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Quarry Choristers' The Flash, played by Kari Jo Kinley, left, and X-Ray Woman, Lori Grandmont, were part of the cast of the musical dinner theatre "The Home" on opening night. The retired superheroes had to dust off their super powers to save their retirement home Paradise Villa home from the evil twin directors. See full coverage inside.

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Dedicated daycare worker highlights importance of early childhood education

By Nicole Brownlee

The impact of early childhood educators is often under-appreciated or unacknowledged; however, the COVID-19 pandemic shone a spotlight on the important role they have in a community.

Roxane Pawluk marked her 40th year working at the Teulon Day Care on April 27. Surrounded by several staff members, 25 wriggling little ones and three infants, Pawluk's dedication to supporting children was recognized with fervour.

"Roxane cares for people deeply, be it old, be it young," said Nienke Schutz Kolster, previous director of the daycare for 38 years.

"Once you're in Roxane's arms, you're there forever."

Pawluk started at the Teulon Day Care in 1982 when she was 20 years old.

"I've always loved kids," said Pawluk.

She grew up caring for her two younger brothers and has carried her passion for making every day special for children to the present.

One of Pawluk's most beloved traditions is guiding the daycare on adventure walks.

"The children have so much fun and look so forward to them! Sometimes we venture to Green Acres Park trails



Nienke Schutz Kolster, previous director of the daycare for 38 years, said Pawluk holds all of her children close to her heart.

and creek, the big hill, to the highway ditches to count how many semi/vehicle honks we can get, to the park to look for acorns for Flash and so many other journeys. Every adventure the children are always looking for 'clues,' animal tracks, unique rocks, snails, frogs and try to spot the birds singing in the bushes," said Pawluk.

Like her previous director, Pawluk has cared for three generations of children and can often be spotted cheering on past daycare kids at hockey games, recitals and on the playground.

"Out of the 10 kids on the ice, I've



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY NICOLE BROWNLEE
Roxane Pawluk celebrated her 40th year at Teulon Day Care on April 27 surrounded by several staff members, 25 children and three infants.

taught eight of them, and their siblings running around on the bleachers all come to me because I've had them too," said Pawluk.

"I believe teaching four-year-olds should always be presented in a fun intriguing manner. The sky's the limit presenting fun creative educational activities, which stimulates their intellectual, physical and emotional growth. I love my job and embrace having a positive impact throughout a child's preschool years by nurturing their imagination and growth. Each child I have cared for is forever in my heart."

Adults also stop Pawluk in the grocery store after remembering an adventure walk or a lesson they learned while at the daycare with her.

"We make an imprint on young people," said Schutz Kolster, who is now an early childhood education instructor at Red River College Polytechnic.

"Talking to kindergarten teachers, they really know which ones had been in daycare. They have the knowledge of colours, letters, but also the knowledge of sitting down, social skills, looking after their friends."

One obvious indicator that a student first attended Teulon Day Care is their recitation of the alphabet.



Daycare children and staff presented Pawluk with flowers and a cake.

"Kindergarten teachers often say when children go for screening, they'll say, 'I for ice cream.' Roxanne's favourite letter," said Pawluk with a laugh.

The daycare also provides stability and consistency for children who may not have it at home, said Pawluk.

"They get to come in those doors knowing they're loved and safe."

The UN Educational, Scientific Cultural Organization states that early childhood education is more than preparation for primary school.

"(It) builds a solid and broad foundation for lifelong learning ... and has the possibility to nurture caring, capable and responsible future citizens."



Staff photo, back row, left to right: Amy Mitchell holding Charlotte Mitchell, Laura Neault, Roxane Pawluk, Lisa Moscall, Susan James, Lori Malcolm; front row: Jennifer Myngheer, Shae-Lyn Burzuik, Barb Moan and Karen Tronrud.

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Stony Mountain School adds bright Sensory Path

By Jennifer McFee

When students first stepped foot in Stony Mountain School after spring break, they were thrilled at the welcoming sight of a colourful and creative path meandering through the hallway.

The school recently purchased an 80-foot playful pathway from a company called The Sensory Path, made possible through a Healthy Schools Grant from the Interlake School Division.

"The Sensory Path is a natural path that begins with a series of movements which includes: step to step jumping, tip-toe walking, low walking, frog jumps, wall pushups, side to side steps, log jumps, squats, zigzag walking and hopscotch," explained Lauren Brad, a learning support teacher for kindergarten to Grade 2 as well as an early literacy co-teacher.

"Students follow the path and complete the movements. It also includes numeracy and literacy throughout the path, beginning with a flower that has numbers on the petals and ending with an alphabet hopscotch. Students know that the Sensory Path is used when a body break is necessary."

The Sensory Path serves as a tool that students can use to self-regulate.

"Self-regulation is the ability to understand and manage your behaviour and feelings. When a student is feeling frustrated, sad or bored, for example, using a Sensory Path can help students regulate or can be used for students who need a body break," Brad said.

"The series of engaging movements allow students to move and burn some energy, which helps with calm-

ing their body and allowing them to regain their ability to focus."

This tool is particularly useful after several years of pandemic-related disruptions.

"With the effect of the past few years with COVID-19, we've noticed that many students are unable to support themselves with recognizing and understanding their feelings," she said.

"With teaching the Zones of Regulations, students are able to independently use the Sensory Path as a tool and strategy to help them rejoin their class focused and ready to learn."

And so far, the response has been overwhelmingly positive to the bright new addition.

"The students love it! Coming back from spring break and seeing this vibrant and fun path, the students were excited," Brad said.

"After learning about what the path is for, students have been able to swap out 'going for a walk' and instead ask to use the Sensory Path for when they need a movement break or to help themselves self-regulate."

Students have mentioned that the Sensory Path helps to calm their bodies down when frustrated. They've also noticed that they go back to class more focused after taking some time to move on the path.

"It is amazing to see students using the Sensory Path as a tool to help them. Not only does the Sensory Path act as a tool to help students self-regulate, it also allows students to practise literacy and numeracy and strengthen their gross-motor skills," Brad said.

"Nonetheless, the Sensory Path is a



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Grade 2 student Kaleb Palumbo enjoys using the new Sensory Path at his school.

bright, inviting and positive addition to Stony Mountain School."

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Pysanky classes reconnect Ukrainians to tradition

By Nicole Brownlee

The tradition of decorating eggs spans thousands of years and several cultures. Eggs can symbolize new life, spring and, in Ukrainian culture, the sun.

"A lot of the roots of decorating eggs and the symbols that are made on them come from pagan history," said Janet Palin, who has decorated eggs for decades.

Palin learned how to traditionally decorate eggs at the Ukrainian Cultural Centre in Winnipeg when she was around six years old.

"I like the precision. I like the detail, the lines," she said.

"It makes me feel connected to my heritage."

Pysanky, derived from the "to write," is the Ukrainian practice of "writing" on eggs.

Traditional designs depict the sun, triangles and lines, which symbolize blessings, good fortune and a fruitful season.

"Once Christianity was introduced ... symbols like triangles, which were a symbol of earth, fire and water became the Father, Son and Holy Ghost," said Palin.

Artists use a stylus, called a kistka, dipped in wax to sketch shapes across the delicate shell.

The egg is then dipped into a dye that coats the surface, except for the spaces lined with wax. The wax-resist technique is known as batik and can be described as colouring in reverse.

The maker repeats the wax and dip dye process



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED BY JANET PALIN

Janet Palin has come a long way since her first pysanka she created when she was six years old.

until they are satisfied with the pattern.

Carefully positioning the egg near a candle, the wax is melted and rubbed off the surface of the shell, leaving a smooth, colourful creation.

Decorating eggs is most popular around the Easter season, but Palin practises the art year-round.

Palin takes care to section her egg and sketch designs using a pencil before she starts adding wax, which can take her up to four hours.

"I'm pushing myself to do everything I used to

always shy away from," she said.

"I'm always trying to improve."

Selecting colours and dyeing the egg then takes several hours, depending on the complexity of her design.

Friends reach out to Palin to learn the pysanky technique, which she will also teach at the Green Acres Art Centre in Teulon.

"(Pysanky) has been a passion of mine for most of my life, and now I get to share it with other people," she said.

"It makes me very happy that people want to learn how to do this art."

Palin's classes at GAAC will teach simple patterns for beginners to start learning the technique.

"I just hope I can pass along a love of the art."

This is the first year GAAC has offered pysanky classes, and president Lana Knor hopes the tradition will continue.

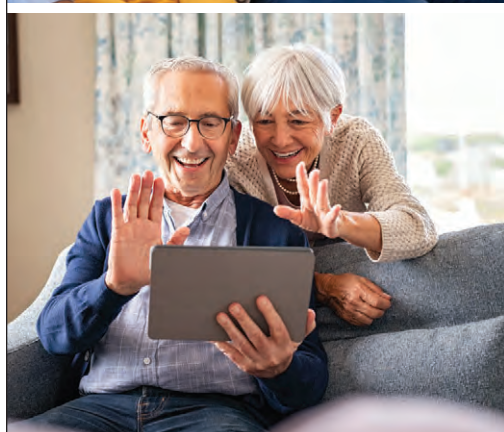
"I have always wanted to host these classes," said Knor.

GAAC will keep offering the pysanky classes as long as the community is interested.

Pysanky classes will be held on May 9 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at GAAC. A class costs \$30 per participant. Tools and supplies will be provided.

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Stonewall Art Group installation launches at Heritage Arts Centre

By Jennifer McFee

A much-anticipated painting installation will spark interest in both art-lovers and history buffs alike.

"The Stonewall Art Group is proud to announce that our Stonewall Heritage Art Project is now complete and open for public viewing," said art group member David Mackinder.

"The installation is located off the lobby of the Quarry Park Heritage Art Centre and is available for public viewing during regular centre hours."

An invitation-only artist reception and ribbon-cutting is scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday, May 12. After that, all are welcome to attend an open house event to view the artwork, in conjunction with the town's, Manitoba Day festivities.

"A total of 45 works of art have been produced for this permanent installation, depicting a variety of local historic subjects. We have portraits of the town's father, SJ Jackson, and our war hero Alan McLeod, along with depictions of many of our treasured limestone structures," Mackinder said.

"As our group delved into the

town's archive of photographs to pick our subject matter, we became experts on local history in the process. We see the display as a celebration of the past and a talking point for the general public to also learn more about the rich heritage of our town."

Mackinder extended gratitude to everyone involved in making the project a reality.

"I would like to thank the fantastic Stonewall Art Group artists that contributed to this project, Catherine Precourt and her fabulous staff at the Heritage Art Centre for their contributions and support, and numerous members of the public that assisted with our research into building construction, colour and other historical referencing," he said.

The Stonewall Art Group meets Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon at the Heritage Arts Centre.

"We always welcome new members of any experience level," Mackinder added.

For more information, email: stonewallartgroup@gmail.com.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The Stonewall Art Group will showcase its new Stonewall Heritage Art Project at at Quarry Park Heritage Art Centre. The ribbon-cutting is set for May 12.



This painting by Lisa Carter depicts a trolley stop in a snow storm, entitled "Stonewall No. 2 Snowbound."



This painting by Verna Campbell is called "Stonewall's 2nd and 3rd schools."

Film work coming to Grosse Isle

Staff

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Big Makawa Pictures Inc. will be in Grosse Isle next week to film the production *Acting Good*.

Film crews will arrive in the Grosse Isle Hall parking lot later in the evening on Monday, May 9 to set up their base of four trailers, a portable wash-room and a generator. Once they're set up, there should be no further activity that night.

Then on Tuesday, May 10 at about 6:30 a.m., the crew will start arriving, totalling about 30 vehicles and 50 to 75 people.

Filming will take place throughout the day at the Grosse Isle School grounds and the heritage site areas. The production company will use Grosse Isle Hall for their eating station. They should all be gone by 11 p.m. the same day.

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Critics give provincial budget the thumbs down

By Lorne Stelmach

The 2022 provincial budget unveiled earlier this month came up short of what is needed in the eyes of some critics and provincial organizations.

Premier Heather Stefanson's first budget fails to deliver the solutions families need, suggested Opposition NDP leader Wab Kinew.

"Rural families are looking for hope. With her first budget, Premier Stefanson had the chance to deliver it, but she failed to meet the moment," he said following the April 12 budget presentation by Finance Minister Cameron Friesen.

"We know this isn't the budget rural families wanted," Kinew said. "Instead of setting herself apart from Brian Pallister, she repeated his mistakes by continuing to under fund health care and schools. Instead of making life more affordable, she's raising hydro rates at the cabinet table and freezing funding to municipalities."

Manitoba Liberal leader Dougald Lamont described the budget as "flimsy" with over \$1 billion in promises that had been made before.

"They are passing off pouring concrete as investments in health and education, when we have nursing shortages and children going hungry," he said. "This is a lost opportunity to reinforce critical systems like health and education and making sure Manitobans can fulfill their potential through education."

He particularly noted that the PCs are extending the freeze on funding for municipalities across the province for a sixth straight year. And while the \$11-million increase in Manitoba Housing funding is desperately needed, due to the decades-long maintenance deficit, it is nowhere near

enough given the dire state of many complexes.

"People are the economy, people are health care and people are our education system. The PCs promised a change in tone, but the problem was substance, and there's no change there," said Lamont.

Frustration came from a number of other fronts as well.

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business expressed its disappointment that the budget included few measures to really help small businesses' post-pandemic recovery and in fact excludes small businesses from some of the budget's only cost relief measures.

"Two years into the pandemic, many small businesses are still in survival mode. Only 41 per cent are back to normal sales, and many have accumulated tens of thousands of dollars in pandemic-related debt," noted Kathleen Cook, CFIB provincial affairs director. "The budget was a missed opportunity to help small firms facing massive cost increases on virtually every line of their own budgets."

"We were hoping to see cost relief measures introduced in the budget to help small businesses recover. The Manitoba government has missed an opportunity to help small businesses move beyond survival mode."

The Canadian Union of Public Employees, which is Canada's largest union representing more than 700,000 members, suggested the budget continues to put public services at risk.

"Manitobans expect to see a budget that protects the public services they rely on," says Gina McKay, president of CUPE Manitoba. "This government continues to cut taxes for ideological

reasons rather than fully supporting our schools and health-care facilities."

CUPE is concerned that the government's plan to reach a balanced budget by 2028 will come on the backs of Manitoba workers and public services families rely on, she further suggested.

"We are also deeply concerned the government will look to privatizing, contracting out and selling off public services in order to balance their budget," McKay said. "We need a government that takes bold steps to support public services, especially during a pandemic that is not yet over. This budget doesn't do that."

Doctors Manitoba president Dr. Kristjan Thompson, meanwhile, was encouraged by some of the health care commitments from the province.

"From a financial perspective, the Manitoba budget has appropriately prioritized investing in health care, though the results will be measured not by dollars spent but by shortening wait times, clearing the pandemic backlog, and recruiting and retaining more nurses, doctors and other health-care workers to ensure patients get the care they need."

"The significant investment in health care is an important step toward rebuilding a medical system that has been under tremendous pressure," Thompson added. "While this can't be undone with money alone, matching the government's financial investment with a meaningful partnership with physicians will help to ensure our medical system recovers and is better prepared for the next health crisis."

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Cousins Chase Briscoe, front, and Theodore Kotelko embraced Mother Nature's rainfall last Saturday in Warren, puddle jumping and splashing around. The Weather Network recorded 27 millimetres of precipitation fell in Warren on April 30 and 11.8 mm the day before. 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.

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Who is going to push down Putin the bully?

When I was a kid going to grade school, I had an experience in our school yard that I still remember to this day. It goes like this. I was approximately 9 or 10 years of age but not totally sure but anyway, as I rounded the corner from one side of the school to the other, I noticed a girl crying and it was because a boy about her age was hitting her and when I got close to her he hit her again. I told her to hit him back but she said no she was not going to hit him then he hit her again right in front of me. I pushed him hard to the ground and then he started to cry. Then I told him if hits her again, I was going to beat him up. Kids said that in those days. Never heard anything from the little girl about the boy again. So if you equate this story to Ukraine you have to ask yourself these questions. 1) Who is the bully? 2) Who is the crying girl? 3) Who is the person who will push Putin down?

The bully is Putin who has invaded Ukraine. The crying girl is the women, children, seniors, hospitalized

and disabled of Ukraine who cannot defend themselves from the onslaught of Putin's invasion by land, sea and air. He will continue to push until he is stopped by someone or something.

The person or persons who will push Putin down are any of the following:

A) Anyone of his inner circle. (the preferred solution)

B) Any ordinary normal Russian citizens who can see that Putin is leading them into ruin. (impoverish)

C) Military intervention of Putin's military in Ukraine only, not the people of Russia as they didn't invade Ukraine. (Dictators who live by the sword will die by the sword.)

President Biden is correct: Putin needs to be removed from power. French president Emmanuel Macron is wrong in his assessment of the removal of Putin from power. He believes Putin will act on his threat. Putin wants all of Ukraine and the surrounding areas around Russia under his and only his control. He is being allowed to freely use his air and missile assaults on Ukraine with impunity (without retaliation) as long as he can keep the sky clear of NATO

and its alliance. He is doing that by lying about his verbal threat. He lied about the invasion of Ukraine as being a military exercise. You don't use live ammo for a military exercise. He is freely having his military (land, sea and air) kill the defenceless women and children etc. of Ukraine. He is a coward because he is using his military to do his killing for him while he sits at home on his throne (so he thinks) (it is not a level playing field) (he is a con-man).

He wants an upper hand for his killing and the free world is letting him do just that. The Russian bully must be stopped but not by the U.S.A. because that would be the excuse he is looking for, to extend the conflict. He needs to be pushed back little by little until he sees the light. Then he will be removed from power by the Russian people, we all hope for their sake. Putin is causing much pain on Ukraine and also on his own people of Russia, but that does not bother him because he will try to kill any person or persons who are in opposition to him (a ruthless dictator he is).

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Submitted by
the Reverend
James Bardsley
Anglican
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Member of Stonewall and Area
Ministerial

*John 21:3 "I am going fishing."
That's what Simon Peter said in
the 40-day period between Jesus'
Resurrection and Ascension.*

I have announced my retirement from Church of the Ascension and the Ministerial. Part of me is talking about going fishing, or more accurately, "RVing." Like Peter, I am going through another one of life's transitions.

Peter's first thought was to revert back to his former way of making a living. Yet the frustrations of a night with no catch and another encounter with the Risen Christ soon put him back on the path to fulfilling his call to be an apostle.

Jesus reaches out to us and draws us back to our meaningful mission and purpose. He lays out a feast that is nourishing for us. We are asked us to contribute what we have and are invited to commune with God.

"Simon, do you love me more than these?" Jesus addresses us by the name we had before baptism, before we accepted Jesus as Lord.

"Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." Loving anything more than God is failing to answer Jesus' call in your life.

With his response Peter (the name that Jesus gave Simon) will go on to live a truly extraordinary life that will open the door for nearly the entire world to encounter God's love. He will heal people's pain, preach the good news and work on his prejudices. Peter will finish his mission having lived a meaningful and extraordinary life.

What will following Jesus as Lord mean for you and I in our life? The specifics I cannot tell you, but it will lead to an extraordinary life, both here on earth and into eternity.

God is with you in the transitions and the journey! Listen for his voice, recognize it in the face of a stranger.

MPI encourages Manitobans to be flood-ready

Submitted by MPI

As many municipalities anticipate flood conditions beginning or continuing to develop in their communities this weekend, MPI is reminding customers to proactively plan to best protect themselves and their vehicles during this challenging time.

“The safety of our customers is our top priority as many Manitobans deal with impacts of flooding this spring,” said Satvir Jatana, chief customer officer for MPI. “As conditions can change quickly, we encourage those impacted to make a plan to keep their driver’s licence and insurance active and avoid potential damage to their vehicles.”

Impacted Manitobans are encouraged to take the following steps to be as flood-ready as possible:

Know your renewal options. To ensure customers remain able to renew their driver’s licence and/or vehicle registration on time, options are available. Customers in impacted areas can contact their local Autopac agent to discuss their specific needs, including services available by phone.

Relocate your vehicles. Move all vehicles — including ATVS, trailers and snowmobiles and others — in storage, away from the flood zone to prevent costly water damage. Flood waters can damage your vehicle’s electrical system and major components, including anti-lock brakes and airbags.

Check your coverage. Before mov-

ing vehicles with lay-up coverage, ensure your vehicle is properly registered and insured. A short-term policy or temporary registration permit can be purchased from your nearest Autopac agent or any service centre locations.

File a water damage claim. Should your vehicle be damaged by flood conditions, call MPI’s Contact Centre at 204-985-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-665-2410 to open a claim.

Road safety on flooded roadways

If you must travel in flood conditions, MPI reminds motorists to plan ahead as much as possible. Before leaving check road and weather conditions on highways by calling 511 or with local law enforcement for updates in cities and towns.

If you find yourself on or near a flooded roadway this spring, follow these road safety tips:

- Never attempt to cross a flooded road. When driving your vehicle in a flooded region, be on the lookout for flooding at highway dips, bridges and low areas.
 - Think about what you can’t see. Before proceeding on a road covered with water, remember that soft road surfaces can give way under a vehicle’s load and that large potholes are often concealed beneath the surface.
- Watch the current. A fast-flowing current over a roadway can cause a possible loss of vehicle control on



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

MPI is reminding all motorists to be cautious of washed out roads caused by overland flooding.

non-paved surfaces. Proceed with caution!

- Test your brakes after driving through deep water by driving slowly and applying brake pressure lightly. Other parts such as emergency brake cables, axels and electronic components should be dried and checked by a qualified professional as soon as possible.

- Don’t attempt to start your vehicle if it has been submerged in water as you run the risk of unexpected system failure. Call our contact centre to open a claim.
- Don’t attempt to retrieve your vehicle from a flooded area until the water has receded and it’s safe to enter.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pesticide Control Program

Public Notice is hereby given that Manitoba Environment, Climate and Parks and Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2022.

The program is needed to:

- control invasive plants and noxious weeds in Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) and provincial parks
- control vegetation encroachment on WMA and park infrastructure
- rejuvenate native prairie in Beaudry Provincial Park

Scheduled application dates are from June 15, 2022 to October 31, 2022.

Pesticides to be used include:

Banvel VM	Buctril M	Credit 24
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Round Up	liquide Turf	Aspect
Transob	XRM-5171	

If you have comments or concerns, send them in writing to: Manitoba Environment, Climate and Parks Environmental Approvals 1007 Century street Winnipeg, MB R3H OW4

Comments must be received by May 27, 2022.



Manitoba government announces Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal

Submitted by Manitoba government

A new Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal (Manitoba) is being created to celebrate the 70th anniversary year of Queen Elizabeth’s accession to the throne, Lt.-Gov. Janice Filmon and Premier Heather Stefanson announced last week.

“As we celebrate Her Majesty’s 70 years of extraordinary service as Queen of Canada and head of the Commonwealth, this commemorative medal allows us to pay tribute to the Queen’s devotion to duty and her kindness and compassion to all by recognizing citizens across Manitoba who also make service to their communities a priority,” said Lt.-Gov. Filmon. “I look for-

ward to recognizing the generous and inspiring people of this wonderful province we are so proud to call home.”

The Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal program will honour significant contributions and achievements throughout Manitoba during this unprecedented anniversary year, noted the premier. From June 2022 onwards, 1,000 medals will be awarded to deserving Manitobans.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize Her Majesty’s 70 years of remarkable service to the Commonwealth and to commend our community members for their dedication and compassion to make Manitoba a place of hope and opportunity,” said Stefanson.

“Manitobans have a long and proud history for giving back and I look forward to honouring and celebrating their service and achievements.”

The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee is the international celebration marking the 70th anniversary of the accession of Queen Elizabeth II to the thrones of seven countries including Canada on Feb. 6, 1952. She is the first monarch in Canada’s modern era to have celebrated a platinum jubilee. The Queen has visited Manitoba six times, first as a princess in 1951 and most recently in 2010.

More information about the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal (Manitoba) will be available in the coming weeks.

Learn more about the Interlake through self-guided tours

By Nicole Brownlee

Over 60 virtual tours of the Interlake region will be available through a mobile app partnered with the Interlake Tourism Association (ITA).

“With the financial assistance from the Tourism Relief Fund, we will be able to accomplish our goal of creating our Digital Travel Guide through the Driftscape app and continue to entice visitors,” said the ITA in a statement.

The ITA received \$46,400 from the federal government as a part of the Tourism Relief Fund. The fund was created to support tourism businesses and organizations to meet public health requirements and invest in changes that encourage growth.

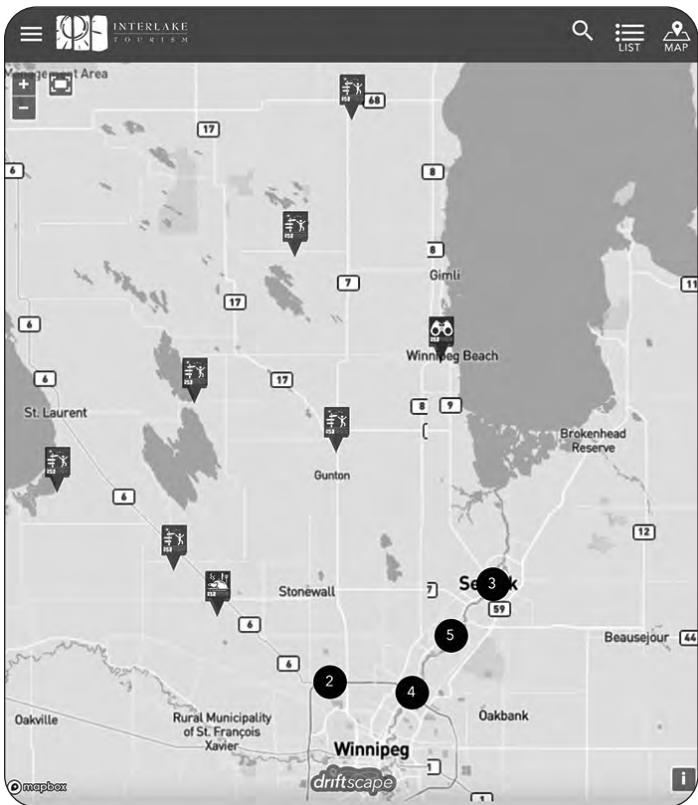
The federal government’s most recent donation raises the budget for the ITA’s digital tourism project to \$319,100. Community Futures contributed \$246,900.

The additional funding enables ITA to create 19 new jobs to help develop content for the 40 virtual tours.

Tours include navigational maps, photos and interesting facts about destinations and features.

Photography, art galleries, camping and shopping are a few focuses for upcoming tours, said Melissa Van Soelen, ITA manager.

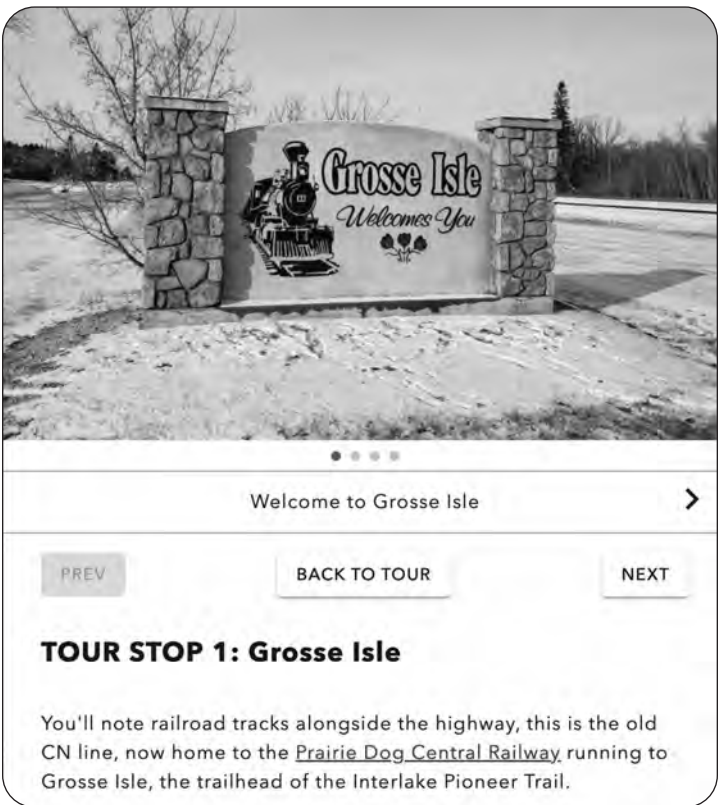
The new tours will be added to the



The Interlake Tourism Association has 25 virtual tours available through their interactive map on their website and through the Driftscape app.

app by the end of June and will be available with American Sign Language interpretations, captions in English and French and transcripts in English and French.

Virtual tours like the Secrets of 17, which highlights features along Highway 17; 10 tasty take-out spots, which showcase hidden eateries throughout the region; and



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This tour explores Highway 6, guiding travellers from Grosse Isle up to Steep Rock.

Fishing Hot Spots are already available for people to follow and explore.

To follow a virtual tour, visit interlaketourism.com or download the Driftscape app through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store on a mobile device.

Quiz night returns to Rosser



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

A trophy, bragging rights and a bottle of champagne were the top prize of the evening at Rosser's Quiz Night after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. The winner of the of the event held last Saturday was “9 Manitobans and a Newfie.” The team earned 165 of the 179 points available. Monies raised from the evening went to the Rosser Recreation Club and the Rosser United Church. Pictured back row, left to right: Kennedy Bird, Liam Fitzpatrick, Janelle Fitzpatrick, Dusty Wiebe, Laura Wiebe and Mark Bird. Front, Jim Pilgrim, Rollie Gillies, Josh Bird and Gary Letkeman.



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Stonewall optometrist ready to welcome Ukrainian couple

By Jennifer McFee

Local residents are taking steps to make the path a little easier for Ukrainian newcomers who are about to begin their journey in Canada.

Dr. Dawn Dunford, senior optometrist at Doctors Vision Centres in Stonewall and Swan River, is preparing to welcome a Ukrainian couple into her family's home in Headingley.

They are awaiting the arrival of Irina and Volodmyr, whose paperwork is still pending.

For Dunford, it's an opportunity to help others — the same way the Canadian community helped her family when they fled Ukraine a century ago.

"My great-grandparents and my grandmother fled from the Ukraine back in the 1920s. Someone helped them escape the Bolsheviks," she said.

"They were fairly wealthy in the Ukraine and they came to live in Saskatchewan in a dirt home after leaving everything. They really worked hard, living the Canadian dream. They farmed and helped to build the community."

Over time, her family settled in the Swan River area.

"For me, I really feel like I'm paying it forward. Someone helped my grandparents escape," said Dunford, whose daughter has been a Ukrainian dancer since age three. "Now it's my turn to help."

Although Dunford still has family members living in Ukraine, they are stuck in the northeast area.

"They have no way out. They're an hour from the border of Russia and they're technically in occupied territory. Our family are still hiding in the root cellars. When the Russians go rumbling by, they can't go to their dacha, which is like a cottage where they have a garden. It's not safe because there are mines around there," she said.

"I'm grateful that my great-grandfather had the gumption to leave. The rest of our family stayed and some didn't survive the Holodomor, which is the cleansing that they did to starve the Ukrainians. I just feel an obligation to help people make it over here to start over."

While Dunford's own family remains in Ukraine, she still wanted to find a way to help others en route to Canada.

"The couple that I'm helping, Irina and Volodmyr, have had some unfortunate luck. In March 2020, they went on vacation to Nepal and then the world got shut down because of COVID and they got stuck in Nepal," she said.

"Then this year on Feb. 19, they decided to go to vacation in Sri Lanka, and on Feb. 24, their country was invaded. All they have is their vacation suitcase and that's



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

Stonewall optometrist Dawn Dunford is collecting non-perishable donations at Doctors Vision Centre.

it. They have absolutely nothing else. Can you imagine? They have none of the paperwork and nothing with them except their passports. They ended up deciding it wasn't safe to go home."

The fleeing couple comes from the Sumy region of Ukraine, about an hour south of where Dunford's family lives.

"I feel very happy to be able to help them. They decided they couldn't stay in Sri Lanka so they flew to Georgia, southeast of Ukraine. They were able to get their biometrics and they got their letter of approval. But the problem is they had to take their passports to the Canadian consulate, which was then supposed to send them to Turkey to get processed," she said.

"That was on March 31 and they have heard nothing since. They have no idea where their passports are. They don't know if they've been processed yet. There's no way to figure out what's happening so they're frustrated and

they just want to start again. They're living in a hotel with a shared kitchen for 10 people. Of course, the banks aren't working, so Volodmyr is trying to do some construction work around the hotel to defer costs. They're tired."

The couple has a son living in Florida, but it's more complicated for them to go to the United States.

"The problem is that the United States hasn't opened up their borders. I feel very fortunate that our country has opened up its borders and done this for Ukrainians. I'm very, very thankful. Hopefully Irina and Volodmyr will be here in the next month. The next question is how will they find a job," Dunford said.

"Volodmyr used to run a mall, so he's good at HVAC and elevators and escalators and things like that. His English is very basic and Irina is a little bit better. They're trying to take English lessons right now. I can't imagine starting over in another country where I barely know the language and having to rebuild everything that I've worked so hard for. I would hope or wish for someone to reach out and help me."

At the same time, Dunford hopes to make life a little easier for other Ukrainian newcomers who might be arriving soon.

"This is only the first wave of people who probably have a little bit more means that were able to escape. What we're going to see in the second and third wave is probably people who are far less fortunate, far more desperate," she said.

"We're so fortunate here in Canada. We're so blessed and lucky that we haven't really seen war, although we have seen lots of injustices. But it's our turn and ability to step up and help out."

Dunford and the team at Doctors Vision Centre (384 Main St. in Stonewall) have organized a non-perishable food drive for Ukrainians who will be arriving soon in Manitoba.

For anyone looking to donate larger items like furniture or appliances, Dunford suggests they contact the Ukrainian National Federation Hall in Winnipeg.

"We're collecting donations of dry goods that will last since we are not sure of the exact arrival date. We're also collecting cleaning supplies, paper towels and toilet paper. Gift cards are wonderful too as it allows them to purchase what they want," she said.

"And as a community, Stonewall has been amazing at rallying around with extra items to help out. We're trying to support as much as we can from here."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of dust control program

Homeowners along gravel provincial roads and main market roads in unorganized territories may apply to have dust control applied in front of their homesites at a cost of \$200 for a single application.

The formal application is available from your local Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure office. The deadline for these applications will be **no later than June 3, 2022**.

For more information, please contact one of the following Transportation and Infrastructure offices:

Steinbach	204-346-6266	Brandon	204-726-6800
Swan River	204-677-6540	Dauphin	204-622-2061

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Additional efforts underway to help Ukrainian newcomers

By Jennifer McFee

Additional efforts are underway in the local community to prepare for newcomers arriving from Ukraine.

A large extended family from Ukraine will soon be moving into a five-bedroom farmhouse in Rosser, and the local community has stepped up to ensure that it's move-in ready.

Allison Churchill, who moved to Stonewall four years ago, posted on social media that she was collecting donations to prepare the home and was amazed by the quick response.

"I put the word out and literally within three days we had an amazing amount of donations," said Churchill, whose family is Ukrainian.

"My husband has been awesome at picking up stuff in the neighbourhood and doing runs with me. We ended up renting a trailer and filling it to take everything to the house."

The women from a local Hutterite colony sewed 50 quilts and dropped them off at Churchill's house to provide to families as they arrive.

"It was amazing," she said. "They also dropped off about 10 baby quilts."

One of those baby quilts went to a Ukrainian mom who delivered a baby three days after arriving in Manitoba. Churchill's cousin also put together a care package with a bassinet, diapers, clothing and other baby items, and local optometrist Dawn Dunford met up with the new mom in Ste. Rose du Lac to deliver the package.

"Between the community and friends and family, it's taken a village to literally support a village of people," Churchill said.

"We have a huge Ukrainian community here, and we all know that our ancestors started with nothing. There are going to be more families coming, so if you hear a different accent or someone who looks like they may need some directions, keep an eye out and help them."

Every donation also helps to make a difference in someone else's life, she added.

"They've been through so much. Some are coming right from the heart of the fighting. It's traumatizing enough to move to another country, never mind leaving your husband behind," Churchill said.

"We were trying to make it as easy for them as possible. It might be lots of little things, but when you add it all up, it's a big community effort."

Churchill has stepped away from collecting donations for now, and Betty-Anne Georgeson has taken up the cause to continue preparing the farmhouse. She's currently seeking dona-

tions of two TVs, a stackable washer and dryer, a vacuum, a small freezer, small lamps, window coverings, living room chairs and monetary contributions. She also noted that the newcomers will likely be looking for work, so it would be great to find out about job offers.

Anyone who would like to help can email her at b_georgeson@yahoo.ca. Georgeson also invites anyone else who is setting up a house for Ukrainian newcomers to reach out to her because she might have additional items to share, and she thanks the community for their help.

Similarly, Stonewall resident Antonella Bertone says a bit of a local collective has banded together in efforts to help.

"I've already helped two families settle in. One is at the Perimeter and Main Street and the other is in the city," she said.

"The family I brought was a mom with her two children and sister-in-law. The men have stayed behind fighting. My cousin in Winnipeg actually offered them a brand new two-bedroom, two-bathroom home for a year, and then we had to fill it with beds and everything else."

Bertone organized a donation drive the week before the family arrived and invited people to drop off items at the home.

"It looked like a parade. People were dropping off bedroom sets and a brand new kitchen table. People were going out and physically buying brand new items to bring," she said.

"They'll be fully clothed for probably the next two years. One family came forward and said they'll buy them milk, bread and necessities for three months. At this point, anything helps."

Since there are a lot of moving parts in the process, Bertone points to a few resources for those who would like to help. She suggests connecting with the Canadian Ukrainian Congress (Manitoba) at uccmanitoba.ca or 204-342-9348. She also suggests checking out the Facebook page called "CAN-ADA - Host Ukrainians / Hébergeons les Ukrainiens."

In addition, Economic Development Winnipeg and its business development team, YES! Winnipeg, will be working with local companies and partners to support Ukrainian nationals who are considering moving to Manitoba. They've launched a Ukraine talent initiative for Manitoba businesses willing to hire Ukrainian national job-seekers on a temporary or permanent basis. More information is available at winnipeg-talent.



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED BY ALLISON CHURCHILL

A young Ukrainian mom delivered a baby three days after arriving in Manitoba and received a number of quilts sewn by one of the local Hutterite colonies.

thub.com.

As well, the Winnipeg Airports Authority has partnered with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (Manitoba) to provide their volunteers a space to set up a welcome desk at the airport to help Ukrainians who are arriving in Manitoba.

The provincial government has also set up a reception hub at the Best Western Hotel near the airport where Ukrainian newcomers can receive a variety of services, including access to a Manitoba Health card.

Volunteers who can speak Ukrainian are in demand. For more information, email info@uccmanitoba.ca with "Reception Hub Volunteer" in the subject line.

Those interested in hosting a family can also visit icanhelp.host.

In addition, Manitoba is home to 12 Ukrainian

immersion schools in Manitoba, 11 public and one private. The private school has waived tuition for Ukrainian newcomers. Information is available through the Manitoba Parents for Ukrainian Education website at mpue.ca.

For local information, Bertone has launched a Facebook page called "Interlake Ukrainian Immigration Resource Page."

Bertone is also open to sharing information with anyone who might like to help. She can be reached at casas-idea@shaw.ca.

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Saturday 2-10 Darts 6:45

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Sharpen your pencils for Selkirk's annual writing contest

Looking for submissions from wordsmith wizzes and student scribblers

By Katelyn Boulanger

Whether you prefer to write fiction, non-fiction, poetry or something unique to you, the Adult Learning Program wants your submission to this year's Community Writing Contest.

"We want to encourage local writers [to enter as it] just feels like writing is something that may not get recognized, especially when you're an adult," said Adele Plett Bartel, co-ordinator/instructor at the Selkirk Adult Learning Program.

This will be the third year that the Community Writing Contest will take place in our community. It is open to all short writing submissions — under 1,200 words or five double-spaced, clearly written pages of text written — by adults in Selkirk and area.

"From previous year's entries, it's really amazing the gifted writers in the community. We're thankful that we can [give them the opportunity] to share what they've written and showcase it and so they have some recog-

nition for their gift," said Plett Bartel.

The writing contest, being put on by the Selkirk Adult Learning Program, does have a specific category for students participating in their programs; however, they also have a general program where members of the public are also able to submit their entries for consideration.

Part of the reason they host the Community Writing Contest is, of course, to promote the services that the SALP provides in our community.

"It seems like people aren't often aware that if you haven't completed your high school diploma, you can still go back to school as an adult and there's an opportunity [with us], or if you want to just improve skills, if you're looking for employment, and you need computer skills, those are the kinds of things that are available," she said.

Their programs can be a less intimidating way of learning for some students than the GED options that are more well known.

Writing contest entries, like in previous years, will be judged by a panel of reviewers and the winner will be selected for their content, originality and style. Only previously unpublished works will be accepted and anything that is plagiarized will not be accepted.

Last year's contest winner was Shane Anderson, who submitted his fictional short story "Tribute." The story was written in honour of a father figure that wasn't perfect but has tried to be there for his child despite life's challenges. His submission is still available on the SALP website.

Plett Bartel hopes that residents check it out, saying, "It was so inspired. It was such a good story that he wrote, and I hope people take the opportunity to go and read it."

In previous years of the contest, she admits that the contest judges have had to make difficult decisions.

"Last year and the year before too. It feels like a privilege to be able to read these writings and it can be a hard thing to make a choice," she said.

Though the contest prizes aren't finalized currently, they will likely be

much like last year's when Anderson walked away with a \$150 Biz Bucks gift card.

Plett Bartel encourages people from the community who are writers to enter their short writing submissions.

"It can be scary, but at the same time, it [gives you an opportunity] to be recognized for your writing and just to get outside your comfort zone a little bit," she said.

To enter the SALP Community Writing contest, residents need to complete an entry form available on the SALP's website and then submit it with their entry before the May 16 deadline to the SALP. This can be done in person at 425 Eveline St. in Selkirk (they are located on the lower level of the Selkirk Friendship Centre), by email at aplettbartel@lssd.ca, or by mail by sending submissions to the Selkirk Adult Learning Program, 425 Eveline Street, Selkirk, MB, R1A 1A9.

To learn more about the SALP and see the learning options that they have on offer, visit their website at <https://selkirkadultlearning.wixsite.com/salp>.

\$5.1 Million in 15 organizations to support settlement services for newcomers announced

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is investing \$5.1 million through the Newcomer Community Integration Support program in 15 organizations to assist in the integration of newcomers to Manitoba, Advanced Education, Skills and Immigration Minister Jon Reyes announced Monday.

"As refugees from Ukraine begin to arrive in Manitoba, this investment will help build a network of services and a community of care supports for all newcomers right across the province," said Reyes. "This investment also aligns with the Economic Growth Action Plan and the Skills, Talent and Knowledge Strategy to ensure newcomers are able to participate fully in the community and contribute to a growing economy."

Earlier this year, the Manitoba gov-

ernment issued a call for applications to service delivery organizations that directly support newcomers, drive labour market attachment and contribute to the economic growth in the province. This funding process ensures a range of settlement providers can apply for government support for their projects, noted Reyes.

Manitoba Start will receive \$3 million in funding to provide services that connect newcomers to settlement, orientation, language and employment services. The province is providing the other \$2.1 million to 14 organizations for settlement projects across the province including:

Economic Development Council for Manitoba Bilingual Municipalities;
Family Dynamics;
Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba Inc.;

Immigrant Centre Manitoba Inc.;
Manitoba Interfaith Immigration Council Inc.;
Mosaic Newcomer Family Resource Network Incorporated;
Newcomers Employment and Education Development Services Inc.;
North West Regional Immigrant Services Inc.;
Portage Learning and Literacy Centre Inc.;
Regional Connections Immigrant Services;
Société de la francophonie manitobaine (SFM);
Steinbach Chamber of Commerce; and
Westman Immigrant Services.
Supporting Employment and Economic Development Winnipeg Inc. (SEED) was approved for their Recognition Counts program, which pro-


vides supports to skilled immigrants wishing to work in their fields of expertise or alternative career in Manitoba.

Approximately 6,000 newcomers along with their families and communities are expected to benefit from these projects, which help support newcomers as they settle into the community, enhance their ability to participate in the labour market and accelerate their overall integration and settlement in Manitoba.

The minister noted these projects provide integration services for all newcomers, including skilled workers with temporary work permits and international students with study permits who are normally ineligible for federal settlement supports.

"The Manitoba government recognizes that immigration is a key priority for the province, particularly as we recover from the pandemic," said Reyes. "Settlement services that support the meaningful integration of newcomers help drive our economy by supporting stronger and longer-term economic attachment and newcomer retention."

For more information on immigration to Manitoba, visit <https://immigratemanitoba.com/>.



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Dozens of Manitoba projects to receive funding

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More than 40 projects will receive a total of \$704,000 in targeted financial assistance through the Agricultural Crown Lands Forage Productivity Pilot Program under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, federal Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Marie-Claude Bibeau and Manitoba Agriculture Minister Derek Johnson announced.

"Manitoba's producers are stewards of this land and are helping to ensure it continues to thrive," said Bibeau. "With this investment to the pilot program, the Government of Canada is helping to provide Manitoba producers with the resources they need to adopt climate-friendly practices that improve pasture productivity and further protect the environment."

In all, 42 projects have been ap-

proved for the one-year pilot project, the ministers noted. These projects will receive up to \$30,000 with a cost share ratio of 75 per cent government and 25 per cent applicant, and must be completed by December 2022.

"The funds committed through this project will enable Manitoba agricultural Crown lands forage lease holders to increase productivity and sustainability by adopting beneficial practices that support comprehensive forage management," said Johnson. "Pilot programs such as this help make much-needed improvements that have long-term benefits for producers and industry."

Forage lease holders in good standing with the agricultural Crown lands program were eligible to apply for funding for planning, infrastructure or rejuvenation activities related to

forage management techniques that would improve productivity and sustainability. Recipients were required to complete an environmental farm plan.

Eligible projects include the development of grazing management plans, the targeted placement of key infrastructure components such as cross-fencing, wells or dugouts, and the rejuvenation of forage lands through measures such as seeding and brush management.

"Manitoba Beef Producers thanks the federal and provincial governments for supporting this pilot project," said Tyler Fulton, president, Manitoba Beef Producers. "Beef producers recognize the value of beneficial management practices when it comes to managing their pastures and forage production. Investments made

through this program will help producers realize greater productivity and resilience on Crown land leases, which are a key component of a sustainable beef industry in Manitoba."

The partnership is a five-year, \$3-billion commitment by Canada's federal, provincial and territorial governments that supports Canada's agri-food and agri-products sectors. This includes a \$2-billion commitment that is cost-shared 60 per cent federally and 40 per cent provincially/territorially for programs that are designed and delivered by provinces and territories.

For more information on the Agricultural Crown Lands Forage Productivity Pilot Program, visit www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/canadian-agricultural-partnership/ag-action-manitoba-program/for-farmers.html.

Multiple cases of avian flu confirmed in Manitoba

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Avian influenza has officially arrived in Manitoba, with samples from a snow goose near Waskada and a bald eagle in the Dauphin area testing positive for the illness last week and a case confirmed in a commercial poultry flock on Sunday.

All three birds tested positive for the highly pathogenic avian influenza subtype known as H5N1. Poultry and water fowl are most susceptible for contracting the virus.

Manitoba Chief Veterinary Officer Dr. Scott Zaari stressed at a media briefing last Wednesday that the risk of avian flu to human health is low.

"There are no known cases of transmission of this strain of the virus from birds to humans in North America," he said, adding this strain of the flu does not pose a food safety risk. "Manitoba poultry and eggs are safe to eat, when proper handling and, of course, cooking takes place."

Zaari expressed confidence in the province's protections at the commercial poultry farm level, which includes samples being sent regularly to the provincial lab for testing and precautions when it come to farm visitors.

"Really it's a matter of maintaining our existing structure and following the biosecurity protocols that our producers already have in place," he said.

Small flock or hobby farm owners are being advised to take precautions as well, as birds in such settings often have access to outdoor pens or are free range, putting them at greater

risk for coming in contact with wild birds carrying the virus.

If possible, small flock owners are encouraged to confine their birds indoors during this high-risk period of wild bird migration, the province has said. Small flock owners can also submit samples through their vet for testing at the provincial lab at no cost.

Zaari noted there are currently no plans to issue any regulatory orders on this matter.

It's expected more cases of avian flu will be identified and reported in bird samples throughout the summer.

"This is an evolving situation," noted Maria Arlt, acting director of the Fish and Wildlife branch of Manitoba Agriculture. "Manitoba is constantly monitoring the latest guidance and advice from our partners and we will be adjusting accordingly."

"It is important to note that the overall impact of avian influenza on the wild bird population is expected to be low."

Monitoring wide-ranging wild bird populations across Manitoba is a challenge, Arlt said, which is why the province is asking the public for their help.

Manitobans are asked to contact the toll-free TIP Line at 1-800-782-0076 if they find any of the following:

- clusters of six or more dead wild waterfowl (e.g., ducks, geese) or other water birds;
- any number of dead raptors or avian scavengers (e.g., ravens, crows, gulls); or
- large groups of dead birds, such as more than 20 of any species.

While the transmission risk to humans is low, people should not touch any dead birds or other wildlife they come across with their bare hands.

If you have to handle a dead bird, wear gloves, Arlt urged. Protective eyewear and masks are also advised as additional precautions, and hands

should be cleaned thoroughly afterwards.

When it comes to backyard bird feeders and baths, the province is not currently recommending people put them away.

"If you have a property without domestic poultry, backyard bird feeders are okay as long as they're regularly cleaned and sanitized," Arlt said.



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Province unveils its new plans for education reform

By Lorne Stelmach

The province hit the reset button last week on education reform with a new strategy that leaves out at least one key controversial piece that led to the government scrapping its previous proposal.

The new Manitoba K to 12 Education Action Plan is in response to 75 recommendations from the Manitoba Commission on Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education.

It's the sequel to Bill 64, which was otherwise known as the Education Modernization Act — a widely unpopular piece of legislation that among other things aimed to replace school divisions with a centralized education authority run by government appointees.

The new plan puts aside the plan to consolidate the province's public school boards into six to eight regional boards consisting of five to seven trustees, the majority of whom would have been appointed.

"We heard loud and clear from Manitobans that they didn't want us to change the governance structure," Education Minister Wayne Ewasko said in announcing the new plan that will be implemented over the next five years.

He touted the strategy as "a vision where all Manitoba students succeed no matter where they live, their backgrounds or their individual circumstances."

"All children deserve a high-quality education, and our government is committed to strengthening and improving education in the province," said Ewasko. "This action plan redefines our focus on actions that improve educational outcomes with student achievement and well-being at the centre of all planning and decisions."

The action plan is focused on ensuring access to high-quality, equitable education, preparing students for their future, supporting excellence in teaching and leadership and strengthening the public education system.

As part of the strategy, an education council will be established to provide strategic guidance and advice on the implementation of the action plan, which has four pillars for student success:

- High quality learning — to improve learning and outcomes for students through responsive and relevant curriculum and learning experiences in safe and inclusive learning environments.
- Student engagement and well-being — to respond to diverse life experiences, engage students, promote

well-being, support successful transitions and leverage partnerships.

- Excellence in teaching and leadership — to ensure teachers, school staff and leaders have the knowledge, skills and tools to support student achievement and well-being.
- Responsive systems — to ensure an equitable, aligned and effective public education system that focuses on engagement, inclusion and planning for provincial and local needs.

"Despite everyone's best efforts, there continues to be inequities in our education system," said Ewasko. "There's work to be done to advance truth and reconciliation, to ensure personal and social circumstances aren't a barrier to education and to create safe, welcoming and respectful learning environments."

"We need to undertake this work in a co-ordinated, systematic way to better support young Manitobans and to

ensure all children can receive a high quality education," he continued. "By working together, we can realize our vision where all Manitoba students succeed, no matter where they live, their backgrounds or their individual circumstances."

The minister emphasized an open and collaborative approach moving forward with the plan, which he add-

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Breaking down the action plan

The provincial government's new action plan on education reform released last week is built around four key pillars.

While perhaps short on specifics in some places, the plan does cover a lot of ground, so here is a selection of some highlights including measures already underway or in the plans:

High-quality learning

- Implement Indigenous Education Policy Framework in partnership with the Indigenous Inclusion Directorate Advisory Council.
- Establishment of a curriculum advisory panel.
- Establish a minister's advisory council on inclusive education.
- Strengthen Français and French immersion curriculum policy.
- Implement a curriculum renewal process with an initial focus on physical education, health education and science.
- Shift the provincial assessment program to include Manitoba curriculum-based assessments in early years, middle years and Grade 10.
- Update the provincial report card to ensure it is inclusive for all learners.
- Introduce consistent early years assessments, focusing on children entering kindergarten and students who have experienced disrupted learning.

Student engagement

- Establish a student advisory council to provide advice and perspectives to the minister.
- Launch an elder and knowledge keeper in schools initiative in 33 schools across Manitoba, with the program expanding in the 2022-23.
- Establish a poverty and education task force to remove barriers to participation and engagement in learning.
- Launch a mental health in schools strategy.
- Develop a provincial remote learning strategy including an online high school to enhance access to programming across the province.
- Undertake a needs assessment and program review for technical vocational learning.
- Develop a strategic plan to enhance access to adult education.
- Explore approaches to expand access to the arts, including music, visual arts, dance, drama and other value-added community activities.

Excellence in teaching and leadership

- Consult on options for a regulatory body to guide teacher practice and certification.
- Create a workforce planning framework focused on recruitment/retention of school staff in rural and northern communities and increasing French, Indigenous and Indigenous language educators.
- Assess and plan for professional learning needs including the exploration of a provincial consortium model.
- Ensure every principal takes concrete actions to improve the achievement of Indigenous students and includes improvements as part of their annual school plans.
- Explore options for preparation and deployment of literacy and numeracy coaches.
- Review requirements and processes to streamline certification for internationally educated teachers.

Responsive systems

- Launch a review of the education funding model.
- Measure system-wide progress towards the achievement of the truth and reconciliation calls to action.
- Launch an education council with representatives from the education system, youth-serving organizations and partners to support provincial planning and alignment across divisions and schools.
- Develop a provincial data and performance measurement strategy that will measure and report on all students' achievement and wellbeing at the provincial, school division and school levels.
- Launch a provincial survey for students, parents, staff and leaders to inform provincial, divisional and school-level plans and broader decision making.
- Clearly define the roles and responsibilities of those responsible for an effective, efficient and accountable public education system and develop a strategy to assess effectiveness.
- Build and promote a user-friendly public platform with access to information, data and policies about the public education system.
- Explore shared-services opportunities to promote equitable access to programming, learning supports and information technology systems and to enhance efficiencies within the K to 12 system.
- Consult on strategies to enhance school, family and community partnerships and engagement.

Changes underway at Chicken Chef

By Jennifer McFee

A new vision is coming to fruition at a local restaurant where an ownership transition is also underway.

Making his first foray into the restaurant realm, Greg McVicker is in the process of becoming the owner of Chicken Chef in Stonewall.

However, he grew up in Ireland immersed in the industry since his dad worked as a chef for the merchant navy for 50 years and his sister is certified in culinary arts.

McVicker, a social worker and published author, aims to make the restaurant more accessible in a multitude of ways. To start, he's renovating the building to enhance its accessibility. A contractor has installed a ramp, and McVicker also hopes to install operational buttons to open the door.

In addition, he aims to increase accessibility to employment by giving everyone an equal opportunity to work at the restaurant.

"I had an aunt who was born with Down syndrome and somebody gave her an opportunity at a job she loved so she was able to make a small income. I want to be that somebody to another person who might have different abilities but shouldn't be overlooked on that basis," McVicker said.

"I want to ensure to give everybody a chance to come join us and make sure that we're inclusive of all demographics."

At the same time, McVicker is also revamping the restaurant with vinyl plank flooring, fresh paint, a fireplace, new tabletops and LED lighting.

"We are also adding USB plugs so people can charge their phones and use their laptops while they dine," he said.

The bathrooms are brightened up with brand new vanities, and the fresh air systems and vents have been replaced. In an effort to support the community, McVicker is working with local companies and contractors as much as possible.

The restaurant remains open during renovations and they've even launched a delivery service.

"We were blessed with the hiring of a chef who has completely overhauled our kitchen and is doing the same with the daily specials, which we are going to be offering. He is in the process of preparing many of those dishes for photographing to add them to our featured menu, which will be online through social media," he added.

"We are also in the process of preparing our new breakfast menu with our chef."

In addition, they're working to expand their hours on the weekends.

"We hope to have that in place within the next week or two, and will be having mouth-watering specials available on Mother's Day as well," McVicker said.

"We also hope to bring in pies, cakes and ice cream as part of our daily offerings, along with offering catering services to all businesses within Stonewall and surrounding communities — just as a few ideas to begin with."

Once the renovations are complete, McVicker plans to use the walls to showcase the works of First Nations' artists, as well as artists from other nearby communities.

"I'd like to feature local artwork and photography from the surrounding communities like Stonewall, Stony Mountain, Argyle, Grosse Isle, Bal-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JASMIN WOLF

Chicken Chef's owner Greg McVicker has been very busy with renovations at his new Stonewall restaurant.

moral, Warren, the RM of Woodlands," he said.

"If they want to sell their artwork on the walls, they can for a small commission. That way, there would be always a changing palette on the walls. People could come in and enjoy what's up there."

For another idea, McVicker plans to give back to the community by donating some free lunches to local schools, kids' sports teams and community volunteers.

Looking ahead, McVicker hopes to add a few more fun services for customers.

"We would like to do catering for kids' birthday parties in the conference room and also in the home. We have a young lady who has signed on

to be a face painter and will probably be bringing a bouncy castle so they can burn off a lot of energy and then have a meal and open presents," he said.

"For the adults, we're looking at having painting nights, poet nights, spoken word nights and photography nights. There are 24 seats in the conference room, and we can put pictures on the TV screen during the events. The idea is to instill a lot of local engagement and give people a safe place where they can participate."

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ed can continue to evolve.

"There are going to be some things that we're going to learn throughout this whole process," said Ewasko, who noted the lessons learned during the pandemic also means they are "trying to make sure that we're nimble and flexible to be able to provide those different learning opportunities for our students ... I think, moving forward, we learned a lot from the pandemic."

Manitoba NDP leader Wab Kinew saw very little of what he was looking for in the plan.

"We know parents and educators want smaller class sizes, more learn-

ing supports for their kids to help them recover from the pandemic and more community involvement in their schools," he said. "Premier Stefanson had the chance to meet the needs of students, but she chose to stick with Pallister's failed road map instead."

"We know there are fewer teachers working in Manitoba classrooms this year because of PC cuts, and unfortunately, under Premier Stefanson, nothing has changed."

A representative of the Manitoba Teacher Society suggested the plan does represent a distinct and welcome departure in tone and focus and is perhaps better rooted in the heart

of the K-12 commission recommendations.

"It's gratifying to see that the extensive consultation undertaken by the commission is finally reflected in the government's planning," said president James Bedford. "It's clear that MTS, along with other education stakeholders and indeed thousands of private citizens committed to public education have been heard."

"We are cautiously optimistic today, however we will continue to speak out in the interests of teachers and an effective, inclusive and appropriately funded public education system for all Manitoba students."

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'The Home' for superheroes

By Staff

The Quarry Choristers proudly presented their long-awaited dinner theatre *The Home* last week and will host four more shows May 5-7 with tickets available through their website choristers.yapsody.com.

The setting is Paradise Villa Retirement Home, where all residents are retired superheroes.

The Villa's owners are up to no good and the residents have to dust off their super powers to save their home.

The show was full of talented local entertainers that have you laughing and singing along throughout the evening. The show was written by Vhana Moldowna, Wanda Kopec, Brittany Walker, Julie Leduchowski,

Teryl Moore, Kristin McCurdy and Stacey Hradowy-Loewen.

Kirsten Bennett, George Selley, Don Horbas and John Mak make up the band. Sound and lights are done by Garth McCurdy and Gavin Leuchowski, and the stage crew is Jamie Yeo, Alaynna McCurdy and Isabelle Carmichael.

Dinner is catered by Abas Catering and the dessert matinee was catered by the Stonewall United Church.

To see more photos from the show, check out *The Stonewall Teulon Tribune* Flickr page.



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Interlake School Division planning for 2022-2023

By Jo-Anne Procter

The regular meeting of the board of trustees of the Interlake School Division was held April 25.

The government announced that unless a community initiates school division amalgamation with its own board or with boards in neighbouring divisions, there are no plans on the part of the provincial government to eliminate or amalgamate school divisions in Manitoba.

The 2022-2023 Year at a Glance Calendar serves to summarize term and semester dates, progress conversation and report card dates, as well as divisional professional learning dates. The Department of Education has allowed divisions some latitude with the typical 10 non-instructional days in the 2022-2023 school year due to the timing of the winter break. The 2022-2023 school calendar offers an 11-day winter break with nine inser-

vice days.

Five of the nine in-service days have to be used as professional learning days. Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, so school will go until Dec. 22, and will be off Friday, Dec. 23 for a full two weeks, which works out to 11 days.

Early dismissals, will be reduced to three, with one in each December, January and February.

It is undecided if Sept. 30, National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, will be a school day.

There are no longer provincial assessments, so exam schedules can be determined early. A four-day exam period for Grade 12 students will most likely be the week of June 13.

Graduation dates will be June 23 for TCI, June 26 for WCI, and either June 24 or 27, 2023, for SCI.

The board of trustees voted to extend Heidi Reeb's appointment of interim principal at Teulon Elementary School effective Sept. 6 through Nov. 4, 2022.

The province issued \$7 million for additional funding for special needs students for Level 2/3. ISD has been approved \$115,590 for additional funding for Special Needs Level 2/3 funding for 2022-2023.

Capital project funding has been approved in the amount of \$671,000,000: \$299,000 for Teulon Elementary for air conditioning upgrade, \$274,000 for boiler upgrade at Ecole RW Bobby Bend and \$98,000 for Stonewall Collegiate air conditioning upgrade.

There is also additional funding for the Stony Mountain Boiler project for a chiller (air conditioning) in the amount of \$223,000.

Every day should be Earth Day



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY SELENA MURRAY

Six-year-old Amelia Simcoe, left, and eight-year-old Brody Lawson were out for a scooter ride earlier last week at the VMSC parking lot and were very disappointed to see all the garbage along the melted piles of snow. The duo told their mom that the garbage is hurting the Earth and went home to get garbage bags and picked two bags full of garbage.

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Predator peregrines push past environmental adversity

By Nicole Brownlee

When they're not nesting at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Winnipeg, you may see peregrine falcons swooping over their prey at the Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre.

Tracy Maconachie, project co-ordinator of the Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project, loves sharing her knowledge about these powerful predators.

"Wetlands are major habitats for Peregrine Falcons because they like small waterfowl and shorebirds," said Maconachie, "which is why Manitoba can be very popular for migrating peregrines."

Maconachie has been a part of the recovery project for three decades and is enthusiastic about sharing the history of Manitoba's peregrines and encouraging audiences to try to spot them.

"If it's late enough, there's the potential for somebody to walk out of the presentation and say, 'Oh look, there's a bird of prey,'" said Maconachie.

"It gets them thinking about what they're looking at and that there are other things that use wetlands besides ducks and geese and shorebirds. There's a world up above that uses the wetlands just as intensively."

Peregrine falcons were in danger of extinction in North America in the 1970s because of pesticides like DDT, the first modern synthetic insecticide



Peregrine falcons regularly return to Manitoba after wintering in sunnier states.

made in the 1940s. The harmful chemical was banned in the early '70s but can still be found in migrating songbirds from South America, one of peregrines' snacks.

In Manitoba, conservation efforts from 1981 to 2009 focused on breeding peregrines and releasing them across the province by the Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project with Manitoba Conservation.

"This was one of the first recovery programs," said Maconachie.

The recovery project has since focused its efforts on tracking peregrine populations and installing monitored nest sites, like the one at the Radisson Hotel in Winnipeg, to measure the health and stability of peregrines.

"It has taken us a very long time to get to the point where the species is not an endangered species federally," said Maconachie.

But she warns that any change in peregrine populations can signal a larger environmental issue.

"Things on the top of food chains, because there are fewer of them and because they are hit by the cumulative results, they're often noticed first."

Maconachie said she hopes her presentation will motivate people to learn more and participate in conservation efforts.



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"It's a really interesting way of being able to show people how nature works."

To learn more about the Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project, visit species-at-risk.mb.ca/pefa/index.html.

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Green team volunteers



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Teulon's Ronald Still won \$100,000 on a LOTTO 6/49 ticket.

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Ronald Still thought his \$100,000 winning LOTTO 6/49 ticket should come with a ride to the hospital.

"I almost had a heart attack when the teller told me I won," he chuckled.

Still won his \$100,000 prize by exactly matching one of the guaranteed prize draw numbers drawn on Dec. 25, 2021 — 32988589-01. He claimed his prize this month.

This windfall has Still dreaming of a much-needed vacation ... and some new wheels.

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Concours d'Art Oratoire - FI public speaking competition

By staff

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Forty Grade 4 French Immersion students prepared a five-paragraph speech on a topic of their choice and presented it at an in-class competi-

Every student was well prepared and presented an interesting speech. Seven students were chosen from each class to present their speech at the RWBB Concours D'Art Oratoire, which took place on April 26.

The first-place winners of the competition were Eva Learmond (Je vais vous Convaincre que la danse est le meilleur sport) and Jagger Ray-Tesluck (Pourquoi Palm Springs est la meilleure destination au monde).

Second-place winners were Mona-

co Gederon (Pourquoi le Karaté est le meilleur sport au monde) and Brooklyn Chetyrbok (Je vais vous convaincre que les chiots sont meilleurs que les chiens).

Third-place winners were Kahlie Minnie (Pourquoi le hockey est le meilleur sport au monde), Lily Harris (Pourquoi je veux visiter la Floride) and Melodie Versavel (Je vais vous convaincre que un vétérinaire est un très bon emploi).



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Pictured back row, left to right: Melodie Versavel, Brooklyn Chetyrbok, Lily Harris, Kahlie Minnie, Monaco Gederon; front row: Jagger Ray-Tesluck and Eva Learmond.

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1. Egg-yolk yellow

This vibrant and energetic shade is perfect for summer weddings. It goes great with white, grey, light pink and black.

2. Terracotta pink

This vintage shade of pink will add a touch of romance to your big day. It's a delicate colour that can be paired with other pastels like blue, yellow and pearl grey.

3. Denim blue

Denim is a versatile colour that's suitable for any season. It can be combined with just about any shade.

4. Mint green

Add a fresh twist to your wedding day with mint green. Pair this colour with black to create a modern look or pastel pink for a whimsical feel.

5. Black

Black is chic and can be incorporated into your decor as either an accent shade or focal point. It's both contemporary and timeless and can make bright colours pop. When combined with gold and silver, black adds elegance and refinement.



To make your celebration a success, consider hiring a professional wedding planner.

5 original wedding themes

Are you planning a wedding? If you're currently getting ready for your big day and looking for an original theme, here are five you may want to consider.

1. Candy

Choose decor elements in bright colours that evoke sweets, candies and pastries. You can tie this theme together by setting up a candy bar for your guests.

2. Fairy tale

Book your venue in a castle-like setting, choose an outfit worthy of royalty and arrive in a horse-drawn carriage. You could also include props from the fairy tales you love to decorate the tables.

3. Globetrotter

Incorporate suitcases, passports, airplanes and maps into table settings, photo booths and other decor. You could also decorate each table to represent a certain country or continent.

4. Rainbow

Hang origami flowers, balloons or umbrellas in an array of hues from the ceiling, and decorate your chosen venue with accessories in all the colours of the rainbow.



5. Retro

Decorate your venue with vintage accessories and second-hand furniture, and visit your local thrift store to find old-fashioned cutlery, vases, tablecloths and picture frames.

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Water woes rise in Interlake after weekend rain

By Jennifer McFee

Water woes continue to rise in communities across the Interlake.

The RM of St. Laurent declared a state of local emergency on Monday, May 2 in response to the situation.

"The water east of Highway 6 in our municipality is where the major flooding is happening right now," Reeve Cheryl Smith said.

"We have businesses and farms, and our roads are being washed out. We have quite a few road closures. So that's where the major impact is at this time."

She expressed gratitude for the work of community members and public works staff to address the situation.

"In the community as well as the beaches, for the most part, people have been working and pumping into ditches. Our public works were proactive in opening up all the culverts in the snow in the community as well as at the beaches, so that helped significantly," she said.

"This isn't the first time and it's probably not going to be the last time. The municipality is aware of the roads that are needing to be addressed as well as businesses that need to be looked at and pumping that needs to go on."

If residents need assistance and feel that they're being overwhelmed by the flooding situation, Smith said they should contact the municipality office right away so they can go assess the problem.

"Right now, we are doing a community assessment. We have drones in the air. We're trying to pinpoint all the emergencies that are happening with the flooding. We are doing the best we can. Unfortunately, we're not the only municipality. There are so many being hit right now," she said.

"It's quite overwhelming in itself to see the amount of water that everybody's dealing with and we feel for everybody. We're hoping for nice, hot, dry weather and that the rain stays away for a little bit. We certainly don't want another drought, but we need some normal temperatures and normal weather."

The RM of Woodlands also declared a state of local emergency to evoke the ability to deal with ongoing flooding issues. As a result, the RM will be able to spend funds that have not been budgeted. If needed, the RM will be able to get equipment and contractors to assist with infrastructure that might be in jeopardy due to weather and flooding concerns.

In Teulon, Mayor Anna Pazdzierski said they're keeping an eye on their usual overland flooding spots.

"We were out most of the weekend making sure we know where it is flooding so that we can do some preventative work this year coming up in order to decrease the amount of flooding, if we can. Beach Road, Highway 17 coming through town, was certainly a problem. A couple of our other streets were certainly a problem," she said.

"Beach Road, Highway 17 coming through town, was certainly a problem. A couple of our other streets were certainly a problem. We didn't close anything but certainly we had water over the roads in many places. All the water from the west — there are swamp areas there — it all comes through Teulon. So we're looking at some culvert sizes to make sure that we're better prepared in the future."

By Monday morning, Pazdzierski said the water had subsided substantially.

"It's still going to be coming through, but I'm hoping that it stays nice outside. Hopefully if we get a week with no moisture, we'll be OK," she said.

"They were out cleaning culverts on the weekend, so all the culverts are flowing. I'd like to extend a huge thank you to those citizens in town who made sure that their culverts were flowing as well. That was great."

In the RM of Rockwood, the public works department has been working around the clock to deal with overland flooding issues.

As of May 1, there were 34 road segments that were closed or with water on them, and some residents had put sandbags around their properties. Sandbags and sand are still available at Rockwood townsites.

In Stonewall, everything seemed to be flowing well. Some water might have pooled in residents' yards, but the town had no major incidents to report.



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Water levels are expected to remain high for an extended duration in many areas in southern and central Manitoba. Overland flooding continues in the Interlake, Red River Valley and many other portions of central and southern Manitoba. Residents in these areas are advised to monitor local conditions and to take any necessary flood mitigation actions.



Medical procedures backlog grows to over 169,000

EMS wait times highest in Interlake

By Patricia Barrett

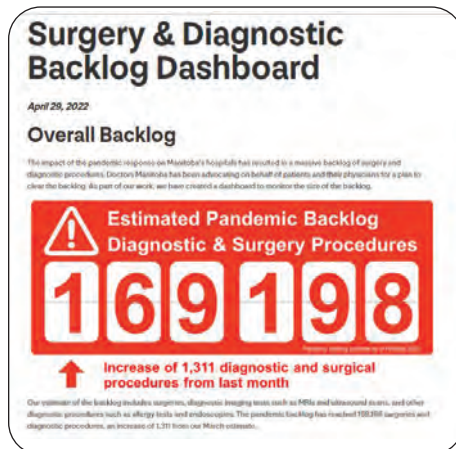
Manitoba's surgical and diagnostic procedures backlog continues to increase, according to the latest data from Doctors Manitoba, but the rate at which it's increasing has somewhat slowed.

The physician advocacy organization, which has been tracking the pandemic-induced backlog of procedures for Manitobans for almost a year, updated its public dashboard last Friday.

It now estimates there are 169,198 procedures in the queue, an increase of 1,311 procedures since March. There are delays in accessing health-care services such as cardiac surgeries, hip/knee replacements, lung function tests, MRIs, ultrasound scans, endoscopies and allergy tests.

The "biggest barrier" to clearing the backlog, said Doctors Manitoba, is a shortage of nurses and other health-care staff.

"While it's disappointing to see the estimated backlog grow again, the rate of growth has started to slow down," said Doctors Manitoba president Dr. Kristjan Thompson in an April 29 statement. "This reflects

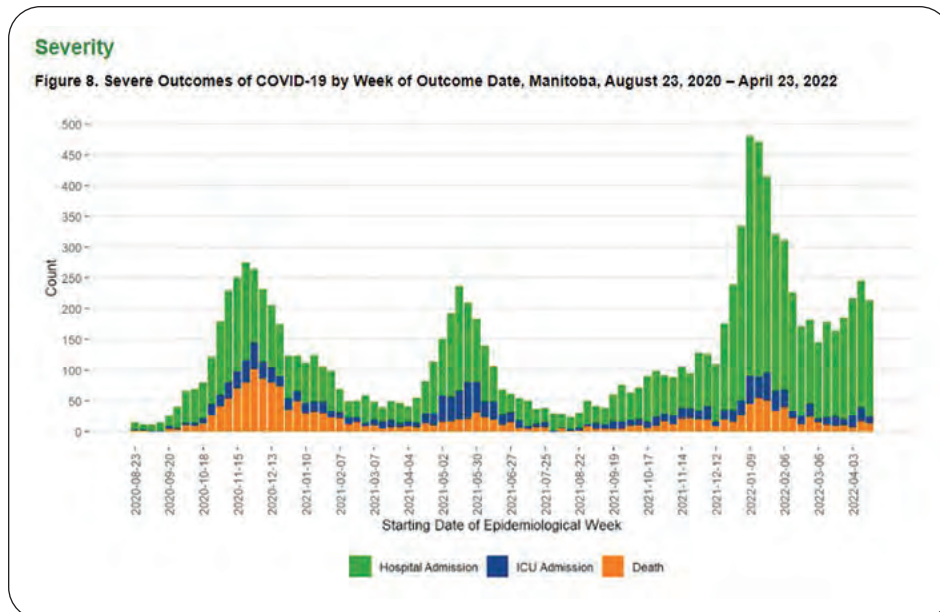


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The surgical and diagnostic procedure backlog increased by over 1,300 procedures since March; there are now an estimated 169,198 procedures in the queue.

what we are seeing on the front line, with more and more staff returning to operating rooms and other areas, helping the system get closer to its pre-pandemic baseline volumes. That said, physicians are looking for a concrete plan from the province on addressing the shortage of nurses, technologists and other professionals needed to catch up and keep up with testing and surgeries."

The organization said it has had discussions with the government about its backlog data, but "provincial



PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

Hospital admissions from COVID are rising, according to this provincial graph, and are slightly higher than they were a year ago, in May 2021, when hospitals and ICUs were overwhelmed by infected people needing care.

health officials have not yet shared any additional data to help with refining the backlog estimates."

Doctors Manitoba said it has filed a freedom-of-information request to acquire that data.

Other health-care news:

- The spread of COVID in Manitoba continues, with an increase in cases detected by PCR testing. In its weekly surveillance report for April

17-23, the government reported 1,436 lab-confirmed COVID cases, 200 new hospital admissions, of which 12 cases required admission to intensive care, and 13 more deaths.

In the week previous (April 10-16), there were 1,190 lab-confirmed COVID infections, 206 new hospital admissions, of which 22 required in-

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Denture trouble?... It's likely that your bite is off!

BY BROCK VANDOR, DENTURIST

"The sure sign for denture trouble and therefore the first thing we check when a patient comes in to see us, is their bite. Essentially, the bite is the way the upper and lower teeth come together to chew; and if it's not proper, then that person will be battling with denture problems forever.

These are the 3 signs that your bite just isn't right:

1. A Mouthful-Patients say, "It feels like marbles in my mouth."
2. Loose & Painful- The dentures clack and slide around from being uneven from side-to-side.
3. They just feel "not right"- Patients often can't quite describe it, but they constantly feel like something is simply "Off"

What to do?

Sometimes the answer is simple, especially if the denture

was never quite right, and maybe all the 'fine-tuning' wasn't done for the proper bite. Often patients will come in with this issue and we can fix it up quickly by carefully doing some bite refinements. Patients notice the difference instantly!

When someone has had dentures for years, which started off good but now the teeth are worn down and ill-fitting (especially the lower), then usually the best route is to make a new set of dentures. However, it's very important not to make a new set that is so different and foreign feeling from the old set. We want to make them a similar shape and size so they feel comfortable, but with new sharp teeth that BITE together correctly. Making a new denture that is similar to what your old one used to be like is most often the best way to go. We have many patients who come in and say "Your Dad made me these dentures 20 years ago and they

are great, the top one still fits good. I hate to part with them but they're wearing out. Can you make me a new set like my old ones?" The answer is yes!

Perhaps a little more than fine tuning is needed but not quite a new one, sometimes we can correct the bite with relining or changing some teeth on the denture. As well, what is becoming very popular is that patients will go with dental implants to secure that lower denture down so it doesn't float around anymore, allowing them to eat the foods they want and no longer be embarrassed of loose teeth and all that comes with it.

As always, the first step is a free consultation with myself (Brock) or Matthew where we can sit down, check that bite and go over all your options and find a solution that suits you. Call today, we're here to get your bite right!

Thanks for reading. - Brock Vandor D.D., MBA



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4. LOOK OUT FOR PROBLEMS Is your car making weird noises? Does it handle differently? Or maybe a

dashboard warning light has come on? Addressing issues right away, even if they seem minor, can help you avoid costly repairs and keep you safe on the road.

Last but not least, make sure to practise safe driving to protect your car as well as yourself, your passengers and other road users.

4 Essential Car Care Tips

May is Car Care Month, which makes it a perfect time to highlight the importance of keeping your ride in top shape. Here are four tips for taking care of your car.

1. WASH IT REGULARLY Washing and waxing your car helps prevent the body and paint from getting damaged by corrosive debris such as road salt. Additionally, keeping your windshield, windows, mirrors and lights spotless improves how well you can see while driving.

2. CLEAN THE INTERIOR It doesn't take long for dust, dirt and crumbs to collect inside your car. In addition to causing odours, contaminants can lead to bacteria growth and compromise the air quality in your car's cabin. Keep the interior of your vehicle tidy by regularly vacuuming the seats and carpets, wiping down surfaces with a disinfectant cloth and replacing the

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Celebrate Manitoba Day in Quarry Park May 12

By Jennifer McFee

Let the celebrations begin!

The Town of Stonewall will be hosting Manitoba Day festivities on Thursday, May 12 at Quarry Park.

The event will feature free hot dogs and drinks starting at 6 p.m., followed by an impressive slate of entertainment from 6:30 p.m. onwards. The lineup includes Fubuki Daiko, Black Belt Brothers, Prairie Fiddlers, the Ivan Flett Memorial Dancers — and much more!

The event will wrap up with a fireworks display at 9:30 p.m.

The event stems from an idea by Stonewall Mayor Clive Hinds, who was seeking a way to bring the community back together after so much time apart.

"After the pandemic and the two years of doom and gloom and all the restrictions, this is a time that people can get together and celebrate out in fresh air. The weather is supposed to be sunny and warm, so that will be a huge draw," he said.

"It will be a fun-filled evening with all the entertainment we can muster up. This is a way of giving back from the councillors and myself. It will be a great evening."

To make the most of the event, attendees should dress for the weather



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Some of the entertainment to kick off the Manitoba Day celebrations include Mark Morisseau and the Prairie Fiddlers, Fubuki Daiko drummers, the Ivan Flett Memorial Dancers, the Celtic Strummers and the Black Belt Brothers.

and bring a chair.

Adding to the excitement, the Stone-

wall Art Group will also be unveiling their new exhibit at the Quarry Park

Heritage Arts Centre that day, and all are welcome to check it out.

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tensive care, and 12 more deaths from the virus.

The *Tribune* asked the province's Shared Health organization for the total number of people in hospital with COVID as of April 28 or April 29. Shared Health was unable to provide that data as it is "owned by the Provincial Information Management and Analytics team." Shared Health forwarded the request to the province. The province responded but didn't provide the data. Shared Health, however, was able to provide ICU data.

"As of midnight [April 28], there were 97 patients in intensive care. This includes both patients receiving COVID and non-COVID care," said the spokesperson.

Although 79.2 per cent of Manitobans are fully vaccinated (data provided in the weekly surveillance report), researchers have shown that the omicron variant and its subvariants are able to evade vaccine-induced and natural immunity. The variants can also reinfect people who've already been previously infected.

The provincial government lifted all basic public health measures such as masking and social distancing in

March, saying it expected an uptick in the number of people who would get infected and require care. It also closed a number of PCR testing centres across the province. Three remain open in Winnipeg for "only eligible people" such as pre-op patients or "eligible symptomatic people." The results of rapid antigen tests are not tracked by the province.

- A COVID outbreak was declared April 27 on the maple south unit of the Tudor House personal care home in Selkirk by the medical officer of health for the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA).

- EMS wait times in the Interlake have seen the "highest" jump among provincial health regions, according to ambulance ground data shared by the Manitoba NDP last week. The lengthy waits come down to a paramedic staffing crisis.

The NDP tabled documents in the legislature showing rural ambulances being out of service for over 19,000 hours in December 2021. In the Interlake, response times have climbed 35 per cent since 2018.

"When you call 911, you need an ambulance to hit the road right away, but that's just not the case in rural Manitoba under the PCs," said NDP

health care critic Uzoma Asagwara in a news release. "The PC government has known about the rural paramedic staffing crisis for over a year, but instead of coming up with solutions they are letting wait times get longer and longer while families and front-line health care workers pay the price. Rural families deserve a government that fixes the staffing problem and ensures they can get care when they need it."

In order to help recruit and retain paramedics in rural Manitoba, NDP leader Wab Kinew said the government needs to pay them "fair and competitive" wages.

- Rural residents with their own automated external defibrillators (AEDs) and/or first aid training cannot be utilized by the province in an emergency situation. Resident names are not compiled on a back-up list of people who could help a neighbour or someone else in their community in the event that EMS is delayed.

A spokesperson for Shared Health said such lists aren't kept because the individuals with first aid are not licensed to provide care to "the standards expected of emergency responders" and could not be relied upon to respond "at a moment's no-

tice."

"Contingency planning is in place to respond to [health-care system] staffing challenges that may arise, including asking other staff to work more hours or pick up extra shifts," said the spokesperson. "Paramedics throughout the province are also strategically positioned throughout the province that utilizes computer modelling and predictive deployment, allowing for adjustments to minimize any short-term challenges."

For low acuity patients that need transporting to a facility, the province is using alternative transportation alternatives in order to free up more staff, said the spokesperson.

"Finally, efforts are ongoing to recruit more staff to increase paramedic coverage and reduce Manitoba's reliance on overtime or on-call staffing," he added.

- Dr. David Matear, who served as the IERHA's chief executive officer, was appointed provincial executive director of the Diagnostic and Surgical Recovery Task Force. The IERHA said in an April 26 statement that it had "benefitted greatly" from his management. Marion Ellis was appointed CEO.

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 May 12: Virtual Chat 3:00pm (Zoom)
 May 12: Ukulele Club 7:15pm (@ Something Beautiful)
 May 13: Travel Club 11:00 am (In Person)
 May 13: Canasta 1:00pm (In Person)
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- Call a friend or family member; and encourage others to call an important older person in their lives.
- Ask people you know to reach out to those that are alone by visiting or doing something kind for them.
- Spread the word to others in your community by word of mouth or through existing networks.
- Take someone out for lunch, coffee or a drive.
- Offer to run an errand for someone.
- Bring people together to play games and/or visit.
- Bake a goodie basket for a neighbour.

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Southwest Steaks with Creamy Peppercorn Sauce and Parmesan-Herb Fries

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3/4 cup beef stock
1/2 cup heavy cream
2 teaspoons peppercorn medley,
coarsely cracked
salt, to taste
pepper, to taste

To make Southwest steak rub: In small bowl, whisk salt, pepper, thyme, paprika, chili powder, chipotle pepper, garlic powder and cumin until fully incorporated.

To make Parmesan-herb fries: Preheat oven to 425 F. Place fries on baking rack on top of sheet pan; bake 25 minutes, or until golden-brown and crispy.

In medium bowl, mix Parmesan cheese, thyme, rosemary and parsley until fully incorporated.

Remove fries from oven and toss with Parmesan herbs.

To make New York strip steaks: Season steaks generously with Southwest steak rub on both sides.

In cast-iron pan, add grapeseed oil and bring to high heat. Place steaks in pan and sear 3-4 minutes on both sides for medium-rare doneness.

Remove steaks from pan and rest 8 minutes; reserve oil in cast-iron pan.

To make peppercorn cream sauce: Add brandy to reserved oil in cast-iron pan and reduce to 1/3 volume, about 1 minute.

Add beef stock and reduce by 1/3 volume, about 2-3 minutes.

Add heavy cream and cracked peppercorn medley to pan, bring to boil and reduce to simmer until thickened. Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Recipe courtesy of Omaha Steaks Executive Chef David Rose

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 25 minutes

Servings: 2

Southwest Steak Rub:

1 tablespoon kosher salt

1 teaspoon black pepper

1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves

1 teaspoon smoked paprika

1/2 teaspoon ancho chili powder

1/2 teaspoon ground chipotle pepper

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

1/2 teaspoon cumin

Parmesan-Herb Fries:

1 package (16 ounces) Omaha Steaks Steakhouse Fries

1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, freshly grated

1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves, minced

1 tablespoon fresh rosemary leaves, minced

1 tablespoon fresh Italian parsley, minced

New York Strip Steaks:

2 Omaha Steaks Butcher's Cut New York Strips

Southwest steak rub

1/4 cup grapeseed oil

2 ounces unsalted butter, cold



Servings: 6

2 cans (15 ounces each) READ 3 or 4 Bean Salad

1/4 cup prepared basil pesto

1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)

1 package (9 ounces) refrigerated tortellini

Bean, Tortellini and Pesto Salad

grape tomatoes (optional)
halved cherry tomatoes (optional)
chopped bell pepper (optional)
thinly sliced green onions (optional)
Drain bean salad, reserving 1/2 cup liquid. In bowl, combine reserved liquid, pesto and salt, if desired; set aside.

Cook tortellini according to package directions; drain, rinse in cold water and drain again. Add pesto dressing; toss to coat. Add grape tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, bell pepper and green onion, as desired. Toss with bean salad.

Serve at room temperature or chilled.

30 Minute Fat-Blasting Workout

By Fitness Expert Julie Germaine Coram

If your goal is to lose body fat sustainably, you'll need to adhere to a healthy diet full of nutritious foods and push yourself to train harder during consistent workouts. Here is a fitness program that is going to help you shred body fat while building your glutes. Watch the video here for exercise instruction: <https://www.juliegermaine.com/fat-burning-booty-workout>
The Workout

Pair any two exercises together and do each for 60 seconds, then rest for one to two minutes. Repeat two more times including rest period, then move on to the next pair of exercises. Perform each exercise three times.



Health and Wellness Fitness expert
Julie Germaine Coram

Exercise	Sets	Reps
High Step Ups with Knee Drive	3	1 minute
High Toe Taps	3	1 minute
Lower Body Elevated Glute Hip Thrusts	3	1 minute
Bench Jump Overs	3	1 minute
Banded Side Shuffle	3	1 minute
Lower Body Elevated Plank Walk Overs	3	1 minute

Reach for whole grains, like brown rice or quinoa, and avoid refined carbohydrates like white bread or pasta.

- Enjoy a cup of coffee, but try to drink it black or just with a splash of milk instead of full of sugar.

- Add strength training 2-5x/week and incorporate cardiovascular activity regularly.

- Consistency is more important than intensity! Pace yourself and be proud of every effort you make during your fitness journey! You're doing what it takes to achieve your fitness goals!

Would you like to lose 2" from your waistline in the next 30 Days? Join my VIP Fat Loss Challenge! Secure your spot asap – limited space available. Visit: www.calendly.com/juliegermaine or email info@juliegermaine.com

Coach Julie Germaine Coram is a Manitoba-born fit mom, 2x International Pro Fitness Champion, Miss Fitness Manitoba, Certified Nutrition & Renowned Fitness Expert. She has helped thousands of men and women improve their health since 2005.

Rocky Road Popcorn Clusters



Yield: 3 dozen
1 bag (6 ounces) semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 teaspoon vegetable oil
4 cups popped popcorn
1 1/2 cups miniature marshmallows
3/4 cup chopped walnuts

In small microwave-safe bowl, heat chocolate chips in microwave on high 1 minute, until melted. Stir in vegetable oil.

In large bowl, add popcorn, marshmallows and walnuts. Pour melted chocolate over mixture, tossing to coat.

Drop mixture by tablespoonful onto wax paper-lined jellyroll pan.

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Grenkow completes world-famous Boston Marathon

By Brian Bowman

Being able to run the world-famous Boston Marathon is the experience of a lifetime for many.

Kathy Grenkow was able to soak in that experience on April 19. She finished the 26.2-mile race in a time of 4:22.

The Boston Marathon — described as a challenging course, which attracts as many as 500,000 spectators each year — has many miles of downhill and uphill running through winding roads.

"It was pretty incredible," said Grenkow, who is from Rosser and now lives in Winnipeg, last week. "I knew it was going to be hard and it was as hard as I thought it would be. But it was pretty spectacular - just the crowds, it was pretty emotional, it was everything, it was fantastic."

The Boston Marathon is held on Patriot's Day, which falls on the third Monday in April every year. It's a local holiday and there's plenty of partying going on.

The runners are treated like rock stars.

"It was incredible. There's tailgating parties and people on either side. Every time you went to different towns ... they had people on both sides cheering you on with signs and music and costumes. People at the aid stations were handing out water and Gatorade, bananas and drinks. Some people were handing out beer," Grenkow laughed. "It was a huge party."

Grenkow was accompanied on the trip by her boyfriend, mom, sister, niece and brother-in-law. She had plenty of support. "My mom, my sister and my niece and I kind of have this thing that usually once a year we'll go somewhere and I'll run a mar-



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Kathy Grenkow completed the infamous Boston Marathon on April 19.

athon," Grenkow said. "Last time we travelled to St. George, Utah, at the end of 2019. That's actually where I qualified for Boston and then the pandemic hit so 2020 was cancelled and then in 2021 they had a smaller field in October and I didn't apply for it. It was a reduced field and I wouldn't have made the cutoff."

Qualifying for — and completing — the Boston

Marathon is pretty remarkable. What's more remarkable is that Grenkow had not run for two years before she received the letter that she had been accepted to run in the 2022 Boston Marathon.

"I said, 'Holy crap, I better start running again,'" she said. "I had 18 weeks to go from not running for two years to getting myself into somewhat running shape to be able to run the marathon. I was as prepared as I could be to run just a marathon. I wasn't able to fully prepare myself to run Boston. I knew it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity so I was just going to make the best of it and enjoy the experience."

Grenkow, 46, has run nine marathons, including ones in Winnipeg (three times), Chicago, the Twin Cities, Regina, Utah and Boston. She plans on running in the California International Marathon in Sacramento this December.

"I started about nine years ago," she explained. "I was going through a tough time and running helped me. It was something to do to focus on and kind of clear my head. I started running further and further and then I could run up to 11 miles and I told my friend that I can run 11 miles and she was like, 'You should run a marathon' and I was like, 'OK.'"

Grenkow's first marathon was the Manitoba one and it was, remarkably, the first time that she had ever competed in a race before.

"The very first race I did was a marathon," she chuckled. "I love it. I love setting a goal and seeing it through. You have to be dedicated to it and you have to be willing to not give up. I enjoy that."

Canucks win MMJHL championship

Staff

The St. James Jr. Canucks are the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League champions for the 2021-22 season.

It's St. James' first league title since 1998.

The Canucks defeated the Pembina Valley Twisters 5-0 in Game 5 of their best-of-seven final series at the Bell MTS Iceplex on April 25.

Kale Price and Zach Greenwood scored first-peri-

od goals and then Tyrone Willan made it 3-0 in the middle frame.

Brady Whitely and Ashton Romaniuk closed out the scoring in the third.

Noah Gilbert made 24 saves for the shutout.

Pembina Valley defeated St. James for the league title in 2019. No playoffs were held in 2020 or 2021 due to the pandemic.

St. James lost just four games in regulation during

the regular season and only two playoff contests en route to winning the Jack McKenzie Trophy.

The Canucks swept the Charleswood Hawks in the first round of the playoffs and then knocked out the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club and the Twisters in five games.

It's the Canucks second league championship in the 44-year history of the franchise.

Interlake 1-3 at Rising Stars Tournament

Staff

Interlake finished with a 1-3 record at Hockey Manitoba's CCM Rising Stars Tournament at the Bell MTS Iceplex last weekend.

Interlake wrapped up play with a 12-0 loss to Eastman on Sunday afternoon.

On Saturday, Interlake defeated Norman 5-2.

Interlake, which held period leads of 2-0 and 4-1,

received goals from Damon Marquart, Jacob Keck, Carter Reykdal, Nate McIvor and Liam Connolly.

Keck, Reykdal and Mason Van Kemenade each had two points in the game.

Interlake started the tournament with a 5-1 loss to Central Plains on Friday.

Van Kemenade scored in the losing cause, assisted

by Nathanael Loewen.

Interlake was then edged 5-4 by Yellowhead on Saturday.

Goal scorers were Ty Johnson, Van Kemenade, Myles Murray and McIvor.

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Dynamo 13Us win provincial volleyball title

By Brian Bowman

The Dynamo Volleyball Club 13Us were dynamite at the 2022 14U Girls Provincials on April 23-24.

Dynamo defeated the Predators 2-1 in the Tier 2 final by scores of 25-21, 17-25, and 15-9.

"It was really close," said Dynamo coach Tyler Oliver. "We played them in the round robin as well and it was the same outcome. Our girls, for being 13 years old, held their composure against some bigger and stronger girls as the Predators were 14U. (Our girls) played outstanding."

Dynamo was terrific on defence despite not having a lot of height on their roster and was very good in serving effectively.

Dynamo reached the final after sweeping the Cats 2-0 (25-20, 25-9) in a semifinal game.

"They elevated their play coming

into the provincial championship weekend," Oliver said. "I was so pleasantly surprised. I'm a big believer as a coach (that) when you're at the end of the season in provincials and things like that, you go into cheerleader mode. Of course, you're there to correct but it's more about cheering your kids on and giving them that opportunity with less pressure. The pressure is already on them because they're in the provincials."

In a quarter-final match, Dynamo defeated the Blizzard 2-0 (25-13, 25-18).

Local players on the Dynamo included Julia Oliver, Ava Favreau, Paige Seidel and Torie Galbraith.

Oliver's oldest daughter, Camryn, played on the Dynamo 14U team that lost 2-1 to the Jr. Bison in the Tier 1 gold-medal game by scores of 15-25, 25-21, 15-13.



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The Dynamo Volleyball Club defeated the Predators to win the Tier 2 girls' provincial title on April 24. Local girls on the team included, left to right, Ava Favreau (Stonewall), Julia Oliver (Stonewall), Torie Galbraith (Rosser), and Paige Seidel (Rosser). Ella Fontaine (Headingley) is also pictured.

Kennedy new Jets' head coach

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets have a new head coach with an impressive playing and coaching resume.

Stonewall announced last week that Troy Kennedy has been chosen to become the Jets' bench boss for the 2022-23 season.

"He's coached a couple of our past players and a couple of our returning guys. ... He expressed some interest and interviewed for the position like everybody else," said Jets' general manager Dale McClintock last Thursday afternoon. "He was our frontrunner and the right choice for the direction we're headed."

Eight people formally applied for the position but Kennedy stood out among them.

"He preached accountability in his players and he wants credibility out of them and then his overall hockey IQ," McClintock said. "There was no one really close to matching his

knowledge of the game. He had a lot of great answers when it came to changes in a hockey game. He doesn't stay static and he has the ability on the fly to read and react to what the other team is doing. He has a solid record and background and an overall winning pedigree."

Kennedy, who lives in Beausejour, has coached for the past "30 years or so." He has coached at the AAA level with Eastman and, more recently, the Winnipeg Thrashers.

Many of his former players are currently in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League.

He is looking forward to the challenge of coaching at the junior level.

"I'm very excited, it's something new and obviously a new experience," he said last Friday. "I'm looking forward to it. It's going to be a little bit different commitment-wise. These are kids that have jobs, are going to university, and have other commitments away

from the game whereas the Bantam kids are still trying to get to the WHL and stuff like that."

He will be taking over a Jets' team that struggled to a ninth-place finish in the 10-team league with a dismal 10-30-5 record. But the Jets expect to be much better next season.

"I don't know all the kids but the ones I know and the kids I have talked to with the lineup, it looks like it will be very good," Kennedy said. "We should have a decent chance. We'll throw a couple of systems in there and hopefully the commitment is there. If it is, I think we'll have a good year."

As a player, Kennedy suited up in the WHL with several teams before spending a season with the University of Manitoba Bisons. He then played pro in the 1990s before wrapping up his career in 2000-21 with the Lake Charles Ice Pirates.



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Troy Kennedy has been chosen to coach the Stonewall Jets in the MMJHL 2022-23 season.

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MJHL final series tied at 1-1

Staff

The Dauphin Kings defeated the Pistons 5-1 on Saturday night in Steinbach to even the best-of-seven MJHL Championship series at 1-1.

The Kings' Cordell Coleman wired the puck over the glove of Simon Harkness to give the Kings their first lead of the series just 5:07 into the game.

The Pistons' Zach Power then found Braden Birnie on a cross-seam pass on the power play to tie the score at 1-1 less than a minute into the second period. It was Birnie's his league-leading 10th goal of the playoffs.

Just under six minutes later, though, Klim Georgiev beat Pistons' goaltender Simon Harkness to put the Kings up 2-1.

On an early power play in the third, the Kings would extend their lead to 3-1 after Nick Braun tipped in a pass from Parker Malchuk.

Kings' forward Logan Calder gave his team a three-goal lead when he scored with Harkness pulled for an extra attacker. Another penalty from the Pistons gave the Kings the man-advantage and Jayden Harris tallied to make the score 5-1.

Game 3 of the series was played Tuesday at the Credit Union Place in Dauphin but no score was available.

Game 4 will be played in Dauphin on Wednesday while Game 5 returns to Steinbach on Friday. Puck drop for both games is 7:30 p.m.

War amps 2022 key tag mailing



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Cooper Tidmarsh has benefited from The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program thanks to public support of the Key Tag Service.

By Martine Lepine

The War Amps begins its 2022 key tag mailing to Stonewall and surrounding area this week with the theme "You Make Our Programs Possible."

This is illustrated through the story of 12-year-old Cooper Tidmarsh who lost part of his right leg in a lawn mower accident. Cooper, a member of The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program, receives financial assistance for artificial limbs and devices and also attends regional seminars where Champs and their parents learn about the latest in artificial limbs, dealing with teasing and staring, and parenting an amputee child.

The Key Tag Service was launched in 1946 so that returning war amputee veterans could not only work for competitive wages but also provide a service to Canadians that would generate funds for the Association's many programs, including CHAMP. The Key Tag Service continues to employ amputees and people with disabilities, and has returned more than 1.5 million sets of lost keys to their owners.

Each key tag has a confidentially coded number. If you lose your keys, the finder can call the toll-free number on the back of the tag or place them in any mailbox in Canada, and The War Amps will return them to you by courier, free of charge.

The War Amps receives no government grants and its programs are possible through public support of the Key Tag and Address Label Service.

For more information, or to order key tags, visit waramps.ca or call toll-free 1 800 250-3030.

Headed to nationals



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Balmoral Judo Club members Kai James, left, and Aythen Gross have been selected by Judo Manitoba to be part of the provincial team that will attend nationals in Montreal from May 18-23.

The pair has been training with the provincial team for the last two months. They are both hoping to be selected to travel with the team to the Canada Winter Games in P.E.I. next February.

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Who are you walking for?

Submitted by Alzheimer Society of Manitoba

The Alzheimer Society of Manitoba is asking “Who are you walking for?” as they launch this year’s 2022 IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer’s, taking place virtually across the province as well as on May 28 in Winnipeg at St. Vital Park at 10 a.m.

The Walk is the Alzheimer Society’s largest

nationwide fundraiser. Now in its 30th year, it continues to help offer programs and services to meet the needs of the over 23,000 people living with dementia and their caregivers in Manitoba.

“We are so excited to virtually walk together in support of people living with dementia across the province,” says Erin Crawford, program director at the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

“It’s great to see the support online of people walking their way in May and raising funds for their communities. We look forward to cheering them on.”

The need for support to those living with dementia continues to rise — it’s projected to nationally reach 900,000 Canadians by 2030. More funds are required to meet the growing demand for life-changing programs and services, including education, support groups and community programs.

“IG is extremely proud to support the Alzheimer Society and their mission to alleviate the impact of Alzheimer’s, while promoting the search for causes, treatments and a cure,” said Damon Murchison, president and CEO, IG Wealth Management. “We know the physical, emotional and financial burden that dementia has on Canadians. And that’s why our employees and advisors are committed to helping support and empower the communities in which we live and work, through the walk, but also seminars and webinars throughout the year.”

There are a number of ways you can join the 2022 IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer’s:

- Sign up as virtual participant or create a virtual team at Alzheimer.mb.ca/wfa2022.
- Take a photo or video, upload it to social media and include the hashtag #IGWalkForAlz.
- Most of all, have fun raising money for a fantastic cause!

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SUDOKU

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

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

9	1	4	7	6	8	2	3	5
6	2	3	1	5	4	7	8	9
8	7	5	2	3	9	1	4	6
2	4	9	6	1	7	3	5	8
3	6	8	4	2	5	9	7	1
1	5	7	8	9	3	6	2	4
4	9	1	3	8	2	5	6	7
7	3	6	5	4	1	8	9	2
5	8	2	9	7	6	4	1	3

Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

1. A power of perception
4. Slotted hinged metal plate
8. Popular crop
10. Siamese fighting fish
11. Larval crabs
12. South American mammal
13. Occur as a result of
15. Slavic language
16. An electric underground railway
17. Transporting
18. A direction
21. Opposite of start
22. Mock
23. People love and hate it (abbr.)
24. A people of Myanmar
25. A Queens ballplayer
26. Southern Thailand indigenous person
27. Famed actress
34. Thin strips
35. Bluish greens
36. Ridiculed
37. Having the shape of a cube
38. Came down
39. Indian religious god
40. “Bewitched” actress Moorehead
41. Leak through slowly
42. Buzzing insects
43. Midway between south and southeast

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CLUES DOWN

1. Skin condition
2. Earlier
3. Right away
4. Vomiting
5. Go to
6. “The Police” frontman
7. Bullfighting maneuver
9. Pacific island
10. A system of algebraic notation
12. A room used for the activities of a group
14. The longest division of geological time
15. Car mechanics group
17. A barrel of liquid (abbr.)
19. Bound to do
20. Explosive
23. Ridicules
24. Adult male
25. Military personnel
26. French and Belgian river
27. Found in the sea
28. A share lost in default (abbr.)
29. Type of medication (abbr.)
30. City on the Rhine
31. Animal disease
32. They're in martinis
33. Get away
34. Wampum
36. Lacking brightness

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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS 2022 DUST CONTROL PROGRAM

The Rural Municipality of Woodlands will accept requests for the application of dust control, on a **PRE-PAYMENT BASIS**, on municipal roads in front of residences within the Municipality. Application forms are available at the Municipal Office or our website rmwoodlands.ca. The application will consist of a 16' x 300' strip at a cost \$300.00 plus GST (\$315.00).

Deadline to submit application forms is **Friday, May 20, 2022.**

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Permit Coordinator (1-Year Term / Full Time)
R.M. of Rosser (CentrePort) Office

The South Interlake Planning District (SIPD) is accepting resumes for the position **Permit Coordinator (1-Year Term / Full Time)**. Under the direction of the Manager of Finance & Administrative Services, this one-year full-time term position is responsible for coordinating permit files, systems and processes for the SIPD.

Specifically, the Permit Coordinator is responsible for providing guidance to applicants on application requirements and procedures, receiving and processing permit applications (e.g., Development Permits, Building Permits, Occupancy Permits, etc.), and preparing draft permit documents for issuance. The position requires a high degree of multi-tasking, including the ability to interpret and communicate technical requirements in response to inquiries.

The Permit Coordinator is also responsible for providing excellent customer service at the counter, answering telephone calls, responding to emails, processing payments, and completing other administrative duties as assigned.

A detailed job description for this position is available here: <http://www.sipd.ca/p/employment-opportunities>.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent is required
- Five (5) years of work experience in a related field (e.g., office administration, construction management, code compliance, planning, architecture, etc.)
- Excellent customer service skills
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Detail-oriented individual with the ability to multi-task and meet deadlines with frequent interruptions
- Ability to interpret maps, zoning regulations, and building plans
- Proven ability working with computers and office related software (e.g., MS Office Suite), and other office related equipment (e.g., printer/copier, fax machine, etc.)
- Valid motor vehicle license

IDEAL CANDIDATE:

- Post-secondary education from an accredited college or university, with major course work in office administration, construction management, code compliance, planning, architecture, or other related field
- Experience with development and building permit review and approval processes
- Experience working for or with a Planning District or Municipal government
- Familiarity with the Manitoba Building Code is considered an asset
- Experience with mapping systems and software (e.g., GIS, etc.)
- Experience with general website management

WORK LOCATION: This position will operate from the SIPD's new primary office location at **15 Davis Way, R.M. of Rosser (CentrePort)** upon its opening in the summer of 2022. Job training will take place at the SIPD's secondary office location at **285 Main Street, Stonewall**, in the spring of 2022, prior to the opening of the CentrePort office.

HOURS OF WORK: Monday to Friday, 8:30AM to 4:30PM, with one hour for lunch.

COMPENSATION: \$26.00 – \$29.00 per hour (35 hours per week), plus an attractive benefits program. Compensation shall be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

EXTENSION OF POSITION: Following the one-year contract term, this position will be re-evaluated and may be extended by a subsequent term or converted to a permanent full-time position, as determined by the South Interlake Planning District Board.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send or email your cover letter, resume, and three references (a minimum of two references must be work-related) to the General Manager of SIPD by **Monday, May 9, 2022, at 4:30PM CST.**

Eric Shaw, General Manager
South Interlake Planning District
Box 1219, Stonewall, MB, R0C 2Z0
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- **#013-22-23 – Music Teacher**
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We will be running every second week Sales

**April 20, 2022
May 4, 2022
May 18, 2022
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Green Acres Art Centre (GAAC) is a non-profit organization located in the entrance of the Green Acres Park. The GAAC offers yearly and summer art, culture and wellness programs for people of all ages in the community of Teulon and surrounding area.



CAMP COORDINATOR

As part of a Canada Summer Jobs Grant, GAAC is seeking TWO mature outgoing individuals who are creative, enthusiastic and reliable leaders with a positive attitude who enjoy working with children & youth. The successful candidates will be responsible to oversee camps under the direction of the Executive Assistant. Camp Coordinators will be strong leaders who create and maintain a safe and fun working environment for all employees and campers. They will be required to assist with the planning and daily preparations of camp activities.

Qualifications:

- Experience & interest with working with youth ages 5-17
- Post-Secondary Schooling in Education an asset
- Experience in a Leadership/Supervisory Role
- Ability to work independently and as a team
- Excellent organizational and time management skills with the ability to multi-task
- Excellent interpersonal, written and oral communication skills
- Experience with Organizing Events an asset
- Art skills – interest & skills in drawing/painting, playing musical instruments, theatre and dancing experience an asset
- Athletic skills – interest, knowledge & ability to assist with a variety of sports an asset
- Must have obtained or in the process of getting criminal record check & Adult/Child abuse checks
- First Aid & CPR an asset, will provide training to successful candidates

Positions 35hours/week for 8 weeks starting end of June

CAMP LEADER

As part of a Canada Summer Jobs Grant, GAAC is seeking EIGHT mature outgoing individuals who are creative, enthusiastic and reliable leaders with a passion to work with youth. Camp Leaders will be positive role models who provide campers with guidance, assist with daily activities and create a fun learning environment for all campers.

Qualifications:

- Experience & interest with working with youth ages 5-17
- Experience in a Leadership Role an asset
- Ability to work independently and as a team
- Excellent organizational and time management skills with the ability to multi-task
- Excellent interpersonal, written and oral communication skills
- Art skills – interest & skills in drawing/painting, playing musical instruments theatre and dancing experience an asset
- Athletic skills – interest, knowledge & ability to assist with a variety of sports an asset
- First Aid & CPR an asset, will provide training to successful candidates

Positions 30hours/week for 8 weeks starting end of June

All positions will be scheduled Monday-Friday, starting at the end of June. Additional hours on weekends/evenings may be available. Salary will be paid hourly and will be determined based on experience. Applicants must be between the age of 15 and 30.

SENIOR DAYS COORDINATOR

As part of a Canada Summer Jobs Grant, GAAC is seeking TWO mature outgoing individuals who are creative, enthusiastic and reliable leaders with a positive attitude who enjoy working with seniors. The successful candidates will be responsible to facilitate senior programs under the direction of the Social Activities Coordinator. Senior Days Coordinators will be strong leaders who create and maintain a safe and fun environment for seniors. The coordinators will be empowered to assist with the planning, organizing and daily preparations of senior activities.

Qualifications:

- Experience & interest with working with seniors
- Post-Secondary Schooling in Education an asset
- Experience in a Leadership/Supervisory Role
- Ability to work independently and as a team
- Excellent organizational and time management skills with the ability to multi-task
- Excellent interpersonal, written and oral communication skills
- Experience with Organizing Events for seniors an asset
- Art skills – interest & skills in drawing/painting, playing musical instruments an asset
- Athletic skills – interest, knowledge & ability to assist with a variety of sports an asset
- First Aid & CPR an asset, will provide training to successful candidates
- Must have valid driver's license
- Access to a vehicle an asset

Each position will be 30 hours per week for 8 weeks. Applicants must be available to work during the week, weekends and evenings. Scheduling will depend on activities planned. Position start date end of June. Salary will be paid hourly and will be determined based on experience. Applicants must be between the age of 15 and 30.

Please email resumes & cover letters to gaac@mymts.net by Wednesday May 25th. Indicate in cover letter the position(s) applying for. Applicants are welcome to apply for all positions. Only candidates considered for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls.

HELP WANTED

2022 CANADA SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITY - The Woodlands Museum is seeking two motivated and dynamic individuals aged 15-30 for on-site seasonal employment. This is an opportunity to explore a career in tourism, education, history or technical occupations related to museums and heritage. Applicants must have physical ability for site maintenance, knowledge of computers and good communication skills. A variety of tasks may include care of artifacts, data collection, creation of exhibits, lawn/garden care and housekeeping. Each position is for 30 hours per week, spanning eight weeks. Start dates are June 9 and June 30th but may be negotiable for high school students. Deadline for applications is May 20, 2022. Mail resume to Woodlands Museum, Box 206, Woodlands, MB, R0C 3H0 or email to woodlandspioneeruuseum@outlook.com Applicants will be notified if an interview is requested.

PROPOSED PESTICIDE PROGRAM

Public notice is hereby given that the Nature Conservancy of Canada intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2022:

To control noxious weeds on NCC property in the Rural Municipality of Rockwood. The projected dates of application will be from June 1, 2022 – October 1, 2022.

The herbicide to be used is:
-2,4-D Amine 600

The spraying of noxious weeds on Portions of NE-11-13-2-E.

The public may send written submissions or objections within 15 days of the publication of the notice to the department below.

Manitoba Environment, Climate and Parks
Environmental Approvals Branch
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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG

PUBLIC HEARING

REGARDING THE 2022 FINANCIAL PLAN



In accordance with Section 162(2) of The Municipal Act the Rural Municipality of Armstrong shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING to present the 2022 Financial Plan for the Municipality on:

Thursday, May 12, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.
FRASERWOOD HALL
10140 PR 231 Fraserwood, MB

The Rural Municipality of Armstrong 2022 Financial Plan consists of:

- 1) The 2022 Operating Budget,
- 2) The 2022 Capital Budget,
- 3) An estimate of the Operating Revenue and Expenditures for the following fiscal year (2023), and
- 4) A five (5) year Capital Expenditure Program (2023-2027)

The purpose of the PUBLIC HEARING is to allow any interested person to make representation, ask questions, or register an objection in respect of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong 2022 Financial Plan.

Copies of the Financial Plan will be available for review and may be examined by any person on the RM of Armstrong website at www.rmofarmstrong.com or at the Municipal Office at Lot 55 Highway 17, Inwood, Manitoba during regular office hours.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2022.

Corlie Larsen, CMMMA
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Armstrong

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UPCOMING EVENTS

POSTPONED - Cluck & Quack Poultry Club Auction. Poultry & small animals auction scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2022. At the request of the Chief Veterinarian of Manitoba is postponed until further notice.

Don't miss the BIG Annual Junk Wagon Antiques & Collectibles Sale. Old toys, tools, advertising, jewelry, glassware, vintage clothing, records, comics, retro, repurposed, oddball and much more. Sat. May 14/22 9-4. 980 Winkawa Rd. Winnipeg.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Youth Employment



The Council of the Rural Municipality of Armstrong invites applications for the following positions:

2 Green Team Summer Students

Qualifications

- Valid Class 5 Manitoba Drivers' license
- Knowledge in the operation and maintenance of riding mower, push mower, weed eater
- Knowledge of safety procedures and of the use of safety equipment
- Ability to do physical labour
- Available from July to August
- Must be 16 to 29 years old (consideration will be given to those 15 years of age who obtain a certificate of completion for the Young Worker Readiness Certificate course)

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Office at 278-3377.

Written applications to be submitted by 4:30 p.m., Friday May 27, 2022 to:

RM of Armstrong Office
Box 69, Inwood, MB R0C 1P0
Fax: 204-278-3437
Email: cao@rmofarmstrong.com



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT No. 2752/22

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representation from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS ZONING BY-LAW 2648/14 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Rural Municipality of Woodlands Office,
57 Railway Avenue, Woodlands, Manitoba
DATE & TIME: 5:00 P.M., Tuesday May 17, 2022
OWNER: Aeroquip Holdings Inc
APPLICANT: Andrew Firth
GENERAL INTENT: Re-zoning of the area known as PT of NE28-14-2WPM and shown outlined in a heavy dashed line on the map below, from "RA" Rural Area to "RR" Rural Residential

AREA AFFECTED:
PT. of NE28-14-2WPM
Rural Municipality of Woodlands

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Chad Green
Building Inspector
Rural Municipality of Woodlands
57 Railway Ave
Woodlands, MB R0C 3H0
204-383-5679
building@rmwoodlands.ca



A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected on the RM of Woodlands website (<https://www.rmwoodlands.ca/>), or by contacting the RM Office during regular office hours.

Note: Property owners are responsible for notifying lessee

WE RECOMMEND ANYONE ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING TO PRE-REGISTER AT LEAST 2 BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING BY CALLING OR EMAILING CHAD GREEN AT THE ABOVE EMAIL AND/OR NUMBER.

THERE IS AN OPTION TO ATTEND VIRTUALLY IF YOU PREFER, BUT WILL NEED TO PRE-REGISTER AT LEAST 2 DAYS PRIOR SO WE ARE SET UP FOR IT. IF WE HAVE TO CHANGE VENUES DUE TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING IN PERSON, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE VIRTUAL WILL BE AN OPTION AT THE NEW LOCATION.



RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER BY-LAW CADET (SUMMER STUDENT) TWO (2) POSITIONS

The Rural Municipality of Rosser is seeking candidates interested in community by-law education and Compliance investigation.

The Rural Municipality is committed to the development and maintenance of a livable, safe, orderly, viable and sustainable community. By-law Cadets will be representatives of the Municipality and expected to be Ambassador's for the Municipality of Rosser. By-law Cadets will have to engage with and promote the health, safety, and well-being of the Citizens of the Municipality through observing and recording by-law compliance.

Duties:

- Inspect/observing properties, vehicles, and buildings to ensure their compliance with designated by-laws (i.e., noise, parking, nuisance, dogs, zoning, licensing, open burning, fireworks, abandoned/stolen vehicles)
- Responding to questions from residents on certain programs and municipal services and providing information, advice and guidance on by-laws, municipal programs, and service requirements.
- Responsible for the intake, examination, and processing of complaints and answering enquiries regarding complaints.
- Travel throughout the Municipality to conduct inspections, establish compliance, investigate complaints, and conduct other duties as required.
- Special project work as assigned.

The successful candidate must:

- Be knowledgeable and comfortable with electronic communication and computers.
- Be fit and capable of walking reasonable distances.
- Be capable of working outdoors in all weather.
- Have a positive and friendly customer service attitude.
- Driving record check (abstract).
- Strong verbal communication skills.
- Effective interpersonal skills.

Applications must contain a cover letter and full resume with three references, deadline being **May 16th, 2022** at 12:00pm.

Forward application marked "Application for By-Law Cadet Position" to:
RM of Rosser
Box 131
Rosser, Manitoba R0H 1E0
Fax: 204-467-5958
e-mail: info@rmofrosser.com

SUMMER STUDENTS

Teulon and District Museum
Hiring 2 Summer Students
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Deadline to apply May 31, 2022

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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. LAURENT NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 26, 2022.

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

- For the office of head of council:
Between May 1, 2022 and September 20, 2022
- For the office of councillor:
Between June 30, 2022 and September 20, 2022

at the Rural Municipality of St. Laurent office, 16 St. Laurent Veterans Memorial Road, St. Laurent, Manitoba, during the regular hours of business (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday excluding holidays).

To obtain a registration form contact the municipal office at 204-646-2259.

Dated at St. Laurent, Manitoba this 28th day of April, 2022.

Ernie Epp
Senior Election Official (S.E.O.)

Email: rmstlaur@mymts.net
Phone: 204-646-2259

R.M. of St. Laurent



THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS MOWING TENDERS

Mowing and related maintenance for the following:

- Bonnie Doon Cemetery
- Meadow Lea Cemetery
- Ossawa Cemetery
- Warren Cemetery
- Erinview Firehall

Proposals will be accepted for Individual sites or any combination. This will be a two-year contract for the 2022 and 2023 mowing seasons. Contractor to supply own equipment and fuel.

If more information is required, please contact the Municipal Office at 204-383-5679.

Proposals close May 19, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

Send sealed proposals marked "Mowing Tenders" to:
R.M. of Woodlands
Box 10, Woodlands, MB R0C 3H0
Lowest or any proposal not necessarily accepted.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MANAGER

The West Interlake Watershed District (WIWD) is seeking a permanent full-time Manager to develop and deliver environmental incentive programs to improve the soil, water, and general environment in the west Interlake region, under the direction of the Board. Office is located in Lundar, Manitoba.

Duties include:

- Development, promotion, and delivery of local watershed programs, projects, and initiatives within the provision of the Watershed Districts Act
- Preparation of external grant funding proposals and annual program budgets
- Provide technical and professional advice to the Board, participating municipalities and landowners on soil and watershed programming
- Develop and maintain cooperative relations with the public, stakeholder organizations and all levels of government.
- Coordination, development, and implementation of surface water management plans.
- Development and implementation of surface water management planning initiatives and projects.

Qualifications:

- Graduation from a recognized program with a degree/diploma in natural resource management, agriculture, environmental studies/science, environmental engineering, and/or experience in land and watershed programming
- Strong communication (verbal & written) and interpersonal skills
- Excellent computer skills with ability to use various Microsoft office packages
- Experience working with/in; non-profit organizations, municipal governments, and provincial governments
- Strong time-management and organizational skills

Assets:

- Knowledge and experience in agricultural practices
- Experience using GIS software
- Knowledge of beneficial management practices and general resource management planning would be an asset

Salary dependent on skills and qualifications

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume describing how you meet the specified qualifications by 4:00 p.m., June 1st, 2022, to the:

West Interlake Watershed District
Box 732, 9 Main Street
Lundar, Manitoba R0C 1Y0
Fax: 204-762-5862
Email: manager@wiwd.ca
Phone: 204-762-5850

The West Interlake Watershed District would like to thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

The West Interlake Watershed District (WIWD) is seeking a permanent full-time Financial Administrator to be responsible for all aspects of financial and administrative duties for the WIWD. Under the supervision of the Manager, the Financial Administrator will report to the Manager and Board. Office located in Lundar, Manitoba.

Duties include:

- Developing detailed accounting in accordance with acceptable procedures and financial audit purposes
- Payroll, invoicing, project coding, preparation of tenders, inventory, reception, maintaining public relations, recording meeting minutes, and preparing financial reports
- Various duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Experience preparing and monitoring budgets, and financial reporting
- Excellent computer skills with ability to use various Microsoft office packages
- Strong time-management and organizational skills
- Exceptional attention to detail
- Strong communication (verbal & written) and interpersonal skills
- Experience using Sage

Assets:

- Knowledge and experience in agricultural practices
- Experience working with/in; non-profit organizations, municipal governments, and provincial governments
- Experience working for or being a part of a board of directors
- Knowledge of beneficial management practices and general resource management planning would be an asset.

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-Love
Gordon and Darlene and family
Brent and Tammy and family

BIRTHDAY



Happy Birthday
Mary Kowalchuk
as you celebrate your
100th Birthday
on May 7th

We are so grateful to have you in our lives
and be able to celebrate this wonderful
century birthday with you!
May your special milestone birthday
be filled with blessings.
-With all our love, your family

BIRTHDAY



Happy 15th Birthday
Ethan Shymko
Wishing you a great birthday!
You are growing up so fast,
keep enjoying all your hobbies
and having lots of FUN!

-Love,
your family and friends

Reporter/Photographer Wanted

Are you a natural born storyteller with an eye for photography and a passion for community news? The Stonewall Teulon Tribune and Express Weekly News is currently seeking a full-time reporter and photographer to join its multi award-winning weekly community newspaper.

We are looking for someone who is both motivated and passionate about being the best outlet of interesting and breaking news stories and event coverage in the Interlake and surrounding area communities.

Qualifications:

- A post-secondary degree/diploma in journalism or equivalent experience in a related field
- Strong photography and writing skills with an interest in social media
- Self-starter with the ability to exercise solid news judgement
- Ability to establish professional relationships to consistently source and write a wide range of stories and cover events in a fair, balanced and accurate manner
- Able to work both independently and as a team on a flexible work schedule including both evenings and weekends to meet our weekly editorial deadline
- Experience covering council and school board meetings
- Knowledge of CP Style and about the Interlake and its surrounding communities would be an asset

Please forward your resumé along with three writing and photography samples to:

Lana Meier
Email: news@stonewallteulontribune.ca

Deadline to apply is Friday, May 6, 2022.

THE **EXPRESS**
WEEKLY NEWS
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Stonewall Teulon

ENGAGEMENT



Smith - Maly

After a 2 year postponement,
they are finally able to tie the knot!
Blair and Diane Smith, along with
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Tyler and Dara
will finally be getting married.
A social in their honor will be held
May 13th with the wedding planned for
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CARD OF THANKS

Balmoral Recreation Centre - Congratulations to our Club 200 Draw Winners, April 7, 2022:
\$250 – Lynne and Glenn Massey; \$250 – Drew and Tiffany McGill; \$250 – Dave Mozden; \$250 – Laurence Sul; \$500 – Charlie Amy; \$500 – Bob Makowski; \$500 – Dylan Holod; \$500 – Jen Fearn; \$1000 – Ashley Michaluk and Laine Wilson; \$2000 – Stuart Syrett; \$4000 – James and Kelly Bezan. Thank you to everyone that bought and sold tickets. We appreciate your support.

-Balmoral Rec Centre
Board of Directors

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BIRTHDAY



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Owen Shymko
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IN MEMORIAM



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All I have are memories
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Your memory is a keepsake,
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OBITUARY



Douglas Orval McGiffin
August 18, 1952 – April 27, 2022
Douglas (Doug) McGiffin, 69, peacefully passed away from cancer, surrounded by his loving family on April 27 in the comfort of Riverview Health Centre.
Growing up in Winnipeg he met the love of his life, Joanne at a young age. He joined the Air Force for five years and they moved to Barrie and Dartmouth. In his passion for life of service, he became a firefighter in the WPG FD in 1975. After retiring as a Captain in 2006, they enjoyed RVing, winters in Arizona, watching Lake MB sunsets at home in St. Laurent. His priorities were family, community and Metis Heritage. Over 45 years of marriage, in a non-traditional family, they parented all kids and grandkids with unconditional love and acceptance. Sadly, lost Joanne to cancer in 2015. Spent his final years with partner Nicki travelling and at the lake.
Always a practical joker, a heart of gold, he loved helping people. A big kid at heart, all kids adored him. Best Papa ever! He loved entertaining and being everybody's tour guide. Courageous in any challenge.
Douglas will be sadly missed by his mom, Clara Marie; his brother Ralph (Joy); his children: Christopher, Jeri-Anne (Lance), Michael (Emily), Heather (Gregory); his grandchildren: Nicholas, Chelsea, Jaxon, Trevor, Derek, Jacob, Maxwell, Aria, Hayley, Trevor, Timothy; his great-grandchildren: Octavia, TJ; Joanne's family; his partner, Nicki (her son Drake and granddaughters Jaedace and Zaelynn); many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.
Douglas was predeceased by his beloved wife Joanne; father Orval; sisters Linda and Patricia; stepdad Sam; in-laws Helgi and Kay, Maureen, Frank, and Nicki's daughter, Kristin.
Special thanks to the health care professionals at CancerCare and Riverview.
In lieu of flowers, donations to Fire Fighters Burn Fund, CancerCare MB, or the Bruce Oake Recovery Centre would be appreciated.
A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the St. Laurent Roman Catholic Parish, St. Laurent, Manitoba. Fr. Paul Tinguely and Chaplin Mark Young officiating. Interment will follow in the Parish Cemetery.
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OBITUARY



Eva Alice Gwendyline "Gwen" Griffin (nee Jones)
On April 29, 2022, Eva Alice Gwendyline "Gwen" Griffin (nee Jones), of Woodlands passed away peacefully at Teulon Hospital at the age of 97 years. Gwen was lovingly called "Nana" by not only her own family but also friends and neighbours, both young and old.
Nana is survived by her sons: Rob (Cindy) and Doug (Karen) and grandchildren: Kevin (Elaine), Melanie (Dakota), Cole (Becky), Sarah (Carson), and Connor (Janessa). She was also blessed with great-grandchildren: Daxton, Kaelynn, and Bryson. Nana is also survived by sisters-in-law: Ruth Gee, Muriel Taplin and Jean Griffin, special niece: Peggy Williams, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.
Gwen was the seventh child born to the late James Watson and Sarah Elizabeth Jones of Warren. Siblings: Jean Davies, Margaret Flostrand, Ben Jones, Martha Hunter, Tommy Jones, Susie Hunter, Pearl Watson, and their spouses predeceased her.
Gwen married the late Harvey Hunter of Warren in 1946, who predeceased her in 1953. In 1956, Gwen married James Griffin and they lived and farmed together just outside of Woodlands. Gwen was predeceased by her loving husband Jim in 2000.
Nana loved all children and throughout the years, would regularly donate hats, mittens, and warm socks to the local elementary school during the winter months so that if any child misplaced or forgot theirs, they would not be cold. Nana continued to contribute and attend Christmas concerts long after her grandchildren had finished school, enjoying her "bonus" grandchildren. She was her grandchildren's biggest fan and supporter, often chauffeuring them to their sports or after school events and constantly baking muffins and cookies for them continuing into their adult years.
Nana was a caring, kind, and generous person and always there for her family and friends. She always talked about "family" and reminisced about growing up on the farm with her siblings.
We would like to thank Candace and team of nurses and support staff at the Teulon Hospital for their compassionate care of Nana over the past few months.
Cremation has taken place and there will be a small family service at a later date.
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Warren/Woodlands Daycare Expansion Project and sent via e-transfer to warrenexpansion@gmail.com or cheques made payable to: Woodlands Childcare Inc. and sent to 91 Porteous Ave., Woodlands, MB R0C 3H0.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
O yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

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OBITUARY

Susan Kirk
August 28, 1959 – April 26, 2022

It is with profound sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Susan Patricia Kirk on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, surrounded by loved ones.

She will be sadly missed by her brother Gary (Katherine), sisters Sandra (Ron) and Karen, Aunt Charlotte and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Susan was born in Winnipeg but lived her entire life in Stonewall. At the age of 17 she started working at the Stonewall Library and remained there until her retirement. Susan had a love for family, books and penguins and her infectious giggle will always be remembered.

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

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OBITUARY

Bud Raymond Kotelko

It is with heavy hearts that the family announces the passing of our dear father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend, Bud Kotelko, on Friday April 29, 2022.

Father to daughters Rhonda and Nadine (Chris), grandfather to Jai, Kasi, and Von. Loving brother to Stephanie Berty (Milton), Lorraine Minaker, and Myron (Alice) Kotelko, and uncle to many nieces and nephews. Bud was predeceased by parents Fred and Anna (nee Charko), infant brother Terry, sister Myra, brothers-in-law Gordon Langrell and Dave Minaker, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Bud was born September 7, 1947 in Winnipeg, MB to Fred and Anna Kotelko. He was raised on the farm in Warren, where he spent his entire life. Bud could do many things; he was a welder and mechanic by trade, but also made a living working construction with his brother, Myron, for many years. Bud had a passion for music and the great outdoors. In his spare time, he could be found fishing, hunting, hosting skeet-shoots and drumming alongside his band - Interlake Ramblers. During the summer, you could find Bud riding his lawnmower or in the shop working; when the shop doors were open the kids knew they had an open invitation to join him.

Bud had tremendous admiration for his family. It is often said, where you found his brother, Myron, Bud wasn't far behind. Bud's pride and joy was his daughter, Nadine - a true Daddy's girl, his son-in-law, Chris, who quickly became the son he never had, and their three children. Bud derived a great deal of pleasure from visiting Nadine's family in Whitehorse, Yukon where he was able to spend quality time hunting moose and bison with Chris and Nadine, restoring Jai's car, helping Kasi with her quad, and attending Von's dance recitals. Bud truly showed unconditional love and kindness to his family and dear friends. He will be greatly missed by all.

A special thank you to the home care workers of the Interlake Regional Health Authority for your compassionate care.

A celebration of life will be held on the site of the Kotelko farm on Sunday, June 19th. Please contact Christine (204-995-3719) or Teri (204-461-1382) for additional details.



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