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Stonewall's Kalli Missiabit, left, with her 12-year-old chihuahua Diego and Quinn Adamik with her one-year-old corgi/red heeler mix pup Navy have been busy in the kitchen making Doggi Dust from dehydrated beef liver. See full story inside.

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# Young vendors ready to sell pet product at Teulon market

By Jennifer McFee

A pair of young entrepreneurs from Stonewall will soon be selling their wares to pet owners at their first-ever craft sale.

Kalli Missiabit and Quinn Adamik are long-time friends who first met as tots at Starting Blocks. Now in Grade 5 at Ecole Stonewall Centennial School, the 11-year-old girls have embarked on a business venture called "a dogz world." Their company offers a product called Doggi Dust, which is made of 100 per cent dehydrated beef liver.

Pet owners simply sprinkle a dusting of the product on their dog's food and their pooch will gobble up whatever's in the bowl because it tastes like a treat.

It all began when Kalli decided to shave two chunks of beef liver treats together over the dish for her dogs Karl and Diego, since one of them wasn't eating his food. The dogs devoured every bite, so Kalli told her friend Quinn about her discovery. When Quinn tried the shaved liver with her dog Navy, she was impressed with the results.

"All the dogs we know love Doggi Dust," said Debra, Quinn's mom. "The two girls decided to do this because they both have such a strong love for animals, but especially dogs."

Ashley, Kalli's mom, noted that the girls will be selling four-ounce jars of Doggi Dust for \$9 each at

the Together Again Crafting Vendor Market, which takes place at the Teulon Rockwood Centennial Hall on Saturday, March 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They will be one of 50 vendors set up at the event.

"The girls have sold some jars through a Facebook group called the Interlake Market," Ashley said.

"The Teulon market will be their first craft sale, which they're super excited about."

So far, Kalli is enjoying the opportunity to run her own business along with her best friend.

"I feel proud and happy because to have this experience to run a business and to make money," Kalli said with a laugh.

"I also have a love for dogs, so anything to make them happy makes me happy. It's important so that your dog always eats his food."

Similarly, Quinn expressed enthusiasm for becoming a young entrepreneur.

"I love our small business that we have made. I think it's pretty darn cool to say that we own a business. I'm proud of Kalli and I for taking our thoughts and goals and turning them into real life," Quinn said.

"It's always fun to hear when the dog owners tell us how much it changed the way the dogs eat their food so well with the Doggi Dust on it."

In addition to the upcoming Teulon market, the girls will also be selling their Doggi Dust through a



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Doggi Dust will be available for sale at the Teulon market on March 26.

Facebook page named after their company, "a dogz world."

# New van for Stonewall and Area Mobility Services

By Jennifer McFee

A local transportation service is steering ahead with a new set of wheels.

Stonewall and Area Mobility Services (SAMS) provides transportation to seniors and people with mobility issues who live in the Town of Stonewall, RM of Rosser, RM of Woodlands and the south half of the RM of Rockwood.

At the end of January, the organization acquired a new 2022 Ford passenger bus to add to its existing fleet of a 2016 Chevy bus, a Dodge Caravan and a Dodge ProMaster. The organization also has a 2015 Ford bus that's currently for sale.

Each of the four municipalities allots \$10,000 annually towards SAMS, and the organization saved these contributions for four years to purchase the new vehicle. SAMS also receives fed-



Curtis McClintock and Dave Underwood show off the wheelchair lift.

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Left to right: Angela Emms of the RM of Rosser, chair Lorna Broadfoot of the RM of Woodlands, Walter Badger of the Town of Stonewall, driver Tony Maartense SAMS co-ordinator David Underwood and Curtis McClintock of the RM of Rockwood.

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# Sweet treats tapped at Oak Hammock Marsh

By Nicole Brownlee

Jacques Bourgeois reconnects to a family tradition while leading an annual maple syrup workshop at the Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre.

"Every year I would go and help out on the farm to make maple syrup," said Bourgeois, communications and marketing co-ordinator for Oak Hammock Marsh.

Bourgeois' family owns a sugar farm 45 minutes away from Montreal, where Bourgeois would spend frosty springs helping his family tap maple trees.

"I still try to go as much as I can," said Bourgeois.

The ideal time to tap maple trees is when the weather is above freezing during the day and below 0 degrees Celsius at night.

"For here in Manitoba, with all of the snow, it might take a little while before we have those perfect conditions, so I'm guessing probably early April," said Bourgeois.

"That's why I'm doing the workshop sort of towards the end of March so people can get ready and plan for their maple season."

During the March 20 workshop, Bourgeois will explore the history of maple syrup, explain how to identify maple trees and guide participants through making their own sugary treats.

"I show people my knowledge, what I've learned in Quebec while growing up, so people can make their own syrup at home as well," said Bourgeois.

In an outdoor demonstration, Bourgeois shows the audience snacking on maple treats the correct technique to tap a tree and boil the sap to make syrup.

Maple trees don't grow on the property at Oak Hammock Marsh, but Bourgeois will use logs as an example of the correct tapping techniques.

"The marsh is too wet for maple trees," Bourgeois explained.

He also notes that maple syrup has nutritional benefits because it is a natural sweetener like honey.

One 30 millilitre serving of pure maple syrup contains 35 per cent of the daily recommended intake of manganese and 15 per cent of riboflavin. There are also trace amounts of potassium, iron and calcium.

Canada is the world's leading producer and exporter of maple products, with Quebec representing over 96 per cent of the country's exports.

To register for the maple syrup workshop on March 20 at 1 p.m. at Oak Hammock Marsh, visit oakhammockmarsh.ca. Members pay \$10 to join the event and explore the discovery centre, while non-members will be charged \$20.



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Jacques Bourgeois shows participants how to roll maple sugar taffy at Oak Hammock Marsh's maple syrup workshop.

## Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Everything remains on track for Stonewall Motocross Club, which provided a progress update to Stonewall council last week.

"We're still pushing hard at trying to get a track built for a lot of the Stonewall area and residents to use," said Sheldon Churchill, one of the group's organizers.

A landowner has agreed to a lease, he added, and organizers have submitted a conditional use application for the location at the northwest corner of Highway 7 and Road 78N.

"Right now we're just in the midst of waiting for this conditional use," he said, "and as soon as that comes back, then we would like to put the dozers in the ground."

Darlene Dallman, one of the club's executive members, said things are moving slowly due to the pandemic.

"We do have a lease agreement in principle with the landowner, so that part is good. We have put in for a grant application from Building Sustainable Communities so that is hopefully a \$75,000 grant that will come to us and, of course, we need \$75,000

in matching funds. We have our conditional use application in, so we're waiting for a hearing date on that, and, of course, that's pivotal."

The Stonewall motocross group has ample support from about 300 members, she added.

"We know that we have the support of the motocross community. There's absolutely no doubt about that," Dallman said.

"They're there to support us financially as well as coming out to use the track. And once we get down to putting the shovel in the ground, we

have lots of volunteers who are willing to come out and help us."

They also hope to gain support from the RM of Rockwood and the Town of Stonewall, Dallman added.

"Any additional recreational opportunities we can put into the community, everyone benefits," she said.

"We would like it to be a joint effort."

For more information about Stonewall Motocross Club, contact stone-wallmotocross@gmail.com.

## Camp Stepping Stones volunteers in demand

By Jennifer McFee

Camp Stepping Stones will be back in person from June 3 to 5 and volunteers are in demand.

This camp is geared for kids aged seven to 17 who have recently lost a parent or somebody close to them.

Different volunteer options are available, such as serving as cabin leaders and helping with activities.

"Volunteers are welcome to come for the weekend or for a few hours," said Crystal Behrends, palliative care volunteer co-ordinator. "We are especially looking for volunteers to do sewing of pillows for a few hours on Saturday, June 4."

For more information, visit [www.ierha.ca](http://www.ierha.ca) and click on "Care in Your Community" then "Palliative Care" followed by "Camp Stepping Stones" or contact Behrends at [cbehrends@ierha.ca](mailto:cbehrends@ierha.ca), 1-855-494-7369 or 204-785-7542.



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# Seed fundraiser supports local Beavers and Cubs

By Jennifer McFee

An opportunity has sprouted up to show support for the local Beavers and Cubs group while also getting a headstart on gardening season.

The 1st Stonewall Beavers and Cubs are selling flower and vegetable seeds online as a fundraiser, and the seeds are shipped straight from the seed company to the customer with no shipping fees.

The group is made up of boys and girls from kindergarten to Grade 5 throughout the South Interlake area — all the way from Stony Mountain to Marquette and everywhere in between.

"Scout Seeds is a newer COVID-friendly fundraiser that 1st Stonewall Beavers and Cubs have taken on this year to raise funds for our adventures," said leader Karl Daher.

"Most of our meeting activities are paid for by weekly dues that are paid by members. Fundraisers such as this help cover some of the costs of our bigger adventures outside of our regular meetings, such as camping. The Scout Seeds fundraiser allows our group to enhance our programming to help develop youth into well-rounded, more resilient individuals."

From the start, Scouting has been concerned with the environment, he added.

"In 2020, Scouts Canada adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development



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ment Goals as a part of their Scouts for Sustainability program," Daher said.

Scout Seeds directly impacts sustainable development goals related to good health and well-being, sustainable cities and communities, and responsible consumption and production.

"Scout Seeds is also an import-

ant fundraiser for the No One Left Behind campaign, which aims to remove economic barriers for youth and families wishing to participate in Scouting," he said.

"Every young person deserves to experience the world of fun, friendship and self-development Scouting offers."

To support the local group, visit



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The Scouts Seeds fundraiser runs until March 31.

scoutseeds.ca to purchase your flower and vegetable seeds for this year. When checking out, make sure to select "1st Stonewall" as the group you would like to support. The campaign wraps up on March 31.

For anyone looking for more information on Scouting, please visit scouts.ca.

## Update on proposed quarry projects

By Jennifer McFee

At the March 9 council meeting, Rockwood council defeated a zoning bylaw amendment to change the zone from AL-1 (agricultural limited – Stonewall vicinity) to ME (industrial extractive) for a 110-acre site on properties owned by Maple Leaf Construction, located about 500 metres north of Stonewall between PR 236 and Summit Road, south of Road 78N. In addition, this proposal included the former rail corridor owned by the RM of Rockwood.

A total of 12 rural residential properties are located within a one-kilometre radius from these properties.

These properties contain about five million tonnes of limestone aggregate. Proposed development had been planned in phases over eight to 10 years, based on an extraction rate of 500,000 to 625,000 tonnes annually.

Councillors Art Goudy, Curtis McClintock, Lyle Willis, Terry Hartle and Tom Huffman all voted against the

resolution. Coun. Neal Wirgau was absent from the vote, and Reeve Wes Taplin abstained due to a conflict of interest.

At the same meeting, council passed a zoning bylaw amendment request to change a zone from MEH (industrial extractive holding area) to ME (industrial extractive) for a 150-acre site located north of Stonewall between PR 236 and Road 7E, just north of Road 79N on properties also owned by Maple Leaf Construction.

A total of five rural residential properties are located within a 500-metre radius from these properties.

These properties contain about 10 million tonnes of limestone aggregate. Development is planned in 16 phases over eight to 10 years, based on an extraction rate of 500,000 to 625,000 tonnes annually.

The proposed hauling route is through Maple Leaf Construction's current quarries by following Road 79N to Road 8E, continuing south to

Road 78N and moving east to Highway 7.

Councillors Art Goudy, Curtis McClintock, Lyle Willis, Terry Hartle and Tom Huffman all voted in favour the resolution. Coun. Neal Wirgau was absent from the vote, and Reeve Wes Taplin abstained due to a conflict of interest.

In addition, council passed a bylaw to amend a zone from MEH (industrial extractive holding area) to ME (industrial extractive) for a 270-acre site located north of Stonewall between Road 78N and Road 79N, on either side of PR 236 on properties owned by Glacial Stone Incorporated.

A total of 10 rural residential properties are located within a one-kilometre radius from these properties.

These properties contain about 10 million tonnes of limestone aggregate. Development is planned to begin in 2024, dependent on when current quarry operations wrap up. The phased project would take place

over eight to 10 years, based on an extraction rate of one million to 1.25 million tonnes annually.

The proposed project would generate 280 trips during an average week-day. All hauling would be routed through Rockwood's existing quarries by following Road 79N to existing haul routes to Highway 7. Glacial Stone would construct a nine-metre-wide driveway at PR 236 and Road 79N for site access.

Councillors Curtis McClintock, Lyle Willis, Terry Hartle and Tom Huffman all voted in favour the resolution. Coun. Art Goudy voted against the resolution, Coun. Neal Wirgau was absent from the vote, and Reeve Wes Taplin abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Conditional use approval is needed for the residual portion zoned AL (agricultural limited). The conditional use request will be presented to council on April 13 for consideration.



# WCI raising funds to revamp weight room

By Jennifer McFee

Warren Collegiate Institute's community is striving for a weighty goal of revamping the school's workout room.

In total, the school hopes to raise \$11,000 towards this effort. They're off to a running start since a recent fundraiser brought in more than \$1,700 towards the cause. Through this fundraiser, students sold Cranked Energy bars, and the local Winnipeg company provided \$10 per box to support the project.

Teacher Fallon Campbell explained the impetus for the efforts.

"The weight room is a high traffic area, as the change rooms are off of the room. The equipment in the weight room is worn out and not the safest option for our students," she said.

"We made a plan to utilize the space more efficiently with the purchase of a universal gym system. This system will eliminate three different pieces of equipment, thus creating more space. We also want to purchase more cardio equipment options. We currently have two treadmills and would like to add two sleek, space-saving spin bikes to the lineup as well."

Plans are in the works for a spring 50/50 that will

help the school reach its goal.

"We have already received a Healthy Schools grant, money from parent advisory council fundraisers, and Interlake Community Foundation is matching our Cranked Energy fundraiser up to \$500," Campbell said.

"The ICF is trying to encourage students to become philanthropic and give back to their communities. This year, our leadership students and our parent advisory council focused on our school weight room."

Even in its current state, the school's weight room remains a well-used amenity at the school — and the enhancements will likely increase the number of people interested in using it.

"The weight room is used by physical education students, students during spares and lunch hour, and staff. Several staff work with students on their lunch hours to weight train. It is also used for training during our track and field season," Campbell said.

"We are a small school but mighty. I love how, as a staff, we rally together to make things happen for our students. Thank you to all who supported the fundraiser and any future fundraisers."



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Pictured left to right, back row: Lexie Carriere and Abby Cassidy with teachers Fallon Campbell and Amber Oughton.

## Rosser council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

- The RM of Rosser has hired Don Dowle as assistant chief administrative officer and chief financial officer. Dowle was previously the CAO of RM of Alexander and, before that, CAO of Town of Beausejour. He also spent quite a few years as the CFO of the RM of Hanover. He will replace Lori Sheldon as assistant chief administrative officer. Sheldon is moving into a new role within the RM of Rosser, which is currently being finalized and will be announced soon.

- At the Feb. 22 council meeting, Rosser council passed a resolution to request that the Public Utilities Board approve adjustments to the Rosser CentrePort water and wastewater utility rates. On administration's recommendation, council gave first reading of a bylaw on Dec. 14, 2021, to amend the previous bylaw, with the objective of including a participation fee from the City of Winnipeg that was part of the wastewater agreement but not previously included in the rate study that was submitted a few years ago. In late 2021, after the first reading, the RM of Rosser received communication

from both Cartier Water Coop and the City of Winnipeg in regards to their charges for water and wastewater to the RM of Rosser for 2022.

In dialogue with the Public Utilities Board, the RM of Rosser passed a resolution on Feb. 22 to incorporate the updated actual charges into the text of the bylaw that had previously been sent to them. As a result, the RM of Rosser has asked the PUB for a decrease in wastewater rates from \$4.05 per cubic metre to \$3.81 per cubic metre. In addition, the municipality has asked the PUB for an increase in water rates from \$3.16 per cubic metre to \$3.21 per cubic metre.

- Council accepted a price quote of \$8,725 plus tax from ADM Storage as a single source for the purchase of a container for the Rosser Transfer Station.

- Council approved a lease-to-own arrangement for a 2022 model 160-15A CAT motor grader from Toromont CAT at a total cost of \$477,711, which includes all taxes, trades and interest. The RM's oldest motor grader in its

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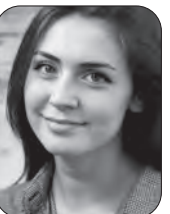
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## Tuesday marked the end of COVID-19 restrictions

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The last of Manitoba's public health orders and restrictions relating to COVID-19 lifted on Tuesday.

March 15 marked the first day Manitobans were no longer required to wear masks in public spaces. The day also saw the end of travel restrictions in northern Manitoba, individual case investigations related to COVID-19, and self-isolation requirements for those who test positive for the virus.

"Thanks to the commitment, compassion and hard work of all Manitobans, particularly our health-care heroes, we are finally in a position to lift restrictions," Health Minister Audrey Gordon said in a statement released Monday.

"This path forward will be different for all of us, whether we choose to wear masks or not, or how and when we connect with family and friends. Let's be patient, thoughtful and kind to each other as we navigate this new normal together."

While the mandates are gone, public health recommendations remain.

Symptomatic individuals are still encouraged to stay home and isolate, and even someone who isn't showing symptoms but tested positive should isolate for five days from the date of the test. Anyone with symptoms or a positive test should avoid non-essential visits to higher-risk settings or with people with a high risk of negative COVID-19 outcomes, officials say.

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, officials continue to recommend Manitobans get vaccinated, stay home when sick, assess their risk and make decisions about using masks, physical distancing and other actions based on those risks.

While masks are no longer mandated in public spaces, they are still required in all health-care facilities. This includes clinics, hospitals and personal care homes.

Shared Health stressed last week that this decision was informed by experts in infection prevention and control and will be evaluated contin-

uously moving forward.

"Manitoba's health-care facilities and care settings provide services and care to thousands of patients, residents and clients daily, many of whom are at increased risk of severe illness if they become infected with COVID-19," Shared Health said.

"While health system leaders continue to monitor the transmission of COVID-19 in our province over the coming weeks, we are taking this extra preventative step in an effort to provide protection and comfort to the Manitobans who seek and receive care."

Screening for symptoms and exposure will also remain in place at health-care facilities.

On Monday, the province's online COVID-19 dashboard put the number of people in hospital with the virus at 414 (182 actively contagious), including 20 total ICU patients (14 contagious). The death count had reached 1,716 people.

## letter to the editor

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### Cautionary tale

As a farm girl, did I ever think I would get close enough to a deer to get tossed/trampled? No. Many of you will already be shaking your heads and saying 'she should have known better!' Intellectually I do; however, this past week, while out walking our dogs, we encountered a terrorized deer.

Picture high snow banks, a narrow trail and nowhere for any of us to go. My senior dog Lua got knocked off the path and became stuck in the snow with the deer far too close. My other two moved away from the deer

but, unfortunately, this eliminated "run away room." I chose to wade in to get Lua out.

The result ... she ended up at the veterinarian while I went to the ER. I am only bruised, stiff and sore. Lua, due to her age and enlarged heart, just couldn't recover from the trauma and died.

My husband thankfully came to our rescue and informed me there were coyotes in the nearby field.

While most of us say we will always be able to stay out of danger's way, our experience is a cautionary tale for others. A doe with fawns in our yards, while cute, can turn deadly for

our children and pets. They are mothers protecting babies. Getting selfies with bucks in the background will probably not end well.

Deer are hungry this year, as are coyotes, and both have been in my yard, and many of yours, even if you live in town.

I believe that most of us would take action to save our children and pets. That doesn't make us fools, but it does make us far less aware of very real danger. I would not wish our experience on anyone. Please understand the danger that wildlife presents and be careful out there!

- Arlene Bodnar

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The South Interlake SnoRiders groomer was out last Friday preparing the trails for weekend riders. Help the Tribune record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: [weather@stonewallteulontribune.ca](mailto:weather@stonewallteulontribune.ca).

## letter to the editor

Letters to the Editor: [letters@stonewallteulontribune.ca](mailto:letters@stonewallteulontribune.ca)

### Disheartened

I had the pleasure of enjoying a hockey tournament at Stony Mountain this past weekend.

The team from The Pas Huskies was one of the teams playing in the tournament. They were scheduled to play at 4:30 p.m. Sunday. A request was made to the organizer by the coach of The Pas Huskies team to see if anyone would change game times with them as they had a six hour drive home. Apparently he did reach out to the teams and nobody was willing to change times so these 15 or so families could get on the road a bit earlier.

As a resident of the Interlake, I am disappointed and embarrassed that not one of these coaches would try to understand these families had a six-hour drive!

- Mary Laquette  
Stony Mountain

### Save our wetlands

I have been a frequent visitor to

Grant's Lake but last spring was the first time I was fortunate enough to experience a canoe ride down the main channel to the open water in the middle of the refuge. It was a beautiful late spring evening and so rewarding to see and hear so many species of birds and to see the ducks and geese nesting. By summer, the water level was such that canoeing was no longer an option.

Wetlands act as a reservoir to hold water, which helps to reduce flooding. Equally important, they also act as a filter and greatly improve water quality. Who would not want to promote wetlands and the value they offer? Certainly, the last two years of drought should be evidence enough of their value. To quote Ducks Unlimited, "Wetlands offer hope for our future."

In order to have the optimum water level in Grant's Lake some steps need to be taken as snow melt and runoff is often not enough to fill the lake. It is not necessary every year, but the mechanisms are in place to do the job of filling the lake when it is required. The people responsible for the marsh have to take the initia-

tive to do the job. In the spring, runoff water is held back and diverted through a channel into the marsh. After the optimum water level is reached the water resumes the normal flow down Sturgeon Creek. Holding some of this water back reduces the amount of water that ultimately flows through the City of Winnipeg — this should be viewed as a good thing.

There is a group of dedicated volunteers who share a passion for the marsh that have been trying for years to have Grant's Lake managed properly. It is simple — for a marsh to function properly the water level should be allowed to fluctuate — putting water in when levels are low should be a government priority.

As spring approaches, residents concerned about the management of the refuge are left wondering if the government agencies responsible will finally take action to ensure the viability of this heritage marsh. Let's make sure that it survives the next 60 years for future generations to enjoy.

- Carol Nichol  
Grosse Isle

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### Abundant Happiness

We have just started the season of Lent. Lent is often associated with giving something up, usually something we enjoy, in order to replicate the sacrifice of Christ's journey into the desert for 40 days.

As we journey through Lent, I encourage you to focus on the Beatitudes, on what we can add to our journey, on how we can make our Lenten journey one of joy and happiness. The teachings of Jesus called the Beatitudes from the gospel of Matthew are an invitation to a way of living that brings true happiness, and both inward and outward peace.

Beatitude is Latin for "abundant happiness." In his lesson on the Beatitudes, Jesus calls us to an abundant happiness, in which we find our true selves, the person that God intends us to be. God leads us to a transformation of ourselves, gives us the ability to see what needs to be transformed and to find God's help in that transformation. The Beatitudes lead us to a peace and joy to be experienced here and now. Each Beatitude begins with the word "blessed." The Greek word translated as "blessed" means "extremely fortunate and truly happy." To live the Beatitudes is to be centred on God and God's desires for our life. They invite us to live in a true inward peace that leads to a desire to be outward peacemakers, to bring reconciliation, to seek out opportunities for kindness and compassion, to pursue justice.

As we walk our Lenten journey together, my hope is that you don't focus on what you need to "give up." Instead, I encourage you to look at what you can add to your life or the lives of those around you.

How can you add happiness?

What can you add to your day that brings you pure joy?

In what ways can you bring joy to those you love?

God gives the gift of joy to share, and Lent is the time to share, to give and to make ourselves and other people happy.

Peace & Blessings

Rev. Tammy Bleue

Stonewall United Church



# GoFundMe page set up to support Balmoral woman and her family

Staff

An online fundraiser is underway to help the family of a Balmoral woman who is going through a tough time.

Chrissy Schroeder (Fox) is originally from Balmoral, and her family still lives in the community. Her husband Ryan recently underwent surgery to remove a cancerous tumour in his leg. The surgery was a success, but the cancer triggered a disease called dermatomyositis, which affects the skin and muscles.

A friend named Debbie Dykstra set up a GoFundMe page entitled "Fundraiser for the Schroeder (Fox) family" to help them cover costs associated with the situation.

"I am fundraising for my friends Ryan, Chrissy and Alexis Schroeder (Fox)," she wrote.

"There is no easy way to say this: Ryan is in a fight for his life."

As a result of all the complications, Schroeder was recently hospitalized.

"While in the hospital, the doctors also discovered he has inoperable Stage 4 mastistic lung cancer," the GoFundMe page states.

"Only one treatment is available for this combination of illnesses."

Without the treatment, Schroeder's life expectancy is very short, the page reads.

"We are optimistic and hopeful the treatment will work and he can come home when the treatment is finished. As you can imagine, Ryan and Chrissy

have incurred many costs related to these illnesses over the last few months. Those costs will continue in the upcoming months, including any support required when Ryan comes home," the page states.

"Obviously, Chrissy wants to be at the hospital as much as possible, but as they live in Ste. Anne (their dream home where they just moved to in December), she is staying at a hotel in the city, so she is close to Ryan and available 24/7. The family has pitched in and is working hard to support the Schroeders, including helping Alexis maintain some form of normalcy by going to school and staying in her home with her three dogs. The family will be travelling back and forth to the city so Alexis can see her dad while he gets better."

Schroeder works at Concord Projects, where he was recently promoted to construction manager. His wife owns a business called Fur Baby Biscuits, which has supported various charities over the years.

"Any donation is appreciated and will go towards gas, hotel bills, hospital costs for TVs, food costs, house and property support, etc.," states the page.

"We appreciate all donations and shares of the GoFundMe page. Thoughts and prayers are very much appreciated as well!"

By publication time, the fundraiser had raised \$850 of its \$5,000 goal.

If you would like to donate visit: <https://gofund.me/fcb03dbb>



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Friends and family Ryan Schroeder, husband to Chrissy (Fox) of Balmoral, have started a GoFundMe Page to support the family while Ryan battles cancer.

## ISD board looking to cut 10 teaching positions

By Jo-Anne Procter

On March 9, representatives from the Interlake School Division presented their draft budget for the 2022-23 school year via a virtual public meeting.

The projected revenue for 2022-23 is \$40,465,000, which includes provincial revenue of \$18,273,481, property tax revenue of \$21,996,719 and other revenue of \$194,800. Projected expenditures are budgeted for \$41,945,000, which means a shortfall of \$1,480,000. To balance the budget, Interlake School Division will require a reduction of this amount.

Within the Interlake School Division, 85 per cent of expenditures are allocated for salaries and benefits and 15 per cent of expenditures are allocated for supplies, services, interest and payroll taxes.

To balance the budget by \$1,480,000, it has been suggested there be a reduction of approximately \$1,258,000 to salaries and benefits and a reduction of \$222,000 to the expenditures allocated for supplies, services, interest and payroll taxes.

The Interlake School Division operates 13 public schools, eight colony

schools and two divisional buildings. Supt. Margaret Ward explained that enrolment drives most of what they do. The projected number of students for the 2022-23 year is 2,916, which is a drop of 110 students from the previous year.

Ward also explained that when building the budget, they look at what costs will be next year. They factor in inflation and do their best to estimate costs.

"Budget to budget, we look at things that have changed from this time last year to what we are projecting for the coming year," Ward said.

A key factor that has changed for all divisions is salaries and benefits.

"We were asked to budget based on the fact that divisions last year, when we set a budget, as directed by the province, school divisions were budgeting based on Bill 28, which saw folks with zero per cent increase in a few years and a small increase in another two years. And since that time, there has been employee group settlements with regards to salaries, and those settlements have to be taken into account now as we move forward," she said.

"Those settlements included some back pay to those years, and there is also a compounding effect year over year on those changes. Those changes are reflected in this budget, and this has had the biggest impact on forming this budget. All our employee groups have experienced increases in their salaries. That number doesn't match the revenue, which is a problem that needs to be addressed."

In 2021-22, Interlake School Division had 235 professional staff and it is estimated there will be 225 in 2022-23.

Treasurer Al Leiman explained that on Feb. 4 the provincial government announced it will be giving school divisions across the province \$120 million. The breakdown of that funding was a base funding increase of \$43 million and \$77 million for wage costs.

"Of the \$43 million, we actually had a decrease of \$200,000 for about six years in a row in provincial base funding," Leiman said.

"Every year since 2016, the provincial base/categorical funding has been declining. Provincial funding for the 2022-23 fiscal period is \$17,016,000."

The provincial government froze property taxes for the fourth year in a row.

"They have not allowed us to increase taxes even though we had an increase of assessment," he said. "This year, our increase of assessment throughout the whole division was 5.6 per cent."

Leiman said the 5.6 per cent growth in assessment is due to a lot of new commercial and new development happening within the Interlake School Division.

"As a result of the freeze in the amount of money that the ISD can collect, our mill rate for 2021 was 12.614 and projected for 2022 will be 11.945 mills, a decrease of 0.669 in the mill rate," he said.

"Every homeowner will potentially see a decrease in their property taxes on their bill, which equates to \$105 on a home that is assessed at \$350,000."

The presentation of the 2022-2023 final budget and vote will be held on March 21 at 7 p.m. at the regular board meeting that is open to the public.



# Handivan services hit a snag in West Interlake region

By Nicole Brownlee

The West Interlake Handivan Association has disbanded, leaving the RM of St. Laurent, West Interlake and Coldwell with several alternative plans to continue offering a similar service to their residents.

Cheryl Smith, reeve of St. Laurent, said the community decided to leave the Handivan Association because residents weren't accessing the service.

"It was just not feasible for our ratepayers to access it. It was just way too expensive," said Smith.

The municipality budgeted \$3,345 per year to offer the handivan service to the community.

Two of the West Interlake Handivan Association vans were stationed in the RM of Coldwell, so if a resident in St. Laurent requested the service, they were responsible to pay for the van to travel over 30 kilometres from Coldwell to St. Laurent in addition to the journey to their destination.

For a one-way trip, it would cost the passenger \$35 for 50 kilometres or less. An additional \$0.50 would be added to the price for trips further than 50 kilometres.

The community received several complaints about the price of the ser-

vice and pleas to offer alternative options.

The council is working with their Community Development Corporation and the St. Laurent Seniors Resource Council to create a plan to replace the handivan service.

"A subcommittee has been created where we have key community partners at that table with the view of coming up with some policies and possibly tendering out to see if there's somebody wanting to start up a business in transportation," said Smith.

The committee is collecting information about how often the handivan service was used, what needs to change about the service and what would be a fair rate. A deadline for the report has not been made.

"We're really hoping that this new model will be a way forward, and I know that other municipalities are looking at doing something similar because it was just not feasible."

The RM of West Interlake left the Handivan Association in July 2020, said Jodi Thorkelsson, administrative clerk for the municipality.

The municipality left the Handivan Association because after amalgamating in 2015, West Interlake had two handivan services covering the com-

munity.

"We had the Lakeshore Handivan, which serviced the former RM of Siglunes and the RM of Grahamdale. The West Interlake Handivan serviced the former RM of Eriksdale," said Thorkelsson.

The Lakeshore Handivan Association offered to expand their service area to cover the entire municipality, which enabled West Interlake to leave the other association behind.

"There was no disruption of service," said Thorkelsson.

The Lakeshore service currently has three vans. Two are stationed in Ashern, and one in Eriksdale. The service is also funded by the province's Mobility Disadvantaged Transportation Program grant.

To use the 10-seat van, passengers pay \$1 per kilometre. For the smaller six-seat vans, passengers pay \$0.45 per kilometre.

Keith Lundale, chair of the Lakeshore Handivan Association, said the board is reviewing their current rates and are exploring ways to reduce the cost.

The smaller vans are used daily to transport residents for medical appointments.

Nicole Christensen, chief adminis-

trative officer of the RM of Coldwell, said the council wasn't surprised when the RMs of St. Laurent and West Interlake moved to disband the Handivan Association.

"A presentation was made in our December meeting as to the obvious need to disband because the other two municipalities wanted out," said Christensen.

"We knew that the other two municipalities weren't satisfied anymore."

The RM of Coldwell had no choice but to disband from the Handivan Association and is working on transitioning the service for the municipality alone.

"We might as well run it ourselves," said Christensen.

The council has offered to buy St. Laurent and West Interlake's handivan assets to continue the service but has been delayed.

"Our municipality's intention was not to just get rid of the handivan services for our community, just, unfortunately, time constraints and procedures get in the way."

Coldwell budgeted \$3,135 yearly to pay for the West Interlake Handivan Association.

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eral and provincial funding.

"We now have the capability of putting a wheelchair right at the front of the bus on a raised platform," said co-ordinator Dave Underwood.

"There are also two other wheelchair positions in the back. We're pretty excited about that."

Riders pay for the service, but Underwood noted that rates remain low thanks to contributions from the local municipalities.

"There are a lot of people in the three RMs and the Town of Stonewall that just can't get around. A lot of people are using our service to go back and forth to their appointments in the city or Selkirk because they don't have to

pay for parking and they don't have to look around for parking," he said.

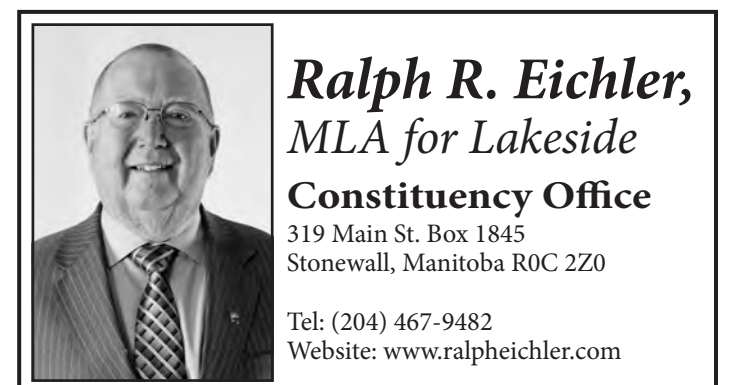
"We drop them off right at the door. We get them off the bus and, if they're alone, somebody will take them to where they've got to go. We wait for

you to come back out again unless it's a four- or five-hour procedure that you're going to have. Then you just give us a call and we'll come back to pick you up."

The service is available Monday

to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After-hours, weekend and holiday bookings can also be made by special arrangements.

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# Mark your calendar for Jets Town Takeover

By Jennifer McFee

A long-awaited event is finally coming to Stonewall after a two-year delay due to the pandemic.

In early 2020, Stonewall earned the most online votes to win the Jets Town Takeover. In March 2020, the Jets were supposed to take over the town but the emergence of COVID-19 derailed the festivities.

Now the Jets Town Takeover has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 21, and excitement is already beginning to build.

Stonewall Coun. Peter Bullivant is pleased that the event has continued to infuse energy back into the community.

"It gives us an opportunity to come together after having been apart for too long, celebrate winning the contest and showcase the pride we feel in our people and community," he said.

"True North has been a pleasure to work with and we are ready to be together again."

True North Sports + Entertainment is bringing Project 11 elements to Ecole RW Bobby Bend School, Ecole

Stonewall Centennial School and Stonewall Collegiate Institute for the day. This project focuses on mental health and wellness.

"The day starts with school visits from our Project 11 team, who will chat with schools on mental health, what it is and ways to take care of it," said Kory Harnum, manager of community relations for Winnipeg Jets Hockey Club.

"For the younger grades, yoga and a pizza party will be included in this."

In the afternoon, plans are in the works for Winnipeg Jets alumni to be at the arena facilitating on-ice sessions.

"Some of the Winnipeg Jets alumni are joining forces with Stonewall Minor Hockey and the Stonewall Jets for some fun activities," Bullivant said.

After that, the fun continues at the local sports complex, where food and beverage services will be available.

"A viewing party is taking place at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex, where everyone is invited to watch the Jets take on the Hurricanes in Carolina," Harnum said.



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Mark your calendar for the Jets Town Takeover coming up on April 21.

"The Jets alumni will be signing autographs, prizes will be given away and a good time will be had."

The Stonewall event marks the second annual Jets Town Takeover. The

first takeover took place in Morris in 2019.

Stay tuned for more information about this exciting event as it becomes available.

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fleet needs to be replaced due to age.

- Council approved the 2022-23 Winnipeg Metropolitan Region Membership fee at a cost of \$4,444.50 plus GST.

- Council expressed support for a committee that aims to reopen the Rosser Municipal Cemetery.

- At the request of the RM of

Rockwood, the RM of Rosser will enter into a mutual aid agreement for emergency management situations with the RM of Rockwood.

- Council approved a request to vary the minimum site width to 60 feet from 200 feet at a property on Road 7E, proposed due to a unique situation with configuration of a

driveway.

- At the Feb. 8 council meeting, council passed an amended bylaw to provide clarity regarding annual increases. Effective Jan. 1 of each year, council's meeting indemnities, and rates for daily or hourly attendance for authorized municipal business will now be automatically adjusted

by the same rate as approved for all employees of the organization. Prior to this change, council would be ineligible for any increase over their term of office.

- Council approved the engagement of Donna Maxwell through a single-source proposal quote to assist and deliver a quarterly municipal newsletter. The interim expenditure will be included in the 2022 budget.

- At the Jan. 25 council meeting, council granted authorization for several hauling routes from Lilyfield Quarry to specific local sites within the quarry area.

- Rosser's reeve will send a municipal letter in support of Rosser Community Club's application for funding to install a gym floor surface, retractable curtain, batting cage, basketball nets, ball bags on wheels and punching dummies for martial arts through the Building Sustainable Communities grant.

- Rosser's reeve will also send a municipal letter of support of Grosse Isle Recreation Club's application for funding to repair and paint the stucco, replace the deteriorated siding in the gable ends of the building and upgrade the fascia and soffits through the Building Sustainable Communities grant.

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# Hands-on university experience from home for high school students

By Nicole Brownlee

First Nations, Métis and Inuit high school students have the opportunity to virtually study science and engineering at universities across Canada for a week in May.

The Verna J. Kirkness Education Foundation (VJKEF) has run the program for over a decade, first partnering with the University of Manitoba in 2012 to address the under-representation of Indigenous students at Canadian universities.

"If students that are going to university and see themselves there after having done this program, that would be a win," said Amber Boyd, VJKEF's executive director.

"Ideally, we'd love to see more students graduating in science, technology, engineering and math."

Verna Kirkness is an author, educator and advocate from Fisher River Cree Nation. Kirkness was voted Canadian Educator of the Year in 1990 is a member of the Order of Canada (1998) and the Order of Manitoba (2007).

VJKEF is partnered with 13 Canadian universities with 100 university mentors guiding students in grades 10 to 12 through lectures, labs and facility tours for free. Over 530 students have participated in the program through VJKEF scholarships.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, students were flown across Canada to visit post-secondary institutions of their choice to learn more about the expectations of post-secondary education, the flow of academics and accessible opportunities.

This year, students will learn more about university life virtually.

"We have students participate right across Canada even from the territories, the provinces, from all different communities," said Boyd.

"What we're trying to do is emulate what the experience would be on



Verna Kirkness is an author, educator and advocate from Fisher River Cree Nation who joined the program and lent her name to the organization in 2010.

campus." Professors have scheduled time slots for labs, class time and work periods for students to build presentations. Keynote speakers, hands-on activities and virtual tours of Indigenous centres on campus are other events scattered throughout the five-day program. Students get to choose which events they'd like to attend.

The organization of the virtual program is very similar to the in-person experience, but without the travel, said Boyd.

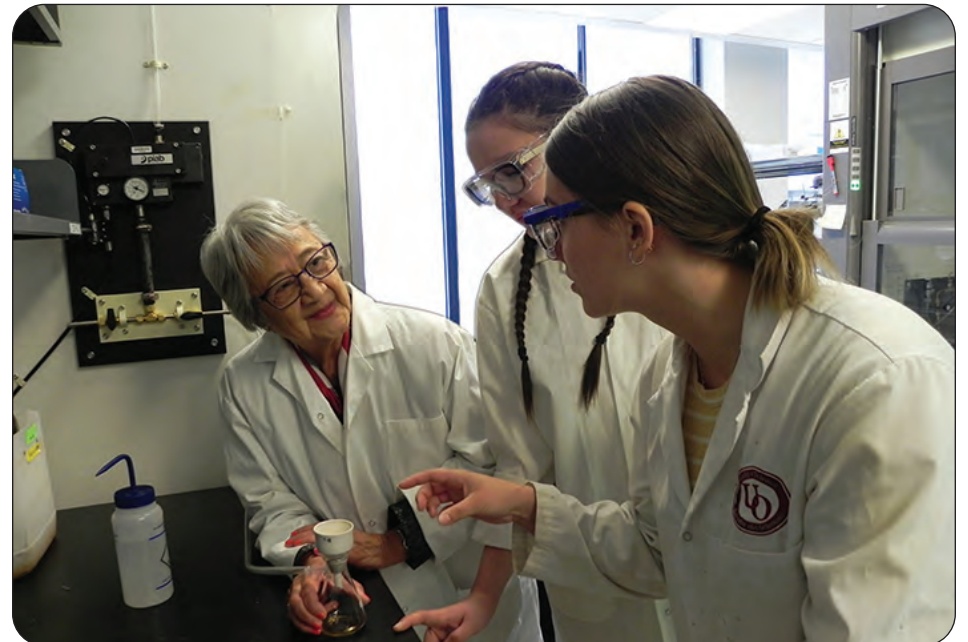
VJKEF offers two programs, one from May 2 to 6 for Western Canada and the second from May 9 to 13 for Eastern Canada.

The application deadline for the program is April 1. More information on mentors, specializations and schedules will be released in the following weeks.

Boyd said they expect to accept 150 students to this year's program.

"This year is going to be really strong. We've built a really fun program. Even though it's virtual, there's so much hands-on stuff at home," said Boyd.

Tariq Saddleback attended the program in 2019 and went to the Univer-



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The Verna J. Kirkness Education Foundation Program has given over 530 high school students from across Canada the opportunity to study at Canadian universities for a week.

sity of Calgary to learn more about veterinary medicine.

"I definitely had a lot of fun," said Saddleback, who's from Calgary.

"I learned a lot, and it was really hands-on experience."

Saddleback initially applied to study veterinary medicine because

of his participation in rodeos. During his week at the U of C, Saddleback learned about avian viruses while meeting students from across Canada.

Saddleback plans to return to post-secondary education later this year to study automotive technology.

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# Kidney donors in demand

By Jennifer McFee

The kindness of strangers can make the world seem a little brighter.

For one local woman, she rejoiced in heartfelt offers from strangers to help with her health condition — until she found out that certain rules prevented the process.

Karen Sinclair, who lives just outside Stony Mountain, has end-stage kidney disease. She is undergoing dialysis while she waits for a kidney on Manitoba's transplant list.

Last summer, her daughter Tiana reached out on Instagram to share her mom's story in hopes of finding a donor, which resulted in an overwhelming number of responses.

However, the mother-daughter duo were disappointed to discover that donors can only make non-directed anonymous donations through Transplant Manitoba to be fair to everyone else waiting on the list.

"In Manitoba, an established relationship is required to be a kidney donor. So those strangers who were willing to help and save my mom were rejected," said Tiana, a first-year teacher living in Morden.

"It's happening in other provinces and countries but it's not allowed to happen here. It's incredibly difficult. I'm trying to do everything I can to help my mom."

She expressed concern for the health of her mom, whose family originally hails from the Hodgson area.

"She's hooked up to a machine five days a week for up to five hours at a time. It filters out her blood and toxins throughout her system. She doesn't have the same energy



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Karen Sinclair, right, and her daughter Tiana.

she used to have," Tiana said.

"Now she can't stay awake for longer than five hours at a time. She can't work full time anymore. She's lost so much hair, and there's tons of medications."

Karen, a former 10-kilometre marathon runner, discovered something was amiss about seven years ago when she found herself becoming winded too easily while training.

"I was very athletic. It dawned on me that something was wrong when I would hit three miles and start panting when I normally didn't. I was gasping for air and wondering what's going on. I finally went to the doctor. They did blood work and then they broke the news," said Karen, who worked as a flight attendant.

"The end result is that I need a kidney. And if people want to donate a kidney, that should be fine even if they

don't know the person."

Roberta Koscielny of Transplant Manitoba said currently about 200 Manitobans are waiting for a kidney transplant, and blood type plays a role in wait times.

"In Manitoba, direct living donation requires an established relationship, which means anonymous donors for specific recipients are not accepted into Transplant Manitoba's living donor program," she explained.

"If someone connects with the program wanting to donate to someone they do not know, the person may choose to step forward as an any-

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flour, for dusting  
1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed  
1 cup grated fontina cheese  
1 cup grated gruyere cheese  
1 tablespoon shallot, minced  
2 egg yolks  
3 tablespoons milk  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
1 lemon, zest only  
Heat oven to 400 F.

In large skillet, add water and asparagus. Cook 5-8 minutes until asparagus is bright green.

Drain asparagus and soak in ice water.


In large bowl, mix drained asparagus, vegetable oil, salt and pepper until combined.

Flour surface area. Using rolling pin, roll out pastry to 10-by-16-inch rectangle. Transfer pastry to parchment-lined baking sheet. Prick pastry with fork. Bake about 12 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool slightly on baking sheet.

In large bowl, mix fontina cheese, gruyere cheese, shallot, egg yolks, milk, nutmeg and salt and pepper, to taste, until combined. Spread cheese over pastry, leaving 1 inch around edges. Lay asparagus over cheese mixture.

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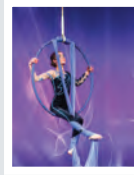


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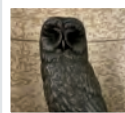
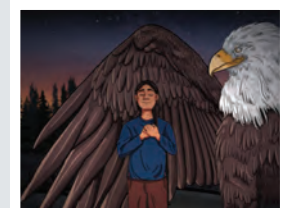
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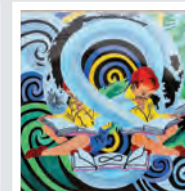
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# Seven-day, tuition-free training for uncertified health-care aides upcoming

By Patricia Barrett

The provincial government is continuing to staff personal care homes and other health-care facilities with uncertified health-care aides in response to the effects the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has had on the health-care system in Manitoba.

Working in partnership with Red River College, the province's Shared Health organization initiated a seven-day training course in November 2020 for uncertified health-care aides (UHCAs) in response to the virus overwhelming the system and exhausting staff.

A new intake of the fast-track course starts in a few weeks, and facilities across the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority have job openings. A spokesperson for the IERHA said the staffing requirements that arose from COVID "demanded an immediate increase in the available workforce to support personal care home residents' needs. This new training program was one of the initiatives put in place."

Leona Wright (RN, BN), the IERHA's director of health services, long-term care program and PCH standards, said UHCA training is tuition-free

and will teach applicants basic personal care, infection prevention and other skills.

"Generally, the skills they'll be learning will help them slide in as a member of a [health-care] team. Once they're hired into a casual position, we provide them with on-the-job orientation and mentorship. They're working alongside experienced health-care aides so that they can enhance their learning," said Wright last week. "It's not like they're coming into a personal care home and working independently. We wrap the team around them and support them in some areas where they can use some extra experience."

Although many new UHCAs will find jobs in personal care homes, Wright said there are opportunities across the region for employment in other health-care areas.

"We had the opportunity recently to support [UHCAs] in home care and in acute care in our hospitals," she said. "They were hired to support the heavy workload COVID-19 has presented. There are several opportunities for uncertified health-care aides to support the health-care system."

The seven-day training course con-

sists of five days of theoretical training and two days of a skills lab.

Uncertified health-care aides will undertake duties such as bathing patients/residents, feeding them, helping them walk, monitoring wandering patients, responding to calls for assistance, transporting patients, responding to physical and emotional needs, providing information to the health-care team to assist with planning, cleaning equipment, restocking supplies and maintaining reports and records, according to a Shared Health job posting for UHCAs.

UHCAs may have to deal with aggressive patients. Their positions are covered under a collective agreement with CUPE. Applicants must be 18 and have completed Grade 10. A criminal record check and adult and child abuse registry checks are required before they can work in an IERHA facility.

Wright said that although new graduates are hired into casual positions, which could entail day, night and weekend shifts, they are paid more than minimum wage. They can work up to full-time hours or take a minimum number of hours if they choose.

"They automatically start at \$17.73

an hour," she said. "If you're interested in dipping your toe in to see if you like health care, this is a phenomenal opportunity."

The IERHA has already hired 36 UHCAs. Some are students, moms with kids, laid-off workers or people who have other jobs and want to supplement their income, said Wright. Not only does the position provide a segue into health care, but there are also jobs available in IERHA communities where facilities are located, and people won't have to travel far for work.

"This course and these positions have arisen out of the pandemic, and we envision being able to support these individuals in the health-care workforce for the long-term. People are loving this position," said Wright.

A new UHCA course starts on March 28. The two-day skills lab will be held in Selkirk on April 5, 6, 7 and 8.

For more information about uncertified health-care aide training, visit <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/> and click on Careers at the top of the page, click COVID-19 Opportunities, and click Health Care Aide – Uncertified (Paid Training) – Interlake-Eastern Health Region.

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mous donor ensuring fairness and equity to all those waiting for a transplant. Anonymous living kidney donors are also given the opportunity to participate in the Kidney Paired Donation Program through Canadian Blood Services."

The Kidney Paired Donation Program identifies potential transplant opportunities for recipients who have a willing living donor who can't donate to them due to incompatibilities in blood type or tissue typing. This program searches for matches among incompatible pairs, and when a match is found, the pairs are able to swap donors.

Kidneys help rid the body of things it doesn't need, such as extra fluid, waste or minerals. As well, they help control blood pressure, balance chemicals and build red blood cells.

Here in Manitoba, about one in 10 adults is living with kidney disease — and most don't even know it.

According to Manitoba Renal Program, Manitoba has the highest rates of kidney disease in Canada. The leading causes are diabetes and high blood pressure. Between 2010 and 2019, the number of Canadians on dialysis grew by 25.7 per cent, yet the number of Manitobans on dialysis jumped up by 45 per cent during that same period.

Currently, about 1,845 Manitobans are receiving dialysis treatments and another 6,475 people are being treated for chronic kidney disease.

Across the globe, the need remains great for organ donors, Koscielny added.

"In Canada, there are more than 4,000 Canadians waiting for a life-saving transplant," she said.

"According to the latest statistics from Canadian Blood Services, there were 734 deceased organ donors and 487 living organ donors in 2020. In 2020, 276 Canadians died while waiting for a transplant."

March is National Kidney Month, and Koscielny offers some suggestions for how to mark the moment.

"Registering to be an organ and tissue donor in Manitoba takes two minutes online and three pieces of information — name, birthdate and nine-digit Manitoba Health card number," she said.

"Manitoba's donor registry, [www.signupfor-life.ca](http://www.signupfor-life.ca), is marking 10 years of online service this year and the goal is to add 10,000 new registrations before Dec. 31, 2022. Currently the registry holds the donation decisions of more than 60,000 Manitobans."

She also explained the process of becoming a kidney donor through a deceased donation.

"The window of opportunity to become an organ donor is small. Less than three per cent of all in-hospital deaths allows for the option of organ donation. Giving the gift of life is rare, which is why Transplant Manitoba – Gift of Life encourages all Manitobans to have important conversations with loved ones about final wishes," she said.

"Should something happen and a person dies in a way that makes giving a gift of life possible, families need to be aware of donation decisions

so that decision can be honoured when donation is offered as an option at end of life."

At the same time, Karen offers some advice based on her own experience.

"For me, every month is a kidney month. You can catch problems before the percentage of your kidneys go down. I didn't catch it. I caught it when my kidneys were at 30 per cent," she said. "I really emphasize to everybody that you should really get checked."

Likewise, Tiana encourages others to consider getting tested to find out if they can become a kidney donor.

"Getting tested does not mean you have to donate your kidney. People can live full and healthy lives with one kidney," she said.

"We can't live without our heart or our brain, but there are people who donate a kidney and they still have a healthy and full life."

For more information, including about how to become a living donor, visit Transplant Manitoba's website at <https://www.transplantmanitoba.ca>.

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## Balmoral Curling Club hosts open bonspiel



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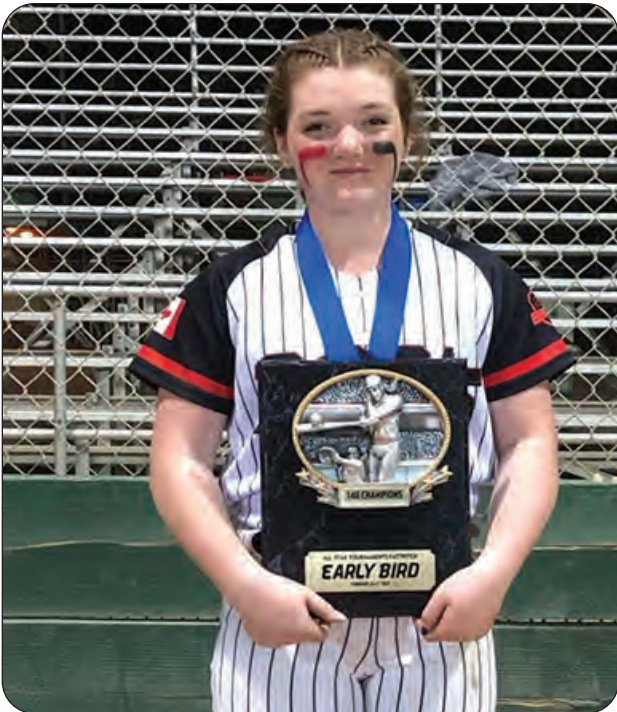
The Balmoral Curling Club hosted their annual open bonspiel on March 4-6. The A-event was won by Team Stewart, whose rink included Paul Janssen, Andy Stewart, Blake Good and Devin Smith. Team Schkawritka won the B event. Their foursome included Gerald Hazelton, Tom Hammell, Bob Schkawritka and Shohn Godwin. Team Loehmer, which featured Michelle Loehmer, Dylan Lucas, Kyle Loehmer and Lyle Loehmer, won the C event.

## Wheddon scores first WHL goal



TRIBUNE PHOTO EDMONTON OIL KINGS  
Stonewall's Hayden Wheddon scored his first Western Hockey League goal as his Edmonton Oil Kings defeated the Medicine Hat Tigers 7-3 last Wednesday. Wheddon's second-period goal was the eventual game winner.

## Golden girl



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED  
Stonewall's Sierra Slatcher, middle, pitched in her 222's Original Fastpitch team's 5-3 win over the Sutter Buttes Thunder in the gold-medal game of an 'Early Bird' U14 softball tournament in Sacramento, Calif. The 222's finished the tournament with a perfect 6-0 record.

## Skating excellence



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY NANCY HOFF  
The Stonewall Skating Club's Orren O'Neil won a pair of gold medals at the Manitoba Open/Starskate Championship in Hazelridge on March 4-6.



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## Stonewall curling bonspiel winners



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY STU BROWN

The Stonewall men's bonspiel took place March 11-13 with 20 teams participating. The 'A' event was won by Team Nichol whose rink included Devin Smith, Riley Nichol, Ryan Smith and Craig Nichol. They defeated the Sam Good team in the final. The Swanson team defeated the Bob Harris team to win the 'B' event. The 'C' event was won by Team Lott. Their rink, which featured Wade Ford, Emerson Klimpke, Kennedy Bird and Tanner Lott, defeated the Andrew Hunt team.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LAURIE DEPREZ

The Stonewall Ladies Curling Club held their annual bonspiel Feb. 25-27 with 20 teams participating. Top photo, first event winners were Marlene Lang, Pamela Kok, Dianne Roeland and Lori Campbell of the St. Vital Curling Club who defeated the Tracy Andries rink. The second event was won by Lisa Slatcher, Vanessa Chetyrbok, Ashley Missiabit and Raya Pool of the Stonewall Curling Club who defeated the Laurie Deprez rink. (No photo) Terry Ursel, Wanda Rainka, Tracy Igonia and Jolene Walker of Neepawa defeated Gina Doyle's rink to win the third event.

## Blazers post 3-1 record in JWHL playoffs



Stonewall's Anya Epp made 32 saves for the shutout against the Steelers.

By Brian Bowman

The Balmoral Hall Blazers finished with an impressive 3-1 record at the Junior Women's Hockey League playoffs in Boston last weekend.

Balmoral Hall trounced the Pacific Steelers from Richmond, B.C. 10-2 in a consolation final last Saturday.

The Blazers were doubled 4-2 by Quebec's Stanstead College on Saturday.

"It was a super tight semifinal game," said Blazers' goaltender Anya Epp, who lives in Stonewall. "We all played our hearts out. It's always a close game against Stanstead. We were definitely upset about losing that one and not going to the finals but I think finishing third and leaving it all out there was definitely a good takeaway from the weekend."

Balmoral Hall reached the semifinal after doubling the Boston Shamrocks 2-1.

The Blazers started the playoffs with a solid 2-0 win over the Pacific Steelers last Friday.

Epp was perfect in goal, making 32 saves for the shutout.

"Shut outs are always the goal in a hockey game for the goalie," Epp said. "It's certainly a good feeling to have no goals against. I had help from my (defence) and forwards. It was a great feeling especially to start the weekend."

This fall, Epp will be off to the University of Prince Edward Island and will be playing hockey for that program.

Epp played three years at Balmoral Hall. She really enjoyed the experience of attending school there and playing hockey for the Blazers.

"Obviously, last year we didn't get a lot of games in and we didn't get a lot of travel but the team still had activities probably every day of the week," she said. "I still got to be with my teammates all of the time. The environment is just wonderful. It's such a tight-knit community here. We have great coaches, great support system, and my teammates are my best friends so it just makes it that much better."



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## Jets finish regular season with OT loss

### Staff

The Stonewall Jets wrapped up their regular season with a 5-4 overtime loss to the St. Vital Jr. Victorias in Winnipeg on March 8.

Tyler Rubigny scored the game winner in OT.

St. Vital trailed 4-1 late in the third period but scored three unanswered goals to force the overtime.

The Vics' Brady Jaquet started the comeback at 15:04 and then Parker Janz tallied at 19:21. Just six seconds later, Ryland Nechwediuk

tied the score at 4-4.

Stonewall took a 1-0 first-period lead on a Michael Spence goal. Shane Bear, on the power play, and Jaytey Towle made it 3-0 before Janz tallied at 12:50 of the middle frame.

Spence scored his ninth goal of the season early in the third.

Josh Bond made 37 saves in the losing cause.

With the loss, the Jets finished the regular season with a 10-30-5 record and failed to make the playoffs.



# Rams win AAA junior varsity girls' basketball provincials

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams are the MHSAA AAA junior varsity girls' basketball provincial champions.

Stonewall defeated the St. James Jimmies 41-39 in thrilling fashion in the final on Sunday in Sanford. The Rams' scored the winning basket with 9.5 seconds remaining in the game.

"It was exciting for the girls, their families, and coaches," said Rams' head coach Jason Cassils. "They all bought in and they were just a great group of girls. It was a great team environment, they were all playing for each other."

Stonewall had St. James' number down the stretch. "That was the fourth time that we had played them in three weeks," Cassils said. "It's tough to beat a team four times, especially a good team like St. James. It was very exciting for the girls - it was a roller coaster win, that's for sure."

Stonewall reached the final after beating the Linden Christian Wings 37-25 on Saturday afternoon. Stonewall started the provincials by whipping the W.C. Miller Aces 62-6.

"Our defence played well all weekend, all year for that matter," Cassils said. "Most games we held teams to 30 points or less. They played very well."

Precious Paguio had a game-high 21 points in the final and was named the provincial's most valuable player. The Rams' Ashley Hudon was selected as a provincial all star.

On March 7, the Rams hung on for an exciting 30-27 victory over the Jimmies to win the Winnipeg Tier 2 league title.

In varsity girls' action, the Rams came up just short in their quest for a league title. Stonewall was defeated 47-33 by St. James in the championship game of the Winnipeg Tier 2 Basketball League last Wednesday in Winnipeg.

"The girls played well," said Rams' head coach Christy Steeves. "(We played) great defence, (we) just left a lot of missed shots on the floor."

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KERRIE HOLM

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams won the MHSAA AAA junior varsity girls' basketball provincial title after defeating the St. James Jimmies 41-39 on Sunday. Pictured back row, left to right: Jason Cassils (coach), Christy Steeves (assistant coach), Maze Debreuil, Tasha Thiessen, Ella Holm, Natasha Schultz, Maddy Fidler, Kaity Swanson, Sophia Dowsett, Chloe Beresford, Keira Willey and Hunter Lupyrypa (assistant coach); front row: Hayley Emberly, Carly Safiniuk, Ashley Hudon and Precious Paguio.

The Rams' Grace Fines was her team's top scorer with 16 and Stonewall's top defender was Hayden Turner.

Fines was given a certificate for being an outstanding player in the conference.

The Warren Collegiate Wildcats, meanwhile, earned a silver medal at the MHSAA A/AA junior varsity girls' basketball provincials in Shoal Lake.

Warren lost 54-23 to Prairie Mountain/Nellie McClung in the final on Sunday.

The Wildcats started the provincials with a 59-46 win over the William Morton Collegiate Warriors.



The Warren Collegiate Wildcats' Colby Darragh was selected as a provincial all-star at the MHSAA A/AA Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball Provincials in Shoal Lake.

Warren then trounced the Margaret Barbour Spartans 64-35 on Saturday.



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The Hawks' Aidan Lambert-Park, left, was named a provincial all star last Saturday.

## Hawks fly to third-place finish at provincials

By Brian Bowman

The St. Laurent/Aurele-Lemoine Hawks soundly defeated the Carberry Cougars 82-43 in the third-place game of the MHSAA A/AA junior varsity boys' basketball championship last Saturday in Birle.

The Hawks played a very strong game to bring home a medal from provincials.

"We did well," said Hawks' head coach Heather Lambert. "We pressed them. They played very well and (they) were less nervous. They were ready to play."

St. Laurent/Aurele-Lemoine was relegated to the third-place game after losing 80-59 to the Virden Golden Bears on Friday.

"They were flawless, their game was A1," Lambert said. "All of their shots were going in and they played a very good game. We had a few turnovers early in the game and did better as we progressed. When you're playing in those semis, you have to

be on."

Virden later lost 92-73 in the championship game to Gabrielle-Roy Les Roys.

The Hawks started the tournament with a solid 79-69 victory over the Lac du Bonnet Chargers on Thursday.

Lambert was extremely proud of her team and their play at provincials.

"This was the first time for all of the boys to experience provincials and to come home not empty handed and come home with medals, they're extremely happy," she said. "Of course, they wanted to be in the finals but the Virden game didn't go our way. They acknowledge their medals and are very happy with the end result."

Meanwhile, the Hawks' Aidan Lambert-Park was named a provincial all star. The talented post player had a very strong tournament in both scoring and rebounding.



# Provincial champions



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY CHARLENE HUHTALA

The Stonewall Blues U-13 A1 team battled hard to win gold this weekend at Rural A1 provincials. Stonewall defeated the home team, Dauphin, 5-4 in double overtime in the championship game after beating MacDonald 2-1 in double overtime in the semi finals. Earlier in the tournament they defeated MacDonald 4-3 and Niverville 7-1. Pictured back row, left to right: Darryl Loehmer (coach), Kade Williams, Landyn Rempel, Shawn Rempel (coach), Aidan Kirk, Reese James, Andrew Kirk (head coach), Jacksyn Arbez, Chris Arbez (coach), Ty Kopys, Gage Lowry (coach), Banx Chartrand and Parker Hennie; front row, Griffin Lowry, Cole Lamy, Braxen Huhtala, Ethan Coutu, Tyler Loehmer, Cash Palsson and James Knutson.

# Division banner champs



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY HALEY MINNIE

Stonewall 1 defeated Stonewall 2 4-2 to win the Eastern Manitoba Female Hockey League U11 'A' Division banner on Saturday. Pictured back row, left to right: coaches Dallas Minnie, Wes Killbery, Todd Chetyrbok; players Alyvia DaSilva, Aubri Porter, Tamsen Killbery, Emma Bailey, Ashlyn Hoas, Lily Slobodzian, Brynn Williams, Kahlie Minnie, Ashlyn Huard, Brooklyn Chetyrbok, Devynn VanHussen and goaltender Maya Pattie. Missing from the photo are Emma Sigvaldason and Reese Moore.

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# Stonewall Family Funspiel



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Andrew, Twyla, Donni and Daniel Hunt won the 2022 Stonewall Family Funspiel last Saturday. There were 13 teams participating.

# Red hot Flames



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY KRISTIN RINN

The Stony Mountain Flames U11A team won gold against the Warren Mercurs in their home tournament on Sunday. The final score was 6-4. The Flames played the Springfield Icehawks Blue in their first round-robin game and won 6-2. Stony Mountain played the Kenora Flyers in their second round-robin game and won 12-1. Warren went 2-0 in their round robin pool as well to arrive in the final. They beat the Lord Selkirk Fisherman (9-2) and La Broquerie Habs (6-1). Pictured, coach Clint Vandersteen and coach Tom Rinn in the back row. Third row: Lucas Roy, Jaxson Keeley, Cooper Vandesype and Dreydon Greig-Mills. Second row: Jordan Sinclair, Layne Vandersteen, Zach Schram and Jeffrey Sinclair. Front row: Maddox Rinn and Finn Smith. Missing from the photo is coach Dave Schram.



# U15 Lightning's incredible playoff run ends with loss

By Brian Bowman

A fantastic playoff run for the Interlake Lightning U15 AAA hockey team ended with a loss in the championship game on Sunday.

The Winnipeg Thrashers' Blue broke the game open with four goals to start the second period in a 7-2 victory.

Lightning goals were scored by Blake Farthing and Noah Oughton.

Winnipeg received goals from Avery Jones, Mason Mykichuk, Lia Hanzmann, Logan Bruneau, Hayley McDonald, Crosby Harrison and Grayson Bergagnini.

The Lightning reached the final after defeating the Southwest Cougars 4-3 on Saturday.

Gavin Holod scored the game winner in the third period.

Southwest's Bryan Laing and Interlake's Dainen Jacobson traded first-period goals and then Farthing put Interlake up 2-1 at 6:50 of the second period.

Laing then tied the score at 2-2 late in the middle frame.

Holod gave the Lightning a 3-2 lead at 1:52 of the third before the Cougars' Tyson Draper just over two minutes later.

Holod had a great game with three points while Oughton helped out with two assists.

Braedan Cormack made 39 saves for the win.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY TANYA SWANSON

The Interlake Lightning earned the silver in the U15 AAA boys' hockey playoffs. Back row, left to right: Cory Donald (assistant coach), Brett Wur (assistant coach), Wade Byle, Foxx Domansky, Evan Deprez, Skylar Farrington, Lucas Miller, Talon Hogg, Gavin Holod, Noah Oughton, Dainen Jacobson, Cole Swanson, Chad Balmer (head coach), Mason Bernier, Trent Goodbrandson (assistant coach); front row: Nathan Meisner, Blake Farthing, Brody Slatcher, Quinn McKnight, Ryder Kirk, Evan Roy, Evan McMurtry and Braedan Cormack.

## On top of the mountain Hockey provincials



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LISA WUTZKE

The Stonewall Blues won the U9 hockey tournament in Stony Mountain March 5-6. Stonewall defeated Ile Des Chenes 5-4 in overtime in the gold-medal game. In a semifinal contest, the Blues beat Cimli 4-3. Stonewall earlier defeated Red River Wild 6-3, Stonewall (Team Sonnenberg) 5-2, and Stonewall (Team Thompson) 8-5. Coaches, left to right, back row: Shawn Rempel, Scott Yurick and Ian Billingham. Middle row Hunter Niven, Tucker Wutzke, James Bingham, Asher Grantham and Zachary Lamb. Front row: Dayton Rempel, Logan Walker, Dane Fortin, Eric Porteous, Easton Yurick and Mason Truthwaite. Missing from the photo is Owen Riddell.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ANGIE BANMAN

The Stonewall Blues U13 team travelled to Sanford last weekend to compete in the Hockey Manitoba Rural A2 provincials. Stonewall defeated MacDonald 5-3 to win the bronze. Pictured, left to right: coaches Ryan Beresford, Nathan Burnel and Craig Thompson. Back row: Liam Cox, Nevan Roy, Dustin Campbell and Mathew Samborski. Middle row: Grady Burnel, Kaden Banman, Kole Beresford, Niam Wedel, Ethan Zagrodnik, Duncan Thompson, Samuel Marbach and goaltenders Ryan Richen and Jonah Van Den Bogaard. Missing from the photo are coach Kyle Korchinski and Cohen Korchinski.



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Deadline for Quotation Packages is 4:00 p.m. Monday, April 4, 2022. Late and incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

Corlie Larsen, CAO  
RM of Armstrong  
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1. To control noxious weeds and brush on public right-of-ways and on publicly owned property within the Municipality. The projected dates of application will be from May 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. The herbicides to be used include:

- 2,4-D Amine 600 - 2,4-D Choline - Dicamba - Glyphosate
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- Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis
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Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
84730	LOT 7 BLOCK 1 PLAN 19934 WLTO IN NORTH 1/2 22-304 PARKER STREET	L - \$29,300 B - \$134,700	\$8,980.54
218200	THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 12-14-1 WPM EXC WATER CONTROL WORKS, PLAN 14431 WLTO - 79066 MERIDIAN RD	L - \$553,500 B - \$76,900	\$22,637.83
218300	THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 12-14-1 WPM EXC OUT OF PARCEL 2. ALL THAT PORTION CONTAINED WITHIN THE FOLLOWING LIMITS: COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE WESTERN LIMIT OF SW 1/4 DISTANT NLY THEREON 680 FEET FROM THE SOUTHERN LIMIT OF SAID SW 1/4 THENCE ELY, PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTHERN LIMIT, 335 FEET THENCE NLY, PARALLEL WITH SAID WESTERN LIMIT, 500 FEET THENCE WLY, PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTHERN LIMIT, TO SAID WESTERN LIMIT THENCE SLY, ALONG SAID WESTERN LIMIT, TO THE POINT OF COMMENCEMENT	L - \$475,700	\$13,255.77
227425	LOT 1 PLAN 28864 WLTO EXC ALL MINES AND MINERALS AND OTHER MATTERS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO ENTER AND REMOVE THE SAME AS MORE FULLY SET FORTH IN TRANSFER NO. B8632 WLTO IN SE 1/4 31-14-1 WPM - 83048 ROAD SW	L - \$18,600 B - \$248,500	\$11,235.62
29300	LOT 4 PLAN 5206 WLTO IN W 1/2 OF 28-13-1 WPM - 339 HANLAN STREET	L - \$58,700 B - \$95,600	\$7,871.43

The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
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- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
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Dated this 17th day of March, 2022.

Managed by:



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Chief Administrative Officer  
Rural Municipality of Woodlands  
Phone: (204) 383-5679  
Fax: (204) 383-5169



IN MEMORIAM



**Pete Skihar**  
March 14, 2003

Dear Dad,  
Today would have been your 85th birthday. I came here to "The Pasture" where your blood and tears live on in the earth and stars, to pay homage and reflect. I knew, as a child, that you would never live to be 85. You were never careless, but the work was what mattered and you gave your all, body and soul. There were numerous injuries over the years, close calls together with the ever present sore muscles, aches and pains who never left your side.

I am not alone here, the shadow of the lonely windmill watches every nuance, hears every breath. It looms tall and aching, its bones brittle and broken, its limbs creaking, tired and straining, against the bleeding sky.

It's true that cowboys never really leave a place where they've given their all, and all of themselves was taken. Even now, after all these years, I feel your heartbeat, like Buttermilk's hoof beats pummeling over the land. And in the wind, that somehow deifies the trees and finds its way to me. I feel your strength and courage – strength and courage necessary to do this job and do it well.

I can see you riding tall and proud, Buttermilk's head high and alert, waiting for your cue. The two of you, always one. The blue and wild sky, like your eyes, melts gently into the horizon. I know that not only were you a cowboy, but a man with innate knowledge and understanding of a life and style of life, an attitude married to a spirit of land, sky and heaven. But this life is no easy ride. Long hours in and out of the saddle, sacrificing your body, a year too dry, and worse a year too wet. Each haunted by their own hardships.

The leaves are changing their colours now, reminding everyone that soon the chill in the air will hang so bitterly cold it will burn inside your nostrils, as you breath heavily from the strain of the work. The blistering chill holds joy though, that soon the work will be done for the fall. Round-up, with its endless hours and many perils, brings an end to the cycle of work for a cowboy, here at "The Pasture". Where the work was hardest, and almost killed you, there is triumph.

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I knew from birth, that I was, what I always wanted to be – Pete Skihar's daughter. We were united spirits, bonded by love so strong, that not even death could break it.

Written by Arlene Skihar on  
September 19, 2010  
Woodlands Community Pasture

IN MEMORIAM



**John MacLeod Hannah**  
June 18, 1941 – March 14, 2019

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IN MEMORIAM



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In memory of our dearest

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OBITUARY



**Douglas Harry Deprez**  
July 12, 1951 – March 6, 2022

After a life well lived, although far too short, Douglas Harry Deprez left us suddenly with his family by his side on Sunday, March 6, 2022. He will be warmly welcomed by those that went before him but tragically missed by those he leaves behind.

Doug was larger than life, not just in stature but in personality. Everyone that has stopped in over the last week, and those have been many, has had some great stories about his generosity, kindness, and sense of humor.

Doug was born on July 12, 1951, in Winnipeg to Maurice (Big D) and Germaine (Ma) Deprez. He was the second in what would be a line of five boys followed by two girls that they loved to terrorize and protect at the same time. The Deprez house was a busy place filled with love...always on the go with farming, hockey, baseball and general (fairly good natured) shenanigans. If the shenanigans got too out of hand, they could always repent at church on Sunday!! They all loved growing up in Stony Mountain and all remain there to this day!! Doug told Vicky recently that he was so proud that none had ever had a major falling out...family was everything.

On a trip to Hawaii in February of 1975 he met his future wife Vicky at Shipwreck Kelly's. As it turned out they only lived twenty miles apart back home and, after a whirlwind courtship, they were married on October 25th that same year.

Doug was a born salesman who loved to help his clients/friends whether it was selling trucks at Stern Trucks for 21 years or as a very well regarded and skilled Certified Financial Planner (CFP) with Investors Group for 28 years. Doug officially retired from Investors Group on September 30, 2021 but enjoyed the last 11 winters at their winter home in Florida.

Even more than his dedication to career Doug was dedicated to and defined by his family. The close bond he has with both of his children Ryan and Jenna will last forever. When the kids were younger, he would take the family on wonderful vacations to Hawaii, Mexico, Disney World and many road trips throughout Canada and the USA. Ryan and Jenna both looked up to their dad as their mentor. He was a fountain of information for his children.

His grandchildren loved their Papa, and they were the reason for his very existence since their birth!! He spent his free time with his grandchildren cutting grass, cleaning the yard and endless summer days by the pool. Over the last couple of winters, the kids opened their "business" called The Winter Club just for their Papa which included shovelling the driveway, hauling and stacking wood and a crisp \$5.00 bill for each of them.

Doug was predeceased by his parents, Maurice and Germaine Deprez; his mother-in-law Nancy and father-in-law George Harrowen; sister-in-law Marsha Giles, brother-in-law Lyle Giles and brother-in-law Gerry McEachern.

Doug is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Vicky; son Ryan, daughter-in-law Lisa; daughter Jenna (Jared); grandchildren Natasha, Trent, Jase, Linnea, Brayden and Mikenna; brothers Rod (Sheryle), Don (Laurie), Laurie (Arlene), David (Debbie); sisters Leanne (Doug) Sinclair and Lindy McEachern; sister-in-law Donna Harrowen; numerous nieces and nephews.

It is not if you win or lose but how you play the game.

Doug played it well.

Funeral Service is planned for Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at the Stony Mountain Community Centre, in Stony Mountain. Interment will follow at a later date.

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OBITUARY



Victoria Eva Guenther  
1930 – 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Victoria (Vicky) Eva Guenther on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at Rosewood Personal Care Home in Stonewall, Manitoba, at the age of 91.

She will be sadly missed by her daughter Bev (Forbes) Stewart and son Jim (Kara); her grandchildren Dan (Shannon) Stewart, Daryl (Eric) Cowan, Baron (Ashley), Chris (Courtney), Amber Slater and David Slater; her great-grandchildren Emma, Kaden, Tessa, Alexis, Dawson, Nicholas and Emily; brothers Wilfred (Eileen) and Ron (Donna); sisters Isobel (Les) and Laverne (Norm); her sisters-in-law Sophie, Loretta (Len), and Olga and her many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband Alfred, her daughter June and her great-grandchildren Zach and Claire; brothers Willie,

Ralph and Jack and sisters Edith and Mary and Vicky's dear friend Stan.

Vicky was born in the Grayson District in Saskatchewan to Mary and Joe Ludwar on November 15, 1930. She married Alfred (Alf) Guenther on November 19, 1948. They lived in Melville Saskatchewan until Alf's retirement from the C.N.R. and then moved to Oyster River, BC. After Alf's passing, she moved to Selkirk, MB and eventually settled in Stonewall, MB.

As Vicky enjoyed working with people, she was involved in food services or the retail business. She enjoyed wine making the old-fashioned way, computers, sewing, recipes, travelling, her Tops group, Red Hatters, dancing and with much practice and determination represented Manitoba in the 5-pin Bowling Nationals in Ontario in the late 1990's. Mom made the best cabbage rolls in the world and was a wonderful hostess. She was a strong, determined woman who set a wonderful example for her family. We will miss her so much; words cannot express our profound loss.

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of life will be determined at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Rosewood Lodge PCH, 513 -1st Ave North, Stonewall, MB. R0C 2Z0.

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OBITUARY



Ellen (Eileen) Jones (nee Carty)  
April 9, 1918 – March 9, 2022

Mom passed away in the early morning hours of Wednesday, March 9, 2022. Her passing was peaceful and without complications.

She is lovingly remembered by her daughter Carol (Wade); sons Raymond (Georgette) and John (Lee). She will be missed by her grandchildren Geraldine (Jason), Brian, Geni, Michael (Jana), Bonnie, Michelyn (Steve), Christian (Robyn), Kyla (Kevin), Colleen, Denise (Jesse), Evan (Lauren), and Braeden (Jasmin). She was blessed with 15 great-grandchildren: Lindsay, Michael, Shaunnessey, Matthew, Reese, Sara, Samantha, Elle, Payne, Mattea, Maryn, Mia, Lincoln, Felix and Malcolm as well as two great-great-grandsons, Miles and Ethan. She is also survived by one sister-in-law Gwen Griffin and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her loving husband Thomson in 1987, and her daughters Patricia in 1987 and Nona in 2001 as well as her seven siblings and numerous sisters and brothers-in-law.

Eileen was born on April 9th, 1918, in County Leitrim in Ireland. She was educated in Ireland and went to England to study nursing at St. Lawrence's Hospital. There she met and married a Canadian soldier, Tommy Jones, on June 2nd, 1943 at the Church of the Sacred Heart in Caterham Surrey County in England.

Mom came to Canada in August 1946 and settled into a life of farming with Dad in Warren where they raised their three daughters and two sons. She enjoyed farm life especially raising the newborn calves and she named each one of them. Mom also loved vegetable and flower gardening and baking. Mom was a proud member of the Irish War Brides Society, the Royal Canadian Legion and a founding member of the Church of Annunciation in Woodlands and was active in liturgy and catechism. She loved music especially when she had the opportunity to dance and do the Irish jig. Through all her trials and tribulations, her greatest joy in life was her family throughout four generations. Mom had enduring faith in God and always reminded us that she was praying for us all during our ups and downs.

We are all truly blessed to have had her in our lives as long as we did.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Fisher Branch Personal Care Home for their loving care and kindness during her stay there the past year and a half.

Private Mass will be held at the Church of the Annunciation in Woodlands for immediate family.

If friends or family so desire, donations may be made to the Church of Annunciation Woodlands, MB or to a charity of your choice.

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OBITUARY



In Loving Memory of  
May Wielenga (nee Moeller)  
September 2, 1937 –  
March 10, 2022

It is with deep sorrow that the family of May Wielenga announce her passing on March 10, 2022 at the age of 84 at the Herb Bassett Long Term Care Home in Prince Albert, SK.

May was born on September 2, 1937 in Teulon, MB. The first school that May attended was Stacpoole School No. 2236, a one-room schoolhouse operated at NE25-16-2E in the Rural Municipality of Rockwood. She did

not have to walk uphill both ways, however, her sister said the snow drifts must have been six feet high in winter!

May's family moved from the farm to Teulon in February of 1954. She ended up quitting school in May of 1954 and got her first job at the Teulon Bakery, owned by George Graham.

In 1963, May, her first husband, and daughter, Bonny, moved to Thompson, MB, a northern mining town. Her first job there was working in the meat department at the Shop Easy grocery store. Her next job in 1969 was as the first female taxi driver. Remember, this was a northern mining town where men far outnumbered the women and everyone that wanted a job had one. I am sure she could have written a book with her stories. She also lived shorter durations in both Leaf Rapids, MB and Snow Lake, MB.

May and her third husband, Eldon, lived many years at their home in Channing, MB, a small community just outside Flin Flon, MB. It was a quaint little house on a single street in the bush. From there they both moved to Saskatoon, SK in 2005 to live in a shared house with her daughter, Bonny. Eldon passed away from cancer January 2017 and May, then in the early stages of dementia, moved with Bonny to her cabin at Christopher Lake, SK.

In May's lifetime she was very creative and artistic. My goodness, she could always think of new ways to change things around in a room. It never stayed the same very long. She did plenty of crocheting and also taught herself to paint with oil on canvas watching Bob Ross on TV. She then switched to painting on rocks; her deer were exceptional!! When living in Saskatoon, she got into making beaded jewelry and learning to wire wrap. She rented a table at the local flea market to sell her creations and enjoyed visiting with other vendors and customers.

No matter where May went, she always made long-lasting friendships. She was also a grateful member of Alcoholics Anonymous and extremely proud of the 25-year medallion she earned in October of 2013. She loved attending meetings and round-ups, to be there as support and encouragement for others and to keep in touch with old friends.

The last three years of Mom's life were spent at the Herb Bassett Long Term Care Home in Prince Albert, SK. Although her dementia was progressing, she never lost her openness to making friends, nor did she lose her spunk. The last two years since COVID hit made everyone's lives at the care home more difficult, not only for the residents, but the staff as well. There needs to be improvements made, as well as additional funds and staff made available for our loved ones. The staff are excellent and caring, however, they are only human and have their physical and mental limits, as well.

May leaves behind her daughter Bonny, granddaughter Melanie (Jordan), one great-granddaughter, and grandson Ché (Diana), her sister Charlotte and family, as well as other relatives and several lifelong friends.

May was predeceased by her husband Eldon Wielenga, January 2017; her father and mother Ernest and Bertha Moeller (Majewski); her son-in-law Kevin Latzkowski, February 2020; and many other relatives and friends who went before her.

There will be a gathering of friends and relatives planned for summer with interment of ashes at the Windsor Cemetery.

OBITUARY

Michael Wojcik

September 3, 1927 – March 11, 2022

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Michael Wojcik on March 11, 2022 at Rosewood Lodge at the age of 94.

Surviving to mourn his loss, wife Stella of 73 years; children son Roman (Patricia); daughter Donna (Earl); son Andy (Sheryl); son John (Christine), grandchildren Kyle and Corey; daughter-in-law Jane and grandchildren Amanda, Laura and Danny; three great-grandchildren and niece Kathy (George).

Mike was predeceased by his son Anthony.

Mike was born in Eastern Poland in 1927. Mike and Stella were married in 1949 and lived in Kolbaskowo, Poland for the first 11 years. In 1960 they immigrated to Canada and settled in the Stonewall area, until the time of his passing.

Funeral Service will be Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at

Christ The King Church, Stonewall.

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