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École Bobby Bend School! Grade 4 students painted rocks and arranged them in the shape of a heart in front of the school to honour the 215 children found buried in a mass grave at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. See full page on pg. 16.

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Winnipeg dog rescue finds hope in Woodlands' volunteers

By Nicole Brownlee

Through bottles, cans and planters, Spirit of Hope Rescue has received hundreds of dollars in donations since last August, in place of their usual fundraisers.

COVID-19 restrictions have impaired the non-profit rescue's annual fundraisers like book sales and events, but Shelly Nawroski felt determined to continue doing her part.

Spirit of Hope rescues sick, neglected and abused dogs from across the province and, according to their website, work with over 30 Indigenous communities in Manitoba. The rescue takes in pups, fosters them for at least two weeks to nurse them back to health, then offers the dogs for adoption.

Donations help the rescue operate, purchase supplies and pay for incoming dogs' veterinary bills.

Nawroski, who lives in Woodlands, has volunteered with the Winnipeg shelter since February 2016.

"I just like doing it, like helping out and I like getting people involved... then word gets out more about the rescue, and people just want to help, especially in the smaller communities," said Nawroski. "Every little bit helps."

Taking note from Winnipeggers who collected pop and beer cans and bottles for Spirit of Hope to raise money, Nawroski started a collection in Woodlands in August 2020.

"It's been really good. People have been really supportive," said Nawroski. "We've taken in three loads already."

Last week, Nawroski dropped off 18 bags filled with beer cans, which amounted to \$257.

While beer cans are individually assigned a price for return, pop cans are assessed by weight.

Nawroski collected 112 lbs of cans in 10 months, which raised \$58.25.

"Plus, it helps the environment too," said Nawroski.



Nawroski donated \$10 from every handmade planter purchase to Spirit of Hope Rescue this spring.

While collecting beverage containers, Nawroski also helped to organize several other initiatives like a Christmas collection.

For the fifth Christmas in a row, Nawroski and other volunteers from the shelter collected dog supplies like beds, collars, and toys.

"That was our biggest collection ever," said Nawroski.

Donations filled her living room with a tower of puppy training pads, stacks of kibble bags and a rainbow of squeaky toys. While collecting these donations, Nawroski designed dog toy boxes made from wood.

This spring, Nawroski created personalized planters decorated with pawprints and cheeky phrases, like "All guests must be approved by the dog." Ten dollars from every planter purchase went towards Spirit of Hope, which amounted to \$720.

In addition to fundraising, Nawroski has fostered 60 furry friends since 2016 for the rescue to join her three Spirit of Hope adoptions at home.

"I've always loved animals," said Nawroski. "You always know there's more out there that need help."



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Shelly Nawroski collected over 100 lbs of pop cans in 10 months to raise money for Spirit of Hope Rescue, a Winnipeg non-profit dog rescue.



The donations last Christmas for the shelter were the largest in five years.

"YOU ALWAYS KNOW THERE'S MORE OUT THERE THAT NEED HELP."

Stonewall/Headingley and area RCMP investigate theft over \$5,000

Staff

On January 9, 2020 Stonewall/Headingley and area RCMP received a call of a theft over \$5,000 from a business located in the RM of Rockwood.

Investigation revealed that an employee at the business had stolen

over \$5,000 in assets. On May 31, 2021 at about 5:30 p.m., Laura Marmonier, a 45-year-old female from the RM of Rockwood was arrested for theft over \$5,000. She was released on an appearance notice for July 19, 2021 at Stonewall court.

Police continue to investigate.

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Motorcyclist says safety is everyone's responsibility

By Jules Stevenon

As a motorcyclist, taking precautionary measures even before going on the road could save your life, says Rudy Ens, owner of Gaslight Harley-Davidson Sales in Morden. He says taking a driver's training test gives motorcyclists the basic knowledge they need to ride safely.

Once road ready, motorcyclists also need to gear up properly. Black leather or durable synthetic materials keep motorcyclists protected, and can prevent road rash and other injuries in case of an accident.

"Protective gear is super important. That's why bikers look the way they do, it's not to portray a certain image, it's to be protected," said Ens.

When on the road, Ens said driving defensively is key. Being aware of all other motorists and predicting what they could do next helps keeps motorcyclists prepared for any danger that might come their way.

"Never take anyone for granted. In other words, you're coming through an intersection and there's a car in the intersection, never take for granted that they see you coming, because they might just pull out right in front of you," he said.

Ens said other motorists need to be aware of motorcyclists too.

"Quite often, drivers forget that motorcyclists are part of the road. One

of the big reasons for motorcycle accidents is motorcycles get caught in a driver's blind spot."

Besides being visually aware of motorcyclists, Ens says listening for them can also save lives.

"In the biking world, there's something that we think is very important, and that's that loud bikes save lives. Part of keeping a rider safe is the sound, because if you didn't see them in your blind spot, you hear them," says Ens.

Wildlife can also be very dangerous to motorcyclists, especially deer.

"You know how sometimes you'll try to pass someone in the middle of the doorway, and you go one way, and the person goes the same way? I've had that happen to me with a deer," he said.

The deer was right in his headlights and kept moving in the same direction as him.

"We missed each other, but it was so close I could have touched the deer when I went driving by," says Ens.

Close calls like this are important to talk about, as they might help protect other motorcyclists.

Ens runs what he calls an 'Old time motorcycle dealership.' He started the business in 1972 and has been an authorized Harley Davidson dealership since 1977. He has been a motorcycle enthusiast his whole life, and been



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY GWEN KELLER

Gaslight Harley-Davidson Sales owner Rudy Ens reminds motorists of the importance of safety.

riding since 1962.

"We love this game. It's an occupation that I seem to never get tired of. Motorcycles are not a necessity to life,

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A playful toddler inspires a pandemic themed children's book

What Is This Thing? addressed questions about facemasks

By Tyler Searle

A toddler's curiosity inspired her mother to write a children's book addressing the importance of wearing masks in the pandemic age.

Nia Schindle's self-published children's book, *What Is This Thing? A Story About Facemasks* is a simple and humorous way for parents to address their kid's questions about masks, she said.

The book follows an inquisitive four-year-old girl named Rue as she discovers how to wear a facemask.

Schindle was born and raised in Argyle. She lives in Winnipeg, working as a freelance copywriter by day—and now—a children's author by night.

An experience Schindle shared with her 14-month-old daughter, Bowie Rue, inspired the book.

"She (Bowie) was fussing, so I gave her a facemask to occupy her, and she started putting it on her head like a hat, and on her feet and playing with it," Schindle said.

The moment sparked the idea for the book, and Schindle set to work that night.

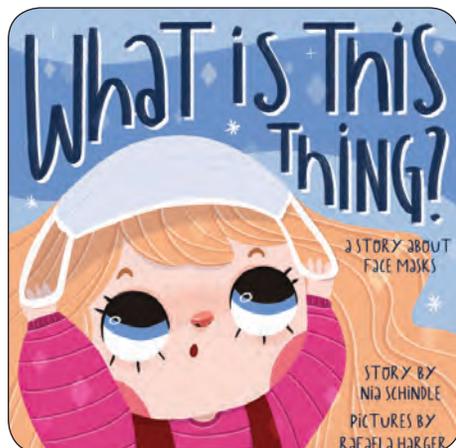
The book is a tool for parents and caregivers to help start conversations about masks and teach them why we wear them, Schindle said.

"Because the theme of the book does relate to the pandemic, it was kind of time-sensitive. So, it didn't allow me time to put it off."

Schindle determined the fastest way to produce her book would be self-publishing. By late February, she was well into writing and had registered her business as Little Rue Studios.

Schindle works on the book exclusively in the evening hours after Bowie goes to sleep. She has dedicated many long nights to designing storyboards, writing, and developing *What Is This Thing?* she said

Schindle used social media to search



What is This Thing! is a children's book and tool for parents to start conversations and address question their children have about masks.

for an artist to bring her book to life, eventually discovering an illustrator from Brazil named Rafaela Harger.

What Is This Thing? is characterized by Harger's playful artwork. Rue dances across the pages with large blue eyes and a button nose. Her vibrant pink shirt and rosy cheeks add pops of colour that punctuate her whimsical appearance.

The women collaborated while creating the characters in the book, Harger said.

"I really appreciated that Nia identified with my style. I really like working with colors. I think the cover colors also attracted a lot of people's attention."

Schindle shared her storyboards, and concept art with Harger, and the illustrator incorporated her unique style, Harger said.

"I was so happy. I always wanted to illustrate a book for someone outside my country, and Nia was very kind to me. I loved that she was looking for women to do the project with her."

Schindle also contacted numerous printing agencies and ordered samples to determine which materials to use in her final product. The result is a durable, matte-finished board book with rounded edges and full-colour pages suitable for toddlers.

The book became available for pre-order on May 27. Schindle advertised the launch on social media and sold 135 copies in 24-hours—recov-



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Nia Schindle based the main character in her children's book on her daughter Bowie Rue.



The book follows main character Rue as she discovers why masks are important and how to wear them properly.

ering nearly half of the \$5,000 it cost to produce the book.

"I haven't felt that excited about a personal project for a very long time. I just felt so proud, and it was very validating," Schindle said.

She attributes the success of the launch to the support of her friends, family and peers.

"Word of mouth was definitely the driver here. I was so fortunate that so many people shared the launch on their pages."

Raising Bowie has reconnected Schindle with the artwork and books she cherished as a child, and producing a book of her own is a dream come true, she said.

"In terms of starting that passion project you've always dreamed of—just do it."

"Once you get started, you will beautifully surprise yourself at what



Rue went through various design iterations before illustrator Rafaela Harger and author Nia Schindle decided on the final version. Harger used this concept art to display Rue's character and expressions.

you can do."

Hundreds of books are in transit to Schindle's home. When they arrive, she will mail out the pre-orders.

Schindle hopes to take the book across Canada and possibly internationally, and she plans to introduce more creative ventures through Little Rue Studios in the future.

People can purchase the book online at <https://www.littleruestudio.com> or connect with Schindle via Instagram @hey_littlerue.

Nine Winnipeg retailers will soon carry copies of the book—including Chapters St. Vital and McNally Robinson.

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Rockwood approves small animal breeding establishment

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

At the June 6 council meeting, Rockwood council defeated a request to have a tree removed at a Stony Mountain property.

The owner is concerned about the tree falling and hitting her house. The operations director provided a report to council indicating the measurements and proximity of the tree to the house.

In other council news:

- The RM hosted a public hearing regarding a bylaw to close Parkdale Avenue and transfer it to the adjoining landowner since it's no longer

needed. There were no objections. Council approved second reading of the bylaw.

- The RM also hosted a public hearing for a conditional use request for a small animal breeding and boarding establishment in Gunton. Reeve Wes Taplin excused himself as chair due to a declared conflict of interest, so Deputy Reeve Curtis McClintock chaired the hearing. Council heard from two people in attendance who objected. They also received one letter of objection and two letters of support.

Council approved the request with conditions, that include a maximum

of 10 domestic pets (such as dogs, cats and other small animals) on the premises at any time. A maximum of 400 square feet of indoor space will be allocated to small animal pens or kennels, and a maximum of 100 feet by 150 feet outdoor space will accommodate pets, enclosed by a six-foot-tall fence and double-gated entrance. The business can't be used as an agri-tourism operation, and the hours of operation will be daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The owners must also ensure that the development doesn't create unreasonably excessive noise or traffic, and they must comply with the RM's animal control bylaw. They must also enter into a development agreement with the RM and apply dust control

from their property line to Road 89N.

- Another public hearing focused on a variance requests for proposed subdivisions. There were no objections. Council approved the requests.

- Council tabled a request from MP James Bezan, who is seeking support for a national suicide and crisis hotline.

- The RM will enter into an agreement with property owners to prohibit a residence from being located on a residual parcel of land.

- The RM will enter into a 21-year lease agreement with Magellan Aerospace for the roads surrounding the Magellan Aerospace location in Stony Mountain.

Public health orders ease gathering restrictions slightly

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Public health officials eased restrictions slightly with the latest public health orders.

Starting last Saturday, Manitobans are now able to gather in small groups outdoors.

In public outdoor spaces, up to five people are permitted to gather. In private outdoor spaces, up to five visitors from no more than two other households are allowed, in addition to the people who reside at the hosting household.

All other restrictions, including those banning indoor private gatherings and restricting capacity limits in retail businesses, remain in place.

"As our case numbers and test positivity rates start to drop, our vaccine rates continue to rise, however we still have significant demands on our health care system," said Dr. Brent Roussin, chief provincial public health officer, in announcing the new orders. "So we're not in a position to open ev-

erything at once, certainly, but we are in a position to slowly ease, very minimally, some of our restrictions."

Roussin urges Manitobans to remain cautious in their interactions with others outside their household, even outdoors.

"While the risk of transmitting the virus is certainly diminished in an outdoor setting, it's not zero," he said, stressing that the fundamentals are still important: stay home when you're ill, maintain physical distancing, wear a mask, reduce contacts outside your household.

Roussin also encouraged people to continue booking not only their first but second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. A second dose is required for full vaccination.

"It continues to be up to us to make a difference, to bring down these numbers, to bring down the strain on the acute care system," Roussin said.

The new orders will be in effect until Saturday, June 26.



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Op-ed: Why we're taking the Trudeau government to task

By Jamie Irving, VP of Brunswick News Inc. and Chair of News Media Canada

The hundreds of publications that belong to News Media Canada are in the business of reporting the news – not making it.

But this week, we're breaking that rule by bringing together our disparate, cross-Canada member publications to speak in one united voice – in both official languages – in an unprecedented open letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, which has been given prominent place (in print and online) in our member publications.

We wish it didn't have to come to this. It wouldn't have if the Prime Minister and his government had kept their word. But when the future of local news is at stake in Canada, we won't hesitate to put aside our usual differences and take a strong public stance to hold the government to account.

For months now, the Prime Minister and his Minister of Canadian Heritage, Steven Guilbeault, have promised legislation to rein in the monopoly abuses of Google and Facebook and their attack on local news in Canada.

It's part of a relentless onslaught by the two web giants around the world. They exploit their position as de facto gatekeepers of the Internet to hoover up the lion's share of online advertising and distribute the work of hard-working, professional journalists without compensation. News media are choked off from the financial resources they need to report the news. And the news media eco-system is shattered.

All the while, Google and Facebook use these syphoned-off revenues to increase their own wealth and consolidate their power. It's a vicious cycle

that results in shuttered newsrooms and the silencing of credible local news.

Canada is one of the countries where the web giants' stranglehold is the tightest – they divert 80% of online advertising revenues in Canada into their own coffers.

Last fall, we issued a comprehensive report on the crisis, titled *Levelling the Digital Playing Field*. We called on the government to follow Australia's example, which is standing up to Google and Facebook, requiring them to negotiate collectively with that country's media over fair compensation. And they're backed up with tough, effective enforcement. In effect just a few months, it's already having a significant positive impact in Australia, reversing the two behemoths' control and financing precious local journalism jobs across the country, in media large and small.

Importantly, none of this requires new government funds, or fees, or taxes for the general public. Nor does it require government to step in and regulate news content – something we, like most Canadians, vehemently oppose.

In talks with the government, over the subsequent months, we were promised similar action in Canada. The government made the same commitments publicly, with Mr. Guilbeault promising – several times – legislation this spring. We've also been talking to all the opposition parties in Ottawa – and they have all expressed support for reining in the web monopoly.

Well, spring has come and (almost) gone, with no legislation. Not even the hint of it.

The government's clear commit-

ments of recent weeks have given way to silence. A deeply disturbing silence.

We're not the only ones who have noticed it. Facebook recently pressed their advantage. Late last month, they signed short-term commercial arrangements with a few Canadian media outlets. Until all news media in this country can negotiate collectively with Google and Facebook, the two multinationals will continue to use their power and market dominance to drive terms that are in their interests. Far from contributing to the resolution of the problem, this approach only deepens it.

And as long as there is a vacuum of government action, Google and Facebook won't let up.

Parliament will be rising for its long summer break in a matter of days. Less than two years into its mandate, the air is filled with talk of a snap fall election. Meanwhile, the day-to-day struggle against the monopoly abuses of the two U.S.-based multinationals will go on in newsrooms across Canada. How long it can go on without the government doing its job is an open question.

The COVID pandemic has proven once again how vital local news media is in keeping the public informed and in holding governments at all levels accountable. It's literally made the difference between life and death.

Now we must face another life and death struggle – for the survival of local news. We're fighting it with everything we've got. But in order to push back foes this big and powerful, we need the government in our – and Canadians' – corner.

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Condolences and congratulations to 2021 grads

As it has become clear that the local graduating grade 12 students will not have a usual graduation, it caused me to reflect on the past year and all the challenges the kids faced.

You have all faced a whole year plus of adversity and obstacles. To keep everyone safe, you were divided into cohorts, many times separating friends you've had since you started kindergarten. You had to figure out how to learn and study using remote learning technology and do your schoolwork in new and challenging ways. Many of you were looking for-

ward to your final year of sports; you were excited by the potential and filled with optimism (many of us in the community felt the same way) but those too, were lost.

During the various lockdowns, you were not allowed to gather normally with your friends and peers outside of school. Life as you knew it was turned upside down. Now your parents, family, friends, and your whole community will not have the opportunity to celebrate all your accomplishments in the usual way. I know that everyone feels for you and wishes it all could have been a more normal year.

Without the usual Grad ceremony, you also won't get unsolicited advice from someone on how to think about your next chapter of life and the adventures to come so I'll offer a short-

ened pandemic version of a grad address here. When you think about all the challenges that you have overcome this year, you should be very proud. Your family, friends, teachers and community are also very proud.

It is hard to imagine a graduating class that faced more obstacles and curveballs in their final year. Despite the struggles, you made it! Whether you recognize it or not, you have developed resilience and grit which will serve you well in whatever you do moving forward. With the past year in your rearview mirror, the next challenge that you face will not seem quite as daunting (and other challenges will come). You have all proven that you are stronger and more persistent than you believed you could be.

- Scott Stephens, Stonewall

Thank you to students and teachers for making a better world

Dear Editor

There have been some very inspirational stories about varied student projects in recent issues of the *Tribune* that have moved me to write this letter.

We have read about students involving themselves in community clean ups; we have seen class efforts to make us more aware of impending climate change. We have learned of

student projects to help the chronically ill and to bring joy to seniors suffering through COVID-19 loneliness.

Last week, there was coverage of a local student fundriaser for an animal rescue centre.

In Lions Manor where I reside, we received colourful Christmas cards and drawings to help us through a lonely festive season. More recently,

we had delivered to us, a good many "Send your Village some Love" cards with messages from individual students hoping that we were staying "safe and positive during the pandemic".

Kudos to all of our students and their teachers for striving to create a better, happier world, during these extraordinarily challenging times. You deserve much credit for your efforts. We appreciate all that you do.

Sincerely,
Dale Yeo, Stonewall

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Wanna fill the world with kindness

Wanna fill the world with kindness? It's easier than you think.

A baby raindrop is sitting in a cloud. Below her, she sees a drought - and thousands of animals dying. She's filled with compassion. Her one desire is to flood the valley and create a lake so all the animals could drink and live.

Her friends laugh. What can one raindrop do? Are you crazy? It's safer up here. There's a drought down there - you'll dry up. What they don't realize is that they're the ones drying out.

And then the baby raindrop jumps. Feeling the rush of air feels exhilarating. Helping animals fills her with joy. Suddenly she realizes - This is what she was created for. No wonder sitting in a cloud felt so unnatural.

Some drops in the cloud are blown away by her courage - they jump. Other raindrops see this act of loving sacrifice - they jump too. Eventually, millions of raindrops follow this brave example.

And one baby raindrop floods a valley and creates a majestic lake - starting with one act of kindness. And all the animals come to drink and find life.

Wanna fill the world with kindness? It's easier than you think - just follow the pattern of the baby raindrop. Look, feel, and act.

Look for someone in need. Feel compassion. Act in a way that helps them. Who knows? One simple act of love could flood the world with kindness.

And I know. Kindness doesn't always come naturally. That's where Jesus comes in. He's the King of Kindness.

Just check out Mark 6 and other places. Jesus sees crowds, is filled with compassion, and does something about it - like teaching, healing, and feeding people.

Wanna fill the world with kindness? It's easier than you think. Invite Jesus in and start with a simple act of kindness every day.

If you're looking for ideas or wanna join us on our secret kindness mission, drop me a note.

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Province rolls out COVID immunization card

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitobans who are fully immunized against COVID-19 won't have to self-isolate after travelling to other provinces, Premier Brian Pallister announced last week.

The province is rolling out a new immunization card as proof of vaccination for people who are 14 days past their second shot (the time it takes for the vaccine to take full effect).

Not having to self-isolate upon return to Manitoba from another province is just one of the first benefits to being fully immunized, Pallister said.

"Until all public health restrictions are lifted, Manitobans will get cer-

tain benefits with this card," he said, noting the hope is this is a temporary measure until enough Manitobans are vaccinated and the risk of COVID-19 spread so low that such a card is no longer necessary.

In addition to the freedom to travel inter-provincially, fully vaccinated Manitobans will also no longer have to self-isolate if they are found to be a close contact of someone with COVID.

Manitoba health-care facilities, including hospitals and personal care homes, will also be permitting expanded visitations if both the patient/resident and their visitor are fully vac-

inated.

"As we move forward with our reopening plans and as more Manitobans get fully vaccinated, there may be more items or privileges available to those who have an immunization card, based on the advice of Public Health," Pallister said.

Manitobans can order their cards securely online at immunizationcard.manitoba.ca. If you do not have internet access you can call 1-800-392-1207 to request a card, though the province asks you to seek assistance in using the online method from family and friends first.

A digital card will be provided im-

mediately online, but people can also order a physical card to be delivered to them within 14 days.

The premier noted that both forms of the cards contain no personal health information. They show only a person's first and last name and a QR code that, when scanned, shows you have been fully vaccinated.

"Why does this immunization card matter? Because vaccines are the way out of this pandemic, that's why," Pallister stressed. "And because vaccines are how we get our lives back in the short-term and in the long-term."

Vaccinated Manitobans have the chance to win big

Province unveils prize lottery for those who get their COVID-19 shots

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Vaccinated Manitobans will have a chance to win cash and scholarships in exchange for getting their COVID-19 shots.

The Manitoba government has launched a provincewide lottery with nearly \$2 million in prizes to encourage people to get fully vaccinated.

"As a government we're doing everything we can to equip Manitobans with the information and support while respecting their right to make their decision about their body," Premier Brian Pallister said. "But we believe the right decision is to protect yourself and to protect our commu-

nity, our loved ones."

Some people require further incentives to get vaccinated, the premier acknowledged, and other jurisdictions have found great success in upping vaccination rates by offering high-value rewards. Manitoba is following suit by holding two lottery draws this summer.

All Manitobans aged 12 and up who have received at least one dose of vaccine on or before Aug. 2 will be eligible for the first draw. All Manitobans aged 12 and up who have received two doses on or before Sept. 6 will be eligible for the second draw.

Each draw will award three priz-

es of \$100,000 in the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (excluding Churchill), one prize of \$100,000 in each of the remaining RHAs (including Churchill), and 10 draws for \$25,000 scholarships for youth aged 12 to 17 across the province.

Manitobans who receive their shots will be automatically entered into the draws. Those who would prefer not to be part of the lottery will be able to opt out.

People who received their shots outside of Manitoba will be eligible as well by reporting their vaccination to a public health office.

People directly working with the ad-

ministration and implementation of the lottery and their immediate family members are not eligible to win. All members of the legislative assembly are also excluded.

Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries will be responsible for conducting the lotteries. A third-party auditor will provide additional oversight.

"We need Manitobans to get vaccinated. The sooner we get vaccinated the sooner we get our lives back," Pallister said. "This lottery gives Manitobans a reason to move faster to roll up their sleeves not once but twice."

Petition gains thousands of signatures for fair nursing contracts

By Sydney Lockhart

The group Manitoba Nurses Matter has created a petition to gain public support for nurses to get a fair contract from the provincial government after their previous one expired four years ago.

The petition was started by Jay Hill who is not a nurse but says he couldn't stand by and watch nurses be unsupported by the public.

"The mission statement is to show the Pallister PCs that there is public pressure, that the public wants this," said Hill, "They don't believe the public actually cares about this issue. So, the end game is to put as much pressure on them as possible to the point where they realize they cannot win another election without solving this."

The petition first launched two weeks ago and has since gained over

10,000 signatures from Manitobans across the province.

"It's literally a life-or-death topic, if we don't have enough nurses in the province, we are not going to have illnesses, diseases, viruses or injuries treated. We are having a shortage [of nurses] and there will be people that will get subpar care and there will be people that die as a result," said Hill.

Last week Manitoba nurses voted 98 per cent in favour of a strike, hoping the province will agree to binding arbitration before the union decides to call the strike.

Hill said he will not stop petitioning in favour of the nurses until, "The day the MNU sends out a message and says, we met with the government, we agree to their terms, we have a contract that is a fair contract."

On the Manitoba Nurses Matter

website, you can sign up to get a yard sign to show support for the cause.

Hill said he hopes people research and understand that this isn't just about fair wages

"I think that for PCs, for conservatives in general, you have to show that concern [that] other conservatives in the community care about the topic," said Hill, "That's a piece of what we're going to be doing as well — showing how many people that have signed are voting conservatives."

The Manitoba Nurse Union said the province wants to include a float pool that would be able to redeploy nurses to different hospitals and wards throughout the province.

The MNU's Instagram posted, "So when we think about a strike vote, let's remember it isn't just about a bump in salary, it's also about being

able to go to bed and not have to think about starting a new job over and over again, being moved around to wherever you are needed most. Although just as magical, nurses aren't unicorns. They're real people."

Hill said he hopes people will consider single parents when signing the petition, saying they don't have the ability to pick up their life and move around for their job if a float pool is introduced.

Manitoba Nurses Matter is also selling t-shirts to raise money for Fionn MacCool's campaign which is trying to feed hungry and overworked healthcare workers during the pandemic.

To sign the petition, buy a t-shirt or order a lawn sign go to <https://www.mbnursesmatter.ca>.

Province maps out Manitoba's reopening plans

By Lorne Stelmach

The Manitoba government last week announced its plan for reopening the province, but Premier Brian Pallister stressed fewer restrictions for Manitobans beginning by Canada Day is very much connected to vaccination and following the rules.

Pallister said their aim with the 4-3-2-One Great Summer Reopening Path is to reward Manitobans with greater freedoms as more people continue to get vaccinated.

"It sets out a clear path for more openings and fewer restrictions as more and more Manitobans roll up their sleeves and get fully vaccinated," he said. "The key to reopening safely and staying open is you getting vaccinated, not once but twice, to get your life back.

"For the past few months, we have been in a race between variants and vaccines, and the variants have been winning. But thanks to the efforts of Manitobans to roll up their sleeves, the vaccines are starting to make a difference."

Chief provincial public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin echoed that message.

"As vaccinations increase, we can start moving towards a post pandemic

Manitoba ... a post pandemic Manitoba is not post COVID Manitoba. COVID is likely to be with us for the years to come," he warned.

"Public health supports this phased in approach to reopening. It strikes a good balance between where we are now and where we want to and need to be. This plan also gives some flexibility so we can monitor the situation and make the best decisions based on the data at that time."

The reopening plan focused on four reopening categories: gathering and socializing, travel and tourism, shopping and services, and dining out and entertainment. As well, it sets out three summer holiday milestones for phasing out restrictions: Canada Day, August long weekend and Labour Day.

Key to reopening safely is Manitoba's collective progress in getting vaccinated and reducing COVID-19 spread in communities and hospitals, Roussin stressed,

"Reopening activity levels will be tied to the first and second immunization dose targets," he continued. "The plan is built on two key principles: higher vaccination rates and the need for Manitobans to keep following the public health orders ... these will be

key."

Each holiday milestone for reopening will have a one-dose and two-dose immunization goal to guide progress in keeping Manitobans safe, the province says. The goals include:

- Over 70 per cent of all Manitobans aged 12 and over to have received their first dose and over 25 per cent to have received their second dose by Canada Day.

- 75 per cent or greater of all Manitobans aged 12 and over to have received their first dose and over 50 per cent to have received their second dose by the August long weekend.

- 80 per cent or greater of all Manitobans aged 12 and over to have received their first dose and over 75 per cent to have received their second dose by Labour Day.

Reopening activity levels will be tied to the first and second dose immunization targets, including:

- Meeting vaccine targets by Canada Day means businesses, services, and facilities can open at 25 per cent capacity or greater levels.

- Meeting vaccine targets by the August long weekend means businesses, services, and facilities can open at 50 per cent capacity or greater levels.

- Meeting vaccine targets by Labour

Day means businesses, services, and facilities can open with limited restrictions.

Manitoba NDP Opposition Leader Wab Kinew criticized the plan and announcement for being too short on details.

"Many Manitobans right now are asking questions like is my kid going to be able to go back to school this year? Are they going to be able to play sports? When will I be able to go to the gym? Can we have a family barbecue this summer?" said Kinew.

"Really, this announcement today didn't answer any of those questions. It's so vague that what we actually saw was not a plan but just a graphic and a press release. There's so many important details that Manitobans should have been told," he said. "What is the test positivity rate? What is the ICU number? What are the hospitalization numbers that are going to have to be cleared in order for us to move forward with a reopening here in Manitoba."

For more information on the 4-3-2-One Great Summer Reopening Path, you can go online to www.manitoba.ca/covid19/prs/reopening/index.html.

Restrictions having desired effect: Roussin

By Lorne Stelmach

Case numbers continued to trend in the right direction this past week as the province edged closer towards further easing restrictions.

"The restrictions that have been in place have had that beneficial effect on our case counts, and that's why we have been able to just slowly ease some of those restrictions," chief provincial public health officer Dr. Brent Roussin said at his Monday update. "We need to continue to bring these numbers down, we need to bring the vaccines up, and that's going to help

us be in a position to start to reopen."

There were two new deaths reported Monday bringing the total number of deaths in Manitoba due to COVID-19 to 1,102.

The current five-day test positivity rate was 10.7 per cent provincially with 124 new cases of the virus identified, including four new cases in the Interlake-Eastern health region.

The active case counts included four in Arborg/Riverton, 14 Beausejour, 89 Eriksdale/Ashern, 25 Fisher/Peguis, two Gimli, 25 Northern Remote, four Pinawa/LacduBonnet, 42 Powerview/

Pine Falls, 14 Sellkirk, seven Springfield, 15 St. Clements, five St. Laurent, eight Stonewall/Teulon, 12 Unknown District, one Whiteshell and 12 in the Winnipeg Beach/St. Andrews district.

The total number of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba was at 54,481 with 3,111 active cases and 50,268 recoveries, while 297 Manitobans remained hospitalized with COVID-19 in Manitoba and neighbouring provinces

Meanwhile, eligibility for second doses expanded to include individuals who received their first dose on or before May 10. Only those eligible

to book appointments based on the date of their first dose or other criteria should book second-dose appointments at this time.

Additionally, all Indigenous people in Manitoba and individuals with specific health conditions are also eligible to book their second dose as long as they meet the minimum time interval between doses.

All people aged 12 and up are eligible to book first-dose appointments.

You can book online at <https://protectmb.ca> or by calling toll-free 1-844-MAN-VACC (1-844-626-8222).

ISD school custodians, trades, and mechanics ratify new agreement

Submitted by David Jacks, CUPE

School custodians, trades, and mechanics represented by CUPE Local 2972 and the Interlake School Division have ratified a new collective agreement.

"Custodians, tradespeople, and mechanics have been critical throughout the pandemic in helping keep our schools safe and running," says Lee McLeod, CUPE Regional Director.

"The agreement between CUPE 2972 and Interlake School Division is the

second school support staff contract that defies the Pallister wage freeze and includes raises in line with those agreed to by school divisions and the Manitoba Teachers' Society. We want to thank the Interlake School Division for their leadership in reaching this agreement."

Wage increases are in line with recently negotiated teacher's agreements and are retroactive: 1.6% in 2019, 1.4% in 2020, 0.5% in 2021, and a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) in

2022.

The agreement between CUPE 2972 and Interlake School Division helps set a pattern for school support staff in Manitoba, following CUPE 3164's similar wage settlement at Evergreen School Division announced on June 8, 2021.

"The Pallister government has done everything they can to stop school support staff from negotiating fair contracts, so we are proud that CUPE support staff are leaders at the bar-

gaining table".

CUPE 2972 represents approximately 45 school support staff at the Interlake School Division, including custodians, trades, and bus mechanics.

The Canadian Union of Public Employees represent approximately 6,000 education workers, including education assistants, custodians, bus drivers, clerical, library techs, intercultural liaisons, and more in 25 school boards across Manitoba.

Human Rights commission monitoring government on vaccine identification

Submitted by Manitoba Human Rights Commission

The Manitoba Human Rights commission is monitoring the Government of Manitoba's release of the secure Vaccination Card, which will allow third parties to identify the vaccination status of cardholders. The Commission reminds governments, employers, service and housing providers of their obligation to respect human rights when imposing vaccination requirements / requiring proof of vaccine.

Requiring individuals to produce proof of COVID-19 vaccination in order to access employment, public services or housing could result in discrimination based on the following Code-protected grounds:

- Disability;
- Religious Belief;
- Political Belief;
- Social Disadvantage; and
- Age

Requiring individuals to be vaccinated and produce proof of vaccine may also negatively impact individuals who cannot equitably access vaccination and other public health resources for reasons related to disadvantage, including houselessness and poverty. Existing identification schemes present significant barriers in equitable access to health care services for unsheltered populations, as documented in the 2018 Winnipeg Street Health Survey Final Report.¹ Moreover, where individuals are required to produce valid photo identification along with proof of vaccine, barriers to access may be magnified due to challenges in accessing photo identification.²

The Commission is also mindful that imposing identification requirements can result in adverse effects for communities that are more disproportionately impacted by carding, profiling or other identification requirements, such as Black, Indigenous and people of colour and people with disabilities.

Where mandatory vaccine and vaccine identification requirements are put in place, these requirements must be justifiable

To be permissible under human rights law, mandatory vaccination requirements, or the use of vaccination identification, must satisfy the standard set out by the Supreme Court of Canada in British Columbia (Public Service Em-

ployee Relations Commission) v. BCGSEU, 1999 CanLII 652 (SCC), [1999] 3 SCR 3 ("Meoirin") and British Columbia (Superintendent of Motor Vehicles) v. British Columbia (Council of Human Rights), 1999 CanLII 646 (SCC), [1999] 3 SCR 868 ("Grismer"). The three-part standard requires that

1. The requirement for vaccination has a rational connection to the employment or provision of the service;
2. The requirement for vaccination be adopted
3. The requirement for vaccination is reasonably necessary for the purpose of service provision. This requires evidence that the requirement was imposed on the basis of real evidence, not speculation; that the requirement is designed to minimize the burden on employees or service users; that the requirement does not treat one particular group more harshly than others without justification; and that alternative approaches to the vaccine requirement were investigated and considered but could not be adopted without incurring undue hardship. In other words, the requirement for vaccination / vaccination identification must "incorporate every possible accommodation to the point of undue hardship, whether that hardship takes the form of impossibility, serious risk or excessive cost".

Undue hardship must be established on the basis of real evidence, and is fact dependent. Certain contexts may present varying degrees of risk, which must be considered when establishing whether a requirement for mandatory vaccination is justified under human rights law in accordance with the standard set out above.

Governments, employers, service and housing providers must also be mindful of the emerging data related to vaccination, including varying rates of effectiveness amongst vaccine products, the complexities presented by COVID-19 variants, the delay of second dosage and its implications for vaccine efficacy, and broader vaccine uptake.

This information will be relevant to the determination of whether the implementation of a vaccine requirement would be deemed reasonably necessary to accomplish its broader employment or service related objectives.

Moreover, the specific context of implementation (i.e. personal care homes, hospitals, etc.) will impact whether the requirement for vaccination can be justified under human rights law. In other words, governments, employers, service and housing providers will need to consider the particular and distinct risks presented in specific contexts to determine whether a mandatory vaccination requirement / vaccination identification requirement is bona fide and reasonable in accordance with the standard set out above.

Reasonable accommodation Must be provided

Should a government, employer, service or housing provider proceed with the implementation of a vaccination requirement, reasonable accommodation must be provided to the point of undue hardship. Existing mandatory vaccination schemes in the context of educational systems

or for health care workers provide exemption clauses for medical, religious or conscientious objection in accordance with human rights related obligations.⁵ Due consideration will need to be given to how rights to reasonable accommodation will be upheld when imposing this requirement. In accordance with the requirement to provide reasonable accommodation, the Commission cautions against the implementation of blanket policies requiring vaccination that do not provide for accommodation.

Vaccine Incentives

The Code's protected characteristics of disability, social disadvantage, religious belief, age and political belief may need to be considered when governments, employers, service or housing providers incentivize vaccination. Under The Code, organizations cannot deny someone access to a good, benefit or program for reasons related to a Code-protected ground, unless that denial can be reasonably justified. Therefore, governments, employers, service or housing providers must ensure that vaccination incentive programs do not limit the equality rights of Code-protected groups.

Summary

The requirement for mandatory vaccination, or the imposition of vaccination identification or incentives has implications for both direct and indirect forms of discrimination for Code-protected groups. Such a requirement could result in denials of service or employment for individuals who for Code-related reasons cannot participate in vaccination and the exacerbation of barriers to equity for individuals who experience structural disadvantage. Governments, employers, service and housing providers should exercise extreme caution in imposing any requirements or programs. In doing so, careful consideration will need to be given to how the program would be bona fide and reasonable under the three part standard set out by the Supreme Court of Canada in Meoirin and Grismer.

For more information on COVID-19 and discrimination, please visit www.manitobahumanrights.ca



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Stonewall supports Pride Month

Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

- At a special meeting on June 9, Stonewall council authorized the mayor and CAO to sign documents needed to appoint Westland Construction Ltd. as construction manager for the administrative office renovation project. The request for proposal process led to interviews with a short list of companies, and Westland Construction was identified as the lead firm.

- At a committee of the whole meeting the same evening, council discussed some statistical information about youth vaping in Canada.

They received information from ASH Canada, which is one of Canada's leading tobacco control organizations.

- Council discussed a notification about a mobile drive-in movie service. Council seemed supportive of the idea, as long as pandemic restrictions are respected.

- Council discussed the upsides and downsides of Winnipeg Metropolitan Region's Plan 20-50, conducted by Ateah Consulting. Through Plan 20-50, the 18 Metro municipalities can benefit from regional collaboration while maintaining au-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

There is a splash of colour flying at the Town of Stonewall office for LGBT Pride Month. Last Friday, Stonewall Collegiate Grade 11 student Parker McElroy had the honour of raising the Pride flag with the support of Mayor Clive Hinds, left, and Pride Winnipeg member Tammy Henwood, right.

"Stonewall is a community that is very active and diverse and I hope we can recognize Gay Pride Month in honour of those in our community," Hinds said.

McElroy explained that we have a large and diverse queer community in Stonewall.

"It is really important to acknowledge that and realize that there are people like this here, people like us here and it's okay to come out, it is okay to be yourself," he said. The inaugural Pride Winnipeg was one of the first Pride celebrations in Western Canada, following Vancouver in 1979 and Edmonton in 1980.

tonomy and local character. Council decided to take more time to have a concerted conversation to discuss what they like and don't like about the plan.

- Council discussed correspondence related to advertising on reusable bags.

- The Town of Stonewall invites residents to complete a five-minute

survey as part of the town's efforts to reduce the impact of waste on the community's lands. Participants have until June 30 to complete the survey, and they have the option to participate to win one of two \$25 Tim Horton's gift cards. To complete the waste to energy survey, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/townofstonewall>.

New agreement for some ISD support staff

Staff

The Interlake School Division and CUPE Local 2972 recently ratified a new collective agreement for school custodians, tradespeople and mechanics represented by the union.

On June 9, CUPE (Canadian Union of Public Employees) announced wage increases, which are in line with recently negotiated teachers' agreements will be retroactive. These increases will be at a rate of 1.6 per cent for 2019, 1.4 per cent for 2020, 0.5 per cent for 2021 and a cost-of-living adjustment for

2022.

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Municipal leaders from the Interlake region discuss federal pandemic supports

Submitted by Annie Cullinan

Earlier this week, the Honourable Jim Carr, Minister and Special Representative for the Prairies, met with 14 mayors and reeves from the Interlake Region to discuss Budget 2021 and the Government of Canada's plans to stimulate local economies and improve the quality of life for all Manitobans. This includes over \$72.5 million provided to 136 communities in Manitoba through the Gas Tax Fund in 2020-2021, which allowed municipalities to plan important infrastructure projects, while creating jobs in their communities.

Throughout the pandemic, municipal leaders in Manitoba and across Canada have been at the forefront, leading their communities and connecting their citizens with the support they need.

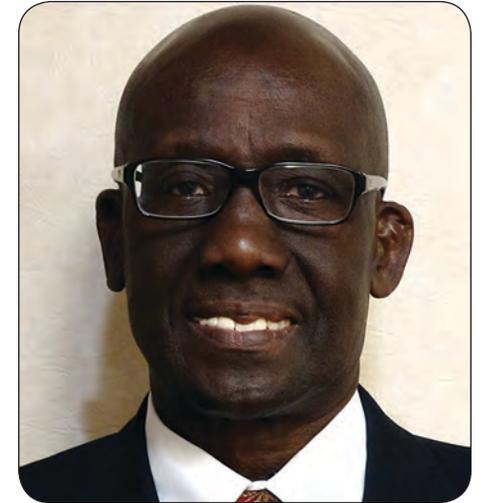
"With more people getting vaccinated every day, we are able to turn our attention to what Canada's future will

look like. We know recovery is going to look different in every region and will require different programming that responds to local needs. Discussions like these will help ensure federal policies reflect the unique needs of Manitobans so we can build a recovery that works for our province," said the Honourable Jim Carr, Minister and Special Representative for the Prairies and Member of Parliament for Winnipeg South Centre.

During the meeting, they discussed pandemic support packages, including the Rent Subsidy and Lockdown Support programs, which helped more than 9,000 Manitoba businesses with rent, mortgage, and other expenses, and new initiatives, like the Canada Recovery Hiring Program proposed in Budget 2021, which will help offset a portion of the extra costs that employers take on as businesses reopen.

Mayor of Stonewall thanked City of Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson for bringing together the leaders of various municipalities, from different political backgrounds, to share their perspectives.

"The Town of Stonewall appreciates meeting with Minister Carr and having the opportunity to ask questions about



Stonewall Mayor Clive Hinds

issues that matter to our community," said Hinds.

Minister Carr also highlighted the creation of a new Prairie Economic Development Agency that will include a 70 percent increase in funding and more resources dedicated to enabling and facilitating the Western Canadian economy.

The Government of Canada is committed to working directly with municipalities on our shared priorities as we plan a recovery that is more inclusive and puts Canada on a path for future prosperity.



With heavy hearts we must announce the postponement of our activities for Canada Day until July 1, 2022.

We can't wait to see you all next year!

- Teulon's Canada Day Committee

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ISD notes from regular meeting

By Jo-Anne Procter

Interlake School Division board of trustees met via Zoom for the June 14 regular board meeting.

Transportation Report

A new Bluebird Propane bus has been ordered for approximately \$140,000 before tax and is expected to arrive in July.

Currently there are 34 bus routes, 34 drivers and 11 spare drivers. Next year's routing plans are in the works, and will be finalized once there is a clear picture of guidelines from the province.

Route map tablets for bus drivers will be tested before the end of the school year and will be up and running for September. The tablets has GPS and will have exact route directions that will be a help for spare drivers.

An app downloaded on an iphone or android that has the ability to track student's bus in live time along with a few other helpful functions is currently being used by 70 parents and can be applied for through the ISD website or by calling the division office.

The 2020/2021 school year has five bus drivers retiring: Ray Blowers (Woodlands 32 years), Joy Carter (Woodlands, 18 years), Ken Humbert (Teulon, 18 years), Lori Slater (Teulon, 11 years) and Darrell Kristjanson (Warren 4 years).

Maintenance/Projects

Woodlands School demolition is coming to a close. Hydroseeding is in place and the grass is growing.

Provincially funded capital projects

- WCI gym floor has raw wood down and has to be sanded, coated and lines put down.
- Stony Mountain School new roof on the east side of the school is being worked on and upgrades to the front roof on the east side of SCI roof will begin June 30.
- WCI fire alarm upgrade and Brant Argyle School new fire panel upgrade will start in July.
- Stonewall Centennial School and TCI will have new triple pane, tinted glass, energy efficient windows installed beginning the first week of July with an expected completion mid August.
- A new EE air quality control system throughout the division began early May and will continue through October. Main work will be completed over the summer and programming and deficiencies will be completed in the fall.
- SCI will have their lights upgraded to LED. All 200 lights through the hallways, bathrooms and library will be changed.

Central services/public school finance board project

- Teulon Elementary – ISD staff met with architects to discuss the future of the building. Drawings expected back in the fall.
- Stony Mountain - boiler replacement is in discussion
- SCI boiler replacement and unit ventilator replacement is in discussion. Currently the two steam boilers have passed their time as they were installed in 1961.
- Brant Argyle PAC hopes to start the stage/amphitheatre.



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GAAC Children's Summer Camps: Ages 5-11

Sewing & More

July 5-9

Learn to sew a Pillow as well as your very own Superhero! Campers will learn a variety of basic stitches and can look forward to embroidering, crafts and outdoor activities!

Dance Camp /w Ms Alycia and Ms Elena

July 12-16 & August 16-20

Each week features new dances to learn! Whether you're looking to try dance or work on your technique over the summer, there's something for everyone. We'll do some Jazz, Ballet, Lyrical, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre, Jazz Funk and Tap (no shoes required). Along with days full of dance, campers can look forward to some crafts and outdoor activities too!

Sports Camp

July 12-16 & August 16-20

Our summer sports camp will be filled with fun, fitness and friendship! Each day includes an introduction to a variety of sports, games, and physical literacy including tennis, badminton, volleyball, basketball, soccer, floor curling and ultimate frisbee!

Reader's Theatre Camp

July 19-23

Campers will take a look at the world of Robert Munch and Fairy Tales through Reader's Theatre. Campers will play theatre games, choose characters, create and design props, and perform a variety of short plays!

Flights & Fossils

July 26-30

Campers will learn to build and test different types of flight as well as create and examine various fossils. Some examples of activities campers can look forward to are competing in the 'Egg Drop Experiment', building paper airplanes and kites as well as making fossils using salt dough!

Games Camp

August 3-6

Campers will participate in a fun-filled, games packed week! Campers will create and compete in a variety of age-appropriate games including Jeopardy, Bingo, Minute-To-Win-It, Spelling Bees, scavenger hunts and outdoor Laser Tag!

Woodworking Camp

August 9-13 Campers will be provided a piece of plywood to create and design their very own nail art project and board game. They will also add their own creative touches to a pre-assembled bird house.

Children's Camp Info

Ages 5-11, Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm. Drop-off 8:30am Pickup 4:30 pm daily.
\$150/ week + \$5 membership fee OR register for more than one week and only pay \$100/week per child. Minimum and maximum numbers are in effect. Email gaacevents@mymts.net or call 204-886-3192 for more info.

Sports Camps

July 5-9 & August 9-13

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Creative Drama Camp

July 12-16 & July 19-23

Campers will transform a short play or create their own. Camps will focus around acting, set building, filming, prop making, script writing and more. There will be opportunities for acting and backstage work.

Games Camp

July 26-30 & August 16-20

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Fun & Friends Camp

August 3-6

Campers will enjoy a fun-filled week of activities, crafts, games and sports. Campers are encouraged to invite their friend(s) and are guaranteed to make new ones throughout the week. Share your passions and interests with us to make this week unique!

Teen Camp Info

Ages 11-17. Monday- Wednesday, 12pm-6pm. \$60/ week + \$5 membership fee. Minimum and maximum numbers are in effect.

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One dose of COVID-19 vaccines less effective against variants, especially delta (B16172)

By Patricia Barrett

British researchers are stressing the importance of getting both doses of two-shot COVID-19 vaccines as one dose has been found to be less effective against the alpha (B117) variant and “notably lower” in effectiveness against the delta (B16172) variant.

Those findings were released in an observational study titled “Effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines against the B.1.617.2 variant,” which was issued as a preprint but has yet to be validated by peer review.

It’s the first study the researchers say they’re aware of that reports on the effectiveness of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID vaccine and the AstraZeneca COVID vaccine against the delta variant.

“After two doses of either vaccine there were only modest differences in vaccine effectiveness with the B.1.617.2 [delta] variant,” the researchers wrote. “Absolute differences in vaccine effectiveness were more marked with dose one. This would support maximising vaccine uptake with two doses among vulnerable groups.”

The study analyzed 12,675 cases of which 11,621 had the alpha variant and 1,054 had the delta variant.

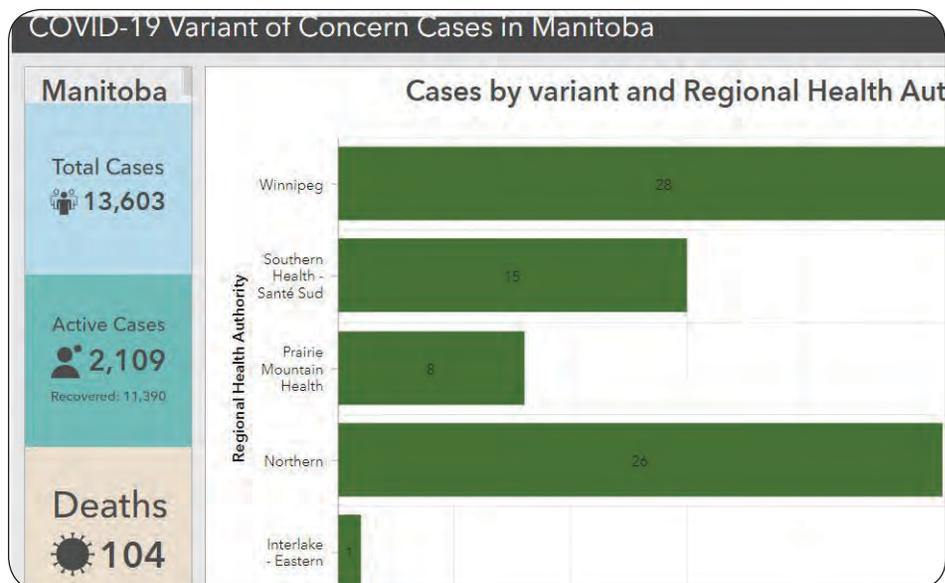
One dose of Pfizer was found to be 49.2 per cent effective against the alpha (B117) variant, and 33.2 per cent effective against the delta (B.1.617.2) variant. One dose of AstraZeneca was found to be 51.4 per cent effective against the alpha variant, and 32.9 per cent effective against the delta variant.

Two doses of Pfizer were found to be 93.4 per cent effective against the alpha variant, and 87.9 per cent effective against the delta variant. Two doses of AstraZeneca were found to be 66.1 against the alpha variant, and 59.8 per cent effective against the delta variant.

“In the ‘any vaccine’ analysis, effectiveness was notably lower after one dose of vaccine with B.1.617.2 cases 33.5% (95%CI: 20.6 to 44.3) compared to B.1.1.7 cases 51.1% (95%CI: 47.3 to 54.7),” the researchers wrote.

The delta variant caused infections to skyrocket in India in March, they wrote, and within a few months the country was experiencing around 4,000 deaths a day.

Delta has spread across the world, primarily to the United Kingdom, whose government as of early last Sunday had yet to decide on whether



TRIBUNE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

There have been 78 cases of the delta variant (B16172) in Manitoba as of June 12, according to the province's COVID-19 variant dashboard.

er to delay its imminent summer re-opening plan.

Delta, which has been classed as a variant of concern, has also been detected in Manitoba with some experts predicting a fourth wave should full vaccinations (two doses) fail to keep pace with the variant’s high transmissibility.

The Winnipeg health region has had 28 delta variant cases, Southern re-

gion (15), Prairie Mountain (8), Northern (26) and the Interlake-Eastern (1) for a total of 78 cases, according to the province’s dashboard showing cases by variant and regional health authority as of Saturday, June 12. The related kappa variant (B16171), currently considered a variant of interest, has also been detected in Manitoba with 13 cases in the Winnipeg region and one in Southern health.

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> MEAL IDEAS



Prep time: 25 minutes
Serves: 12 (1 roll per serving)

- Water
- 1 head Boston or oak leaf lettuce, ribs discarded (12 leaves)
 - 1 pound firm tofu, drained and cut lengthwise into 1/2-inch thick planks
 - 1 large carrot, peeled and shredded
 - 1/2 English or hothouse cucumber, peeled, seeded and cut into 2-inch long matchsticks
 - 2 cups mung bean or clover sprouts, blanched
 - 24 medium-large mint leaves
 - 12 round (8 inches) rice papers


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Fresh Vegetable Summer Rolls

Fill flat, round cake pan with water. Place clean, smooth kitchen towel on work surface. On plate, arrange lettuce, tofu, carrots, cucumber, sprouts and mint in individual piles.

Put one rice paper in water. Soak until pliable. Place rice paper on top of kitchen towel. Blot dry. Paper should be sticky, not slippery. Stack ingredients on side of rice paper closest to you as follows: one lettuce leaf, one tofu plank, carrot, cucumber, sprouts and two mint leaves next to each other.

Fold farther side of paper tightly over filling. Be careful not to tear it. Fold in sides and roll to end. Repeat with remaining ingredients.



Mini Pecan Lemon Berry Tarts

oven to 350 F. Line mini muffin tin with paper liners or spray with nonstick cooking spray.

In food processor, blend pecan pieces, butter and sugar until mixture forms coarse dough.

Scoop about 2 teaspoons pecan mixture in each muffin tin. Use back of wooden spoon or fingers to press mixture evenly along bottom and up sides of each muffin cup.

Bake 12 minutes, or until crusts are golden brown. Allow crusts to cool completely before removing from pan.

To assemble crusts: Spoon 1 teaspoon lemon curd into each mini pecan crust. Top with one raspberry or three small blueberries. Dust with powdered sugar, if desired.

Total time: 22 minutes

Servings: 24

Mini Pecan Crusts:

Nonstick cooking spray

- 2 cups pecan pieces
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons sugar

Lemon Filling:

- 1/2 cup lemon curd
- 1/2 cup blueberries, raspberries or combination powdered sugar, for dusting (optional)

To make mini pecan crusts: Preheat



Buffalo-Pecan Pimento Cheese Dip

Total time: 15 minutes

Servings: 30

- 1 cup raw pecan pieces
 - 1/2 pound (2 cups) sharp cheddar cheese, freshly grated
 - 1 jar (4 ounces) sliced pimentos
 - 2 tablespoons red hot sauce
 - 2 tablespoons mayo
 - 1 teaspoon kosher salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon fresh cracked pepper
 - 1 tablespoon chives, freshly chopped
- Preheat oven to 350 F.

On baking sheet, spread pecans and roast 8-10 minutes, or until golden brown and fragrant, tossing once halfway through. Remove from oven and set aside to cool completely.

In bowl, combine cheddar cheese, pimentos with juice, hot sauce, mayo, salt and pepper. Stir until combined. Add 3/4 of pecan pieces and mix until combined.

Place dip in serving bowl and top with remaining pecan pieces and freshly chopped chives.

Serve with veggies and crackers.

Why Manitoba summers are king!

Submitted by Julie Germaine

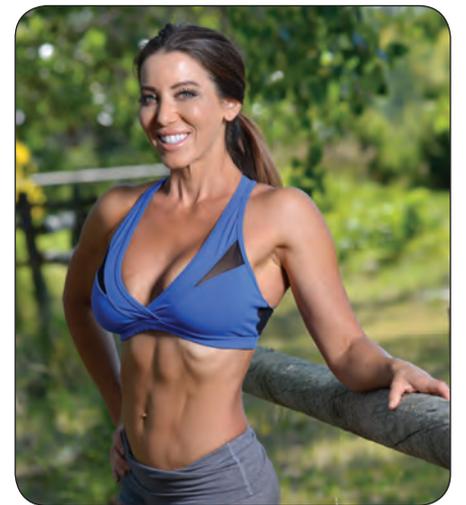
I don't know about you, but the return of green grass and warm sunny skies after half a year of winter just makes you appreciate summer all the more. The on-going inability to travel surely affected many of us, making it even more important to start getting outside for vitamin D and exercise as much as possible.

Unfortunately, we've all been leading a more sedative lifestyle, so it can be difficult to flip the momentum in favour of better health. There are many ways to burn calories, get active, and breathe fresh air that are fun for the whole family! If you can find one that you enjoy, it will be easy to shed that stubborn winter weight and belly fat that naturally creeps on during the Manitoba hibernation season.

My toddler was very excited to help her grandmother plant seeds in the garden this spring, and is more than willing to tote along her little watering can to tend to them when needed. This activity is suitable for all ages, and you'll work up a sweat lifting, carrying, and digging in nature. If you are more able-bodied, perhaps this is a great year to transplant some of your young trees to upgrade your yard, or dig a new garden for vegetables.

I truly believe we have some of the most beautiful and expansive parks in the world right here! If you don't have a rack to bring along your bicycle, rollerblading the paths or hiking the wilderness is exciting and invigorating.

Need baby steps when it comes to increasing your fitness? Simply hit the beach! Toting along your snacks and beach accessories, and walking through the thick sand counts as



Health and Wellness Fitness expert
Julie Germaine

a workout to me these days – I am happy just to know you're moving your body and venturing out in public. (Obviously your snack choices should be somewhat healthy please.)

You may find you drag your feet when it comes to preparing for these outings, but I guarantee you will have more energy afterwards and be looking forward to the next one! Just remember to stay hydrated and be safe.

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National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 21

By Tyler Searle

Flags hung at half-mast last week as students across the ISD created tributes to honour the 215 children found buried in a mass grave at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School.

The heart-rending discovery of the 215 has become a sombre teaching moment for young students in the Interlake who are doing their part to honour the lost children, said teachers in the ISD.

At least 14 schools in the division—including all nine Hutterian colony schools—paid their respects in painted rocks, paper feathers, and hearts.

Grade four students from École R. W. Bobby Bend School decorated rocks and distributed them within Stonewall Quarry Park. Students painted some with the colours of the medicine wheel, while others are bright orange and adorned with the words “every child matters.”

At Warren Elementary and the nine colony schools, students coloured 215 paper feathers and arranged them into art pieces, creating mosaics in the form of eagles, feathers, fans, and flowers.

The feathers were made using templates provided by Gitxsan artist Michelle Stoney.

Stoney created the design to represent the 215 and shared her artwork online with permission for teachers to use it in classrooms. Students across the country have since created tributes with the design.

Schools in Stony Mountain, École Centennial, and Grosse Isle covered their walls and windows with hundreds of paper hearts. Students at Grosse Isle also fastened ribbons to trees outside their school, and they begin each day with a land acknowledgement and moment of silence, said teacher Amanda Clemis.

Stony Mountain students covered a unit on residential schools earlier in the year but returned to the subject after the discovery, said teacher Shawna Conway.

“We had to talk about it. We can’t ignore something that huge,” Conway said

ISD students pay tribute to 215 residential school children



Warren Elementary students coloured paper feather templates provided by Gitxsan artist Michelle Stoney. Grade Six students in Chelsea Dutkiewich’s class lead the project and chose to arrange the feathers in the shape of an eagle.

TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY TYLER SEARLE



Students from Grosse Isle tied 215 black, white and orange ribbons around a tree in front of the school.



Students at Mallard Colony school coloured feathers and arranged them in the shape of a flower to honour the 215. All nine colony schools created a tribute for the lost children.

Conway has taught for 19 years and always addresses residential schools in her curriculum, but the discovery of the 215 shocked her and her students.

“To put it in perspective, (215 students is) not far from our entire student body here,” she said.

Bobby Bend teacher Susan Hannah echoed the same sentiment.

“When the discovery of 215 children buried at Kamloops RS became public, our students were saddened and wanted to know how and why this could have happened,” Hannah said.

In 2015, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) called for the federal government to develop a program

to identify and protect human remains from residential school cemeteries.

Many residential school survivors spoke about undocumented deaths and disappearances during hearings conducted by the TRC.

The commission estimated more than 4,000 children died while attended residential schools but acknowledged the actual number is unknown.

Indigenous leaders across the country are calling for more investigations into the grounds of residential schools.

In Manitoba, universities are working with Sioux Valley Dakota First Nation to identify children buried at the Brandon residential school.

Their investigation includes 104 potential graves across three cemeteries in the area. Of those, only 78 are accountable through cemetery and burial records, said Sioux Valley Chief Jennifer Bone in a video statement.

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Agriculture in the Classroom rebrands to include students of all ages

By Jules Stevenson

Agriculture in the Classroom received money through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership to support their projects through the COVID-19 pandemic. One project being a total rebrand of their website and resources.

“The branding of our organization was really more geared towards elementary students,” says Sue Clayton, Executive Director of Agriculture in the Classroom.

When Agriculture in the Classroom was formed in the 1980s, most of its content was geared towards them too. Clayton says as they’ve evolved over the years, they’ve become more of a kindergarten through grade 12 organization.

“We’re focusing a lot more on middle years and high school than ever before, specifically around careers. We thought it would be a good idea for our brand to reflect that maturity of the organization,” says Clayton.

It has taken them a few months to decide on their rebrand, wanting to make sure it was beneficial for both staff and educators.

Clayton says Agriculture in the Classroom is now in the process of rebranding all their resources and hope

to have it done by the end of summer.

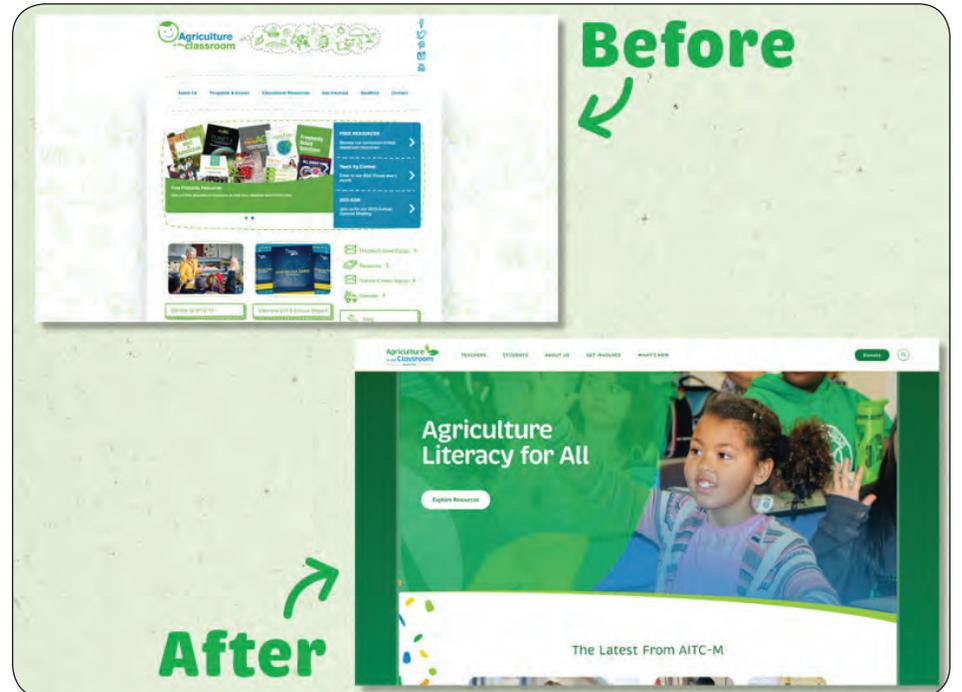
“It’s been well received. We’ve had a lot of our partners and teachers make comments to us that they like the new brand,” says Clayton. The feedback has been positive from teachers of all grades.

Clayton has had conversations with middle and high school teachers in the past who clicked away from their old website as soon as they saw the branding because of how much it was targeted at younger students.

“It would stop them right away, when they saw the look of the old brand,” she says. The new, more mature branding is welcoming and inclusive to all ages. Their website now features pictures of students of all ages and provides a more user-friendly layout. Their navigation allows educators to choose resources that are targeted to the age group they teach.

Clayton says she wants to make sure students understand where their food comes from and are educated in available careers in agriculture.

“When people think of agriculture, they think of farming, only ten per cent of the jobs are actually on the farm. The other 90 per cent are off the farm and can take you all over the world,” says Clayton.



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The Canadian Agricultural Partnership has rebranded their Agriculture in the Classroom to include Kindergarten to Grade 12 students.

Clayton says Agriculture in the Classroom’s goal is to make sure agriculture education happens in every classroom in Manitoba, and every student is agriculturally literate when they leave the education system.

“[The students] understand where their food comes from, when they go

to the grocery store, they understand what the labels mean, and when they go to vote they understand that agriculture is a giant part of our economy,” says Clayton. Agriculture in the Classroom provides resources like virtual farm tours, farm to plate recipes, and gardening programs.

Red River Co-op Donates \$25,000 for Urban

Agriculture Improvements at Oak Hammock Marsh

Submitted

The Co-op Community Spaces program was developed to help protect and beautify spaces across Western Canada to improve the places people meet, play, learn and share. Red River Co-op is excited to announce that the Harry J. Enns Wetland Discovery Centre at Oak Hammock Marsh near Stonewall was selected to receive a \$25,000 Co-op Community Spaces donation. The donation will be used towards the creation of pollinator gardens and improvements to the green roof on the Discovery Centre.

“Oak Hammock Marsh is a treasured environmental sanctuary that’s been enjoyed by Manitobans for decades,” said Doug Wiebe, CEO of Red River Co-op. “We are proud to contribute to the restoration of these critical areas at the Discovery Centre to help ensure the sustainability of the wetlands through maintenance and education.”

The existing pollinator garden had been taken over by weedy species. It has been redeveloped to make it more accessible with new paving and planter boxes. Wildflowers and native plants will be planted and interpretive signage installed to engage

and educate visitors. Several education program participants will now be able to visit the garden as part of their learning. The Plants & People program, where school-aged children learn the significance of the marsh and prairie plants and how they were used by Indigenous people, is an example.

“Having an accessible garden and a healthy green roof overlooking our beautiful wetland will be an incredible gift for all our visitors to enjoy,” said Nathalie Bays, Manager of the Harry J. Enns Wetland Discovery Centre.

Funds will also be used to hire a contractor to assess the health of the prairie plants as well as execute a controlled burn on the Discovery Centre’s green roof. A controlled burn will reduce weeds and allow prairie plants to re-grow. The green roof consists of grasses and flowers native to the surrounding landscape and acts as a natural insulation layer, reducing heating and cooling costs. By restoring the prairie on the roof and adding pollinator gardens, prairie habitat will be added adjacent to the wetland, thus providing both food and shelter for many species.

Provincial Park beach mats let families make memories

By Iris Dyck

Manitoba Parks is rolling out accessibility mats that will allow some Manitobans to experience the beach for the first time.

On May 27, Manitoba Parks announced on social media that nine provincial park beaches would be outfitted with Mobi-Mats. The mats provide an even, non-slip path through the sand, allowing wheelchairs and scooters to access the water.

For Kim VanDaele, 35, the mats mean the difference between spending time with her family and sitting on the sidelines.

"I've missed out on a lot of family fun because they weren't available before," she said.

VanDaele, who uses a mobility scooter, often spent her time sitting "who knows how far away" from her husband and son as they played on the beach. Without accessible infrastructure or accessories like Mobi-Mats, getting her scooter to the water was out of the question.

Mobi-Mats are roll-out carpets made from recycled plastic. Once laid out, they stay firmly in place on uneven or sandy surfaces. The mats act as a portable sidewalk for those with wheelchairs, scooters, strollers, or anyone who needs easier access to the beach. Sand and water can pass through the mat's woven structure, so they won't

be buried on the beach or swept away by waves.

Winnipeg Beach Provincial Park is one of the nine parks to get the mats. The park already has a paved walkway along the length the beach, with ramps leading down to the sand. The Mobi-Mat will connect the ramp with the water, so that those with mobility issues can get there more easily.

In his 12 years as mayor of the Town of Winnipeg Beach, Tony Pimentel has noticed the difference accessible options have made in his community.

"I have seen an increase of people with mobility issues coming up to the beach and enjoying the town," he said.

While Manitoba Parks and the Town of Winnipeg Beach have separate responsibilities, accessibility improvements in one inevitably affect the other. After a storm damaged the park's boardwalk in 2015, the province built the concrete walkway with accessibility in mind.

"People did indicate it was difficult to get down to the beach," said Pimentel, but now "people are more comfortable coming out."

It's certainly the case for VanDaele and her family. They've often visited Stephenfield Provincial Park because it was closest to their home in Winkler, Manitoba, but since hearing about the Mobi-Mats, their summer plans have changed. They are going to organize



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Mobi-Mats will make nine provincial park beaches accessible for those with mobility issues.

their trips around the beaches that have them.

"I am a young mom, and I would be overjoyed to be able to actually participate in making family memories," she said.

VanDaele's first experience using a Mobi-Mat was last summer at Bird's Hill Provincial Park. She was thrilled, and feels grateful now that people of

"all shapes, sizes and ages" can enjoy a day at the beach.

The nine provincial parks with Mobi-Mats are Bird's Hill, Clearwater Lake (Pioneer Bay), Grand Beach, Lunder Beach, Rainbow Beach, Spruce Woods, St. Malo (Sunset Shores Beach), Winnipeg Beach, and Whiteshell (Falcon Lake).

Work underway at Stonewall's Old Post Office

By Jennifer McFee

Two projects are currently underway at the building colloquially known as Stonewall's Old Post Office.

To start, all the windows and doors are being refurbished in an effort to restore the building and protect it from further deterioration. This work is expected to be complete within the next month or so.

The second project involves making the space functional so that it can be used as a town office temporarily while renovation work is being completed at town hall. This project includes upgrades to basic electrical and mechanical systems as well as other maintenance work.

"The other work was focused on operational items like lighting, heat and A/C units and a few other minor fixes to make sure the building would function as a town office on a temporary basis," CAO Wally Melnyk explained.

"There will need to be work done on the front steps that will get done later

this summer."

It's yet to be determined when town office staff will move over to the Old Post Office and when renovation work will begin at town hall.

"We are working through the selection process for a construction manager for the town office project right now. Once in place, the CM will assist with cost confirmation to ensure the project can move ahead based on financial considerations," Melnyk said.

"The CM will also work with the town to establish a timeline. At this point, if all goes well, that should be some time in July."

The maintenance work at the Old Post Office is estimated to be around \$40,000. The windows and doors project will be about \$50,000 to \$60,000.

"The maintenance costs spent at the post office are part of the budget for the town office reno," Melnyk said.

"When we proposed the budget for the town office build, it included the cost of the temporary space."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Town of Stonewall is renovating the Old Post Office so that it can be used as a temporary town office while renovations are completed at the town hall.

Interlake Community Foundation 2021 grant presentations

Submitted by Tracy Holod

The Interlake Community Foundation (ICF) announced their Community Grants, Designated Fund and Scholarship Fund awards for 2021.

Fourteen organizations received a community grant:

- Argyle Skating Club - \$2,650 to replace the rink boards. Funding from the RM of Rockwood fund, the Lauritz and Georgina Jensen Fund and the ICF unrestricted fund.

- Woodlands Pioneer Museum Inc. - \$1150 for a permanent accessible washroom facility at their site. Funding from the RM of Woodlands fund, the Leona and Larry Baker Fund and the ICF unrestricted fund.

- Starting Blocks Inc daycare - \$900 towards the purchase of a new water softening system for their facility. Funding from the Town of Stonewall fund.

- Ducks Unlimited - \$2,000 to redo the accessible rooftop pollinator gardens. Funding from the RM of Rockwood and RM of Rosser Funds.

- Stony Mountain Community Association Inc - \$1,650 to aid them with the completion of the Bison Bandstand project and a fenced in dog park, funded by the RM of Rockwood fund, the Percy and Mary Durham Fund, the Nell Smith Fund, the Community Builder Club undesignated fund and the ICF unrestricted fund.

- Balmoral Community Hall Inc. - \$1500 for their repair project involving their commercial kitchen area, funded by RM of Rockwood fund and the George and Grace Willox Memorial fund.

rial fund.

- The Teulon and District Museum and Historical Society - \$1490 for replacement of steps into the veranda area of Hunter House. Funding from the Town of Teulon fund and the ICF unrestricted fund in honour of the Helen and Herb Kletke fund.

- Stonewall Children's Centre Inc - \$1000 to purchase a gazebo for all weather use. This grant comes from the Town of Stonewall fund.

- The Grosse Isle Memorial Park and Rec Club - \$1755 to purchase round tables for use in the hall. Funding from the RM of Rosser Fund

- Meadow Lea United Church - \$800 to funding the building of a wheelchair ramp into their building. Funding from the RM of Woodlands and the ICF unrestricted fund.

- Ecole RW Bobby Bend School Pac-Interlake School Division - \$1,200 to purchase a picnic table for their outdoor classroom area. Funding from the Town of Stonewall fund.

- The Innovative LIFE Options Inc - \$1375 for the purchase of electronic equipment that will be lent out to their clients with disabilities in our area. Funding from RM of Rosser Fund, the Town of Stonewall Fund, Stonewall Family Foods Fund and the ICF unrestricted fund.

- Teulon and District Seniors Resource Council Inc - \$933 for three Cubii machines for use in the seniors housing units. Funded by the Town of Teulon Fund.

- Green Acres Art Centre in Teulon - \$1100 for purchase of equipment

suitable to host outdoor movies and gaming events. Funded by the Town of Teulon and ICF unrestricted fund.

- Leadership awards - \$300 each at Warren, Stonewall and Teulon Collegiates. These awards come from the Town of Teulon, Town of Stonewall, RM of Rockwood, Rosser and Woodlands Funds.

Youth In Philanthropy program - Warren Collegiate granted \$606.50 to the South Interlake Rec Centre and Teulon Collegiate granted \$679.50 to South West District Palliative Care.

2021 scholarship and designated awards

Stonewall Collegiate: The Beck Family Scholarship \$500; Jennifer Jensen and Kelsey Moeller-Brown Scholarship \$1000; Dave and Annette Unrau Award \$500; G.M. Willis Family Scholarship \$500.

Teulon Collegiate: A.H. Campbell Scholarship \$100; Lorne Ferley Scholarship \$825; Michael Ferley Bursary \$825; Dr Goodwin Memorial Scholarship \$100; Hunter-Cumming Scholarship \$175; Janet Kuchma Scholarship \$500; Dr. Rev Barry Rasmussen Scholarship \$200; TCI Alumni Scholarship \$225.

Warren Collegiate: Michael A. Lindell Automotive Scholarship \$1000; Ben and Marjorie King Memorial Bursary (2 awards of \$1250 each); MB Pool 802 (Retired) Scholarship \$300; Abby Margetts Memorial Arts Scholarship \$500.

- The Ryan Grandmont Memorial Scholarship has two awards of \$500

each to Stonewall Collegiate and Ecole Edward Schreyer School.

- The Bryan Lefley Memorial Fund Scholarship will have three award winners of \$1,000 each for graduates of the Interlake School Division.

- Designated funds: The Badger Daylighting Fund will award \$179 to the ACL Interlake; Donna Jensen—CL Interlake Fund will award \$179 to the ACL Interlake; The Bryan Lefley Memorial Fund will award \$500 to South West District Palliative Care; The Harry J Enns Oak Hammock Marsh Fund will award \$294,540 to Ducks Unlimited Canada to support the Harry J Enns Wetlands Centre; The Jennifer Jensen Memorial Fund--Library Support will award \$183 to the SIR Library; The Teulon Healthcare Foundation Fund will award \$1189 to the Teulon Healthcare Foundation; Woodlands Pioneer Museum Fund will pay out \$273 to the Woodlands Pioneer Museum.

The designated and scholarship fund awards total \$311,796 in funds that will go directly into our community.

The total ICF is awarding for 2021 is \$397,385.

These grants are possible because of the generous donations of people in our towns and rural municipalities. These are only part of the way we give back through the ICF. If you or anyone you know would be interested in establishing a personal legacy fund please contact our foundation. Our annual newsletter and our 2020 financial statements can be found on our website. www.interlakefoundation.ca

Protection and additional dollars for safe schools as pandemic continues

Government priority remains on in-class learning

Submitted by Manitoba government

The province is allocating \$58 million in new funding for the 2021-22 school year to ensure continued pandemic protection for schools and toward resources to support the mental health and well-being of students and staff, Education Minister Cliff Cullen announced last Thursday.

"We want to ensure the classroom environment continues to be as safe as possible while making focused investments to address the learning impacts of the pandemic," said Cullen.

Investments for next school year include:

• \$40 million for the per pupil allocation to school divisions and indepen-

dent schools for additional staffing, learning and technology, and health and safety;

• \$6 million for potential costs for PPE;

• \$5 million for the Kindergarten to Grade 8 Remote Learning Support Centre for students who are medically compromised; and

• \$7 million in contingency including a \$5-million recovery learning fund.

The recovery learning contingency fund will be used to address the impacts of the pandemic on student learning. It will support several streams including:

• mental health and wellness,
• literacy and numeracy,

- planning and assessment,
- student engagement, and
- professional learning.

The Kindergarten to Grade 8 Remote Learning Support Centre will support students requiring medical accommodations and not able to return to in-person classes. The centre, operated by St. James Assiniboia and Pembina Trails school divisions, will employ teachers, clinical staff and technical support to provide remote learning for 1,000 students.

For the current school year, the province is projected to invest up to \$170 million by the end of June including \$85 million in federal contributions, the minister said.

"The funding provided during the last school year was effective in protecting students and teachers by keeping schools as safe as possible and open for in-class learning," said

Cullen. "This round of funding builds on that success to ensure schools are safe next school year and will support costs associated with meeting any public health measures."

Manitoba Education is working with education stakeholders and public health officials to ensure teachers and students are supported as they continue to teach and learn during this global pandemic. It is anticipated there will be some level of public health measures for fall 2021 and the types of measures in the fall will be dependent upon vaccination rollout, the minister added.

A strong vaccination campaign for 12 years and older is underway designed to prepare students to return to full-time, in-class learning. For more information on young people and vaccinations visit www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/vaccine/young-people.html.

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Cara continues to grow the game of volleyball in Manitoba

By Brian Bowman

During his playing and coaching career, Chris Cara has travelled to many different cities.

He'll add another one to his impressive resume next year.

Cara was recently named to Manitoba's mission staff (women's volleyball/tennis) for the 2022 Canada Games in Niagara Falls, Ont.

"With the 2022 Canada Games, and it being pushed off a year, it's been a little challenging for the teams but I'm super excited and it's going to be an awesome experience," said Cara, who has lived in Stonewall with his wife Rachelle and daughter Brielle since 2006, last Saturday. "I don't know how much time I'll have to do any venturing but it's certainly going to be a great experience."

As a volleyball player, Cara has enjoyed many great experiences. He was a member of the powerhouse 1988 University of Manitoba men's team that won a silver medal, losing to the University of Saskatchewan in the CIAU final.

"It was a great experience and great atmosphere," said the 52 year old Cara, who grew up in Winnipeg. "We had great players and obviously a great coach with Garth Pischke. It was an excellent experience for myself to be in that situation. That year we were very strong and ranked No. 1 in Canada. We had some one-on-one competition with the No. 1 team from the states, which was Penn State at the time."

After taking a several year hiatus from university volleyball, Cara landed in Edmonton and played three outstanding seasons with the Grant MacEwan Griffins. He was an ACAC all star from 1994-96 and was named athlete of the year in 1996.

"It was a great atmosphere, obviously going out there I was a little bit older than some of the players," Cara recalled. "A lot of players there were 18, 19 years old so it was very easy for me to walk in with the knowledge that I had and to (guide) some of those guys through our seasons. It was nice to get back into school, I was taking accounting at the time, so it was definitely a motivator and a driver."

In 2005, Cara was part of a team that won a bronze medal at the World Master Games in Edmonton.

Since 2013, Cara has devoted much of his time to coaching at the club level.



Chris Cara

el. He really enjoys watching a player improve tremendously over a few years and later play at the university level.

But the Bandits Volleyball Club is his latest project.

"My main focus right now is making sure athletes have a safe place to train at a high level of training," Cara said. "We make sure that all of our coaches are certified and we do things backwards. We make sure that we have coaches in place before we're running a team so that we're not scrambling trying to find coaches for kids. We want to make sure that they're walking into a facility that is top-notch."

Cara started the Bandits Volleyball Club in 2020 but it has been hampered, like all programs in the province, due to the COVID pandemic and provincial restrictions.

"It's been a challenge, there's no doubt, part way through our first year we obviously got shut down when we got hit with COVID," he said. "We had to do some rearranging of what we were accomplishing. We were fortunate enough at that point where I have to book all of my gym time a year out because we're partnered with Sport for Life and Dakota Sportsplex (so) our gym time was kind of secured. We were able to get back at it although it was at a limited capacity. We were probably one of the only clubs that grew as a team during the pandemic as opposed to teams not being able to operate."

Cara wanted to thank his family for the tremendous support that they have given him over the years as he strives to grow the sport of volleyball in Manitoba.



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Stonewall's Chris Cara, far right, has been named a mission staff member for Manitoba at the 2022 Canada Games in Niagara Falls.

"There is zero chance that I would be able to do this without the support of my family," he said. "They are awesome. My wife and my daughter are 100 per cent behind what I'm doing and I wouldn't be able to spend as much time as I do in the gym if I didn't have that kind of support from them."

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- 2003-Present STARTED BEACH BANDIT ADULT BEACH LEAGUES
- 1997-1999 VOLLEYBALL ALBERTA BEACH COORDINATOR
- 1994-1996 MEMBER OF GRANT MACEWAN GRIFFINS MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM (ACAC All Star 94-96, Athlete of the year 96)
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MJHL implements new Anti-Racism Player Education Program

From the MJHL website

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League announced the implementation of a new Anti-Racism Player Education Program which will strengthen our league policies regarding verbal taunts, insults, and intimidation actions based on discriminatory behaviours.

The MJHL continues to enhance our current Policies and Code of Conduct in support of our indigenous and racialized community athletes, staff, families and communities.

Anti-Racism Player Education Seminars

Beginning in the 2021-22 season, anti-racism education seminars targeted for MJHL players, coaches, and support staff will be provided to each member team covering a range of Indigenous topics and issues, sensitivity and cultural awareness training in anti-discrimination and anti-oppression education.

The goals of the anti-discrimination education seminars are to:

Provide players/staff with language and terminology concerning anti-discrimination and anti-oppression.

Assist players/staff in recognizing and identifying problematic behaviours in themselves and others.

Involve players/staff to actively engage and commit to promoting a respectful and supportive hockey culture.

Topics that will be covered during the education seminars will lay the foundation for learning about racism and discrimination:

Positionality and Intersectionality, Culture and Socialization, Prejudice and Stereotypes and Discrimination and Racism.

The seminars will be led by MJHL alumni Wade Houle. Houle graduated from the Faculty of Education at the University of Manitoba in 2006 and also completed his Education Graduate Diploma from Brandon University

in 2018. He grew up in the Metis community of Vogar, MB. His mother is from the Lake Manitoba First Nation and his father is from the Ebb & Flow First Nation, from which Houle is a band member.

Presently, Houle is a high school teacher in Dauphin, has been an educator for the past 15 years, and is currently completing his Master's Degree Thesis in the Faculty of Graduate Studies at Brandon University.

In February of 2020, he started a small business called Bright Sky Consulting where he works with a variety of businesses and organizations with the implementation of their in-house discrimination and racial sensitivity training.

"I am excited about the opportunity to work with the Manitoba Junior Hockey League and contributing to players and personnel on becoming anti-racist and anti-oppressive," Houle said. "This shows not only a commitment to the teams, but a commitment to creating contributing and caring citizens in the Manitoba community."

"Through internal discussions as a league over the course of the past season, it became apparent that there is much more that the MJHL could and should be doing to address racism and discrimination in our sport while also providing important and necessary anti-racism education for our players/staff," said Kevin Saurette, MJHL Commissioner.

"We know that discrimination unfortunately still exists in our society and this type of education is required for change to take place. This program will play an important role in the MJHL being part of the solution going forward."

The MJHL Board of Governors passed a motion during the 2021 MJHL AGM to strengthen MJHL policies and review procedures regarding verbal taunts, insults or intimidation

actions or behaviors based on discriminatory grounds (race, religion, color, sexual orientation, etc.).

Going forward, any player, team official, executive member, or any other Hockey Canada member who is found, to have acted contrary to our Anti-Discrimination Policy, will be assessed the following minimum automatic penalties:

First Infraction—Minimum three Game Suspension

Second Infraction—Minimum five Game Suspension

Third Infraction – Indefinite Suspension

Any party failing to cooperate with the fact-finding process may be subject to suspension as determined by the MJHL.

Currently, if any of the above are reported in the on-ice officials post game report, following investigation, it is an automatic minimum suspension following the above suspension guidelines.

"The MJHL is committed to providing a positive, respectful and inclusive hockey experience for all participants in a safe sporting environment, free of discrimination," said Saurette.

Hundreds of young athletes of all backgrounds from across North America have taken to the ice in the MJHL over the years and continue to greatly contribute to the success of the league. The MJHL prides itself on working to ensure an inclusive atmosphere for all players, staff and their families.

"Through this balanced approach of both educating players and strengthening our review and sanction policies, we aim to raise awareness within our players and staff, to contribute positively to society and nurture an inclusive Hockey Culture within our league," Saurette concluded.

Murray Clearsky

"It's been ongoing for many years but it's now time to try and do some-

thing about it, it affects everybody. To experience it first hand, it really pisses you off. Every non-treaty person in this country should be educated. We are all equal and it doesn't matter what colour you are," Waywayseecappo First Nation Chief, Murray Clearsky said.

Taylor Harnett

"This is exactly what the game of hockey and other sports need, is education. Educating our players is the first step in eliminating this from our game. Understanding what a negative impact racism and discrimination has on people, will make a difference. This by any means is not an epidemic in our game, but it is present. The changes implemented to the MJHL's policy regarding discipline and suspensions will hopefully be a last resort. It is our mission to eliminate this from Society and we are hopeful other leagues in sport take notice," shared Taylor Harnett, Wolverines Head Coach and General Manager.

Morley Watson

"The MJHL has become truly diverse not only on the ice but in the stands and with corporate sponsorship as well. It is for these reasons the MJHL is standing up to racism so our great product can be enjoyed by all in an inclusive atmosphere," Wolverines Governor, Morley Watson said.

MJHL APTN Hockey Hopes Program

The MJHL and APTN teamed up last season to help share the importance of inclusivity in the game of hockey through the APTN Hockey Hopes Program and look forward to making visits in person this coming season.

APTN Hockey Hopes has each MJHL team making two school visits to First Nations and non-First Nations schools in their region, where players will read to a classroom, share the importance of inclusivity in hockey and answer questions from the curious students.

U18 'AAA' baseball hoping to start season July 4

Staff

The Winnipeg Amateur Baseball Association has set an objective to start the U18 "AAA" season on July 4 if approval is given by the provincial government.

Coaches were sent an email outlining the league's plans on Sunday

morning.

The league hopes to have a six-week schedule with games finishing on Aug. 15 followed immediately by playoffs with an end date of Aug. 22.

The exact details of how the playoffs would be structured to accommodate both Zone 1 and Zone 2 teams has yet

to be finalized.

All teams who originally had a 28-game schedule would now play 18 games, with doubleheaders every weekend and a single game during the week.

Brandon and Pembina Hills would be allotted a 12-game schedule with

doubleheaders every weekend. South Central is invited to join the league and would play a 12-game schedule with weekend doubleheaders.

The new schedule is in the process of being drafted.

Province loosens restrictions for golfers

By Brian Bowman

Golfers from across the province received some good news last Wednesday.

The Province of Manitoba announced a new public health order which began last Saturday at 12:01 a.m.

Golf is now allowed with a maximum of five participants per group while pro shops will remain open at 10 per cent capacity, to a maximum of 100 people.

"It's nice to hear. The household (restrictions) were obviously tough on some people," said Shawn Coe, PGA of Canada Director of Operations at the Teulon Golf & Country Club, last Friday. "It's good news for golfers to get out and play with some people outside of your house."

Under the retail guidelines, individual one-on-one club fittings by appointment only can be conducted indoors and outdoors.

Individual (one-on-one) golf lessons are permit-

ted at this time although group lessons remain prohibited.

Restaurants, bars and patios remain closed to in-person dining but can still provide take-out and delivery services.

If an appropriate barrier is in place, such as a plastic shield between the driver and passenger, two people from separate households can share a golf cart.

The prohibition of "organized team games" does not apply to men's or ladies nights, league play and other team games or competitions such as Ladies Nassau and Mundie Putter, if the participants come to the course, play their round of golf and then leave the premises when they have finished their round of golf.

The golf course is responsible to take steps to ensure that the golf teams are not more than five persons and that the teams are well spaced from each other and that separate teams are not gathering to-

gether on the course as the outdoor gathering limit of five would apply.

This public health order is in effect until June 26 at 12:01 a.m.

The Teulon course, meanwhile, has seen a steady stream of golfers so far this season. "When we first opened it was probably the busiest start that we've ever had," Coe noted, adding their course is in great shape. "There were a couple of days where we were maxed out from the start to the end. Since the household restriction came in place, it has definitely slowed down and (this past weekend) we didn't have an open tee time. It looks like it's going to pick up and we're going to be busy for the next little while."

Membership is up at the Teulon course, said Coe, although tournaments are currently not allowed.

Cost to play an 18-hole round at Teulon is \$55 per person from a shared household with a cart and \$65 for a player in a single rider cart.

MJHL announces regular-season schedule

Staff

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League announced the regular season start date, schedule format, divisional format and important dates for the upcoming 2021-22 season.

The puck will drop for the opening weekend on Friday, Sep. 17.

Opening weekend will feature six home and home divisional matchups taking place over the course of the weekend involving all 12 teams.

The MJHL will make a return to two-divisions for the 2021-22 season fea-

turing a West and East division with six member teams making up each division.

The Selkirk Steelers will be in the East Division along with the Portage Terriers, Steinbach Pistons, Winkler Flyers, Winnipeg Blues and the Winnipeg Freeze. The West Division includes the Dauphin Kings, Neepawa, OCN Blizzard, Swan Valley Stampeders, Waywayseecappo Wolverines, and the Virden Oil Capitals.

Once the season gets underway, each team will play a 54-game schedule on

their road to the MJHL Turnbull Cup Playoffs.

Each team will play 40 games within their division and 14 games outside of their division. The season will begin with 10 weeks of home-and-home divisional play, followed by six weeks of non-divisional matchups, before moving to a more traditional schedule format in January.

Meanwhile, the MJHL/SJHL joint player showcase will be hosted by the MJHL from Jan. 25-26, 2022.

Hosted in Winnipeg at the Seven

Oaks Sportsplex, the event brings together the top 60 players from each league providing maximum high-performance exposure opportunities in front of NHL, WHL, U SPORTS and NCAA scouts.

Portage la Prairie to host MJHL Showcase

Staff

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League announced that the 2021 MJHL Player Showcase will take place Nov. 22-24 at Stride Place in Portage la Prairie.

The Showcase will feature all 12 MJHL teams in one location over three days with each team playing two highly-competitive regular-season games during the high-performance event.

"We are extremely excited for the 2021 edition of the MJHL Showcase after not being able to host the event last season," said MJHL Commissioner, Kevin Saurette. "For our elite athletes, these games are a very important step in attracting the attention of the many NCAA, Major Junior, University, NHL and NHL Central Scouting scouts and coaches that will be attending from across North America.

"For both fans of the MJHL and the game of hockey, this event is a great way to watch a variety of high-calibre hockey games, while enjoying the many comforts and amenities that Stride Place has to offer. The timing of the event will allow teams and players the ability to be in mid-season form so that they are best prepared to showcase themselves positively."

2021 Manitoba Open cancelled

Staff

The 2021 Manitoba Open, part of the Mackenzie Tour-PGA Tour Canada - has been cancelled.

The announcement was made last Thursday.

The four-day event was scheduled to be played at the Southwood Golf and

Country Club in support of the True North Youth Foundation.

"Unfortunately, we are sad that with so much uncertainty this spring and summer around the COVID pandemic, we are unable to move forward with our tournament this year," the host committee said in a media re-

lease.

"The tournament volunteers, Southwood members and staff, and our friends at True North Youth Foundation look forward to seeing you all at our championship layout on the banks of the La Salle River in St. Norbert next August."

Volleyball Canada cancels 2021 Beach National Championships

Staff

Volleyball Canada's 2021 Beach National Championships, originally scheduled for Aug. 20-22 in Toronto, have been cancelled.

This decision, made in consultation with the event co-host, the Ontario Volleyball Association, comes after Volleyball Canada announced the cancellation of the 2021 Indoor Nationals, originally scheduled for May 2021 across Canada.

This marks the second straight year that the Indoor and Beach events have been cancelled due to restrictions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

The annual competition was expected to bring close to 500 athletes, officials and volunteers to the beach at Ashbridges Bay.

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Assistant CAO

The ACAO will assist in the management and implementation of all aspects of daily municipal finance and administration. We are seeking an individual that has advanced skills in accounting, and has the ability to lead, oversee and implement organizational administration, assisting, reporting to and taking direction from the CAO. A high level of ability to communicate and assist staff, council, and the public will also be expected from the successful candidate and excellent human resource skills will be required.

The ACAO may be expected to assume the authority and duties of the CAO in an acting capacity when appointed to the role in the CAO's absence.

ACAO Assets considered: CMMA course certificate or extensive experience in local government/public sector environment, high-level accounting and managerial skills/background; knowledge of federal, provincial and municipal legislation; extensive computer and software experience (accounting, Microsoft Word and Excel, Asyst).

Office Clerk

The Officer Clerk will be responsible for providing administrative and clerical support and receptionist services to the municipal full time administrative staff. This casual on-call position will be scheduled to replace full-time administrative staff during periods of vacation and/or illness or during busy workloads. This position requires a highly motivated and resourceful individual with a strong focus on customer service with a pleasant phone manner. Applicants must have well developed organizational and time management skills and the ability to communicate effectively.

The successful candidate must have exceptional interpersonal skills to effectively interact with the public, staff, council and external agencies. Post-Secondary education in office administration and/or related field combined with office administration experience.

Salary is negotiable depending upon qualifications and experience. Interested individuals may submit a cover letter and resume with three references to:

Corlie Larsen, CMMA
Chief Administrative Officer
RM of Armstrong
Box 69, Inwood, MB R0C 1P0
Phone: (204) 278-3377 Fax (204) 278-3437
Email: cao@rmofarmstrong.com (preferred)

A complete job description is available upon request. The deadline for submitting your Resume is Monday, June 28, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. however this posting will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. The positions are to commence as soon as possible. **We thank all that apply; only those selected for interview will be contacted.**

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- 1990 International Cab and Chassis 6 Cyl, Red

More details available on the RM of Armstrong website www.rmofarmstrong.com or by emailing cao@rmofarmstrong.com

Viewing of equipment is available on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the public works yard located beside the municipal office at Lot 55 Highway 17, Inwood, Manitoba.

Bids will be reviewed at a meeting of council after closing date. Successful bid accepted by council must be paid in full within 48 hours of notification and item removed within one week. Please note: GST will be added to the successful bid.

Bids are to be submitted in written form (including contact information) and sealed, not later than Friday, July 2, 2021, 4:30 p.m. to:

RM of Armstrong
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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

R.M. OF ROSSER ZONING BY-LAW NO. 4/21

Being a By-law to regulate and control the use and development of land and buildings within the municipal limits of the R.M. of Rosser (excluding CentrePort).

HEARING LOCATION: Bel Acres Golf & Country Club
7150 E Rd 70 North
R.M. of Rosser, Manitoba

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, June 29, 2021, at 6:00PM

IMPORTANT NOTE: PRE-REGISTRATION TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING, EITHER IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY, IS REQUIRED. FULL DETAILS ARE PROVIDED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.

GENERAL INTENT: To adopt Zoning By-Law No. 4/21, replacing Zoning By-law No. 15/14 (as amended), in accordance with The Planning Act.

AFFECTED AREA: Zoning By-Law No. 4/21 will apply to all lands within the R.M. of Rosser, excluding CentrePort (pursuant to The Planning Act and the Inland Port Special Planning Area Regulation 46/2016).

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Shaw, General Manager
South Interlake Planning District
285 Main Street, Stonewall, MB, ROC 2Z0
Phone: 204-467-5587

An electronic copy of Zoning By-Law No. 4/21 may be downloaded from the South Interlake Planning District's website: www.sipd.ca/p/latest-news.

Note: Property owners are responsible for notifying tenants

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**PRE-REGISTRATION TO ATTEND
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Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this Public Hearing will be conducted both **in-person AND virtually on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 6:00PM.**

For anyone who wishes to attend this Public Hearing, either **in-person OR virtually**, you are required to complete the following steps:

1. Pre-register by emailing the R.M. of Rosser at clerk@rmofrosser.com and include the following information in your email message:
 - Your name, civic address, mailing addresses (if different than the civic address), and your preferred email address;
 - Whether you wish to attend **in-person OR virtually**;
 - Your interest in the Public Hearing: to support, to oppose, or to attend for information; and
 - Whether or not you plan to make a presentation before Council during the Hearing.
2. If you are attending the Public Hearing by virtual means, the R.M. of Rosser will provide you with all required information regarding the virtual meeting platform and passwords to be used.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Ashley Campbell, R.M. of Rosser, at 204-467-5711.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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BIRTHDAY



Happy 90th Birthday
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as Administrators of the Estate of Gerald
Arnold Sigvaldason, will be received up to
4:00 pm on July 30, 2021 at the offices of:
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envelopes accompanied by a certified cheque
or bank draft payable to "Grantham Law
Offices in Trust" for 10% of the tendered
amount. Cheques will be returned in respect
to tenders that are not accepted.

All bidders will be advised within two
working days of July 30, 2021 if their bid
was successful. Successful bidders will be
asked to enter into a formal Offer to Purchase
with a possession date of August 31, 2021, or
sooner or later by mutual consent.

Tenders will be held in confidence and not be
released to the public.

If any purchaser has any questions concerning
the bidding process, please contact Grantham
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Any questions regarding details or history of
the land can be directed to Morley
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In Loving Memory
John MacLeod Hannah
June 18, 1941 – March 14, 2019
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Forever loved.
-Pat, Susan, Chris, Helena,
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Brett Young
September 9, 1957 – June 19, 2020
One year ago you left so suddenly and
unexpectedly. Life will never be the same and
I still struggle. We laughed every day and no
words were left unspoken. You were my best
friend, love and soul mate. The world lost a
loving, compassionate and unique man who
was mine.
Until we meet again Babe.
-Love Jill

IN MEMORIAM



Ryan Grandmont
In loving memory of
Our Son, Brother, and Uncle who
Passed away three years ago
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Your life was a blessing,
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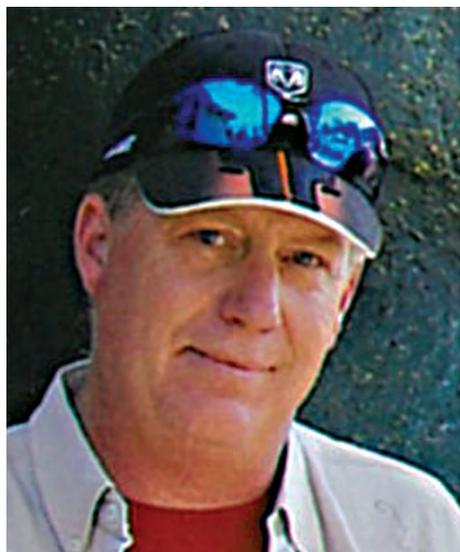


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Bryan Harrison
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Still Loved, still missed and very dear.
-Always in our thoughts and hearts,
Angie, Jessica and Denis,
Jordan and Shailee and Alex
And his grandchildren, Brayden,
Kailyn and Leliana

IN MEMORIAM



Bryan Harrison
June 18, 2019

It's almost two years.
Miss you dearly.
-Love always, Mom

*There is a link death cannot sever,
Love and remembrance last forever.*

OBITUARY



Allan E. Willis
July 18, 1937 – June 6, 2021

Our family announces with sadness, the passing of Allan at the Goodwin Lodge Personal Care Home, Teulon, Manitoba.

He is survived by his wife Dale of 56 years; three children: Brian (Sheila) Piper and Hudson, Ainslee and Ben, Noreen and Connor, Warren (Bev) Drea and Kylee; two brothers Lance (Rosemarie) Lorne (Merle) and their families; two sisters-in-law Denise and Laura (Bob) and their families.

Allan worked in the construction industry for 50 years. Any job he did, he did well, right down to making "jams and jellies" in "his" kitchen upon retirement. His favorite sayings when putting on his work boots were about his daughter Nor "I have to buy my girl a dress" and when snow started to fall those were "Pennies from Heaven". We enjoyed trips to the casino, he often won more than me so he became my A.T.M. machine. Our camping trips with family and friends left us with many happy memories, also the card games around our kitchen table.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to all the Homecare workers who came and went while he was still at home, and the Goodwin Lodge staff, you all treated him with kindness and compassion making a rocky time in our lives just a little smoother.

There was no formal service and a private family gathering has already been held.

Allan was "King of the Road" so he knew that the final road would be paved.

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OBITUARY



Alfred Grauman

On Tuesday, June 9th, 2021 Alfred Grauman, husband and father of four passed away at the age of 93.

Alfred was born on September 15th, 1927, in Fannystelle, MB. He grew up farming as the family moved. Settling in Balmoral, he was a farmer there for nearly 70 years. He lived on the family farm with his wife Doris, they had three sons Roger, Duane, Greg, and a daughter Debbie.

He worked his whole life, working in many industries. Working in construction, packing houses, sheet metal fabrication, as a taxi driver, and delivering coal.

He always had a knack for building things to solve problems that would come up around the farm.

Alfred was preceded in death by his wife Doris; son Greg; brothers Edmond and Otto; and sister Tina. He is survived by three children Roger (Diane), Duane (Roberta), and Debbie (Steve); his sisters Jean (Bruno) and Bernice (Keith); sister-in-law Rosie (Peter); grandchildren Jason, Cheryl, Keith, Pete, Nula, and Daniel; eight great-grandchildren, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A private family service will take place.

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OBITUARY



Leslie Terrence Balan
November 2, 1940 – May 29, 2021

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the sudden passing of Leslie Terrence Balan, at his home in Warren MB, at the age of 80 years.

Dad will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 56 ½ years, Brenda; daughters Gerri (Vern), Jodi (Jeev), son Jayson (Andrea); grandchildren Jared, Jensen, Justin, Jessica, Jayden, Owen and Evan; as well as brothers Carl, John (Elaine), sisters Dianne (Phil) and Barbara (Ken); in-laws Peggy and Jim; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Dad was predeceased by son Jeff; parents Cozma and Vera; brothers George and Alex; and sisters Bonnie and Helene.

Dad was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, one of nine children growing up on the family farm in Woodlands MB. Dad and Mom were married in 1964 and started their married life living on his parent's farm before starting their own family on a small farm in Warren. Though an electrician by trade, his heart was in farming and the farm was ever evolving with geese, chickens, pigs, cattle and horses over the years. The farm holds a special place in the hearts of the many friends and family who spent time with Dad there.

Dad worked a few different jobs (Thompson mines, Atlas Electric and Comstock) before taking a year off in 1966 to help Grandpa build the Woodlands Hotel. Most of Dad's working years after this were spent with Balan Electric and in later years, with the Interlake School Division. Dad was always on call to help any neighbor in need when they had electrical issues. Seems he could fix anything with a pair of side cutters and his Amprobe. Those service calls most often ended with a cold beer and a visit.

Dad was a great storyteller. One thing about his stories was that he never embellished them as time went on. No matter how many times we heard a story, it was always the same. Some of his favourites were of his early working years up north with Comstock. He was truly at home in those camps.

In his later years, he could be found having afternoon coffee in Warren and Woodlands and then patrolling the back roads and drainage ditches, checking in on neighbors. He often enjoyed sitting at a crossing watching the local farmers seeding in the spring or harvesting in the fall. He was in awe of how quickly they could be in and out of a field these days. If you couldn't find him out and about, he could be found out back by the pond, sitting in his truck with the windows down reading a book.

Dad, today our hearts are breaking, and we miss you so much already. What we wouldn't give for just one more moment together, one more game of checkers, one more drive to the pasture, even one more lecture. You loved us fiercely and taught us tough lessons that we may not have understood at the time but so appreciate now.

Dad was laid to rest on June 05, 2021, at the Woodlands Cemetery. Due to the current restrictions in place, we have decided to have a celebration of life at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Woodlands Pioneer Museum.

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OBITUARY

Florence Winnifred Penner (nee Jackson)
June 29, 1932 - June 4, 2021

Florence passed away peacefully with family by her side at Oakview Place. Survived by Andrew (Elaine), Allen (Darlene), Johann (Megan), Cody, Ken, Caroline (Stewart), Jarret, AJ (Jessica), Sara (Kyle), Juliette, Riel, Judy (Chris). Sisters Mabel, Millie, Gladys, Leila, Laura, Carol; sister-in-law Elma (Cam), Helen; brother-in-law Peter (Alvina), Eddy.

Preceded by her parents Fredrick and Henrietta Jackson; husband Anton (Tony) Penner; sisters Edith, Irene; sister-in-law Susan and Elenore; brother-in-law Allison, Jerry, Fred, John, Bill, Richard, Henry, Bill, Dave.

Mom was born on the farm near Dashwood, Ontario, she was one of nine girls. They moved three times before settling on Paris, Ontario. Her first job was at Walker Press.

In 1960 mom moved west to Winnipeg where she married Dad, together they raised five children. They lived in Winnipeg until 1978 when they moved to Warren. Dad passed away in 2001, Mom lived with Andrew until moving in to Assiniboine Links then to Oakview Place.

Mom enjoyed watching sports, ice skating, dancing, western music, reading, puzzles, nails getting painted, family photos, flowers, cats, walks inside and outside saying hi to other residents we would meet. Mom also enjoyed visits from family and friends.

Mom reconnected with Jehovah these last couple years.
John 5 28-29 Do not be amazed at this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out.

The family would like to thank the staff on 3 north for their excellent care of mom.

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