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Stonewall man launches unique fundraiser

By Jennifer McFee

A local Stonewall man has launched a hair-raising initiative to raise funds for the fight against cancer.

Cancer fighter Tom Tonner knows first-hand the importance of supporting the Canadian Cancer Society's efforts. In 2001, Tonner was diagnosed with Stage II Hodgkins Lymphoma. He underwent chemotherapy until April 18, 2002, and has been cancer-free since then.

"Every year, I usually do the door-to-door campaign for Canadian Cancer Society but, of course, last year it was cancelled because of COVID and this year I'm predicting it's going to be cancelled again," he said.

"So I was thinking I should do something else instead to raise money."

Through his work with Manitoba Hydro, Tonner had been involved in testing units at Keeyask in October. While he was there, he stopped shaving for a couple days. When a co-worker asked him when he was going to get rid of his beard, he declared that he'd shave it when the testing was done.

The beard started to get bigger and bushier, which spurred an idea to cre-

ate a fundraiser out of the endeavour. Adding to the overall esthetic, Tonner hasn't cut his hair since September.

The unit testing at Keeyask will likely be done on Feb. 7, so Tonner plans to get a haircut and beard trim around Feb. 13.

With help from his kids, he came up with an idea to let people donate money in exchange for votes on what style of beard he should sport for one month. For every \$5 contribution, the donor receives one vote. His neighbour ReaAnn Learmond has also jumped on board as his fundraising manager.

Tonner vows to keep the beard, no matter how wacky, until March 13. If he shaves it off sooner, he'll match the total donations to date.

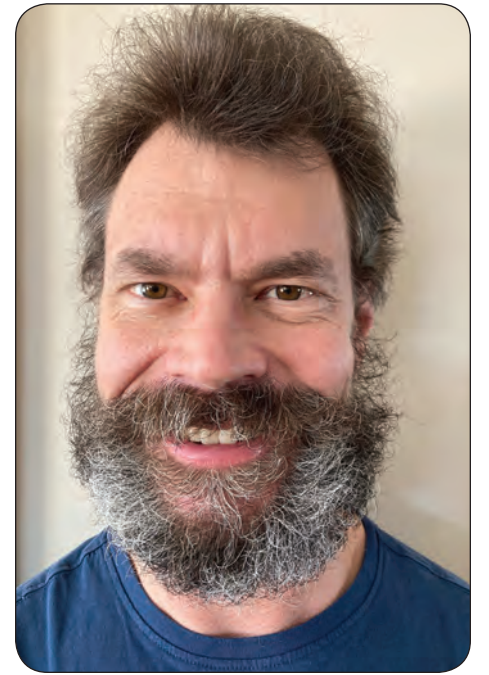
Since Tonner soared past his original fundraising goal of \$1,000, he has set a new target of \$5,000. By Monday, he was already at more than \$4,000.

Tonner has posted 11 beard options on his Facebook page, and the current leader is the "Monkeytail" followed by the "Original Stache."

After casting a vote, you can text Tonner at 204-479-6636 with your name, beard choice and number of votes.



Tom Tonner is raising funds for Canadian Cancer Society.



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Make a donation and vote for Tonner's next beard style.

This info can also be posted straight to his Facebook page.

To make a donation, visit the Canadian Cancer Society fundraiser called "Tommy takes a cut at cancer." The link is posted on Tonner's Facebook

page.

Funds will be used towards cancer research, programs and advocacy. The Canadian Cancer Society provides tax receipts for donations.



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Equi-Tech welcomes fourth vet to growing practice

By Jennifer McFee

A family-owned veterinary clinic is welcoming a close friend and colleague into the fold.

The team at Equi-Tech Veterinary is welcoming Dr. Allison Murray to join the practice, which is owned by Dr. Luc and Mrs. Hilary Versavel. The other two veterinarians are husband-and-wife duo Dr. Neil Versavel (Luc's son) and Dr. Valerie Millette, who graduated with Murray from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in 2009.

On behalf of the team, Millette said they're very happy to have Murray on board.

"Our practice is continuing to grow and we're getting busier. I am part-time and Allison is filling in the days that I'm not here part-time," Millette said.

"We both have young families and the work-life balance is really important to us. But we do want to be here for the community and for our clients, so it was definitely time to add another vet to the team."

Murray is likely already a familiar face in the community since she grew

up in Argyle and currently lives in Balmoral with her family.

"I've been working in the city, so moving to this practice is much closer to home for me," said Murray, who started on Feb. 1.

"I'm very excited to be working in the community. I have a special interest in behaviour and rehabilitation, so I look forward to bringing that along with me."

The mixed animal practice mainly sees dogs and cats in the clinic — and even the occasional chicken, Millette explained.

"Sometimes there are other farm animals that come in if they're small enough. Some people bring their horses in for different diagnostic work," Millette explained.

"But otherwise Neil does all the farm calls. He goes out the farms and he also does after-hour emergency calls as well."

Located just outside Stonewall, Equi-Tech Veterinary serves an expansive area.

"We serve the whole south Interlake. We have a lot of people that come to us from Winnipeg and also from



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From left: Neil Versavel (DVM), Valerie Millette (DVM), Allison Murray (DVM), Luc Versavel (DVM) and Hilary Versavel (GN).

Stonewall, Teulon and Selkirk," Millette said.

"Neil goes further up north as well. He even goes to Portage sometimes. Lac du Bonnet is probably one of the furthest places he goes."

The business has been bustling

throughout the pandemic, and additional safety precautions are in place.

"We have our protocols that we follow. If anything, COVID has made the clinic busier because lots of people

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Woodlands council approves cannabis sales at Hwy Market 6

By Evan Matthews

A public hearing about a potential pot business in the RM of Woodlands had a peaceful, supportive and relaxed feel to it, according to community leader.

RM of Woodlands Reeve Lori Schellekens said not one person spoke against Donggi Lee, the current owner and operator of the Warren Food Mart, who will soon move his business to a new location at 1 Progress Way in Warren.

The business will also be renamed Hwy Market 6.

"It went really well. There were more people saying, 'If you guys don't pass this, you're idiots,'" said Schellekens, chuckling.

"He told us his intention is to have 20 people working there. That's 16 more jobs than he has currently in Warren. Sixteen more jobs for our residents."

While council approved Lee's request, the business owner will still have to go through all the necessary cannabis licensing processes with

the Province of Manitoba.

Schellekens said in the case of Lee getting his provincial cannabis licensing, provincial regulations will also dictate what the physical set up within his store may look like, specifically.

The new location is just outside the Warren LUD boundary and is governed by RM of Woodlands. Both liquor and cannabis would be located in the new grocery store, as per regulations.

The new location will include all services expected at a major grocery retail, and Lee's representation said the hope is to add cannabis sales to those services.

"The new Hwy Market 6 will raise the standard of service in the region, providing local job opportunities and supporting the community," said Lee.

"The new store is an extension of the community and intends to share the success of this new venture with the community that has shown its support for the current store."

Lee has owned and operated the Warren Food

Mart for several years but said he saw a need for a more full-service grocery to serve the region, providing a competitive one-stop shopping experience not yet available in the region.

Hwy Market 6 aims to open in mid-February, and Lee said he looks forward to inviting the community to its grand opening.



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Manitoba outlines its vaccine rollout plans

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Province of Manitoba provided details of its COVID-19 vaccine rollout strategy last week.

On Jan. 27, Dr. Joss Reimer, medical lead of Manitoba's Vaccine Implementation Task Force, joined Health Minister Heather Stefanson in outlining the four-stage plan.

"Right now we have a very limited supply of vaccine, but assuming supply issues resolve ... we understand that Manitobans will want to know who's next and when it might be their turn," said Reimer.

The plan breaks people into four priority groups: health-care workers and congregate living staff, residents of congregate living facilities, residents of First Nations communities, and Manitobans based on age.

The most vulnerable people within the first three groups have already started to be eligible for immunization in the first stage of the plan.

"We've made progress here, but we still have more people to immunize in this stage," said Reimer.

Future stages continue to broaden the vaccination criteria for health-care workers and congregate living staff and residents (including homeless shelters and correctional facilities) not covered in Stage 1.

The general population will begin

to be vaccinated in Stage 2, starting with Manitobans over the age of 95 and then working down by one-year increments until reaching age 80. This stage could start as early as April, assuming the vaccine supply allows it.

Stage 3 will work down from Manitobans over age 75 to those over age 60.

The broadest rollout for the general public will be in Stage 4, which will work down from Manitobans age 55-plus to those 18 years old or older.

"There will be a vaccine for everyone who wants it in Manitoba, but depending on your situation you may need to be patient," Reimer said.

The plan notes that essential workers could be added at any stage as additional vaccine products are approved for use in Canada. The province has not yet outlined who, exactly, will be considered an essential worker.

Manitoba's under-18 population is also not in the plan, as the current vaccines are not approved for their use. As more vaccines are approved, assuming they are safe for children and youth, that may change.

How fast Manitoba will work through the various stages of vaccination depends greatly on vaccine supply.

Under the projected low-supply scenario, which does not include any vac-

cines not yet approved, it's expected all Manitobans who want it will have the chance to get the vaccine by the end of 2021.

If supplies increase with the inclusion of new vaccines in development, that date could be moved up to the end of August.

In both cases, public health officials are estimating 70 per cent of qualified Manitobans will choose to get the vaccine.

Reimer noted the province is working on ensuring Manitobans have easy access to the vaccine when their time to get it comes up.

"That's our goal, that all Manitobans have access," she said. "Whether you live in the cities, whether you live in a remote setting, we're going to be working hard to have sites available that any Manitoban can access, within reasonable distance from their home."

Vaccination supersites are in the works for the Interlake-Eastern and Southern Health-Santé Sud health regions for March. Additional supersites are planned for all health regions through the spring and summer months as more vaccine becomes available.

First nations rollout

Details of the First Nations vaccine strategy were released Monday by members of the First Nations Pandemic Response Co-ordination Team and Manitoba's Vaccine Implementation Task Force.

Thousands of doses of the Moderna vaccine have already been shipped to 63 First Nations in Manitoba to vaccinate health-care workers in remote/isolated communities, residents and staff in personal care homes or elder care facilities, individuals 60 years and over in remote communities, and individuals 70+ in non-remote communities.

Moving forward, Manitoba's Indigenous communities plan to prioritize health-care workers in non-remote areas, workers at alternative isolation accommodations, and traditional healers/knowledge keepers as part of the health workforce.

When the province at large begins offering vaccines to Manitobans over the age of 80 in Stage 2, First Nations people over 60 will also be able to be vaccinated.

"Life expectancy for First Nations people is lower than for other Manitobans and the median age of severe outcomes is also much lower for First Nations people. And right now, First Nations people make up 50 per cent of all COVID-19 hospitalizations and 40 per cent of intensive care unit admissions," explained Dr. Marcia Anderson, vice-dean, Indigenous health and public health lead for Manitoba First Nation PRCT. "We will address this by ensuring younger First Nations people have access to the vaccine sooner to address the higher risk to First Nations people."

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

- The date of the next Rockwood council meeting has been changed to Feb. 11, and the meeting will be held at the Heritage Arts Centre in Stonewall.

- Statistics Canada is hiring about 32,000 people across the country for the 2021 census. These short-term positions will run from March to July 2021 and the work will involve collecting census data from residents in your community. Candidates can apply at www.census.gc.ca/jobs. Council received the correspondence about these positions, provided by Selkirk-Interlake-East-

man MP James Bezan.

- The Manitoba Disaster Management Conference, scheduled for Oct. 13 to 15 in Winnipeg, is accepting a call for speakers. Anyone interested can email paul.white.mb@gmail.com with the subject title "MDMC 2021 Speaker Session Proposal" by April 30. For more information, visit www.manitobaadmc.com.

- At the Jan. 27 meeting, council participated with in a Microsoft Teams meeting with Kelly Chabbert of Disc Golf Manitoba regarding a proposal for disc golf courses in Stony Mountain.

Stonewall council news in brief

Staff

- Council held a special meeting on Jan. 27.

- The Town of Stonewall signed a letter of intent to buy a portion of the Mandel property as part of the site that is being considered for the development of a continuing care retirement community.

- Council agreed to host a public open house later this month regarding a proposed refurbishment of the current town office.

- The Town of Stonewall is accepting quotation submissions until Feb. 5 for three pickup trucks for maintenance and upkeep of town infrastructure, parks and green space.

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are adopting kittens and puppies," Millette said. "And people are home

with their pets more, so people are staying on top of managing chronic disease. We continue to be very busy."

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Province announces 89 new COVID-19 cases, three more deaths

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Public health officials announced three additional deaths in Manitoba due to COVID-19 on Monday, bringing the total to 832.

The province began the work week with total of 3,466 active case of the virus and 25,353 recoveries.

The bulk of new cases in recent days have been in the Northern health region, which reported 42 additional cases on Monday compared to 22 in Interlake-Eastern, 18 in Winnipeg, four in Southern Health-Santé Sud, and three in Prairie Mountain.

There were 255 people in hospital due to COVID-19 at press time, including 104 still considered infectious and 151 no longer contagious but still requiring care.

Manitoba's intensive care units were caring for 38 patients, 27 with active COVID-19 infections.

The Interlake-Eastern total case breakdown by district as of Monday, was as follows: A total of 2,243 cases, up 107 cases from Feb. 1 with 453 active cases, 1,755 recovered, 15 currently in the hospital with two of those in ICU and 35 deaths.

Arborg/Riverton 66 recovered cases; Beausejour 134 recovered; Eriksdale/Ashern 69 active cases, 87 recovered and 7 deaths; Fisher/Peguis 77 active cases and 273 recovered, 3 deaths; Gimli 29 recovered; Northern Remote 188 active cases, 201 recovered and 4 deaths; Pinawa/Lac du Bonnet 52 recovered; Powerview/Pine Falls 92 active cases and 61 recovered and one death; Selkirk 91 recovered and 2 deaths; Springfield 161 recovered and 11 deaths; St. Clements 8 active cases and 82 recovered and 1 death; St. Laurent 17 recovered; Stonewall/Teulon 144 recovered and 4 deaths;

Unknown District 5 active cases and 194 recovered and 1 death; Whiteshell 25 recovered and Winnipeg Beach/St. Andrews 138 recovered and 1 death.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate was 7.9 per cent provincially and 4.2 per cent in Winnipeg

New travel restrictions

Manitoba Premier Brian Pallister last week announced amendments to the public health orders in connection to interprovincial travel.

Starting Jan. 29, anyone entering Manitoba from anywhere in Canada is required to self-isolate for 14 days. This includes those entering from northern and Western Canada and from west of Terrace Bay in Ontario, which under previous health orders did not require self-isolation.

Pallister pointed to the increasing variant COVID-19 strain cases pop-

ping up around the world and right here in Canada as the reasoning behind this change.

"This is being done out of an abundance of caution to protect Manitobans," he stressed. "We do not want these variants ... in Manitoba."

"Now is not the time for non-essential travel. We all need to do our part to keep each other safe."

There are some exemptions to the new self-isolation measures, including for those traveling for essential interprovincial work or medical purposes and individuals who regularly travel to and from communities near the borders for essential purposes. Complete details are available online at manitoba.ca/covid19.

Failure to self-isolate after non-essential travel could earn one a fine under the Public Health Act.

Rural Municipality of Rosser residents say quarry noise is 'unbearable'

By Sydney Lockhart

Residents of the Rural Municipality of Rosser are worried that the quarry agreement put in place in August 2020 is not being enforced.

A source, who requested anonymity due to fear of retaliation, said the noise coming from the new Lilyfield Quarry is unbearable at times.

"I'm almost dreading summer and spending time outside because it won't be relaxing and quiet like it was," they said.

The source said they believe that the 55db limit is being broken on a regular basis and that the RM is not enforcing the agreement to the extent that they should be.

"They have answered our emails but seem to be dragging their heels when it comes to enforcing the development agreement and have been blaming noise levels on cloud cover and direction of wind, which should not matter in this case," they said.

They also added that the stress levels of living in the area have gone up and that they no longer enjoy the peace and quiet that brought them to the area originally.

However, the resident does not blame the RM for the issues that they see in the quarry. They said they blame the provincial Municipal Board.

"The Municipal Board, once they make a decision, washes their hands of it. We believe they

should be held somewhat responsible for the consequences we are dealing with from their decision."

Frances Smee, reeve of the RM of Rosser, said that they are getting this quarry to do more than any other in the province because their standards are so high.

"It's not that they're flouting the rules; it's that getting to what we want is a process," she said. "It's not something that can happen instantly."

Smee said the RM is now investing in a more sensitive sound meter to be able to keep track of the decibel readings.

"We're not entirely sure how the province measures it. We want to have a good idea about the sound and how it is affecting the community," she said.

Smee added that the RM is doing the best they can, and she believes the quarry is as well.

"The municipality peruses compliance. That's always the aim. If they don't, there are consequences," she said.

Chief administrative officer Larry Wandowich said that the RM has been receiving complaints from residents.

"There is interpretation to certain clauses, and we've received a lot of questions, but we look into every one," he said.

Wandowich said that many of the complaints

they have received are not things that go against the bylaws set in place.

"It's not a battle. Citizens may be upset but this quarry was rejected three times. Of course, there's going to be some emotional feelings about this," he said.

"There's nothing people should fear."

Lilyfield Quarry hired a community liaison Jim Campbell who retired from the RM last year.

Part of the agreement put in place when the quarry was approved required a Lilyfield Quarry Citizens' Advisory Committee be put in place as a way for the community to express any concerns they had to the quarry in attempt to create a working relationship.

The committee is comprised of Diane Blue, Kenton Oatway and Brynn Kaplene. Their meetings with quarry operators have just recently begun.

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Straw man COVID debates

By Evan Matthews

COVID-19 numbers continue to surge across North America, yet some people still deny its severity, suggesting its prevalence in our lives is some kind of government and/or media conspiracy.

Many of us have heard community members say things like: “The total number of deaths is almost the same as it was before, so ‘they’ must be categorizing every death as COVID-related.”

Or “Annual flu numbers are down. I guess people with the flu are being categorized as COVID-positive now, too.”

These opinions, these thoughts, are nothing more than false equivalences.

Does it make sense that annual flu numbers are down, while COVID numbers continue to run rampant? Is this a recording error? What’s the reason for this?

Experts have started to speak out.

A professor of family medicine in Alberta, while speaking with media this past week, said there are a number of reasons why annual flu numbers are down in this country, including:

1. International travel being down, there are fewer people bringing the flu across borders;

2. Many Canadians received flu shots this year. The number of flu shots administered was almost 25 per cent higher in some provinces this year;

3. Public Health orders designed to combat and prevent COVID — social distancing, hand washing and mask wearing — inherently provide proactive protection against the flu, too.

In regards to annual death tolls worldwide, this is a hard topic to quantify and should be waded into carefully. Even this discussion is surface level, at best.

At the very least, it is seemingly accepted in the world of medicine that the worldwide death toll in 2020 was consistent with that of 2019. But that doesn’t mean COVID-19 didn’t have an impact or didn’t potentially account for more deaths than any other cause.

Experts have said it’s not at all out of the question for other categorical deaths decreasing as a result of COVID-19 taking hold of our society.

In the same way the public health orders are helping to prevent flu transmission as well as they are the dreaded coronavirus, is it safe to assume there are fewer people dying from accidental vehicle collisions (as an example) because people are staying home more?

Experts are saying, yes, it’s likely there are fewer people dying “traditional” deaths because of the way our society has changed dating back to March 2020.

Keeping in mind, annual worldwide death tolls have steadily increased dating back to the mid-1960s, according to UN numbers. This can be attributed (at least in part) to a growing — and aging — population.

But to say the COVID death toll worldwide isn’t as advertised would be untrue. In fact, many well-respected publications and experts are suggesting pandemic-related fatalities may be even higher than what the reported numbers suggest.

Two main reasons for this, according

to *The Economist*, are that:

1. Many countries’ official COVID death stats exclude victims who hadn’t tested positive for the coronavirus prior to death, and;

2. Doctors are having a more difficult time treating other conditions, and patients have been discouraged from going to medical facilities.

While it’s also a bit of a leap to suggest the COVID-related death toll is higher than what we understand, it’s not out of the realm of possibility to think how the pandemic has affected people’s health negatively in other ways (including mental health and suicide).

It seems the numbers balance to some degree. Just as an example: Maybe fewer people died in car accidents because they’re staying home, but more people may have committed suicide due to languishing mental health. Fewer people died of the flu, but more people died of COVID-19.

This conversation must also acknowledge the financial aspect of the conversation, which could mean in some cases medical facilities inflating COVID numbers — perhaps in a privatized system — to have more access to relief funding.

While this is possible to some degree, experts have again stated to think this would be the majority of situations would be highly unlikely and untrue.

All to say, the conversations about “COVID not being as bad as the numbers show, are unfounded. This virus has impacted our society for far too long to continue with straw man arguments.

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Lisa and Toby, left, along with Jenny and Tash, enjoyed the unseasonably warm temperatures on Saturday. Based on climatology statistics from Environment and Climate Change Canada from 1980 to 2010, January typically averages out to be -16.4 C. With this year's mild conditions, Manitoba's temperatures finished just outside the Top 10 warmest on record since 1872.

Get heart healthy for heart month

Submitted by Reh-Fit Centre

Throughout the month of February, the Reh-Fit Centre will be celebrating Smart for Your Heart Month by offering several heart health-related opportunities and educational workshops.

All sessions will be held virtually, are free, and open to the public.

Highlights include:

For the entire month of February, Reh-Fit's popular twice-weekly virtual seminar series FitTalks will focus on issues related to heart health, disease prevention, and treatment. It presents a rare opportunity to learn directly from foremost experts from

Heart and Stroke Foundation, St. Boniface Hospital, University of Manitoba, and the University of Winnipeg.

Reh-Fit is also joining the national call to wear red in support of women's heart health on Saturday, Feb. 13 for Canadian Women's Heart Health Centre's Wear Red Day.

On Feb. 18, cardiology residents will discuss topical issues relating to heart health, including cold weather and heart attacks; alcohol, anabolic steroids, recreational drugs and their heart effects; and depression and heart disease.

The complete event lineup can be found at www.reh-fit.com/events

"Even during code red restrictions, we have continued to serve the community with virtual fitness programming, education sessions, and specialty programs — including cardiac rehabilitation — during building closure," says Sue Boreskie, CEO.

Heart disease affects about 1.6 million Canadians, and nine in 10 Canadians have at least one risk factor for heart disease. The Reh-Fit Centre along with its partners want to bring attention to the importance of cardiovascular health, and what we can do to reduce our risk of cardiovascular disease.

Ontario resident seeks info about Teulon ancestry

Staff

An Ontario resident is seeking information about ancestors who lived on a farm near Teulon more than a century ago.

B.P. Leschuk of Oakville, Ont., is hoping to find out the maiden name is of his grandmother as well as the family name of his great-grandmother.

Both women lived on a farm outside Teulon. His grandmother, Olena Slobodian, died in 1920. She was married to Philip Slobodian, who died in 1942 or '43.

His great-grandmother, whose given name was Justina or something similar, died in 1928.

Both women, who were of Ukrainian

descent, are buried in the St. Stephen Ukrainian Orthodox Cemetery in Pleasant Home, Man. Philip Slobodian is also buried in Pleasant Home.

Anyone with information can contact the *Tribune* at 204-467-5836 or news@stonewallteulontribune.ca.

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Submitted by the Reverend James Bard-sley

Anglican Church of the Ascension, Stone-wall

Member of Stonewall and Area Ministerial



Now that's brevity

Brevity — concise and exact use of words in writing or speech.

Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people," *Mark 1:17*.

Mark doesn't waste a lot of words in his account of Jesus calling his first four disciples, two sets of brothers. I liken Mark's gospel to writing this faith article in which we are allocated 300-350 words to write on the topic of faith.

The advantages of brevity include focus on theme, less printing supplies needed, and accessibility of the article for readers.

Mark is thought to be the earliest writer of the three synoptic gospels we have in our scriptures. I believe his writing style is influenced by the need to share the good news, the lack of printing presses and clarity of message. In this passage, the truly important thing for people to hear is the call of Jesus and the ultimate response to that call.

Jesus' proclaims, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news," *Mark 1:14*. This is what Mark is desperate to impart to his readers, and to you and I.

The kingdom of God has come near for Mark's contemporaries because the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (*John 1:14*). The kingdom of God has come near for us because God has given the gift of the Holy Spirit to remain with us. Now is God's time. It is time for us to repent, believe and follow.

Mark's point in his relaying of the events of Jesus' call to these two sets of brothers and to us is to make sure the invitation to open our lives to God's kingdom is relayed with clarity.

Today God stands among us, calling us to respond. Are you a busy person? Are you in the midst of a to-do list that occupies your mind and strength? Take heed of the response of the fishermen, respond to God's call. Now is the time!

Seniors care, mental health, and chronic and complex care prioritized in shared health agreement

Submitted by Manitoba government

Seniors care, mental health, and care for chronic and complex conditions have been identified as shared priority areas of focus for Manitoba physicians and the provincial government in an agreement reached on the allocation of increased funding for medical services, as announced today by Health and Seniors Care Minister Heather Stefanson, Mental Health, Wellness and Recovery Minister Audrey Gordon and Dr. Cory Baillie, president, Doctors Manitoba.

The agreement is the result of ongoing collaborative discussions and sets out the allocation of a 0.75 per cent increase to medical remuneration, as part of the 2019-2023 Master Agreement between the Manitoba government and Doctors Manitoba. The allocation — and the identified priority

areas of focus — have been endorsed by the Master Agreement Governance Committee and will take effect April 1, 2021.

“We are very pleased to have reached an agreement on the allocation of these funds as part of our mutual commitment to modernizing health-care delivery to support better health care for all Manitobans,” said Stefanson. “Working with our physician partners, we will continue to improve care for our most vulnerable patients including seniors and those requiring care for complex and chronic conditions.”

Gordon said this agreement also acknowledges the importance of ongoing support and enhancement of mental health services, priorities for both our government and providers working across the province and

those who access these vital services.

Baillie said increased funding for medical remuneration this year will help doctors with increasing overhead costs, such as personal protective equipment.

“This collaborative process has allowed us to address physician and patient priorities as part of a larger Master Agreement, in which the provincial government has committed to keeping remuneration competitive with other provinces,” Baillie said.

Collaborative discussions to achieve ongoing improvements in patient care and health-care delivery through necessary modernization and alignment are continuing under the oversight of the Master Agreement Governance Committee, a joint advisory group with representatives from the provincial government and Doctors

Manitoba.

Highlights of the allocation include:

- enhanced focus on care of the elderly;
- support for complex care;
- support for chronic care provided within long-term care settings; and
- increased support for mental health including support for psychotherapy, hospital care, consultation and care specific to geriatric patients.

Monday’s agreement is the latest collaborative effort between the Province of Manitoba and Doctors Manitoba and builds upon earlier agreements reached to support Manitoba’s COVID-19 pandemic efforts including tariffs for virtual care and isolation supports for physicians.

Remembering Nestor Myska with ICF Memorial Fund

Submitted by Cheryle McClure, ICF

To everyone who met Nestor Myska, they would see a quiet man that listened more than he talked, but conversation with him would reveal a keen mind and an educated opinion about things around him. A man who

prized hard work and family spirit, who always had a sparkle in his eye and a gentle smile to greet friends.

The Interlake Community Foundation is pleased to announce the Nestor Myska Memorial Fund established in October 2020.

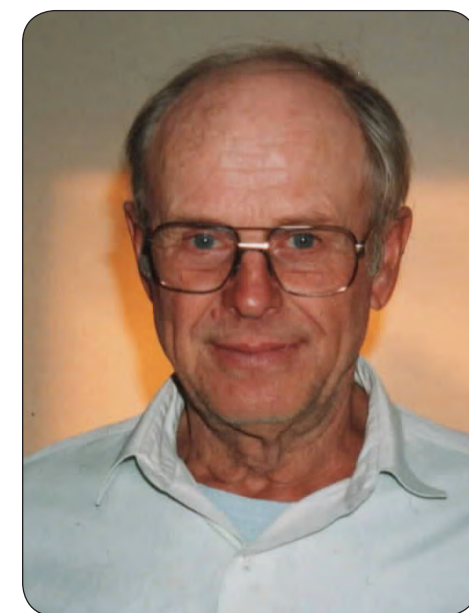
Myska’s family has created an undesignated fund in his name as a legacy for his community.

Myska was born in Winnipeg in 1930 and passed away in the Stonewall Hospital at the age of 88. He is survived by one sister, two brothers, many nieces and nephews and their families.

Myska’s family moved to Gordon in 1934 after purchasing the general store. Myska attended East Rosser School and Isaac Newton High School in Winnipeg. He worked as the bartender for his family when they operated the hotel in Laurier, Man. In the early 1950s he worked for Morrisons Garage at Gordon. Later Myska began a life-long career as a dragline and crane operator, working all over Manitoba and nearby provinces. He built the initial grade of the road into Bissett and progressed until he operated the largest crane for Litz Cranes, building the Fort Garry Place Complex among others.

While Myska lived on Main Street near the Perimeter, he began a side business of repainting vehicles at which he excelled. In 1975, Myska purchased his first farmland near Gordon and began a second career as a part-time farmer. Eventually he established a yard site where he built a home, garage and machine shop finally moving to live there in 1983.

Following his retirement from Litz Cranes, he became a full-time farmer. Summers were spent enjoying auctions with his close friends, planting a huge vegetable garden and working on a wide variety of equipment. Myska was an innovator and fixer, able to make old equipment run and work for



Nestor Myska

him. If someone needed a special part for a project or repair Myska would have it for you.

Although Myska had travelled on holidays to different countries, Gordon was always his home for family and friends. He was happiest joining them for any gathering from the weekly coffee group at his friends’ home to celebrations at Thanksgiving and Christmas with family. Myska appreciated a cup of good coffee, “black if it’s good, only have to add the other when it’s bad,” he’d say.

This fund has been established to benefit the community that Myska called home. The ICF is proud to be the steward of this legacy. If anyone wishes to make a donation in the Nestor Myska Memorial Fund, it may be sent to Interlake Community Foundation at Box 1575 Stonewall, MB, R0C 2Z0, www.interlakefoundation.ca

Facebook contest

Send a **#I LOVE selfie** for Valentine’s Day

Stonewall Teulon Tribune

Post a selfie of you and your Valentine on our Facebook page and together you could **WIN A 1 NIGHT STAY** at Victoria Inn & Hotel & Convention Centre Locations in Brandon, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg & Flin Flon

CONTEST RULES: Go to the Stonewall Teulon Tribune Facebook page and post a picture of you and your partner on our page before midnight on Sunday, Feb. 14, 2021. Following the deadline, all the pictures received will be placed in our “Love Selfie” album in order to give the general public the chance to “like” the selfie of their choice. On Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021, the couple whose picture got the most likes will win a 1 night stay at one of the Victoria Inn & Hotel & Convention Centre locations in Brandon, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg or Flin Flon. The name of the winner will be announced on our Facebook page and in the Stonewall Teulon Tribune on Thursday, Feb. 25.

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CANADA'S HEART BEATS

Manitoba offers free provincial park entry for February

Protecting Manitobans with free access to outdoor activities

Submitted by Manitoba Conservation

Manitoba Conservation and Climate will again offer free entry to provincial parks throughout the month of February so Manitobans and visitors can take advantage of the many winter activities available in the parks.

Vehicle permits are not required in any provincial park in February, but Snopasses are still required for snowmobiles using groomed trails in the parks. As well, entrance fees still apply in national parks. There are groomed trails in provincial parks across Manitoba for a variety of activities including cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, fat biking, snowshoeing and hiking. Paint Lake, Spruce Woods and Turtle Mountain provincial parks also offer outdoor skating areas, hockey rinks and toboggan hills.

Trail grooming reports are updated online every Thursday throughout the winter. Manitobans are encouraged to check trail conditions and weather forecasts to plan their outdoor adventures before visiting parks. Maps of winter trails and updated reports can be found at www.manitobaparks.com. Trail users are reminded to use only the trails designated for their activities, to keep dogs on leashes and to practise "Leave No Trace."

Provincial parks have seen a significant increase in use this winter as safe outdoor places for Manitobans to get physical exercise and fresh air. While being outdoors and active in nature is important for physical and mental health, COVID-19 public health orders must be followed including steps such as physical distancing from anyone not in your household. Crowds and busy trails can be avoided by visiting parks during non-peak times such as early weekend mornings and weekdays. Information on COVID-19 restrictions in provincial parks is available at www.manitobaparks.com.

Park interpreters are offering weekly online events and

webinars this winter for Manitobans to learn and discover provincial parks safely at home. Highlights for the month of February include:

- learn cross-country ski techniques Wednesday, Feb. 3;
- a Parks After Dark presentation on eclipses with the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada Sunday, Feb. 7;
- skijoring and kick-sledding demonstrations Wednesday, Feb. 17;
- a presentation on the owls of Manitoba Saturday, Feb. 20; and
- a behind-the-scenes tour of the Whiteshell Fish Hatchery Saturday, Feb. 27.

More information on these events and other upcoming programs can be found under the events tab on the Manitoba Parks Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MBGovParks and online at www.manitobaparks.com.

Teachers can also book free virtual school programs



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Manitoba's provincial parks will have free park entry for the entire month of February.

throughout the winter season to bring parks into their classrooms. For more information on winter activities and interpretive programs in provincial parks, email parkinterpretation@gov.mb.ca or visit www.manitobaparks.com.

Manitobans can also stay up to date with provincial park news, activities and events by following the Twitter channel at www.twitter.com/MBGovParks and liking the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MBGovParks.

Balmoral students love to read



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Balmoral Elementary School teacher Kezia Loehmer reads to her kindergarten class.

By Jennifer McFee

I Love to Read Month is already underway, and there's no shortage of novel ideas at Balmoral Elementary School.

"This year for I Love To Read month in Balmoral School, our theme is hockey," said kindergarten teacher Kezia Loehmer.

"Each of our classrooms has a hockey team and will compete to score goals each week by read-

ing books and filling out book reports."

For the month of February, the calendar is jam-packed with fun literacy activities on the sporty theme, such as reading a book about hockey, reading a sports card and reading a book about the Jets.

Students are also encouraged to read while dressed as Mick E Moose, as a coach or referee, and while wearing a sports jersey.



Whoos Got The Greatest Love Story of All Time? CONTEST

Valentine's Day is a time to show your loved one how much they mean to you. We want to hear why your love story is the greatest all of time, whether you have been together 80 years or 8 months

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In a few paragraphs tell us how you met and how you knew it was true love, or just tell us why your Valentine makes your heart skip a beat.

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Contest entry deadline February 5th, 2021

*stories may be edited for length

Financial assistance available to cattle farmers

By Evan Matthews

The Province of Manitoba is trying to help cattle farmers through a new program providing financial assistance.

The provincial government unveiled a new program called the 2020 Canada-Manitoba Finished Cattle Feed Assistance Program, which is said to assist Manitoba cattle producers affected by COVID-19 related closures of slaughter plants and capacity reductions.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has had an effect on finished cattle market prices, which can affect cash flows and net incomes," said a spokesperson for the Department of Agriculture and Resource Development.

"The financial assistance to intended to offset extraordinary feed cost incurred due to delay in marketing cattle."

The province said individuals, partnerships, corporations, co-operatives, First Nation communities and any other "association of persons" owning and responsible for associated feed costs of eligible animals between April 15, 2020, and Dec. 31, 2020, may apply.

The province said applications must



The financial assistance deadline for cattle farmers to submit applications is Feb. 15.

be received by Feb. 15.

The program will pay daily support for the period during which cattle were ready for market and slaughter but could not be sold due to reduced capacity at the major Alberta beef processors, according to the province.

This period, referred to as the "Ex-

traordinary Feeding Period," includes

the time needed to address cattle supply backlog in Western Canada, according to the province.

For those who intend to apply, the province stated:

- The Extraordinary Feed Period began April 15, 2020, or when cat-

tle reached the minimum weight for eligibility, which is 1,400 lbs. for steers or 1,300 lbs. for heifers, whichever is later;

- The Extraordinary Feed Period ends Dec. 31, 2020, or on the actual slaughter date of the cattle, whichever is earlier;

- The Extraordinary Feed Period for these cattle must have been greater than 14 days

- Applicants must have owned the cattle for a minimum of 60 days prior to slaughter and must have missed the intended marketing date due to COVID-19 related slaughter interruptions;

- The cattle slaughter date must be between April 29, 2020 and Dec. 31, 2020.

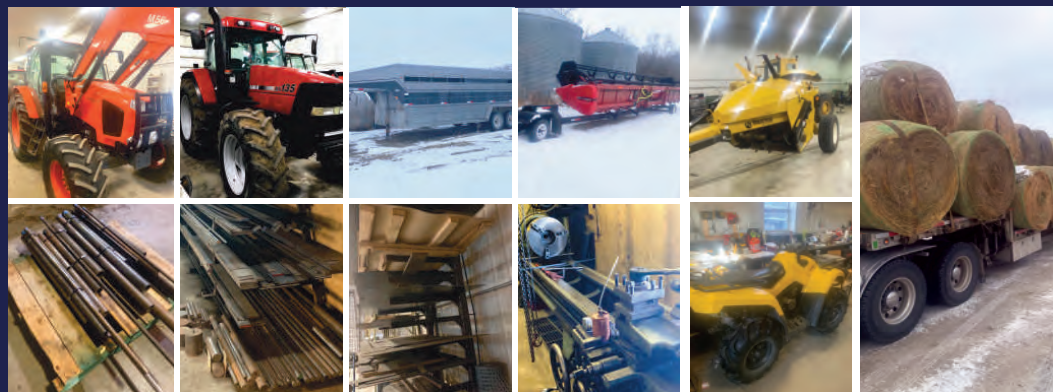
Eligible applicants will receive \$1.20 per eligible animal for each day in the Extraordinary Feeding Period, according to the province, to a maximum of 63 days. The maximum payment is \$75.60 per head.

To apply, or for more information, the province said to visit <https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/financial-assistance/cattle-feed-assistance.html>.

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Warren community run outdoor rink up and running

By Evan Matthews

The Warren outdoor rink is up and running, ready for community members to rip it up.

Kelly Kimball, recreation director for the Rosser-Woodlands Recreation Commission (RWRC), said community volunteers moved the Warren outdoor rink to its original location on MacDonald Avenue, to the east of Railway Avenue, near the Warren Hall.

"Right around Christmas, we were able to finish up construction of the rink and flood it," said Kimball.

"The kids have been out skating this year, and it's been absolutely fantastic."

When the new arena — now called Sunova Arena — was built roughly 12 years ago at the south end of Railway Avenue, the community decided to move the outdoor rink along with it.

Kimball said the idea didn't take.

"It ended up being really cold, not really protected from the wind. It turned out the kids didn't want to walk that far and freeze, so the usage just dropped right off," said Kimball.

"It had gotten to the point in which the outdoor ice was no longer being

put in."

After reviewing several options, Kimball said the RWRC opted for the original location, as it was the most logical choice.

The light posts were still in place and a water source was readily available, so the RWRC had community volunteers — a hockey class and a gym class from the high school, as well as a few other community members — come forward to move the boards back to the original location.

A local plumber had come forward, too, to help identify the well and connect the water. Local electricians came forward to help connect the new lights.

"This was a huge community project. The biggest thing, to me, was that the wood for the boards had been sitting there for (at least) 10 years unused, so some had to be replaced, which meant money had to be found," said Kimball.

"There was some grant writing, some begging of the RM, to which ... they put money into building us a little heated room for the hoses, plumbing and the lighting as well."

She expressed thanks to Community Futures West Interlake, which con-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KELLY KIMBALL

Volunteer Rich Yates is pictured with the hose, preparing the rink for use just prior to Christmas.

tributed \$400 to engineer the plans.

Factoring in COVID-19, Kimball said the rink has added importance, given the fact there isn't as much recreation going on for people as there has been in the past. That said, the RWRC has limited the rink to five people to ensure safety of its users.

Users are also limited to one hour

on the rink if there are others waiting to use it, Kimball said. If there aren't, users may continue for an indefinite time period.

The Warren outdoor rink is 100 per cent community run, Kimball said, meaning community members maintain the rink, including shovelling and flooding.

Keystone Ag needs farmer engagement

By Evan Matthews

Local representatives of Keystone Agricultural Producers are asking for farmers in the Interlake to engage with the Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Crops consultation.

Paul Gregory, who lives in the Fisher area and represents KAP for District 10, said he believes many producers are unaware of what's going on as it

relates to the Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Crops' (CRSC) Code of Practice, known as Responsible Grain.

"They've surveyed 500 farmers, which isn't a heck of a lot when you think about all the farmers in Canada," said Gregory, adding that Responsible Grain is a national, voluntary code of practice, allowing Canadian grain

farmers to demonstrate care and commitment to the environment.

The goal is to help Canadian farms preserve land, air and water, according to the Responsible Grain website. However, previous media reports have suggested some farmers are unclear whether the code will help or hurt their operations.

"We need more input. Get involved,

look at what's happening, and fill out the survey. If we don't have input, there will be some things down the line that happen, that will be very unkind to their operations," he said.

The code is said to cover modules including nutrient management, pest and pesticide management, soil and water management, and health and well-being. By getting involved, Responsible Grain's website states it can help farmers understand what is recommended (in the code) and what is required (by legislation).

The consultation process began in November 2020 and, according to CRSC, is expected to end mid-February. The Responsible Grain website states the code of practice could be implemented as early as May 2021.

Farmers' concerns, as reported by an array of media outlets and on social media, have included (but are not limited to) premiums and financial reward for adhering to the voluntary code, who will benefit from farmer adherence, the involvement of Ducks Unlimited, tone and language used in the code, whether the code will remain voluntary or at some point become mandatory, as well as property rights and freedoms.

"I think more regulation is coming down," said Gregory.

For more information, visit <https://responsiblegrain.ca>.

Stony Mountain shuts down ice plant

By Evan Matthews

As we approach almost a full calendar year since the COVID-19 pandemic took our society in its clutch, community groups continue to alter operations and dominoes continue to fall.

As of Jan. 31, the Stony Mountain Community Centre ice plant is the latest COVID casualty, as the board decided to shut down the plant to minimize its financial expenditure.

"With the current cancellation of sports programs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with which our facility

operates on that revenue, we made the decision to shut down," the board said in a statement via Facebook the Stony Mountain Community Group page.

Board members declined to comment further.

"Please know we continue and will always make decisions regarding the community centre, with the best interests of our community and its members in mind," the statement went on, adding thanks to community members and customers for continued support.

The outdoor rink will continue its regular operation, according to the board, as it is open, groomed and ready for community members' use for the remainder of winter, as long as Mother Nature will allow.

The board asked users to be respectful and follow the current Public Health orders.

For any hall rentals in the future, or to book the dry ice surface — at \$25 per hour — in the spring and summer months, the board said to email stonyrec@mymts.net.

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Wright commits to CMU Blazers, wins prestigious high school scholarship

By Brian Bowman

Paige Wright will be taking her volleyball talent to the next level this fall.

Warren Collegiate's standout setter recently committed to the CMU Blazers, located in Winnipeg.

"I'm excited to be playing at the next level, for sure," said Wright, who will be entering the Faculty of Science, on Monday afternoon. "The game gets faster and the level of play gets higher but I'm excited to learn more of everything."

Wright said the smaller class sizes at CMU were a big plus.

"Coming from a smaller school, having the relationships with professors is the one thing that I liked," she said. "And it's not as demanding as playing at a bigger university so I can balance school and sports easier."

Wright is one of four athletes who have committed to the Blazers' women's volleyball program this month.

"They plan on taking a lot of girls from my graduating year, which is this year, to move up so when we are in our fourth and fifth year, we'll be the next strong wave because they lose a lot of girls this year," she explained.

CMU currently has just one veteran setter on its roster and she will be graduating next season. Wright is prepared to have to sit and watch as she gets acclimated to the program.

"The playing time will come more in my second year," she predicted. "But I'm excited. The pace of the game and the level (of play) is so much higher so it will kind of be nice to have a first year where you get to know everyone and get to know the game before getting thrown in (to game action)."

On Tuesday, Wright was one of four student-athletes to be awarded a \$1,000 Dr. Dale Iwanoczko Memorial Scholarship.

Warren Wildcats' varsity girls' head coach was very proud that Wright was honoured with the scholarship and will be moving on to CMU.

"It's pretty impressive, there are not a lot of kids that are able to carry on at the next level," Oliver noted. "But she definitely showed the dedication and she really honestly put her academics first and foremost. That was really important to Paige and volleyball was kind of second. She found the perfect match with CMU and is going to carry on for the four or five years."

Oliver feels Wright will be a very good university volleyball player.

"She's driven and dedicated to the sport," he said. "She's super, super smart. At the next level, she's already seeing plays and knows where to put balls."

CMU competes in the MCAC which is made up of six member universities and colleges in Manitoba. They include the Assiniboine Community College Cougars, Brandon University Bobcats, Canadian Mennonite University Blazers, Providence University College Pilots, Red River College Rebels and the Universite de St-Boniface Les Rouges.

The 2021-22 MCAC season will mark the first opportunity that Manitoba's MCAC programs will take a run at the CCAA National Championships since the nation-wide association for college sports in Canada recognized the MCAC with membership in 2018.

The Manitoba winners will join existing CCAA regional conferences — PacWest (B.C.), ACAC (Alberta-Saskatchewan), OCAA (Ontario), RSEQ (Que-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ROBBIN TURNER
Warren Collegiate's Paige Wright has committed to attend school and play volleyball for the CMU Blazers.

bec) and ACAA (Atlantic) — in competition at the 2022 Women's Volleyball National Championships in Halifax next March.

Grieve enjoying great career at Stonewall Collegiate

By Brian Bowman

Curtis Grieve has coached a lot of sports over the years at Stonewall Collegiate.

But this year has been different.

With the COVID-19 pandemic, sports has been shut down. Grieve, like many coaches, is really missing that experience.

"I think most coaches and educators, and everyone that is involved in extracurriculars, would say the relationships you get outside of class are some of the best relationships that you'll ever have," said Grieve, who has been at SCI since the fall of 2004, last week. "The ones with the hockey team when you're away at a tournament on the weekend in Brandon. You obviously spend more hours with the hockey team than you probably do in your classroom. That's the part you miss. Like Manitoba high school sports says, '(Sports) is the other half of education.'"

After graduating from Mayville State University in North Dakota, Grieve got his start teaching in Cando, N.D. After that, he worked at a few schools in the Interlake before landing in Stonewall.

Grieve has really enjoyed his time at SCI.

"It's a great place to work," said the 48-year-old. "I'm on my third administrator, there's been a number of new staff come in, the community's great, and there's a lot of passion for the things I like. I'm surrounded by an amazing team of co-workers down here in the gym. We get along well and work together well. We're supported tremendously from administration in our building. Ever since I got here, the support from (administration) has always been second to none. The three principles all have different qualities and all have different personalities but they really, really know the importance of all extra-curricular (activities) in the building."

Grieve loves seeing young student-athletes come into SCI in Grade 9, mature both physically and mentally, and then leave confidently after their senior year.

"It really is amazing to see what kids do over the course of four years," he said. "It's cool to see how much somebody can change over the course of four years."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
Curtis Grieve has had a tremendous career coaching high school sports in Manitoba.

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Former MJHL players lead Minot State to another win

Staff

The Minot State Beavers improved their record to 12-2-0-1 after skating to a 5-2 win over Dakota College-Bon-tineau last Friday.

The Beavers scored three unanswered goals in the third period.

Former Selkirk Steelers' forwards Rhett Lough and Carter Barley each had a goal and an assist for Minot State. Wayde Johannesson, another former Steeler, chipped in with two assists.

On Jan. 22-23, Minot swept the Midland University Warriors in a pair of home games.

The Beavers opened the series with a 7-4 victory and then crushed Midland 14-4 the next night.

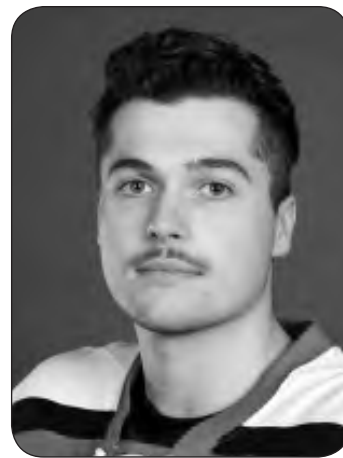
In the 10-goal win, Minot was led by a four-goal performance from freshman Nick Doyle and a hat trick from Landyn Cochrane. Both players also



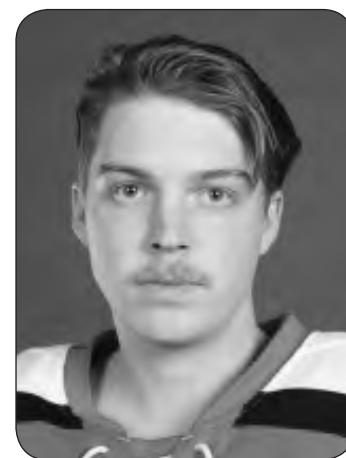
Brayden Pawluk



Carter Barley



Wayde Johannesson



Rhett Lough

had an assist.

St. Andrews' Barley scored a goal while Johannesson, a Gimli product, had three assists.

Barley is second on the Beavers with 19 points (seven goals, 12 assists) in 15

games.

Teulon's Brayden Pawluk, who played in the MJHL with the Virden Oil Capitals and Dauphin Kings, also had an assist in the game.

None of the former MJHL players

recorded points in Minot State's win on Jan. 22.

The Beavers will continue on the road to play games against Midland this Friday and Saturday.

Hockey Winnipeg cancels regular season, playoffs

Staff

The board of directors and executive members of Hockey Winnipeg made the decision to cancel the remainder of the 2020-21 regular season and playoffs. The decision was announced last Saturday.

This directive excludes teams that participate in provincially run leagues.

"It has always been the hope of Hockey Winnipeg to return to scheduled league play; however, the current restrictions, timelines and ice availability does not make that feasible,"

read a statement on Hockey Winnipeg's website.

"This decision is not closing the door on hockey this year, just Hockey Winnipeg regular season and playoff games. This will allow for area associations within Hockey Winnipeg to provide local programming for the balance of the season as public health restrictions may allow."

Hockey Winnipeg and its area associations said they will be working to provide fair refunds to their members over the next few months.

The refunds will be prorated based upon the amount of activity that has taken place and what activity can be offered at the local level once restrictions allow. Some fees are not recoverable (such as tryout fees where tryouts have taken place, player insurance, etc.) and those fees will not be refunded. Should refunds be provided, they will be distributed to members by the end date of a typical hockey season which is April 30.

"The board of directors and executive members of Hockey Winnipeg

did not take this decision lightly and it is with heavy hearts and after lengthy discussion that we share this directive," read the statement.

"We would like to thank our members for being patient throughout this trying season and we regret the premature end of the 2020-21 hockey season. We plan to support our area associations as much as possible with locally run programming."

35-team field to compete for mixed curling national title

From the Curling Canada website

With Canada's Olympic hopes potentially riding on the winning team, an elite field of 35 teams will be in the bubble in Calgary for the 2021 Home Hardware Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Championship, presented by Nature's Bounty.

Those teams will be chasing not only their share of the unprecedented \$150,000 purse that will be on the line from March 18 to 25 at the Markin MacPhail Centre at WinSport's Canada Olympic Park in Calgary, they also will be aiming to represent Canada at the 2021 World Mixed Doubles Championship (dates, location, to be confirmed by the World Curling Federation).

There, seven of the 10 countries that will qualify to send teams to the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing will be

determined, making it the most important international mixed doubles event of this quadrennial, outside of the Olympics themselves.

With those kind of stakes on the line, as well as safety considerations during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic to keep athletes and the host city of Calgary safe, an emphasis is being placed on players participating in the 2021 Scotties Tournament of Hearts and 2021 Tim Hortons Brier, presented by AGI — the two events that will directly precede the Home Hardware Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship.

The 35 teams will be determined by the following criteria: 14 provincial/territorial championship teams, 14 teams from the Canadian Mixed Doubles Rankings based on results between March 15, 2019, and March 15,

2020, (teams must have played a minimum of two mixed doubles events during the season), seven teams who were unable to compete this season due to the COVID-19 pandemic but had committed to play mixed doubles together. Rankings are based on each player's best three CTRS point events from the 2019-2020 season combined with their partners. All players must be part of Curling Canada's National Team program.

A waiting list of teams also has been established should teams that qualify not attend, or if a team has a player on the Scotties Tournament of Hearts championship team that will be competing at the World Women's Championship in Switzerland, which is running the same week as the Home Hardware Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship.

The 35 teams will be split into five pools of seven for round-robin play. From there, 12 teams will advance to the playoffs.

The winning team will take home a \$50,000 payout, while \$30,000 goes to the runner-up; \$20,000 to third place and \$10,000 to fourth place. Fifth through eighth place earns \$6,500 while ninth through 12th takes home \$3,500.

TSN/RDS will be providing extensive live coverage of the 2021 Home Hardware Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship.

Qualifying teams are being notified this week, and the field will be announced at a later date once teams have formally confirmed their participation.

Outdoor skating rink helps students stay active despite COVID-19

By Sydney Lockhart

Stonewall Centennial School's outdoor skating rink is being used to help keep students active in gym classes while staying COVID safe.

"Some students who didn't know how to skate had the opportunity to learn and try it," said gym teacher Cheryl Kooning.

Due to COVID restrictions gym classes have not been able to have their usual curriculum that included team sports like volleyball or basketball.

"I'm constantly telling them to keep their distance and their mask on. They're just excited that they're not sitting in their chair," said Kooning.

The ice rink has a smaller sectioned off portion for kids who aren't as balanced to stay safe while learning away from the other kids who are playing hockey.

All students are required to wear helmets and the school has a few ex-

tra pairs of skates they lend out.

Kooning said the number of pairs they have is limited, and often the supplies they have are too small. The school does accept donations of old skates for student use.

"It's a great year to skate. Lots of children are going out and taking advantage of it," said Kooning.

Principal Ed Harvie spent multiple weeks putting the rink together, sometimes with the help of his students.

"They would see me during lunch breaks working on it and they would ask to help me. I explained to them how to do it one layer at a time," he said.

Harvie said he has about 30 years of practice making outdoor rinks.

"I would like these kids to have lifelong skills," he said, "We're trying to introduce these things for kids who may not otherwise have the opportunity to do so."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY SYDNEY LOCKHART

Students enjoy the ice rink on weekends outside school hours. During school days, masks are required on the ice.

The 100'x150' ice rink on the school grounds is also open to the public in evenings and on weekends.

"I enjoy the most when I see a young

family out there skating. It brings me satisfaction to see people out together."

The ice is becoming a dangerous road to be on

Submitted by Selkirk RCMP

With health restrictions still in place, and COVID-19 still affecting every aspect of life, Manitobans are using the great outdoors to gather and try to regain some semblance of normalcy.

Ice fishing has seen a noticeable rise in popularity this year in southern Manitoba. The lakes and waterways are covered with ice fishing shacks, both permanent and temporary. In many places, the ice is a colourful cacophony of shacks, snowmobiles and people. We are lucky to have our natural resources to help us escape the very real pressures of the pandemic and the monotony that can arise in winter.

With the increase of people in these areas has come an increase in illegal consumption of alcohol and cannabis. Those climbing numbers lead directly to more people driving to and from

their fishing shacks while impaired.

"With all sorts of vehicles out and about, no determined roadway, people skiing, walking and skating, and places where there is open water, the ice can be a challenge to drive on at the best of times," said S/Sgt. Kyle McFadyen of Manitoba RCMP Traffic Services. "When a driver is impaired, that challenge becomes downright dangerous."

So everyone can safely enjoy our surroundings, the RCMP is reminding Manitobans that it is illegal to consume alcohol or cannabis while on the ice or inside either a temporary or permanent ice fishing shelter. The fine for having open alcohol on the ice is \$672. For impaired driving, the same rules apply as if a driver was driving impaired on a roadway. Suspension, loss of licence, even jail time could result, depending on the sever-



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RCMP are reminding fishers and snowmobilers that it is illegal to consume alcohol or cannabis while on the ice or inside a temporary or permanent ice fishing shelter. The fine for open alcohol on the ice is \$672.

ity of the occurrence.

With the current public health orders, it is also imperative that people continue to practise social distancing

and not gather in large groups. We're in this together. Let's work together so everyone can enjoy their time outdoors and get home safely.

> GRIEVE, FROM PG. 13

Grieve grew up in Hartney, Man., and excelled as an athlete in both hockey and baseball. He played one season of junior hockey for the SJHL's Estevan Bruins before moving to the MJHL's Portage Terriers for three-and-a-half years.

"Junior hockey back then, I loved it," he said. "Growing up in Hartney, Man, hockey was the No. 1 sport. Junior hockey was always the goal. I loved the guys and all that but by the time I finished my junior hockey career, the

grind had basically taken away my love for that game."

Grieve later played baseball at Mayville when he was 21 years old. He was an outfielder and pitcher, becoming the team's closer in his final two seasons.

Grieve later had great success playing senior baseball with the Legion 141 Veterans, Baldur, and the Stonewall Blue Jays.

"It was a good fit (in Stonewall), a great bunch of guys, and I probably played six years here," he recalled. "I had a fair bit of success as a team and as an individual. There were lots of

good memories, lots of fun. I wouldn't change any years of my life, my college career or junior hockey career for anything, but I would say one of my most memorable sporting years was senior ball with Legion 141, the year we won the provincial championship. Only because we only had the bare minimum (of players). We had 12 guys to start and the Winnipeg Gold-eyes signed Donnie Smith that year and left us with 11. When we had a barbecue, everyone was there. It was the closest knit group I have ever been around and I'm still in contact with almost all of those guys."

But one of Grieve's most cherished experiences in sport wasn't as a player.

He takes great pride in having the privilege of coaching his two sons.

"Being around them on the diamond and seeing them grow into really good ball players (is special)," he said. "Both have played provincial-team stuff. My youngest, if they have a Canada Cup this year, will be trying out for that team."

"Watching them succeed, it makes me feel better than when I succeeded. That's been a lot of fun."

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Servings: 1

- 6 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon cocoa powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/8 teaspoon salt



Red Velvet Heart Pancakes

- 30-40 drops red food coloring
- nonstick cooking spray
- syrup, for garnish
- powdered sugar, for garnish
- raspberries, for garnish

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

In medium bowl, whisk egg. Add buttermilk, 2 tablespoons butter, vanilla extract and food coloring; whisk until combined.

Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and stir to combine. Spray heart-shaped cookie cutter with nonstick cooking spray and place in skillet. Add enough batter to fill heart. Cook 2 minutes. Remove heart cutter. Flip pancake and cook 1 minute.

Serve with butter, syrup, powdered sugar and raspberries.

Note: If mixture is too thick, add water until desired consistency is reached.

Servings: 8-10

- 1 cup flour
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted, plus additional for garnish
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract



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- Servings: 6-12
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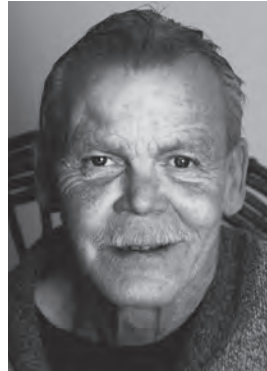
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William (Bill) Swanton



Bill passed away peacefully, in his 71st year, with his family at his side.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Peggy, of 44 years; their two children Andrea (Dave), Jeffery (Amanda) and six grandchildren, Chloe, Connor, Christian, Rylee, Sawyer, Dawson and a granddaughter due in April. He is also survived by his sister Susan and numerous family members on both the Swanton and Monkman sides.

He was predeceased by his parents William Swanton and Betty Foster; his brothers Elliott, George and John; sister Isabelle and grandson Bowen.

Bill worked in many different fields, retiring from Manitoba Hydro after 33 years.

He was a gentle caring person with a wonderful sense of humor. He had many hobbies and interests, boating, fishing, hockey, hunting, taxidermy, scrabble and painting beautiful pictures. He could get any old car running.

Bill and Peggy traveled to Hawaii, Mexico and went on three cruises. The best trips were going to Alberta to see his grandchildren. He treasured all of his grandchildren. Often going on walks to the playground and of course the candy store. They called him PopPop and he loved each one dearly. He was thrilled with his PopPop license plate.

Special thanks to the doctors, nurses and all the exceptional workers at the SMHC for their skilled, loving and respectful care.

A private family celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Bill's farewell video can be viewed on the Gilbert Funeral Home website.

If you wish, donations may be made to the Alzheimers Society of Manitoba, 10-120 Donald St. Winnipeg, MB R3C 4G2, online or by phone.

Condolences may be left on his tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



IN MEMORIAM



Alan Williams February 8th, 2020

Missed beyond all measure
Adored beyond all words.
Some pursued happiness.
You created it for others.
My love forever yours.

-Judith Dedrick-Williams and family

OBITUARY

Raymond Gilbert Braid

December 19, 1954 – January 29, 2021

On January 29, 2021, at the Stonewall and District Health Centre, with his devoted wife Judi at his side, Ray passed peacefully into the arms of his maternal and paternal grandparents, his parents Gilbert and Muriel, brother Brian, brother-in-law George, mother and father-in-law Peter and Ann, sister-in-law Bernice, brothers-in-law Walter, Norman and Allan.

Ray was raised on a farm in Lilyfield, MB. He attended his early school years at Rosser and High School at Stonewall Collegiate. Ray spent his entire career employed by Clarke Transport, starting as a city driver and later working his way up the chain to Branch Manager.

In March of 1978, while two young ladies stood in line at the Hanger 22 a group of young men made room at their table. That is how we met. After numerous trips to the washroom to "check him out" I thought ok, maybe. Throughout the evening, trying to figure out my strategy, it dawned on me, my brother's social tickets. I sold the table of young men tickets and thought if he shows up it's meant to be and if not, well, I got rid of the tickets I was supposed to sell. He did show up and the rest is history. We were married on May 19, 1979. We welcomed into our lives our greatest accomplishment, daughters (Punkie) Kristen in 1981 and (Nik) Nicole in 1983. Ray was a devoted and loving Father. His girls were his pride and joy. He spent many hours driving to Ukrainian dance lessons and recitals, music lessons, basketball and volleyball games. He rarely missed any. The Saturdays I had to work the girls got some tight and twisted ponytails but he always did his best. That devotion was shown when our grandson Logan joined our family. Papa and Logan spent many hours tinkering in the garage. They scoured the back-road ditches looking for Logan's perfect backyard Christmas tree. That became their tradition until Log was 17.

Ray was known as Papa Ray to his extended family grandchildren. Although miles kept us apart, he loved seeing them when we could.

Ray and I lived our life on our terms. We travelled extensively to anywhere that took us to enjoy the beauty of nature. Whether it be our winters in Nevada, exploring Death Valley, just being present in the desert watching wild donkeys or riding an 1880's train to the Grand Canyon, hiking Zion Park in Utah or canoeing Lake Metigoshe. Driving the backroads of the Interlake to watch the eagles soar or our many trips to the Rockies. Our summers were spent camping the beautiful parks of Manitoba and North Dakota.

Ray fought a valiant battle, first with a stroke in 2012 and now cancer in 2020. I choose not to dwell on his illnesses but to share his memory with those he left behind, our daughters Kristen, Nicole (Brent) and Logan. Our extended family, my daughter Jackie (Travis), their children Sydney, Taylor, Cashton and Wyatt. Ray's sisters Marlene, Beryl (Norm); brother Robert (Debbie); sisters-in-law Jan (Bud), Angie (Ron), Donna; brothers-in-law Merv (Mary) and Gerald, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He will be missed by his fur baby Sophie. Morning treats will never be the same.

On Mountains high where eagles fly. Find Peace in the arms of the Angels you will be forever in our hearts. Rest well, my Love. You deserve it.

A private family service will take place.

For our love of animals and the many pet's we rescued, in lieu of flowers, if so desired, donations may be made to the Winnipeg Human Society in Ray's memory. 45 Hurst Way, Winnipeg, MB R3T 0R3.

Don't forget to send your special words of remembrance for loved ones passed.

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OBITUARY



E. Ruth Denner (nee O'Neill)

It is with beloved memories we announce the passing of E. Ruth Denner (nee O'Neill) of Stony Mountain, MB. Ruth passed peacefully on January 4, 2021 at the age of 82 years.

Ruth is survived by her daughter Karen, close family friend Roxanne, and son-in-law Trevor.

She was predeceased by her husband of 59 years Ron, and her eldest daughter Kimberley.

Ruth was a kind and gentle woman with a ready smile and a heart full of love. She was a devoted wife and mother raising her family in the close knit community of Stony Mountain and was very involved with the community. Running the canteen at the Rec Centre and receptionist at the local doctors office to name a couple. She touched many lives and was like a second mom to many of her children's friends.

Ruth was very well known for her knitting, a hobby she loved and started at a very young age while growing up on a farm by Argyle, MB. Over the years she attended many craft sales in Manitoba with her beautiful knitting as well as donating much of it to those in need.

Life will not be as full without her in it but the times we shared were a blessing and truly the greatest gift. Love you forever Mom.

The knitter's Prayer

I pray when risen from the dead,
I May in glory stand
Perhaps a crown upon my head,
But four needles in my hand.
I never learned to sing or play,
So let no harp be mine,
From childhood to my dying day
Plain knitting's been my line.
And so, accustomed to the end,
In plying useful stitches,
I'll be content, if given to knit,
The little angel's britches.

Cremation has taken place and no formal service will be held.



OBITUARY



**Nelda Eileen Carey
(nee Clifford)**

On January 24, 2021, peacefully in her sleep, at the age of 96, Nelda moved to Heaven.

She is survived by her daughter Donna Green of Stony Mountain, her son David Carey of St. Albert, Alberta and her "2nd son" son-in-law Andrew McKechnie of Lake Chapala, Mexico. She will be sadly missed by grandchildren, Katelyn (Chris) Leczynski, Tristan (Kim) Carey, Tracy (Steve) Carnegie, Heather McKechnie, and Kingsley Green; four great grandchildren Emily, Richard, Aurora, Annika, as well as many foster grandchildren whom she loved dearly - Jolene, Crystal, Chelsea, Ali, Veronica, RoseAnne, Jonathan and many more, plus many nieces and nephews scattered around the world.

She was predeceased by her husband Neville in 2016, daughter Elizabeth (Beth) McKechnie in 2005, and infant daughter Sharon in 1950 as well as all eight of her siblings and their spouses. She was the last of that entire generation.

Nelda was born October 27, 1924, in Teulon, MB to Charlie and Hattie Clifford. She graduated high school in Teulon, then moved to Winnipeg to work in a bank near the corner of Portage and Main. She was introduced to a handsome young man in the Air Force named Neville. He was stationed in Portage la Prairie for training, then he moved back to Regina. After writing weekly letters for over a year, Mom moved to Regina where they were married. They almost spent 68 years together as best friends.

Mom loved to bake, sew, knit, and cook wonderful meals. Our house was always warm and welcoming. She was very generous with her time and possessions to anyone in need.

When Dad retired, they moved to various locations in BC, but returned to Winnipeg area once the grandchildren started to arrive.

The last couple of years of her life, she was a resident of Tudor House in Selkirk. A big thank you to all the cheerful and loving staff for the great care they gave Mom.

Due to COVID restrictions, a small family service was held February 2nd at MacKenzie Funeral Chapel in Stonewall - Pastor Henry Ozirney officiated.

Thank you to MacKenzie Funeral Home, Stonewall and Chapel Lawn, Winnipeg for their kindness and compassion at this time. Also, an eternal thank you to Pastor Henry Ozirney from New Life Baptist in Stonewall for leading Mom and Dad to our Lord Jesus.

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire, donations may be made in Nelda's memory to New Life Church, Box 905, Stonewall, MB, R0C 2Z0.

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OBITUARY



**Robert (Bob) Mathew Riddell
17 November 1938 – 22 January 2021**

Robert (Bob) Mathew Riddell passed away peacefully surrounded by family on 22 January 2021.

He is lovingly remembered by his wife Lorraine, his first wife, Mary and his four children Kim (Russ Zitaruk), Rob (Donna Foote), Janet (Mike Guatto), Randal (Lisa Macdonald). His grandchildren Nicolas Zitaruk, Rachel (Carson Zilkey), Sidney (Devan Cobb), Quinne Riddell, Phoebe Riddell, Senem Riddell-Yapici, Hazel and Lewis Riddell, and great-grandson Bohdi Zilkey (Rachel and Carson). He is survived by his brothers and sisters Jim, Leonora (Gord Sutherland), Chris (Helen), Brooke, and Gordon (Donna). Also, many wonderful nieces and nephews. Also survived by Lorraine's extended family the Girouards, Boulets and Sandersons.

Dad was born on the family farm in Warren, MB to Florence (Nickel) and Ernie Riddell and had many rich stories of growing up on the prairies. After attending Manitoba's Teacher's College 1958 he started a lifelong love of teaching even after he retired in 1994.

He moved to Miami in 1963 where he and Mary shared raising their four children on a small farm with so many animals the fences sometimes burst. Many adventures happened all over the countryside including a two week horse and wagon trip to Warren. (Caravan was hand built of course!)

Schools where he taught were Cartwright (1958-61), Milner Ridge, Stockton, Assistant Principal at Miami Elementary and then Principal (relinquished due to health) then Grade 6 and 3 at Miami Elementary. He enjoyed his shift to the Miami and then Skyview Hutterite Colonies. He retired on 31 December 1994.

Robert married Lorraine in 1996 and they enjoyed their retirement in Manitou and then Carman. They travelled visiting the growing number of grandchildren. Dad was famous in Carman for his red electric trike that he delightfully rode around the trails on daily adventures to cap off his retirement.

Many thanks to the tremendously caring staff at the Carman and Boundary Trails Hospitals and Carman Boyne Lodge for the most excellent care Dad received in the last stage of his life. His quality of life was improved everyday by all of you.

Everywhere Dad went his circle of family and friends grew. He will be missed.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association.

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OBITUARY



**Hugh Matheson
July 14, 1952 – January 19, 2021**

The following is a revised obituary for Hugh Matheson.

Hugh was born in Silver Bay, MB to parents Angus and Elizabeth Matheson of Moosehorn, MB. On Nov. 2, 1956, at the age of 4, along with George (2), the brothers began their lives with Dave and Janet Robertson. To ease the transition, older sister Bessie accompanied them to Marquette for about a month.

Many decades of Hugh's life were devoted to dairy farming. He remained keenly interested in cattle and farming his whole life. Hugh was gifted with a phenomenal memory. He had the ability to remember every birthday and anniversary of his family and friends. He usually followed up with a phone call to wish them well. This ability to recall dates was helpful to note breeding and due dates for all the dairy cows. Hugh loved all the animals on the farm. He especially loved his dog "Buddy".

Hugh resided in various places, Marquette, Winnipeg, Portage La Prairie and then back to Marquette to live with his brother Allen at "The Old Place".

Hugh was predeceased by all his parents and multiple Matheson, Robertson, Aitkins, Toogood relatives and Dwayne.

He will be sorely missed by his brother George and his Matheson family, especially his nieces Judy, Lisa, Carla, Nikki, and Brandi. Mourning him as well, is his Robertson family - Allen, Gordon (Jane Field), Loreen (Rick Hogg), Donna (Gary Tait) and their families. Special relatives include Helen Liebrecht, Lorne and Gladys Sorenson, Eleanor Proctor, as well as, many cousins across Canada. Hugh will be remembered and missed by his former spouse Linda, daughter Tammy (Mac) and her family.

Also missing Hugh are good friends, the Ted Glucki family, Wayne Oliver family, and Brian MacMillan family.

Cremation has taken place, no service at Hugh's request.

Flowers are gratefully declined. Donations, if so desired, may be made to a charity of one's choice.

The family offers heartfelt thanks to the Homecare staff as well as the entire staff of Stonewall Hospital including Dr. Hicks and Dr. Graham for their excellent care and attention. Hugh was forever grateful for a lifetime of professional expertise and kind support provided by Dr. Barry MacMillan and Rhonda.



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