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Celebrating Stonewall's history

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David Mackinder of the Stonewall Art Group cut the ribbon on Friday for the new Stonewall Heritage Art Project exhibit on display at the Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre. The Town of Stonewall's history has been recreated in 45 works of art by local artists. The artwork can be viewed during regular centre hours.

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Celebrating the Marine Museum of Manitoba and the S.S. Keenora

The Marine Museum of Manitoba gears up for a season full of special events



By Autumn Fehr

On the 15th of August 1972, a passenger and freight vessel, the S.S. Keenora, was sitting in water, rotting away, risking losing its history.

A week later, 20 citizens from Selkirk purchased the S.S. Keenora through a bank loan, and it became incorporated as the flagship of the museum.

This August, the Marine Museum of Manitoba celebrates 50 years since its incorporation as a business and 125 years of the ship that started it all, the S.S. Keenora.

Since the initial purchase of the S. S. Keenora, the museum has taken in five other ship donations: the C. G. S. Bradbury, the Chickama II, the Lady Canadian, the Peguis II and Joe Simpson.

Museum manager Shaylene Nordal has been a part of the museum, seeing its changes and telling the stories of the ships for almost three decades.

"All of them had different duties on the lake, which adds to the story," said Nordal.

Nordal started as a tour guide with the museum out of high school 28 years ago.

"This year to be part of two big anniversaries, it's crazy," said Nordal.

This season, the museum has planned a series of special events to celebrate this milestone with the City of Selkirk.



Their main anniversary event is a 50/50 draw, which will kick off on the grand opening day of the museum, the 21st of May.

The museum hopes to raise \$50,000, where half of the proceeds will go towards restoring the S.S. Keenora for its 125th anniversary.

The draw will be held at the beginning of November this year.

"We call it the 50/50/50 because it's our 50th anniversary 50/50," said Nordal.

Restoration is a part of the upkeep of the ships and is a process that is ongoing to keep them in good condition while keeping their integrity.

Other daily upkeep for the ships would involve projects such as replacing deck boards and restoring exterior ship doors.

Larger projects, such as the funds raised from the 50/50 for the restoration and painting of the exterior of the S.S. Keenora, are done on rotation as it is more costly and time-consuming.

Nordal says that the museum follows strict guidelines in the restoration process to ensure everything stays the same as the original ship that once sailed on the waters of Lake Winnipeg.

"You want to keep the history there; seeing it is so important to Selkirk,



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY BRETT MITCHELL

Shaylene Nordal on the S.S. Keenora, the flagship of the Marine Museum of Manitoba, founded the museum almost 50 years ago.

and you want the visitors to see those details," said Nordal.

The museum is a big part of Selkirk's history and the people that live there, as the city was founded and built around the water.

Nordal says the Marine Museum of Manitoba is a key draw to the city because the communities surrounding the lake all had their connections to Selkirk, as goods were sent from the city to go up north.

"Many of the residents have a tie to marine life on Lake Winnipeg, whether it be you had a family member who worked on the ships or who fished on the lake. It all ties in. That is a big part

of Selkirk's history," said Nordal.

Since the S.S. Keenora is responsible for the start-up of the museum, this summer, there will be a special limited ticket event to celebrate its 125th anniversary.

In July, the museum will host an evening of live entertainment with an authentic Keenora meal reflecting the food on a day excursion or weekend trip on the lake.

Nordal says it will be an experience that takes you back in history.

"It is history that we have to keep alive to let our future generations know where it all started," said Nardal.



The boats on display at the Marine Museum include the S. S. Keenora, the C. G. S. Bradbury, the Chickama II, the Lady Canadian, the Peguis II and Joe Simpson.

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Local Lions Club launches fun fundraiser

By Jennifer McFee

The Stonewall and District Lions Club has launched a new fundraiser with a local flavour.

The local service club is offering raffle tickets and the grand prize winner will have the chance to enjoy seven dinners for seven nights. The prize features \$100 gift certificates from seven local restaurants: The Rock, Chicken Chef, Pizza Den, The Kiln, Red Star, Appy Place Lounge and Something Beautiful.

"The idea behind it was, first of all, to offer seven evenings out because people have been cooped up due to COVID," said club president Len Kolenich.

"Then when we were doing all the planning, we decided to try to get all local restaurants, which worked out fantastically well. Most of them are contributing the certificates and donating the \$100."

Second prize is a \$200 gift card for Quarry View Esso, and third prize is a \$100 gift card for the Liquor Mart.

"We're really optimistic about it. Ticket sales are going well so far," Kolenich said.

"I think it's going to be good not only for the club but also for the community and the local businesses that get people out."

The draw date is Sept. 14, and only

2,500 tickets have been printed. Tickets cost \$5 each or three for \$10, and they're available from any member of Stonewall and District Lions Club.

Coming up on Aug. 13, the club will also be hosting its golf tournament fundraiser, so stay tuned for details.

The club helps out with medical aid and community initiatives. Recent donations have gone towards the Christmas Cheer Board, Children's Wish Ride, STARS air ambulance, the Kinsmen splash pad project and Settlers, Rails and Trails Museum.

They also donate to Lions Club International Foundation, which disperses money across the world as needed.

For more information about the Stonewall and District Lions Club — which is always looking for new members — or to buy a raffle ticket, contact Kolenich at 204-781-7872.

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Money raised will be donated to the Memory Garden in Stonewall.

Interlake Food Bank donation



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Ecole Stonewall Centennial School students and staff recognized Mental Health Awareness Month by participating in several activities from May 9 to 12.

On May 12, members of the school's My Voice group delivered groceries and \$141 that they collected to the Interlake Food Bank. The students also wore green and participated in two minutes of mindfulness. On Tuesday, they decorated butterflies and displayed them at the school's front entrance as a visual reminder about the importance of acknowledging mental health. Wednesday was "treat yourself" day, and students wore their pyjamas to school and were able to order a cookie from Beyond Bread. Thursday, students and staff went device-free for the school day. And on Friday, students displayed their school pride and participated in a school-wide wellness walk. The Interlake Food Bank welcomes monetary and non-perishable food item donations. To make arrangements, messages can be left at 204-467-9118. Pictured left to right, back row: Karen Chaboyer, Essence C, Mia S., Alaynna M., Taylor H. Front, Atoria D. and Emma O.

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Province expanding free provincial park entry to July 12 to 18

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government will allow free entry to provincial parks for a full week in mid-July instead of on the traditional Canada's Parks Day weekend so visitors can take advantage of the parks and all they have to offer, Conservation and Climate Minister Sarah Guillemard announced last week.

"We have been listening to how much Manitobans love their provincial parks and when the idea was raised by members of the public to expand the free access, we enthusiastically embraced it," said Guillemard. "All Manitobans should have the opportunity to enjoy the great outdoors and we are pleased to offer free park entry for a full week this summer."

Vehicle permits will not be required at any provincial park from July 12 to 18, but overnight camping fees will continue to apply. Manitoba's provincial park entry fees are among the

lowest in Canada, though this week-long offer is designed to ensure the cost is not a barrier to anyone.

While being outdoors and active is important for physical and mental health, COVID-19 public health orders must be followed. For the most peaceful experience, Manitobans may wish to visit parks at non-peak hours such as on weekdays and during early weekend mornings. Information on COVID-19 restrictions at provincial parks is available at www.manitobaparks.com.

Manitobans who want to camp are encouraged to visit the Parks Reservation Service online at www.manitobaparks.com to view the campsite vacancy report in order to find available sites and cancellations. Though some campgrounds fill up every weekend, plenty of campsites remain available on weekdays. The Parks Reservation Service can also be contacted at 1-888-482-2267.

"WE HAVE BEEN LISTENING TO HOW MUCH MANITOBBANS LOVE THEIR PROVINCIAL PARKS. ... WE ENTHUSIASTICALLY EMBRACED IT."



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The province is allowing free entry into provincial parks from July 12 to 18.

Park visitor centres and museums are currently closed under public health orders, though interpreters offer a range of guided experiences at several parks. Trail hikes, historic site tours and guided paddles are available throughout the week. Information on park events can be found at www.manitobaparks.com and under

the events tab on the Manitoba Parks Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MBGovParks.

Manitobans can stay up to date with provincial parks news, activities and events by following Manitoba Parks on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MBGovParks or on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MBGovParks.



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Stonewalls' spring yard waste surcharge waived until June 2

Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Spring yard waste pickup began on May 3, with no limits on bags of yard waste until June 3.

In accordance with the waste management bylaw, residents can place three bags of yard waste at the curb for collection each week. However,

the surcharge sticker for additional bags will be waived until June 2 to allow for unlimited bags of yard waste.

The yard waste must be placed in orange, clear or plastic bags (which shouldn't be used for regular garbage or household waste).

Allowable yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, and garden and flowerbed vegetation. Domestic waste, pet excrement, recyclable materials and household food waste are not allowed.

Tree limbs and branches can also be placed at the curb as long as they're tied in bundles that are less than one metre long.

Stonewall's burning bylaw prohibits the burning of yard waste within town limits.

More information is available on the town's website at www.stonewall.ca.

In other council news:

- The Town of Stonewall's Manitoba Day celebration has been postponed and discussions are underway about when it will be rescheduled.

At a special meeting on May 11, Stonewall council passed second and third reading to establish the 2022 tax levy.

- The June 1 regular council meeting has changed to June 8, while the June 8 committee of the whole meeting has changed to June 15, and the June 15 regular council meeting has changed to June 22.

Rosser residents to pay slightly lower taxes

By Jennifer McFee

Rosser residents will be able to keep a little extra change in their pockets this year thanks to a slight decrease in taxes.

The RM of Rosser has balanced its budget so there will be no tax increases for residents in 2022. In fact, there will be an overall decrease of 1.6 per cent in municipal taxes and a decrease in the mill rate by 0.113.

For a residential property valued at \$400,000, property owners will save about \$20, while the owner of a \$400,000 farm property will save about \$12. The cost of municipal tax per acre is \$6.40 on average.

The 2022 budget also includes a slight decrease to utility rates for Grosse Isle and CentrePort.

The 2022 budget totals slightly more than \$17 million, which is an increase of \$3.3 million over last year. Of this amount, \$2.2 million will come from reserve transfers and \$750,000 will come from other revenue sources. As well, the mill rate will fund \$350,000, while added assessment will boost revenue by another \$350,000.

The majority of the \$6.578 million in operating expenses will go towards transportation services (41.38%), with \$775,000 for CentrePort road upgrades, \$420,000 for road main-

tenance gravel, \$231,000 for drainage improvements and studies, and \$100,000 for dust control.

Other operating expenditures will go towards general government and administration (23.44%), planning and economic development (18.93%), protective services (9.1%), recreation and cultural services (5.43%) and solid waste public health (1.71%).

Capital expenditures will go towards projects that focus on transportation, protection and administration.

In addition, the Grosse Isle pathway project will receive \$150,000, with an additional \$18,000 for the transfer station trail project and \$10,000 for the

Rosser School playground.

Also included in the budget is \$67,500 for the community support program, \$42,000 for Warren Sunova Arena, \$22,500 for grants to community organizations, \$15,000 for Rosser cemetery improvements, and \$10,000 for Lilyfield cemetery funding.

The RM of Rosser will mail out annual tax notices in early to mid July, and taxes are due on Thursday, Sept. 29. The Province of Manitoba will mail out 2023 assessment in June, and the board of revision is set for Nov. 3, 2022, with an appeal deadline of Oct. 18.

Stonewall the place I live

By Grace Ward, Grade 4 RW Bobby Bend

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Manitobans advocate for safety improvements to Highway 6

By Emma Honeybun

An independent group of Manitobans, the Safer Highway 6 Citizens Action Group, has been advocating for a safer Highway 6 following years of unsafe driving conditions and collisions.

The group met with Minister of Traffic and Infrastructure Doyle Piwniuk to present the need for changes to the highway in order to reduce annual deaths and injuries last Thursday.

In a scrum following the meeting, they expressed to the media that they are not “trying to make the government look bad,” but the highway has been dangerous for too long.

“Manitoba Public Insurance records show an average of 7-8 accidents a month that result in rollovers collisions and fatal head-on collisions. The cost of personal injury, vehicle damage, hospitalization, police and emergency resources has never been documented but is substantial,” the Safer Highway 6 Citizens Action Group wrote in a press release.

The group presented a list of improvements needed to make the highway safer, such as a three-year plan for the highway that includes adjustments such as widening the shoulders or adding more rest stops.

They also presented a petition with over 5,600 signatures as of May 13.

The petition included photos of the conditions, a partial list of serious to fatal accidents and the victims who were involved.

The list included 52 accidents on the highway and 22 deaths.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY EMMA HONEYBUN

The Safer Highway 6 Citizens Action Group following their meeting with Doyle Piwniuk on May 12. Pictured is Volker Beckmann, far right, and Brenda Redman to his left.

Brenda Redman, the original creator of the online petition, was present at the meeting with the group. She expressed optimism that changes will be coming, but it did not overshadow their concern of the highway’s long-spanning reputation.

“They have relayed to us that there are going to be things happening,” said

Redman. “Can’t say yet ... but we’re hoping.”

Redman explained that the group is all from different areas in the northern section of Manitoba and could all recount either personal experiences or from those close to them while driving down the highway.

Volker Beckmann, a member from Thompson, recounted a close call that had left his hands shaking on the steering wheel.

A comment on the petition left by Laura Ayres reads “No one should die for living in the north.”

The petition’s goal is currently 7,500 signatures. The count has been climbing after the meeting’s media attention.

“THEY HAVE RELAYED TO US THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE THINGS HAPPENING,” REDMAN SAID ON THURSDAY. “CAN’T SAY YET ... BUT WE’RE HOPING.”

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Provincial park and campground visitors advised to check and monitor conditions prior

Submitted by Manitoba government

Manitoba Environment, Climate and Parks is advising all provincial park visitors to carefully check and continue to monitor conditions before heading to provincial parks this spring.

Some campgrounds may have delayed opening dates due to the late arrival of spring and some provincial parks are experiencing overland flooding, causing some road and trail closures.

Manitoba Parks staff is closely monitoring this evolving situation and

assessing conditions daily. A list of campground closures and service reductions will be kept updated at www.manitobaparks.com.

Reservation holders and seasonal campers will be contacted if their campsite is affected by a closure. Services such as drinking water and washrooms may also be limited or reduced in some areas as a result of late spring conditions, which are delaying the seasonal setup and operation of water lines. Campers are advised to plan accordingly for potential service reductions and pack adequate drink-

ing water.

Some trails in Whiteshell Provincial Park are also closed due to overland flooding. Trail closures and advisories are available at www.manitobaparks.com.

Park visitors are asked to report any significant trail flooding or maintenance concerns to the local park district office.

Park visitors should also check www.manitoba511.ca for road closures and potential detours before travelling to parks.

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The slap heard around the world

At the 2022 Oscars awards ceremony, comedian Chris Rock cracked a joke about actor Will Smith's wife's lack of hair. What happened next shocked everyone. Smith walked right onto the stage and slapped Rock in the face.

The response to Smith's actions has been widespread anger and furor. It has led to calls for him to be kicked out of the Academy and even charged with assault.

I saw it differently. I was actually moved by what he had done. I saw it as a man having a desire to protect his wife and her struggle with all the challenges of losing her hair due to a disease called alopecia.

Now, while I don't condone violence, I do, however, wish someone would defend me like that when people joke about my own battle with hair loss. No more jokes aimed at me, like "What does Henry say when he gets a comb for his birthday?" "Thanks, I'll never part with it!" Or snide remarks like, "For Henry, washing his face and hair has become one quick easy task." Say things like that to me and then someone slaps you in the face. I love it.

Interestingly, when I was talking with my wife about what Smith had done, she said to me, "You can ask any woman and she would agree: every woman wants her husband to defend her."

Somehow in the fallout of all of this, I think this message needs to be freshly proclaimed: that a truly loving husband will protect his wife. As the Bible encourages husbands: "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her" (Ephesians 5:25). Jesus' love for the church was to the point He loved her so much, He was willing to die for her.

So also should a husband who truly loves his wife defend his wife.

That's my commitment to my own wife and I trust that of every other husband reading this.

Henry Ozirney
New Life Teulon

letter to the editor

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How to reduce flooding on the Red River

When the Red River freezes over in the fall, the ice is usually 3-4 feet thick. If the water level is 10 feet, that would leave 6 feet for the water to flow under the ice down the river to Lake Winnipeg.

When the snow melts in the spring and runs into the river, it increases the water level to 24.5 feet, which leaves 18.5 feet of water that cannot flow under the ice.

Since the ice on Lake Winnipeg is

still frozen, all the water and ice coming down the river has no place to go except to flood the surrounding land.

When it reaches Selkirk it will start to backup and flood the farms and property all around Selkirk.

The ice around the mouth of the river and out onto Lake Winnipeg has to be broken up to allow room for the ice and water flowing down the river. It needs to be broken up to twice the width of the river at Selkirk and as far out into the lake to where the water is 12 feet deep under the bottom of the ice.

Emptying the water from the flood-

way back into the Red River at Lockport at this time, just adds to the volume of water already flowing down to Selkirk.

The same should be done with the Portage la Prairie bypass, to prevent flooding the farmlands there.

Flooding Control Measures

1 – Clear Red River second week of March to make for an early release of water. South Perimeter bypass must be dropped from 750 feet to 743 feet in order for it to work more than a quarter of capacity. This allows for water to enter bypass earlier (floodway).

2- Dredge mouth of Red River to allow more water to flow. Break up ice in Assiniboine River to Portage la Prairie. This allows more water to drain into Red River. All other tributaries would drain early because of lower water in Red River. Go into lake and break up big sheets of ice to allow better flow.

3 – Equipment. Insurance and liability wavers for any property damage and liability for other occurrences. Costs for first year are in the \$6.5-million range with later years being less.

- Ross Hadden

Rockwood resident clears the air

It irritates me to see that Rockwood Municipality is once again going to charge us this season for dust control, keeping in mind that it was previously free when I first moved here in 1972.

The charge will be \$475/100 me-

tres and \$4.75/additional metre as per the *Tribune* dated April 28, 2022. The same edition shows that Rosser has sent out notice that their cost to residence is \$290/300' and 12' wide, which works out to \$371.43/100 metres in my calculation.

In the *Tribune* dated May 5, on page 10 is the Manitoba ad for dust control in unorganized territories is a cost of \$200 for a single application. In the *Tribune*, dated May 12 is an ad for

dust control in the municipality of Woodlands a cost of \$300 for a strip of 16' x 300. Calculating at 3.28 feet in one metre, the cost for one hundred metres would be \$328. Why is the municipality again charging more for the same product?

It would appear to me that the residence on Road 75 N going west for the 1 1/4 mile of #7 highway have been taken advantage of. Keeping in mind that this area is a 70/km zone

and not a truck route, but we still have lots of traffic exceeding the limit and we still have big equipment like pre-fab homes and huge storage facilities going by. We have found out that it is OK with a permit. The revenue from these permits should be applied to the dusting of Road 75 N and be free.

- Sincerely,
Edward Richliwski

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Stonewall library launches summer programs

By Jennifer McFee

The warmer weather is on its way, and the Stonewall library is finding ideas to keep cultivating children's love for literacy during the spring and summer months.

Starting Friday, May 20 at 10:30 a.m., Ms. Kelsey will be hosting weekly in-person storytimes at Archie Gray Park. There is no registration required for these 30-minute sessions, which will feature stories, songs and crafts.

"All preschool children and their caregivers are invited to bring a blanket to sit on the grass and enjoy some library books in the outdoor air," said Stonewall branch librarian Joan Ransom.

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"Kelsey has arranged for some special guests to participate throughout the summer — the first being local firefighters on May 20."

Storytime in the Park will run every Friday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. from May 20 to Aug. 26 at Archie Gray Park.

Another much-anticipated summer program will also be underway soon.

"Our Summer Reading Program preparation has 'o-fish-ally' started at the Stonewall Library," Ransom said.

"Our theme this summer is Mermaid Tales. Our 'mer-mazing' staff hope to encourage sign up as well as entertain our patrons in a short YouTube video

that will be uploaded to our channel in early June."

After June 15, participants can pre-register at the library and then start their reading log on July 1.

"Participants will earn \$10 reading bucks for every hour they read or are read to and then can spend their bucks on cool stuff from our Library Store," Ransom said.

"We also have five grand prizes that readers will earn ballots to enter to win. We are busy creating an ocean wonderland in the library and are hoping to 'sea' tons of kids join us for a 'whale' of a summer!"

Looking ahead,

several special events are lined up for July and August.

"We will host two PJ times at the library on July 7 and Aug. 11, and we will offer French Storytime four times throughout the summer," Ransom said.

"We are planning some youth book club events and hope to have some special Story Walks around town as well. We invite people to stop in and see us or check our website and social media for further details."

For more information, visit www.sirlibrary.com.

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Teulon council presented its 2022 financial plan

Submitted by the Town of Teulon

In 2022, the citizens of Teulon will see a nominal decrease in their property taxes.

On May 10, CAO Andrew Glassco, and financial officer Lynne Kimelman presented Teulon's 2022 financial plan. The total municipal mill rate is 17.589, and the residential garbage, (curbside pickup) collection levy is increasing from \$42.68 per household, or dwelling unit to \$61.22.

In 2022, Teulon's portion of the yearly payment for the construction of the fire hall will be \$44,265.83. The operation and maintenance of this significant community asset is shared by the RM of Rockwood. The debenture for this building will be paid in full in 2039.

This year's budget includes an investment in street resurfacing funded by the federal gas tax reserve. The

purchase of a Ferris zero turn mower will be funded by the equipment reserve. Teulon's share for the purchase of a fire rescue unit will be financed by the fire equipment reserve. A purchase of a used Toro mower will be funded from the recreation reserve.

The town was successful in its application to the Province of Manitoba Building Sustainable Communities Program. This funding will allow the town to review and create a new zoning bylaw, with associated maps and schedules and a secondary plan. This bylaw regulates the use and development of the land within the town and will replace the current zoning bylaw, which was passed in 2002. This project will support a regional plan and will benefit the municipality, the planning district and make it easier and more streamlined for developers to

consider our community. The town's matching funds will come from the general reserve.

Other grants that have been awarded to the town in 2022 are:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to develop an asset management program. This is a regional partnership with the RMs of Rockwood, Rosser and the Town of Stonewall;
- Province of Manitoba, Support Sector Program Grant to relieve loss of revenue at recreation facilities; and
- Province of Manitoba, Employment Grants.

The councils of the RM of Rockwood and the Town of Teulon agreed to the dissolution of the former Teulon-Rockwood Recreation Commission. As they have in the past, each municipality will contribute finan-

cially to the operation and maintenance of the recreation facilities. The operation of the Teulon Curling Club will be fully borne by the Town of Teulon. The management, operation and maintenance of these facilities has now been brought into Teulon's general operating fund as its own department.

We are encouraging our residents to sign up for E-News, which provides timely information to citizens. If you're interested in learning more about this service, please contact us at info@teulon.ca.

Our 2022 financial plan and tax levy bylaw have now been posted on our website at www.teulon.ca. Should anyone require any additional information, please contact the office at 204-886-2314.

RM of Rosser council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

During the May 4 meeting, Rosser council hosted a public hearing to present its 2022 financial plan. Council also passed second and third reading regarding levy taxes for 2022.

The RM of Rosser will donate four \$50 gift cards to the 17th Annual Ralph Eichler Charity Golf Tournament.

South Interlake 55 Plus requested \$2,500 in funds to help cov-

er costs. South Interlake Seniors Resource council also requested \$2,500 in funds to help support programs provided to Rosser residents.

Council approved both requests, and the expenses will be part of the 2022 community support program.

Council gave second and third reading to a bylaw to establish a reserve fund for the development of wastewater capital infrastructure within the Inland Port special plan-

ning area.

Council granted Coun. Lee Garfinkel a leave of absence from the May 24 regular meeting.

Council approved culvert applications for approaches onto Punjab Drive and Golden Rod Drive. The applicants are responsible for the cost of supplies and installation.

Council accepted a sole source quote provided by Toromont Cat of up to \$124,547 for the purchase of a

compact track loader. The expense will be included in the 2022 financial plan and funded through the machinery reserve.

Council approved an initial wastewater vehicle disposal licence for the Rockwood Rosser wastewater treatment lagoon for Cheguis Plumbing.

Local organizations vie for \$500 pop-up grant

By Jennifer McFee

An innovative online contest is underway, with a \$500 grant up for grabs for a local organization.

Interlake Community Foundation has launched its first ever social media contest, and all you have to do is "like" a Facebook post to cast your vote.

Board members selected one project from each of its five communities from those already approved for a 2022 community grant. The contest closes on May 27 at 7 p.m., and the project with the most "likes" on the Interlake Community Foundation's Facebook page will receive a \$500 pop-up grant.

Argyle Skating Club is seeking votes for its project to update the skating rink's equipment for flooding the

rink.

Green Acres Art Centre in Teulon is seeking votes for its project to buy music, audio-visual and IT equipment for its music, theatre and dance programs.

Warren Collegiate HIPAC is seeking votes for its project to buy new gym equipment for use by students to help them meet goals for healthy lifestyles.

The Rosser Elementary parent advisory council is seeking votes for its project to update the playground by replacing broken equipment and adding a swing set and additional play features.

Community Living Interlake in Stonewall is seeking votes for its project to provide safe and stable flooring in its day program area, with a hope that community groups might also be

able to use the updated space.

Tracy Holod, executive director of Interlake Community Foundation, explained the impetus for the initiative.

"This was an idea of Murray Slagerman, our marketing committee chairperson. We all were impressed and thought it was fantastic. We're trying to think of creative ways to get people to go to our Facebook page," she said, adding that it would be amazing for folks to also "like" the Interlake Community Foundation Facebook page.

"We were looking for how we could reach the most people with a really useful idea. We focused on whether the grants would make an impact for the organization, and we felt that those five definitely do."

The official winner will be an-

nounced at Interlake Community Foundation's grant presentation evening on May 30.

"We took the funds from our marketing budget so it doesn't impact any of the grants that are already approved. We want to get out as much money as we can each year to the community," Holod said.

"We really want to make this as simple and as fair as possible."

To cast your vote, visit Interlake Community Foundation's Facebook page and "like" the original post for the project you would like to win the \$500 pop-up grant. The deadline to vote is May 27 at 7 p.m.

Seeding behind with overland flooding in the Interlake

Regenerative ag a buffer to climate change

By Patricia Barrett

With many agricultural fields in the Interlake turned into small lakes from overland flooding, seeding has been delayed, hay is soaked and some farmers have lost cattle.

It has been a challenging start to the year for farmers who were already suffering from feed shortages and withered pastures from successive years of drought. It barely rained last year, and this year it seems spring rains won't stop.

Mike Duguid, who is vice chair of the Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association and sits on the Manitoba Beef Producers board, is unsure at this point how the flip side of Mother Nature's fierce demeanour is going to play out. The moisture was badly needed, but flowing or standing water on fields could pose problems.

"We are wondering ourselves how this is going to shape up," said Duguid last Wednesday. "Some fields got flooded, and that will cause some drowning [of winter crops, perennial species], but I think most fields will be in OK shape because they needed that extra moisture. As long as there's no standing water from overland flooding, alfalfa or hay fields will survive. It's the overland flooding that gets them."

As far as pastures go, Duguid said he thinks they'll fare much better than they had last year.

"The pastures will be a lot better this year. Already they're looking better — there's green. We didn't have that for half a summer last year," said Duguid, who farms near Arnes, about 20 kilometres north of Gimli.

Duguid said he experienced overland flooding on his farm and a road had to be cut to let the water flow to the lake. He didn't have a dry spot to which to move his hay and some has started to rot on the bottom, but he rounded up his cattle and moved them to higher ground.

"Our cattle were right up to their bellies in water and our feed was sitting in a foot of water. As soon

as we could get the driveway dry enough to carry the trucks, we hauled the cattle to another pasture. They're much better there than the muck they were in."

He said it will likely be two or three weeks before he can start seeding.

Manitoba's Crop Report of May 10 says planting is behind schedule by at least two weeks. Heavy rainfall in the Interlake and the central and eastern regions of the province saturated fields and caused overland flooding. The Petersfield weather station, for example, recorded the highest overwinter precipitation (November 2021 to May 1, 2022) at 218 per cent of normal.

Farmers are concerned about the survival of winter cereal fields that were or remain flooded, says the report, but better-drained lands are starting to green up.

"Provincial seeding progress sits at <1% completion, behind the 5-year average of 21% for Week 18," states the report. "Farmers are extremely concerned about seeding delays, leading some farmers to switch planned corn or soybean acres into canola and spring wheat, while planned field pea acres may see a decline as well."

As far as forages go, the report says there is "limited new growth" to date because of waterlogged soils.

"Nearly all regions of the province remain short on feed supplies, and remaining overwinter supplies are being stretched thin by delaying cattle turn-out to pasture with wet conditions and limited to no new growth," states the report.

To improve pasture after flooding, Duguid says if there were "tame" species (i.e., non-native grasses, legume species) growing on it, farmers might have to re-seed some of it.

"Generally, what will happen is species such as timothy, trefoil and clover will take over because they're a little more resistant to water than alfalfa is. And wild grass will survive pretty much, he said.

With fertilizer prices skyrocketing because of Russia's invasion of Ukraine and supply-chain interruptions, Duguid said he'll be cutting back on fertilizer and is hoping residual fertilizer on the fields



IMAGE FROM MANITOBA CROP REPORT

Most municipalities and towns in the Interlake declared a state of emergency to deal with flooding.

will help him somewhat.

"A lot of fertilizer comes from that part of the world. Nitrogen, for example, is made from natural gas and the price has gone up," said Duguid. "China, which is a big exporter, put a ban on exports. A lot of countries aren't dealing with Russia now. Ukraine was a big exporter, but the war put a tighter crimp in the supply."

Duguid said he's a big proponent of planting cover crops — different forages for different seasons that keep roots in the soil year-round. The benefit of that is not needing as much fertilizer and "almost zero chemical, maybe a little Roundup in the spring to knock down the weeds."

"You can cover your bases if you've got cover crops for different seasons. You can plant species for warm, cool, moist and drier conditions. The east and west watershed districts have programs to help farmers with cover crops," said Duguid. "A crop growing all year takes more carbon out of the air than a wheat crop, for example, because wheat only grows for about 75 days. We have crops that are growing right now — fall rye, winter wheat — and they're starting to turn green. The black fields you see aren't doing anything to help with carbon capture."

Other regenerative agricultural practices, such as rotational grazing in which cattle are moved and penned in different areas of pasture to mimic the habits of the Prairie bison — which didn't pick a field clean but continuously moved from area to area allowing the plants to recover — can help buffer the effects of extreme climate, he said.

Armand Belanger, manager of the East Interlake Watershed District, said there are new government grant programs this year for three different regenerative agricultural projects.

"The EIWD is excited to provide three new ave-



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Many fields in the Interlake were hit by overland flooding over the past few weeks, including this field along Highway 8, just north of Highway 67, that had turned into a lake by May 6.

Nova House hosts annual Community Wellness Day May 19

Bringing people together with resources they don't know are available

By Katelyn Boulanger

Nova House is once again hosting its annual Community Wellness Day where residents can learn about local wellness resources that they may not know about in our community.

The event will take place on May 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Selkirk United Church.

This day focuses on many aspects of wellness, not just being physically well. Over 20 organizations will be at the event to people get in touch with all aspects of wellness including mental health, self-care and spiritual health resources.

Some of the organizations that will be there will be people from the mobile crisis unit, people from the local school division, Survivor's Hope, a person doing henna art and nail painting.

"Often people that live in the community don't even realize that these agencies and resources do exist," said Jola Hnatiuk, the outreach co-ordinator for Nova House.

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The public health outreach van will also be in attendance outside of the event space.

Some other fun activities will be the prizes. There will be a silent auction at the event.

Nova House is hosting this Wellness Day as they have for over 15 years. They are a domestic/family violence shelter in Selkirk that serves the entire Interlake area and parts of Eastern Manitoba. They provide emergency accommodations for people leaving domestic and family violence situations with their women's shelter but also can direct anyone who comes to them in similar situations to resources and accommodations that would be right for them. They also provide counselling and additional resources in the community that are open to all residents, even if they are not staying with them.

The event is free to attend and open to all members of the community.

Nova House is asking that if possible residents register for the event in advance so that they can have an idea of how many people may be there for the light lunch. This is unlike last year when residents were asked to register because only a certain amount of people were allowed to attend the event at a time due to COVID-19 restrictions. This year Nova House is still aware that COVID-19 is something that we are living with and so is providing supplies to make people feel comfortable.

"We are going to have masks available. But it's, of course, not mandated so we can't force people [to wear them]. We will encourage people," said Hnatiuk.

She thinks that people may not always prioritize all aspects of wellness in their lives and that this event is a great way people can learn about resources that are open to them.

"I think people forget to take care of themselves because we live in such a busy world where we're taking care of others. And [wellness] is really important, even if it's reminding yourself five minutes a day that you're worth it," said Hnatiuk.

She encourages anyone who might be interested in coming to the event to register and drop by.

"Just take the time to get to know what's available in your community. You may not be able to use the resource right now, but you might be able to help someone else," said Hnatiuk.

To register for the event call NAME at 204-485-1711 or email outreach@novahouse.ca.

To learn more about Nova House, check out their website at novahouse.ca.

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> OVERLAND FLOODING, FROM PG. 10

nues of funding this year. Farmers that are interested in reducing nitrogen application, incorporating rotational grazing or establishing cover crops are encouraged to give us a call," he said. "These types of projects are of interest to the watershed district because they work towards five core principles of regenerative agriculture, which are to minimize soil disturbances (reduce till and chemical use), maximize crop diversity, keep the soil covered, maintain living root year-round and integrate livestock."

Regenerative agriculture mimics natural ecological systems, he said, captures carbon and builds resilience to climate change. It also builds healthy topsoil, improves water cycles and increases biodiversity.

"For example, farms that incor-

porate these practices have shown to turn soil that is like concrete into more of a sponge," he said. "Where water would once rush off as fast as it fell can now be absorbed into the soil, reducing flood events and helping prepare for times of drought."

Conventionally farmed fields that get one inch of rain can take an hour to absorb it, according to some studies, he said. But a regenerative agriculture field can absorb one inch of rain in about 10 to 30 seconds. Two inches of rain could take a conventionally farmed field all day to absorb it whereas a regenerative field can suck it up in 30 seconds.

"Some estimations are showing that farmers could store an additional 25,000 gallons of water on one acre of land if they follow regenerative ag-

riculture principles," said Belanger. "Added up, these types of fields could significantly reduce local and downstream flooding."

To help with the fallout of Manitoba's spring storms, the provincial government announced a Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) program on May 9. DFA is managed by the Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization under the provincial department of Transportation and Infrastructure. The deadline to apply is Aug. 8.

"Farms are covered and livestock losses are DFA eligible if insurance could not be purchased. A veterinary certificate is required to verify that the losses were a direct result of the event," said a provincial spokesperson. "In order to qualify for DFA, farms must have yearly gross revenues of between \$10,000 and \$2 million and employ no more than 20 full-

time workers. The farm cannot be a hobby farm; it must be an owner-operated business and the owner-operator must be the day-to-day manager."

DFA requirements are set out by the federal government, which has a cost-sharing agreement with the province, he added.

For information on DFA programs and how to apply, visit the Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization online. For more information on regenerative agriculture programs and grant funding, call the Gimli-based East Interlake Watershed District at 204-642-7578.

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Municipality of Armstrong budget highlights

By Patricia Barrett

The RM of Armstrong presented its 2022 budget last week, expecting to spend more this year on road repairs, gravel, and ditches and culverts after extreme weather events over the winter and spring.

The RM set a budget of \$3,603,013 this year. Last year it spent \$3,244,208.

Reeve Susan Smerchanski said the budget meeting on May 12 was well-attended by ratepayers, who asked questions, brought forward concerns and provided council with suggestions and ideas after chief administrative officer Corlie Larsen gave a PowerPoint presentation on the budget.

"Discussions included an overview of and questions about the operating budget, the capital budget, revenue and expenditures and the five-year capital expenditure plan. Specific topics included the extreme weather, unprecedented winter and snowfall and the present flooding situation, and the State of Local Emergency that was declared on May 1 for 30 days," said Smerchanski. "There was also discussion on the Emergency Measures Organization, the municipal alert ready system, protective services and the May 9 provincial disaster assistance funding announcement for municipalities and the public."

Ratepayers also made requests for better communication and transparency, said the reeve, including requests to change the time of council and special meetings to better accommodate those who work and have to take time off to attend.

The RM's budget for transportation services — which include road and street construction and repair, materials, fuel for equipment, roadside cutting, dust control, road signs, beaver control, culverts, ditches and road drainage — accounts for almost half

(\$1,656,500) of the total budget. Last year the RM spent \$1,227,007, according to the draft 2022 budget that's posted on the RM's website.

For general road construction and maintenance, the RM set aside \$462,000 for gravel this year, up from \$405,688 it spent last year, \$380,000 for grading, up from \$320,656 last year, and \$80,000 for road repair, up from \$55,656 last year. It set aside zero dollars for brushing (vegetation removal); last year it spent \$1,000 on brushing.

For ditches, road drainage and culvert installation, the RM budgeted \$20,000, up from the \$10,140 it spent last year, and \$10,000 for surveys and water licences, up from \$4,831 last year.

The RM budgeted more money for its chief administrative officer and staff this year at \$174,000, up by \$14,634 over last's year expenditure of \$159,366.

As it had last year, the RM set aside zero funding for environmental development services, which include activities such as urban renewal, urban area weed control, and beautification and land rehabilitation. The RM also provided zero funding for recreation and cultural services, which include community centres, halls, golf courses, playgrounds, arenas and museums. It provided no budget for cemeteries.

Smerchanski said the RM is vast in size, with a number of small towns and hamlets (e.g., Inwood, Narcisse, Fraserwood, Komarno, Meleb, Silver and Rembrandt) spread out across the region. Activities specific to one area are financially supported by the RM as are some programs. She cited the library program by way of example, whereby residents living near Silver will use the Arborg library and those near Fraserwood will use the Gimli library. The municipality helps support the cost of residents' library use.

"The RM of Armstrong encompasses a huge geographical area with many small communities and volunteer groups, which the municipality financially supports," said Smerchanski. "Residents are very interested in becoming more



The RM budgeted no money in 2022 for recreation facilities. The Inwood community centre is shown here.



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Last year in August, the RM of Armstrong was suffering from drought with many pastures, such as this one near Inwood, in a very dry condition. This year, the RM was hit badly by flooding.

involved in their communities and volunteering in park enhancement and recreation, including the municipality's purchase of the old CP railbed to develop a trail that extends from Komarno to Silver. Our volunteers are the 'heart and soul' of our communities and the municipality."

For 2022 capital expenditures, the RM budgeted \$80,000 for a public works truck, \$10,000 for an enclosed trailer for a steamer (to steam open ice-jammed culverts) and set aside \$30,000 in federal gas tax funding for park improvements. It also budgeted \$63,500 for an asset management plan.

Funding for drainage projects in the RMs five wards was not provided.

On the revenue side, the RM expects to bring in \$250,000 for Crown and RM grass and forage rentals.

The RM's five-year capital expenditure program, which starts in 2023, lists projects such as parks beautification and accessible washrooms, signs to welcome people to the RM, fire department protective gear replacement, expansion of the Fraserwood Fire Hall, the purchase of a 4X4 truck

for the Fraserwood Fire Department and unspecified work on a public works building.

The reeve said the RM requires the establishment of a public works department for "continuity and vision of the municipality."

Public works activities such as snow clearing and grading are given to a contractor(s) and councillors attend to public works matters.

"As elected officials, councillors are elected under the ward system (Wards 1 to 5) with a separate ballot for the reeve. At the end of the day, under the Municipal Act, all council members are public servants, not public works [staff]," said Smerchanski. "Council is elected to represent all ratepayers, conduct the business of the municipality, review, update and create policy and bylaws, make informed decisions and treat everyone fairly and equally in a professional manner with public safety being the utmost priority. Clear, open communication, transparency and accountability are foremost and necessary for the success of any municipality."

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Let Women Leads wants update of Municipal Act

By Katelyn Boulanger

A recent group of Manitobans, who are calling themselves Let Women Lead, have created a petition and are asking residents to sign to get the provincial government to revise the Municipal Act in order to clarify the role of head of council.

Group members say that the group was formed over concerns after a judge ruled last year that a mayor could have their mayoral duties removed by a municipal bylaw. The particular case that was looked at in court involved local mayor Joy Sul whose council voted to take away her mayoral duties at a council meeting on Dec. 16, 2019. In addition to Sul, former Teulon mayor Debbie Kozyra and Municipality of Armstrong's reeve Susan Smerchanski have had similar bylaws passed in their municipalities though circumstances in each case are unique.

"The core factor here is that this is an affront to democracy. Women happen to be the trend right now but it can happen to anybody," said group member Lois Wales.

The way that municipal council voting works in Manitoba is that residents vote for councillors by ward but head of council is voted on by all members of the municipality. As per the Municipal Act, the head of council has duties similar to those of a councillor but also additional duties such as chairing council meetings.

The concern with the recent ruling is that

members of council who vote to remove or reassign duties from a head of council would be contravening the will of the people from all over the municipality who voted that person in with the intention that they would fill that particular position.

"We are looking to encourage women to become more involved in leadership roles. In order to do that, we need to remove these barriers. The Municipal Act is notorious for its multiple interpretations and has been over the years and this is just another glaring example of how just a few words can make a huge difference to a community. So, we need the province to eliminate these loopholes that enable these sorts of things to happen, that are so destructive to communities," said group member Cindy Kellendonk.

Wales and Kellendonk say Let Women Lead is primarily comprised of women in leadership roles like former councillors, board members, academics and lawyers. However, they say this is not just a women's issue because, even though the use of bylaws to reassign head of council duties has only been used against women leaders so far, it could happen to any mayor.

"Reeve Smerchanski and Mayor Sul were elected in 2018 by the electorate. So, it was up to the electorate in 2022 to decide if they liked what they did [or] they didn't like what they

did, or they want to elect somebody else," said Wales.

People who are interested in learning more about this issue can go to the group's website where you can print out a copy of the petition to sign. There are instructions on the website to guide those wanting to be involved.

"I think that if we value our democracy, we see in the news, all over the world, democracy has been challenged, and we've seen the consequences of when democracy has been hit. So, I think more than ever, it's important that people recognize how important democracy is to them," said Kellendonk.

For a more detailed history of what has occurred in Manitoba as well as to find the petition, visit <https://let-womenlead.ca/>.



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COVID outbreaks in Teulon, Fisher Branch; severe hepatitis in children confirmed

By Patricia Barrett

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's medical officer of health declared a COVID-19 outbreak at the Teulon Hunter Memorial Hospital last week that infected three patients and may have infected at least 10 others.

"Yesterday [May 9] our regional medical officer of health declared a COVID-19 outbreak at Teulon Hospital. Three individuals receiving care have tested positive for COVID-19 and we have results pending for 10 other people," said an IERHA spokesperson on May 10. "We have enacted outbreak protocols in the facility. This includes restricted visitation until we are assured that the infection is no longer spreading in the facility."

The spokesperson said the outbreak is limited only to the hospital, and that the services at the clinic, the lab and the Goodwin Lodge personal care home are unaffected.

The IERHA also declared a COVID outbreak at the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home on May 9.

Four residents tested positive with test results pending on 12 other residents who are symptomatic. All visitation is suspended, with exceptions for end-of-life care.

"Every pod in the personal care home has at least one symptomatic resident. We won't have a complete sense of outbreak extent until a few days from now when we have test results back and can see if more residents start experiencing symptoms," according to acting clinical team manager Margarete Moulden.

Moulden said during an outbreak, to actively prevent transmission of illness, residents will be isolated in their rooms and activities and communal dining is suspended temporarily.

When these measures are in place, staffing is increased in the recreation department to ensure increased one-on-one time with residents. To support in-room dining, over-bed tables have been secured for residents. If residents prefer and their health status allows, they can be seated in their doorway behind these tables at meal times. This keeps residents isolated from one another and protected but it lets our staff socialize with them as meals are served.

"Residents who recovered from COVID-19 during our most recent outbreak in February are exempt from isolation," according to Moulden.

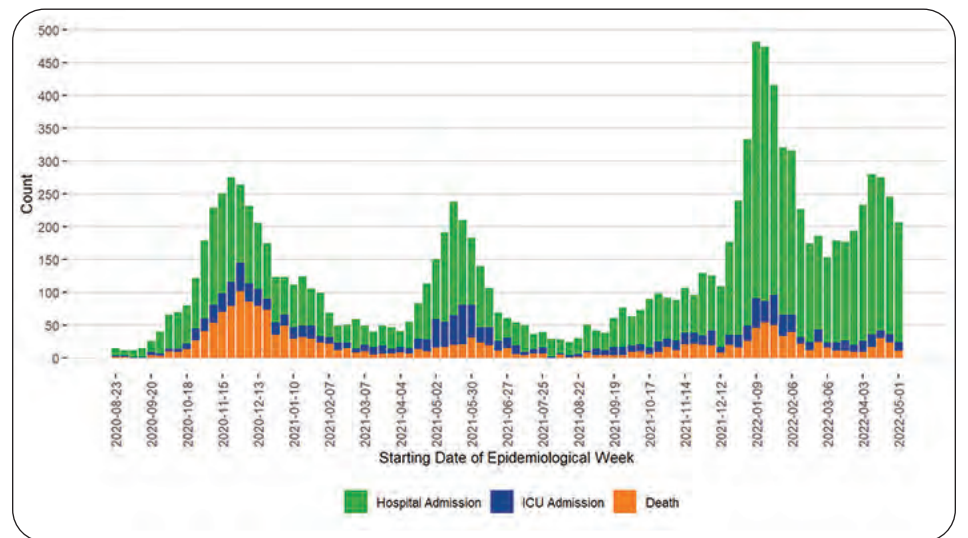
A COVID outbreak was declared May 3 at Red River Place Personal Care Home in Selkirk is still in place (as of May 14).

Other health news:

- The provincial government's surveillance report on COVID for the week May 1 to May 7 shows 902 new infections, 196 new hospital admissions, of which 13 required intensive care, and 11 more people died from the virus. There were also 11 outbreaks in long-term care facilities over the course of that week. The number of Manitobans who have died from the virus has reached 1,847.

The surveillance report also says PCR lab tests have been decreased.

Surveillance data for most of April showed 768 people requiring hospitalization (including ICU) for



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COVID continues to put Manitobans in hospital. From May 1 to 7, 11 more Manitobans died from the virus and there were 11 outbreaks in long-term care facilities, according to provincial government data.

COVID and 44 deaths.

- The World Health Organization said earlier this month that death counts from COVID are vastly underestimated. Based on new estimates, there were about 14.9 million deaths associated with COVID over the course of 2020 and 2021. That more than doubles the current worldwide death count, which was 6.2 million as of May 11.

"These sobering data not only point to the impact of the pandemic, but also to the need for all countries to invest in more resilient health systems that can sustain essential health services during crises, including stronger health information systems," said WHO director-general Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus in a May 5 news release. "WHO is committed to working with all countries to strengthen their health information systems to

generate better data for better decisions and better outcomes."

- The World Health Organization put the count of severe acute hepatitis outbreaks in children at 348 cases globally (as of May 12). The cause of the illness is still unknown; researchers are trying to determine if the liver inflammation is caused by an adenovirus virus or by COVID, either as a co-infection or as a previous infection.

In late April the WHO said the cases involved children aged one month to 16 years old. Seventeen children — about 10 per cent — required liver transplants and at least one child died. COVID was confirmed in several cases and several more had a co-infection of COVID and an adenovirus.

"The common viruses that cause acute viral hepatitis (hepatitis viruses A, B, C, D and E) have not been detected in any of these cases," said the

WHO in an April 23 statement. "International travel or links to other countries based on the currently available information have not been identified as factors."

The Manitoba government's Shared Health organization confirmed two cases of severe pediatric hepatitis last week (as of May 12). It is not releasing information about the affected children, nor is it saying whether they have or had COVID.



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Upcoming asset mapping workshops aims to strengthen food and agriculture industry

By Patricia Barrett

Upcoming workshops hosted by Food and Beverage Manitoba and Community Futures will be bringing food processors, food entrepreneurs, farmers and community groups together to gather ideas to help strengthen the food and agriculture industry.

Community Futures project manager Katie Daman said three asset mapping workshops in the Interlake will bring food communities together, identify assets people want to maintain and build upon, and come up with strategies to help overcome challenges that entrepreneurs in the industry may encounter.

"We're hoping we can bring together individuals and businesses throughout the food ecosystem for our workshops, from entrepreneurs such as growers to processors, to retailers and farmers' markets, as well as researchers and service delivery providers," said Daman, who works with food ecosystems project at Community Futures.

Starting a food-based business is challenging for entrepreneurs, she said. They have to navigate food safety regulations, grocery chains and COVID-related supply chain disruptions. Many food entrepreneurs start with farmers' market where they can test their products and collaborate and connect with others in the food industry.

The food ecosystems project addresses some of the challenges food and farming entrepreneurs face, including product development, marketing, and regulatory and financing environments, and

supports the needs of local communities and Indigenous populations to spur on economic development and create a more "interconnected, resilient and climate-friendly food system."

"This is what Community Futures and Food and Beverage Manitoba hope to explore in our asset mapping workshops and community engagement sessions," she said.

Phase 1 of the food ecosystems project involves a combination of program development, asset mapping, and community and partner engagement, she said, to create targeted programming to better support food and farming entrepreneurs.

"The vision is to provide shared access to costly equipment, mentorship and business development expertise, storage facilities and processing capabilities to enable smart risk-taking and innovation within a supportive, adaptable environment across the province," she said. "This model strives to take a forward-looking, community-driven, partnership-centric approach that mobilizes existing assets, avoids duplication and enhances the resiliency and capacity of Manitoba's food ecosystem."

The asset mapping sessions take place on Wednesday May 25 in three communities: Stonewall at the Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre's Fullbrook Room from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in Gimli at the Farmers Hall on PR 231 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and in Arborg at the Arborg Heritage Village from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Participants will be entered into a draw for a Manitoba local food prize basket valued at \$100.

Asset Mapping Session

May 25, 2022, 9:30-11:30 am — Stonewall, MB, The Quarry Room (The Fullbrook Room)
1:00-2:30 pm — Gimli, MB, Farmers Hall
4:00-5:30 pm — Arborg, MB, Arborg Heritage Village

Presented by Food & Beverage Manitoba and Community Futures

Are you a food entrepreneur or small-scale farmer seeking assistance with post-COVID recovery or growth? Do you wonder how to take your business to the next level? Are you interested to learn what supports exist that can help you start, grow, or scale your food-based business? Or, are you a service provider, researcher or product developer that works with food entrepreneurs or small-scale farmers? Help us understand what you and your clients need to stabilize, strengthen and grow the Interlake's food and agriculture businesses!

Food and Beverage Manitoba and Community Futures want to understand how we can help you! Join us for an asset mapping session on May 25 to strengthen our local Food and Agriculture Industry. This session will bring together community members, business owners, and industry professionals to identify regional assets and attributes in your communities that you'd like to grow and preserve. The session is part of a larger community-driven, ecosystem-building project that will help set the trajectory for the Food and Agriculture Industry post-COVID and inform future investments for a more resilient food ecosystem.

In this facilitated session, we hope to support Manitoba's Food and Agriculture Industry by collaborating to:

- Inform future investments in infrastructure and services
- Create connections between regions and communities
- Support post-COVID recovery
- Encourage collaboration, diversity and sustainability
- Create pathways for entrepreneurs and business owners to sustain and grow their business by connecting them to services, equipment, expertise and capital.

Project outcomes:

- Inform future investments in infrastructure and services
- Create connections between regions and communities
- Support post-COVID recovery
- Encourage collaboration, diversity and sustainability
- Create pathways for entrepreneurs and business owners to sustain and grow their business by connecting them to services, equipment, expertise and capital.

Refreshments provided. All participants will be entered to win a draw for a Manitoba Local Food Prize Basket (valued at \$100).

Want to learn more? Register now or contact Katie Daman kdaman@cfmanitoba.ca for additional information.

Masks are appreciated but not required.

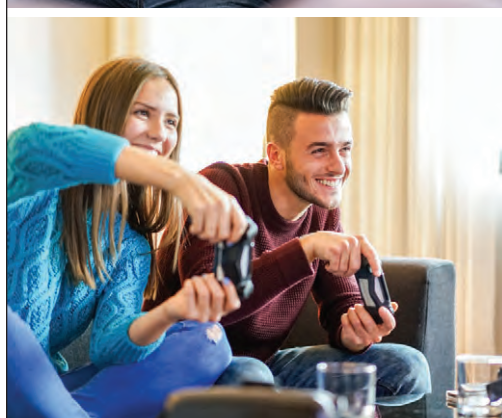
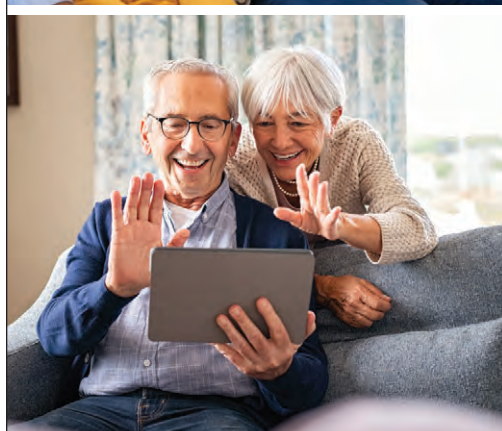
Register here if you are a food processor or farmer, a community group working with food entrepreneurs or farmers, government representative, or work in the food supply chain and would like to attend one of our sessions:
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Home & yard

4 tips for sustainable gardening

The produce sold in grocery stores often travels hundreds or even thousands of kilometres before ending up on your plate. Do you want to grow your own fruits and vegetables? If so, here are four tips for gardening sustainably.

1. CHOOSE THE RIGHT PLACE Do your research to find the best location to plant your garden. Take into account the soil type and amount of sunlight the area receives to ensure your plants grow well and won't require much maintenance.

2. FEED THE SOIL Feeding your soil with compost is the best way to grow healthy plants. Doing so will allow you to avoid concentrated fertilizers that could make your crops more vulnerable to disease or pollute the water table if incorrectly applied.

3. SAVE WATER Avoid planting vegetables that require a lot of water. Instead, choose varieties that can easily adapt to the average amount of rainfall in your area. You should also set up a rainwater collection bin. Remember to water generously but not every day. This will promote root oxygenation and allow your plants to draw water from deep within the soil.

4. EMBRACE IMPERFECTION Gardens are living things. Therefore, you must accept that yours won't look perfect. Inevitably, insects will nibble on your plants. Just remember that birds will feed on the bugs, and pollinators will visit your flowers. Simply sit back and watch nature in action.

For more tips, visit your local greenhouse and talk to an expert.

How to grow vegetables on your balcony

Gardening is a wonderful way to stay active, relieve stress and spend time outdoors. If you grow your own vegetables, you'll enjoy the added benefit of saving money on food and having access to organically grown produce. Plus, you'll reduce your carbon footprint and be less likely to waste food that you grew yourself.

However, not everyone has a backyard or enough green space on their property for a regular garden. Fortunately, many of the vegetables you might plant in your yard can thrive in pots on your balcony or patio.

Here are just some of the many vegetables that can be grown in containers:

- Tomatoes

- Peppers
- Eggplants
- Green onions
- Radishes
- Beans and peas
- Leafy greens
- Cucumbers
- Beetroots

Once you've selected your vegetables, choose pots with good drainage and enough depth to accommodate the plant's growth. You'll also need to water your vegetables every day and ensure they get enough sunlight.

Finally, it's best to use potting soil for your balcony garden, as it contains more nutrients than other types and can help prevent root rot.

SOUTH INTERLAKE PLANNING

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Keep the South Interlake Planning District (SIPD) in mind if you are planning to build a **deck** this summer. A Development and Building Permit is required for a deck that:

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- Has walls or a roof; or
- Is intended to support a structure such as a hot tub or pergola.



You do NOT need a permit for an unenclosed or detached deck less than two feet in height, or for an unenclosed attached deck of 50 ft² or less in floor area.

Permits help ensure that buildings and structures meet the *Manitoba Building Code*, which in turn increases the level of safety for everyone.

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1. REFUSE If you don't have a use for them, politely refuse complimentary products offered in stores, and avoid buying things just because they're on sale. Similarly, you should say no when offered pamphlets, cash register receipts and other items with a very short lifespan.

2. REDUCE In addition to only purchasing what you need, a zero-waste lifestyle involves letting go of items that you no longer use. As you reduce the amount of clutter in your home, be sure to dispose of belongings in an eco-conscious way.

3. REUSE Switch to reusable containers such as glass jars and cloth bags, and whenever possible opt for products sold in packaging that can be refilled. Additionally, invest in high-quality everyday items that are well made to avoid needing to frequently replace them.



4. RECYCLE Use the recycling bins provided by your municipality to dispose of cardboard, plastic, glass and other accepted materials. For items such as electronics and paint cans, locate specialized recycling facilities in your area where you can drop them off.

5. COMPOST If you have a compost bin in your yard, you can use the compost to fertilize your garden. Otherwise, find out if there's a drop-off site for organic waste in your area, or petition your municipality to start a compost collection service.



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Updating key tools in sustainable crop protection

Staff

In what should be music to the ears of agricultural producers in Manitoba's Interlake area, ADAMA Canada has updated some of its key tools in sustainable crop protection.

Prairie canola, pulse and corn producers now have a suite of crop protection products made with sustainable ingredients, as ADAMA Canada has updated some trusted favourites to improve formulations, resulting in reduced negative environmental impact. Local retailers said

customers are looking for more sustainable and eco-friendly products.

"The world is changing a lot. Everybody is looking for ways to make things better, whether it be for the user, operator, the field (itself) or the non-target pest species. Even for the pest species, we want products that have good efficacy," said Mike Klassen, the sales manager and lead agronomist at Ag Advantage in the RM of Woodlands, which also serves the RMs of Rockwood and Rosser. "Zivata is more sus-



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ADAMA Canada has updated some of their products to help farmers with more sustainable and eco-friendly products, including canola.

tainable than predecessors. If we can make a product more sustainable, why wouldn't do that? Development has become more prominent, gone are the days where nobody is around these fields."

ADAMA's chemists designed Zivata to be more user friendly and it contains more environmentally sustainable ingredients. The company dubbed it a "formulation for the future." Zivata's active ingredient is lambda-cyhalothrin, which is effective on a wide range of pests and pest stages.

Currently Zivata is registered for crops including canola, pulse, corn, soybean and a variety of fruits and vegetables. ADAMA thoroughly planned its supply chain and is producing the product at its plant in Georgia (U.S.A.), which means Zivata will be widely available across Canada in 2022.

With many agricultural organizations mandating sustainability, improved formulations are critical to achieving the industry's environmental goals.

Zivata is an improvement on competing products because it offers three main formulation benefits:

Plant-based versus petroleum distillate — ADAMA now uses a sustainable plant based solvent versus the non-renewable petroleum based solvents used in most insecticides.

Safety built in — Zivata has a higher flashpoint, which makes it less volatile to store and handle.

Zivata's formulation includes a proprietary sustainable solvent and adjuvant.

"This new formulation allows farmers to protect their crop, while consciously choosing a product with the environment in mind," said ADAMA Canada general manager Cornie Thiessen. "While current products meet safety standards and are effective, ADAMA is pleased that Zi-



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- Tuesday, April 12, 2022 (12:00-6:00 pm)
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Eriksdale Community Centre - Wednesday, April 13, 2022
(9:30--3:00 pm) 22 Railway Ave - Eriksdale

Grandview Kinsmen Community Centre - Thursday, April 14, 2022
(9:30-3:00 pm) 435 Burrows Ave - Grandview

Agenda

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Steve Kenyon - Greener Pastures Ranching Ltd
- **Using Agri-Maps as a tool to develop grazing system plan**
Shawn Cabak - Ag Adaption Specialist - Livestock, MB Ag
- **Developing applications for grazing project funding**
- Laura Grzenda, Andrea Bertholet & Jewel Mazur
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Hands-on Demonstration of Pasture and Soil Health Assessments

Diversify Your Grazing (Workshop 4) - MBFI Brookdale Farm Site - August 3, 2022
Extended Grazing and Annual Forages for Feed and Livestock/Crop Integration

Workshop 1 Fee - \$30.00 per person (Lunch included)

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Peguis First Nation flooding has left animals in need of new homes

By Emma Honeybun

Recent extreme flooding on Peguis First Nation has left stray or lost animals without shelter.

With compromised roads, bridges and surrounding highways, many residents of the First Nation have been forced to leave their homes and rehome animals.

Water levels have been lowering, but the state of emergency, initially put in place on April 28, remains in place.

Since then, there has been an influx of online posts and notices on animals without homes and in need of temporary or permanent placement. Most commonly litters of puppies, kittens or adult dogs.

Spirit of Hope Rescue, a non-profit organization supporting dog rescue in Indigenous communities, has been regularly updating the current intake from Peguis First Nation and other areas in Manitoba on their public Facebook page, with the most recent being a surrendered litter of seven- to eight-week-old puppies. They're all now in foster homes and will be available for adoption on May 19.

According to Spirit of Hope, the original owner of the litter and mother had called on May 4 for help and planned to have the mother spayed and dewormed.

Spirit of Hope Rescue functions on donations and sometimes has in-person adoption day events for dogs, most recently in Winnipeg last week.

Applications for fostering or adoptions can be filled out online on their

website, and the page is updated with new dogs or flood updates as they come. Donations can also be sent in online or through supplying items from their wish list. There's a current need for financial support. The shelter, founded by Cathie Miyette in January of 2012, has been very successful in rescuing dogs — over 3,500 during the 10 years since.

What to know before you foster:

1. There's no cost to take in a foster dog, but supplies like food, toys, leashes, etc. must be prepped by the foster beforehand.

2. Rescue dogs have a two-week quarantine period at the beginning of fostering and cannot be taken on walks or introduced to new dogs before they are fully vaccinated. They must be eight weeks old and in good health before being adopted.

3. There's no set time for fostering. It could be up to several months before a permanent home is found, but there are options for temporary foster placement.

4. Fosters have seven days to decide whether or not they will be permanently adopting the dog they're fostering.

Fosters must go through an application and selection process, all available on Spirit of Hope Rescue or other shelter websites or through contact.

For more information, visit the Spirit of Hope Rescue or Facebook page at [spiritofhoperescue.ca](https://www.facebook.com/spiritofhoperescue/) or <https://www.facebook.com/spiritofhoperescue/>



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Spirit of Hope Rescue is looking for homes for several puppies that are up for adoption on May 19.



Day Camps Ages 5 - 10

Time - 9:00 - 4:00
Monday to Friday
Drop Off 8:30 Pick Up 4:30

First camp \$150.00
Additional Camps \$100.00

July 4 - 8	Reader's Theatre
July 4 - 8	Sports includes floor curling & shuffleboard
July 11 - 15	Games includes trip to bowling alley & laser tag
July 18 - 22	Flight & Fossil includes archery
July 25 - 29	Stitches & More
Aug 2 - 5	Games includes trip to water park
Aug 8 - 12	Woodworking
Aug 15 - 19	Swimming trip to Kinsmen Lake

Day Camps Ages 10 - 14

Time - 11:30 - 4:30
Monday to Wednesday
Drop Off 11:00 Pick Up 5:00

First camp \$75.00
Additional Camps \$60.00

July 4 - 6	Games includes floor curling & shuffleboard
July 11 - 13	Games includes trip to bowling alley & laser tag
July 18 - 20	Sports includes archery
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Evenly spread mixture in greased springform pan and bake 20 minutes, or until golden brown.
Remove pan from oven and cool.
In bowl, mix Greek yogurt with lemon juice.
Once oatmeal crust is fully cooked, use spatula to spread lemon-yogurt mixture on top.
Top with sliced strawberries, blackberries and blueberries. Drizzle with additional honey.

Recipe courtesy of Healthy Family Project
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes
1 egg
1 1/2 cups rolled oats
1/3 cup unsweetened shredded coconut
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons brown sugar
3 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
1/4 cup honey, plus additional for drizzling, divided

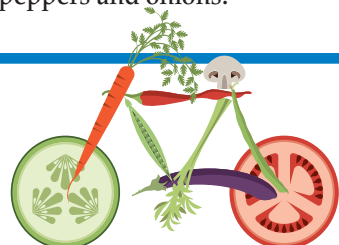


Sweet Italian Sausage Polenta

1/4 cup red wine vinegar
2 tablespoons honey
2 teaspoons oregano
Heat grill to medium-low. Grill sausages 15-20 minutes, using tongs to turn frequently; reserve.
In heavy-bottomed pot, whisk stock and polenta; bring to boil. Cook, stirring frequently, about 15 minutes, or until thick and creamy.
Remove polenta from heat and whisk in butter and cheese. Reserve until ready to serve.
Heat pan over medium-high heat. Add olive oil, peppers, onions and garlic; and saute until vegetables soften and just begin to color.
Deglaze pan with white wine and reduce by half. Add vinegar, honey and oregano; cook until reduced by half.
Add sausages to pan to warm.
When sausages are warm, place polenta on large platter then top with sausages, peppers and onions.

Total time: 35 minutes
Servings: 4
1 package Carando Sweet Italian Sausage
8 cups chicken stock
2 cups dry polenta
8 tablespoons unsalted butter
1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, grated
3 tablespoons olive oil
1 red bell pepper, julienned
1 yellow bell pepper, julienned
1 medium yellow onion, julienned
1 tablespoon fresh garlic, minced
1/4 cup white wine

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Susie Schwartz

By Susie Schwartz

Have you ever walked in to your doctor's office kicking, stomping and shouting 'Help me, I might be dying!'? Maybe don't do that.
But please, please be honest about the severity of your symptoms.
I know too many folks (I'm looking at you, Dad) who try to be stoic or minimalist when it comes to their discomfort or pain levels. Save minimalism for your clothes closets.
If you are going to take the time to make an appointment and visit the doctor, make it worth your time and theirs. Yes theirs.

How can you expect them to problem solve your bloody, explosive fluorescent pink diarrhea if you tell them, 'my stools are little runny but nothing I can't handle'? First of all, it might just be the green melon sour cocktail and beet soup you had at dinner the night before. You can

see why the description is important here. Or...it's bowel cancer. You want to catch that early, yes?

I can imagine the frustration doctors feel when a patient downplays their symptoms or is so vague they could be diagnosing tendonitis of the ankle instead of the sketchy mole you need removed off your head. The human body is complex and your doctor needs as much pertinent information that you can give them. (Pertinent. They don't care that your dog's tooth fell out the night before or that you took your nephew to Chuck E Cheese's for his birthday 10 years ago. They are after all, on a schedule.)

Do tell the truth. Even if it's embarrassing. Even if you feel wimpy. It is especially helpful if you make a list ahead of time and are able to describe your pain. Is it sharp? A dull ache? Constant? Ebbs and flows? Does it radiate? Does anything make it better or worse? (Good grief, I think I know their script by heart! Wow, I get around.) Giving them a number on your pain scale of 1 - 10 can also help.

So yes, list; describe; rate. They'll thank you not only for your efficiency but also will be more satisfied they've ruled out (or in) whatever they need to try to get you tip-top again.

Now go. Tell them it's fluorescent pink!

Less health stress, yes?

A published author and musician, Susie currently lives in the UK. Find her on FB @medicalmissstress, Instagram @susie.suschw, and lesshealthstress.com

Grilled Peach Flatbread with Goat Cheese

Recipe courtesy of Healthy Family Project

Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes
2 large naan or flatbreads
2 fresh peaches, sliced
1/4 cup goat cheese crumbles
1-2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
1 tablespoon olive oil
fresh arugula (optional)
Preheat grill or grill pan.
Grill naan until softened and lightly grilled.
Place peach slices on grill and sear about 1 minute per side.
Using pastry brush, spread olive oil onto naan.
Top naan with goat cheese and peaches.
Place back on grill over low heat, cover and cook 3-5 minutes.
Add fresh arugula, if desired
Drizzle with balsamic vinegar before slicing and serving.



Incredible Creatures: Northern Leopard Frogs

By John Gavloski

In last month's Incredible Creatures, we looked at a species of frog that overwintered on the forest floor, can freeze and still survive, and becomes active earlier than many other frogs. That was the wood frog. In this month's Incredible Creatures, we will explore another common and quite interesting species of frog, the northern leopard frog.

Leopard-like looks

The northern leopard frog, *Lithobates pipiens*, is green or brown or a mixture of the two. It gets its name from the dark spots surrounded by light borders on its back and sides, which resemble leopard spots. They have a light-coloured ridge on each side of its back, from behind the eyes to the lower back. The underside is whitish. Males get to about eight centimetres and females to about 10 centimetres from their snout to the back of their body (not including the legs).

Aside from northern leopard frogs, there are a few other species of leopard frogs in North America, such as the southern leopard frog and Atlan-

tic coast leopard frog. But the northern leopard frog is the only species of leopard frog found in Manitoba.

Where to find a leopard frog

Northern leopard frogs live in three types of habitats, depending on the season. They use shallow marshes for breeding, moist uplands for summer foraging and permanent water bodies for wintering. Since there is a limited ability to disperse for this species, having these habitats close to each other is beneficial.

From the more permanent water bodies where they spend the winter, adult frogs travel up to 1.6 kilometres (1 mile) to breed from April to June. These breeding areas include the shallow, warm waters of a variety of wetlands including marshes, springs, flooded ditches, dugouts, beaver ponds, the margins of lakes and slow-moving waters of streams and rivers. Ideal wetlands for breeding are less likely to contain predatory fish. Emerging vegetation is important for protective cover and is used to attach egg masses to.

After breeding they may disperse up

to eight kilometres from breeding areas to forage in the summer in areas either next to or away from wetlands. These areas can include meadows, pastures and drainage or irrigation ditches. Northern leopard frogs usually do not use areas that are heavily wooded, although there can be exceptions. They also avoid areas of very sparse vegetation such as heavily grazed pastures or cultivated fields. The return to overwintering sites begins in late summer or early fall.

They hibernate at the bottom of lakes, and perhaps deep ponds, rivers and creeks as well. There have been reports by ice fishermen on Lake Manitoba finding leopard frogs in nets as far as 18 kilometres from the shore and in water as deep as seven metres, always in areas where the bottom was silty. There are reports of frogs taken in nets in Lake Winnipeg.

Breeding call is a real snore

The breeding call of males sounds like a drawn-out snore or croak, lasting two to three seconds, followed by a series of two to three rapid grunts at the end.



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Northern leopard frog

It is generally late April to mid-May when you would hear the calling males in southern Manitoba. This year, the calling period could extend a bit later because of our cool start to the spring. Evening, from dusk to full darkness, is the best time to hear them, but they will call during the day as well.

Keep your eyes and ears open for these leaping leopards. If you don't see one, you just might hear one.

City of Winnipeg releases another 3 million litres of untreated sewage

By Patricia Barrett

More raw sewage is destined for Lake Winnipeg after the City of Winnipeg shut down a flooded pumping station on April 30.

The station had reached capacity and was shut down to prevent base-

ment flooding in the Charleswood neighbourhood of Winnipeg, according to the city's water and waste webpage. An estimated 3.06 million litres of untreated sewage were discharged for about an hour into the Assiniboine River from an outfall at Dieppe Road

and Roblin Boulevard.

The Assiniboine flows into the Red River, which flows into Lake Winnipeg.

The latest sewage discharge comes after the city dumped 59.6 million litres of untreated waste into the Red River on April 25. And it dumped nearly 80 million litres of untreated

waste into both the Red and the Assiniboine over 10 consecutive days in March.

Untreated sewage contains feces, urine, viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites, chemicals, pesticides and phosphorus, which contributes to algal blooms.



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Commercial fishers working near Hecla and Deer Island at the top of Lake Winnipeg's south basin were inundated with feces from an unknown source in the fall of 2018.

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Thunder represented well at RMFL All-Star Game



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The Interlake Thunder was well represented at the Rural Manitoba Football League all-star game last Saturday at Eastside Field. Team East (Interlake, Dauphin, Souris, Neepawa) defeated Team West (Swan River, Parkwest, Virden, Moosomin) 16-8. Thunder players included Kaiden Kendal (5), Tucker Knutson (8), Alex Luke (35), Dwight Bell (38), William Summers (41), Bryant Case (60), Keenan Karish (61), Dallas Batenchuk (62) and Reilly Olafson (63). Team East was coached by Interlake's Mitch Obach (head coach), Christof Hasselfield (offensive coordinator) and Randy McMurray (defensive coordinator).

Hockey Manitoba announces roster for POE Top-68 Camp

Staff

Hockey Manitoba announced the roster for the 2022-2023 Female Under-18 Program of Excellence (POE) Top-68 Camp that will take place from June 3-5 at the Bell MTS Iceplex in Winnipeg.

Interlake Lightning players invited to the camp include goaltender Rachel Halldorson, defenceman Veron-

ica Smarz and forward Seanna Price.

The Top-68 Camp is the first stage of the 2022-2023 Female U18 POE process. Following the Top-68 Camp, approximately 40 players will be invited to the Female U18 POE Top-40 Camp which will be held from July 22-24 in Winnipeg. Following the Top-40 Camp, approximately 24-26 players will be invited to the Female U18 POE

Summer Development Camp which will be held from Aug. 26-28 and an exhibition series which will be held from Sept. 23-25 in Saskatoon.

The final stage of the 2022-2023 Female U18 POE process will see the team compete at the 2023 Canada Winter Games which is scheduled to take place from Feb. 26 to March 5 in Prince Edward Island.

The Female U18 Program of Excellence is designed to provide high performance female players with the opportunity to develop advanced skills as well as an introduction to the concepts needed to play at an elite level. Players from the Program of Excellence go on to play at the CIS, NCAA and International level.

Hofer earns win, scores goal in AHL playoffs

Staff

Springfield Thunderbirds' goaltender Joel Hofer had quite the game in his team's 6-2 victory over the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins last Thursday.

Hofer made 34 saves — and scored a goal — in the AHL playoff win.

Late in the third period, with Penguins' goalie Tommy Napier pulled for an extra attacker, Hofer dumped the puck down the ice to score into an empty net to put Springfield ahead 5-2.

The goal was scored in Hofer's first professional playoff game.

Luke Witkowski scored an insurance goal a few minutes later, leading

Springfield to the four-goal victory in Game 2 of the Atlantic Division semifinals.

Initially, Hofer told himself not to go for the empty net, but he quickly changed his mind.

"I thought, screw it. Go for it," Hofer told masslive.com. "It was in the air and I saw the two other (Penguin) guys go for it. It was online so it was a matter of whether they were going to block it or not, and thankfully they didn't."

Thunderbirds' coach Drew Bannister was impressed with Hofer's goal.

"That was great," said Bannister. "I think that's the third one I have been a part of (but) that is the first short-



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Joel Hofer made 34 saves and became the second goaltender in Calder Cup playoff history to score a goal as the Springfield Thunderbirds defeated Wilkes-Barre/Scranton 6-2 last Thursday night.

handed one from a goalie I've seen. That was pretty special."

Springfield secured the series sweep with a 7-6 comeback win on Sunday.

Silver-medal winners



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The Interlake Phillies AAA U15 won silver in the Season Kickoff Tournament in Regina earlier this month. The Phillies defeated the Royal Rage 10-8 and the Lumsden Cubs 8-1 but lost 17-1 to the Fighting Saints in the round robin. The Phillies beat the Winnipeg Lightning 3-2 in semifinal action before being defeated 8-1 by the Regina Lazars to win silver. Pictured, back row, left to right: Mike Walker (coach), Maddy Fines (coach), Mia Cassils, Emma Wirgau, Taylor Huminek, Alivia Drohemereski, Morgan Walker, Jayden Baldwin, Shari Meyers (coach); front row: Scarlett Dowsett, Chloe Beresford, Lucy Hoff, Paige Powroznik and Kassie Siwak.

Saints run hard at provincials



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The Teulon Collegiate Saints had a varsity girls' team (Maisey Williams, Ohaira Abacan, Hannah Spence, Kaleigh Watson, Megan London, Otilja Yankech and Avery Ledingham) and a varsity boys' team (Josh Tom, Logan Mott and Rylan Mott) that competed at the MHSAA cross-country provincials on May 10. Williams came in 44th with a time of 18:58, which was the Saints' fastest time. The Stonewall Collegiate Rams, meanwhile, junior girls' team finished second and the junior boys' team placed third.

MJHL draft set for June 4

MJHL website

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League (MJHL) and its 13 member clubs are pleased to announce that the 2022 MJHL Draft will be held on June 4 at 3 p.m.

The draft will be held online utilizing RinkNet Live Draft Centre

technology provided by HockeyTech with all selections being made available online to the public in real-time for the benefit of all teams, players and fans to engage with this live event.

As previously announced in 2021, the MJHL Draft has moved from a

U16 Draft (formerly Bantam Draft) to a U17 Draft, highlighting players who are going into their 16-year-old season.

Players who will be eligible for the MJHL Draft are Manitoba players who are registered to play hockey in Manitoba according to Hockey Manitoba regulations and are in their 16th year (2006 born).

Prior to the MJHL Draft, teams will submit up to two Auto-Protect se-

lections from the designated home zone. Teams will have the option to decline an Auto-Protect selection and defer that pick to Round 7 or 8 of the draft. Full details of procedure updates along with Auto-Protect selections will be released on May 27.

Keep posted to @mjhlhockey and #MJHLDraft22 on social media for round-by-round draft summaries or follow live at www.mjhlhockey.ca/draft.

Kenady leads Manitoba to gold at 2022 National Aboriginal Female Hockey Championships

By Brian Bowman

Team Manitoba was golden at the 2022 National Aboriginal Female Hockey Championships in Membertou, N.S.

Manitoba defeated Ontario 3-2 in dramatic fashion to win the goal medal last Saturday.

"We were really happy about it," said Lundar's Kenady Christensen on Monday. "It was a tough win, too."

Manitoba trailed 2-0 in the third period but tied the score at 2-2 before Dana Goertzen scored the game winner with just 16 seconds remaining in regulation time.

"It was amazing winning it like that with the game being so close and intense," Kenady said. "It felt awesome. We were pretty excited and pretty riled up."

Christensen had a great tournament, leading Manitoba with nine points (four goals, five assists). The highest was 15 points by Janelle Sadler from Team B.C.

Christensen was very pleased with her offensive output at nationals.

"I really put on my 'A' game," she said. "I felt I had a pretty good week."

Manitoba reached the gold-medal game after blanking Saskatchewan 3-0 in a semifinal game.

In a quarter-final matchup, Manitoba defeated Saskatchewan 5-1.

Manitoba was perfect during the preliminary round posting a 4-0 record while outscoring their opponents 30-7.

Manitoba earned wins over Atlantic (7-1), Ontario (4-3), Eastern Door and the North (12-2) and B.C. (7-1).

Manitoba was stout defensively throughout the tournament.

"We had great goalies and in the defensive zone we blocked a lot of shots," Christensen said, adding she was very proud to be an assistant captain on the team. "We got (pucks) out quick."

Away from the rink, Christensen had a great experience visiting Nova Scotia for the first time.

"I had never been to the east coast before so it was really cool to get that experience outside of hockey," said the talented 17-year-old. "To see that new landscape and things like that."

The 2023 National Aboriginal Hockey Championships will be hosted in Winnipeg May 7-13.



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Kenady Christensen and Team Manitoba won gold after a 3-2 win over Ontario at the 2022 National Aboriginal Female Hockey Championships in Membertou, N.S. Christensen, a Lundar product, finished second overall with nine points (four goals, five assists) at the tournament.

Lightning announces award winners, coaches for next season

Staff

The Interlake Lightning recently announced their award winners for the 2021-22 season.

Interlake U18 female winners included Katelyn Dorsch (MVP), Emerson McAuley (top forward), Veronica Smarz (top defence), Kenady Christensen (top scorer), Bree-Ann Windross (rookie of the year), Rachel Halldorson (most dedicated), Sarah Shewchuk (most sportsmanlike) and Tessa Stewart (most improved).

Lightning U18 AAA male winners were Alex Kaczorowski (MVP), Joel

Prudom (top forward), Liam Foley (top defence), Hayden Wheddon (top scorer), Zach Meadows (rookie of the year), Nathan Vigfusson (most dedicated), Liam Cody (most sportsmanlike) and Andrew Thevenot (most improved).

Winning awards for the U17 AAA male Lightning were Dylan LeClair (MVP), Adam Vigfusson (top forward), Moran Mantik (top defence), Ian Bours and Hayden Kaczorowski (top scorer), David Johnson (rookie of the year), Luke Sekundiak (most dedicated), Brandon Burak (most

sportsmanlike) and Ty Sadowski (most improved).

Interlake U15 AAA male awards went to Blake Farthing (MVP and top scorer), Noah Oughton (top forward), Talon Hogg (top defence), Lucas Miller (rookie of the year), Skylar Farrington (most dedicated), Evan Deprez (most sportsmanlike) and Wade Byle (most improved).

The U15 AA Lightning male award winners included Jackson Vandersteen (MVP), Justin Braid (top forward), Tytan Johnson (top defence), Owen Shymko (top scorer), Tallon

Sutherland (rookie of the year), Logan Meier (most dedicated), Ethan Shymko (most sportsmanlike) and Dylan Riddell (most improved).

In off-ice news, the Lightning named its coaches for the 2022-23 season. They are as follows: U15 AAA Male - Mat Malbasa, U15 AAA Female - Alan Ward, U17 AAA Male - Cody King, U18 AAA Male - Aaron Kaatz, and U18 AAA Female - Bill Bram.

SEMHL expands to 10 teams

By SEMHL

The South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League will operate with 10 teams this fall.

Representatives of the Altona Maroons, Carman Beavers, Morden Bombers, Notre Dame Hawks, Portage Islanders, reigning-league champions Warren Mercs and the Winkler Royals voted on and accepted the applications of the Ste. Anne Aces, Red River Wild and Ile des Chenes Northstars.

The Aces, Wild and Northstars were members of the Carillon Senior Hockey League.

Ste. Anne had played in the CSHL since the league's inaugural season

in 2003-04. Red River was added to the league in 2010-11. Ile des Chenes was set to join in 2020-21 but the season was cancelled due to COVID-19.

The Carillon Senior Hockey League's 2021-22 season was also cancelled because of roster shortages and COVID-19. The Aces had won five CSHL championships and the Wild, who play out of St. Jean, had won two league titles.

"It's going to bring some new interest into the league," said SEMHL commissioner Tom Vatr. "The teams that have joined are really excited about playing teams they never have and their fans are going to want to see teams that they've never seen.

They've heard that the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League is a very good competitive league and people are excited that their small communities are now part of it."

Commissioner Vatr added that the Aces, Wild and Northstars will have to abide by the SEMHL's two-import limit.

The 2022-23 season will consist of an 18-game schedule as each team will play a home-and-home with the other nine teams. The playoff format will be determined at the league's fall meeting. The SEMHL's 71st season is expected to begin in late October.

MJBL delays start to season

Staff

The 2022 Manitoba Junior Baseball League season will start a little later than planned.

The league was set to start last Sunday but inclement weather, poor field conditions and a lack of outdoor practice time were all considerations in pushing back the start of the season.

The season will now begin on Wednesday. Each team will play a 24-game schedule.

The Interlake Blue Jays will start their season on Wednesday (7 p.m.) when they travel to Altona to take on the Bisons. Interlake will host the Pembina Valley Orioles in a double-header on May 23. Game times are 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

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Sudoku Answer

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- Scream loudly
- Antidepressant (abbr.)
- The bill in a restaurant
- Oblong pulpits
- Adult female chicken
- Abnormal breathing
- Financial obligations
- Belonging to a thing
- Winged
- Peoples
- College hoops tournament
- An informal body of friends
- Region of the world
- In an early way
- Connected by kinship
- Type of tree
- Official order
- Foundation for an idea
- Small, faint constellation
- Book lovers
- Vegetable
- Cabbage variety
- A way to heal
- Illuminated
- Dish that features a stick
- Insurance-related costs (abbr.)
- Solid water
- Soldier's gear
- "Uncle Buck" actress Hoffmann
- Former measure of length
- Arabic name meaning "spring"
- Doctors' group
- Actress Susan
- Appropriate

CLUES DOWN

- Cool!
- Hebrew unit of measure
- Swedish rock group

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PARKS & FACILITIES MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT SEASONAL

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Under direction of the Parks & Facilities Manager, the Seasonal Maintenance Assistant will assist in the Manager in maintaining the quality, the efficiency and effectiveness of the RM of Rockwood's parks, greenspace and properties by maintaining the standards set forth by the RM of Rockwood Maintenance Plan.

The successful candidate must possess the following:

- Provides a broad range of accurate, professional care and maintenance, accommodate services in accordance with RM standards and in an efficient manner that emphasizes workplace safety.
- Assists the Parks Manager in fulfilling the required tasks and responsibilities while ensuring maintenance routes and their scheduled tasks are achievable.
- Be able to drive a ½ ton work truck with required valid class of license and be capable of loading of truck and/or trailer.
- Follows safety procedures required before and during operation of any machinery, equipment, and/or mechanical tool.
- Operates machinery and equipment in a safe manner to prevent harm to the operator, the public, and damage(s) to adjacent property that may surround it.
- Maintains RM properties, parks and greenspace to a satisfactory standard.
- Provide horticultural care for community flowers, planters, and pots.
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- Practice and assist in the development of the Parks' Integrated Pest Management System IPM
- Write up safety incident reports and implementing WPHS procedures.
- Prepares and provides all required expense forms and timesheets to Manager.
- Helps improve and/or update specific job procedures.
- Perform any other duties as required.

Duties to commence as soon as possible.

Applicants who do not meet the above qualifications will be welcomed, providing they are willing to obtain certification in the future.

Salary shall commensurate with experience.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and a complete resume outlining education, experience, and three references, and should be submitted in a sealed envelope marked:

"Application for Maintenance Assistant" on the outside and mailed or delivered to the Attention of Kito Nishibata, Parks & Facilities Manager, The Rural Municipality of Rockwood, Box 902, 285 Main Street, Stonewall MB R0C 2Z0, or via Email: parks@rockwood.ca or Fax: 204-467-5329

The deadline for application submissions is open until filled

For further information on this position, please contact Kito Nishibata, Parks & Facilities Manager 204-467-2272.

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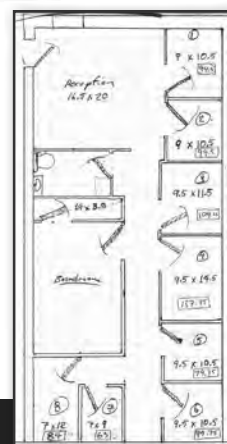
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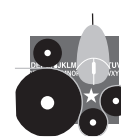
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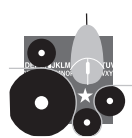
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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:

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

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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
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- Strong communication (verbal & written) and interpersonal skills
- Experience using Sage

Assets:

- Knowledge and experience in agricultural practices
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3. The Municipality shall not be responsible to replace anyone's application of dust control.

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Ratepayers may obtain dust control on the basis of **\$475.00** per application. **Orders and pre-payments** for same to be made to the Rural Municipality of Rockwood Administration Office by **Friday, May 27, 2022**. The application will consist of actual width of road x 100 metre strip. The area to be serviced must be staked out prior to application. Dust Control will be applied during the early part of June, **weather permitting**.

In the event of there not being sufficient requests for a truckload, payments will be refunded.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Rural Municipality of Rosser invites applications for the position of **Public Works Maintenance/Equipment Operator Employee**.

Under the direction of the Public Works Foreman, the position will be required to assist the Public Works Department and perform general municipal related work.

Qualifications – Transportation Maintenance / Equipment Operator Employee (Full time position)

- Valid Province Manitoba Drivers Class 3 with air
- Experience in Public Works and dealing with the public would be an asset
- Mechanically inclined with general equipment maintenance skills
- Knowledge in the operation of equipment such as tractor/mower, wheel loader, compact track loader, tandem, excavator
- Must have grader experience (winter & summer)
- Ability to work under minimal supervision
- Ability to work extended hours
- Ability to do some physical labor
- Basic Computer skills required
- Forklift license, first aid and WHIMIS training an asset

Applications must contain a cover letter and full resume with three references, deadline May 26, 2022, at 12:00 noon.

Forward applications marked "Application for Public Works Employment" to:

Ken McMahon, Public Works Manager:
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If you have any questions, please call the Municipal Office at 204-467-5711.



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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Rural Municipality of Rosser invites applications for the position of **Public Works Heavy Equipment Operator Employee (Seasonal)**

Under the direction of the Public Works Foreman, the position will be required to assist the Public Works Department and perform general municipal related work.

Qualifications – Public Works Heavy Equipment Operator Employee (Seasonal)

- Valid Manitoba Drivers Class 3 license would be an asset
- Minimum 2 years' experience in operating heavy equipment
- Mechanically inclined
- Knowledge in the operation and maintenance of different equipment (tractor/mower, compact track loader, grader, loader, tandem)
- Ability to work with minimal supervision
- Ability to do some physical labor
- Duration from June to November

Applications must contain a resume with three references, deadline being May 26th, 2022, at 12:00 noon.

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Happy 50th Murray and Brenda!
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-Love from your family

CARD OF THANKS

Mary Kowalchuk, with her daughters Rosalie and Lucy and daughter-in-law Patty, would like to thank everyone for helping her celebrate her 100th birthday on May 7th. Thanks so much for all the phone calls, cards, gifts and birthday wishes. Thanks to the "food crew" of Chris, Colleen, Margaret, Lorraine, Donna, Judi, Barb and Mike, and to those who brought baking. Thanks also to Nancy and Kate for decorating so beautifully and to Arnie for entertaining us. It was a milestone birthday celebration and we thank everyone for making it so wonderful.

IN MEMORIAM



Nick Neumann
June 10, 1933 – May 23, 2014

Along the road of suffering
You found a little lane,
That took you up to heaven,
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-Justina,
Cheryl, Tray and Cassidy,
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IN MEMORIAM



In loving memory of
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who passed away one year ago
May 15, 2021

If roses grow in Heaven
Lord, please pick a bunch for me
Place them in my Mother's arms
And tell her they're from me.
Tell her that I love her and miss her,
And when she turns to smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek
And hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day
But there's always an ache within my heart
That will never go away.
I will love you always and forever!
-Your daughter, Colleen

OBITUARY

Barbara Bourcier



It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Barbara Bourcier, aged 76, at home with family by her side.

She leaves so many to cherish her memories: her husband of 57 years, Fern Bourcier; children Jason (Stephenie), Jennifer (Skai) and Jodi (Jeff); grandchildren Reid (Delaney), Hannah (Devon), Jacob and Samara; sister, Beverly (Steve), niece Sherri (Rob), nephew Darryl (Mee Ling), great-nephew Bryce and great-niece Brooke, plus many in-laws on the Bourcier side.

Barbara was predeceased by her father, Donald Shipman and her beloved mother, Stella Shipman, with whom she is reunited.

Barb was born in Wynyard, Saskatchewan and grew up in Melfort. After a move to Toronto in the early 60's, she met Fern, and they married on February 11, 1965. Fern's job meant relocating every couple of years, to many new towns and cities all over eastern Canada, which Barb had fond recollections of. After welcoming three children, it was time to settle down. Barb and Fern chose Wavey Creek Road in Clandeboye, where they would reside for 27 years. Barb worked for many years in the meat department at Gaynor's Foods in Selkirk, until her retirement. She always had a ready smile and her outgoing personality made her a favorite throughout the town. She made friends easily and always made time for a quick chat. After retirement Barb and Fern decided it was time to travel so they bought a place in Mesa, Arizona. Barb quickly made new friends of all of her neighbours. She loved hosting her children and grandchildren and couldn't wait to introduce them to Arizona's ghost towns and 'her' Superstition Mountains. Barb and Fern moved back to Manitoba to watch their grandkids grow up, first to Pine Ridge and then finally to Stony Mountain. Her grandchildren brought her so much joy, to them she was Grandma and Nana. After she was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer she fought tirelessly to give her family eight more months of time. Her faith never wavered, nor did her positivity. She constantly reminded us that we weren't to cry for her. Barb had no fear of death, she knew that she would be welcomed into the arms of her 'mama' and that at one point we would all meet again.

The family would like to extend their thanks to Dr. Woods, the staff at CancerCare Manitoba and Gilbart Funeral Home.

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of life will happen at a later date.
Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY

Irene Gulay (nee Abas)



It is with sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of our Mother, Grandmother, and Great-Grandmother Irene Gulay at the Personal Care Home in Arborg, MB on May 13, 2022, at the age of 93.

Irene is survived by her Sons, Marvin (Evelyn), Ronald (Janice) and Ivan (Brenda); Grandchildren and Great grandchildren: Kevin (Eva), Andrew and Clara; Stephanie (Malik), Jokha, Samar and Anis; Jason (Lana); Ashley (Graham); Amber (William), Cecelia, Taylon and Thea; Brett (Ingen), Evan and Breanne; Cara (Brad), Emma; and Deric, as well as her brother Ernest (Anne) Abas and numerous relatives and friends. Irene was predeceased by her husband Andrew in 2003.

Mom was born on February 24, 1929, in Hodgson, MB. She grew up there on their family farm and married Andrew in 1952. After living in Winnipeg for a few years, they moved to a farm in the Sylvan area where they raised their three sons. Mom worked very hard during these years raising turkeys, working with the cattle which she loved and gardening; as well as working off farm from time to time, not to mention raising her family. And raise them she did; she would do anything for her three sons; always there whenever they needed anything. She loved to cook; her fried chicken was second to none as were her pastries and pies. Many Sundays she spent at the lake with her boys when they were young; always with a hamper full of food and yes, it contained her famous chicken. Once her boys left home, they still spent many, many mornings around her kitchen table while she fried them bacon and eggs, not to mention dinners and suppers including meals to the field. The family will never forget her feasts on those special holiday days where we could all gather around her large dining room table and enjoy her labours of the day.

She was a big fan of old country music, Georgie Jones being a favorite; and she enjoyed old-time dancing. Mom was always graceful on the dance floor. She knew all the songs and enjoyed singing them as well.

She loved her Grandkids dearly and they loved her. There was no shortage of treats at her house, and they all knew where to find them. She spent many enjoyable hours playing with them; something they will never forget.

Her home was never empty. Seldom a day went by that someone didn't stop in to visit. Her coffee pot was always on, and she served many meals to friends and neighbors that she welcomed into her home. She always had time for a visit even if she spent it checking her stove to make sure she had enough for everyone to eat. Mom, you will be missed beyond measure!

Honorary pallbearers will be Mom's Grandchildren.
An invitational service will be held for Mom on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at the Heritage Centre in Arborg, MB, with interment to take place at the Sylvan Community Cemetery, Sylvan, MB.
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mom's memory to a charity of one's choice.
The family wishes to thank the doctors, nurses, and staff of the Arborg Personal Care Home for their support and kindness throughout Mom's time spent in the Home. It was greatly appreciated.

My life on earth is truly past
I've loved you all to the very last
Weep not for me, but courage take,
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OBITUARY



Grant Stephen Beally
May 11, 1953 – May 9, 2022

With broken hearts we announce the peaceful passing of Grant, 2 days shy of his 69th birthday with his wife Sandy holding his hand.

He was predeceased by his Mom and Dad, Edna and Harry, and many other loved ones.

Grant is survived by his loving wife Sandy; brothers, Lorne (Duff), Bruce, Paul (Wendy), niece Nicole (Tony), nephew Steve (Jessi), great niece and nephew Sienna and Giovanni, sister-in-law Leslie and father-in-law Andy (Keitha).

Grant was a surveyor for Water Control and Structures at Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation and retired in 2014. He received the M.I.T. award of excellence in 2011 for all of Manitoba in recognition of his outstanding contributions. He had a great

work ethic, determination, and dedication throughout his career.

Grant loved his family and friends. He was loyal, fair, and a great mentor. It was a rare occasion to hear Grant say anything bad about anyone, giving all a fair shake. His home was his castle and he loved going to the family cabin and camping. Once Grant was in his fishing boat, he was the happiest man alive. Surrounded by nature he would comment, "This is where man is meant to be!" He enjoyed good food, travel, music, animals, movies, and new adventures. Grant scuba dived in the Caribbean, travelled many countries and loved to cook Chinese and Thai food. Another great joy of his was being an extra in the TV series the Pinkertons. Grant lived his life humbly and with integrity.

Thank you to Rosewood Lodge and Dr. Graham for your compassion, caring and for making Grant comfortable during his 4 year stay.

Cremation has taken place and a private gathering will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, one may donate to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or a charity of your choice.

"You will be so missed Grant, I will love you forever and after forever"... Sandy

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Charles Walker

After a long and well lived life, Charles Albert (Bert) Walker passed away peacefully in Stonewall Hospital on Saturday, May 14th, five hours short of his 97th birthday.

He was born in Grosse Isle, Manitoba in 1925.

Cremation has taken place. No funeral will take place as per his request. There will be a private family graveside service at a later date.

Longer obituary to follow.

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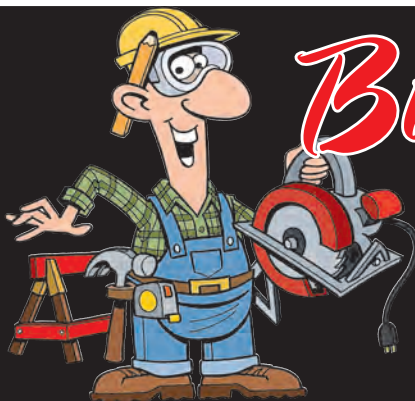
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