment, furnishings, computers, vehicles and much more.Boaz said that the administrative budget is \$280,000 and he finds it hard to believe that the government can replicate MCSC's success for less money.

"You can't replicate what we did in a government bureaucracy," said Boaz.

"There had been some requests for reports but never any actual dialogue before the letter was hand-

delivered to our executive director a few weeks ago. We've been trying to get a meeting with our department since August."

The province issued a statement that explained the decision was made to eliminate administration duplication.

"Our government is committed to providing support to organizations and municipalities across Manitoba for capital, planning and programming needs. The decision was made to eliminate administration duplication and streamline access to government grants. Department staff have met with the Manitoba Community Services Council and discussions about next steps are still ongoing," said the spokesperson for Municipal Relations.

The spokesperson added that decisions around what happens to the money the province provides MCSC to grant out haven't been made yet and that discussions about what the next step for MCSC will be is ongoing.

Boaz is concerned about the future of granting opportunities for Manitoba. The way MCSC reviews applications and awards grants is always non-partisan, he said, and politics don't play a role in their decisions.

"If the province were to replicate [what we do], and they haven't said if they are or not, it would be impossible for politics not to play a role. What is going to happen to a community hall in a community of 150 people that needs help buying tables and chairs?" he said, adding that it's one thing to award grants for big infrastructure projects or new buildings but there are hundreds of smaller projects that need attention.

The Municipal Relations spokesperson said that "grant applications are reviewed and evaluated by departmental staff, which ensures an open and transparent process."

Boaz explained that MCSC is still looking at grant applications. They still have fourth quarter funds to grant out and they are still accepting applications. Boaz said he asked the province if MCSC could still grant out money if they were able to find administrative funding elsewhere, but the province couldn't confirm.

Boaz wants residents to contact their MLA or Minister of Municipal Relations Jeff Wharton and let them know the importance of keeping MCSC around.

"You'd be hard-pressed to find a community that hasn't been touched by MCSC," he said.

MCSC has a long history of funding Interlake projects and provided over \$200,000 last year alone. Boaz said that it was very difficult to know their efforts have an expiration date.

"To have 34 years of existence through multiple governing parties and that a three-paragraph letter was the way it ended — it's awful," said Boaz.

St. Laurent council discusses fire hall

By Jeff Ward

Discussion around the possibility of a new water filling station for the St. Laurent Fire Department took place last week that could see a new water tank installed outside of the existing fire hall.

St. Laurent municipal emergency co-ordinator (MEC) Paul Belair presented his findings to council during their Jan. 24 regular meeting. The current site to fill up the department's water truck is at the St. Laurent Arena and has long presented multiple problems for the community. Council discussed the length of time it takes to fill, which is 45 minutes. When there is a hockey game or event taking place at the arena, access to the hose is extremely limited.

Fire truck access has been blocked in the past because of activity at the arena, according to EDO Tiffany Desjarlais. Belair said that there have been times when rushing to the Woodlands filling station was actually quicker than using the one in St. Laurent, and council agreed that this was something that needs attention.

Belair said that there are preliminary plans to have an onsite water tank with three times the capacity of the truck, which holds 3,500 gallons of water with a high-pressure hose that can fill the truck in seven minutes. The cost is unknown at this time and the discussions were only preliminary. In other council news

• EDO Tiffany Desjarlais re-

ported to council that the final designs for the Oak Point Community Centre trail head signs are nearly complete.

• Desjarlais said that she is reviewing the options for zoning once the retail sale of cannabis is legalized later this year. She explained that the government is still working on publishing those rules and that she will present to council when available.

• Council hired Nancy-Anne Cribbs to be the new assistant CAO at a rate of \$21 per hour. She started the job on Jan. 29 and there is a six-month probation period.

• Council renewed their partnership with the Prairie Rose School Division for their community library project at St. Laurent School. It will cost \$80 per evening for a total of \$960.









Selkirk & District Community Foundation Is Accepting Grant Applications For the Western Canada Games Legacy Fund

- The Legacy Fund provides opportunities for promotion and enhancement of leadership and/or sport development with the Selkirk, Stonewall, Beausejour and Gimli area and within the Lord Selkirk School Division boundaries.
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- Grant Application Procedure
- GRANT GUIDELINES AND APPLICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM: Foundation Office: 204-785-9755 Or 200 Eaton Ave in Selkirk Or email: selkirkfoundation@shaw.ca Or www.sdcf.ca
- APPLICATION DEADLINE: Wednesday February 28, 2018

COMMUNITY ROOTS MANITOBA'S COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS



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2 1/2 pounds chicken wing pieces 1/2 cup Frank's RedHot Original Cayenne Pepper Sauce 1/3 cup butter, melted blue cheese dressing



- 2 pounds ground beef
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 can (28 ounces) crushed tomatoes in puree
- 1 can (15-19 ounces) kidney beans, undrained

1/4 cup Frank's RedHot Original Cayenne Pepper Sauce



Buttalo Chicken Wings

celery sticks Heat oven to 450 F. In foil-lined pan, bake wings 30 minutes until crispy, turning once. In bowl, combine sauce and butter. Toss wings in sauce to coat completely. Serve with blue cheese dressing and

celery sticks.

Chili

2 packages (1 1/4 ounces) chili seasoning mix

shredded cheddar cheese (optional) scallions (optional)

sour cream (optional) In large, nonstick pot, cook beef until browned.

Add onion; cook 3 minutes. Drain. Stir in tomatoes, beans, sauce and seasoning mix. Heat to boiling. Stir often.

Simmer, partially covered, 15 minutes, or until flavors are blended. Stir often.

Garnish, as desired, with shredded cheddar cheese, scallions and sour cream.



Nobody ever plans for a crisis, and so we are often caught mentally and emotionally unprepared when something unexpected happens. Perhaps your partner announces that he/she is leaving, or a loved one dies. Initially there is shock and disbelief, and you just cannot believe this thing is happening. Feelings of fear, abandonment and anger may be all mixed together with deep sadness and pain. You reflect on the past, and try to imagine a future without this person, and you can only see continued pain and loneliness.

It feels like your world has been turned upside down, and you keep wishing you would wake up and find it was just a bad dream. You may feel betrayed by a world that has taken something that you felt belonged to you. You will experience times when you think you are managing, and then times when you feel you are falling apart. It may feel like trying to find your way in a blinding snowstorm.

If you think about the entire road ahead, you may easily become overwhelmed, discouraged, with a sense of hopelessness. It may become more manageable if you concentrate initially only on getting through one day at a time, or perhaps even one



2 1/2 pounds chicken wing pieces 1 package McCormick Cheesy Taco Mix

nonstick cooking spray 3 cups chopped romaine lettuce 1/4 cup finely chopped tomato 2 tablespoons sliced green onion



Support During a Crisis

hour. You need to give yourself the time to feel all that you are feeling. There may be times that you really need to be alone, but it is important that you allow others to support you.

Part of the healing process is in the love with which friends and family reach out to you. It is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to fully heal on your own. And what if you do not have people in your life who will provide this kind of support? Then it is time to look for a support group. A support group is a warm and caring environment where you can express yourself, or listen to the experiences and advice of others who have been through, or are going through experiences similar to your own.

There are support groups for all kinds of situations, including bereavement and divorce adjustment. To find one that is right for you, you can call Family and Community Services in Sherwood Park, or the Support Network Information Line in Edmonton (482-4636). If they do not have what you are looking for, you can ask them to look into the possibility of setting something up. You can bet that there will be others looking for the same thing you are.

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Cheesy Taco Wings

2 tablespoons crumbled queso fresco Heat oven to 450 F.

In large bowl, toss chicken wings with seasoning mix. On large, shallow foil-lined baking pan sprayed with nonstick cooking spray, arrange wings in single layer.

Bake 30-35 minutes, or until chicken is cooked through and skin is crisp. On large serving platter, arrange

lettuce. Top with wings, tomato, green onion and queso fresco.





- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 cans (16 ounces each) refried beans
- 1 can (4 1/2 ounces) chopped green
- chilies, drained 1 package McCormick Taco
- Seasoning Mix

Texas Trash Dip

4 cups shredded Mexican cheese blend, divided

nonstick cooking spray chopped cilantro (optional) tomatoes (optional) sliced olives (optional) avocado (optional)

tortilla chips

Heat oven to 350 F.

In large, microwavable bowl, heat cream cheese and sour cream on high 1 minute, or until cheese is softened. Remove from microwave. Mix with wire whisk until smooth. Add refried beans, green chilies, seasoning mix and 2 cups cheese; mix well.

Spread bean mixture into 13-by-9-inch baking dish sprayed with nonstick cooking spray. Sprinkle with remaining cheese.

Bake 25 minutes, or until cheese is melted. Top with cilantro, tomatoes, sliced olives and avocados, if desired. Serve with tortilla chips.

St. Laurent hires assistant CA

"WE VIEW THE

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ADVISOR."

By Jeff Ward

During the regular meeting on Jan. 24, the RM of St. Laurent hired assistant CAO Nancy-Anne Cribbs. Cribbs has been hired to allow CAO Hilda Zotter to be a better advisor to council.

Cribbs' first day was Jan. 29 and she will take on more of the day-to-day duties Zotter was in charge of.

Reeve Cheryl Smith explained that tasks like preparing council agendas, speaking

with the public and HR matters were taking Zotter away from duties that council feels are more important. Smith said that she and the rest of council want Zotter to take on an advisor role and to be someone they can turn to for advice on policy and bylaws.

Smith said that while Zotter already does that stuff,

she has to spend a lot of extra time outside of working hours to do that research because of the demand on her time during office hours.

And that's the idea behind the new assistant CAO position, which will allow Zotter the time she needs to educate herself so that she can properly inform council.

"We view the CAO as our advisor. At that

level, we want to start giving [Zotter] the opportunity and the time to sink her teeth into the bigger projects," said Smith.

Zotter is looking forward to having more of her day devoted to exploring bigger projects and policies. She said that it is a relief to have some of the pressure of daily work taken away so that she can be a stronger advisor to council.

The new position is full time and comes with a six-month probation period. Zotter

said that Cribbs has experience working within the province, formerly working in the Municipal Relations office, which will be a strong asset for the RM.

As we reported in the Jan. 18 edition of the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune*, the RM hired Way to Go Consulting to assist in the interviews and hiring of the

assistant CAO because of the connections council has with several applicants. Zotter said that the experience was a good one and that she will likely repeat it when hiring senior staff in the future.

"They had very good interview questions and I think provided us with a good approach when choosing the best candidate for the job," said Zotter.

TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JEFF WARD

Reeve Cheryl Smith and CAO Hilda Zotter are looking forward to the inclusion of Nancy-Anne Cribbs as the new assistant CAO. That new position will free up Zotter's time, allowing her to be a better advisor to council.

Manitoba wildlife care centre sees spike in injured snowy owls

By Lindsey Enns

A refuge centre for Manitoba wildlife is seeing an increase of injured snowy owls heading their direction.

In 2017 alone, 17 snowy owls were brought to the Wildlife Haven Rehabilitation Centre and only two survived due to the severity of their injuries, one of which was released in December at Oak Hammock Marsh.

"The last time we've had such a significant amount was in 2015 and we had a total of 22 that year," said Tiffany Lui, the centre's animal care co-ordinator, adding that out of the 22, they managed to release six of them. "In 2015, the majority of owls that came in, they were starved."

In 2017, Lui said the majority of snowy owls that were brought in were due to injuries such as fractures and dislocations. One of the owls was also found caught up in a soccer net.

"Because he struggled in the soccer net, it ended up that it damaged the wings far beyond repair so he had to be unfortunately euthanized."

Lui said it's difficult to pinpoint exactly why the centre is seeing an influx of snowy owls.

"They're mostly immature owls as well. We find that the experienced



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTOR TransCanada Pipeline students Savannah and Keith assisted with the release of a rehabilitated snowy owl at Oak Hammock Marsh on Dec. 12. The Wildlife Haven Rehabilitation Centre is currently seeing a spike in the number of snowy owls they are caring for.

adults usually stay up north where they can withstand the temperatures and the environmental conditions and they can hunt," she said. "Usually the juveniles, the younger ones, they're still learning to hunt. That's why they usually come down south where it's a little easier."

Lui said lots of the owls that come to the centre appear to have been hit by vehicles. She would like to remind motorists to be cautious and watch for wildlife, especially at night.

"Keep an eye out and drive safely," she said. "And if you ever find an owl or any other injured animal on the side of the road or wherever, give us a call. We can always try to help them."

In 2017, the centre cared for a total of 1,668 animals. There are currently 59 animals in care this winter.

Lui added the number of animals being brought in has been climbing over the last four years. She said the only animals they aren't permitted to take in include hoofed animals, skunks and bears.

"We'll take all sorts of birds ... we also take reptiles, mostly just turtles. Occasionally we'll get snakes ... and then we also take all sorts of mammals," she said. "Anything from squirrels and bunnies and mice all the way to foxes, coyotes and raccoons."

The Wildlife Haven Rehabilitation Centre has been rehabilitating injured, sick and orphaned wildlife for their return to the wild since 1984. The volunteer-driven, non-profit organization has cared for more than 35,000 wildlife since it opened.

To learn more about the centre, which is located in Île des Chênes, call 204-878-3740 or visit wildlifehaven.ca.

Betty-Anne Fairlie celebrates her retirement



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Travelling and watching sunsets are on the top of 72-year-old Betty-Anne Fairlie's bucket list as she enters retirement. After working for the Interlake School Division for the past 25 years at both Warren Elementary and Warren Collegiate, Fairlie dusted her last library shelf and swept her last hallway. Last Thursday, both schools held separate celebrations to reflect on Fairlie's career, thank her for her dedication and present her with gifts that represent some of her favourite things. Fairlie was touched by all the attention and wonderful gifts. Although she will miss everyone, she promised to come back to visit. Left photo, Fairlie at her farewell celebration; Middle and right photo, WCI principal Laura Perrella presents Fairlie with a sign that was made for her in the shops class.



Grosse Isle winter classic



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY PATRICIA CHARTIER The Warren Junior Mercs and a Stonewall Initiation team went head to head in a fun

game of hockey on Jan. 21 at the outdoor rink at Grosse Isle. With both of their home rinks hosting tournaments, and using their regular ice slots, the teams took advantage of the nice weather and held their own "winter classic" game. Following the game, players and their families were treated to hotdogs, hot chocolate and roasted marshmallows over a bonfire.





Does your pet have healthy teeth?

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Did you know that oral health has a significant impact on your pet's quality of life, comfort and even lifespan? February is Pet Dental Health Month, and it's the perfect time to ensure that your loyal companion's mouth and teeth are in peak condition. After all, your four-legged friend's overall well-being depends on it!

WARNING SIGNS

Like humans, pets that lack proper oral and dental hygiene can develop illnesses such as gingivitis and periodontitis. If your cat or dog displays any of the following symptoms, a visit to your vet might be in order:

- Unusually foul-smelling breath
- Frequent pawing at the face or mouth area
- Apparent difficulty chewing food
- Swollen gums



Reddish-brown teeth

PREVENTION

To keep the spread of disease-causing oral bacteria to a minimum, it's important that you establish an oral hygiene routine for your pet that includes regular tooth brushing. Veterinary clinics and specialized stores stock a variety of toothbrushes and toothpastes designed for different types of pets.

A healthy diet

is key to a lealth<u>y mouth</u>

Diet is also a major factor in your pet's dental health. To prevent plaque and tartar buildup, feed Fido high-quality dry food and chew treats rather than canned varieties or leftover"people food."

Don't underestimate the importance of regular checkups with the vet. Remember: it's your responsibility to see to your pet's health and well-being.



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When your pet is sleeping, we check all the teeth to ensure there are no broken teeth we could see previously, remove all tartar build up, polish them up nicely and take full radiographs of the teeth to ensure there is no problem with hidden cavities or root problems.

We realize that dental disease is a 365 day a year condition, it does not just happen once a year. We offer all our clients the opportunity to receive a 10% discount on their pets' dental cleaning procedure when booked within 30 days of a recent examination and recommendation from us.

Come see us today for options on keeping your pet's mouth healthy on a budget. We also can provide you with great options for preventive care – toothpaste, treats, and water additives to help.





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14 *The Stonewall Teulon Tribune* Thursday, February 1, 2018 Bright stars of the wintertime sky

By Ted Bronson

January started out producing clear but very cold nights. Any stargazing was limited to very short durations. My outdoor sessions were limited to seeing the wintertime bright stars and constellations. A set of binoculars was the instrument of choice for quick glances at my favourite star clusters such as the Seven Sisters (Pleiades) and the Hyades in Taurus.

Usually when the nighttime temperatures moderate this time of year, stargazing may be a bit more comfortable outdoors, but this situation tends to produce undesirable foggy, hazy and cloudy sky conditions, not good for observing the night skies.

As the stars become visible after sunset and the stargazer looks toward the southeastern sky, it becomes evident to the observer that there are numerous bright stars in that area by the beginning of February.

This time of year at night, we are facing away from the centre of our galaxy, so we do not see the multitudes of stars that we do in the night sky of late summertime. Some of the bright stars of the winter constellations are relatively nearby and others are much larger than our sun. Since these stars are so prominent in the winter sky, they are referred to as the celestial "G" asterism or "The Winter Eight" pattern of stars.

To find this formation, you must follow these stars in this order. A basic star map will be very useful. Start high in the sky with the yellow star Capella. Capella, the brightest star in the pentagon-shaped constellation of Auriga, is fairly close at a distance of

45 light years.

Curve eastward to the stars Castor and Pollux. These are white stars of similar brightness in Gemini the Twins. Castor is a system comprised of six stars 45 light years away. A telescope at around 100 times magnification will resolve three stars of this sextuple system.

Descend to the next star Procyon in the constellation of Canis Minor just below Gemini. Procyon is closer to us at 11.4 light years.

Blue-white Sirius, in the constellation Canis Major, can easily be identified being the brightest star in the night sky. Extending a line from the three belt stars of Orion toward the horizon will guide you to Sirius. At a distance of only 8.6 light years, it shines at a visual magnitude of -1.44

The next star of "The Winter Eight" is Rigel, marking the left foot of Orion. This star is a true white hot supergiant lying at 800 light years distant. We see Rigel as a star of magnitude 0.18 from Earth, meaning that this star is actually 57,000 times brighter than our sun!

Move upwards toward the orangeyellow giant star Aldebaran. This star marks the eye of the Bull amongst the "V" shape of stars (the Hyades) in the constellation of Taurus. Aldebaran is 65 light years away and shines at a magnitude of 0.87.

Finally, back to Orion to the red supergiant star of Betelgeuse. This star marks the right shoulder of Orion the Hunter as he holds his club high in his right hand. His left hand holds a shield facing the head of Taurus the Bull. Betelgeuse is a pulsating red supergiant star 520 light years



Mid-February winter stars.

from Earth. If Betelgeuse was located where our sun is, its surface would lie between the planets Mars and Jupiter. Betelgeuse shines at a magnitude of 0.45 and appears a definite reddishorange in colour.

As a community service, I am available to do talks on astronomy or related subjects to teachers, students, **TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED**

scouts, guides or any community groups who would be interested. I can be contacted at e-mail: bronsont@ mymts.net to schedule a presentation. *Ted Bronson is an avid local astronomer who has been observing the sky since* 1964.

Worship <u>with</u> <u>us</u> FAITH When you are gone, what will you be remembered for?

This week I was at a funeral. Actually, it was a celebration of a life well lived. This young girl left a legacy of laughter, a pattern of joy and an example of love for everyone to follow. She was remembered as a light who impacted everyone she met. Like a shooting star or brilliant firework, she didn't last long but left a bright wonderful path and made the world a better place.

A tree is remembered by the sweetness of its fruit. When you are gone, what do you want to be remembered for?

The thickness of your wallet? Your

favourite sports team? Your most liked Facebook post? The shows you watched? Your Insta-Pot recipe?

How about a spouse that says you were kind, forgiving, gentle, patient and tender? Kids who said you were joyful, thankful, loving and committed to teaching them how to live excellent lives? A community that calls you generous with your time, laughter and money? Now that's sweet fruit.

Make a list. Like now. Write your own obituary. Seriously. Now come back. Look at the list of things you want said at your funeral. That list is your definition of success in life. It has nothing to do with net worth. It has everything to do with relationships, character and legacy. In a word. Fruit.

Does your life look like your list? Do the last seven days? Are you where you want to be? Probably not. But there is someone who wants you to be this and so much more.

It's Jesus. He describes the life that only He can give you. "That you BEAR MUCH FRUIT ... that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full ... that you love one another, just as I have loved you." Read John 15. Is that you? If not, invite Jesus in. He can transform your life. He's the root that bears sweet fruit. I've seen it so many times in the students we serve. If you need a Bible or advice, email callpaul@gmail.com or call 1-204-229-9397.

The funeral reminded me that we don't have much time. The packed out crowds showed that we can have an incredible impact on others with the time we have. Money can buy you a fancy funeral but it can't fill the pews to overflowing. Paul Emmer

YFC Stonewall

The power of positivity for Stonewall senior

By Jennifer McFee

The power of positivity is the driving force behind an energetic octogenarian who is more active than many people half her age.

At 81 years old, Joyce Wyrchowny hustles and bustles from one activity to the next, finding joy in all she does.

From her hometown of Ste. Rose du Lac, she moved to destinations including Winnipeg before settling down in Stonewall 55 years ago.

"I moved here on a Saturday and started curling on the Monday," she said with a laugh. "One of my conditions when we moved here was that there had to be a curling rink. I think it's an addiction. I started when I was 12 years old."

In decades past, Wrychowny started a junior curling club along with her husband and friends.

"We worked at it every Friday night for 20 years. We had a 4 o'clock draw and a 6 o'clock draw. I was involved in the curling club for a lot of years and I taught curling for a long, long time," she said.

"We also played competitive curling. I've been in probably about 30 provincials."

These days, Wyrchowny continues to curl three times per week — and sometimes more.

In the warmer months, her passion swings to golf, which she enjoys several times per week as well.

Adding to her jam-packed schedule, Wyrchowny attends old-time dances at least a couple times per week. Her husband died nine years ago, so she now attends the events with her good friend Lucien, who loves dancing as much as she does.

Every Thursday, they dance to a band that plays at the legion located at the corner of the Perimeter and Henderson Highway. They also frequent dance floors in Meadow Lea, St. Laurent, Teulon, Lundar and more — basically dancing whenever they have the chance.

And the fact that Wyrchowny is on oxygen 24 hours per day doesn't slow her down for a beat.

"This thing I have to carry is about eight or 10 pounds, so it's quite heavy. I have a good friend who made me a backpack to carry it. It hurt my back, so somebody brought me some bubble wrap and we stick it down in between there," she said.

"I wear the backpack, but when I'm dancing, I have a strap that goes around whoever I'm dancing with. They just put it over their head. At first it was a novelty with all my friends, and



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Stonewall's Joyce Wrychowny curls three times per week.

now it's just matter of fact."

With a sense of caring for her community, Wrychowny has also earned a reputation for being a dedicated volunteer. In years past, she coached curling for the Special Olympics and even started the club in Stonewall. Along with the team representing Manitoba, she travelled with the athletes in 2000 to Ottawa where they won gold in the nationals. Four years later, they went to P.E.I. and took home the silver.

"We also had the Western Canadian championships here and we had 100 volunteers," she said. "It was pretty amazing."

Since she had breast cancer in 1991, Wrychowny has also felt compelled to help others in the same situation. She helped Claudette Griffin to launch the Liliane Baron South Interlake Breast Cancer Support Group. She continues to attend the monthly meetings and helps to organize the fundraising walk each year.

It's hard to imagine that she has any time to



spare, but Wrychowny is a familiar face at the Catholic church in Stonewall and she's likely to turn up at all the local events that make their way to town.

"Being active makes me feel good," said Wrychowny, who has two sons and four grandchildren. "We've had a good life. Even the bad stuff makes the good stuff feel better. I wouldn't change a day of it."



Hockey dreams come true for Stonewall man

By Jennifer McFee

If you remain focused on your dreams, they really can come true.

Stonewall resident Michael Maartense made his wish into a reality last week when he travelled to Toronto to watch his favourite hockey team take the ice.

Michael, a 34-year-old man who was born with Downs Syndrome, has been a Toronto Maple Leafs fan since he was a teen.

Back when he attended high school at Stonewall Collegiate Institute, he worked on setting goals and creating a vision for the future along with special education co-ordinator Arlene Beresford and employment services co-ordinator Lori Vandal.

Since then, his goal has always been to watch a Toronto Maple Leafs game on home ice.

His fandom took root when he had the chance to meet Tie Domi while he played with the Winnipeg Jets. He became a huge fan, so when Domi was





TRIBUNE PHOTO COURTESY OF MARILYN MAARTENSE Michael Maartense, along with Terry Lyons, embarked on his dream trip to watch a Toronto Maple Leafs game on home ice.

traded to the Leafs, Michael shifted his loyalty to become a fan of Toronto's team.



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"Being in Jets country, he has held firmly and proudly to his passion and rarely misses a game on the sports channel," said his mom, Marilyn.

Michael is familiar face in the community through his part-time employment at Family Foods, Quarry Furnishings and Odd Fellows Hall. For many years, he was also the equipment manager for the Stonewall Rams and the Stonewall Flyers. With an unwavering focus on his goal, he saved his money over the years towards his dream trip to Toronto.

His parents helped him take steps towards this goal and registered him with the WestJet attendant program for people with disabilities. Michael chose his second cousin, fondly known as Uncle Terry Lyons from Flin Flon, to accompany him to Toronto since the pair had formed a bond as fellow Leafs fans.

They decided to go for the Jan. 22

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game against the Colorado Avalanche. In advance, Marilyn had contacted the customer service representative for the Leafs to see if the organization would be open to offering anything special to enhance Michael's experience — and they came through to create an unforgettable adventure for the Manitoba duo.

On game day, two representatives met Michael and Terry at the door of Air Canada Centre. They embarked on a tour of the arena, complete with the opportunity to sit on the Zamboni. Michael also enjoyed chatting with the organist and the announcer.

After that, they headed down to ice level for the much-anticipated game. Adding to the excitement, Michael had the chance to give each player a high five on their way from the change room to the ice. When he yelled "Hi coach," he was thrilled that the coach responded with "Hi bud."

With attention to all the delightful details, another representative delivered a swag bag to Michael's seat, complete with a T-shirt and other goodies.

Between periods, Michael got a second chance to high-five the players as they headed for the ice from the change room.

Both teams kept the audience on the edge of their seats since the game was tied until the last 10 minutes when Colorado scored. The Leafs' goalie was pulled and then Colorado scored again, leading to a 4-2 loss for the Toronto team.

The loss, however, didn't put a damper on the trip for Michael, who felt that his team played well none-

Minor hockey day

By Jo-Anne Procter

Stonewall Minor Hockey hosted their inaugural Stonewall Blues Day on Jan. 27 celebrating the game of hockey with 16 teams playing throughout the day.

A number of Stonewall Jets players that play in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League joined the youngsters in a fun skate, including a game of British Bulldog. Following the skate, everyone enjoyed hot chocolate and Tim Bits.

The day concluded with the Stonewall Jets taking on the St. James Canucks. Eight Initiation Program players led the team to the ice for warm-up and stood on the blue line for the playing of *O Canada*. Initiation player Reed Moran faced off with Jets' captain Chase Faulkner.









TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Social planned for local teen

Staff

The Inwood Snowmobile Club is hosting an upcoming social in support of a local teen who is battling leukemia.

Kylie Zirk, a 15-year-old student at Teulon Collegiate Institute, has been diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

To lend a hand during this stressful time, the Inwood Snowmobile Club will host a social on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Inwood Memorial Hall. Tickets cost \$10 each, and support tickets are also available.

Anyone who would like to buy a ticket or make a donation for the silent auction can contact Nancy Hein at 204-461-0829 or nancy-hein@live.ca or Mike Simcoe at 204-886-7743 or suddenimpact@highspeedcrow.ca.

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theless.

"They felt honoured and felt the Leafs organization went above and beyond," Marilyn said.

By the time he got back to the hotel, Michael had already set his next goal — to watch his team play on home ice once again.

"I want to go back," said Michael, who lives in a group home in Stonewall where the workers pitched in to make banners for the big day.

During their three-day vacation, Michael enjoyed a tour of the Hockey Hall of Fame, where he was eager to touch the Stanley Cup and see the Johnny Bower memorial statue. Savouring every segment of his journey, he was also impressed with the food at the Wayne Gretzky Restaurant.

As for his parents, Tony and Marilyn, they couldn't be prouder of their son and his perseverance despite the need to rely on others to help meet his goals.

"Since this seems to be the time of year for setting goals, I reflect on how Michael has taught a valuable lesson to share and encourage others," Marilyn said.

"Be positive in believing that someday, despite how impossible it may seem, you have the potential to realize your dream."

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Einarson 3-1 at Scotties Tournament of Hearts

By Brian Bowman

Northern Ontario's Tracy Fleury scored three in the first end and hung on for a 7-5 victory Monday evening to hand East St. Paul Curling Club's Kerry Einarson her first loss at the 2018 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Penticton, B.C..

Fleury scored deuces in the sixth and eighth ends to secure the victory.

"We just weren't as sharp," Einarson said on the Curling Canada website. "We had a few different rocks that reacted different and we didn't figure it out until later.

"One loss is fine. I knew we were going to have to lose one sooner or later."

Manitoba's Jennifer Jones, meanwhile, cruised to a 12-4 win in eight ends over Kerry Galusha of Northwest Territories on Monday evening.

As of Tuesday morning, Manitoba (4-0) was atop the standings in Pool "A", followed by Einarson at 3-1, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, Northern Ontario and New Brunswick at 2-2, Northwest Territories (1-3) and Yukon (0-4).

Einarson's rink, which includes third Selena Kaatz, second Liz Fyfe, and lead Kristan MacCuish, started the Scotties 3-0 after doubling Saskatchewan's Sherry Anderson 8-4 Monday afternoon.

Tied at 4-4 after seven ends, Einarson scored one in the eighth end and then added a key steal of three in the ninth as Anderson was heavy with her two shots for the win.

"That was huge, a big point (in the eighth)," Einarson said. "If we had given up a steal it would have been a bit of a momentum changer for sure.

"My sweepers were great and they got it there. We had some opportunities (earlier) but we missed them but when we really needed to make the shots



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED Kerri Einarson's team is 3-1 at the 2018 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Penticton, B.C. Einarson's team won the wildcard draw against Chelsea Carey last Friday to earn the 16th and final spot for the Scotties.

we did."

Camp Morton's Einarson, who grew up in Petersfield, began action with wins over New Brunswick's (8-6) and Nova Scotia's Mary-Anne Arsenault (7-5).

"It's nice to get (three wins) to start with," Einarson said. "It's so weird. Playing that game against Chelsea it was, 'Oh my gosh, it's do or die, you're in it or you're not.' So we're super glad to be out there." Einarson earned the 16th and final spot for the Scotties Tournament of Hearts after defeating Calgary's Chelsea Carey 7-4 Friday night in a wildcard game.

Carey scored a pair in the sixth end to cut Einarson's lead to 6-4 but surrendered a key single in the ninth.

Carey took a quick 2-0 lead after the first end but Einarson rebounded to score a deuce in the second. Einarson stole a pair in the fourth end and then another in the fifth and sixth to lead 6-2.

The wildcard draw between Einarson and Carey was a matchup of the top two teams from the Canadian Team Ranking System list that didn't win their provincial championship.

At the Scotties, teams played a round-robin within their eight-team pools during the first five days of competition.

The top four teams from each pool go into the Championship Pool, which begins round-robin play today.

Teams carry over their records from their preliminary pools and the four teams from Pool "A" will play the four teams from Pool "B" today and Friday. After those games are completed Friday evening, the top four teams from the Championship Pool will go into the Page Playoffs, beginning on Saturday (a tiebreaker, if necessary, would be in the morning).

The Page 3-4 playoff is Saturday at 4 p.m. (Central Standard Time) while the Page 1-2 playoff is Saturday at 9 p.m.

The semifinal is set for Sunday at 11 a.m. Manitoba time, followed by the gold-medal game on Sunday at 6 p.m.

The bronze-medal game has been removed from the schedule.

Rams, Wildcats lose high school hockey games

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams boys' hockey team had a tough time keeping the puck out of their net during a 24-hour period late last week.

After winning their first game of the week, Stonewall then lost a pair of games while being outscored 14-5. The Rams ended the week with a 6-3 loss to the Fort Richmond Centurions on Friday.

Brett Munroe, Reis Wasmuth and Seth Mandryk scored for Stonewall.

Jeremy Kaminsky (two), Brayden Neufeld, Ryan Sasek, Cameron Munro and Magnus Hasiuk replied for Fort Richmond.

Last Thursday, Stonewall was defeated 8-2 by the Glenlawn Collegiate Lions.

The Rams' Ryan Brown opened the game's scoring with a first-period shorthanded goal but Glenlawn's Kyle MacWilliam answered with a power-play goal about three minutes later.

Glenlawn's Hayden Liberty and Stonewall's Brandon Abraham traded goals midway in the second

but then the Lions caught fire with six unanswered goals.

MacWilliam and Liberty scored power-play goals late in the second period and then Jordan Pelletier-Weber tallied early in the third.

MacWilliam then closed out the game with a natural hat trick.

On Wednesday, the Rams played the Shaftesbury Titans at Varsity View Arena but no score was available due to Tuesday's press deadline.

Warren Wildcats

Meanwhile, the Warren Collegiate Wildcats lost 6-2 to the John Taylor Collegiate Pipers last Thursday at the Bell MTS Iceplex.

Zach Enright scored both Warren goals in the first period. His first goal was a shorthanded marker. Reid Weatherburn assisted on both goals.

Riley Klimchuk (two), Colin McKay, Kameron Neilsen, Xander Da Silveira and Haidan Meadows scored for John Taylor. On Jan. 23, the same two teams clashed in Warren with the John Taylor winning 6-5.

Warren's Nick Prystupa scored the only goal of the first period but John Taylor then outscored the home side 4-2 in the middle frame.

Jayden Allary led Warren with two goals and two assists while Prystupa finished the game with two goals and an assist.

Owen Tataryn scored Warren's other goal. Kyle Melo had three assists.

Klimchuk (two), McKay (two), Neilsen and Brett Simonite replied for John Taylor.

Warren will be real busy next week with three games in four days to wrap up its regular season.

The Wildcats will host Pierre Elliott Trudeau next Tuesday (4:15 p.m.) and then will play Louis Riel the next day (4:15 p.m.) at Notre Dame Arena in Winnipeg.

On Feb. 9, Warren will take on the Sisler Spartans at Billy Mosienko Arena in north Winnipeg. Game time is 4 p.m.



Wildcats win varsity girls' basketball tournament

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Wildcats varsity girls' basketball team won the Gimli tournament last Saturday after defeating Ste. Rose 58-28 in the championship game.

Warren played extremely well in the final at both ends of the floor.

"We finally played the way we should have been playing all weekend," said Wildcats' coach Kevin Braun. "I guess it took us a couple of games to get our legs (going) in order to get to the level that we wanted to be."

The Wildcats did a real good job communicating and running the floor, said Braun, while playing aggressive defence in the final.

"As a unit, everyone played solid," Braun said.

The Wildcats took over the game in the second quarter, scoring "about 25" points. Warren had several defensive stops that they quickly transitioned into baskets.

The Wildcats defeated the Gimli Lakers 40-38 in their first game of the six-team tournament. Warren controlled the ball in the game's final eight seconds – not allowing Gimli to foul - to secure the victory.

Warren then beat Niverville 42-38.

The Wildcats have done a real good job winning close games recently.

"We've had three games where we have really had to dig deep in the last five minutes of the game to either force overtime or to win the game late," Braun said. "That's big for us moving forward."

Warren, which has five Grade 12 players and seven Grade 11s on its roster, is now 9-2 on the season.

The Wildcats competed at a Steinbach tournament back in December, placing third, and then finished second at a Souris tournament.

Warren will be in MacGregor for a tournament this weekend. The Wildcats are currently ranked



Pictured back row, left to right; Kevin Braun (coach), Darrien Bullied, Meghan Sholdice, Faith Witt, Malika Bangle, Laura Brad, Alex Chester, Kirby Hearn (coach). Front row; Jordan Schott, Makayla Baldwin, Ramona Carriere, Taylor McMahon, Grace Goodman and Madeline Boonstra.

third among MHSAA "AA" varsity girls' basketball teams in the province.

In junior varsity boys' action, Warren finished second at its home tournament after losing 60-41 to Carman in the championship game last Saturday. The Wildcats started the tournament with a thrilling 51-49 victory over the Green Valley Pirates. Warren then defeated the Stonewall Collegiate Rams 51-42 in a semifinal game.

Stonewall later lost 60-49 to the Gimli Lakers in the third-place game.

Stony Mountain senior curling bonspiel champs



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY IRENE DARE

The Stony Mountain Senior Curling bonspiel was held Jan. 23-25 with nine teams competing. Left photo: the Craig Ross rink of Alice Meier, Henry Meier, Ray Mason and Craig Ross from Stonewall won the first event, defeating the Bill Smith rink from Stony Mountain. Middle photo: Cornie Peters' (far right) rink of Randy Pilcher, Elsie Murray and Bruce Preston won the second event, defeating the Mike Oleksiuk rink from Selkirk. Right photo: winning the third event was the Arlene Deprez rink of Tom Woodward, Woody Sewell, John Melnichuk and Arlene Deprez, who beat the Ed Rootsaert rink from Stony Mountain.

Midget female Lightning beat Selects in shootout

Staff

The Interlake Lightning Midget female hockey team won its fourth league game of the season after a 3-2 shootout victory over the Eastman Selects on Sunday in Mitchell.

Gracie Grift and Loren Proven of Stonewall scored for Interlake in the shootout while Kylie Lesuk replied for Eastman.

Arborg's Brenna Barlyski scored both Lightning goals in regulation time. Fischer Branch's Kalyn Barrett and Arborg's Jamie Johnson had assists.

Samantha Christensen and Lesuk answered for the Selects.

Emma Plett made 33 saves for the win.

Last Friday, the Lightning lost 4-1

to the Pembina Valley Hawks in Warren.

After a scoreless first period, Pembina Valley broke the tight game open with three second-period goals.

Barrett scored Interlake's lone goal in the third period.

Hannah Petrie (two), Maiya Aschberg and Makenzie McCallum had the Hawks' goals.

Rachel Parson stopped 36 Pembina Valley shots.

Interlake, now with nine points on the season, will host the Central Plains Capitals this Saturday (4:30 p.m.) in Peguis and then will play the Winnipeg Avros Sunday (1:30 p.m.) at the Seven Oaks Arena in Winnipeg.

Manitoba Hockey Standings

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Stonewall all stars



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LISA SLATCHER

Hayden Wheddon, Rylan Slatcher and Dylan LeClair participated in the fifth-annual PeeWee "A" All-Star Game and Skills Competition on Jan. 20.

Thirty skaters and four goalies were selected from 14 teams in the Hockey Winnipeg PeeWee A1 Division.

Wheddon was successful in achieving the hardest shot and puck control awards during the skills competition. He was also picked as the best defencemen in the all-star game as well as being named the allstar game's most valuable player.

LeClair had a stellar performance during the shootout competition, allowing just four goals from 15 shooters. He also allowed only one goal in the all-star game.

Slatcher, meanwhile, was selected as the best forward in the all-star game.

Pictured, left to right, Rylan Slatcher, Dylan LeClair and Hayden Wheddon.

Islanders defeat Mercs in SEMHL play

By Brian Bowman

Despite having a below .500 record this season, the Portage Islanders have a pretty good hockey team.

The Warren Mercs found that out the hard way Saturday evening.

Portage scored a goal in each period on its way to a 3-1 home win in South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League action.

Tanner Waldvogel gave the Islanders a 1-0 first-period lead and then Adam Blight tallied in the second.

Warren got back into the hockey game when Brady Nichol scored at 11:03 of the third period. Scott Corbett and Mike Gemmill assisted on the goal.

But Portage put the game out of reach when Dan Leslie scored an empty-net goal at 18:48.

With the loss, Warren's record is now 11-4 and the Mercs are in second place with 22 points.

Notre Dame leads the seven-team league with 26 points although the Mercs have played one less game than the Hawks.

Warren played at Notre Dame on Wednesday but no score was available due to Tuesday's press deadline. The Mercs will then travel to Altona to play the sixth-place Maroons this Saturday.



Locals competing with West Kildonan wrestling club

By Brina Bowman

There's a new fight club in Winnipeg.

And a few local youngsters are competing in it.

Will Nychuk, seven, Jake Nychuk, five, and Henry Gemmill, five, are working out with the West Kildonan Memorial Community Centre Wrestling Club and participated in freestyle wrestling at the Grant Park Open Tournament on Jan. 20.

Henry and Jake are in the first-year youth category and each had three matches with Henry winning a silver medal.

Jake won a bronze while Will wrestled in the 24-29 kg category.

Derek Brignell runs the wrestling club along with Amber Philipchuk. Brignell said all three of the local wrestlers did an amazing job in front of a crowd of about 300 spectators.

The club practices three times a week (Monday, Wednesday and Thursday) and competes in tournaments.

It's a real good sport for athletes of all ages.

"It's an amazing sport," Brignell stressed."Not only do we see physical growth in kids but we also see growth in their character. (Wrestling) builds sportsmanship and builds character. There's camaraderie amongst our team because we're always coaching each other and helping each other."

Brignell took eight athletes to a Pe-

guis tournament (winning several medals) last weekend and the club will take part in a couple more competition in the coming weeks.

"It's a new program, running from age five to high school kids," Brignell said of his club. "We would love to have that whole age group – from five to Grade 12. But, at this point, the majority of our club is from five to 12 years old."

The club currently has about 24 kids but they hope to see that number double in size next year.

"That would be spectacular for us," Brignell enthused. "We want to try to grab these kids young so the program can grow."

Brignell said the club generally will begin in late September or early October and will continue until the provincials are over near the end of March.

The popularity of wrestling is big in Brignell's home province of Ontario and in the United States. But Manitoba has been slow to grow the sport. Brignell's goal is to change that.

"There's been some issues with wrestling in Manitoba over the last 20 or so years," Brignell noted."Manitoba is weak compared to the other provinces, just because we're not part of MHSAA.

"But we still have good solid high school programs - St. Paul's, Grant Park, and West Kildonan.

"The grassroots program is what



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY WHITNEY GEMMILL

Henry Gemmill, left, won silver while his cousin Jake Nychuk won bronze in freestyle wrestling at the Grant Park Open Wrestling tournament in Winnipeg on Jan. 20.

we're trying to build up here in Manitoba. And, you know what, it's hap-

Gimli to host Interlake regional skating competition Saturday

Staff

The Skate Interlake skating club in Gimli is hosting the 2018 STAR 5 + Interlake Regional Skating Competition this Saturday (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) at the Gimli Rec Centre.

The theme for the competition is "A Night at the Movies," so the Rec Centre will reflect this for the day of the competition.

Skaters from across the Interlake and from other clubs in Winnipeg and surrounding areas will compete at various levels, from beginner to very

advanced levels.

"We are looking forward to welcoming approximately 85 skaters, and their coaches and families, from 17 different skating clubs for the competition and many skaters have entered multiple events during the day," said Sue Steinmetz, a co-chair for the 2018 Skate Interlake Regional Competition, in an email.

"The local organizing committee is very thankful for the support we have received from the community in the way of people offering to volunteer to help host the competition and corporate sponsorship and donations.

"It is only when the community comes together collectively that special events like this can be hosted successfully."

Steinmetz said volunteer and sponsorship opportunities are still available. People are asked to contact skate.interlake@gmail.com if they wish to volunteer or provide sponsorship/donation for this event.

People are also encouraged to come out and watch the skating competi-

tion.

"Everyone is welcome to come and watch the skaters at this competition," Steinmetz said. "There will be a nominal entrance fee to come into the Rec Centre as part of our fundraising to host the competition. There will also be a silent auction with wonderful prizes. (This silent auction is currently located at the Noventis Credit Union in Gimli for anyone wishing to purchase tickets prior to the competition)."

Jets drop pair of MMJHL weekend games

By Brian Bowman

The Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League standings are really starting to tighten up.

The Stonewall Jets suddenly have St. James nipping at their heels in the standings after a 5-2 home loss to the Canucks on Saturday evening.

St. James, which held period leads of 3-2 and 4-2, received goals from Cole Chicoine, Tyler Meixner, John McCammon, Kole Stockham and Wyatt Kemball.

Kemball's goal was scored in the game's final minute with Jets' goalie Hunter Ploszay pulled for an extra attacker.

Last Thursday, the Jets were defeated 8-0 by the St. Vital Victorias in Winnipeg.

Ben Coppinger, who spent most of this season in the Western Hockey League with the Prince George Cougars, led the Vics with three goals and two assists.

Dylan Stockl gave St. Vital a 1-0 lead and then Riley Beauchemin, Carson Plaiser, Tyson Last and Coppinger scored in the second period.

Bryce Dusik made it 6-0 midway in the third and then Coppinger closed out the scoring with a pair of goals.

The Jets are now 20-14-2 and have 42 points to occupy fourth place in the 10-team league. They are just four points ahead of St. James and the Canucks have a game in hand.

The Jets will battle the St. Boniface Riels on Monday in Winnipeg and then Stonewall will host the third-place Transcona Railer Express on Feb. 7.

Both games start at 7:30 p.m.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Left photo: Stonewall Jets' general manager Ryan Margetts presented Chase Faulkner with the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League's Player of the Month Award for December. In seven games in December, Faulkner scored seven goals and added four assists. Faulkner is second in the MMJHL with 52 points, just shy of St. Vital's Riley Beauchemin (55 points). Right photo: Margetts presented Jets' goaltender Hunter Ploszay with the 2016-1017 Ron Smith Memorial Trophy for the MMJHL's Goaltender of the Year award.

The Jets' organization was pleased to finally present the trophy to Ploszay in front of fans at a home game.

Female 'AA' All Star Lightning players



Kenady Christensen, left, Keely Emms-Finnson, middle, and Emma Pool represented the Interlake Lightning at the Hockey Winnipeg Bantam 'AA' Female All Star Day last Saturday.

Hockey Winnipeg PeeWee 'AA' Female All Stars



Representing the Stonewall Blues at the PeeWee 'AA' Female All Star Hockey Winnipeg Day last Saturday were, left to right, Ava Pool, Kylee Emms-Finnson, Mikki Thorkelson and Tessa Stewart.

Midget 'AA' female all stars



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LISA RILEY

The Stonewall Blues were well represented by a number of Interlake players at the Hockey Winnipeg Midget 'AA' Female All Star Day last Saturday. Pictured left to right: McKenna Riley, Callie Farthing, Darci Mowatt, Denali Sigurdson, Raelyn Caumartin and goaltender Courtney Marko.

The Blues are in fourth place in regular league play with a 10-9-2 record.

Palmer scores late goal to lift Lightning to victory

By Brian Bowman

Evan Palmer has scored a lot of goals during his young hockey career.

But he scored a really big one Sunday afternoon in Teulon.

Palmer potted a power-play goal at 19:54 of the third period, lifting the Interlake Lightning to a 3-2 victory over the Eastman Selects in Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League action.

The Lightning received the late power play after Eastman's Rylan Hoffman was called for hooking at 18:24 of the third.

After a scoreless first period, Interlake took a 2-0 lead after 40 minutes as Bryce Krauter and Gabe Odowichuk scored 1:49 apart midway in the middle frame.

But Eastman tied the score as Hoffman and Cole Dekoninck tallied in the third.

Interlake's Josh Bond made 48 saves for the well-deserved win.

Interlake started the weekend with a tough 4-3 shootout loss to the Parkland Rangers on Saturday evening.

Parkland's Carter Cockburn scored the lone goal in the shootout that went five rounds.

Eric Krywy had tied the score at 19:35 of the third period.

Parkland took a 2-0 first-period lead on goals by Evan Gullett (shorthanded) and Warren Jubenvill (power play).

But Interlake tied the score at 2-2 heading into the third as Bryce Krauter and Keenan McPherson tallied. McPherson's goal came on the power play.

Cockburn regained the Rangers' lead, though, when he scored at 8:19 of the third period.

On Jan. 24, the Lightning lost 5-3 to the Winnipeg Thrashers.

Interlake gave the Thrashers a real good battle but Winnipeg snapped a 2-2 tie with three goals in the third.

Krywy, McPherson and Palmer scored for the Lightning. Greg Paseschnikoff had two assists.

Jacy Kennedy paced Winnipeg with two goals while Ryden Fedyck had a goal and two assists.

Kobe Campbell and Kyle Schroeder also scored for the Thrashers.

Interlake will play Southwest in Boissevain on Saturday (7:30 p.m.) and then will be in Shoal Lake to battle Yellowhead on Sunday (2 p.m.).

The Lightning's next home game is Feb. 7 when the Winnipeg Bruins will visit Teulon.



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- excessive degree
- 23. Occupies
- 24. Power-driven aircraft
- 26. Indicates position
- 27. Matchstick games
- 28. This and
- 30. No longer here
- 31. Health insurance
- 34. Spore-producing receptacle on fern frond
- 36. Monetary unit
- **37. Sweet potatoes**
- **39. Tropical Asian plant**
- 40. Guilty or not guilty
- 41. Carbon dioxide
- 42. Able to arouse intense feeling
- 48. Earl's jurisdiction
- 50. Omitted
- 51. Heartbeat
- 52. Albania capital
- 53. Fashion accessory
- 54. Interaction value analysis
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- student, learns healing 58.
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- 4. Cesium
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- 19. Farewell
- 20. Ethnic group of Sierra Leone
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- 35. An unspecified period
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- 41. Lassie is one
- 43. Martinis have them
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The intent of the proposed By-Law is to close a road described as all that portion of Main Street Plans 1155 and 10336 WLTO, contained within the limits of a plan prepared by Peter William Philip Isaac MLS, on file in the WLTO as Deposit No. 1815-2017 in the SE 1/4 Sec. 21-16-2EPM. A sketch identifying the area as Parcel "A" and Parcel "B" appears below.

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The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow any interested person to make a representation, ask questions or register an objection. Information and documents concerning the matter and the procedures to be followed at the hearing are available for review at the municipal office of the Town of Teulon at 44 Fourth Avenue SE in Teulon, Manitoba during regular office hours.

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We would like to thank the staff at Rosewood Lodge for their care and compassion in her final years.

Born and raised in Winnipeg, she moved to the family farm near Balmoral to raise her family. After high school she worked as switchboard operator for MTS. However, she moved onto work as an elevator operator for Hudson's Bay. Where she joined the Christmas Choir. She was also a soprano soloist and choir mem-

ber at the McDermot Ave Baptist Church.

She was married to Alfred Grauman on December 2, 1950. Living on the farm she raised four children and a large garden. The kitchen was always busy with baking bread and meals being cooked. But the fall brought on a new urgency to get all of the vegetables preserved at their peak. A funeral service will be held on February 8th at 2 p.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel in Stonewall. All are welcome to a luncheon to be held at the Stonewall Legion after the service.

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Gary attended Rocky River High School (Ohio). He served in the US Army as a Military Police Officer in the Korean War. After his discharge he attended Bowling Green State and Illinois State Uni-

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versities obtaining his Masters Degree in Studio Painting and Art History. He married Dianne in 1963, they had Scott and he adopted Tammi. He was Chief Curator of Fine Art at Illinois State Museum and Director of the Rahr-West Museum of Art in Wisconsin. Gary was a painter, author and art critic, he participated and juried numerous art exhibitions. Gary took great pride in his accomplishments.

He moved to San Diego, CA where he became District Manager for Aaron Brothers Art Marts, later Michaels. Gary and Spring were married in 1992 and moved to Woodlands in 1996. Gary loved spending time in the outdoors with his trusty companion Kali, his black Labrador. In 2010 Gary moved to Oak Park Lodge where he resided until going into Stonewall Hospital.

The family would sincerely like to thank the doctors and staff at the Stonewall Hospital, the home care team and all of those who helped him in any way. You are all Earth Angels. A private Celebration of Gary's Life will be held at a later date.

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