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One-and-a-half-year-old Jameson, Abigail (3) and Eden Baker (8) were in the Christmas spirit baking up a storm this past Sunday.

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Local woman honoured with military merit award

By Jennifer McFee

Congratulations are in order for a Stony Mountain woman who has earned a prestigious military award.

On Dec. 3, Sgt. Serena Cross was taken by surprise when she was appointed to the Order of Military Merit, which recognizes distinctive merit and exceptional service displayed by men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces.

"I am very grateful and proud to have received this prestigious award," she said.

"It shows that my chain of command appreciates my hard work and dedication and has added to my drive to continue doing the best I can every day in everything I do."

Perhaps military service is in her blood, since her father Fletcher Smith served as an aero engine technician on the CC 130 Hercules — the same aircraft that she currently works on.

"From a young age, I was interested in how car engines, small electronics and tractors worked. My dad would take me out when he worked on his Camaro or tractor and took the time to explain how they worked and let



Sgt. Serena Cross

me turn wrenches with him," she said.

"This gave me so much confidence and furthered my interest in mechanics. So, at age 23, I signed the dotted line and joined the RCAF as an aviation systems technician."

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Sgt. Serena Cross of Stony Mountain received the Order of Military Merit.

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3 APPLY

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4 APPROVAL

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5 IMPLEMENT

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> MERIT AWARD, FROM PG. 2

Since she enrolled in the Forces in August 2005, Cross has consistently earned recognition for her dedication and leadership. In just one example, she was hand-picked to participate in a leadership seminar and to mentor junior officers. She also led a 435 Squadron team to a second-place finish in the 2019 Aerospace Maintenance Competition.

With a gift for public speaking, she has addressed groups ranging from students at an International Women's Day event to new Canadians at a citizenship ceremony.

For Cross, one of the most rewarding aspects of her career has been the opportunity to see the world.

"I have travelled all over the world from Australia to Cyprus, Afghanistan to Italy and many places in between," said Cross, who is also the recipient of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal.

"It has been an honour and truly rewarding to take part in many operations around the world in support of Canada's mandates."

At the same time, it's not easy for Cross to leave her family behind for extended periods.

"The biggest challenge is when I have to leave my wonderful husband and my two daughters to deploy for missions and training for long periods of time," she said.

"I am glad that current technology allows for video communication in most places I go, but it is tough to be away. I am very fortunate to have a supportive husband, who is also a serving military member."



Clockwise from top left, Sgt. Serena Cross, Stanley Cross, and their daughters Addison and Amelia.

With appreciation for the professional path she's chosen, Cross encourages others to consider a career in the military.

"It isn't just a great career where you get paid to go to school and travel, but you also gain another family with lots of brothers and sisters who help you along the way and friendships that last a lifetime," she said.

"It is the best feeling of fulfillment to see your work's efforts directly reflected when a mission is successful."

An awards ceremony will take place at Rideau Hall in the future, dependent on the pandemic.

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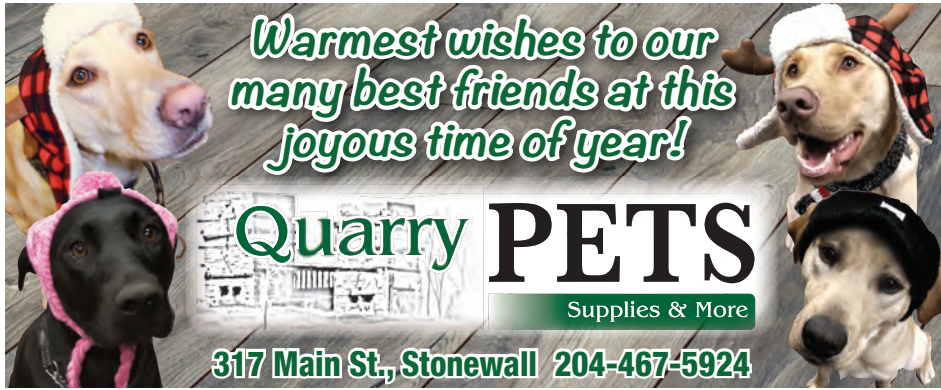
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RM of Rockwood – Despite the current COVID-19 restrictions set out in the Rural Municipality of Rockwood, Reeve Wes Taplin, in consultation with Dr. Seuss and Manitoba Public Health, has granted a travel exemption to Santa Claus to allow him to deliver gifts to households across the Municipality on Christmas Eve. All physical distancing measures will be ensured to keep our residents safe and happy throughout the holidays.



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Lucky number seven



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Last Sunday Parker-Lynn Ritchie turned seven years old and friends and family made sure everyone on her street knew. A birthday parade took place in her honour with many vehicles — including a couple fire trucks and Sparky the fire dog and her grandpa in a semi — who all came by to wave and make her day extra special. Pictured left to right: Parker-Lynn, Lisa Taplin, Clint Ritchie and Greyson.

Clarification

Staff

In the article "Province announces inaugural winners of Manitoba Accessibility Awards" published in the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* on Dec. 10, we incorrectly identified Judith Olson as Judith Brown, vice-president of the Woodlands Pioneer Museum board.

The staff at the *Tribune* apologize for the error.



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Manitoba Beef Producers need farmer's engagement

By Evan Matthews

The Manitoba Beef Producers are working to reduce the number of cattle lost to predators, but the predation program's genesis needs farmer engagement to be effective.

Raymond Bittner, livestock predation lead for the Manitoba Beef Producers, said the organization has released a survey, which will be a key component of the Manitoba-based livestock predation prevention pilot project.

The project is part of a three-year \$300,000 grant from the Province of Manitoba.

"Predation of both cattle and sheep is a serious issue. The numbers don't add up to huge amounts in Manitoba municipalities, necessarily, but for individual producers it can be very drastic," said Bittner, emphasizing that the project has been designed to improve prevention and mitigation strategies in order to reduce economic livestock loss caused by wild predators.

Farmers have presented the issue to MBP at its annual AGM more than once, Bittner said.

"When you lose multiple animals from the

same herd, it can really harm the producer's income," he said, adding the Manitoba government is funding the project in partner with MBP, and the Manitoba Sheep Association, with additional support from Agriculture and Agri-Foods Canada, Manitoba Agricultural Service Corporation, and the Manitoba Trappers Association.

Livestock producers who experience herd loss due to predators—as well as producers who have not experienced herd loss due to predators—are welcome to fill out the survey, according to Bittner, and all Manitoba producers who fill out the survey will be entered in a prize draw.

In addition to the prize, Bittner said by taking the survey, farmers are making it clear they're willing to work with MBP, which he said would make it more likely for farmers to have access to both information as well as implementation of risk mitigation practices.

The survey asks questions like; In the last five years how many head of livestock have you lost

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Brock Vantor
Denturist

It was 2010, I was a fresh denture school graduate and had suddenly taken over my dad's denture clinic due to health reasons. My only employee was my mom, who I convinced to come out of retirement (but, of course, if you ask her, it was her idea to come and be with her son).

Christmas was coming and Dennis, the local newspaper salesman came into the office and said, "Brock, your dad always liked to put some sort of Merry Christmas wish in the paper. Would you like to do that too?" "Of course, I would love to put something in the newspaper, but let me think about what", I replied, wanting my very first newspaper Christmas wish to be great.

Dennis, my mom, and I thought about it for a few minutes; and I couldn't help but think, 'I am a Denturist, I now own a denture clinic, wouldn't the best Christmas gift we could give be a denture?' "I want to make someone smile for Christmas," I said. "We could do a Merry Christmas denture



giveaway!"

"I love it, it's like the song 'All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth', Dennis laughed. So my mom and I posed for a picture, and Dennis' team edited some garland and bows around us, and the annual denture contest was born!

We used a Christmas story trivia question as the ballot, put all the entries into a box and when we picked the winner, it was a lady named Jean. When we called her to say she had won, she was in tears. She not only wanted (and needed) teeth for Christmas, but for many years. I still remember when she came in. She had a brilliant white coat that I had no idea how she kept it so white! We made her a beautiful

white smile to match.

For going on 10 years now, even though the days of just my mom and I as the only employees are long gone, we continue the Christmas contest. What is amazing is that every year we have such an amazing winner. Spending time with them, sharing stories, giving gifts - it's what Christmas is all about! It's like we expand our families just a little bit more. We could never pick a winner, so we do a draw to make it fair. There are no strings attached, just a gift in honour of the greatest gift of all, Jesus. Which brings us to this year's trivia question: see ballot.

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- Define distinct territories for food and rest (preferably off the ground for your cat)
- Be equally affectionate with both pets, and make sure you don't give too much attention to the newcomer
- Use positive reinforcement: if your cat and dog interact in a civil fashion, reward them both with a tasty treat

The most important thing to keep in mind is that you should never try to force things. There's no miracle solution to making your dog and cat get along well. Let time work its magic, and who knows: maybe someday your pets will be the best of buddies.

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> SURVEY, FROM PG. 5

to predators? How many acres can your livestock access during calving/lambing/birthing season? What proportion of your summer pasture land is within walking distance from calving/lambing base?

"This program will help us to design risk mitigation practices; methods farmers can apply on their farms; we want to find out which methods work best," said Bittner, adding different predators have different habits.

In the Interlake, Bittner said wolves, coyotes, fox, cougars, and (black) bears are typically the most common predators.

"One example is a dead stock composting area. Any time there is mortality on the farm, the farmer is presented with an opportunity to put the deceased animal out of the reach of predators.

"This way, we're not providing a food source to predators. That's one of our most simple risk mitigation prac-



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tices," he said.

Other examples of risk mitigation practices include having farmers engage with veterinarians to consistently evaluate animals and to ensure the animals' health is proactively where it should be, as well as installation game cameras to correctly identify which predator farmers are actually dealing with.

MBP has placed the survey inside the December issue of Cattle Country, and is asking for surveys to be returned for Dec. 21.

For more information, visit <https://mbbeef.ca/our-news/livestock-predation-prevention-pilot-project-survey/> or call 1-800-772-0458.



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A second birthday turns into a town-wide treat

By Sydney Lockhart

On Dec. 5, Balmoral resident Dillon Beck posted to the town page asking for people to drive by his house and wish his son Harvey a happy second birthday.

The next day a semi-truck drove by and so did a small tractor with "Happy Birthday" blasting from the speakers strapped on to it.

"He (Harvey) thought it was the best thing in the world. He was so excited, and he was yelling 'semi-truck' all day," said Beck. "It was a shot in the dark. I didn't expect a semi-truck or a tractor to show up."

Besides eating cake as a family and opening presents, Harvey wasn't able to have a birthday party due to COVID-19 restrictions. Beck said the drive past their house was the highlight of his day.

"It made me so happy that they were there for Harvey. He's the greatest thing in the world to me so it made me happy," he said.

On the tractor driving past their house was Karen and Owen Price. They had seen the post on Facebook and decided to put together a surprise for Harvey.

On their way to his house, the Prices started playing children's Christmas music from the speakers and other



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED
Dillon Beck holds his son Harvey for a second birthday drive-by celebration.

Balmoral residents came outside or danced in their windows.

"We drove to the little guy's house, but we took the wrong street and we saw people coming out of their houses and clapping, giving us a thumbs up and dancing. We ended up going down another street," said Karen Price.

But the holiday tractor ride didn't end there. Karen and Owen sat sharing the one seat on the tractor and de-



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY SYDNEY LOCKHART
Owen and Karen Price drove around Balmoral playing Christmas music on their tractor on Dec. 6 spreading holiday cheer.

cided to drive around the entire town.

"An hour and a half later, we had covered the entire town. It was on a whim and it was because of the little kid's party."

She added that seeing people cheerful during the pandemic put them in the holiday spirit.

"People a mile away said they could hear the music," said Owen Price laughing. "It was about as redneck

as you can get with straps and an old table leaf to hold the speakers."

The couple said they hope their actions could inspire other members of the town to do something creative.

"It might happen again. Keep your ears open and you might see us with our crazy tractor," said Karen Price. "You just never know. We have to one up it and we've found some lights that are pretty cool."

RM of Woodlands to light up memory trees for Palliative Care

By Evan Matthews

Though not in the traditional locations, an Interlake group will still have memory trees lit over the holidays.

Lori Schellekens, who is reeve for the RM of Woodlands and also sits on the board for South West District Palliative Care (SWDPC), said she thought Woodlands would be a good alternative after hearing the organization would not be lighting trees in Stonewall or Teulon this year.

"Traditionally, the trees are memory trees. But this year, I think it's important to add they're also trees of hope," said Schellekens.

"For a lot of people, this holiday sea-

son is going to suck. I know for myself, I can't see my kids and I can't see my new grandson. I want this to symbolize better times ahead," she said.

In years past, SWDPC has lit a memory tree in both Stonewall and Teulon at the town's respective libraries, according to Schellekens.

This year, the RM of Woodlands will light three trees on the corner of the Warren Multipurpose property as well as three trees out front of the RM of Woodlands building.

"We're inviting people to make or bring their own ornament and come put it on one of the trees. No donation to SWDPC is required, but it's always

welcomed," said Schellekens, emphasizing the need for anyone who participates to secure their ornament, as high winds are common.

Schellekens also emphasized social distancing, hand hygiene and mask wearing, all of which have become common knowledge, respectful practices and mandated by Public Health orders in the COVID-19 era.

"The ornaments will be removed by mid-January, too, so if anyone wants to get their ornament back after the holidays, then they can do that," she said.

Since 1997, South West District Palliative Care has worked to support

end-of-life care for clients and their families in the Towns of Stonewall and Teulon and the surrounding municipalities of Rosser, Rockwood, Woodlands and part of Armstrong, according to its Facebook page.

The SWDPC program — including volunteer support, education and equipment purchases — is offered in conjunction with the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, according to the page, but is dependent on donations and community support for funding.

Schellekens encouraged residents to consider donations to SWDPC this holiday season.

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Acknowledging the boss

By Evan Matthews

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The awards ranged from best advertisement to best story (in a variety of categories including news, agriculture, arts and culture, habitat conservation, health and sports) to best front page to best layout and design.

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But there are two people, very specifically, who deserve thanks as much (or more) than the rest: Lana Meier and Brett Mitchell, the co-owners of our organization.

These people are entrepreneurs, leaders, contributing employees, friends and, maybe most importantly, community members.

In a time where we hear so much about failing media outlets, Meier and Mitchell have found and continue to showcase the model of success every single week.

Our group showcases hyper-local stories and advertisements, and really does keep the word "community" in community newspaper.

If it were not for their dedication to the craft, to the industry and to our

communities — as we've seen from closures of other papers that have lost touch with what it means to be a community newspaper — community news as we've understood it could have ceased to exist in the Interlake.

The existence of our news group, in itself, is worth celebrating.

Then factoring in a global pandemic, combined with the fact that this team seemingly sets the standard for community news in our province, it is truly and honour and a privilege to work with — and for — such trailblazers.

So, once more, thank you to our readers and to our communities; thank you to our team; and thank you to our organization's owners.

As we bid farewell to 2020, which has been challenging to say the least, we set our sights for 2021 even higher. Our news group's mission is to connect people through stories, to build stronger communities.

These awards exemplify those efforts, and we hope to continue building into the future.

letter to the editor

Letters to the Editor:
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Thank You for Christmas Greeting to Seniors

Thank-you to Balmoral School and Stonewall Collegiate students and staff for their Christmas messages.

Thanks for encouraging Christmas greetings created for seniors, kept away from others by COVID-19 Code Red restrictions, as shown by Balmoral 3/4 P students with their colourful handmade decorations, and to Stonewall Collegiate students and staff for their holiday cards.

At Lions Manor, over 270 seniors are keeping safe by remaining in their apartments, isolated from friends and community connections, except for essential services. Gifts from young people showing love to seniors beyond their family is wonderful and perfect for grandparents and great-grandparents at the Manor!

Although difficult to be in touch

with other tenants during our lockdown, some texted their appreciation, after discovering your holiday messages located near our Manor doorways. Both your encouraging words and painting creativity are being enjoyed.

Thanks to youth and teachers for your empathy, thoughtfulness and compassion to encourage others in our community.

- James Campbell, president,
Stonewall Lions Manor
Tenants Association

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Province extends public health orders ahead of the holidays, with minor adjustments

By Manitoba government

The Manitoba government has extended public health orders from Dec. 12 until Jan. 8, 2021, as part of protecting Manitobans from COVID-19 during the holiday season, Premier Brian Pallister and Dr. Brent Roussin, Manitoba's chief provincial public health officer, announced last week.

"It is crucial that Manitobans continue to limit their close contacts and only gather with members of their immediate household in order to bend our COVID curve down and protect our most vulnerable friends, families and communities," said Pallister. "We recognize this holiday season will be difficult and lonely for most, but the best thing we can do for our loved ones right now is to stay safe at home so that we can gather together in person next year."

The existing Critical (red) level restrictions have been extended by public health order, with several modifications based on feedback from

public, stakeholders and enforcement officials. Changes to the public health orders include:

- allowing thrift stores to open with some capacity limits, to allow access to second-hand clothing and other items;
- ensuring acupuncture and manual osteopathy practices are allowed to open to align with other health services;
- clarifying the operation of food banks and food hamper services;
- allowing private residences to allow legal services, landlord access and access for home businesses;
- encouraging safe outdoor physical activity for individuals and immediate households only by providing guidance to clarify that people not from the same household need to keep two metres of distance between them and that gathering sizes must not exceed five people;
- adding school supplies as an essential item under the restrictions to

retail services;

- allowing drive-in events as a temporary measure subject to compliance with the restrictions, and cars must contain members from one household only and no one may leave the car while at the event; and
- permitting the Winnipeg Jets to train in Manitoba in preparation for an eventual NHL decision on a 2021 playing season.

A seasonal change to the order will also be included to allow for the sale of holiday decorations such as garlands and ornaments, and religious items like menorahs and candles.

"Our modelling has shown the Critical level, or red, restrictions have helped us avoid even higher case numbers right now," said Roussin. "But our numbers are still too high and now is not the time to let up. That is why we're extending the public health orders with some adjustments to ensure Manitobans can access the goods and services they need, and

have clear direction stay safe at home before and during the holiday season."

The updated orders and the list of items deemed essential are posted on the province's Pandemic Response System website at <https://manitoba.ca/covid19/restartmb/prs/orders/index.html#current>.

Manitoba has announced the Safe at Home Manitoba program to provide support to Manitobans staying home during this critical time. Organizations, businesses and artists can visit www.safeathomemb.ca for more information.

Manitobans can report compliance and enforcement issues by visiting www.manitoba.ca/COVID19 and completing the reporting form, or by calling 204-945-3744 or 1-866-626-4862 (toll-free) and pressing option three on the call menu.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Manitoba, visit www.manitoba.ca/COVID19.

RCMP remind operators of off-road vehicle laws and safety

Submitted by RCMP

Every year, RCMP respond to numerous calls about snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, dirt bikes and other off-road vehicles. Here are the laws that apply to anyone operating an off-road vehicle.

When operating an off-road vehicle on public land (ditches, Crown Land,

roads, groomed snowmobile trails, etc.) the following laws apply:

- The ORV must be registered;
- Must be at least 14 years of age to operate an ORV without supervision;
- 12-13-year-olds must only operate an ORV under the direct supervision (within direct sight) of a parent;
- Must be at least 16 years of age

and possess a valid driver's licence in order to operate across a roadway or shoulder;

- Must not operate an ORV with

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From Michael, Julie, James, & Staff



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Manitoba community newspaper awards held virtually

Staff

The *Stonewall Teulon Tribune* earned first in Best in Class for their circulation of 3,600-9,999 during Manitoba's Better Newspaper Competition on Friday afternoon.

The 101st Annual BNC Awards were announced in a virtual ceremony, in accordance with Manitoba's public health orders.

All of the articles and newspapers judged were for stories published in 2019.

Big and Colourful Printing and Publishing is locally owned and operated, employing 24 full-time staff, 20 part-time and over 100 door-to-door paper carriers. The small independent chair is home to the *Stonewall Teulon Tribune*, *Express Weekly News*, *Winkler Morden Voice*, *Selkirk Record* and the *Carman Dufferin Standard*.

The *Tribune* received a number of layout and design, writing and photography awards winning first place in Best Layout and Design, Best Front Page, Best in Class and second for Best Editorial Page.

Reporter Jennifer McFee received first place in Best Arts and Culture for her article titled "Music from the Hart" and placed third for Reporter of the Year. Reporter Evan Matthews received first place for his article "Interlake cattle farmers being forced to sell livestock" in Best Agriculture Story category and second in Best News Story for "Teulon council attempts to strip mayor of duties." Lana Meier received second for her photo essay in "Skills from the past on display at threshing event." Patricia Barrett received third for her Best Habitat Conservation article for "Researcher finds Lake Winnipeg commercial fishers portrayed as villains." Nicole Kapusta won first for her Best in House ad promoting "National Newspaper Week," and the *Tribune* placed third in Best Special Section for "Teulon celebrating 100 Years."

Sister publications the *Selkirk Record*, the *Winkler Morden Voice* and the *Express Weekly News* also received numerous awards.

The *Express Weekly News* placed second for Best Layout and Design and third for Best Editorial Page in circulation 10,000 and over. Reporter Patricia Barrett was awarded first place for Best News Story for her article "Lake Manitoba Narrows residents barbecue and share fuel in aftermath of storm," first place for Best Habitat Conservation Story for "Siglavik wetland preservation group vows to fight destruction," and second for Best Environmental Story for "Riverdale Place offers recycling tips for environmentally conscious consumers." Evan Mathews received first in Best Health Story for his "I live with MS. That's why I ride" and first in Best Sports Story about when Arborg native Jermaine Loewen scored his first AHL goal.

The *Selkirk Record* placed first in Best in Class, circulation



TRIBUNE PHOTO MATTHIEU MEIER

Tribune staff, pictured left to right: Jo-Anne Procter, Jasmin Wolf, Nicole Kapusta, Corrie Sargent, Lana Meier, Christy Brown and Debbie Strauss. Missing from the photo are Jennifer McFee, Patricia Barrett, Allana Sawatzky and Evan Matthews.

10,000 and over, and first in Best in Front page and Best Layout and Design. Brett Mitchell placed second in the province for Photographer of the Year, while Katelyn Boulanger placed second in Best First Nations Story for "Red ribbons tied to Lockport Bridge to remember MMIWG2S."

The *Winkler Morden Voice* placed second in Best in Class, circulation 10,000 and over, second in both Best Front Page and Best Editorial Page. Graphic designer Tara Gionet was awarded first in Best Advertisement for her well-designed Pharmasave ad. Reporter Lorne Stelmach placed third in Best Tourism for "Museum brings First World War to life." Ashleigh Viveiros placed third in Best Education for "Forging future leaders." Rick Hiebert received second for Best Feature photo, while Peter Cantelon placed third in Best Columnist.

In 2019 there were 46 member newspapers belonging to MCNA. Throughout history, newspapers have been relied upon to provide in-depth, trusted and important information in times of crisis. The current COVID-19 pandemic is no different. In fact, the need for vital information to be communicated uniformly and without prejudice is perhaps greater now than it has ever been. Community newspapers are on the front lines, keeping citizens of their communities updated on the latest developments directly affecting the lives of individuals living outside of the large media hubs.

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Numbers continue to rise for Northern Remote community

Staff

Public health officials advise nine additional deaths in people with COVID-19 have been reported as of Monday, including:

- a male in his 40s from the Winnipeg health region;
- a male in his 50s from the Winnipeg health region;
- a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Park Manor Personal Care Home;
- a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg;
- a male in his 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Fred Douglas Lodge;
- a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region;
- a female in her 90s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg;
- a female in her 90s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg; and
- a female in her 90s from the Southern Health-Santé Sud region, linked to the outbreak at the Rest Haven Nursing Home.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate, as of Dec. 14 is 13.6 per cent provincially and 13 per cent in Winnipeg. As of 9:30 a.m. on Monday, 241 new cases of the virus had been identified, bringing the total number of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba to 21,264.

Monday's COVID-19 data showed:

- 10 cases in the Interlake-Eastern health region;
- 23 cases in the Northern health region;
- 12 cases in the Prairie Mountain Health region;
- 38 cases in the Southern Health-Santé Sud health region; and
- 158 cases in the Winnipeg health region.

The data also showed:

- 5,791 active cases and 14,974 individuals who have recovered from COVID-19;
- there are 303 people in hospital with 39 people in intensive care due to COVID-19; and
- the total number of deaths due to COVID-19 is 499.

Laboratory testing numbers show 2,133 tests were completed yesterday, bringing the total number of lab tests completed since early February to 390,503. Case investigations continue and if a public health risk is identified, the public will be notified.

At this time, there is a very limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine. Only eligible front-line health providers will be immunized with the first 900 doses, which are expected this week. Members of the public have been calling for appointments, which means eligible health-care providers cannot get through. If you are not an eligible front-line health provider, do not call for an appointment. More information will be shared with the public about immunization clinics as the supply of vaccine increases.

The Interlake-Eastern total case breakdown by district as of Monday, is as follows: A total of 1,498 cases, up by 213 from last Monday: 400 active cases, 1,075 recovered, 18 currently in the hospital with six of those in ICU and 23 deaths.

Arborg/Riverton 5 active cases, 45 recovered; Beausejour 28 active cases, 41 recovered; Eriksdale/Ashern 27 active cases, 75 recovered and 8 deaths; Fisher/Peguis 36 active cases and 254 recovered, 2 deaths; Gimli 5 active cases, 21 recovered; Northern Remote 127 active cases, 80 recovered and 1 death; Pinawa/Lac du Bonnet 3 active cases, 34 recovered; Powerview/Pine Falls 48 active case and 20 recovered; Selkirk 19 active cases and 49 recovered and 2 deaths; Springfield 34 active cases and 104 recovered and 3 deaths; St. Clements 26 active cases and 40 recovered; St. Laurent 4 active cases, 10 recovered; Stonewall/Teulon 8 active cases, 116 recovered and 4 deaths; Unknown District 18 active cases and 81 recovered, 1 death; Whiteshell 10 recovered and Winnipeg Beach/St. Andrews 12 active cases and 95 recovered and 1 death.

On Sunday, Dec. 6 a male in his 70s from the Interlake-Eastern health region, linked to an outbreak at Kin Place Personal Care Home in Oakbank passed away.

Manitoba's first COVID-19 immunization clinic

Manitoba's Premier Brian Pallister had the opportunity to tour Manitoba's first COVID-19 immunization clinic, which has been set up to begin administering the life-saving immunization to protect the first group of high-risk health-care providers this week.

Pending the safe arrival of the first limited supply of immunizations in Manitoba as scheduled in the days ahead, the clinic is ready to tentatively start vaccinating the first

priority group of health-care workers Wednesday morning. To date, 668 workers have booked appointments and appointments for 232 workers remain available.

"We want to express our gratitude for those workers for stepping up to protect themselves, their patients and their fellow Manitobans as we begin our immunization campaign. We also want to thank everyone in the first priority group for their patience in making appointments and understanding that there are not enough vaccines for everyone in the initial shipment. We are constantly looking to improve our processes," said Pallister.

Manitoba is scheduled to receive enough doses of the Pfizer vaccine to immunize 900 people. Based on recommendations from the task force, the first vaccines, which are administered during two separate appointments, will be reserved for higher-risk health-care workers who work in immunization clinics or critical, acute or long-term care facilities.

At this time, because of the extremely limited supply, Manitobans are being reminded that these first appointments are reserved for specific front-line health-care providers. A dedicated phone number to book an appointment has been shared internally within the health system for booking purposes. We ask only those eligible for an appointment to use that phone number at this time.

Pallister asks Manitobans for their patience and understanding at this crucial time as we gradually roll out our immunization program as more vaccines become available and arrive in Manitoba.



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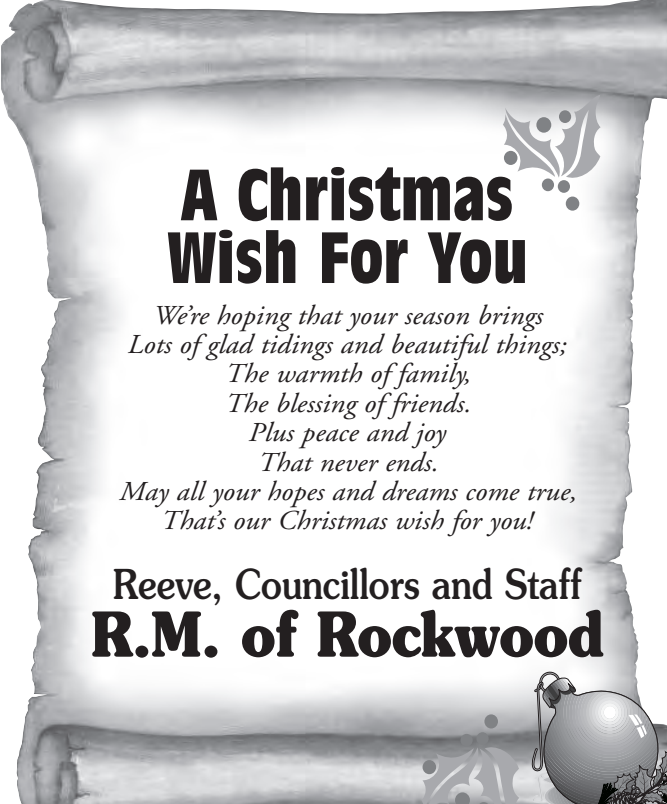
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IERHA helping each other through grief this holiday season

Interlake-Eastern RHA launches Virtual Memory Tree; encourages phone calls and virtual connections

Submitted by Jason Permanand

The holiday season can lift spirits and fill hearts with hope. For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, it can also bring feelings of sadness and despair.

At the best of times, it is very challenging to grieve the loss of someone close to you. During the holiday season when so much focus is on family, and with pandemic restrictions keeping us apart from others, it can be overwhelming.

"Grief is a mostly unpredictable journey that's hard to navigate," says Jill Hodgson-McConnell, a clinical team manager who works in the area of mental health with Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority. "It can manifest itself in many ways, including sadness, shock, numbness, denial, anger, fear, mood swings, anxiety, panic and guilt. Any of these feelings are normal ways of coping. The key is to acknowledge and validate your feelings, and take care of yourself through activities like exercise or meditation, sleeping well and reaching out to others."

Hodgson-McConnell added that people who want to reach out to others shouldn't worry about what some might perceive as interfering with another's perfect holiday season. "The reality is that all of us are going through something; we all have ups and downs. Connecting with others, even if it's only by phone or video calling, is extremely important."

Interlake-Eastern RHA is offering one way to help people trying to cope with loss this year. Normally, the palliative care program places trees in facilities throughout the region that people can hang messages on to honour someone who has died. With pandemic restrictions in place, this year they are inviting everyone to honour loved ones by adding a public message to their Virtual Memory Tree. Simply visit www.is.gd/MemoryTree and fill in your message along with who it is for, and your note will



Interlake-Eastern RHA is inviting everyone to honour loved ones by adding a public message to their Virtual Memory Tree.

appear on the page within 48 hours.

Hodgson-McConnell said that she hopes people can find some comfort in sharing their messages. Other ways people can mark the departure of a loved one include creating a virtual memory book, blog or web page so family and friends can honour the memory of your loved one and share stories. Another idea is to prepare your loved one's favourite meal or any other gesture that had significance and can remind you of them.

According to Hodgson-McConnell, it's not just those who have lost someone that need support.

"Because of isolation and the significant disruption to pre-COVID-19 routines, all of us are facing some sort of grief. Whether it be the loss of social contact, cancelled events, loss of a job or income, or the loss of anything that typically makes you happy, we are all dealing with strong emotions and grief. This year more than ever, stay in touch with each



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IERHA has launched a virtual memory tree.

other and let your loved ones know they are not alone."

Anyone experiencing loss or grief or struggling with depression, loneliness or other personal issues is encouraged to make use of the many resources available locally, which can be found at www.is.gd/mentalhealth1. If you notice that your symptoms of anxiety are causing you significant distress or interfering with your ability to function normally, call the region's 24-hour crisis line at 204-482-5419 or toll-free at 1-866-427-8628.

Province proclaims legislation to eliminate Sunday and holiday shopping restrictions

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government has expedited the proclamation of new legislation that allows retailers to stay open later on Sundays and holidays starting Saturday, Dec. 12, Finance Minister Scott Fielding announced recently.

"Given the current public health restrictions in place to protect Manitobans, we want to provide flexibility to businesses and customers and allow more opportunity for curbside pickup and delivery options as well as longer in-person shopping hours to minimize crowds," said Fielding. "During this critical time for retailers across the province, we believe these updated laws will help many businesses with additional revenues as we head into the holiday season."

Bill 4 - The Retail Business Hours of Operation Act (Various Acts Amended or Repealed) eliminates retail shopping hour restrictions so businesses are no longer required to close after 6 p.m. on Sundays and

certain holidays. It will give all businesses in Manitoba the choice to remain open later on Sundays and during statutory holidays. However, it gives municipalities the authority to pass bylaws, should they prefer to keep some restrictions in place.

Fielding noted the province expedited the passage and proclamation of this legislation over the past month, which was recommended from the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB), Manitoba Chambers of Commerce, Retail Council of Canada and the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce. In mid-November, an open letter to government on behalf of those organizations made a shared recommendation to expedite the implementation and passage of the bill.

"Given the current Critical level (red) restrictions facing all retailers across the province, it is important that we pass Bill 4 in time for the holiday season," said the organizations in the joint letter. "It is our belief that this will help many retailers with

additional revenues during this important time of year. Importantly, this change will also provide additional opportunities and or extended times for customers to shop in-store or pickup curbside orders in order to minimize how close we are when outside our residences."

"A majority of Manitoba's business owners support these changes, and we want to give all businesses in Manitoba the choice to remain open later on Sundays and statutory holidays," said Fielding. "Manitoba was the only Western Canadian province to restrict retail business hours on Sundays and holidays and our government has been committed to modernizing our outdated and complicated shopping laws."

The province will maintain its current retail hour restrictions on Remembrance Day. Public education materials will be prepared to help employers and the public understand the changes.

Woodlands receives gift of a new fire truck



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Woodlands Fire Department is grateful to receive the gift of a new truck from TC Energy.

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Stonewall's Red Apple manager Patricia Melo, left, presented a cheque in the amount of \$567.70 to Joan Fotty of Stonewall's Christmas Cheer Board. On Dec. 5 Red Apple held their annual "Fill a Sleigh Day" event, where they collected donations on the Cheer Board's behalf along with donating 10 per cent of their sales, excluding gift cards and tobacco.

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Staff

Christmas came early for Woodlands Fire Department, which received a gift of a new truck from TC Energy.

This truck will be used for rescue operations throughout the municipality, including at motor vehicle accidents, large incidents, bush fires and other emergencies.

The department said they're "forever grateful" for the generous gift.

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"Thank you so much TC Energy!" states a post on the Woodlands Fire Department's Facebook page. "Our department and the community appreciate this amazing gift!"

The fire department invites members of the public to contact them with general safety queries as well as any questions about what they do.

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

- The South Interlake Planning District has determined that its current office size and configuration no longer meets the organization's needs. Over the past year, a project steering committee has been working with an architect to develop designs for a proposed office addition. Now the SIPD is asking Rockwood council to approve the design prepared by Mistecture Architecture + Interiors Inc. and authorize the tendering and construction of the SIPD office expansion in 2021, with a long term-lease between the RM of Rockwood and SIPD.

- At the Dec. 9 meeting, Rockwood council determined that it is in the best interest of the public and employees to close all community halls, community clubs and recreations facilities within the RM until the provincial government deems them safe to open.

- At the same meeting, council

authorized Tarrant Remple to set off fireworks at his property on Road 8E at 6 p.m. on Dec. 24.

- Council authorized the CAO to sign the 2021 software program agreement and software licence agreement, as submitted by Muniware.

- Council will sign the 2021 road works contract with Maple Leaf Construction Ltd. for the estimated cost of \$281,315 plus tax.

- The RM of Rockwood is contracting Way To Go Consulting to provide services as senior elections officer for the 2022 municipal election.

- Council considered a proposal to subdivide a 2.565-acre farmstead from a 49-acre holding northeast of Teulon. The Southeast Interlake Planning District had no concerns with the request.

Delivering Our Best

At this special time of year, we'd like to express our gratitude to our many good neighbours, along with our sincere best wishes for a very merry and bright holiday season to all.



George, Barb,
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WCI student raising awareness for mental health



Abby Procter created an Instagram page to spread positivity.

By Becca Myskiw

One Grade 12 student at Warren Collegiate Institute (WCI) is turning negative into positive.

Abby Procter found the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) survey results from this year unsettling. TTFM gives students the opportunity to anonymously provide their input to improve their school. It includes questions that shows which factors have certain outcomes on students, their learning and their well-being.

One of the results Procter was informed of from this year's survey was that grades 11 and 12 had record low levels of mental health compared to the national average.

"That definitely sparked the need for change," she said.

So, Procter created the Instagram page @warrencollegiatewellness as a way to spread positivity to her peers.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY BECCA MYSKIW

@warrencollegiatewellness is the Instagram page.

She said she and many of her friends have had declining mental health during COVID-19 especially and she attributes a lot of that to social media.

"I feel like I've had my own struggles with [mental health] and I wanted to turn a negative into a positive," she said. "I didn't want anyone to feel the way I did."

Though it has given her a means to connect with people in an isolating time, social media has many negative effects on self-image.

According to a 2020 study from the *Canadian Medical Association Journal* (CMAJ), social media can increase mental distress, self-injurious behaviour and suicide among youth. It can also affect their self-view and interpersonal relationships, cause sleep deprivation and have negative effects on cognitive control and school performance.

Procter said that reliving the same day every day has been taking a toll on her and her friends. She also finds doing her work and classes online more stressful.

The Warren Collegiate Wellness page is open for anyone to follow and Procter said she hopes young people who don't go to WCI follow the page as well. She has a timeline in place for which things she'll post when, but first she's trying to grow the page by gaining followers.

The posts on the Instagram page include motivational messages, uplifting quotes and (hopefully) stories from students who are dealing with their own mental health battles.

"I'm hoping it'll make them realize that what they're feeling isn't abnormal," she said. "They don't have to be alone."

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The Most Wonderful Time of the Year?

A song being played on the radio about now is called, "It's the most wonderful time of the year." It talks about happy things like "parties for hosting, marshmallows for toasting and caroling out in the snow." And, "There'll be much mistletoeing and hearts will be glowing when loved ones are near..."

Well, I think that song won't be true for most of us in 2020. Most of us will probably join Elvis as he sobs his way through "But I'll have a blue, blue, blue, blue Christmas."

This of course is because of the sadness that all of us are feeling with the government's recent ruling that we cannot gather as families for Christmas.

For most people, Christmas is the highlight of their year. I know it is for Linda and me (she dreams from Jan. 1 onward about what I may be giving her as a present at Christmas...) For me, I am going to miss so much of those wonderful things that come around each December. My highlight is watching my grandchildren excitedly opening their Christmas gifts.

We all know that this is going to be a big battle for us. How do we handle it? How do we keep from getting terribly depressed over it? Here is how I am handling it: I am bringing it to God in prayer, asking Him to give me the needed strength, courage, resolve, fortitude, etc. needed to go through this year's Christmas, which, sadly, will be like one we've never had before.

There are two verses in the Bible that I will be leaning heavily on to sustain me through the upcoming Christmas season: "Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous fall" (Psalms 55:22.) "Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7).

And when I reassure myself of this, I find my both my sadness and anxiety level dropping incredibly.

I hope your's will too.
Henry Ozirney

> OFF-ROAD, FROM PG. 9

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- Must not carry open liquor or cannabis;

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- While some provincial laws such as the Off-Road Vehicle Act do not apply to private property, the Criminal Code of Canada does.

Therefore, operating an ORV while impaired or with a blood alcohol concentration or blood drug concentration over the legal limit is a criminal offence, as is operating an ORV in a dangerous manner.

"This past year, 50 per cent of fatal ORV collisions involved alcohol and/or drugs," said Sgt. Mark Hume, officer in charge of Westman traffic services. "In 60 per cent of the collisions reported to police, the operator was found to be driving too fast and either lost control or struck an object. Of those killed in collisions, one in three were not wearing a helmet. All of these deaths could have been prevented."

Sending messages of love



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R.W. Bobby Bend Grade 1 students have been reading a lot of Christmas stories. The students also made Christmas cards to send to the residents of Rosewood Lodge. Pictured back row, left to right: Agambir, Harper, Dawson; front row, Nicky and Clara.



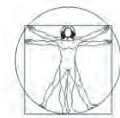
Pictured left to right: Denise McGregor, Dr. Colina Wong, Janique Philippe, Dr. Ryan Dumont, Julia Somerville
Missing: Marnie Resch

All the best in 2021 from Stonewall Chiropractic Centre!!

It's been a challenging year for many, but with a new year comes hope and opportunity. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year. Thanks again for a great year.

Thanks from the team:

Chiropractors - Dr. Ryan Dumont, Dr. Colina Wong,
Registered Massage Therapists - Julia Somerville
Athletic Therapist - Janique Philippe
Staff/Office Superheroes - Denise McGregor and Marnie Resch



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A Message of Appreciation and Holiday Greetings from the Board of Trustees of Interlake School Division



The holiday season brings with it an opportunity for our ISD employees, students and community members to take a moment to breathe and recuperate after the first four months of the school year.

This year, more than ever before, this much needed break is crucial and so well deserved.


On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I'll take this opportunity to extend our most sincere thanks to everyone who continues to go above and beyond in the delivery of public education in our communities.

Whatever your role, either directly or indirectly tied to our schools, please know that your ongoing support is very much appreciated.

Wishing you a joyous holiday season and health & happiness in 2021.


Alan Campbell
Chair of the Board







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I was also wondering how many kids

are there around the world?
Merry Christmas Santa!!
Love: Arla, Age 5

Dear Santa,
My name is Nora Wynn Williams and I am 3 years old. I watched a movie where the reindeer liked candy canes, I am wondering if this is true? If it is, I

will leave some for your reindeer. For Christmas this year I would like, an ice cream set, or a Mermaid Color Reveal Barbie, or a real make-up set.
Merry Christmas Santa!!
Love: Nora, Age 3

Dear Santa,
My name is Sawyer Paul Williams and

I am 15 months old. For Christmas this year I would like, my own chainsaw to help daddy cut wood. I also really like Thomas the Train, I would love a train set to play with. Please give all your reindeer a pat for me. I love animals!!
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Love: Sawyer, Age 15 months

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My favourite game is Yahtzee.
My favourite cookies are chocolate chip.
My best friend's name is Kailey.
I love winter because I like to skate.
See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Natalie and I am 5 years old.
My favourite games are puzzles.
My favourite cookies are sugar cookies.
My best friend's name is Colbie.
I love winter because I like skating.
See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Raelyn and I am 5 years old.
My favourite game is house.
My favourite cookies are banana cookies.
My best friend's name is Kailey.
I love winter because I make snowballs.
See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Colbie

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An advertisement for Stonewall Home Hardware. At the top, a red banner contains the text "Here's How we serve our communities." in white, with a small logo to the left. Below this, the text "Shop Essentials in store or online" is written in large, bold, red letters. Underneath, "Curb side pickup is available" is written in bold black letters. The main logo features a red square with a white "nh" and a yellow border, followed by the text "STONEWALL Home hardware" in black. The address "486 Main Street, Stonewall" and phone number "204-467-5589" are at the bottom in bold black. Social media icons for Facebook and Instagram are in the bottom corners.

An advertisement for gift certificates. At the top, the words "GREAT GIFT IDEA" are written in large, bold, green letters with a white outline. Below this, there is a graphic of a red gift box with a green ribbon bow. Overlaid on the gift box is the word "Gift" in a white cursive font, followed by "Certificates" in a larger, yellow cursive font with a white outline. Below the word "Certificates" is a green banner with the text "for the one who has everything!" in a white cursive font. To the right of the banner are two social media icons: a blue Facebook 'f' and a colorful Instagram camera icon. At the bottom of the advertisement, the text "ROCKWOOD Motor Inn" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font, followed by "390 Main St. Stonewall" in a smaller white font, and the phone number "467-2354" in a large, bold, white font.

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It's hard to enjoy the magic of the season if you're trying to navigate crowded stores or worried that our online purchases won't arrive in time. If holiday hopping has become a dreaded chore, consider buying everything you need from the stores in your region. Here are a few reasons why.

Local entrepreneurs need your support

For years there's been a growing interest in buying local goods, particularly during the holiday season. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, supporting local entrepreneurs is more important than ever. Small businesses rely on a loyal customer base to thrive, and your patronage during the holiday season is crucial to their recovery from the current economic crisis.

Local shopping benefits everyone

Buying local stimulates your region's economy. It helps create more jobs in your area and provides many families with a much-needed financial boost during the holidays.

What's more, when you opt for locally made products, you're helping to protect the environment because fewer greenhouse gases are emitted when transporting the merchandise. You also spend less time on the road when you shop locally. This further reduces your carbon footprint and allows you to check numerous items off your holiday shopping list in just a few hours.

Local shops offer quality goods

From unique gifts and chic outfits to fresh ingredients and handcrafted decorations, local stores are stocked with everything you need for a memorable holiday season. And since small business owners prioritize well-made products, you'll be sure to get your money's worth. Plus, you'll benefit from the friendly, personal service offered by knowledgeable employees.

From gift recommendations to easy in-person returns, shopping at stores in your region can lighten your load during the holiday season. This year make it a point to buy local.

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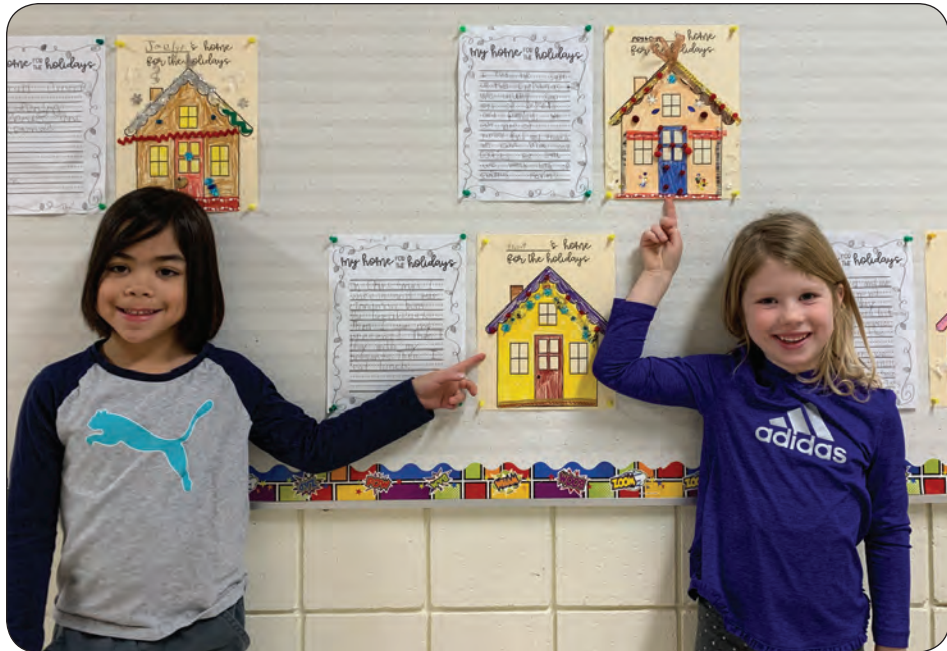
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R.W. Bobby Bend Grade 1 French Immersion students, including Logan and Sophie, coloured and decorated their "Home for the Holidays" pictures and wrote a description of their homes.



Elliot, left, and Peyton showing which homes are theirs.



Best wishes for a safe, wonderful
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and I am 5 years old.

My favourite game is Go Fish.

My favourite cookies are sugar cookies.

My best friend's name is Kailey.

I love winter because I make snowmen.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is store.
My favourite cookies are chocolate chip.

My best friend's name is Anna.

I love winter because I like to make snow angels.
See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is Paw Patrol.

My favourite cookies are the mixed up kind.

My best friend's name is Colbie.

I love winter because I like to build snowmen.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is sharks.

My favourite cookies are sugar cookies.

My best friend's name is Colbie.

I love winter because we make forts.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is dolls.

My favourite cookies are chocolate ones.

My best friend's name is Isabelle.

I love winter because I like to make snow forts.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is Old Maid.

My favourite cookies are Smartie cookies.

My best friend's name is Nan.

I love winter because I make snow forts.

See you soon Santa!

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Bryson and I am 4 years old.

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My favourite cookies are chocolate ones.

My best friend's name is Brandt.

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Here Comes Santa Claus!

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Dear Santa,
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My favourite game is Batman.

My favourite cookies are carrot cookies.

My best friend's name is Nicky.

I love winter because I love playing in snow.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is racing.

My favourite cookies are strawberry cookies.

My best friend's name is Natalie.

I love winter because I like to skate.

See you soon Santa!

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

My favourite game is tractors.

My favourite cookies are chocolate chip.

My best friend's name is Bryson.

I love winter because I love to play in the deep snow.

See you soon Santa!

Teulon Elementary Kindergarten - Melissa Powronik's class

Dear Santa,

How are you today? My name is Halo and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Go Fish. My favourite cookie is gingerbread. My best friend's name is Kyra. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me some new puzzles? See you soon, Santa! Love: Halo A.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Emma and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is the mermaid game. My favourite cookie is gingerbread. My best friend's name is Ava. I love winter because I like to go skidooring. Can you please bring me a kite? See you soon, Santa! Love: Emma B.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Grayson and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Battleship. My favourite cookie is Oreo. My best friend's name is Jaxon. I love winter because of the snow. Can you please bring me a submarine? See you soon, Santa! Love: Grayson C.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Chloe and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Candyland. My favourite cookie is raisin chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Liam. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me a horse? See you soon, Santa! Love: Chloe C.

Dear Santa,

How are you today? My name is Korbin and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is car racing. My favourite cookie is Oreo. My best friend's name is Paxdyn. I love winter because of the snow. Can you please bring me a toy sword? See you soon, Santa! Love: Korbin C.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Quinn and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is The Elsa Game. My favourite cookie is Oreo. My best friend's name is Chloe. I love winter because I like to build snow forts. Can you please bring me a baby doll? See you soon,



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Santa! Love: Quinn C.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Kyra and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Guess Who. My favourite cookie is rainbow cookies. My best friend's name is Emma. I love winter because

I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me an LOL doll? See you soon, Santa! Love: Kyra K.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Jacob and I am 5

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Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy 2021!

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RM of Woodlands**

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years old. My favourite game is Hide and Seek. My favourite cookie is ginger snaps. My best friend's name is Chloe. I love winter because I like to go skidooing. Can you please bring me a remote-controlled monster truck? See you soon, Santa! Love: Jacob K.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Brody and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Hide and Seek Tag. My favourite cookie is monster cookies. My best friend's name is Bella. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me a magic kit? See you soon, Santa! Love: Brody P.

Dear Santa,

How are you today? My name is Paxdyn and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is monster trucks. My favourite cookie is chocolate. My best friend's name is Jacob. I love winter because it's the best. Can you please bring me



water balloons? See you soon, Santa! Love: Paxdyn P.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Amelia and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is the bird game. My favourite cookie is chocolate chip. My best friend's name is Emma. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me nail polish? See you soon, Santa! Love: Amelia S.

Dear Santa,
How are you today? My name is Chloe and I am 5 years old. My favourite game is Go Fish. My favourite cookie is vanilla. My best friend's name is Avery. I love winter because I like to build snowmen. Can you please bring me a moon nightlight? See you soon, Santa! Love: Chloe T.

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Students embrace the holiday spirit of giving

By Jennifer McFee

In a year filled with many uncertainties, community spirit continues to persevere — particularly in local students who are embracing the opportunity to help others through heartfelt projects.

At Grosse Isle School, the Grade 7 and 8 students have embarked on studies about universal human rights and quality of life as part of the Grade 7 social studies curriculum.

Teacher Amanda Clemis explained how the group conducted research projects about various human rights activists earlier this term. More recently, they've been exploring the topic of quality of life in Canada as well as in developing and less-developed countries of the world.

"Through our discussions, the students have made connections to the struggles that many Canadians will be facing this holiday season, especially given the additional strain COVID-19 has placed on families," she said.

"As a collective, we agreed that we would like to make a difference to families and individuals struggling this holiday season. We began researching and sharing about the various charities and initiatives we knew of within Manitoba."

In the past, the school has collected non-perishable food items for the Christmas Cheer Board, she added.

"It was a no-brainer to include the Stonewall and District Cheer Board as one of our initiatives, though it will look a little bit different this year. We will be collecting monetary donations, which will be used towards food vouchers for families this Christmas," she said.

"Many students were aware of Siloam Mission and the Main Street Project through either their parents or awareness of other fundraising campaigns, so they've decided to split the hygiene donations between these two causes."

Last week, the students had the chance to meet virtually with Paul Loewen, community education co-



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY MONICA BALDWIN

Grade 7 and 8 students at Grosse Isle School helped to make Christmas brighter for many others.



Grade 7 students Kiera Schutz, left, and Camryn Oliver, right, participated in the project.



Left to right: Grade 7 students Tanzi Dolski, Sara Knutson and Zelia Barbosa-Meyers helped with efforts to collect donations.

ordinator with Siloam Mission. In a 90-minute Zoom call, they discussed poverty, homelessness and the seven powers that affect people within these communities.

"Students were highly engaged in Paul's presentation," Clemis said, "which led to many thoughtful questions and conversations."

In addition, the students aimed to create a brighter Christmas for other youngsters who might not find many gifts under their tree.

"I had seen a parent post on the Gifting Village that their son wanted to share his no longer used toys with a child who might not otherwise receive a gift this Christmas. The class thought this was something they could all easily contribute to so, as a whole, they decided that we would collect gently used toys and make them available through the Gifting Village," Clemis said.

"Students were also able to collect and purchase new toys that have

since been donated to three Christmas hampers and gifting toys to six children so far."

Many of the youth felt it was important to give back and support families in need, including Grade 8 student Ethan Corbett.

"It means that we get to help our community," he said, "especially those who can't afford the items they may need during the holidays and especially around this time of year."

Grade 8 student Lily Dowd expressed similar sentiments.

"I'm glad that we could do good in our community and help those in need," she said.

For Clemis, it's been inspiring to see the students take the lead on these initiatives.

"They recognized that Christmas brings a lot of additional expenses to families in a normal year and that COVID means that some families have lost employment income," she said,



Grade 8 students Ethan Corbett and Alycia Galbraith showcase some of the organized donations.

"and that with the increased restrictions, parents can no longer simply go to the store to purchase a toy."

The collection initiative wrapped up on Dec. 14 with boxes filled with items generously donated by community members.



Christmas Stories I had the best Christmas break....

First Place

Christmas Chaos
By Sydney Boughton, 11 years

It was December 23, the last day of school before Christmas break. Most kids were excited about the break and upcoming holiday, but not Barbara.

Barbara and her mom had planned a great holiday to Brazil. But, last week her mom slipped on ice and broke her leg. Now Barbara's mom was waiting in the hospital for surgery and Barbara's vacation was cancelled.

On her way home from school, Barbara thought she may as well try to make some extra money over the

holiday, so she stopped by the town market to check the bulletin board for jobs. There weren't many things for a 13-year-old girl except shovelling and babysitting, and Barbara already had lots of babysitting jobs. Just then Barbara remembered her babysitting job for that night and needed to hurry home. As she was walking out, she noticed a WANTED poster with two middle-aged men on it. They looked pretty harmless and Barbara wondered what they had done to deserve a reward of \$500,000.00. Barbara hustled home to get her babysitting bag. She arrived at the William's house just in time. Tonight she would be babysit-

ting their 7-year-old daughter Olivia.

After a quick dinner, Barbara decided to take Olivia to the park. On their way back from the park she saw the men from the WANTED poster. They caught her staring... and started to follow Barbara and Olivia home.

Barbara was a little freaked out but she had had enough bad things happen this week that she was ready to fight back. Barbara and Olivia took a shortcut through the schoolyard. The men followed in their car along the fence. Barbara was going to have to think fast if she wanted to capture the bad guys and collect the reward. While they ran through the school-

yard Barbara and Olivia came up with the perfect plan. Barbara opened the back-yard fence and grabbed some rope, while Olivia ran up to her room. Barbara joined her just as the bad men were coming into Olivia's yard.

At just the right time the girls jumped out Olivia's window right onto the men knocking them into the snow-bank. While the men were dazed and confused, Barbara tied them up and asked Olivia to call the Police. Barbara collected the reward and ended up having a great Christmas after all.

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Christmas Coin Collection of Cheer Ornamental designs



Grade 2 students Jackson and Samara count the coins.

TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY CELINE DOLL
R.W. Bobby Bend Grade 2 student Brooklyn places her coins in the Cheer Board donation bucket. In lieu of the traditional generous donations of food and toys that come from RWBB students and the community each year, the students engaged in a week-long coin collection that had them bring in nickels on the first day, dimes on the second day, quarters on the third, followed by loonies and toonies. Students were able to partake in the act of giving and helping others in a safe way this year. The students also did classroom-based math activities based on the number of coins they collected. In total, RWBB raised \$2,952.40, which was donated to the Stonewall Christmas Cheer Board and families in the community.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Kindergarten French immersion students, left to right, Kade, Maverick and Griffin made Christmas ornaments on which they drew a chalk snowflake, wrote the date and added a picture of themselves.



Bethany, left, and Bain show off their decorations.

Second Place

**The most awesome
Christmas break ever!!!
By Sawyer Park, Age 10**

It was the most awesome Christmas break ever! Here's what happened... It all started on a beautiful December the 24th, Ron and his family were getting prepared for his cousins to come over for dinner. Then he heard a knock on his door. He looked out the window to see his cousins Frank and Anne and Uncle Joe with Auntie Jackie.

"They're here!" Ron yelled. He ran outside and gave them big hugs. "It's so nice to see you guys." Ron said. "We're happier to see you." Frank said. "Come in. I'm Hungry."

Inside the family ate and laughed. "It sucks that Anne can't talk yet" Frank said. "If she could talk I wonder what she'd say?" wondered Ron. Two hours later Anne and Frank had to leave. They all said goodbye and left. At that time Ron had to go to bed. But he couldn't fall asleep knowing it was Christmas! So he woke up and took some night pills. Then he heard jingling. He hid behind the couch. When he looked he saw Santa!! Santa put his bag down and Ron crawled into the bag. Then Santa grabbed the bag and went up the chimney. When he got to his sleigh, Ron came out of the bag. Santa said "Ho Ho Ho. What are you doing here?" "I was gonna see the world, peeking now and then from your bag. But its nice to meet you! Let me get you your cookie" Said Rod. Ron handed Santa 5 cookies. Santa said "I'm going to take the coal out of your stocking!" Santa ate the five cookies, took the coal out of the stocking and said goodbye. "Bye Santa. Merry Christmas!" Ron yelled. "Ho ho ho. Merry Christmas!" Ron ran inside, crawled into his bed and quickly fell asleep. When he work up his parents asked him "How was your sleep?" Ron said "Oh, not bad".

**The Best Gift I've Ever Given
Someone**

By Emma Hennessey, 11 years

The best gift I've ever given someone was to my mom last year. It all started on Christmas morning. I woke up at 8:30 am because Ben -aka my stepdad- brought her into my room and she came and woke me up, I think my sister was about 7 months old. I finally got out of my bed and went upstairs. There were so many presents! As I got upstairs, I smelt and saw bacon, eggs and Ben's home-made hash browns.

Next, we opened presents, I was the gift delivery guy! I gave us each one present each time-as in us I mean Ben, my mom, Quinn and I. When I got to our last presents my mom opened hers first. It wasn't in the box! We had

to find it! "Where is it?" I asked Ben. He gave me a hint because he hid it. "it's near your elves." He said. Ok, I thought. Now all I had to do was find Winky and Blinky (my elves). That can't be hard you're probably thinking but, yes, it is kind of hard they've been hiding in some good spots. That's okay though. I just had to look harder. So, I started in my sister's room and they weren't there, so I looked in my mom and Ben's room and their bathroom. Wasn't there either, I checked all the rooms upstairs. After, I saw they weren't there, so I went downstairs, I looked in my room first, next the 'hockey' room and the laundry room and the last room was the living room.

"I found it!" I yelled. It was on the air hockey table! I brought it upstairs and gave it to my mom. So, you're probably wondering what it is. Well, Ben, Quinn and I got my mom a new computer because hers was very slow and she had had for a long time. She loved it! I'm so glad she does. What's your best present you've given to someone? This was mine.

Third Place

**The day I became a snowman
Sam Sorokowski, 11 years**

When Buttons woke up, he'd wondered why it was so bright, then he realized that he was outside! Oh, but that's not all, he was also in a snow globe! He tried to move around but he just kept on falling right back down. When he tried to get up he noticed that he didn't have any legs and had he'd turned into a snowman? "What a morning," he said exhausted. He'd wonder how he would get out of here. He saw someone coming out of their house. Could this be his way out? The kid had noticed Buttons, she wondered how a snowman had turned up in her yard overnight. "Hi Mr. Snowman." Said the kid, not expecting a reply. "Hi." In shock, the girl took a step back. "Don't be scared, I'm nice I'm just lost, I'm Buttons" "Oh I'm Susie how can I help?" "I need to find my way back home." said the girl. How were they going to get Buttons home, they didn't even know how he had got there. "I have an idea!" Said Susie. I know this person who might just help. "Ok let's go." And off they went. When they got there no one answered. "Hey there's a sign!" it read "Don't disturb, still sleeping and haven't had my coffee yet." "We will come back later." In the meantime, they went for a walk. He just couldn't get the hang of walking so it took them a while which was ok they had time. They fell and laughed and had one of the best times of their lives. "Hey look the sign is off the door now." Said Buttons. So, they went to go and knock this time they got an answer. And the man had helped them.

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"Go to the tree by the white bench and there you will find what you are looking for." And off they went one more time. Under the tree was a time traveller. "Will I guess this is it, I'm going to miss you." Said Susie "Me too." Buttons had an idea "Here take this, it was mine but now it's yours if you ever miss me just shake and I'll be back". It was a key chain with a mini snow globe attached! "Wow thanks!" said Susie. See you soon. And off he went back home.

My snowman life

By Shiloh Steyn-Nagorski, Age 9

It was Christmas Eve, and I was just about to go to bed, when I heard an awkward knock at the door.

It seemed a little late for someone to be delivering packages, but I thought I'd go see to be sure. When I got to the door all I saw was a weird shaped bottle. When I opened the bottle there was a weird looking stew type thing, but anyway I opened it and took a little sip. Nothing happened, so I went to bed and I thought I'd just worry about it in the morning.

When I woke up, I was shivering cold and my feet were frozen. At that moment I realized that I was a snowman!

I tried to do a cart wheel because I know I'm great at gymnastics, but I just fell over! Then I realized the sun has come out and it was scorching hot. So I tried to open the front door, but it was no use!

My sticks fell to the ground so I thought like Santa clause, and I climbed on top of the roof and jumped down the chimney! I thought it would be cool inside the house but apparently my house did not have the air conditioning on!

I stuck my head in the mop bucket because there should be cold water in there, but instead I became the water!

I have no time to worry about that now, as I have to become a person again! All I have to do, is take another sip of that potion to transform!

Oh, and then finally my mom turned the air conditioning back on! I waited for hours and then finally I melted. I got a sip of my potion then : BAM! I was me again, and that is what a snowman's life is like!

Also the worst Christmas EVER!!!

The birthday Present

By Julia Harrisko, 11 years old

It was a cold morning in Stonewall and everyone was doing something, but this story isn't about everyone, it's about Lilly an 11-year-old girl who has blonde hair, freckles and is very short. Also, a 44-year-old mom with 3 kids, a husband and brown curly hair. Lilly's mom also has a birthday coming, and Lilly needs to get her mom a gift to be the favourite child to put her on top. Lilly had all the money that she needed and knew where to get

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the perfect present, so she was all set.

Lilly went to buy the present when she got home from school on Friday. She went uptown to a local store and bought her mom a nice coffee mug. But it took long because she couldn't reach the mug on the shelf, and Lilly is very short and I mean VERY so she had to ask a worker to get the mug for her, which was embarrassing. She bought the mug and was on her way home when she realized a mug wasn't enough to make her the favourite child, so she stopped and bought some gum. She bought 3 packs: 2 for her mom and 1 for herself obviously. She was on her way home when she dropped the mug!!

Lilly quickly picked it up and saw there was a crack in it! It wasn't that noticeable so Lilly thought it would be fine, she put the mug back in the bag and went home. She wrapped the present up, put it in her closet, and waited for her mom's birthday to come. Finally, it came her, mom's birthday was finally here! Lilly got home from school on Monday afternoon and waited for her mom to come through the door, she ran to her mom and told her to open the present and she did, Lilly could tell she really liked.

She told Lilly she would use it all the time and Lilly knew at that moment in time she was the favourite child. She gave her siblings a mean look and they gave one back. Lilly was proud of her gift even though her mom never used it again she was still proud.

If I Were a Snowman

By Corran Broadbent, 11 years

Today I woke up thinking what it would be like to be a snowman, I told my dad about it, but he just laughed and said it was impossible, so the rest of the day I drew snowmen in my room and tried to think how it would be like to be one. After I did that for a while, I decided to have a nap, and when I woke up, I felt different. Then I looked down at my body and all I saw was a SNOWMAN.

I was still shocked that I had transformed into a snowman when my brother came outside. My brother started to play in the snow until he saw me, came over and was about to push me over until I yelled STOP! My brother was so surprised that he was blown back. When he recovered, he walked back over to me and said wow! He started inspecting me and asking me questions until I told him that mom and dad are probably worried about him and that he should go back inside.

The next day it was hotter outside and I was not too worried until I started melting. I started screaming for help when my brother saw me from

the window and rushed to help me. When he got outside, he started packing more snow on to me. I told him it would not work so he ran inside to get some cardboard to put over me. That seemed to work so he stuck it into the ground and then left to go back inside. After that, he came back regularly to check on me and the cardboard and sometimes, we would have snowball fights which were fun. That was the only worry so far.

It was hot again the next day, but the cardboard was protecting me. Suddenly a gust of wind knocked the cardboard away and I started to melt, I tried to get the attention of my brother, but he was gone shopping with our mom and my dad went to work. So, there was no one there to help me and I melted into a puddle rather quickly but amazingly the puddle started to swirl, and I turned back into a human. When my brother got back, I surprised him when he went to game on the ps4, and I laughed.

A Snowman's Story **By Jess Highmoor, Age 10**

It was a frosty Christmas Eve and I was in my bed, sound asleep, dreaming about tomorrow.

In the morning I woke up and realized I was standing in my front yard... ..I panicked..... I thought, was this how I was going to spend the rest of my life?

First of all couldn't move, my feet were stuck in one spot, also I couldn't talk, so no one could rescue me.

Then I thought what happens when I melt away in spring. Days passed by, kids walked past me on their way to and from school. No one seemed to notice me, was I invisible to them? Didn't anyone realize I was missing?

Finally, it was spring, I was starting to melt, I closed my eyes knowing the end was near... POP! I woke up and I was back in my bed. It was all a dream.

The End. Merry Christmas

You open your eyes and you're a SNOWWMAN. What's your life like? **Sophia E. Potter, 11 years old**

Good morning. "Ahhhhhhh". I am a snowwoman! Don't panic, it is ok this is usual. What am I saying this is not usual! It is ok I will breath through this. I can't breathe through this, I am made of snow now. It is probably just for a day or two or years! No! it is just temporarily, I will be fine. Well now I am going to go outside, because my parents DO NOT want me inside.

It is pretty cold out here "brrrrrr". Wait, what is over their. Turns out it is another snowwoman. I waddled over there to check it out. Just saying it is pretty hard to get over there. Then I finally got over there and it was another snowwoman. I asked her if she wanted go find some where warm and

she wanted to. So, we did. We where practically like twins. We both had blue lips because it is cold out here. We also both had a long orange nose. We both also had black eyes with a dot on them. I really wonder why we are so similar. Oh, I know it is because we are snowwomen right now. There is just one thing that is different between us. She is shyer than me. She does not talk as much as me. Different hey. After we warmed up a little bit we ate our noses because we got hungry. Once we ate our noses we did not have a good sense of smell.

So now we are made of snow and we do not have any noses. Life is going good. We were getting pretty bored. So, we decided to have a snowball fight using the snow we were made of. We lost lots of snow but we did get some back when a snowball hit us and it stuck to us. Over all we lost more snow than we got back. Life was going pretty good so far. Expect we were melting pretty fast. Before I knew it, I would be human again, and life would be normal again.

In the end I did shirk a little bit and I lost a nose but life was pretty good as being a snowwoman. I am now human again and I have no more snow on me.

You open your eyes and you are a snowman

By Emmett Campbell, 11 years

On Christmas morning I woke up outside as a SNOWMAN? I couldn't move too, except for my head. I tried talking but I don't think anyone could hear me. 2 hours pass by and what do I do, I can't move, talk and plus, a life of a snowman must suck. So, I hummed for a while, I was surprised that I wasn't that hungry too. I'm trying to move but it isn't working, then I feel really hot. I wondered why then I realized I MIGHT MELT!!! It is still very boring being a snowman, but my body is like in the snowman, weird but boring, plus I'm trying not to melt. I'm not able to do a thing! I can't move nor talk! I'm lucky I can breathe. After an hour I try to move, and I can!! Just my hand, I've tried so long! Now I can, but my hand is getting cold maybe it is a curse, but why? But I wonder if mom is ok. Wait... is that... MOM?! "Hello? Emmett? Where are yo.. wait whose snowman is this?" I shook my hand very fast. Mom pushed the snowman over. "I can't break the snowman," mom says. "Well, I'm trying my hardest to move," I mumble to myself. "I'm going to call gran ok. Stay here," Mom says. Gran pulls into the driveway. "I came as fast as I could," Gran says. "Emmett is in the snowman!!" mom says. "Well, it is going to be warm tonight. So maybe we can wait till he melts," Gran says. "It might work.""Ok bye, Emmett!!" they both say. Well back to the drawing

board. Now I NEED to wait all night or less of the night. Man! It hurts, the heat! It burnnnsssss!! What? Was that a dream? It felt so real! Oh well, I'm SO tired.

One Day as a snowman **Chase Corbett, 11 years**

Once upon a time in a.... wait, what is this garbage. Since I'm the one telling the story I'm going to tell it my way, so once upon a.... oh, I just said it again didn't I, I think that garbage fairy script is rubbing off on me, oh my gosh did I just say that out loud!!! I'm just going to start the story Once up...., uhhh!!

This all started when my friends and I decided to build a snowman (well really our moms forced us to), it had just snowed 4 inches of last night so we thought we would give it a shot. Oh, I forgot to introduce myself and my friends (no wonder my mom is trying to teach me my manners) I'm Chase and my friends' names are Myles and Reese. Anyway, back to the story, we started by making the.... You know what, I'm just going to skip that part because I'm pretty sure that everyone knows how to build a snowman, once we finished, we had to name him, so to make a long story short we named him Jake, because Jake is a dope name.

I wake up the next morning to find it is so cold, I yell moooooom could you turn on the fire, when I don't get an answer, I open my eyes to see that I am a snowman. I yell, which ends up waking up Myles and Reese, but I can't see them, where are you guys, then I hear a little Ahhh I look down and I see Reese on my left arm/stick and Myles my right. After I got a good laugh in, we quickly realized we had to try to get back to normal.

We were going crazy, but we did know one thing, we had to try to get back to normal. We run, well we roll, because my bottom snowball is a speedy wheel, we rolled around the backyard all morning, we stopped rolling around for a minute and that's when we realized, we had a big problem, we were starving, we started to eat snow for the rest of the afternoon and into the night.

When we saw the sunrise, we remembered we were still a snowman, we were staring into the sun when I looked over and saw my friends and I were human.

Snowman **By Anna Hoff, Age 9**

I was in my cozy bed when I realized my head wasn't in my bed!

I stood up and looked around when I realized there was snow on the ground

I tried to reach down but then couldn't reach the ground.

Why couldn't I get to the ground? Maybe I was round?

Maybe I was dreaming I thought while I was screaming.

Maybe I have bad luck I said while I saw a buck.

Then I was back in my cozy bed thinking what is wrong with my head!?!?

I had the best Christmas break.... **Kalli Missiabiti, 9 years old**

I went to Minneapolis and I went to Mall of America! We went on rides and here is a couple rides I went on. I went on sudden drop and it is where you go up very high and drop down! I also went on one where you go on a log and you have water flowing under you and you go in a cave and at the end you go down a tall hill and I had a big scared face on! I was so scared! I stayed in a hotel ten feet away from Mall of America! I had so much fun! When I was on the way home I got to get ice cream. And that is my Christmas break.

The Gift I Give Every Year **To The Homeless**

Reese James, 11 years

Each year me and my sister give some of our candy to Siloam Mission. Every year after we are done trick or treating, me and my sister split our candy in half, and give the other half to the homeless at Siloam Mission. This year, sadly, I couldn't give some of my candy away to Siloam Mission, because of covid. I felt guilty that I couldn't give some of my candy away. I missed all the smiles on their faces.

The first year I gave some of my candy away I was 7. I was sooo much greedier when I was younger, so I didn't give much candy. I only gave 20 chocolate bars out of my 100 chocolate bars. They still enjoyed them and said thank you. The next year I gave around 30 chocolate bars out of my 100 chocolate bars. This time I got a small tour and got to see the people who run Siloam Mission (Jim Bell). The next year I gave half my candy to Siloam Mission. That year I got the whole tour. I got to see where they sleep, where they eat, where they sit and talk, and everything in between. This time it was me saying thanks. It was really nice of them to give me a tour. It was one of the best weekends I've ever had. Every time I give candy to Siloam Mission I feel really good, even the first time when I didn't give much, because they say "thank you" and it makes me feel really good.

If I could, I would tell people to do it too. It makes you feel really good, and you help the homeless. Even if you give just a little, you still make their day. And you feel awesome too. So what are you waiting for? Go make someone's day, and make yours.

Watch the December 24
Tribune for more stories

Keeping safe on the ice

By Nicole Buffie

The weather has cooled across Manitoba, which means the water on the rivers and lakes is beginning to freeze over. With that, winter activities on the ice are starting to take place, including ice fishing.

While some brave individuals are already setting up tents and shacks on the fresh freeze, casting their lines in hopes of reeling in their next big catch to later release it or turn it into that night's dinner, safety should still remain top of mind for fishers, both amateurs and seasoned veterans alike.

The *Tribune* caught up with the newspaper's fishing columnist, Arnie Weidl, for some tips on keeping safe during a day on the ice by going through what a typical day of ice fish-

ing would be like for him.

It's a beautiful day on Balsam Bay, one of Weidl's go-to spots in the winter. First things first: make sure someone knows you're going out on the ice for the day.

"When you are out on the ice, you have to realize that you're in a hazardous location," he said.

Going fishing with a friend is always preferred — and might make for a better day — but if you are to go alone, sending a message to a friend or family member will work.

Next: know the conditions of the ice you plan to be on.

"Ice structure and conditions change almost daily. One thing you need to know is clear, blue ice is very strong, and opaque ice with a lot of air bubbles in it is very weak," Weidl

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune

said. When it comes to driving on the ice, the general rule of thumb is the ice must be at least 40 centimetres for vehicles, 25 centimetres for a snowmobile and five centimetres if travelling by foot.

In Weidl's case, driving out on his truck calls for at least 40 centimetres thick. After making sure the ice is up to par for driving on, check the ice for snowdrifts or rocks near the shore, as they serve as insulation for the sun's heat and may thin the ice as a result. With that in mind, slowly make your way out on the ice, being sure to have an escape plan in case your vehicle hits a thin patch of ice.

"Personally, I have a quick release buckle on my seat belt and I always leave the driver's window open. That way, you will be able to escape from the truck very quickly," Weidl said.

If all is going well and you suddenly hear a crack from under your vehicle, Weidl said to try and pinpoint where the noise is coming from and to do

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your best to steer away from it.

"If there's a dramatic shift in a temperature up or down, you're going to get cracking so you've got to be wary of that," he said. "It doesn't hurt to pick up the phone and ask other people who are going out, or who have been out the day before, what the conditions are like."

With these tips, you're set up for a successful day on the ice. However, bearing the COVID-19 pandemic in mind, a provincial spokesperson for Manitoba Conservation and Climate said the rule of outdoor gathering sizes limited to five people still stands.

"It is strongly recommended that anyone using ice-fishing shelters or hunting blinds limit participation to people already living in their own household," the spokesperson said.

They encouraged limiting interactions with others, but if choosing to fish in a group to ensure physical distancing, covering your cough, wearing a mask and frequent hand washing.

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Roche hopes to lead Ice Dawgs to a CRJHL title

By Brian Bowman

Josh Roche is in his final season of junior hockey.

And he hopes to experience it out on the ice while all players across Canada eagerly await to get the green light to play again after a pause to their seasons due to COVID-19.

Roche was off to a great start this season with four goals and five points in just four games.

Still, he feels he could have done even better.

"I definitely think I could put up more points and staying out of the box would help with that," said Roche, who has already racked up 39 penalty minutes this season. "That's something that I'll try to work on. Going into this year I really wanted to try to stay out of the box but I need thicker skin, I guess."

Roche has started the season playing on a line with Tyson Barylski, a talented 17-year-old rookie.

The pair have clicked nicely in just four games.

"I love the guy," Roche said. "He's a good guy to have on your line. He'll back you up if there's any scrums or anything. For 17, he's not the fastest kid, but he has a heavy shot and he likes to bang bodies."

Roche feels Arborg has what it takes to be a championship team this season.

"Every year I want to win pretty bad but this year more than ever, obvi-

ously," he said, noting the team has a very good coaching staff and a solid mix of veterans and rookie players. "I definitely think this year we have the team to do it."

Ice Dawgs' head coach Murray Monkman had high praise for his team captain.

"He's a quiet leader but demonstrates his passion for the game every practice and every game," Monkman said in a text. "(His) work ethic is through the roof. The team plays its best when he's in the lineup."

The 21 year old Roche is currently in his fourth season with the Ice Dawgs. He has scored 30 goals and collected 57 points in 71 regular-season games.

Last season was a breakout year for Roche as he tallied 13 goals and 26 points while racking up 111 penalty minutes. He also had three goals and seven points in seven playoff games.

Roche, a Teulon product, has really enjoyed his time with the Ice Dawgs.

"I love playing in Arborg," he said. "I have lots of family there and it's close to home. It's great and the new dressing room at the rink is awesome as well."

Roche, the Ice Dawgs' team captain for the second consecutive season, relishes his role as a leader on the team.

"Growing up and going to the Ice Dawgs' games with my old man when they were in the finals and you had to park down the road, the captain was



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Arborg Ice Dawgs' captain Josh Roche, a Teulon product, has four goals and five points in four games this season.

from Teulon," he recalled. "I always wanted to do the same when I got older. It means a ton to be captain for the second year in a row. Having Derric Gulay in my first two years was great. He was a mentor and guys definitely looked up to him and he played his heart out every night, which is something that I try doing."

Roche, who is now 6-foot and 180 pounds after beginning his junior career at 140 pounds, landed in Arborg with the Ice Dawgs after playing for

the Interlake Lightning and then with Teulon at the Midget level.

Roche had a great time with Teulon, winning a provincial title in Winnipegosis.

"That was pretty awesome," he said. "That was great and the whole reason I came back. It was all of my high school buddies and guys I grew up playing with in Novice and Atom. We were actually combined with Arborg and Riverton so it was pretty sweet to play with those guys, too."

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Scrivens' brothers officiating careers impressive

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall has produced a lot of very good hockey players over the years.

It has also produced some outstanding hockey officials.

Two of those talented men in stripes are the Scrivens' brothers, Kyle, 35, and Byron, 32.

Kyle has a very impressive hockey officiating resume.

He was the lone official selected to represent Manitoba at the 2017 World Junior "A" Challenge.

"That was an awesome experience," Kyle said last week. "Seeing those kids, like the USA team was really good."

A level VI official, Kyle has experience officiating in Midget AAA, KJHL, MMJHL, MJHL, WHL, USPORTS and the SEMHL. Kyle has over 20-plus years of officiating experience and has numerous accomplishments throughout his career.

He has officiated at the RBC Cup (2011 and 2015), World U17 Hockey Challenge (bronze-medal game in 2011), Western Canada Cup (2014) and at the Allan Cup (gold-medal game in 2016).

"I had some opportunities when I was younger to go to some national camps that were (invitation) only," Kyle explained. "Right after I graduated high school in (2003), I went to Calgary for a camp in the summer. It was for the best officials in western Canada and I would have been 17 at the time. I had a guy in my corner that was really pushing me along, Dave Underwood Sr., he was the assistant referee in chief with Hockey Manitoba for a while and he did stuff for Winnipeg AAA so I always got games. It was like, keep doing what you're

doing, and before you know it, you'll be working in the Western Hockey League."

Getting the call to work WHL games was awesome, said Kyle. This year would have been his 10th season working in western Canada's top junior league.

It's a slow progression getting games in the WHL for Manitoba officials. Kyle said.

"I always wanted to work the best hockey possible and that's kind of where I ended up," he said.

Kyle got his start as an official when he was just eight years old working Byron's squirt games.

"You're always on the ice when you're eight years old to get better," Kyle explained. "And I would get a hot chocolate and a hot dog (after working a game). It just kind of progressed from there...and then when I was 12 and could sign up for a reffing clinic, I did it. It was fun, I liked it, and I got paid."

Byron, meanwhile, got into officiating hockey when he was around 12 but he got away from it when he played Midget AAA. He returned to officiate when he was 21.

Byron has worked in the MWJHL, KJHL, MMJHL, and the MJHL. He estimated that he has worked "hundreds of junior games" with Kyle.

"We always have fun out on the ice and we try to keep it light and have a good time," said Byron, noting he retired from officiating last year.

Both Scrivens played in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League with the Stonewall Jets. Byron then played in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League with the Stonewall Flyers.

Byron certainly knew his way to the



Byron Scrivens



Kyle Scrivens

penalty box, racking up 131, 187, and 121 minutes in each season with the Jets.

That style of play gave Byron some good insight as to what players may be thinking - or doing - behind the play while he was a linesman.

"I knew where to be looking behind the play so certain things would have been done that I would have done back in the day, chopping someone in the back of the leg or whatever," he said, noting he reached his goal of officiating in an MJHL final.

"That's one of the reasons why I didn't have to go back to reffing minor hockey when I was 21 when I started back up. I knew the game and I wasn't just some fresh official that was learning. It was a smooth progression."

Both Scrivens feel that more respect should be shown towards hockey of-

ficials.

"There's still a long way to go in a lot of instances," Byron said. "Things have gotten better but there's a lot of room for growth, that's for sure, with the way some fans, coaches, think that they can treat officials."

Kyle agreed.

"You get some kids when you work the junior league that are delightful to work with," he noted. "They're good, they're respectful, they will back you up. It doesn't happen a ton but some players will say, 'I'll go talk to him, you're right.' But then there's some kids that have grown up with a silver spoon in their mouth...and they don't have to listen to you. There's definitely lots that need to change and I know when I first came into junior hockey it was a lot worse, a lot crazier."

2020 Manitoba Games powered by Manitoba Hydro cancelled until 2024

Submitted by Sport Manitoba

To keep Manitobans safe and reduce the spread of COVID-19, Sport Manitoba and the Dauphin Host Society are announcing the cancellation of the 2020 Manitoba Games powered by Manitoba Hydro.

The decision was announced last Thursday. Earlier this year, the decision to postpone the Games to July of 2021 was made first and foremost to ensure the health and safety of all the

participants, volunteers, and spectators expected to attend the Games in Dauphin. The unknowns of the pandemic, including when it might end, impacted decision-making required by the Host Society and continued postponements to important planning was no longer possible.

Sport Manitoba and the Dauphin Host Society worked with the City of Dauphin and Provincial Sport Organizations to reach the collective deci-

sion to cancel the event and will work with all Games partners in the coming months to prepare for the new Games date.

The City of Dauphin will host the 2024 Manitoba Games powered by Manitoba Hydro in the summer of 2024, which is the next Games available to host. The age categories, sports, and technical requirements for these Games are all still in the planning phase and will be confirmed and

announced at a later date.

The Manitoba Games powered by Manitoba Hydro are staged every two years, alternate between summer and winter sporting events, and is the largest ongoing multi-sport event in the province. Each Games involves upwards of 3,000 athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers, and represents an opportunity for young athletes to compete and prepare to reach national and international sporting stages.

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Fines commits to Lake Region State College

By Brian Bowman

When Maddy Fines heads south for school next fall, she'll meet a lot of different people.

But she'll also see some very familiar faces.

Fines recently committed to attend school and play softball for the Lake Region State College Royals, which are located in Devil's Lake, N.D.

"I wanted to go somewhere close to home so my parents and family could come down for the weekend," said Fines, a Stonewall product, Monday afternoon. "It would be an easy weekend trip for them."

Fines' good friend Jacey Ledochowski is a Royals' player while Jade Ledochowski is an assistant coach. The Ledochowski sisters are from Teulon.

"(Knowing Jacey and Jade) I thought it would be a good way to get in with everybody," Fines reasoned. "It'll be

nice to have somebody there. I want to get involved in the community and knowing someone on the team and (Jade) who is kind of higher up than everyone (will help)."

Last year's Royals' roster included players from all over the U.S. (as far as Hawaii) and western Canada. There were three Manitobans - Winnipeg's Dani Ruest, Jacey Ledochowski, and Killarney's Hunter Ganske - on last year's roster.

Lake Region State College is a two-year school which loses several players due to graduation each season. Fines should get plenty of playing time as one of 15 women on the roster.

Fines admits it will be different moving to a new country. Still, she's very excited about the move.

"It will be weird, I think, at first," she said. "It will be hard to get used to but I'm sure it will be a great experience."



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Maddy Fines has committed to attend school and play softball at Lake Region State School.

Prospects of a WHSHL season slipping away

Staff

It's not looking promising for the Winnipeg High School Hockey League to ice a season due to COVID-19.

The provincial government announced on Dec. 6 that it would be extending Manitoba's state of emergency by another 30 days.

Manitoba first entered a state of emergency on March 20. Since then, the province has extended it eight times.

The WHSHL has not played a game this season as it's league was shut down on Nov. 12.

Last year, the league had 36 teams but just 12 - including the Selkirk Royals - had committed to playing in 2020-21.

"Assuming that these restrictions are not going to change because I doubt that they will, then obviously that puts us into January with the high schools running remote learning for two weeks," WHSHL president Dana Gordon told the Winnipeg Free Press last week. "So we're not making any decisions as of yet but the writing's going to be pretty much on the wall. I mean, our season would end at the end of spring break, so an eight-week hockey season is kind of ridiculous."

Gordon expects to meet with the league executive to make a final decision soon.

Third-year Royals' player Nolan Milgaard admits it's been frustrating playing the waiting game.

"It would be nice to be back playing and hopefully in the new year we'll play," he said Monday afternoon. "But right now it's not looking too promising."

Milgaard really enjoyed his time playing high school hockey.

"It was a really good time," he said. "Lots of great people, the coaches helped out a lot. It was a good couple of seasons and this year looked to be the most promising until it all got shut down."

If the WHSHL does not go this season, many of the players will be left without a team. Some, though, do have a possible option of playing elsewhere.

Meanwhile, the Manitoba Junior Hockey League also has been affected with the recent news from the province.

The MJHL's 12 teams have not seen action since code red restrictions were put in place on Nov. 12.

The league had hoped to resume league play in early January.

"It definitely affects us in the sense we set a tentative start date for Jan. 1 to hopefully allow players to return back to their communities," said MJHL commissioner Kevin Saurette. "Obviously, that'll be pushed back

due to these restrictions. Internally, we're going through our schedule process and different timelines for when it is deemed safe to return to hockey activities."

Cvar picks up pair of assists

Staff

Olivia Cvar picked up a pair of assists as the St. Cloud State Huskies earned a split with the Bemidji State University Beavers in women's Division I hockey action last week.

Cvar assisted on Emma Gentry's third-period goal to tie the score at 2-2 in a 3-2 overtime loss on Friday.

Cvar also assisted on Taylor Lind's first-period goal in St. Cloud's 3-2 overtime win against Bemidji State on Thursday.

Cvar, a Stonewall product who is originally from Gimli, now has two points in six games this season.

With the split, the Huskies are now 2-4.



Olivia Cvar

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Dated at the Town of Teulon, Manitoba this 30th day of November.

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Reindeer Pecan Brownies

In large bowl, whisk melted butter, oil and sugar until well combined. Add eggs and vanilla extract; beat until mixture is thick and pale in color, about 1 minute.

Sift in flour and cocoa powder. Add espresso powder, if desired, and salt. Using rubber spatula, fold dry ingredients into butter mixture until just combined. Batter should be thick.

Using 1-tablespoon cookie scoop, transfer batter to prepared mini muffin tin. Bake 13-15 minutes until toothpick inserted in center comes out mostly clean, with some lingering crumbs.

Add chocolate chips to heat-proof bowl; microwave until smooth and melted. Pour melted chocolate into sandwich bag and cut off small portion of one corner to use as tip. Use melted chocolate to "glue" on pecan antlers, candy eyeballs and red candy noses to brownies.

Allow chocolate to set before transferring brownies to airtight container.

Note: Brownies will stay fresh for up to three days.

Prep time: 20 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes
Yield: 20 brownies
Nonstick cooking spray
1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter, melted
1 tablespoon pecan or canola oil
1 cup, plus 2 tablespoons, granulated sugar
2 large eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup cocoa powder
1 teaspoon espresso powder (optional)
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
20 raw pecan halves, cut in half
40 candy eyeballs
20 red chocolate candies
1/4 cup chocolate chips
Preheat oven to 350 F. Spray mini muffin tin with nonstick cooking spray.



Overnight Walnut French Toast with Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote

walnuts on baking sheet and toast 8 minutes. Remove from heat and chop coarsely.

In medium pot over medium heat, combine toasted walnuts, cranberries, orange juice, syrup, ginger and orange zest. Bring to boil and stir frequently 12-15 minutes until cranberries pop and liquid starts to reduce.

Transfer to container and refrigerate once cooled.

To make Overnight Walnut French Toast: Preheat oven to 350 F.

Place bread on baking sheet and bake 5 minutes, or until lightly toasted on outside but still soft on inside. Butter 13-by-9-inch baking dish.

In large bowl, whisk milk, sugar, 1/4 cup butter, vanilla extract, cinnamon and eggs. Dip each bread slice in mixture and let soak about 15 seconds on each side. Place in prepared baking dish, overlapping slices slightly, if necessary.

Cover and refrigerate a few hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Bake 50-60 minutes, or until golden brown and somewhat firm to touch. Serve immediately topped with Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote.

Total time: 1 hour
Servings: 12
Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote:
1/2 cup California Walnuts
2 cups cranberries
1/2 cup orange juice
1/2 cup maple syrup
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
1 orange, zest only

Overnight Walnut French Toast:
8 slices Texas Toast or 1-inch thick slices French bread
1/4 cup butter, melted, plus additional for baking dish, divided
2 1/2 cups milk or walnut milk
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 teaspoon cinnamon
6 eggs
To make Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote: Preheat oven to 350 F. Place

Expert patient here to help!

By Susie Schwartz

First off, Merry Christmas!

Some of my tips will touch on some funny stuff but today I'll stick to a serious strategy that has saved me much confusion:

Ask about timelines and repeat back the action plan before leaving.

Ever depart from an appointment head spinning and realise you have no idea what happens next? Been. There.

While seeing the doctor, I always ask questions like, when do you expect the results to come through? How long do you expect for me to get the MRI? Will the specialist call me or do I call them to make an appointment? What should I do if the symptom doesn't go away or comes back? Should I book a follow-up?

Maybe the antibiotics for your nasty skin infection won't kick in for 3 days. Great! No need to panic just yet.

Knowing when test results are due back, or how long before you can see a surgeon can do wonders for managing expectations and alleviating worry. It also gives an idea of when it's appropriate to check in if you haven't heard back. (The system is far from perfect and you don't want to fall through the cracks!)

Also at the end of every appointment, I then repeat the whole plan as I understand it. "So to be sure I understand, you will contact the specialist and I will receive a phone call with the appointment for the MRI? And you'll send my prescription through today?" This not only solidifies the plan for me, but sometimes the doctor will realise they hadn't made a note of one of the actions, and respond with, "Oh right. Yes, I will put that prescription through now," and then sends it



Susie Schwartz

via computer while I'm still there. (As a complicated medical case, I often need more than one action taken, and particulars can get lost in the conversation, which is pretty human, I'd say.)

Whether it is a complex plan with many parts, or one simple action that needs taking, confirming even a single step shows that you've been listening, are taking your health seriously, and will be responsible to do your part. Not only will there be less chance of the plan going awry, but the doctor will gain respect for you. They'll also learn fast that you hold high expectations for care.

So try to get clear on the details. Self-advocacy is imperative for better health.

What to give yourself for Christmas this strange year?

Less health stress, yes?

A published author and motivational speaker, Susie currently lives in the UK. She welcomes feedback and questions. Find her on FB @medicalmissstress, Instagram @medicalmiss_stress and her website lesshealthstress.com



Gingerbread Pecans

spice and salt. Stir to coat evenly. Spread pecans in even layer on prepared baking sheet.

Bake pecans 40 minutes, stirring halfway through. Allow pecans to cool completely.

Note: Pecans can be stored in airtight container for up to four days.

Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 40 minutes
Yield: 2 cups (6 servings)
1 large egg white, beaten
2 cups raw pecan halves
2 tablespoons granulated sugar
2 tablespoons light brown sugar
2 teaspoons gingerbread spice blend
1 pinch salt
Preheat oven to 300 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper; set aside.
In large bowl, use fork to whisk beaten egg until frothy. Add pecans and stir until coated. Sprinkle pecans with granulated sugar, brown sugar, gingerbread



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you as a shining example of how true love stands the test of time.
-Love, your family

IN MEMORIAM



In Loving Memory
Matthew MacIntyre
December 18, 1984 – September 6, 2012
Nothing can ever take away
The love our hearts hold dear
Fond memories linger every day
Remembrances keep you near.
Loved dearly and so sadly missed.
December 18, 2020 Matthew would be 36.
-Love Mom, Dad and Tracey

CARD OF THANKS

To my family and many friends, I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for your many acts of kindness, support and sympathy following the loss of my husband Mel. I would also like to thank Ken Loehmer Funeral Services for his courteous and friendly guidance, Shirley Williams for doing the graveside service, and especially the staff at Rosewood Lodge for their neverending care that was given to Mel during his time there. Once again, thank you all for your help and support and I wish you all a safe and healthy Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

-Sincerely,
Ruth Sampson

CARD OF THANKS

No words could ever express our deep appreciation for the love, kindness, and support you have all shown to us after our Mom's passing.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for sharing your warm and kind thoughts, stories, and memories of our Mom. Your visits, phone calls, cards, texts, and messages were very touching. The meals, goodies, flowers, and donations to Goodwin Lodge were all very thoughtful.

We are so grateful to Ken Loehmer for his compassion and support during this difficult time.

-With much love from the McDonnell family:
Gordon, Lesley, Joe, Owen,
Grant, Carol, Sharon
and their families!

BIRTHDAY



Happy 90th Birthday!
Fred / Dad / Pa
If you see this special
Man on December 16th
Wish him a happy birthday!
-Love Elaine,
Your kids, grandkids and
Great-grandkids

IN MEMORIAM



Gord Harris
September 10, 1957 - December 11, 2011
Although we are not together
We will never be apart
Because you have that special place
Right here within our hearts
-Always and forever
Daphne, Char (Mariah), Jeff (Andrea),
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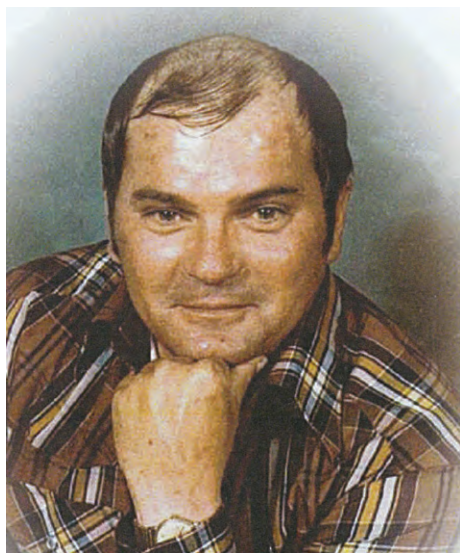
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IN MEMORIAM



In loving memory of my husband
Ken Mollard
March 31, 1940 – December 26, 2010
There will always be a sadness,
And often a silent tear
But always special memories
Of the days when you were here.
Miss you.

-Lil and family

IN MEMORIAM



In Loving Memory of my son
Trevor Mollard
February 6, 1967 – December 17, 2019
Of all the special gifts in life
However great or small,
To have you as my son
Was the greatest gift of all.
A special time, a special face,
A special son I can't replace.
With an aching heart
I whisper low,
I miss you son
And love you so.

-Mom and family

IN MEMORIAM



Bert Emms
December 22, 2011
Another year has come and gone
Missing you is the hardest part
And often a silent tear
But always precious memories
Of the days when you were here
-Dearly loved, sadly missed
and always remembered
Love Doreen

IN MEMORIAM

Trevor John Mollard
February 6, 1967 - December 17, 2019
As the day goes by, my heart is filled with
sorrow,
If we could share just one more day
If there was one more tomorrow
I'd hold you close within my arms and never
let you go.
I love and miss you so much, more than these
words could ever show
You were my world, my rock, my best friend.
A love so strong and true.

-Love Lisa xoxoxo
Forever loved and remembered by
your family and friends
-Miss and Love you Papa T - Eastyn

IN MEMORIAM

Norman Wilson
December 7, 2012
Although you have been gone for 8 long years
it seems like it was only yesterday.
You will always be missed and always in our
hearts.
Love you Dad.
-The Wilson family

OBITUARY



Margaret Ruth Dyne (Kilsby)
1930 - 2020

It is with sadness that the family of Marg announce her death on December 11, 2020. She was predeceased by her husband Bob, in 2000.

Mom will be missed by son Allan (Katherine), Justin and Cody; daughter Maureen (Earl) Slimmon, Cameron, Meaghan, and Kyle.

Marg grew up in Winnipeg and graduated from the U of M in Education in 1953. She married Bob that summer. They both taught High School in Dryden, Dauphin, and Thompson. She continued to sub in Lac du Bonnet and Beausejour. While living in Beausejour they built a cottage at Karklins Kreek near Lac du Bonnet and enjoyed many years. After leaving Beausejour they built a new home on the Winnipeg River (L.D.B.), they soon realized that travelling was becoming their passion. With winters spent in Texas, they also travelled many of the States, Canada and England. "Happy Hour" was never far away from their friends of the "Sunny Sams". In 1992 they moved to Stonewall and after Bobs death in 2000, Mom continued her travels to Portugal, Spain, and Malta.

Besides being teacher, wife, and mother, Margaret's accomplishments were many. To name a few, she started the Thompson Library, she was a board member that enacted the Brokenhead Regional Library in Beausejour, she was very involved in the Women's Institute which promotes Women in rural areas, she was past president, and while living in LDB and Beausejour, she sat on the Provincial Board and held a life time membership. She was an original member of Winnipeg's "Search for Talent", designed to make rural Manitobans feel they were part of Winnipeg Centennial.

If friends so desire donations in Marg's memory may be made to the Children's Wish Foundation. The family would like to thank the staff who attended to Mom in her final days at the River East Personal Care Home.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life for Margaret will be held at a later date.

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OBITUARY



James Heaps

August 29, 1938 – December 8, 2020

It is with heavy hearts and sadness that we announce the passing of James Heaps.

Jim was born in Stonewall, Manitoba to parents Elizabeth and John Heaps.

Jim was a family man. He loved his children and grandchildren very much and spoiled them all (and also taught them colourful language as soon as they could talk). Jim had a sharp wit and a wry sense of humour.

Jim was predeceased by his mother and father, brothers Bill and Bob, sister Isabel, wife Ethel and granddaughter Kaylee. He was also predeceased by his "adopted brothers" Billy Kelly and Ernie Brown.

Jim is survived by his brother John; daughter Sherri (Doug); son Rick (Deanna); grandchildren Amy, Riley and Tanner.

Jim met Ethel in 1960 and they married in 1963. They had two children – Sharon (Sherri) and Rick.

In 1967, Jim and Ethel decided to move their family to California where they resided until 1976. They met many good friends and had a lot of great times. In 1976, Jim and Ethel decided that they wanted to come "home" to Stonewall to be closer to their families. They lived in Stonewall until 1980 when they moved to Selkirk to take over J&R Shell.

In 1986, Jim decided that he wanted to run a garage that had a restaurant, so they bought Warren Esso – where Jim worked side by side with his son Rick until Jim passed. Jim loved having his mornings with his "coffee crew". Many current issues were debated and solved. He had many good friends.

Since Ethel passed, Jim has been missing her. They are now re-united.

Thank you to all for your outpouring of support and sympathy during this time, the food deliveries and the kind words. Thank you also to the home care staff who provided support and comfort for dad through the last couple of years, thank you to the staff at the Eriksdale Hospital, the Stonewall Hospital and thank you to Dr. Macek.

Due to COVID restrictions, no service will be held at this time, so please raise a glass (or have a coffee) to help us celebrate a life well lived.

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OBITUARY



Colleen Dawn Rohne

With great sadness the family announces the sudden passing of Colleen at her home in Inwood MB on November 25, 2020.

Colleen will be missed dearly by her partner in life for 33 years Jack Coverdale, their children Raelene (Lance) and Bradon (Jen) and Granddaughters Kenzie and Callie, her Mom Marilyn, her Sister Lisa (Darryl) and Brother Sonny (Arlie) as well as many nephews, nieces, cousins and other loving family members and friends.

Colleen was predeceased by her Dad Guy, In-Laws Nora and Harold and special friends Nadine and Diane, as well as many other dear family members.

Born on April 8, 1971 at the St Boniface Hospital, Colleen grew up in Inwood, attended school there until grade 9 and graduated high school from Teulon Collegiate. Colleen never wanted to be far from Mom and Dad as a child and so it made sense that she and Jack would make their family home and raise Raelene and Bradon just down the street from where she grew up. Inwood was always home for Colleen and it won't be the same without her.

Travelling together brought great joy and treasured memories for Colleen and Jack, whether it was a drive for an ice cream, shopping for the girls or a trip to Alaska or Vancouver Island, every adventure together brought them great happiness.

Hosting family dinners, coffee dates, birthday parties for the grandkids and of course Christmas morning celebrations which included making thin pancakes for everyone, will always be cherished memories. The family home was remarkably busy over the last few years, as Ma and Pa to Kenzie and Callie, their home was filled with laughter, toys, treats and of course love and cuddles. Ma loved time with her grandchildren taking them to the Zoo, Splashpads, out for Happy Meals, play time on the deck and just having them around to bring her smiles and love. Over the last several months Jack took on many extra responsibilities, but none were as important as making sure the grandkids could be around to bring their Ma smiles and comfort.

More than two decades ago Colleen began working at South Interlake Credit Union and remained a member of the Sunova family until her passing. The stories of fun and adventure with "The Sunova Gang" were some of her favorite; Colleen truly hoped for a better day to get back to work and back to the adventures with everyone she missed so much.

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire, please donate to The Kidney Foundation of Canada - Manitoba Branch in Colleen's memory and please consider registering at signupforlife.ca to be an organ and tissue donor to give the gift of life.

The family wishes to acknowledge and thank the Inwood and Armstrong Fire Dept, Members of the RCMP, East Interlake EMS and STARS Air Ambulance, community members and friends for their compassion and support.

Colleen, Soos, Mom and Ma, you made us all feel so loved, cherished and important in your life, you will forever be missed.

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

Maya Angelou

Further service details will be announced at a later date.



OBITUARY



Dennis Riter

December 24, 1945 - December 8, 2020

Its with heavy hearts with family by his side that we share the passing of our husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, after a courageous battle with mesothelioma.

He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. He is survived by Betty his wife of 47 years, his daughters Lenore (Darcy), Shannon, Rachel (Dallas). Grandchildren Jaclyn (Andre), Charlyn (Jonah), Travis (Vikki), Colby; Great grandchildren "The Little Man" Jasper the apple of his eye. Siblings Raymond, May, John, Murray and Bruce. He was predeceased by his parents Charles and Velma, his son Troy, daughter Twylia, his in-laws Les and Emily Jamieson, sister Ann.

Dennis was born December 24, 1945 in Carman, Manitoba. He spent his childhood years on the family farm in Darlingford,

Manitoba. He married Betty Jamieson in 1973. They lived in Winnipeg, Warren and Balmoral, MB.

Dennis worked for the City of Winnipeg from June of 1982 until his retirement in June of 2008. Prior to there he worked as a carpenter, Dad enjoyed his retirement he was able to pursue his biggest passions, carpenter work, farming and caring for his cows, horses and planting his garden, which he was always more than happy to make sure you took your share home. He could always be found out in the yard tinkering with his machinery or building something. His recent project was restoring his "Old Willies." His passion was his family, fishing and hunting with his children and grandchildren. He fondly spoke of his hunting trip up north caribou hunting. He was always more than willing to lend a helping hand to anyone needing it.

Special Thanks to Dr. Hicks and all the nursing staff at Stonewall Hospital for the wonderful care Dennis received during his final time with us. Your care and compassion will never be forgotten.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to Stonewall Hospital or Grace Hospital Cancer Care.

A private family graveside has been held. A celebration of Life will be held at a later date.



Ernest Madill

Ernest Edward Madill (Ernie or "Big Ern") passed away on December 8, 2020 at the Teulon Hospital at the age of 94. His loving wife, Kay preceded him by eight days. That was the longest they had been apart in over 67 years.

Ernie was the youngest of three children born to Art and Gertie Madill. Gone, but not forgotten are sister Edith (Murray Johnson) and brother Robert (Irene). He leaves to cherish his memory, daughter Laura, son-in-law Ken Humbert and grandchildren Kim (Robert) and Cory (Lori) and soon-to-be great grandson. He also leaves a number of special nieces and nephew whom he loved dearly. They were always there for him.

Ernie was active in sports, cadets and 4-H while attending school in Teulon. He started out on his own in 1946, operating a hatchery in Saskatoon for a year. He then joined the McCabe Grain Co., buying forage seed in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta for the next six years.

Ernie and Kay (Arnason) married in 1953 and daughter Laura was born in 1954. Ernie farmed land on the bog for a while until purchasing a farm along PR 415 west of Teulon in 1961. That farm remained their home until 2008 when they moved into Crescent Creek Park. He farmed and also operated the local BA Oil facility Teulon. The farm land was rented out as they enjoyed retirement.

Ernie was bigger than life, literally. He loved everything nature; the grain fields, the trees, the gardens, the birds, the animals, the sun and even the weeds. He knew the name of every weed and even took Kay out hand picking the invasive Red Bartsia in the adjacent field. He broke his ankle at age 87 while digging up brown eyed susans in the ditch to save them. He knew what bird was at the feeder and enjoyed watching them from his window at Teulon Hospital.

Ernie loved socializing and probably had his name on a chair at the local pub. He always reminisced about his buddies there and all the fun they had.

Music was a big part of his life. He was never apart from his cherished violin and played a mean harmonica. Just a week before his death, he entertained his fellow residents and staff at the hospital. His only regret was that there was never anyone to play along with. He missed "Willy and the Boys" and the Penners. Mallory's guitar was a bright spot in his day.

Ernie collected stuff; especially clocks, watches, coins and stamps. He "gathered" many relics and items of interest. He could pack a box full like no one else. Everything was neatly stored and labelled.

He was extremely proud of his family. Kay and Laura were his world and later son-in-law Ken and grandkids Kim and Cory. The kids were often welcome guests at Kuzik's shack, meeting many of Teulon's characters.

Ernie and Kay spent time curling, golfing and bowling. They met many wonderful friends while doing so.

In later years, as a move off the farm became necessary, they enjoyed their life at Crescent Creek Park, with friendly neighbors at their beck and call. Ernie, at 6'5" tall, was especially popular for helping trim the taller shrubs and trees.

Ernie was thrifty, no doubt, yet generous to a fault to his family. He never spent a cent on new pants, shopped for the cheap tomatoes at Walmart, and we learned that his favorite gift was some old thing he could fix.

He never said a bad word about anyone and loved a good debate or a friendly visit. Thanks to all those who stopped by to chat, sing a song with them or see how they were doing.

Thank you to Dr. Loudon and all the wonderful staff at the Teulon Hospital. Your care and respect for privacy and dignity was appreciated more than you know.

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no funeral but when permitted we will celebrate the life of Ernie Madill with some fiddle music and some stories about the good old days.

Donations in Ernie's memory may be made to the Teulon Healthcare Foundation Inc., Box 312, Teulon, MB., R0C 3B0.

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