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Vanessa Navarro, It's a 5 o'clock World.



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Lily Hammond, Olivia Wirgau and Lexi Schutz.



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Students shoot for the stars at first ISD STEM day

By Melissa McIvor

On March 9, around 200 Grade 8 students from across the division were treated to the inaugural Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) day at École Stonewall Centennial School (ÉSCS).

The event was spearheaded by Maria Nickel, STEM and Gr. 7 and 8 science educator and director of the Student Space Flight Experiment Program for the Interlake School Division.

STEM is a growing movement in education around the world. STEM-based learning programs aim to increase students' interest in pursuing careers in the formal science fields and often use blended classroom, online and hands-on learning.

Nickel sees this renewed emphasis on STEM fields as a response to current workplace demographics.

"I think there is a resurgence in STEM because many of our engineers and scientists are retiring," she explained. "We need to fill the gap with our strongest, our best and our brightest. If we can really engage our kids in unique ways to get them thinking about it, then we can get that workforce back."

The daylong STEM day at ÉSCS featured a number of activities and guest speakers that specifically addressed Earth and Space science to reflect what students are currently learning within the province's science curriculum.

"The things that the kids are learning in Grade 8 science is applicable to everyday astronauts and engineers for the Canadian Space Agency, NASA and the various aerospace companies around the world," explained Nickel. "We're showing them real-world applications for what they're learning about."

Students were given the special opportunity to talk with former U.S.A. astronaut Dr. Catherine "Cady" Coleman via Skype. Coleman is a retired United States Air Force officer who completed two Space Shuttle missions and spent six months on the International Space Station (ISS). She shared film and photo footage to recount her time as an astronaut and gave her young audience insight for their future.

Coleman remarked that she didn't know what career she wanted when she was a high school student.

"I didn't know these things at your age and you're not supposed to," she said.

"Keep your options open. I think that means keeping STEM as part of your options. If art is your thing, STEM needs you," she explained and said writing and communications are an essential part of how any space program shares information.

"If you think about all the things that you know about, most of them come your way through the media. They come your way through someone who is good at telling stories."

Nickel hopes that Coleman will act as a role model for many of the young female students who were in attendance.

"Cady is an accomplished astronaut. She came from MIT, she has a PhD and she plays the flute," said Nickel. "I really was pleased that we could get a female astronaut to showcase to the girls that it's not just boys in space. Girls are accom-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MARIA NICKEL
Eve, a student from École Stonewall Centennial School and Nickel's Space Club, poses with a solar still she constructed at STEM day.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MELISSA MCIVOR
Students participate in a Q&A via Skype with former U.S. astronaut Dr. Catherine "Cady" Coleman.

plished, too, and you can have a variety of interests and still be an astronaut or like science."

Students also met Brian Ewenson, a professional aerospace educator, and Dr. Philip A. Ferguson, associate professor in mechanical engineering at the University of Manitoba.

Ewenson introduced students to the specifics of how astronauts live, work, sleep and play in space and the various aerospace careers.

Ferguson's sessions focused on satellite and astronaut movement in space and water systems. Students created homemade solar stills to distil salt water using evaporation and condensation.

"It gives them the idea of living on a space station, or maybe even on Mars, where you're living in a closed ecosystem and you're constantly recycling everything," Ferguson said.

The reality of space travel is a familiar concept to students in the division. ISD has sent two stu-

Buying a home this year? Now's the time for a mortgage pre-approval.

What is it?

A fully underwritten mortgage pre-approval is the process of determining whether a borrower meets lenders' and insurers' guidelines for a mortgage. It identifies your lowest cost lender and best mortgage options. It shouldn't be confused with a mortgage pre-qualification, which is a much more cursory look at your financial picture. A mortgage pre-approval, done correctly, gives you confidence that you are a qualified borrower. It determines the maximum purchase price you qualify for or how much you feel comfortable spending on your new home purchase. To avoid any surprises and elevated costs, it's best to get your mortgage pre-approved first, before you begin shopping for a home.

The Benefits:

The pre-approval process can start up to 120 days before you want to make an offer on a home. It's beneficial to get the pre-approval work done up front, if possible, before dealing with offer negotiations and tight finance deadlines.

There are a number of reasons why you'd want to get pre-approved:

- 1) It will speed up your home buying process.
- 2) It will give you an accurate assessment of the amount of money you'll have or want to spend for your property purchase.
- 3) A pre-approval will show to your realtor and sellers that you're serious about buying a home. The offer to purchase that you present may be stronger than another buyer's offer without a pre-approval. To a seller, a pre-approval means that your financing is less likely to fall through than it would be without a pre-approval, and in a competitive situation, every advantage helps.
- 4) It helps you estimate monthly costs.
- 5) It protects you against rising interest rates within the rate hold period, usually 90 to 120 days. If rates rise during the period in which your pre-approval rate is valid, you will be given the rate that was guaranteed for the pre-approval. If rates fall, don't worry - you will be given the lowest rate available.
- 6) It allows you to compare other lender options with your current financial institution's offer, to ensure you don't pay too much for your mortgage.

The Process:

- 1) Contact your trusted mortgage professional.
- 2) Complete a full mortgage application.
- 3) Provide all supplemental documentation required to prove income, down payment, etc.
- 4) Book a consultation with your mortgage professional to determine your best, lowest cost mortgage options and review all of your money savings strategies.
- 5) Receive your mortgage pre-approval letter and certificate.
- 6) Contact your realtor and find your new home!

Pitfalls of a Pre-qualification:

A pre-qualification is just a discussion, often a series of questions relating to income and down payment, either face-to-face, over the phone, online, or with a mobile app. These questions are best used only to begin initial inquiries about your mortgage qualification. The "results" are just rough estimates. If you haven't provided supplemental documentation and consent for your credit to be checked, chances are you don't have a fully underwritten mortgage pre-approval in place. It's important to note that not all mortgage lenders offer pre-approvals. You'll want confirm with your mortgage professional that he/she can provide this service.

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Our water resources are a public trust - World Water Day is March 22

An ancient trust doctrine dating back to the sixth-century Rome has been declared.

"By the law of nature these things are common to mankind — the air, running water, the sea and consequently the shores of the sea."

Officially, March 22 has been allotted World Water Day, where we are to appreciate and recognize the importance of this life-sustaining liquid, water. A dedication day, set aside by the United Nations, to address and examine water issues around the world.

Canada and our province of Manitoba has been blessed with an abundance of water, and for that we should be grateful, for there are many people in this world who do not have clean water to drink and cook with. They struggle every day to get by on five or

six litres of whatever they can obtain.

On average, in Canada, we will consume, use, waste, and flush over 250 litres every day (per person), and because of our abundant sources, we often tend to take our water, and its use, for granted.

However, changes are coming to the forefront, and these changes, if not corrected, will eventually affect us also, and not in a very nice way, for water is a finite resource. Unfortunately, our governments and water managers have yet to fully realize that we all need clean, unpolluted fresh water to survive.

Sadly, they ignore the inevitable consequences as they continually strive for the Holy Grail in economy.

For the present time, Canada and the provinces have an abundance of fresh water to drink and sustain the

peoples needs.

The looming situation, however, is that governments at all levels have become extremely complacent in the protection of all our water sources.

Lake Winnipeg is but one example; there are many others.

The "green" in the waters of Lake Winnipeg is not because of recent St. Patrick's Day celebrations.

It is because there is an excess of sediments and nutrients from the immediate area and from the huge watershed that feeds into the Lake. Why is this all happening now?

Well, in fact, it probably has been progressing over the past 40 years or more, and through the years, nature's own cleaning and filtering devices, such as marshes, sloughs, ponds, etc. have been greatly reduced and practically eliminated.

Much of the land has been drained. Large cattle feedlots and industrial hog operations are contributing vast amounts of manure pollution, and

cities, like Winnipeg, occasionally permit the dumping of raw sewage into the Red River, which feeds into Lake Winnipeg.

As well, municipalities are not exempt from their own contributions of pollution, and the list goes on.

In so many instances, we have eliminated nature's defences, and our government(s), although professing to be defenders of water, knowingly are agreeable to allow lakes to become polluted, as dumping sites for the benefit of mining operations.

With actions like that, I have come to the conclusion that perhaps the United Nations has a role to play, right here, in Manitoba and Canada. For in so many cases we, along with our governments, have not dedicated the respect and appreciation that our waters need and deserve.

In closing, I would like to thank the newspaper for publishing this submission.

John Fefchak, Virden

RCMP reports crime stats at St. Laurent council meeting

By Jeff Ward

RCMP Sgt. Richard Marshall reported an increase in drugs found in the RM of St. Laurent over the last few months during his special delegation at last week's council meeting.

Marshall reported a decrease of overall crime in the area since the beginning of this year and said there have only been eight calls for service since January. He reported that both the Ashern and Lundar RCMP detachments now have a full complement of staff, which should result in

an increased presence of members on the road and in communities.

Marshall said that police are still actively investigating the arsons in Oak Point and reiterated to council that those incidents are still a priority.

Marshall stated that officers are going through training to better handle impaired driving offences and that once the legalization of cannabis happens later this year that there will be methods to test for that as well. Marshall said that he is open to discuss with council or the community on

how his staff can improve their services.

Bezan concerned about cannabis legalization

Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan also made a special delegation during the meeting and spoke about his concerns for police enforcement when cannabis is legalized later this year. Bezan said that he is concerned that police will not have the time to go through the proper training to deal with traffic-related offences

and he isn't convinced legalization will cut into the drug market.

Other news in brief

- Council approved a project inside the Welcome Centre to drop a section of the floor and turn it into a slope so that it can be wheelchair accessible. The project was awarded to Little Fire Renovations and will cost \$2,997.64.

- Council approved the attendance of Coun. Tom Johnson and Coun. Frank Bruce at the WIWCD open house in Winnipeg on March 8.

- Council appointed Robert Wheel as their auditor for 2017. Wheel was appointed by council in 2015 for the same job. Council approved his cost of \$13,000 plus GST for his services. CAO, Hilda Zotter said that his cost rose \$5.

- Council approved the attendance of Reeve Cheryl Smith to the Association of Manitoba Municipalities 2018 Mayors, Reeves and CAOs meetings in Winnipeg on April 10.

- Council appointed community members to a new council, The Metis Heritage Committee whose function will deal with the future St. Laurent Metis Heritage Centre.

Members include Jay Lambert, Debbie Lavallee, June Bruce, Lorraine Lavallee-Coutu, Bernadette St. Goddard, Jason Appleyard and Cheryl Smith. There is one open spot, which will be filled by someone from the Interlake Metis Association.

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TCI students prepare to present a magical Midsummer Night

By Melissa McIvor

Comedy, fantasy and romance keep good company together nowadays at the Teulon Collegiate Institute rehearsals of William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Members of the TCI drama class have been preparing for the production since October under the direction of Brandy Bilenki.

Bilenki explained that the Shakespearean comedy is a slight departure from the school's more recent productions, which followed familiar stories like Peter Pan and fractured fairytales.

"The kids have been hinting at doing something more epic," said Bilenki, who had to pick a piece that would accommodate the large number of students wanting to be involved in the drama program.

In this classic Shakespearean comedy, four sparring lovers and a group of amateur actors get caught in the middle of a magic-fuelled feud when they enter an enchanted forest on a midsummer's night.

"There are a couple different plot lines going on," explained Grace Riley, who plays the Fairy Queen, Titania. "There's one where a girl, Hermia, wants to marry a boy named Lysander against her father's better judgment. There's a boy who loves Hermia, Demetrius, but who doesn't love a girl, Helena, who loves him. You can see

where the issue is there."

In another interwoven plot, Titania is cursed by Oberon, the Fairy King, to fall in love with the first creature she sees upon waking from a slumber. In true comedic form, Titania becomes enamoured with Nick Bottom, a weaver whose head has been transformed into that of a donkey by the trickster Puck.

The four lovers — Hermia, Demetrius, Lysander and Helena — are likewise affected by the same curse.

"Suddenly everyone loves a different person than who they loved before," Riley explained. General mayhem and hilarity ensue.

Students are performing a truncated version of the play, which condenses many scenes from Shakespeare's text. However, the audience can still expect to hear the lines delivered in their original Early Modern English.

A team of students are also responsible for creating a number of props and will handle prop and scene changes throughout the shows, which will be set before a forest backdrop painted by TCI's Wendy Enstrom.

Setting up for this year's drama production will be significantly easier than previous years thanks to the new stage TCI purchased two years ago with the help of the Interlake Community Foundation.

The upgrade is a welcome change



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TCI students rehearse scenes from Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

for students who once had to transfer production materials between the school and TCI's previous drama venue, the Teulon Rockwood Centennial Centre.

"We would take everything over to the hal, which was a nightmare and a half because you've created these big props and then you have to try to shove them in a car and transport them," said Bilenki, who is thankful for the sturdier and newly curtained

stage they can house in the gymnasium.

The first show is a matinee performance on March 21 at 1 p.m. Two additional performances are scheduled for March 21 and 22, both at 7 p.m. All performances will be held in the TCI gymnasium.

Admission is free and there will be a silver collection. Popcorn, drinks and candy will be available to purchase.

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dent-made experiments to the ISS. The first, in 2014, was created by three Grade 6 students from Brant-Argyle School and designed to test if antioxidants in green tea protect human cells from cancerous radiation. In 2017, an experiment by Grade 8 students from ÉSCS tested whether tomato seeds would germinate after being exposed to space conditions twice.

Nickel has also been introducing students to STEM and space sciences for the past 10 years through her

Grade 8 Space Club program. Her students were excited to attend STEM day and some hope to study in STEM fields like pharmacy and engineering in the future.

They are certainly off to a good start, and students who to help make space travel a reality have the words of Cady Coleman to bolster their dreams.

"I would like to go to the moon," she said with a smile, "but I think it's your turn."

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> ARNIE WEIDL **Be prepared out on the winter ice**

Hi gang. It was a bright, yet chilly morning as I rolled to a stop at the edge of the ice pack on Shoal Lake north of Stonewall. Coming toward me, I saw a couple trudging through the snow pulling a sleigh loaded with fishing gear. They bent forward, their steps measured, never stopping until they reached the shore line beside my truck.

The lady, who I later learned was Dorothy Braun, busied herself stowing their belongings in their truck while Bill Massey introduced himself saying they were from Grosse Isle. Bill was a well-spoken engaging sort, who graciously took the time to share a fishing experience before leaving. Bill recalled when he, his father and his son, Aaron, flew out of Riverton to fish at a camp in northern Ontario.

It was warm their first morning on the camp lake. A mist was mixed with the smell of camp smoke. Their small boat wobbled in the small waves as they spotted themselves at the narrow mouth of a small bay. Their lines went in the water, and while Bill and his dad enjoyed the pure solitude, young Aaron broke the silence exclaiming, "Nothing's happening!"

"Just wait son," Bill urged.

Young, spindly, blond-haired Aaron tightened his line then cried out, "I'm snagged on a log!"

Instinctively, he hauled up on his rod but his "snag" began coming toward him. Aaron cautiously reeled in. The load on the line was heavy until suddenly a sleek metre-long jackfish arose beside of the boat rolling lazily over. The boy was beside himself, and again, purely by reflex, pulled up hard on his rod to the shocking sound of his line breaking.

Dad, having seen this happen before, sprang into action. As the jack lay in the



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL
Les Yasinsky of Winnipeg with a nice pickarel he caught in the Red.

water for an instant, Bill took his big net and thrust it under the freed jack, hauling it into the boat!

Not long ago, on the Red River downstream of Selkirk, I noticed the biggest hard-wall ice shack in the area and decided it might be nice to visit the owner. Les Yasinsky, the chap you see in this week's picture, met me at the door. We were no sooner sitting inside, and darned if he didn't catch the pickarel he's holding up. As we talked of fishing experiences, Les happened to mention he had heard the North Red Waterway Maintenance outfit was going to stop ice breaking on the Red. I called Darrell Kupchik, who runs NRW, and he said the rumours aren't true. Ice breaking will continue.

I was talking to angler Kerry Thomas of Balsam Bay a few weeks ago and he gave us a story that lends itself to being careful out on the winter ice. Being a local boy, this fit, forceful fellow said he's usually the last one off the lake in the

evening.

Not long ago, he was coming off the ice on his sled when he saw lights flashing out of the corner of his eye. He turned around and made for the lights, which turned out to be a truck stuck deep in a snow bank. He gunned his sled up the drift to the driver's window in the darkness and dismounted, sinking knee-deep in the snow. He struggled to the window and could just make out two shivering anglers lightly dressed inside. The driver lowered his window slightly.

"Are you guys OK?" Kerry shouted. "Do you have a shovel? Where's your heavy clothes?"

He could tell they were not prepared to be out here. "Come on," he called out. "Get on my sled. We'll go to my place."

At home, he made them lunch while they warmed up and then they called friends to come fetch them. Good job, Kerry! Oh, by the way, Kerry's ice shack, painted up like a volcano, won Shack of the Week in *The Selkirk Record* ice shack contest. Now, let's go back to Shoal Lake where I got a funny little story in the oddest way before I met Bill and Dorothy. I was rounding the curve in Old Red before the Erinview church and almost ran into a white truck. I smiled in relief at the other driver while approaching side by side with him. We rolled our windows down and he gave us this story.

He said he was Tom from Balmoral and went fishing with his daughter, nine-year-old Telesa off Chalet Beach where she caught one master walleye after another in a very lucky ice hole. Neighbouring anglers watched in disbelief. When they could stand it no longer, they walked over and offered the girl \$150 for her fishing hole, to which she responded, "No way!"

See you next week. Bye.

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Lundar Ag Society and Lundar Bull Sale to build new office space

By Jeff Ward

A new office will give both the Lundar Bull Sale and Lundar Agricultural Society a space to hold meetings, organize events and store important documents.

The new building is slated to begin construction this summer and will be an unattached addition to the Lundar Agri-Ed Centre behind the arena. The building will be an 1,800-square-foot office space with washrooms and concession area. The interior will be L-shaped but the layout hasn't been decided on yet. The finished product will allow for meetings, money transactions and education to take place.

The building will cost \$130,000, with the investment coming from the RM of Coldwell, Noventis Credit Union and Farm Credit Canada. The Agricultural Society will also use donations from fundraising and a loan to pay for the building.

Lundar Agricultural Society president Mike Kostyshyn said the building will make life easier for both organizations, giving them a dedicated space to conduct business.

"This is something that we would have used other people's homes for in the past," said Kostyshyn.

"But with a new office, we will have a space that's just for us and it'll be good to have everything right next to each other. I think for the bull sale folks, it'll

be so much better for their event."

Lundar Bull Sale president Jim Beachell echoed Kostyshyn's comments. He said that while it's not that much of a hassle to host meetings in people's homes, having a new dedicated space for transactions after the bull sale will be a big benefit. Previously, the sale was hosted in the Lundar Arena and the actual payment of the bulls would be done in the same space.

"In the first week of April, it can be beautiful but it [can be the opposite] as well," said Beachell.

"To have a permanent heated office and washrooms will make people more comfortable during the sale. No more standing outside in the cold or waiting in line at the porta potty."

This year marks the 50th anniversary for the Lundar Bull Sale and the last year before they have access to a new office.

Aside from regular business, the building will also be used for education seminars. Agricultural Society secretary treasurer Cynthia Wirgau explained that a clipping clinic, artificial insemination seminar and a safe cattle handling seminar are all future events that could make good use of the new space.

The groups plan to break ground this summer and have the building completed and open in the fall.



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED BY CYNTHIA WIRGAU
Members of the Lundar Agricultural Society and Lundar Bull Sale stand on the future site of a new office space that will allow for both groups to better plan and facilitate their annual events. Picture from left, Ken Erickson, Cynthia Wirgau, Mike Kostyshyn and Jim Beachell.

Local musicians support Red Barn at CFRY talent show

Staff

There was no shortage of talent showcased at the CFRY talent show in Stonewall last weekend.

On Saturday, March 10, a total of 16 performers entertained the crowd for the fundraising event at the Red Barn. The performers participated for pledges, which were made by phone, mail and in person leading up to the event

In total, the performers raised \$8,525 for kitchen upgrades at the Red Barn, including a new commercial sink, banquet tables and chairs, and new LED lighting for inside the hall.

Abby Georgison was awarded \$75 for raising the most pledges (\$815), while \$50 went to Sadie Rodrigue for raising the second-highest pledges (\$585) and \$25 to Jim Williamson for the third-

highest pledges (\$436).

As for the talent, judges awarded \$125 to first-place winner Sydney Lockhart, \$100 to second-place winner Jayden Ramgotra and \$75 to third-place winner Ashley Amanda.

In addition, Sydney Lockhart earned the CFRY Most Promising Performer award, which aims to highlight a talented young performer from the event.

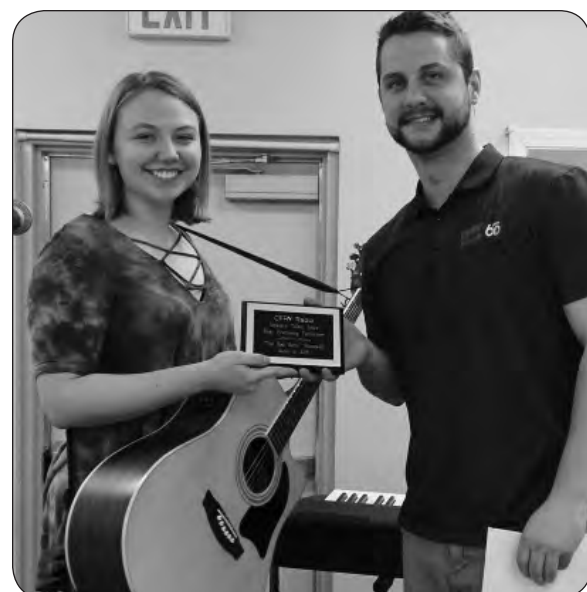
As one of the event co-ordinators, Diane Blue was pleased with the outcome.

"It was a great night. We kind of went head to head with Argyle, which held their talent night a month earlier. For sponsorship, it's tough when you're second in line because you're blanketing the same people, but only two of our performers

were actually in Argyle too," she said.

"I was very happy with the turnout. The place was pretty packed. Our place isn't all that big, but we had a good crowd. Alvin Unrau and Cheryl Fryer were a great help. We were very fortunate."

The Stonewall event wrapped up the CFRY talent shows for the year.



Sydney Lockhart was awarded first place for talent as well she was named the CFRY Most Promising Performer award.



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Abby Georgison was the top fundraiser with \$815 in pledges.

**Marquette Co-op
68th Annual Meeting
April 12, 2018**

**Meadow Lea Hall
Supper at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting at 8:00 p.m.**

Purpose of the meeting is to review 2017 financial report, election of directors to the Co-op board, review activities of the board of directors of the Marquette Co-op and other business.

Nomination forms for the position of director are available at the Marquette Co-op stores located in Marquette and Starbuck. Nomination forms must be returned to store locations or submitted to the nominating committee before 4:00 p.m., April 1, 2018.

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Saint Patrick's Legacy




In a few days, it will be Saint Patrick's Day. What images come to mind on this day? For some it might be green clothing, a green carnation, the cloverleaf or shamrock, green-tinted beer, or even snakes according to the legend of St. Patrick driving all snakes out of Ireland. Others might think of festive parades and bands playing on this day. For me and many others, it is the green shamrock milkshake at McDonald's! What we sometimes forget, however, is the man behind the day.

Saint Patrick (AD 389-461) was born in southwestern Britain and was the son of a deacon. At age sixteen, while on his father's farm, Patrick was captured by Irish marauders and sold as a slave in Ireland. He spent six years in captivity tending sheep and cattle before he escaped to the northern coast of France. While in France he entered a monastery for 18 years where he studied deeply and found his life's mission to return to Ireland and evangelize the land which had once so cruelly enslaved and wronged him. Saint Patrick returned to Ireland in 432 as a bishop and spent the next 30 years ministering there. He often used the shamrock or clover plant as a means to help him explain the concept of the Trinity. The three leaves joined together at the stem symbolized the Triune God (Father, Son, and Spirit) who are distinct, yet one.

When I think of Saint Patrick I am reminded "that in all things God works for the good of those who love him" (Romans 8:28). In his captivity, Patrick likely had no idea that one day he would become the patron saint of Ireland. Yet God had a plan for his life, and he has a plan for your life. Rather than asking "why God is this happening to me?" ask "how God are you shaping and directing me through this?" And when you settle your heart with God, he will direct you and use your life to become a legacy of faith for generations to come.

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Stonewall council receives requests for support

By Jennifer McFee

On behalf of the 50 clients and 90 staff members at Community Living Interlake, Jimm Simon provided an update for Stonewall council at the March 7 meeting.

Community Living Interlake was formed in 1965 by a group of parents who were concerned that the province did not provide education for their children who lived with intellectual disabilities.

Over the course of nearly 53 years, the organization has grown and changed to meet the needs of its clients.

Today, the organization concentrates on adults who live with intellectual abilities and sometimes also with physical challenges.

"Our mandate concentrates on providing education and upgrading for individuals so that they can develop work-life skills and marketable job skills," Simon said.

Community Living Interlake operates on a budget of approximately \$4 million per year. Of that, about \$2.6 million is paid out in salary and benefits to 80 to 90 staff members, who mainly live in the local area.

"We are one of the largest employers in town. We also own five houses and rent one more, as well as owning our building at 307 Main St.," Simon said.

"We spend approximately \$82,000 in covering mortgages, interest and rent, all to local sources. We spend approximately \$105,000 a year on building maintenance, all from local contractors. We pay approximately \$14,000 a year in municipal taxes. We also buy approximately \$11,000 in gas, and we spend approximately \$77,000 a year buying groceries at local supermarkets."

Outside of their annual operating budget, they also provide housing for 20 individuals who, in turn, support the community and its businesses.

As well, they operate a social enterprise store, the Global Garage and Gift Shop, which is expected to generate nearly \$150,000 in sales this year.

Plans are well underway to open a second social enterprise business, which is going to be a café with space for community use. They have also invested approximately \$700,000 in building renovations, primarily through local building supply stores and contractors.

Simon asked for \$10,000 in support from Stonewall council, since the Community Living Interlake is a charity that relies on government support, grants and donations.

"We are creating jobs. We are promoting the community," Simon said. "We are revitalizing part of Main Street, all at the same time that we are taking people off of the street, teaching people marketable skills and helping people to aspire to the same standards of quality of life as everyone else in town."

Council will consider the funding request during budget deliberations.

In other council news:

- The Heritage Committee provided council with an update on its initiatives, which include research projects, the Stonewall Remembers project to honour local veterans and a cemetery mapping project. They're also working to bolster community engagement and heritage preservation.

They asked the town to consider declaring the kilns as a heritage site so that they can apply to different charities and non-profits for funding.

In addition, they asked for \$3,500 towards their ongoing projects.

Council will consider the request during budget deliberations.

- Town of Stonewall management and council have negotiated a collective agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 987. Council approved the collective agreement that runs from July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2020.

- Council accepted the strategic plan prepared for the town by HTFC Planning and Design.

- The joint municipal Stonewall-Rockwood Fire Committee has reviewed and approved the Fire Agreement.

- As a founding shareholder in the PMCR's John Q Public corporation, the Town of Stonewall adopted the bylaws of the corporation and appointed Coun. Clive Hinds as a director.

- Council passed first reading of a bylaw to change the schedule so that meetings will be held on the second, third and fourth Wednesdays of the month starting in April.

- Stonewall council also discussed the possible parameters for the location of stores that would sell cannabis. The discussion focused on keeping these type of businesses within a stretch of Main Street that is a distance away from nearby schools and daycares.

Discussions on the topic will continue.



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Jimm Simon of Community Living Interlake shows Stonewall council a historic photograph from the area.

Welcome to the Team!

New veterinarian joins Selkirk Veterinary Services

Dr. Klug, Dr. Penner and the rest of the staff at Selkirk Veterinary Services (SVS) are pleased to welcome Dr. Shantel Munro to their team.

Dr. Munro graduated from a four-year program at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in 2016 with an award in clinical excellence. Dr. Munro's love for animals started at an early age even though her parents wouldn't let her have any pets of her own.

"I have wanted to be a veterinarian since I was very young," she said.

Today, she has three pets of her own, a Jack Russell named Sadie, a Lab named Maddy and a senior cat named Tess.

Originally from Winnipeg, Dr. Munro started practicing in Russell, MB, before moving closer to her family and choosing Selkirk as her new place to practice veterinary medicine. When asked why she chose Selkirk, Dr. Munro replied, "SVS basically has everything I was looking for in a veterinary practice. Their focus and their emphasis was really where I wanted to go in my career. The biggest thing for me was how much focus is on the dental care, they have an excellent dental set-up and training. I really want to focus on animal dentistry and SVS is really good for that."

Going forward and growing her practice, Dr. Munro is hoping to gain dental experience and branch out into complicated surgeries while treating the wide range of conditions they see daily at SVS. When asked what her best advice to pet owners is when it comes to taking care of their animals' teeth, Dr. Munro says prevention is the best medicine.

"Start early, the number one thing is to always have a look at your pet's teeth. Just occasionally lift the lip and have a look, look for fractures or lots of tartar. Talk about your pets teeth with your vet and start early, this can prevent a costly and serious procedure down the road."

Although the doctors at SVS treat all types of companion animals, Dr. Munro finds ferrets fascinating.

"I love ferrets and welcome clients to come visit us with any ferret concerns," she says. "The small exotic mammals in general, rabbits and guinea pigs, I really like those as well."

Selkirk Veterinary Services is located at 6 Wersch St. in Selkirk. To book an appointment, call 204-482-5720. Dr. Klug, Dr. Penner or Dr. Munro look forward to helping all your beloved, furry friends.



Dr. Shantel Munro

ISD board of trustees approve 2018-19 financial plan

By Jo-Anne Procter

Interlake School Division trustees voted six to two in favour of passing the 2018-2019 school year fiscal budget at the regular meeting with an investment of \$38,300,000 in public education this past Monday.

ISD finance chairperson Fran Frederickson presented the budget highlighting a number of expenditures, decreases in funding and program changes.

Frederickson wanted to assure the board that the budget committee made their recommendations while considering the educational needs of the students and staffing, and the impact of changes in local property assessments and mill rates.

The division is receiving a decrease in revenue of \$362,757 or two per cent from provincial operating revenue forcing the trustees to reduce administration costs by 15 per cent.

The ISD has a historically low pupil teacher ratio of 18.66 across the division which is supported by the community and overall there will be minimal changes in professional staffing.

Enrollment is expected to increase by 15 students next year but the division will reduce one full time high school equivalent position along with a half time technology lead teacher.

However, following the community planning session the board has decided to add one FTE in professional staff in student services.

"We have heard loud and clear during our planning session, We also heard from teachers regarding the need to have support in the classroom regarding behavioural needs and wellness within the school division and the wellness of our students and the wellness of our staff. We believe this will go a ways to help in that objective."

The board is proposing a reduction in the number of trustees from nine to seven, with a savings of \$25,000 to help with administration expenses.

"Nothing has been determined as far as board configuration and what that's going to look like. We will have a community night where we will present the various options to the public. We will publish the options prior to the

community input night so people have an opportunity to review them and come prepared to discuss at our community consultation night," said Frederickson.

Two new school buses have also been added to the budget in order to maintain the fleet.

The ISD will be upgrading the technology ICT hardware replacement plan.

A GPS system to track school buses has been added for the transportation department. Parents will have the opportunity to see where their child's bus is on route.

"In our climate that is pretty important when they (children) are out there waiting for a bus," said Fredrickson.

The ISD has established a capital reserve fund with \$55,000 being added this year that will go towards building science labs for WCI and TCI

Also new to the budget this year, is the voluntary, no charge pre-school for four year olds program. An additional \$50,000 has been set aside.

Trustees Cindy Brad, Darci Loehmer, Sally Cooke, John Hueging, Alan Campbell and Fran Frederickson all voted in favor of the 2018-2019 budget while trustees Sandra Wiebe and Sharon Baker both opposed it. Trustee Dave Marcus was absent.

Wiebe felt that the increase in student support in wellness and behaviour is required, however, she was not keen on the process of how the budget was rolled out. Wiebe does not agree with cutting trustees as she believes there are other places that cuts could have been made.

Wiebe feels that money would be better spent on students already in the system rather than funding a new or expanding pre-school program.

Baker also did not support the budget. She feels cutting trustees sends the wrong message to the government and to the public.

"I think every voice at this table is valuable and losing two of them is doing education in this division a great disservice," she said.

Baker thinks too much technology hardware is being put into early years classrooms and disagrees with cutting the technology lead teacher.

She also disagrees with the need for pre-school learning.

"I dont think we have given the proposed increase

enough thought or research and at this time I think that money could have been better spent in other areas."

Although finance chair, Frederickson was not thrilled with the reduction of trustees, she stated, "in my mind the 15 per cent we needed to cut, needed to come from there. There was no other way we could have achieved the cuts that we needed to achieve within the admin cap."

"The only logical place was school trustees."

ISD chairperson Alan Campbell supported the budget.

"The province's reduction in our administration cap certainly wasn't something we anticipated as part of the public funding announcement," he said.

Campbell said the reduction of trustees was a conscious decision and that it would be a tight turnaround.

"There is not going to be a year long consultation process with our public but at the same time there will be consultation with the public."

He explained there are options that will be presented with regard to reducing two trustees or maintaining status quo but costs need to be reduced one way or the other. He explained that the majority of trustees have gone forward with the proposal.

"The provincial government has made it pretty clear that they expect school boards to think outside the box and do things uncomfortable and we have a mandate and an obligation to look inward. I dont believe for a second that seven trustees would represent this division any less adequately than nine trustees do."

In other division news

Acting Superintendent Margaret Ward was appointed Superintendent and CEO of the Interlake School Division, effective immediately, following the budget approval.

The Acting Assistant Superintendent position, currently held by Tyler Moran, will be posted.



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Budget 2018 delivers largest tax cut in Manitoba history

Submitted by the Manitoba Government

Tax cuts for individuals and business, record spending in health, education and families, and a dramatically reduced deficit are the highlights of Manitoba's 2018 budget, Finance Minister Cameron Friesen said as he introduced the budget today in the legislature.

"We promised to fix the finances, repair the services and rebuild the economy," said Friesen. "We are keeping our promises."

By increasing the threshold under which individuals pay no income tax by \$2,020 over the next two years, the Government of Manitoba is taking more than 30,000 Manitobans off the tax rolls — that is more than 30,000 more Manitobans who will pay no income tax — and adding more than \$230 million to the economy by putting it back in the pockets of Manitobans.

Budget 2018 also gives small and medium-sized businesses a break by raising the small business income tax threshold to \$500,000 from \$450,000. This will save individual businesses up to \$6,000 a year — money they can reinvest in new jobs or technology — and pump \$7 million back into the economy each year starting in 2019.

This year's budget makes a further dramatic step on the path to balancing the budget with the biggest reduction in the deficit since summary budgeting was introduced in 2007, Friesen noted. Budget 2018 reduces the deficit by \$319 million from Budget 2017.

"Manitobans face challenges of rising hydro rates, increased federal and municipal taxes, and interest rates rising. They deserve a break," the minister said. "With this budget, and the biggest tax cut in Manitoba's history, we are giving them a break by taking money from the cabinet table and

putting it back on the kitchen table."

Other highlights include:

- a historic investment of \$102 million to establish an independently run conservation trust that will fund projects to support the Made-in-Manitoba Climate and Green Plan;

- a record investment of \$6.2 billion in Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living including an additional \$14 million for the Home Cancer Drug program, \$7.7 million for expanded dialysis treatment and \$3.1 million for rare disease drugs, and the creation of 60 new full-time paramedic positions

- decreasing ambulance fees to \$340 from \$425, totalling a 32 per cent decrease since forming government and keeping on track to reduce to \$250 as promised;

- a \$60.5-million increase in funding to Manitoba Families including \$13 million more for Community Living DisABILITY Services, an increase in funding to improve the supply and quality of affordable housing;

- support funding for over 700 new child-care spaces including funding for the construction of 251 new spaces;

- a \$13.7-million increase in education funding and confirmation of the construction of five new schools: Seven Oaks (kindergarten to Grade 5); Waterford Green (kindergarten to Grade 8); Southeast Brandon (kindergarten to Grade 8); Pembina Trails Waverley West (kindergarten to Grade 8), and Pembina Trails Waverley West (grades 9 to 12);

- a new Child Care Centre Development Tax Credit that gives businesses an incentive valued up to \$10,000 over five years to create daycare spaces for workers' children;

- \$70 million to launch the Lake Manitoba outlet project;

- funding to complete "Freedom Road" this year to complete the Wa-

verley Street underpass and upgrade the Portage la Prairie wastewater treatment plant;

- partnering with the federal government to invest \$176.8 million in strategic agricultural initiatives over the next five years;

- investing in Look North, the long-term economic development strategy for growth and prosperity in northern Manitoba;

- supporting a northern tourism strategy; and

- a \$16-million commitment for the coming fiscal year for the Manitoba Film and Video Production Tax Credit.

"Even as we take a moderate and balanced approach to fiscal management and fixing our finances, we are investing in the priorities of Manitobans," said Friesen. "Whether you are a small business owner, a student, a senior or a working Manitoban, Budget 2018 is designed with you in mind."

The importance of fiscal discipline and fixing the province's finances is demonstrated by the fact that for the first time in Manitoba history, debt servicing costs will exceed \$1 billion.

"Years of mismanagement and reckless spending by the previous government have created a situation where

we take \$1 billion out of our economy and ship it to out-of-province bankers — money that cannot be invested on health, education, families or any priorities of Manitobans," the minister said.

If debt servicing was a government department, noted Friesen, it would be the fourth-largest spending department by budget.

"We cannot lose sight of the importance of fixing our finances," said Friesen. "Debt and deficits are not abstract concepts. It is about people, Manitobans and ensuring government can continue to provide the services that citizens need and deserve. Not just now, but into the future."

Budget 2018 reaffirms the government's commitments to reduce the PST to seven per cent by 2020 and balance the budget during its second term.

"Our plan is working, and when you have a plan that is succeeding — that's getting the results you promised — you stick with it," said Friesen. "That's what Budget 2018 does."

A list of Budget 2018 fact sheets for government departments can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/budget2018/department/index.html.

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New members welcome at Stonewall Art Group

By Melissa McIvor

It's Thursday morning at the Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre and the cool winter light offers perfect lighting for the artists who gather in the Sunova Auditorium.

The Stonewall Art Group can be found here every Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. Each artist has a table to themselves for their art and supplies, and there's plenty of room for new members.

Current organizer Bev Galbraith explained that the group, which she estimates has been around since 1995 and currently has over 28 members, is open to anyone, from any community and with any artistic skill level.

"A lot of us came to the group as beginners and developed from there over the years," explained Galbraith. "Some of us have developed enough to go into the Manitoba Art Expo in October now and some are just doing it to have fun and get together."

"As a member of the group, you attend on Thursdays and bring your own supplies, your paints, whatever it may be. People work in all mediums, with everything from pastels, acrylics and watercolours."

The group selects its subject matter from a pool of suggestions, but the artists are given total freedom to discover their own artistic style.

"It's not paint-by-numbers where you have to paint this and you have to paint it this way so everybody comes out of the class with something that looks the same," said Galbraith.

The current subjects are still life and churches, and the artists painting churches have been invited to choose a building that holds personal significance to them.

"Everyone does their own version of whatever we've chosen," Galbraith said "It's the same subject but all different views and styles."

For many members, the "coffee break critique" is one of the group's most valuable exercises. At 10:30 a.m.,



An acrylic painting of the Stony Mountain United Church by Tania Laurie.

the artists bring their works-in-progress together. While everyone tucks in to snacks and coffee, they praise each piece and offer supportive suggestions to improve elements like colour, shape and dimension.

"We all help each other," explained Galbraith. "If someone's stuck on something, the group may see what's going on and help point it out."

"It's very friendly, welcoming and helpful, and you feel right away that you're part of something."

For member Bev Jaspersen, the weekly meetings are a motivating excuse to get out and paint.

"It's a nice social spot and it gives you some enthusiasm to paint," she said. "Maybe today at home I wouldn't have bothered painting, but you come out here and actually do it."

Galbraith explained that the act of painting also has important therapeutic effects.

"While you're painting, you're forgetting about all of your bills and errands and problems," she explained.

"You always feel better after even if it



STONEWALL ART GROUP MEMBER BEV JASPERSEN WORKS ON AN IMAGE OF A CHURCH. TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY MELISSA MCIVOR



MEMBERS OF THE STONEWALL ART GROUP TAKE A COFFEE BREAK AND OFFER CONSTRUCTIVE CRITIQUES ON EACH OTHER'S PIECES.

doesn't necessarily turn out the way you want, but that's not the point. The point is that you're creating something."

Mary Abrahams has been a member of the group for many years and has seen what people are capable of creating when they give themselves the chance.

"I love watching what other people can do," she said. "I've watched some people that came with just a pencil to start with and I've watched them just

get better and better. It's so nice to watch people improve."

If you'd like to view pieces made by the artists, check out their display at the Heritage Arts Centre, and various other Stonewall locations, including The Rock and Family Foods.

For more information on the Stonewall Art Group or to get involved, stop in on a Thursday or contact Bev Galbraith at 204-294-6009 or bg9991@mymts.net.

Interlake Juried Art Show accepting submissions until April 3

Staff

Organizers behind this year's Interlake Juried Art Show is putting out a call to local and area artists.

Artists over the age of 12 are invited to submit their works to the 39th annual Interlake Juried Art Show hosted by the Gwen Fox Gallery and taking place from April 7 to 29 at Banquet Hall inside the Selkirk Rec Complex.

Artist entry forms can be found online by visiting gwenfoxgallery.com/

page/ijas2018 or by stopping by the Gwen Fox Gallery in Selkirk during regular gallery hours.

The deadline to enter is April 3.

Joaine English, a Gwen Fox Art Gallery volunteer, says the art show is an excellent opportunity for local artists.

"Hosting this event will promote the growth of culture by providing opportunities for emerging visual artists and crafts people to exhibit their work, maintain and develop cam-

raderie and develop critical skills by having their work critiqued by adjudicators," English said. "There are 10 different categories, for both the youth and adults."

English added there will be a group of youth and adult jurors on hand to judge all of the works.

The Interlake Juried Art Show is part of a series of art shows that take place in the six regions of Manitoba each year. The winners of each 10 catego-

ries are then invited to enter into a regional level show, which is hosted in Winnipeg at a later date.

"Last year, our area won Best of Show for Manitoba and also the Best in the Sculpture Category in Manitoba," English said. "Both artists will be entering into this year's Interlake Juried Art Show."

Stonewall girl makes birthday donation to Children's Hospital

By Jennifer McFee

A young Stonewall girl already understands that giving is often better than receiving.

For her 10th birthday on Feb. 7, Rhea Myers donated \$610 to the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. The funds will be directed to the pediatric intensive care unit, where Rhea spent time as a tot after contracting the H1N1 virus.

As a toddler, Rhea wound up in a coma in a sterile isolation room where she was hooked up to a breathing machine. The tenacious girl eventually beat the virus and, over time, was able to breathe on her own without using oxygen tubes.

Today, Rhea still has a few lasting impacts from her illness but nothing that prevents her from living an active life.

"She's very active and thriving," said Rhea's mom, Michelle Myers. "If you see her, you would never know that she was a very sick little girl. We were very fortunate."

For the past several years, Rhea has been finding ways to turn her birthday celebrations into opportunities to give back.

"When she was six, she actually collected books and movies to give to the hospital. Then the following two years, she donated money to a family that had a sick child," Myers said.

"Right from the very first year, she felt so proud and hap-

py to do it. She saw how much it helped, so every year she asks 'What are we going to do with my birthday money? Is there someone who needs it?' She looks forward to it."

Rhea, a Grade 4 student at Ecole R.W. Bobby Bend School, shared her own feelings about the experience in a post on Instagram.

"Thank you friends and family for helping me donate money to the Children's Hospital!! I hope we helped some children get better!!" wrote Rhea.

"It makes me feel so happy to know that we

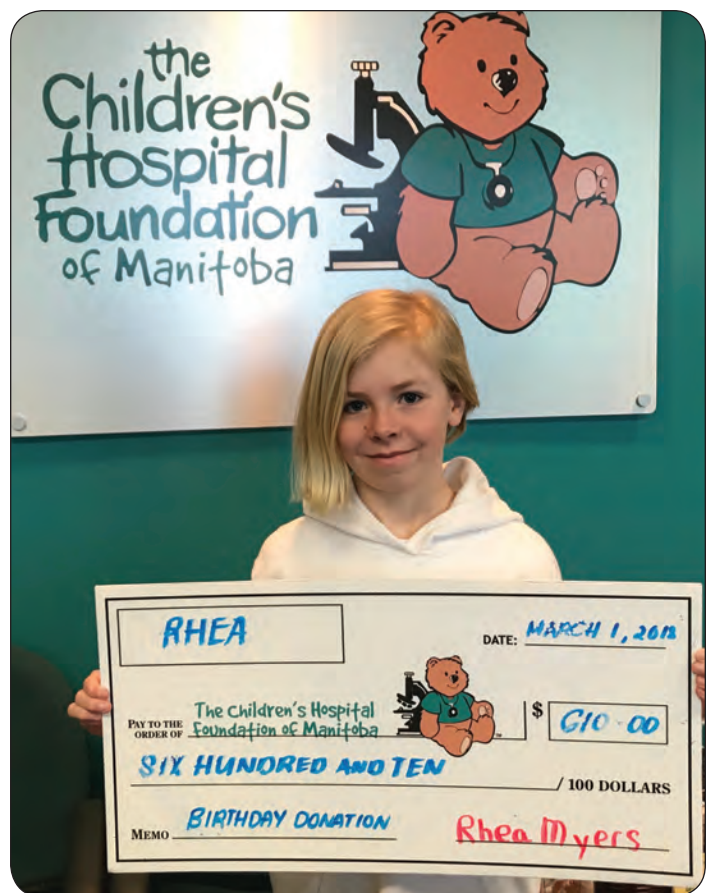
helped some children get better!!! I hope all the kids who are sick in the hospital get better very soon!!!"

After going through the experience of having a child in the hospital, Myers continues to feel empathy for others in the same situation. At the same time, she now has a renewed perspective on what is truly important in life.

"It's such a cliché, but you learn to not sweat the small stuff and you learn to appreciate things a lot. You truly don't really understand the impact on your life until you've been through that," she said.

"We're very grateful that our little village in Stonewall and our family and friends helped us through it all and made it as easy as possible."

"I HOPE WE HELPED SOME CHILDREN GET BETTER!!!"



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Ten-year-old Rhea Myers donated \$610 to the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba this past Thursday in honour of her birthday. Rhea has been donating birthday gifts and money since her sixth birthday. In 2013, she donated books and movies to the Children's Hospital, and the following years, she donated her birthday money to families with sick children.

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Woodlands Wildlife annual awards banquet

By Jo-Anne Procter

Awards presentations and a delicious roast beef dinner with all the fixings prepared by the Lake Francis Ladies was on the menu at the annual Woodlands Wildlife Association's annual awards banquet last Saturday at the community hall.

In the youth section, awards were presented as follows: Rifle whitetail — Ashton Fisher (107) and Lucas Procter (100 2/8), which were both Manitoba Record Book bucks. Muzzleloader whitetail — Ashton Fisher (98 6/8). Non-typical whitetail — Brady deLaroque (42 4/8).

Adult archery whitetail — Bob Procter (138 2/8) and Colton Green (129). Muzzleloader whitetail — Mike Tataryn (131 3/8) and Scott Fisher (130 6/8). Rifle whitetail — Clayton Campbell (128) and Trevor Procter (126 3/8).

Ladies Whitetail — Laura Beauchamp (94 2/8).

Bear — Laura Beauchamp (19 15/16), which is a Manitoba Record Book bear, and Gary Sutherland (16 8/16).

The newly added Senior Whitetail division for hunters 60 years and older was won by Gary Sutherland for his 97 2/8 buck.

In the angling division, Ashton Fisher won the youth category for his 34.5-inch catfish, and his Scott Fisher won the adult division for his 26 3/4 wall-eye, 12 1/2 perch and his 29 1/8 pike.

The Dale Gallant Memorial Award is presented to a junior hunter each year that belongs to the club for their outstanding hunting and fishing achievements and volunteers within the club.

Gallant was an avid club member that enjoyed working with young hunters.

Past-president Cyril Lillies — a good friend of Gallant, who passed away over 10 years ago — presented the 2017 award to 15-year-old Ashton Fisher.

The annual banquet is the only fundraiser that the club hosts that funds events throughout the season, including hunter safety classes and an annual youth fowl shoot. The club also provides two scholarships, which were presented at the 2017 Grade 12 graduation to Austin deLaroque and Evertte Fairlie.

The club will be hosting their first Family Fun Day of ice fishing and activities on Shoal Lake on March 17 with prizes for the biggest jackfish and perch that are caught for both youth and adult.

On the weekend of April 13-15 will be a Crow Shoot.

For more information about the club and to become a member, check out their Facebook page called Woodlands Wildlife Association or contact club president Ed deLaroque at 204-322-5347.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The Dale Gallant Memorial Award was presented to Ashton Fisher for his 2017 hunting and angling achievements. Pictured left to right: Ashton Fisher, Cyril Lillies, Ed deLaroque and Scott Fisher.



Award winners from the 2017 hunting and angling season. Pictured back row, left to right: Scott Fisher, Gary Sutherland, Trevor Procter, Laura Beauchamp, Mike Tataryn and Bob Procter. Front row: Colton Green, Brady deLaroque, Ashton Fisher and Lucas Procter. Missing: Clayton Campbell.

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In memory of a friend

By Jennifer McFee

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, and maybe it's worth a thousand emotions too.

One Stonewall student went beyond words when he created a picture-perfect project to help express some of the emotions he felt after a classmate recently passed away.

Like many others, Jordon Hooper felt a deep loss when his friend Hannah Steinke died in January.

To honour and remember her, he came up with an idea for a handcrafted project, which was embraced by a couple of staff members at Stonewall Collegiate Institute.

Manufacturing instructor Mike Schoofs explained how it all came together.

"We are making some bird feeders, and Jordon collects and saves the cutoffs on some particular pieces," Schoofs said.

"They're in these nice triangular shapes, and he had the idea of laminating them all together to make this really nice picture frame. Then we superimposed Hannah's picture in."

They worked with Dr. Decal, which donated the plaque that's featured on the picture frame.

"It all kind of came together," Schoofs said.

"Jordon has shown some creativity with his work in the shop here, and it's neat that he put this together and he was really motivated to do it."

As Jordon's education assistant, Kar-

en MacLean asked him to keep it a secret until the project was finished.

"Jordon loves to share news and he loves to chat. We challenged him to keep this between Mr. Schoofs and myself and Jordon. I told him that if he could keep it to himself and not tell anybody, then I buy Jordon some cookies," MacLean said.

"We worked on that for about three weeks. And all the staff that know Jordon couldn't believe that he could keep that secret quiet."

When the frame was finished, Jordon invited several staff members to a special short meeting, but he didn't tell them what it was about.

"One day, everybody gathered and Jordon presented the plaque. He wrapped it up as a present and Jordon had Lindsey Sturgeon open it, who is the resource teacher that worked mostly with Hannah," MacLean said.

"Hannah and Jordon worked together for three or four years. I think this was really helpful for Jordon. It helped him through his sorrow in those first few weeks. We put it on the wall in Room 104, which is the resource room, so that Hannah can be able to look down on us and keep an eye on us."

Now whenever he sees Hannah's picture on the wall, Jordon says he feels both happy and sad.

"This was all my idea. It just came to me," he said. "Hannah was my friend."



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Jordon Hooper created a project to honour his friend, Hannah Steinke, who recently passed away.

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Pop-up shop to offer women's clothing, accessories and more

By Jennifer McFee

An innovative fundraising event will allow you to clean out your closet — and then restock it again with new-to-you items.

Bethel Rays of Hope is busy preparing for its fundraising garage sale on May 11 and 12 at New Life Church. Then two weeks after that, the fun continues with a pop-up sale featuring women's clothing, shoes and accessories.

On Saturday, May 26, the pop-up sale will start at 1 p.m. at New Life Church, with an auction set for 2:15 p.m. for some of the more sought-after items.

Event organizer Cathy Mackie was inspired to initiate the event after attending a similar pop-up shop at St. Mary's Academy.

"At that one, there must have been 50 people lined up to get in at 1 o'clock because, of course, you get your best deals when you get there early," she said.

"I'm so excited about this because I don't think that they've done one in Stonewall that I know of."

The pop-up store acts as another way to market some of the garage sale clothing, along with some special donations that are being saved specifically for this event.

"We usually end up with a lot of really good clothing left over from the garage sale. So when you walk in at 1 p.m., there will be racks and tables of clothing. There will be boots, scarves, dresses, coats, jackets, workout wear and shoes," Mackie said.

"People can come in and grab stuff, and we're going to have the washrooms open for the changing rooms. They can basically run in with their goodies and then put them down if they don't want them. Volunteers will

take them and put them back in the appropriate place."

During this time, shoppers will also have the chance to try on items that are set aside for the auction, which will be held in another area of the church. That way, they can make sure everything fits before they make a bid.

"There's going to be some really good stuff at the auction. We'll be auctioning things like grad dresses and evening dresses. I also have a Coach purse and a fur coat. I'm hoping to have at least 10 really good things to auction, and I'm hoping to have models to showcase them," Mackie said.

"My hope is that some of the high school girls could go to this event because it would be a good chance for them to check out these dresses. For any girls who are looking for grad dresses, I think this is the place they should be."

All of the funds raised will go towards Bethel Rays of Hope, which is saving up to build a school in Kenya.

"We built a boys' dormitory last year, and in a few years, we'd like to build a school. We have a temporary learning centre that goes from Grade 1 to 8, but it's made out of just corrugated steel and posts and has a cement floor now. It's very temporary," said Mackie, adding that about 16 volunteers helped to build the dorm, including some from Stonewall.

"We're hoping to get a real building for the school, and money raised from this event will go into that fund."

Although Mackie already has enough volunteers for the pop-up store on May 26, she welcomes anyone who would like to help out by working a shift at the garage sale on May 11 and 12.

"We need about 14 or 15 volunteers per day for the garage sale. We even



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A garage sale on May 11 and 12 will also raise funds for Bethel Rays of Hope.



Items are already piling up for the upcoming garage sale fundraiser. Organizers are also seeking donations of women's clothing and accessories for a pop-up shop on May 26.

need help sorting for the garage sale, which starts the weekend before and continues through the entire week because there's so much stuff," Mackie said.

If people would like to sort, they're welcome to drop by New Life Church from May 7 to 10 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

For those who would like to make a donation for the garage sale, a container will be set up outside the church on May 5 and 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for items to be dropped off. After that, items can be dropped off inside the church from May 7 to 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

"I think I'm going to get two different groups of shoppers for these two sales," Mackie said.

"The garage sale people are probably looking more for housewares and seasonal items. The pop-up sale

shoppers appreciate nice clothes and don't want to spend a lot of money on them."

Mackie also encourages people to sift through their closets to see if they might have a dress to donate.

"Many of us have those dresses in our closets that we really aren't going to wear again," she said.

"Those are the things that I'm really trying to get people to look through and think about donating."

For more information about the events or about volunteer opportunities, or to donate to the pop-up store, contact Mackie at cathrynmary384@gmail.com.

The garage sale takes place Friday, May 11 from 2 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The pop-up sale is set for Saturday, May 26 starting at 1 p.m. with the auction at 2:15 p.m.

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Proven, Team East excel at Manitoba Winter Games



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The Teulon Ski Club's Liam Tinker was a member of the Hammads Hammers that raced to a silver medal in the 4x1.5km relay race.

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall's Liam Proven had a golden performance at the 2018 Manitoba Winter Games in Thompson.

Proven, 15, teamed up with Warren's Emalia Sinclair to claim gold in the U17 mixed doubles event.

"We beat the No. 1-ranked team, so that was exciting," Proven said. "We played smart. I think we outsmarted them and stayed calm, cool, and collected."

Proven and Sinclair had some long rallies in their three-set win. The Interlake duo won the third set 21-16.

Proven and Sinclair also won an overall silver medal with Team East.

Proven went to the Summer Games back in 2016 when he was 13 to play baseball but his team did not medal.

"To go back in 2018 and win a medal was pretty exciting," he said. "The Games are a really different environment, so I think it was good to get used to them before going to Thompson."

Proven really enjoyed the experience that the Games provide to young athletes from across Manitoba.

"I would go back again if I could because it's just a really good experi-

ence," he said. "I had fun with everyone on the bus. There were people from all (over) and I didn't know them. But, by the end of the Games, we were really getting along."

Proven was grateful for having the experience of competing at the Games. He was also very appreciative of the elite coaching he has received from Dale Kinley with the Interlake Badminton Club.

"He's really helped me and my partner come to this point," Proven said. "I've been with him for six years now and I've really improved with him. He's helped me a lot along the way."

In other badminton results at the Games, Grosse Isle's Ty Baldwin, Warren's Matthew Gilmore, Stonewall's Hayden Turner and three others won bronze medals in the U15 mixed event.

Gymnastics action saw Stony Mountain's Ella McIvor, 12, win silver medals in both the vault provincial stream and floor exercise.

In boys' hockey, Warren's Kaden Stewart scored the overtime goal to lead Team South to a gold medal.

From the ice to the snow, The Teulon

Ski Club's Liam Tinker was a member of the Hammads Hammers that raced to a silver medal in the 4x1.5km relay race.

Team East, meanwhile, had a real good showing at the Games, bringing home 83 medals to finish third among six areas.

Thirty-five of those medals were gold while 23 were silver and 25 were bronze.

"I think that's the best that Team East has ever done," Proven said.

Winnipeg Gold was the top squad with 156 medals (47 gold, 56 silver, 53 bronze), followed by Winnipeg Blue (108 medals), South (53 medals), West (53 medals) and North (21 medals).

The Larry Desjardins Sportsmanship Award was presented to Team North for demonstrating sportsmanship and respect before, during and after competition.

The J. A. Ernst Spirit of the Games Trophy was won by Winnipeg Gold. The award was presented to the region that shows the greatest enthusiasm, support, spirit, and cheering during the Manitoba Games.

Stony Mountain gymnast brings home silvers from Winter Games

By Melissa McIvor

After a strong performance and winning two medals at the Manitoba Winter Games, a local gymnast is one step closer to her dream of someday competing for Olympic gold.

Ella McIvor, a Grade 7 student from Stony Mountain, was in Thompson from March 4 to 7 to participate in the Games as a member of Team East in the gymnastics juvenile category. Ella competed within the provincial stream following the team's qualifying competition in Beausejour earlier this year.

At the Games, Ella competed in four different apparatuses: vault, uneven bars, balance beam and the floor exercise.

Gymnasts can be awarded up to 10 points for each apparatus for a total of 40 points overall.

Ella earned two silver medals, one for her 9.35 score on the vault and the other for a 9.20 score on her floor exercise routine.

When all was said and done, she finished 1.5 points behind gold medalist and teammate Kaylee Huminuk of East St. Paul. Huminuk scored a total of 36.65 points overall and went home with two gold medals and one bronze.

Ella's mother, Lori, said that her daughter's fifth place finish and all-around score of 35.15 points brings the young athlete one step closer to advancing

into the first of the Junior Olympics (JO) levels, which begins at Level 5.

"They have something called 'qualifying out' to move up a level," Lori explained. "It isn't solely the coach's decision to move the athletes to the next level of competition."

Instead, gymnasts qualify for their next level when they achieve an overall score of 35 or higher in three invitational competitions, which are hosted by individual clubs, or an overall score of 35 or higher in one invitational and one provincial competition.

Each level increases the difficulty of the technical moves that the gymnast must learn and successfully perform in their competitions.

The competitions increase in gravity as well, from Provincial Championships and the Manitoba Open Championships to the Canadian Championships at the higher JO levels 9 and 10.

"Ella has moved up every year since she's started gymnastics by qualifying out, which is difficult because you have all new routines and all new moves," said Lori.

"It's a tough sport because it's you and only you. You're on a team but you're not a team competing; it's all individual."



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Ella McIvor, a gymnast from Stony Mountain, won two silver medals at the Manitoba Winter Games in Thompson and is a step closer to advancing to the Junior Olympics competition level.

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Home ice an advantage in Jets, Canucks' series

By Brian Bowman

Both teams are finding it tough to win on the road in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League playoff series between the Stonewall Jets and St. James Canucks.

So far, all three teams have won on home ice as St. James now leads the best-of-seven series 2-1 after a 6-4 win Sunday at the Keith Bodley Arena in Winnipeg.

"We're not out of it," said Jets' co-coach Matt Figur. "We knew it was going to be a long series with the four/five matchup. We know we have to go out on the road and win one."

St. James took a 4-0 lead on Sunday, let that lead slip away, and then won the game with two unanswered goals in the third. The Canucks' first three goals were scored in the first period.

"Both teams weren't comfortable in the arena but our guys knew after our 8-1 dominant win that we had on Thursday, that their guys were going to come out ready to go," Figur said. "No team is going to be happy after an 8-1 loss. We did our best to prep our guys but, unfortunately, they got some good bounces in the slot."

Craig Wiess and Tyler Meixner led St. James with two goals apiece while John McCammon and Jeremy Idzikowski added singles.

Chase Faulkner replied with three second-period goals for the Jets in a 4:25 span. Bradley Dawson scored Stonewall's other goal.

Stonewall evened the series at a game apiece after ripping St. James 8-1 last Thursday at the VMSC.

"Our better players really stepped up and played a solid game," Figur said.

Ryan McMahon led the Jets with three goals and an assist while Faulkner and Aiken Chop each added a pair of markers.

Faulkner also had two assists for a four-point game while Kyle Doak chipped in with three helpers.

Stonewall, which held period leads of 3-0 and 4-0, was 3-for-6 with the man advantage.

St. James' Wyatt Kemball scored a third-period power-play goal.

Hunter Ploszay played well in goal, making 37 saves for the win.

St. James took a 1-0 series lead after a 3-2 double overtime win March 6 in Winnipeg as Meixner scored the game winner.

Carson Ouellette gave the Jets a 1-0 first-period lead and then Faulkner made it 2-0 early in the second.

"We know we have to hold on to 2-0 leads," Figur said. "But that being said, it was a good shot in double OT from one of their top scorers."

St. James' Tristan Ezako cut the Jets' two-goal lead in half with a power-play goal 14:32 of the middle frame. The Canucks then tied the score at 2-2 when Cole Chicoine tallied at 5:17 of the third.

St. James outshot Stonewall 42-41. The Jets were 0-for-3 on the power play while St. James was 1-for-4.

Canucks' netminder Nathan Cvar earned the win in goal. Cvar was named the MMJHL goaltender of the month for February after notching



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY PARKER RICHMOND

Jets' captain Chase Faulkner had a hat trick in the 6-4 loss against St. James this past Sunday.

four wins while posting a 2.20 goals-against average and .922 save percentage.

Game 4 of the series was played this past Tuesday in Stonewall (no score was available) while Game 5 is set for Friday in Winnipeg.

If necessary, Game 6 will go this Sunday in Stonewall while Game 7 would be played next Tuesday in Winnipeg.

The final four games of the series have 7:30 p.m. start times.

In the other MMJHL quarter-final series, the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club leads St. Boniface 3-0 heading into this week's action.

Charleswood and Transcona each lead their series 2-1.

> GYMNAST, FROM PG. 17

And as a former gymnast, Lori can see the athletic potential in her daughter.

"I see her definitely continuing to move up a level every year because she pushes herself and she's very passionate about it. She's always practising and watching videos. She tries really hard."

Ella, 12, has been competing in gymnastics for the past five years.

She is a member of the Silhouettes Gymnastics Club out of Garden City where she practises eight hours a

week over three days. She also does 105 minutes of conditioning and strength training once a week.

Prior to the Games, Ella also had the chance to train with her fellow Team East gymnasts under the guidance of coaches Tara Webb, Kaylee Forsyth and Megan Charriere.

When it comes to the heat of the competition, however, visualization is Ella's key to success.

"I just picture everything perfectly and then I try to do it like that," she explained.

Yet even the best laid plans sometimes go awry, but this young gymnast doesn't let setbacks slow her down.

"When I was in Advanced (prior to her current level), I went to a Springers competition and I did bad — I split the beam that year. But the next year I came back and got first all around."

Ella has upcoming competitions in Selkirk and Swan River where she hopes to similarly redeem herself after taking a few chances at the Games that almost paid off.

"Ella definitely put that extra diffi-

culty in there," said Lori.

"She just learned the kip to the high bar (on the uneven bars apparatus) a couple of weeks ago and she decided to put it into her routine."

It's really hard to do a kip, especially to the high bar, she added.

"It was really important for her to do her absolute personal best, and the fact that she went for difficult moves that she's only been practising for a couple of weeks is what I'm most proud of," said Lori.

Rams play well at 'AAA' provincials

By Brian Bowman

As the host team for the MHSAA "AAA" junior varsity boys' basketball provincials, the Stonewall Collegiate Rams were up against some very, very good teams.

But the Rams didn't look out of place one bit.

Stonewall impressed a lot of people on the hardwood despite losing both of its games.

The Rams gave the No. 1-ranked Gray Academy Raiders a pretty good battle in a 78-44 loss to start the provincials.

"When you host the provincials and you're gifted that spot there's a little more pressure," said Rams' head coach Chris McCluskey. "You don't just want to show up and if you look at the rest of the scores that were put up by Gray Academy, we were about par with just about everybody that was ranked eighth (or better) in the province."

The Rams had several great performances from their players in the loss. McCluskey was very pleased with the play of Colton Unger and Hunter Olson. Ethan Enns was a beast on the boards while Alex Hume was also very good.

The Raiders went on to win the provincials with a 52-30 win over St. James in the final. Gray Academy is a team that does a lot of good things on the court.

"They're very disciplined and they have a very deep bench," McCluskey said. "Every player on the floor has had a lot of experience...and they have great coaching."

After the Raiders' loss, the Rams were then defeated 58-42 by Swan Valley. Stonewall looked real good early, opening up a 10-0 lead.

The score remained close after that before Swan

Valley took over the game in the final four minutes, going on an impressive 8-0 run.

"We kind of got gassed and couldn't respond to that," McCluskey recalled.

After the game was out of reach, the Swan Valley coach made a classy move by calling a timeout when Stonewall didn't have any remaining so the Rams could get their Grade 10 players on the floor to close out the contest.

"He's a classy guy," McCluskey said. "I have to give him credit. He burned one of his timeouts so our Grade 10s could get on the floor for the last minute and a half."

Swan Valley won the consolation side of the provincials with a 65-61 win over Lorette.

Stonewall has five Grade 9 players that have another year of junior varsity eligibility. That bodes very well for next year's squad.

"We're trying to turn things around here in terms of basketball culture and understanding the developmental process," McCluskey said, noting the players and parents were great to work with this past season.

"It was a good starting year to turn some things around. The Grade 9s definitely put their time in on the bench and by mid-season they were in full rotations with the Grade 10s."

Playing in a provincial championship will only help all of these Rams' players in future years on the basketball court.

"Seeing that level and that speed and what it means to get to that next level is an absolute eye opener," McCluskey said.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
The Rams' Hunter Olson goes up for a basket at the MHSAA 'AAA' junior varsity boys' basketball provincials last Thursday.

Interlake Lightning Bantam AA1 provincials

By Jo-Anne Procter

As the minor hockey season comes to close, many teams are competing at provincial championships around the province.

Last weekend the Interlake Lightning Bantam "AA1" team hosted a provincial tournament in Stonewall with nine teams participating.

Although the Interlake team itself was not successful, the team, organizing committee and volunteers made sure the tournament ran smoothly.

Opening ceremonies were held last Friday with special guest University of Manitoba Bisons captain Brett Stovin sharing a message with the Bantam players.

Stovin played his minor hockey in Stony Mountain and for the Interlake Lightning. He also played for Team Manitoba U-16 that won silver as well as the U-17 team and he played his five year junior career with the Saskatoon Blades in the Western Hockey League. Stovin also played for the Missouri Mavericks in the East Coast Hockey League.



U of M Bisons' captain and former Interlake Lightning player Brett Stovin was the guest speaker at the opening ceremonies of the Bantam 'AA1' provincial tournament held in Stonewall last weekend.

Stovin has received many awards and scholarships for his leadership



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
Interlake netminder Zack Meadows recorded his team's only win in the tournament. Interlake defeated the Pembina Valley Twisters 3-2.

on and off the ice and his community mindedness.

Stovin recalled playing in provincial tournaments such as the one hosted this past weekend.

"Tournaments like these make memories that last a lifetime," he told players and parents.

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Provincial silver medallists



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY TANYA SWANSON

The Stony Mountain Flames Red team battled hard to earn their silver medals at the Atom "B" provincials held last weekend in Arborg. The Flames were doused by the Souris Elks 3-2 in an exciting provincial final game. Earlier in the tournament the Flames tied the Elks 2-2. Stony Mountain also defeated Arborg 10-1 and Lac du Bonnet 6-1.

Pictured back row, left to right; Kenton Byle (coach), Derek Deprez (coach), Wade Byle, Cole Swanson, Evan Roy, Nick Vodden (coach) and Clint Swanson (coach). Middle row; Jamie Gaudry, Evan Deprez, Easton Stadnichuk, Justin Braid, Matthew Penner, Cooper Carey, Liam Butcher, and Carson Littlepage. Front row, Jackson Vandersteen.

ANAVET Cup returns after brief hiatus

Submitted by the MJHL

The Manitoba and Saskatchewan Junior Hockey Leagues are pleased to announce that the two leagues have renewed the ANAVET Cup series.

The winner of this best-of-seven series advances to the RBC Cup.

MJHL commissioner Kim Davis and SJHL president Bill Chow announced last week that ANAVET Cup play will take place in late April.

"Both leagues look forward to the renewal of the ANAVET (Army, Navy, Airforce Veterans) Cup," Chow and Davis said jointly in a media release. "The ANAVET Cup has a long and deep history going back to 1971.

"To be able to have the symbol of the ANAVETs associated to the MJHL and SJHL and, in a way of recognizing our veterans for their dedi-

cation for the freedom that Canada has today, is a huge honour."

The return of the ANAVET Cup was initiated after the former regional Junior "A" championship, the Western Canada Cup, was not renewed by the four partner leagues (BCHL, AJHL, SJHL and MJHL).

Subsequently, a renewal of the ANAVET Cup for Manitoba and Saskatchewan was negotiated by the two leagues and the ANAVETs.

The ANAVET Cup will begin on April 27 at the home arena location of the MJHL champion. The remaining games of the ANAVET Cup championship will be communicated to the public after each of the league playoffs get underway and a final schedule for the entire event is approved.

> AA1 PROVINCIALS, FROM PG. 19

Stovin's main message was to be respectful and give back.

"Many people have invested time and money into your success and it is so important to give back every chance you get.

Volunteer and help others, get involved in community and most of all take the time to thank those who got you where you are," he said.

Stovin encouraged players to plan for the future as hockey doesn't last forever.

"It is a wonderful game, but do

not let it consume your life. The best hockey players are well rounded athletes and good people. Learn to play guitar, go camping, smack the volleyball around, just enjoy life."

Stovin stressed the importance planning ahead and getting an education.

Stovin himself is finishing his degree in Recreation Management and Community Development while he plays out his university hockey career.

The Interlake Lightning finished the tournament 1-2-0.

Stonewall to host 20th annual karate tournament this weekend



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Maxwell Prystupa performed a Kata in the boys ages 6 to 9 years, white, yellow and orange belts at last year's event. The Stonewall/Interlake Karate tournament will be held this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Stonewall Legion.

Staff

The 20th annual Stonewall/Interlake Karate tournament will be held this Saturday at the Stonewall Legion.

The tournament, which will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., will encompass all the karate clubs in Manitoba asso-

ciated with the International Karate Daigaku. Saskatchewan members will also be in attendance.

Competitors will include boys, girls, and adults in ages ranging from six-year-old beginners to the black belt division's singles and teams.

Beavers beat Mercs in SEMHL semifinal series

Staff

The Warren Mercs' South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League season has come to an end.

The Carman Beavers defeated Warren 5-1 at home back on March 6.

With that victory, the Beavers beat the Mercs 4-2 in their best-of-seven semifinal series.

In Game 6, Carman took a 4-0 lead on second-period goals by Brock Vanderveen, Ryan McIntosh, Jack Lotscher and Mitch O'Brien.

Two of those goals came on the power play.

Aldon Gray put Warren on the

board at 8:14 of the third period. The assists went to Darrin Husak and Eric Swanson.

Carman's Darren Bestland then closed out the game's scoring with an empty-net goal at 18:17 of the third. Bestland finished the game with three points.

The other SEMHL semifinal series saw Altona defeat Notre Dame in seven games. The Maroons doubled the Hawks 6-3 in Game 7 on Saturday evening.

The league final's best-of-seven schedule had not been released by press time.

Meier commits to University of Calgary

Meier led her team in goals (12) and points (21) and was second in assists (nine)

Staff

Stonewall's Annaliese Meier of the Ontario Hockey Academy Tardiff has committed to the University of Calgary for the 2018-19 season.

Her commitment marked the first to a CIS university in the history of the Eastern Women's Hockey Conference. In 24 games this season, Meier collected 21 points, including four multi-point games.

Meier was a productive force for the

Tardiff, leading her team in goals and points and was second in assists. She was the first player in the EWHC to make a college commitment this season.

Meier was also named the EWHC's Rookie of the Month in January. The forward's three goals and two assists in seven appearances helped lift her team past the Northern Cyclones in the Bedford Showcase.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MOLLIE MEIER

Annaliese Meier has committed to the University of Calgary for the 2018-19 season.

PeeWee 'B' champions



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The Warren Mercs defeated the Stonewall Blues 1-0 to win the 2017-2018 Interlake Minor Hockey PeeWee "B" Regional championship banner last Sunday in Stonewall in a best-of-three series. In Game 1, Jaxon Grose scored the game winner with 30 seconds left during a second overtime period to win the game 2-1.

Pictured back row, left to right: Albert Boonstra (coach), Jordan Buhler, Cole McRae, Aiden Will, Brady Boonstra, Ty Sadowski, Cain Romanchuk, Leiland Chartrand, Dusty McRae (coach), Logan Fehr, Kaiden Joynt, Marcus Bruce, Jaxon Grose, Shae McLeod and Jason Walsh (coach). Front row; Zander Dolski, Raph Ferchuk and Dawson Cowan.

Regional banner champs



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KAREN TRISTRAM

It was a banner season for the Warren Novice 1 Mercs team, capturing both the Interlake Minor Hockey Novice 'B' South and Regional banners. The Mercs defeated Ashern 4-2 in front of the hometown crowd to win the banner this past Sunday in a best of three series. The Mercs won Game 1 10-1 and Ashern won 4-3 at home Saturday. Pictured in the back row, left to right: coaches Pat Chanel, Gord Noren and Derek Hutchinson. Middle row: Braeden Ivany, Rhet King, Rayden Chanel, Nicole Hutchinson, Brody Ivany and Katie Atchison. Front row: Jasper Coolidge, Magne Hogg, Duncan Grassinger, Josh Tristram, Lexon Hogg and Layne Noren. Missing: Tanner Atchison-Heaps and Bronson Johannson.

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Balmoral hosts ISD Jr. High curling 'spiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY KELLY FARMER

The Interlake School Division held their Jr. High Curling Bonspiel last Wednesday and Thursday at the Balmoral Rec Centre. This was the first year the winning teams received banners.

The Stonewall Centennial rink defeated Warren Elementary to win the girls' banner. Pictured left to right: the A-side winners, Autumn Good, Nadia Schultz, Eve Lawrence, Annika Walker and Ashley Searcy.

The Brant-Argyle team of Tom Johnston, Caleb Enns, Alex Martinussen and Trent Hogg defeated Stonewall to win the boys' banner while Stonewall Centennial's Blake Good, Jake McIvor, Russell Watts, Madelyn Fidler, Carly Safiniuk and Charlie Barnhart (coach) beat Stony Mountain to win the mixed banner.

The Stony Mountain girls defeated Balmoral to win the B-side plaque, left to right, Sophia Dowsett, Hayley Emberly, Rayna Mackenzie, Kaitlynn Swanson and Precious Paguio. Stony Mountain's team of Justin Braid, Matty Penner, Logan MacDuff and Max VanHeyst defeated Balmoral to win the B-side boys' plaque while Stony Mountain's Evan Deprez, Wade Byle, Daniel Forsythe, Kaitlynn Swanson and Hayley Emberly were the mixed runner-ups.

Dodd's team wins Balmoral men's bonspiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY KYLE LOEHMER

The Balmoral Curling Club held its men's bonspiel Feb. 28-March 4. Left photo, left to right: the "A" event winner was the Blair Dodd rink of Dan Cox (lead), Jason Dodd (second), Gary Dodd (third) and Blair Dodd (skip). Missing from the photo is Brian Cox. Travis Lawrence's team won the "B" event, middle photo, Mathew Guilbeault (lead) Ernie Kars (second) Ian Jones (third), Travis Lawrence (skip), while the Quentin Shipley rink won the "C" event, including Quentin Shipley (skip), Marty Brown (third) Murray Schaeffer (second) and Don Slater (lead).

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Thunder girls' tackle football registration next week

Locals to compete at Canadian stick curling championship

Staff

The St. Albert 50+ Mixed Curling League, together with the St. Albert Curling Club and Alberta Stick Curling Association, are hosting the 2018 Canadian Open Stick Curling Championship from April 2 to 5.

Local curlers will feature Don Adamko and Ray Sherrin of the Warren Curling Club.

The championship will welcome 48 teams from across the country as they vie for the title of Canadian Stick Curling champion.

There will be 23 Alberta teams entered (most from Edmonton and surrounding areas) as well as teams from P.E.I. to Vancouver Island.

The competitors are generally over the age of 60 with several in their 80s.

St. Albert hosted this event in 2014 when Morinville curlers, Ryan Meyers and Dennis Fitzgerald, were runners up.

This year, they enter as the 2018 Alberta Stick Curling champions and have their sights set on the Canadian title.

Also in the hunt will be two members of the 2015 Alberta Wheelchair Curling Championship team — Mike McMullen and Don Kuchelyma — as well as St. Albert curlers Milt McDougall and his partner, Bob McKenzie.

McDougall has been stick curling in St. Albert for close to 10 years while the club has grown from eight curlers to over 100 in 2017-18.

Also in the field are defending-Canadian champions, Jim Russell and Milt Larsen from the Mayflower Curling Club in Halifax, and three-time champion John Campbell from Armstrong, B.C.

Staff

The Interlake Thunder girls' tackle football registration will take place March 19 and 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Ice Palace in Stonewall.

The junior division is for girls born from 2005 to 2008 while the senior division is for girls born in 2001 to 2004.

All athletes must first register with Football Manitoba and bring proof of such to the club registration.

Visit www.footballmanitoba.com and click on registration forms and then MGFA.

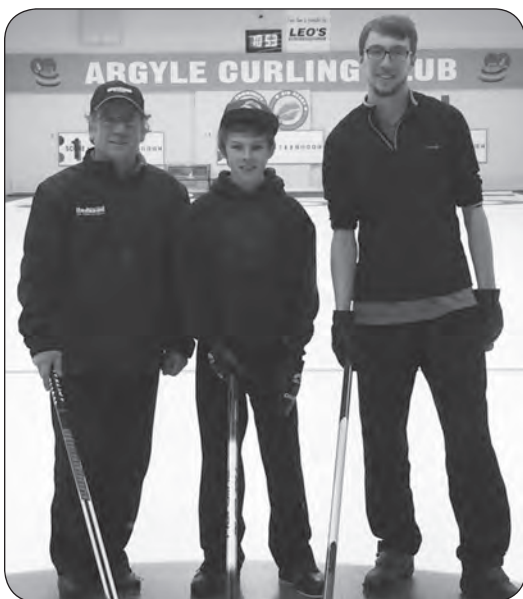
For more information on the Thunder girls' program, visit www.interlakethunder.org. If anyone is unable to attend one of the Thunder's registration events, please contact Joel McDonald at president@interlakethunder.org.



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Don Adamko, left, and Ray Sherrin will be competing at the 2018 Canadian Open Stick Curling Championships from April 2 to 5.

Huminicki family wins First event at Argyle Open/Mixed spiel



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY PAM DESROCHERS

The Argyle Curling Club hosted a Mixed/Open Spiel this past weekend with 14 teams participating. Right photo, left to right: the first event was won by the Elias Huminicki rink with Bill Huminicki, Elias Huminicki and Michael Young. Middle photo: Gerry's Martin's rink won the second event with his team, including Bruce Buchanan, Martina Buchanan, Murray Last, Gerry Martin, (missing Donna Stewart), while the third event was won by the Mike Crockatt Trucking team of Janice Lawrence, Amber Lawrence, Travis Lawrence, Kevan Lawrence, (missing Mike Crockatt and Jen Michaluk).

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Crossword Answer

CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- Punctuation mark
- Married woman
- Nocturnal rodent
- Suffix
- A way to disappoint
- Saddle horse
- West African country
- Philippine island
- "Girls" creator Dunham
- A type of twin
- Groans
- Infections
- What a beaver makes
- Thou
- Make a mistake
- Receive
- Dresses
- Burn the surface of
- Where coaches observe
- Ceremonial offices
- Paddle
- The body's main artery
- Altered the original state
- Alleges
- Short-billed rails
- Northern Thai province
- Albanian monetary unit
- Who the Wolverines play for
- Oath
- Astronomical period
- A single unit
- Presides over
- Spoiled tot
- Hillsides
- Fertility god
- Assuages
- Signs a contract
- Ancient Greek war dance
- Allows
- Lunar crater
- Crash a motorcycle (Brit. slang)

CLUES DOWN

- Loose-fitting undergarment

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- Western Romanian city
- Unit of length
- Type of electricity
- Article
- Mothers
- Monetary unit
- Single Lens Reflex
- Tan-colored horses
- Region
- Cautious in spending money
- Belittle
- Sarcastic
- Fathers
- Clothes
- Opera's Callas
- Lentil dish
- Energy-saving module
- Make sense of a language
- Hurries through
- Songs to one's lover
- Name given to plant groups
- Improves
- Patriotic women
- Inflamed swelling on the eyelid
- Instrument in Indian music
- Request
- Make into leather without using tannin
- Defies
- Neither
- Flower cluster
- Phonological unit
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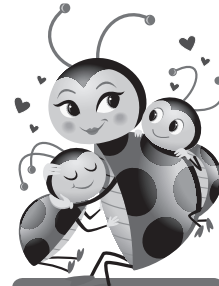
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Beautiful memories she left behind.
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Pete Skihar
March 14, 2003
He Walked on Water
If the story's told, only heaven knows.
But his hat seemed to me like an old halo.
And although his wings, they were never seen,
I thought he walked on water.
By Allen Shamblin
I thank God every day for giving me the perfect father,
That was you.
-Arlene Skihar

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The family of Isabel Jones would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you for the overwhelming support and show of sympathy we have received since her passing. Each of her Home Care Angels held a special place in her heart and we will plant the tree you have given us in her and Dad's memory, honouring all of you. Thank you!

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Klimpke
Walter – March 8, 2003
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Loved and remembered every day.
-David, Debbie, Dana,
Paul and Alex

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IN MEMORIAM



In Loving Memory
of my husband
Richard Priestley
February 6, 1935 – March 20, 2015
We hold you forever in our hearts
And miss you greatly,
We wish you were still here with us.
Until we meet again.
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In memory of
Joan Sinclair
(Mom, Grandma, and Great-Grammies)
If roses grow in Heaven Lord,
Please pick a bunch for us;
Place them in our Mother's arms,
And tell her they're from us.
Tell her we love and miss her,
And when she turns to smile;
Place a kiss upon her cheek,
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Because remembering her is easy,
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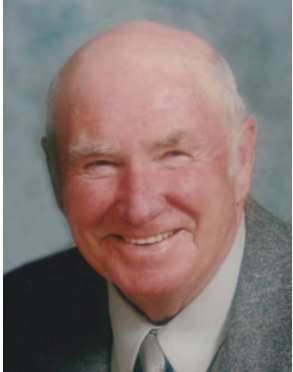


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OBITUARY



Roy Alexander Buchanan
June 2, 1930 – March 6, 2018

Peacefully with his family by his side, it is with deep regret that we announce the death of Roy.

Roy leaves behind his devoted wife Sheila; children Doug (Glynis), and Cindy; his grandchildren Melodie (Arnie), Marcia (Chad), Marnie (Mark), Reanna (Wally), Chris, and Eirikka; 10 beautiful great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson, as well as many dearly loved family members, sister-in-law Ev, nieces, nephews, and truly great friends.

Roy was predeceased by his mother Isabella, father Alec, sister Jean (Elbourne), brothers Bill (Ethel) and Harvey (Audrey).

Roy joined the Winnipeg Police Department in 1951 where he proudly worked for nearly 34 years. Roy enjoyed many years with the Masonic Lodge and was a Past Master of the Empire Lodge

No 127. Dad and Mom retired to the cottage at Ponemah in 1985, where he enjoyed lake life and curling in the winter. Soon after, Dad discovered his new passion of golf, and they moved closer to the golf course in Sandy Hook. Dad and Mom enjoyed many winters in Weslaco, Texas where the warm weather and love of golf continued. Dad's biggest joy was his family and friends, which was paramount in his life. Whether near or far they were always close in his heart.

A celebration of life was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 2 p.m. at the Mackenzie Funeral Chapel, Stonewall. The Rev Ron Haggland officiated. A private family burial will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to: The Mood Disorders of Manitoba, 4 Fort Street, Winnipeg MB R3C 1C4, 204-786-0987.

The family would like to make special thanks to all Dad's visitors and the staff at the Stonewall Hospital for their care and kindness.

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OBITUARY



Henry William Kernot

On Saturday, March 10, 2018, at the Concordia Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Henry Kernot of Winnipeg passed away at the age of 68 years.

Predeceased by his parents; Peter and Anne; two brothers: Harold, Donald, and sister Betty-Anne. He leaves to mourn his passing his brothers, David (Johann), John, Douglas; sister Pat (Russell) Deneka; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews. He will be missed by his special friend Carol.

Henry was employed with Birds Hill Gravel for most of his working life. He enjoyed fishing, attending auction sales, and coming out to the farm and visiting with family and friends.

A private family service will take place at a later date and should friends so desire memorial donations can be made to a charity of your choice.

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