

Rosser students will travel around the world while they track their number of pages read into kilometres on a map read during I Love to Read month. The students are hoping to travel to all seven continents. Rosser Elementary students show off their 'reading bingo' cards with different challenges including reading to their pet and parents. February is 'I Love to Read Month' for elementary schools across the country and encourages reading, writing and sharing in the joy of literacy. Pictured back row, left to right, Ella Riddell, Keira McKnight, Everley Sherry; front row, Colton Corbel and Mason Klassen.

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Volunteers needed for Stonewall daffodil campaign

By Jennifer McFee

search continues for the next Daffodil Community Champion for the Canadian Cancer Society campaign.

Stonewall resident Shelley Kelly is stepping down from the role that she filled for nearly two decades, so hopefully someone else will be on board soon to continue with the successful fundraiser.

As a result, Karrie Smyth, daffodil campaign manager for the Canadian Cancer Society in Manitoba, is seeking a new community champion to co-ordinate the sale of daffodils and pins within Stonewall and Teulon.

"Shelley Kelly and her team of volunteers have been making a difference for Manitobans living with cancer for nearly 20 years by being Stonewall and area's Daffodil Community Champion," Smyth said.

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A local volunteer opportunity is in full bloom as the fodil Days and daffodil pins throughout April (Daffodil Month), Shelley's team has raised funds to help continue critical work in the fight against cancer."

> It's clear to see that the fruits of their labour have resulted in tangible results stemming from the Stonewall and Teulon area.

> "With your support, in the past five years alone, nearly \$13,500 has been raised through the sale of daffodils and daffodil pins," Smyth said. "This is a legacy that needs to continue and we need your help."

> Fresh flowers can be pre-ordered for delivery to Stonewall during Daffodil Days, which runs from March 19 to 25. As well, volunteers can arrange for a convenient location to sit and sell daffodils to the public.

> In addition, daffodil pin boxes are placed at several locations around town in April for Daffodil Month.

> "We're looking for a team of people to continue this valuable campaign. The funds raised through this annual campaign will go towards funding the best cancer research and support services, such as our Wheels of Hope Transportation Program," Smyth said.

> "There is significant growth in demand for transportation service within your community. In Teulon and Stonewall last year, nearly 400 rides were provided to cancer patients, taking them to and from treatments. That's approximately double the rides given in 2015 and 2016. In fact, we are also in need of more volunteer drivers."

> To generate interest in the volunteer opportunities, Smyth directs a few important questions to community members.

> "Would you co-ordinate with organizations within the community that have pre-ordered daffodils in the past and help them continue their support? Would you find some friends to sit and sell daffodils with you at a local venue?" she asked.

> "Would you place pin boxes within your community for the month of April? Would you consider becoming a volunteer driver for Wheels of Hope?"

> As for Kelly, she said that the annual event can also be a lot of fun for volunteers.

> "What I've always enjoyed is that it's a community effort and you have all these people helping from different places in town. Stonewall is a fabulous town of people that support different causes," said Kelly, who credits Carrol Brown and other volunteers for their ongoing dedication to the cause.

"If there are two people that want to share the

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER Daffodil Community volunteers Shelley Kelly, left, and Carrol Brown.

role together, it's even more fun. With wrapping and delivering the flowers, I usually had half a dozen ladies come over. We'd have coffee and chitchat while wrapping daffodils, and then we'd usually go for lunch after delivering the daffodils to the different community locations. It's a lot of fun."

Best of all, these efforts benefit a good cause that impacts everybody in one way or another.

Smyth encourages people to get involved in one of the many ways that can impact the fight against cancer — whether that's by volunteering, buying daffodils, giving generously or showing support by wearing a pin.

"For 80 years, the Canadian Cancer Society has been Canada's cancer voice and leading authority on the disease. We're the only organization that fights all types of cancer, supports and advocates for patients and their families, and champions those who care about a future where no Canadian fears cancer," Smyth said.

"Progress is being made. The overall cancer survival rate has increased from 25 per cent in the 1940s to 60 per cent today. Together, we are making an impact."

For more information or to get involved, contact Smyth at ksmyth@mb.cancer.ca or 204-571-2806.

Kelly is also willing to provide some pointers to potential volunteers. She can be reached at 204-467-5372.



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Insects add to learning for elementary school students

By Jennifer McFee

Some school lessons really have a way of sticking with the students.

That's the case in a Grade 2 class at Ecole R.W. Bobby Bend School, where the youngsters are excited to learn from some very special creatures who reside in their classroom.

In teacher Jacqui Holod's classroom, a stick bug colony has become a growing fascination for the students.

It all began last year with a visit from a student's mother, who is an entomologist.

"She came in to do a presentation on insects because we were studying butterflies. She had these stick bugs, and she said 'If you want some, here you go.' So now we have our whole habitat set up here,"Holod explained.

"We started it last year in the spring with a couple of students, and it didn't really produce very much. But this year, we've had three different generations produced since September. It's amazing."

Currently, they have about 40 stick bugs in varying sizes kept in an aquarium with a lid, but the population is constantly changing.

For Holod, she has found that the insects provide a unique link to learn-



Grade 2 students at Ecole R.W. Bobby Bend School are excited to be learning about stick bugs in their classroom.

ing, with opportunities to connect to the curriculum for math, science and ELA.

"I do a lot of student-directed learning in my room, and the students just happened to really take a liking to these stick bugs, so we just took off with it. The students have done so much learning. They're the experts, and it's been really great to see all that they've been doing," Holod said.

"We just did a big unit on stick bugs and habitat. Part of our science curriculum is on growth and changes in animals. Even though the stick bugs are insects, it's an easy way to have creatures in the classroom."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER RW Bobby Bend Grade 2 student Daniel Dix shows off one of approximately 40 stick bugs that they are growing in their classroom. The students also learn about issues surrounding environmental concerns.

"Stick bugs can become an invasive species in Manitoba, so we can't release them," Holod said. "That's interesting for the students as well."

Located within an agricultural community, a couple students come from farming families — which adds another layer of connection to the conversation.

"Stick bugs are pretty voracious if they find something that they like and they reproduce quickly. So when you've got an active population, they can really become quite invasive not that they would wipe out an entire crop, but they could be problematic in a yard as well," Holod said.

"We talked about what would happen to the crops and how we would deal with it, so that opens up a whole other discussion."

For the students, the interactive experience is likely to be one that stands out in their memory of their Grade 2 year.

"Teachers are often bound by the curriculum so much. Since this is more student-directed and research-based, it changes the way the kids learn and changes their entire motivation about the subject matter," Holod said.

"They feel like they've got control, which is so important."



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St. Laurent civic addressing nearly complete

By Jeff Ward

The installation of blue signs denoting civic addresses in the RM of St. Laurent is nearly complete after an

exhaustive process by the municipality's municipal emergency coordinator (MEC) Paul Belair.

Belair said that when he took the job back in February 2017, there was still a lot of work to be done on civic addressing. He wanted to make sure that the system was solid and decided to go back to Square 1 to do that.

Belair drove down every stretch of road in the RM to check every property and crossreferenced that with

the map he had. It took nearly three months but provided him with the most accurate representation of who had signs, who didn't and where they needed to go.

Since then, Belair has installed 250 signs across the municipality and said the process is nearly complete.

"I have about three more on my desk but they can't be installed because it's winter and the ground is frozen," said Belair.

"Since I started, some people have split their property up and requested a new number, and there are others who own multiple cottage lots. So if they have a trailer and they want grandparents to live in it, we get a sign for them too."

The signs are designed to be an easy-to-follow and locatable marker for emergency vehicles, like ambulances or first responders. The ability to call 911 and give the dispatcher a number, which corresponds to a map they have, means less

confusion in emergency situations. The system is also nice for visitors from out of town who are visiting because they now have an easier way to find their destination.

Belair explained that, to his knowledge, the signs aren't hooked up to a GPS system yet, but the important thing is that emergency services have the map showing all the locations of those numbered homes.

"In an emergency situation, I'd still advise people to, if they can, go outside and flag down the ambulance just to make sure they find you. These are people and they're getting information third hand and people make mistakes. With the signs, those mistakes won't occur nearly as often," said Belair.

This is a scenario that Belair has experienced first hand when his brother was sick and needed an ambulance. He said he mentioned to the dispatcher that the ambulance needed to make a specific turn, which wasn't relayed properly to the driver. Belair said that when he went out to flag the ambulance down, it was just about to make the turn he specifically told them not to make.

Belair is working to make efficiencies in the system because the wait time for a sign is three to four weeks. He said he's ordered blank signs and numbered stickers so that in the future when new signs are needed, he can have one installed in 24 hours.

These signs are supposed to help emergency vehicles find the home



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY PAUL BELAIR Nearly all of the RM of St. Laurent's blue civic addressing signs are installed after an exhaustive process by the municipality's MEC.

they need to go to with less confusion, and Belair believes they will do just that, which will keep residents safer.

For those who still need a sign they can contact Belair directly at 204-739-8164.

Livestock manure regulations to take effect in 2018

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Changes to the Livestock Manure and Mortalities Management Regulation (LMMMR), which take effect Jan. 1,



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2018, have been approved and implemented to provide clarity and modernize regulations, Sustainable Development Minister Rochelle Squires announced today.

"Our government recognizes the important balance of maintaining strict environmental oversight while supporting sustainable growth in the livestock industry," said Squires. "Following extensive consultations, the Department of Sustainable Development has taken steps to modernize regulations without compromising our commitment to environmental protection."

Changes to the regulation will improve clarity for both producers and department officials, while maintaining some of the country's strictest regulatory requirements and environmental protection measures for livestock operations. Pig operations will now be subject to the same robust legislation as other livestock sectors.

These amendments align with recent changes to The Environment Act under red tape reduction legislation and



continues to balance environmental protection with economic development, the minister noted.

Manitoba conducted extensive public and industry consultations in the process of developing changes, which include:

• empowering front-line staff to respond more quickly, and reducing notification and processing steps for permits;

• increasing transparency by placing more information on the public registry;

• harmonizing setbacks from surface water courses with the Nutrient Management Regulation and removing in-season nitrate limits;

• improving variance options to enhance biosecurity measures for industry;

• levelling the playing field by clarifying permit requirements for seasonal feeding areas and outdoor confinement areas for small pig operations; and

• monitoring of operations such as livestock drinking water samples based on risk, rather than mandatory samples for all large operations.

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, February 8, 2018 **5 Former Selkirk resident launches How to Interlake video series**

By Lindsey Enns

In an effort to rediscover and reconnect with the region she grew up in, a former Selkirk resident is putting herself through the paces to learn more about what it means to be from the heart of Manitoba.

Kit Muir is the creator and host behind an online video series about the Interlake and its people entitled How to Interlake.

In each episode, which she uploads to her Facebook page "How to Interlake," an Interlake community member teaches Muir something representative of the region they call home.

So far, the episodes have included how to make vinarterta in Gimli, how to band birds at Oak Hammock Marsh and how to blacksmith with Cloverdale Forge. In her latest episode, which launched last week, she spends time with Selkirk resident



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Kit Muir, right, spent some time with Selkirk resident Marlena Muir learning about the importance of a traditional hand drum and how to play it for an episode of her online video series, How to Interlake.

Marlena Muir learning about the importance of a traditional hand drum

and how to play it. "With the videos, I am trying to do them with a range of people and different experiences," Muir said.

Muir started the project in September 2017 as her Independent Professional Project for the Creative Communications program at Red River College in Winnipeg.

"I just wanted to showcase what the Interlake has to offer. I wanted to share that with other people," she said. "I grew up in Selkirk, I grew up in the Interlake ... so, really, the project came from my love of the Interlake and the communities I grew up in and also to promote the Interlake to both people outside the Interlake as well as people who may not realize all the incredible things that we have to offer."

Muir added she plans to upload two more episodes before the end of March. To check out episodes she's uploaded so far, visit the "How to Interlake" page on Facebook.

New physicians improving access to emergency departments

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Nineteen new family physicians now working in communities throughout Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (RHA) are ensuring more reliable access to health-care services in the region, including a significant increase in physician coverage of emergency departments, the region announced today.

"Physician leadership, team-based models of care and community engagement in physician recruitment and retention are improving the accessibility of health-care services for residents of the Interlake-Eastern RHA," said Kelvin Goertzen, Minister of Health, Seniors and Active Living. "Across rural and northern Manitoba, family doctors play a significant role in establishing a strong foundation for reliable and sustainable health care. Not only are these new primary care doctors providing consistent and sustainable health care across the Interlake-Eastern region, they are also participating in on-call rotations in the region's emergency departments."

Arborg, Ashern, Beausejour, Eriksdale, Gimli and Pinawa all saw increased physician emergency department coverage between September 2017 and December 2017 compared to the same period the previous year. Eriksdale, Beausejour and Arborg experienced the most significant increases to their emergency department coverage during the same period (an increase of 73, 37 and 36 per cent, respectively, in hours worked compared to 2016).

"Neighbouring communities — one example being Eriksdale and Ashern — are benefitting from team-based models of care that involve groups of doctors sharing schedules and working together to increase coverage of emergency department shifts at hospitals in both communities," said Ron Van Denakker, CEO of Interlake-Eastern RHA.

Pinawa is benefitting from a similar arrangement, with shifts in that community's emergency department being filled by doctors based in Pinawa and those practising in the surrounding area, added Van Denakker. And three new doctors in Gimli, as well as the placement of a physician assistant in the community's emergency department, have supported extended access to emergency care in recent



months.

The RHA is seeing a reduction in the number of non-urgent patients seeking care in the region's emergency departments now that residents can access more timely clinic appointments.

"In 2018, Interlake-Eastern RHA will continue to strategically align the placement of new recruits in communities where additional care providers will not only improve access to primary care but will also increase the reliability of emergency care in our emergency departments," said Van Denakker. "We look forward to 12 new doctors beginning to practise in our region this year and will continue working with communities and our primary care and expanded care clinical teams to welcome these new doctors and ensure they are appropriately supported as they build their rural practice."



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Welcome, fellow fishers.

Once again last week, I found myself standing outside a fishing shack in the drifting cold on the south Lake Winnipeg ice, shouting back and forth with the habitants inside about their unusual fishing experiences. This time it was a portable one and the zipper door was frozen stuck. A voice came from within, belonging to Ken Prouty of Selkirk. After introductions, he shouted a story of a friend from Dauphin who told Ken about when he was at the Dauphin Country Festival. He was driving one of the singing stars around, and during the course of their tour, the star (who shall remain nameless) said he hadn't fished much and had never winter ice fished. Ken's friend, who had an outrageous sense of humour, told the singer that he would like to go ice fishing, too, but didn't know how to get the fur off winter fish!

When the singing star was back in the States, during an interview he was asked if he had done any winter fishing in Canada. The somewhat gullible star responded that he hadn't because he didn't know how to "de-fur" winter fish. A crew member quickly sprang to his aid, whispering he'd been fooled.

Sometime later, the driver in Dauphin got a call from the singer who told him he wanted to go fishing with him when he got up there for the next festival but that he should hang onto the side of the boat really tight when they were on the water because now he knew about "furry" winter fish!

Standing outside Ken's tent, I laughed as his partner Rita Caya inside the tent called out that she also had a funny little story about her parents. Seems they loved fishing but her father would not bait his own hooks.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL Slavi Kozyer and Vladimir Kukhnyak from Kazakhstan, now Canadians, with a nice mess of perch caught in Gull Lake.

Mom had to do it! Well, they were out on the water one time and Rita's mom caught a fish so big it broke her rod as it was torn from her hands to be lost in the water. Adapting to the situation, dad worked the one remaining rod and mom baited the hook as needed!

On the way back to Selkirk, I stopped at Gull Lake by Stead and met two guys, Vladimir Kukhnyak and Slavi Kozyer, who had immigrated from Kazakhstan, coming off the lake. They were happy to show the nice mess of perch they had caught.

A couple of weeks ago, I shared with you a meeting with a wonderful couple, Erika and Trevor Catchpole, in their ice shack on the Red by Lockport. If you remember, Erika gave us that funny story of losing her watch at No Good Lake. What I couldn't pass on at the time was a fine story Trevor had, so here it is. Years ago, he did some guiding in the summer at Budd's Gunisao Lake Lodge east of Norway House. Apparently, one of the many American anglers who was about to come to

the lodge went to his local fishing gear shop and bought just about every lure and other gear that could possibly be used, including the biggest tackle box that was ever made. He stuffed his gear in it and got on the plane.

It was a wonderful early morning as Trevor sat waiting in a boat by the camp pier for our American fishing brother. It was warm without a breath of wind, the sun was just coming up over the horizon and the only break in the silence was the gentle sound of tiny water ripples lapping against the side of the boat. There came our American friend lumbering down the pier, lugging his monster tackle box. Huffing and puffing, he got the box into the boat, settled into a seat facing Trevor, opened his box and said,"Well, what kind of lures are we going to use for walleye today?"

Trevor looked at him a little dumbfounded. He didn't want to hurt the guy's feelings, so he went to his box of lures and pulled out a common jig. He held it out to him saying,"Down south, you probably fish mostly for bass and you need a lot of different lures, but up here, this is it — one jig and maybe some bait!"

Our southern fishing friend was crestfallen. All these purchases were for nothing! He sat quietly for a moment. Then, being the good sport he was, he slowly closed his giant tackle box, heaved it up onto the pier and said, "OK, let's do it your way!"

Now, my friends join me in thanking Erika and Trevor for their stories and wishing them joy in their relationship because, you see, Erika found Trevor on the computer when looking for a fishing partner and, boy, did that work out!

Till next time. Bye for now.

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Woodlands students saddle up for I Love to Read

By Jennifer McFee

Giddy-up!

At Woodlands School, the staff and students alike look forward to I Love to Read month each February — and this year they can hardly rein in their enthusiasm.

This year's Scholastic Wild West book fair encourages students to "Saddle Up and Read," and Woodlands School is galloping along with the theme.

Library technician Alice Toews explains that the school is following a reading challenge calendar with activities every day to promote reading and literacy.

To saddle up for the month ahead, the students started with the first challenge on Jan. 30, when they had the chance to read a Western, rodeo or horse story together.

The fun continues for the students with other challenges, including reading in their Western gear.

"Even on the weekends, we've put a challenge on the calendar so students can participate. For example, some challenges are to read a bedtime story, read aloud to a family member or read to a stuffy or pet," said Toews, who is also a library technician at Warren Elementary School where students are flipping pages for a similar reading challenge calendar.

"Then we have things like flashlight reading in the dark and reading wearing sunglasses. There's something different every day. Sometimes it's reading together about an animal online, so we're doing different types of reading as well. I especially love the last one on Feb. 28, when teachers need to read jokes to their class wearing fake glasses."

To further reinforce a love of literature, the students are participating in Woodlands Reads, which involves reading in their homeroom every day from 2 to 2:15 p.m.



Woodlands Elementary Grade 2/3 students are encouraged to read with sunglasses while celebrating I Love to Read month.

And, of course, the focus on I Love to Read month continues whenever the students visit the school's library.

"For the past few years, we read three different stories throughout the month with the younger students during library class,"Toews said.

"We talk about them and then they vote for their favourite story. They like to do that as well."

For Toews, there are clear benefits that result from the month-long focus on reading.

"Reading is an important life skill. A lot of times, we talk with the students about how we take it for granted here," she said.

"We all have the opportunity to go to school, to learn to read and write and do math and learn about so many things. A lot of kids in the world don't have that opportunity — so maybe this is an extra time when we take a look at that and appreciate the importance of reading in our lives."

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Inequity for seniors living in rural Canada

I am a retired woman living in a small town. Like many seniors, I work part time to supplement my pension income. In 2016, I was diagnosed with cancer.

OK, by now 90 per cent of you have stopped reading. Three of the most boring topics on the planet are cancer, seniors and taxes. Most of you have already figured out that there are no amusing stories here, no rescued animals or abandoned puppies. But seniors, cancer patients and taxpayers should keep reading, particularly if you live in a small town or know someone who does. Everyone living in small communities must travel long distances for cancer treatment.

I spent the summer near a Cancer Centre, staying in motels while having chemo and radiation treatments. This is expensive and, worse, I could not continue to work.

Medical travel expenses are deductible against taxes payable. However, you have only one calendar year to claim the expenses on your taxes. If your income goes down because you were sick and unable to work, your taxable income drops. So you cannot recover your travel costs. That is one huge Catch 22. By the time you are able to work again, you are no longer able to claim. Time has run out.

These expenses cannot be brought

forward and claimed in following vears.

Canadians lucky enough to live in larger cities where cancer centres are located do not need to think about motels and meal expenses during treatments. About 20 million rural Canadians are not so lucky.

I strongly believe that rural Canadians should be allowed to bring forward reasonable medical travel expenses and apply them to taxes paid in the future until the costs are fully recovered.

I have prepared a petition on the House of Commons website to protest this inequity in our tax laws. Please go to the House of Commons website at https://petitions.ourcommons.ca/ en/Home/Index. Search for petition # e-1311 and sign it, please.

Anne Tansey Rouleau Penticton, B.C.

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8 *The Stonewall Teulon Tribune* Thursday, February 8, 2018 Thousands visiting IERHA website to view ER schedules, CEO says

By Lindsey Enns

Thousands of community and area members seeking information about their emergency care options are now simply turning to the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's (IERHA) website.

The health authority's emergency department schedules, which include the region's 10 hospitals, can be accessed by visiting ierha.ca or by calling 1-866-267-5818. As of Tuesday morning, the schedules for the last half of January and from Feb. 1 to 15 had been posted. According to those schedules, a doctor is always available in Gimli, Selkirk and Stonewall while other regions see varied doctor availability. Teulon is currently the only hospital without an emergency room department.

"It's been quite a process to get to where we are right now so that we can provide the public with the safest possible care that we can," said IERHA CEO Ron Van Denakker. "We would prefer not to post this on a website because, ideally, wherever we have emergency departments, we would prefer to have doctors 24 hours a day, seven days a week, so that's the dream."

Emergency departments in the IERHA require a doctor available on site to deliver care. When an emergency department is not accepting patients, there will be a green sign posted indicating emergency department services are not available. If you see this sign, you can go inside and speak with nurses about your care options.

The IERHA started posting their emergency department schedules online in September 2016. Since then, they have garnered thousands of hits to their website. In 2017 alone, the schedules received nearly 40,000 hits. From Jan. 1 to Jan. 7, 2018, they recorded 506 hits.

"It's been truly remarkable in terms of how many website hits," Van Denakker said. "I can tell you from talking to people across the region, a lot of people are using these things.

"We've shared that feedback with our docs and they've gotten consistently better with providing us with as much information as they can."

According to the IERHA's website, those unsure if they should be visiting an emergency room are asked to speak with a registered nurse at any time by calling Health Links at 1-888-315-9257. Calling 911 is always the best choice if you require life saving care.

Those with a health condition that isn't urgent can also call Health Links, make an appointment with their regular health care provider or a primary care clinic, including Selkirk's QuickCare Clinic by calling 204-482-4399. Those who don't have access to a regular care provider can phone the Family Doctor Finder at 1-866-690-8260 to be connected with one.

When it comes to their recruitment efforts, Van Denakker said the IERHA is still working on at-



Interlake-Eastern RHA CEO Ron Van Denakker

tracting more doctors to keep their emergency departments open and hospitals staffed.

He added that 12 new doctors are expected to start working in the region sometime this year.

Tune in to CFRY talent show on Feb. 10



By Jennifer McFee

CFRY Radio's amateur talent show fundraiser is coming soon to Argyle, and community members are encouraged to show their support.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, the fundraising event will be held at the Argyle Memorial Community Centre from 8 p.m. to midnight. During this time, CFRY Radio (920 AM) will broadcast live to showcase the talents of local performers.

At the same time, supporters will have the opportunity to make pledges by calling the phone numbers provided during the broadcast.

For Glen Lawrence, board president for Argyle Memorial Community Centre, he's hoping that everyone will tune into to CFRY Radio during the talent show.

"We're hoping to raise as much money as we can to go towards the purchase of tables and carpet for the hall," he said.



"We have about 14 contestants right now, and there's room for a couple more. The contestants also have a pledge form, so they go around on our behalf and gather money."

For an entertaining evening out and about, all are welcome to come down to the community centre, where they can pay \$5 admission to watch the show in person.

"It's definitely open to the public," Lawrence said."Anybody can come in and sit and listen."

On behalf of the hall board, Lawrence extends his gratitude to all of the sponsors who are helping to make the event possible.

"We had almost 50 sponsors, and we're quite happy with that," Lawrence said.

"We'd like to thank them all for helping to put this show on."

Anyone who would like more information or to get involved can contact Lawrence at 204-467-8750.



The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, February 8, 2018 9 Aurora Recovery Centre triples intake of people needing help for addictions

By Patricia Barrett

Since opening its doors about a year and a half ago, the Aurora Recovery Centre has seen an increase in people with addictions turning to them for help.

The private treatment facility, located along the shore of Lake Winnipeg in the RM of Gimli, helps people overcome addictions to alcohol and drugs, as well as other addictions such as gambling. It also addresses mental health issues, including depression, anxiety and obsessive-compulsive disorders, which are commonly associated with addiction.

"One of the things that's been most successful is the number of members we've been able to treat," said business development and public relations officer Ian Rabb. "We had projections ... and in the first 18 months, we tripled the numbers we thought we would see."

Aurora's detox team, clinical therapists and addiction specialists have treated over 400 people, primarily from Manitoba but many from other parts of Canada.

"One thing that is very unique about the Aurora Recovery Centre is that we do individualized treatment plans. We have had members stay up to 120 days or longer," said Rabb. "We really built our programs based on their addiction history and co-occurring mental health issues."

Rabb said the ability to detox people the moment they're ready to reach out for help has a lot to do with successful rehabilitation.

"We take them in whatever condition they're in, on whatever day and time they need help," said Rabb. "There's no wait times. One of the things I did when I built Aurora was we made sure the detox was large enough and we had enough transitional beds so we'd never have to say no to anybody."

The Health Sciences Centre has a detox for people based on "immediate health risk," such as a risk of "dying because of alcoholism," he said, but those who wanting to get off substances like opiates have to wait several months to access public treatment programs.

"It would be beneficial of the province to think of a process which would best serve people who need immediate access to treatment — when they need it," said Rabb. "We are the only real medical detox in the province."

Aurora's medical withdrawal unit has 16 beds that are staffed 24-7, 365 days a year. And it has a 54-bed treatment program that provides individualized treatment plans, one-on-one counselling, group therapy, and a relapse prevention and life-skills program. Depending on the extent of an addiction, 30-, 45- and 60-day detox treatments are available.

Rabb said Aurora's continuing-care program is vital to the success of managing addictions post-treatment.

"The longer you keep someone engaged in a recovery conversation, the better off their chances of long-term recovery," he said. "Everybody that comes to Aurora is part of our continuing care family and they have access to their counsellors and a group meeting every week either by Internet or phone. If they're far away, we have the ability to bring them into the meeting and participate just like if they were here."

Some of the major challenges the centre has faced are finding specialized staff and funding.

"We're the largest the employer in the Interlake. We have about 75 employees and any business that starts up has human resource issues," said Rabb. "So if I had to tell you what our biggest challenge is, it ultimately



TRIBUNE PHOTO COURTESY OF AURORA RECOVERY CENTRE Lobby of Aurora Recovery Centre.

would be getting and making sure we have the right staff in place."

Rabb said a number of staff members have moved from other parts of Canada to work at Aurora, and they currently have staff that are "incredibly caring and loving and very dedicated to people with co-occurring mental health issues and addictions."

Another challenge is the high cost of private addictions treatment, which can limit the numbers of people the centre can treat.

"It's a prohibiting factor for people who need help," Rabb agreed. "I get probably 10 calls a day from First Nations communities who don't have access to the funds needed, and we can't treat them. Not everyone can afford a private treatment centre. We have [federal] government funding for Veterans' Affairs [members] and the military, but we haven't been able to secure or get any confirmation from government around funding for First Nations or for people who can't afford treatment."

Aurora's philosophy is to restore hope to those suffering with an addiction.

"We support, guide lead and care for our members but do not enable them or others," said CEO and founder Paul Melnuk in a statement on Aurora's website. "I know from first-hand experience the power of recovery. I have witnessed hundreds change their lives for the better, restore their families, improve their relationships and become healthy and productive members of their communities."

Some of the centre's clients and former clients are using their personal experience with addictions as a way to give back to the community and raise awareness of addiction.

"One of the great things that came out of Aurora this year is something called the ARC squad," said Rabb. "The ARC squad consists of members that are in the treatment centre and our past members. They created a fun run in August and September in Gimli for addictions awareness."

The ARC Squad has also provided meals and other items to homeless people.

Rabb said Aurora's will be working on ways of assisting more people who need help with addiction.

"We're not full. Our goal for next year...is to be as busy as possible because we have the wonderful staff in place to manage that number of members."

worship with us

On the last day of January 2018, we were treated to a celestial spectacle if awake and looking outside early in the very cold morning. The moon, at the closest point in its orbit around the Earth, appeared full for the second time in the month and was partially eclipsed by the shadow of the Earth, thus giving it a reddish tinge. Thus it was referred to as a super blue blood moon.

Inspired by the event, I had a look at a number of pictures that are available online taken through the Hubble telescope and was left in awe of the beauty they captured. The clarity they capture would never have been seen by people who used to navigate by the stars both on land and sea, but then again, they did spend more time under the heavenly canopy than most of us do today. In either case, I suspect that a sense of the immense size of the universe leaves us feeling awed by creation. Psalm 8:3-4

"When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you

God is Awesome

are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?"

The eighth psalm is attributed to King David, who captures what many of us feel. When considering the enormity of countless galaxies and billions of stars, with such beauty and harmony shown in system dynamics, how awesome is our God! Even God's fingerprints left on creation inspire us. Yet who are we that such a God provides for our needs.

While God is so much greater than we can imagine, God does provide for us and we are wonderfully made. When considering the building blocks of life, our biological systems, and the complexity of our brains, again we may be left with a sense of awe.

The immensity of creation and the miniscule detail of life are only a couple of signs that give us clues as to the greatness of our designer. We truly should be humbled that such greatness is mindful of us and cares for us. Such an understanding is the beginning of worship.

By the Rev. James Bardsley Anglican Church of the Ascension

Oak Hammock Marsh unveils new exhibit to help mark World Wetlands Day

By Justin Luschinski

Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre celebrated World Wetlands Day with some new activities and exhibits this year.

World Wetlands Day marks the day when world leaders signed a document in Ramsar, Iran, to ensure the conservation of wetlands around the globe. The document was signed on Feb. 2, 1977, and it recognizes the large role that wetlands play in the ecosystem.

Jacques Bourgeois, the centre's marketing and promotions co-ordinator, said people need to know how important the marsh is to the environment in Manitoba.

"When the snow melts, the water has to go somewhere. If there are no more wetlands, it goes into rivers, into the waterways, and causes big problems,"Bourgeois said."When there's a few wetlands in the landscape, there are huge benefits. That water will replenish the groundwater. It'll provide a place for the fauna, among other things."

This year, the centre celebrated



World Wetlands Day with activities such as snowshoe tours in the marsh, a special game of shuffle duck and a new exhibit. Attendees can now interact with an augmented reality sand exhibit, which allows the user to create their own topographical map with sand and see how water would interact with their creation.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JUSTIN LUSCHINSKI Nine-year-old Eva Wasserman, left, plays with a new augmented reality sand exhibit at Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre on World Wetlands Day last Friday.

Nine-year-old Eva Wasserman from Winnipeg stopped by the centre with her grandmother last Friday. As she was playing with the augmented reality exhibit, Wasserman said that the wetlands are very important.

"I love this (exhibit) ... I think the wetlands are really important. They help clean the water ... I really like coming (to Oak Hammock Marsh)," Wasserman said.

Wasserman's grandmother said her granddaughter loves talking to her classmates about the centre and that she's always excited to stop by.

For more information about the centre, visit oakhammockmarsh.ca.

the premises during off-hours, and

all property owners are asked to re-

cord serial numbers of all items. Of-

ten times, stolen goods are sold or

pawned off, and it is easier for police

to track and return stolen property if

serial numbers are known," Glaspey

"Charges have not been laid in rela-

tion to any of these incidents as of yet;

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responsible continues."

said.

Break-and-enters on the rise in the Interlake

By Jennifer McFee

Local RCMP are seeking any information related to a recent rise in break-and-enters in residences and businesses around Stonewall and Teulon areas.

Since Dec. 1, 2017, a total of eight businesses have been



broken into, plus another two attempted break-ins.

"In almost all cases, cash left on site was the primary commodity stolen," said Staff Sgt. Kelly Glaspey in an email. "In other instances, smaller items such as tools and elec-

tronics were stolen." As well, cash, tools and electronics were stolen from five residential and shed break-ins.

"Business owners are reminded to not leave cash on



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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JUSTIN LUSCHINSKI

Manitoba Merv popped out of his den at Oak Hammock Marsh last Friday morning and didn't see his shadow, which means Manitobans are in for an early spring.

By Justin Luschinski

Manitoba's famous weather forecasting groundhogs made two very different predictions on how long winter's going to last this year.

Manitoba Merv, the stuffed groundhog at Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre, popped out of his den last Friday morning to make his Groundhog Day prediction. He looked around briefly and didn't see his shadow, which means that Manitobans are in for an early spring.

"It's his 24th prediction, and he's been right every single time, except for once," said Jacques Bourgeois, the interpretive centre's marketing and promotions co-ordinator. "So I'd say that's a pretty good track record."

However, over at FortWhyte Alive, Winnipeg Wyn predicted six more weeks of winter. Despite the unfavourable prediction, the staff gave him a nice snack afterwords.

Bourgeois said that while there is no direct scientific evidence backing up these predictions, there is some truth to the tradition.

"I actually spoke with some weather specialists, and there might be something to the predictions. If there's a clear sky around this time in February, that usually means that there's an arctic cold front, and winter will last longer," he explained. "Whereas if there's an overcast, it might mean that there's a low front coming in, and it'll get warmer."

Oak Hammock Marsh is also celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The centre's official opening took place on May 1, 1993, with construction beginning in 1991.

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Lions Club lucky winner



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY MOLLIE MEIER

Stonewall & District Lions Club members presented a \$2500 travel voucher to Tyler Reid of Poplarfield during the Lion's pancake breakfast last Sunday. Reid was the lucky winner of the travel voucher draw.

Pictured left to right, Wally Finnbogason, Tyler Reid, Mel Harrison and Len Kolenich.

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Woodlands volunteers needed for future emergency management

By Melissa McIvor

Floods, fires, tornadoes, power outages and highway catastrophes are a few of the disasters that could potentially devastate a municipality.

For the RM of Woodlands in particular, the flood of 2011 is a not-toodistant memory and council is calling upon its residents to participate in their new emergency program.

On Feb. 1, a small crowd gathered in the Warren Memorial Hall to learn about a crucial need for local volunteers to support and streamline Woodlands' emergency plan in the event of a disaster.

Woodlands' municipal emergency co-ordinator Kiefer Buchanan hopes that members of the community

will step forward to receive training on how to fulfill the roles needed to maintain and recover a community in crisis.

Leading this training process is Shelley Napier, managing director of Napier Emergency Consulting. Napier has spent over 30 years educating communities about the importance of emergency management.

"I believe strongly that community emergency preparedness has to start at the community level," said Napier. "It's got to be homegrown."

The province requires that all municipalities have an emergency plan in place. More importantly to Napier, however, is implementing a program that translates this plan into user-

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friendly tasks that volunteers can then be trained to carry out. This training will give these volunteers the skills they need to provide the community with focused support across all possible disaster scenarios.

Volunteers are currently needed to fill roles in the program's Emergency **Operation Centre.**

"That team is the decision-making body," explained Napier.

Volunteers would expect to answer phone calls, gather information, keep records, determine dispersal of resources and deliver collected information to council to help bring the situation under control.

A minimum of 12 volunteers are also needed to fill roles in Reception Centre Management. In the event of an evacuation, volunteers at the Reception Centre location would register residents and provide them with vital information. Greeters, security, medical personnel and cooks are also roles that volunteers could fill at this location, though Napier stressed that roles can be found to fit each volunteer's unique skill set.

"We're trying to build a team that is going to work to look after people within your community," Napier said. The time-commitment required of volunteers is four two-hour training sessions — in total, only eight hours a year. Registered volunteers are asked to attend an emergency simulation exercise in Warren's Fire Hall Multi-Purpose Room at 2:30 p.m. on March 15.

Napier said that she knows many people step up and volunteer their time when an emergency happens.

"If you're going to do that," she said, 'come to the table now and let us train you so that when the time comes you know what your role is."

To become a volunteer, contact Kiefer Buchanan at mec@rmwoodlands. ca or Adam Turner at cao@rmwoodlands.ca.

If you are not a resident of Woodlands but are interested in getting involved in your own municipality's emergency program, contact Shelley Napier at Shelley@napierconsulting. ca for more information.

Those who would like to learn about effective sandbagging techniques and preparedness can contact Jim Stinson at 204-806-0107 or Sandmaster3@the-Sandmasters.com.

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Inwood artist carries on family's skill for doll making

By Melissa McIvor

Geneviève Montcombroux is woman of many talents. The resident of Inwood is an accomplished author, dogsledder and sled dog breeder, former ballet teacher, and currently February's Artist of the Month at Teulon Library.

Originally from France, Montcombroux moved to Canada in 1968 to fulfill her childhood dream of owning and working with sled dogs in northern Canada. In addition to building a sled-dog breeding legacy, Montcombroux has also built a name for herself in the artistic world as a doll-maker.

Visitors to the library will find five of Montcombroux's hand-painted, startlingly realistic dolls on display. The pieces are almost all that remain of the almost 500 dolls that she has created over the past few decades.

"My grandmother was a doll maker and I was raised by my grandparents so I saw doll making since I was little. I absorbed, learned and helped."

Once she had children, Montcombroux explained, she made teddy bears and eventually a cloth doll for a girl who saw her work.

"From then, on it grew. People would come with old, vintage dolls, sometimes porcelain, and they would say,

'This is broken. Could you do something with it?' So I would restore these old dolls. Then there was interest, so I bought some dolls from the store because they were very basic, and I would repaint them and then dress them up with my knitting and they started selling."

It was around that time that the public's interest in realistic dolls suddenly burgeoned. Doll manufacturers quickly caught on and began producing kits with a doll head and limbs for artists to paint, personalize and sell. The vinyl doll pieces are generally either molded from artist-made clay sculptures or 3D-printed figures based on scans of real babies.

The pieces for the dolls Montcombroux has on display in the library come from kit suppliers in Germany and the United States with pieces molded from both clay sculpting and 3D printing.

Once she has these pieces, Montcombroux paints the dolls using matte polymer paint and a protective finish. She painstakingly roots the dolls' hair by hand, makes the doll a body, attaches the limbs and creates its clothing. She estimates that each doll took her about 60 hours to complete.

Over the years, Montcombroux has



Genevieve, a sleeping ballerina, created from a mold sculpted by artist Cassie Brace.

"adopted out" her dolls to numerous collectors, sometimes for prices nearing quadruple digits. She only has 10 dolls left, two of which are set aside Goodwin Lodge's Fall Tea Fundraiser in November, and she believes the Winnipeg Doll Extravaganza on March 18 will be her last doll show.

Like her dog-breeding empire,

are over. She closed her business in 2017, so the Teulon display is a unique opportunity to view the last of her work before it is sold.

To see Montcombroux's art, and a selection of her published books, drop by the South Interlake Regional Library's Teulon branch, located at 19 Beach Rd.

Montcombroux's doll-making days





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Divide royal icing into three equal portions, and tint 3 shades of rose. Thin a portion of each shade following recipe directions. Use tip 3 and full-strength tinted icing to outline cookies. Use thinned tinted icing in cut decorating bag to fill in cookies; gently tap to smooth icing. Let dry overnight.

Use icing to attach cookies, stacking largest to smallest; place icing decoration on top.



Blues host 37th annual PeeWee Veteran's Cup

By Jo-Anne Procter

Three Stonewall PeeWee teams scored this weekend as they all medalled in the 37th Annual Pee Wee Veteran's Cup Hockey Tournament.

The tournament is one of the longest running PeeWee hockey tournaments in Manitoba. There were 23 teams competing in three divisions.

The Stonewall Blues A team went undefeated through the weekend and captured first place after defeating Mitchell 5-3 in the gold medal game. It took an overtime period and a shoot out for the Stonewall Blues B team to win bronze after defeating Winkler 3-2 and the Stonewall Blues C team settled for bronze after defeating River East 7-5.

Opening ceremonies were held at the Veteran's Memorial Sports Complex on Feb. 3 with master of cer-

emonies Clayton Brown welcoming players, coaches and guests. intro-Brown duced bagpiper Braden Norberg, who led the Stonewall Royal Canadian Legion 52 Colour Party, Corporal Chad Nesbitt, tournament spon-

sors and guests of honour to the ice. It is tradition each year of the tournament to honour the war veterans from Stonewall and the men and women of the Stonewall Legion for their bravery, dedication and commitment.

"It is thanks to their valiant efforts that we are able to gather this weekend to celebrate hockey and community," Brown said.

As proud sponsors of the tourna-

ment, legion president Tim Williams welcomed teams on behalf of members and the ladies' auxiliary. He congratulated the organizing committees past and present for making it possible.

"The tournament has always been successful in the past, and this is due to a great amount of hard work and dedication by these committees."

Sponsors were recognized for their integral part in hosting such an event. They included Stonewall Legion #52; Stonewall Family Foods; Stonewall Pharmacy; Richmond Electric; Guest of Honour sponsor Commercial Comfort; Player of the Game sponsors OMG Candy, Boston Pizza, Subway and Sunova. Gold sponsors were Stonewall Home Hardware and Boonstra Farms; silver sponsor was The Rockwood Motor Inn; and bronze

> sponsors were Interlake Sports Shop, Admiral Auto Service, EPR, Electro Wright, Dr. Decal, OMGs and the Stonewall Teulon Tribune.

This year's guest speaker was Scott Myers, a Vet's Cup alumni who started his hockey career in Stonewall and went on to play four years with the Prince George Cougars in the WHL and was selected 110 in the fourth round of the 1998 NHL entry draft by the Pittsburgh Penguins. Myers, currently president of the Stonewall Minor Hockey Association and coach of his son Alex's PeeWee team, shared some of the lessons he learned along

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TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The 2018 Vet's Cup Guest of Honour Dick Slatcher — with his son Sean Slatcher and his grandchildren Sierra, Brittney and Brody behind him — made the ceremonial puck drop to his grandson Rylan Slatcher (right) with the Stonewall Blues A team and Bryce Meyers (left) from the Stonewall Blues B team.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

RBC employees Cathie Slatcher, Lori Siwak and Jan Chambers volunteered their time during the tournament.



Tim Williams, president of the Stonewall Legion Branch 52, brought greetings and words of encouragement to players, coaches, fans, officials and volunteers.



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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LISA SLATCHER

Stonewall Blues 'A' team, pictured back row, left to right; Cory Woods (coach), Liam Wheddon (coach), Carter Boughton, Brady Becker, Hayden Faragher, Hayden Kaczorowski, Nic LeClair, Aiden Singh, Todd Faragher (coach).Front Row; Dylan LeClair, Kael Brown, Rylan Slatcher, Hayden Wheddon, Ty Woods, Brody Kopys, Spencer Hunnam.

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his hockey journey.

"Never give up on your dreams, kids. If you want something bad enough and are willing to work hard enough and put in the effort, your goals can be achieved, whether it be playing in the NHL, the Western Hockey League, Junior A, or even playing for our hometown Stonewall Jets," he said.

Myers stressed the importance of practice.

"If you have dreams and want to work for it, practice is going to be a huge part in this goal."

Most importantly, he urged players to "be a good person, and an even greater teammate, whether it be in sports or in school. Enjoy this great game, have as much fun as you can every time you go out there for practice or games. It is a great game and many great, great life experiences can come from this."

Jeff Meier, owner of Commercial



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JOLENE REIMER

Stonewall Blues 'B' team, back row, left to right; Damon Willey (coach), Holden Fotty, Adam Newcombe, Dillon Holod, Geoff Reimer (Coach), Ty Johnson, Carter Nesbitt, Lucas Joynt, Chad Nesbitt (coach), Jack Murphy. Front row; Nathan Willey, Lane Stewart, Evan Reimer, Russel Watts and Bryce Meyers.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY NIKKI MANNING

Stonewall Blues 'C' team, pictured back row, left to right; Ian Palsson (coach), Stu Schaeffer (Coach), Erik Palsson, Alex Evans, Dexter Sigurdson, Spencer Schaeffer, Aaron Sangster, Hunter Manning, Bryan Sangster (coach), Scott Myers (coach). Middle row; Emmitt Gillespie, Landon Allarie, Landon Godin, Anthony Bauml, Matthew Meyers, Evan Grandmont. Front row; Alex Myers.

Comfort, presented Dick Slatcher with the 2018 Vet's Cup Guest of Honour plaque for giving countless hours throughout the years to Stonewall's hockey programs and providing opportunities for kids to play.

Slatcher, who has traded in his coaching hat for a cup of coffee and a seat in the stands to watch his grand-children play, was humbled by the great honour.

Slatcher's son Sean Slatcher spoke fondly of his father, whose involvement included playing his minor hockey in Stonewall before playing for the Stonewall Jets and Stonewall Flyers. He then coached the Stonewall Jets to both Interlake and Provincial titles. Dick was one of the volunteers that assisted in the installation of artificial ice in the Stonewall Ice Palace and coached minor hockey. "Dad was a very positive coach and always brought out the best in his players. He truly believed in every player. He encouraged them to try their best, always gave positive feedback, even when mistakes were made, and never raised his voice on the bench or in the dressing room," Sean said."Dad made hockey fun, win or lose."

In closing, Brown thanked parents and guardians, coaches, managers and fans that spend most of their days racing from work to rinks.

"Without your efforts, many kids would not be involved in our game," he said.

He added that "an event of this magnitude would not be possible without our many volunteers that ensure the kids have an awesome hockey experience."

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Synchronized skating championships slide into Stonewall this weekend

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall's Veterans Memorial Skating Complex will be a very busy place this weekend.

The Stonewall Skating Club and the Skate Canada Manitoba Section are hosting the 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships.

There will be 17 teams with over 350 skaters ranging in age from 5-56, from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Ontario coming together to compete.

Prairie Regionals is held annually in five regions across the country. Prairie Regionals provides a developmental and competitive experience for synchronized skating teams at all levels. The event will showcase passion and excellence within figure skating and will display remarkable athletic achievements.

"This is a huge event that the Stonewall Skating Club and its families have been asked to host on behalf of Skate Canada Manitoba and we are honoured," said Tara Glaspey, the event chairperson, in a media release.

"Stonewall and area residents and businesses have rallied together to represent and support our club so that we may offer a successful, empowering event. This is certainly not something you are going to want to miss as there will be so much talent to take in, prizes and draws to be won as well as much, much more."

This competition provides teams the opportunity to qualify for the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships in Novice, Intermediate, Open, Junior and Senior categories.

The top team in each of the five qualifying categories in every Region may advance to the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships. This national competition will take



Grosse Isle's Brittany Palmer will be competing at this weekend's 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships in Stonewall.

place from Feb. 23 to 25 in Oshawa.

Grosse Isle's Brittany Palmer will be competing with her University of Manitoba team against a team from Saskatoon this weekend. The winner will advance to nationals.

The U of M squad, which includes 14 skaters, has been to two other competitions this year. One was in Mississauga while the other was held in Beausejour.

Palmer said the teams from Ontario and Quebec are very, very good.

"They introduced (synchronized skating) much earlier," she said. "And there are more skaters to pick from. It's tough for us to compete against them."

Palmer, 20, is eagerly looking forward to competing in front of family and friends in Stonewall. It is her second season with the University of Manitoba team.

"It's super exciting for me because

I'm from the area," she said." My family and friends can come out and watch whereas the other competitions are in places like Toronto. It's pretty special for me that my family can come watch."

Shauna Marling, executive director of Skate Canada Manitoba, thanked the Stonewall Skating Club and its volunteers for hosting this exciting and fun event.

Marling explained that synchronized skating is a specialized discipline of skating involving groups of eight or more skaters performing various group formations and maneuvers.

The objective is for the team to perform as one unit by executing circles, blocks, lines, wheels and intersections in unison to the music while demonstrating quality edges, power and flow.

Non-qualifying events are also integrated into the competition. This provides an opportunity for very young to adult skaters to participate in the event.

Eight levels are represented starting from Beginner I and II up to Pre-Novice and Adult I–II. This provides the participants the opportunity to watch higher level skaters and to experience the challenges and personal growth involved in competing at each level.

Skaters experience self-satisfaction in achieving competitive goals while learning about Canada and meeting competitors from across the region. Skaters also experience the camaraderie of traveling as part of a team.

Tickets for the 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships will be available at the door during the competition.

The prices are \$5 (adult daily pass), \$3/senior daily pass, \$3/student (ages six to 17) daily pass. Children under the age of six are free.

Rams rock at Sanford basketball tournament

Staff

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams varsity girls' basketball team had a pretty good time in Sanford last weekend.

Stonewall played some tremendous basketball as the Rams cruised to a third-place finish at the 16-team "AAA" tournament.

Stonewall defeated the No. 1-seeded

U of W Collegiate 67-50 in the thirdplace game on Saturday.

Amber Schneider led Stonewall with 20 points, followed by Rikki Frost-Hunt (15), Paige Yasinsky (14) and Hunter Lupyrypa (12).

Frost-Hunt was chosen as a tournament all-star.

The Rams started the tournament by

soundly defeating St. Norbert 68-38 as Schneider scored 21 points.

Stonewall played even better in its next game, crushing Morden 76-24.

Schneider paced the Rams with a game-high 23 points while Frost-Hunt had 16 and Sarah Fines chipped in with 13.

The Rams then lost 53-36 to the No.

2-seeded Linden Christian Wings. Frost-Hunt scored 15 points while Lupyrypa added nine.

Stonewall resumed Tier 2 league action Monday evening, losing 49-37 to the Portage Collegiate Institute Saints. The Rams hosted the Kelvin Clippers Wednesday night but no score was available.



Rams varsity boys' basketball team improving

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams varsity boys' basketball team has had its share of troubles in the second quarter this season.

And it was no different in a 77-41 home loss to the Elmwood Giants in WWAC Tier 2 league play on Jan. 24.

"It was close after the first quarter, I think we were only down six or so," said Rams' head coach John Loochuk last week. "But all year, our problem has been our second quarter. For some reason, teams seem to gash us in the second quarter and we never recover from it."

The problem with the Rams this season has been inconsistent play. Opposing teams are putting together long runs as Stonewall often turns the ball over by trying to do too much individually.

Stonewall's league record is now 0-9 this season in the always-competitive WWAC after an 86-42 loss to Portage on Monday evening.

"It's a pretty stacked conference, which is good for us," Loochuk said. "It's good to have the competition but we're playing kids that play basketball and that's all they do. They play it all year long all of the time where our guys have many other interests outside of school.

"We have kids that play volleyball and hockey and other things, so they're not spending as much time on basketball."

Despite the Rams' struggles in the win column, there are many positives to be seen, said Loochuk.

"We're taking some lumps this year but we have a

good group of kids that work very hard and are very keen," he said. "That makes all of the difference." The Rams' work ethic and defensive play has been

real good this season, said Loochuk.

"How we compete is our big positive," he said, noting Stonewall's roster features nine Grade 12 players and two more in Grade 11.

"And our other big positive is how well we work together as a team. The guys share the ball well and move the ball well.

"They're an upbeat group of kids and they don't let the score bother them."

Tournament-wise, Stonewall competed in Sanford back in early December. The Rams lost their first two games but rebounded to defeat Sanford's "B" team.

Stonewall then competed at a Neelin tournament in Brandon, beating the host's junior varsity squad. The Rams later lost by just a single point to Crocus Plains.

Looking ahead, Stonewall has three league games remaining and will be in Gimli this Friday and Saturday and then in Warren Feb. 16-17 for tournaments.

Loochuk feels the Rams' can improve a lot over the next month as they prepare for the Zone 5 championship.

"Just with their work ethic and seeing how much they care about playing ball, they really take it seriously," he said. "I see them at practice getting better and if we can get them to stop escaping in the second quarter, then we'll be competitive."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY STEPHANIE DUNCAN The Rams' Noah Bintcliffe goes up for a basket during a recent game in Stonewall.



Teulon varsity basketball finalists

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The Teulon Collegiate Saints varsity girls' basketball team finished second at a Transcona "AAAA" tournament last Saturday. Teulon defeated Steinbach Regional 38-36 in overtime and then Transcona 46-45. The Saints then lost 50-23 to Westwood in the final. Teulon is currently No. 4 in the varsity girls' "AA" rankings. Pictured back row, left to right: Coach Jason Darragh, Olivia Skinner, Mackenzie Garand, Christine Kilpatrick, Piper Lussier; front row: Emily Haynes, Taylor Traub, Jessica McSherry, Brianne Girardin, Jubilee Nichols. Missing from the photo are coach Heather Tataryn, Jacey Ledochowski and Sam Morin.

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Drad rocks at 2018 Golden Girls Provincials

By Brian Bowman

Nancy Drad put on a golden performance last weekend in Dauphin.

Stonewall's Drad, whose rink features third Elsie Murray, second Marianne Cherniak and lead Arlene Farebrother, defeated Dauphin's Dawn Steiner 7-6 in the final of the 16-team Golden Girls Curling Provincials on Sunday.

"We were tied up coming home," said Drad, noting she did not have to throw her last rock. "It was back and forth all game on...and my strategy is to try to win each end."

Drad earlier edged Deb McCreanor 10-7 and Stonewall's Arlene Deprez 7-6 in the sudden-death playoffs to reach the championship game.

Overall, Drad was a perfect 6-0 at the provincials, which is very impressive considering the ladies don't curl together on a regular basis. Her rink finished with a 2-1 record at a qualifier back in November. "We won a qualifying spot and then we went to provincials and I think we surprised a lot of people and won," Drad said."We just went there hoping to win one game."

The competition was real good at the provincials with a lot of accomplished curlers.

"I was quite nervous playing some teams," Drad admitted. "I had to play Deb McCreanor, and I sort of know that name from the curling world, so I was very nervous. I was thinking 'Oh, well, we're going home after this game but we gave her a good game and came out on top."

Deprez was another real tough test for Drad.

"Arlene is a real good curler," Drad noted. "And, again, it was another nerve-wracking game. But we made the shots when we needed to and we were able to win that game and then go to the finals against Steiner from Dauphin."



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Pictured left to right, president Kathy Cox and the 2018 Provincial Golden Girls Champions Arlene Farebrother (lead), Marianne Cherniak (second), Elsie Murray (third) and Nancy Drad (skip).

Midget Meltdown tournament champs



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JOANNE JOHNSON

The Teulon/Arborg boys won the Steinbach Midget Meltdown tournament Feb. 3-4. The Tigers defeated River East Black 5-2 to win the championship game. The boys defeated Steinbach 3-1, tied River East White 2-2 in round-robin play and then beat River East White a second time 6-5 in overtime. Ryan Hill scored with 0.3 second left. Pictured, back row, left to right: Coaches Daryl Gislason, Jeff Manchulenko, Brett Gulay, Jon Anslow, Jayden Roche,Bryce Good, Dylan Chartrand, Thomas James-Davies, Jared Sweetland, Brody O'Neill; front row, Dalton Johnson, Chris Stogrin, Ryan Hill, Bret Huta, Michael Merpaw, Carter Keil, Noah Johnson, Davis Sigurdson, Odin Domino and Brett Davies. Missing from the picture Brandon Prus-Olson.

Riels rip Jets on Monday

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets appeared to have had a Super Bowl hangover on Monday evening.

Stonewall had a tough time with the St. Boniface Riels, losing 6-1 in Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League action in Winnipeg.

It was the Jets' third consecutive loss and St. Boniface's fifth consecutive victory.

The Riels took a 3-0 first-period lead on goals by Nicolas Burmey, Mack Cardinal and Austin Kossack.

St. Boniface increased that lead to 5-0 after 40 minutes as Dawson Braun and Owen Stebnitsky tallied.

Cardinal made it 6-0 with a shorthanded goal before the Jets finally got on the board with a Bryce Stovin marker at 19:41 of the third period.

It was Stovin's 15th goal of the season, which is second on the Jets.

With the loss, Stonewall's record dipped to 20-15-2 and they remain in fourth place with 42 points. The Jets are just two points ahead of the Canucks while St. James has a game in hand.

Stonewall hosted the thirdplace Transcona Railer Express on Wednesday evening but no score was available.

The Jets won't play again until next Wednesday when they show the first-place Raiders Junior Hockey Club some love with a Valentine's Day tilt in Stonewall.

Puck drop is 7:30 p.m.

Maroons swipe four points from Mercs

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Mercs had a tough night in Altona on Saturday.

Warren lost 5-4 to the Maroons in a South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League game that was started on Jan. 5 and then the Mercs were blanked 3-0 in a regularly-scheduled game.

In the three-goal loss, Altona scored a goal in each of the periods. Brett Klassen had two of those goals while Blair MacAulay added a second-period marker.

Jayme Janzen made 35 saves for the shutout.

The earlier game saw Mitch Fehr score the game winner at 11:27 of the

third period.

Mitch Doell, Nolan Martens, Klassen and Caleb Suderman scored Altona's other goals.

Trent Genyk, Kyle Luschinski, Brock Genyk and Dan MacIntyre replied for Warren. Mitchell Hansen had two assists.

On Jan. 31, the Mercs lost 4-3 to the first-place Notre Dame Hawks as Matt Gingera scored the game-winning goal at 16:34 of the third period. Warren's Brock Genyk had tied the

score at 3-3 just over three minutes later.

The Mercs took a 1-0 lead at 19:59 of the first period as Kyle Luschinski

scored, assisted by Brendan Luschinski.

Notre Dame's Kyle Rous, on the power play and Warren's Brendan Luschinski (shorthanded) traded goals early in the second period but the Hawks took a 3-2 lead after 40 minutes as Gingera and Jeff Michiels tallied.

Warren, now 11-7 and with 22 points to occupy second place in the SEMHL standings, will visit the third-place Carman Beavers tonight.

The Mercs will then wrap up their regular season Saturday when they host the Portage Islanders. Both games start at 8 p.m.

Titans topple Rams with third-period comeback

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams looked real good for two periods against the Shaftesbury Titans.

But the third period was a different story.

Shaftesbury scored three unanswered goals in the third to eke out a 4-2 come-from-behind victory in Winnipeg High School Hockey League action on Jan. 31.

"We just ran out of legs in the third period," said Rams' head coach Andrew Michaluk. "We only had two lines the entire game. We ran out of gas and they were able to take advantage of us."

Stonewall grabbed a 2-0 lead on a pair of goals by Josh Bracken. He finished the regular season with five goals and an assist.

"He had a really great game," Mi-

chaluk noted. "He's one of those kids that works, works and works. He was banged up and coming off the ice after every shift hurting a little bit but he knew we only had two lines and he went right back out there."

Shaftesbury's Liam Senebald replied with a late second-period goal and then he tallied early in the third.

Jayden Zaharia scored the game winner with 3:08 remaining in regulation time and then Mitch Wolbert added a goal with 24 seconds left in the game.

With the loss, Stonewall finished its regular season with a 4-20 record and 12 points. The Rams were the first team in their division to wrap up their regular season.

"I'd rather have an extra game (this week)," Michaluk said. "But the week off is good so we can practice and guys that are banged up can heal."

The Rams are currently tied for last place with the West Kildonan Wolverines in the 13-team Winnipeg Free Press Division.

West Kildonan hosted Steinbach yesterday and then will battle Westwood today to conclude its regular season.

The playoffs are expected to begin next week. The top three teams will get a bye while teams from fourth to last place will play off.

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Lightning lose pair of road games

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Lightning had no trouble scoring early in both road games last weekend.

But after scoring the first goal in both games, their offence suddenly dried up.

The result was a 6-1 loss to Southwest on Saturday and a 5-1 defeat against Yellowhead Sunday.

In Sunday's loss, Interlake took a 1-0 lead just 2:33 into the game as Eric Krywy scored, assisted by Bryce Krauter and Hunter Halcrow.

The Chiefs' Brian Mentuck answered with a goal midway in the opening period and then Jake Poole scored on the power play early in the second.

Yellowhead's Logan Wotton and Parker Johnson added power-play goals early in the third and then Colby Joseph closed out the game's scoring. On Saturday, Krywy scored 4:20 into

the game as Krauter and Dylan Fontaine assisted on his goal. Krywy leads the Lightning in goals scored with 14.

Leighton Holstein tied the score midway in the first period and then Callum Fortin, Cory King and Holstein tallied in the second.

Tyson Kozak and Tanner Andrew scored in the third.

Interlake hosted the Winnipeg Bruins on Wednesday evening and then the Winnipeg Wild will visit Teulon on Saturday (7 p.m.).

Interlake will then host the lastplace Norman Northstars on Sunday (2 p.m.).





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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row. column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD ANNUAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Additions to the Voters List and/or **Personal Security Protection Requests**

In accordance with Section 36 of The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act (MCSBEA), the Rural Municipality of Rockwood Voters List is open for changes or revisions

- Any person who is eligible to vote in municipal elections in the Local Authority of The Rural Municipality of Rockwood can have his or her name added to the Voters List, or have any information about the voter on the Voters List corrected.
- Any person can request to have his or her name and address obscured from the Voters List.

A person whose name has been obscured will receive a Personal Security Certificate and identification number. In a civic election, that person may only vote by Sealed Envelope Ballot and cannot vote in person at the regular or advance voting places

To implement the above, a written request must be submitted to the Senior Election Official, in person, by e-mail, fax or mail to:

The Rural Municipality of Rockwood 285 Main Street, Stonewall Phone: 204-467-2272 Fax: 204-467-5329 E-mail: info@rockwood.ca

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2018 Supply of Limestone Aggregates

2018 PROPOSAL FOR THE SUPPLY OF LIMESTONE

PRODUCTS IN THE RM OF ROCKWOOD

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Location: Woodlands, Manitoba

Topigs Norsvin is constructing Delta II, a new high tech genetic nucleus facility in Manitoba, Canada that will drive genetic progress in global selection lines. High precision technologies such as CT scanning, camera technology and automatic feed intake recording equipment are used to select the best individual animals. We are looking for applicants who together with the global GN team have the ambition to set the standard in our world leading genetic program.

Position Summaries

The Delta II Research and Development Manager is accountable for the genetic and production performance of Delta II, with health, genetic progress and product quality being the key drivers. Effective management will be achieved through leadership and strong communication between all departments as well as great collaboration and coordination with other members of the Topigs Norsvin Canada team and departments within Topigs Norsvin worldwide. Key responsibilities; managing a team across multiple locations, production and quality control, research and development activities. HR and administrative management. Qualifications; post-secondary degree (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) in Genetics, Agriculture or Business.

The Delta II Farms Manager is accountable for the production and performance of the Delta II facilities, with health, genetic progress and product quality being the key drivers. Effective management will be achieved through daily supervision and production oversight with strong communication between all departments. Key responsibilities; managing a team across multiple departments, production and quality control, HR and administrative management. Qualifications; degree or diploma in Agriculture or Business

The Genetic Supervisor is part of the Topigs Norsvin team carrying out day to day activities within the GN barn. Effective results will be achieved through daily supervision and production oversight with strong communication between all departments. Key responsibilities; animal health and welfare, daily data collection and evaluation, implementing protocols, selection of breeding stock, health and safety and biosecurity. Qualifications; post-secondary degree (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) in Genetics or Agriculture.

The Delta II Swine Supervisor is part of the Topigs Norsvin team carrying out day to day activities within the Delta barn. Effective results will be achieved through daily supervision and production oversight with strong communication between all departments. Key responsibilities; animal health and welfare, daily data collection, implementing protocols, selection of breeding stock, health and safety and biosecurity. Qualifications; degree or diploma in Agriculture.

The Delta II Swine Technician is part of the Topigs Norsvin team carrying out day to day activities within the Delta barn. Key responsibilities; animal health and welfare, daily data collection, health and safety and biosecurity. Qualifications; degree or diploma in Agriculture.

Working conditions

Hands-on positions. May require evening/weekend work and travel. Physical: some hands on physical barn work. Mental: strong ability to balance multiple priorities.

Salary and Benefits

Salary: depending on experience plus annual bonus. Benefits: comprehensive benefits package including health and dental and registered pension plan (50% employer:50% employee).

If you want to be part of a progressive, world leader in swine genetics please email your resume to: mike.shaw@topigsnorsvin.ca, highlighting which position you are applying for. For further information please see; www.topigsnorsvin.com/careers

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Marian Burchuk (Balness) May 27th, 1939 - February 10, 2011 As time unfolds another year, Memories keep you ever near; Silent thoughts of time together, Hold memories that will last forever. -Love and miss you always Peter, Shannon, Elanna, Rob and Lisa Dale, Skyler and Coco

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Rhoda Kunzelman October 13, 1922 - February 9, 2015 Never more than a thought away, Quietly remembered every day; In our hearts your memory is kept, To love, to cherish, to never forget. Forever in our hearts.

> -Love. Your family



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In memory of our Mom and Dad Leonard Hamaberg February 16, 1923 - February 14, 2002 Louise Hamaberg February 12, 1928 - February 14, 2017 Sad are the hearts that love you, Silent the tears that fall; Living our lives without yourself, Is the hardest part of all. Those special years will not return, When we were all together: But the love we hold within our hearts. Will be with us forever.

-Always loved, never forgotten Bill, Sharon, Carol, Debbie, Peggy and families



Astrid Procter Your life was a blessing, Your memory a treasure; You are loved beyond words, And missed beyond measure. -From all of us xoxo

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IN MEMORIAM

Rvbackuck In loving memory of Our brother, Donnie Who passed away February 14, 2016 Death only comes to let us know, We love more deeply than we show. But love in death should let us see, What love in life should always be. -Love Darleen and Colin Cameron



Gail Sherry Glowachuk (nee Saunders) August 21, 1945 - January 29, 2018

Gail Glowachuk aged 72 years of Teulon, MB passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband Alexander of 51 years and daughters Cindy (Marinos), Liz (Chris), brothers Gerry (Jackie), Barry and sister-in-law Joyce. She was also predeceased by her mother Irene, father Charlie, sister Barbara (Don) and sisterin-law Margaret. Gail was also loved dearly by her three grandchildren Emilia, Joshua and Alexi, nieces and nephews Chris, Tina, Jeff, Candace, Riley and Beth (Keith). She also leaves behind numerous friends and extended family.

Gail was born in Vancouver, BC and moved to Manitoba at a young age. She eventually took a job at Woolworths, Radio Oil where she met the love of her life Alexander then worked at Inves-

tors Group. Gail and Alex settled in Teulon where they raised their family. She went on to get her teaching degree and taught at Inwood and Broad Valley Schools for numerous years. Mom took great pride in her beautiful flowers and vegetable garden. She was very involved in

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community activities along side her many close friends. Gail also loved travelling throughout the years. She enjoyed exciting trips to Mexico, Florida, Greece and Iceland with her friends and family. Gail was always there when you needed a helping hand or to share her many words of wisdom.

We will miss you mom. May you rest in peace. You showed us so much love and gave us a life full of possibilities and goodness. We hope you know how much you meant to us! The family would like to extend their gratitude to Dr. Chan and the nursing staff at Gimli Hospital

as well as Dr. Zahiri and the nursing staff at Stonewall Hospital. A celebration of life was held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter Lu-

theran Church, 47 PTH #7 HWY N. Teulon, MB. Her many friends and family were honorary pallbearers. A private family interment will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Manitoba Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

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Helen Toback

It's with very heavy hearts that we announce that Helen Toback peacefully passed away with family at her side on Sunday, January 28th, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. in the Richmond General Hospital, Richmond, BC.

Helen leaves to mourn her daughter Dee, sons Gary and Terry, and their spouses. She also leaves to mourn her 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Helen was predeceased by her husband Steve, son Cas and great-grandson Jason.

Helen brought a special joy to everyone she knew with her warm heart and giving personality.

She loved volunteering at the Stonewall food-bank. She loved her bingo and casino.

The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the nurses and doctors at the Richmond hospital for their compassion.

She will be greatly missed by all.

A memorial service will be held, on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 11:00 a.m., at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel, Stonewall,

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Glen Norman Senga

September 7, 1959 – February 3, 2018 It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Glen, aged 58. He will be deeply missed by his wife Barbara of 19 years; children Ashley, Justin (Shannon), Christine (Josh) and grandchildren Hayden and Selena. He will also be missed by his siblings Marie (Leonard), Philip (Pam), Adam (Lori); Mother-in-law Helen Krasey; sister-in-laws Colleen (Larry) and Debbie (Allen), Uncle Jim and Auntie Anne as well as nieces, nephews, and cousins. Glen was predeceased by his parents Joseph and Jean Senga.

Glen was born on September 7, 1959. He retired from Russel Metals after 39 years of service in 2016. After that he took up driving school bus for the Interlake School Division, which he truly enjoyed, having a special relationship with his bus kids. He was also well known for his DJ music service. His service was widely

sought after, as he was an expert at knowing what music to play to please every crowd. He loved camping, golfing sledding, hunting and spending quality time with his family.

Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 11:00 a.m., Komarno Community Hall, Komarno, Manitoba. Interment to follow at Zbruch Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Justin Senga, Dillon Senga, Joey Senga, Perry Jacobson, Wayne Enberg, and Michael Green.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Zbruch Cemetery, c/o Box 32, Malonton, MB, R0C 1Z0.

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OBITUARY Chris Slocombe



December 17, 1927 - February 4, 2018

With broken hearts the Slocombe family wishes to announce the passing of our beloved mother Chris Slocombe on February 4, 2018.

Mom was predeceased by our dad Charlie and son-in-law Brian. Mom will be lovingly remembered and sadly missed by sons Don (Mary), Fred (Marg) and Randy (Andrea); daughters Beth (Chuck), Pam (Terry), and Amanda. Grandchildren Holly (Stephen), Cindy (Sean), Bill, Tim (Denise), Kim (Paul), Erin (Adam), Catlin, Lindsay, Brandi, Linda, Charles (Nichole), Brenda (James); great-grandchildren Matt, Marshall, Morgan, Hunter, Brody, Jaxon, Emily, Mackenzie, Brooklyn, Charlotte, Haylen, Liam, Jordan, Reese, Ryan, Emma, Kaiden, Nicholas, Dillon, Keegan, Blake, Sopjie, Ethan; also leave one special dear friend Donalda McRae.

Mom was born on December 17, 1927 and grew up in Winnipeg. She worked at Deer Lodge Hospital in which she met our Dad. They were married on July 13, 1945. They lived in Kirkfield Park for many years. In 1952 they moved to Marquette. Mom and Dad farmed for many years until our Dads passing in 1978. Mom was very active in the community. She loved doing ceramics. The Meadow Lea United Church Ladies and CGIT. She loved gardening, flowers, reading, and bingo. In 1988 Mom retired from farming and moved into the city where she became very active in

volunteer work. Viewing will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Cha-

pel, Stonewall. Funeral Service will be held on Friday, February 9, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Meadow Lea Hall,

corner of PR227, and PR248. The Slocombe family wishes to send a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Misericordia Place

MP2, thank you so much for taking good care of our mom. Mom, thank you for a lifetime of love and laughter. You left us with so many wonderful memories

that we will cherish forever. You took a piece of all our hearts to heaven. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Mom's memory to Meadow Lea United Church, c/o Tammy Matthews, Box 52 Marquette, MB, R0H 0V0.



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