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Interlake School Division high school graduates from Keystone Colony, located just outside of Warren, were happy to celebrate their successful completion of Grade 12 last week. Pictured left to right: Doria Hofer, Suzanna Hofer and Megan Hofer. The Tribune will have a Graduation 2020 edition next week.

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### Pandemic graduation marks historic milestone for one local family

#### By Sydney Lockhart

Celebrating five of their grandchildren graduating during a pandemic, was like a small family reunion for Ron and Heather Unger.

Their five grandkids — Avery Good, Ryan Petricig, Colton Unger, Jake Unger and Cameron MacInnes — all graduated from Stonewall Collegiate Institute this past week.

"Saturday, we took pictures with them all dressed up. We had a supper in the evening in the garage and decorated it up," said Heather Unger.

The family wanted to enjoy and focus on the things they did have to make the day special.

"It was disappointing, but on the other hand it was safe and it was

good," said Heather.

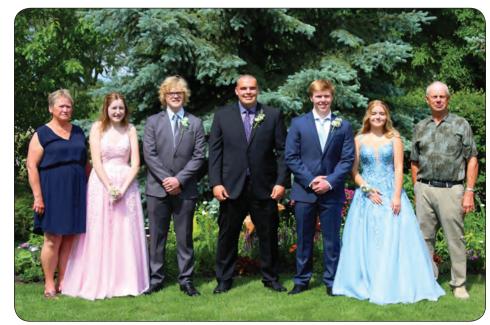
She said despite it being a different grad, they were more focused on celebrating with each other and it was

"When you've got five of them, it's something else."

The family sat in the garage together to watch the grad video and had some good laughs."It wasn't quite as emotional. I would have definitely cried otherwise," she said.

Unger said her grandchildren later took photos at Quarry Park wearing masks to remember what their grad was like in a pandemic.

"I think everyone was just proud of the kids, but I guess they aren't kids anymore — they're young adults."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY SYDNEY LOCKHART

Left to right: Heather Unger, Avery Good, Jake Unger, Colton Unger, Ryan Petricig, Camryn MacInnes, Ron Unger.

## Celebrating a milestone



#### TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Bryson Shurek shows off his pre-kindergarten diploma last Thursday evening at the Teulon Day Care graduation. Due to COVID-19, the annual ceremony looked a little different. Each graduate had 15 minutes of fame when their pre-kindergarten teachers presented families with the improvements students made throughout the year. Bryson improved in many things and maintained his love of everything John Deere and his desire to be a Manitoba Hydro worker. There were 15 children from the daycare that will start kindergarten in the fall. Pictured from left: Lori Malcolm, Roxane Pawluk, Bryson Shurek and Laurie Nault.

### Rockwood council news in brief

At a special meeting on June 24, council passed first reading of a bylaw authorizing a \$250,000 loan to John Q Public Inc. for the installation of a fibre network as part of the strategic fibre corridor. John Q Public is an economic development corporation owned by multiple municipal corporations in the Winnipeg Metro Region. The loan is advanced to John Q Public until Dec. 31, 2026, with an interest rate of 2.5 per cent per year. The funds will come from Rockwood's community enhancement reserve, and the loan repayment with interest will be credited back to the same reserve fund. It will be presented to council at the regular meeting on July 8 for second and third reading.

Rockwood council passed

second and third readings of a debenture for the Teulon-Rockwood Fire Hall. This bylaw allows for the borrowing of \$658,783.14 to cover costs of the project. The interest rate is 2.99 per cent payable each Dec. 31 from 2020 to 2039. The Municipal Board previously authorized the municipality to borrow \$700,000 for the project, but the full amount is not required. The RM of Rockwood was given the authority to borrow in 2018 and has now authorized the spending.

Council also passed a bylaw to close Parkdale Avenue and, once consolidated, to transfer ownership by selling it to the adjoining landowner. Parkdale Avenue is no longer required for public purposes so council felt it was in public interest to close

### **Stonewall RCMP respond** to fatal motorcycle collision

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At 7:20 p.m. on June 27, Stonewall RCMP received a report of a single-vehicle collision on Provincial Road 248, located approximately two kilometres south of Marquette.

Officers believe a motorcycle, being driven by a 62-yearold male from Winnipeg, was heading northbound when the driver appears to have lost control of his bike as he entered a curve. The driver then entered the ditch and rolled.

The 62-year-old, who was wearing a helmet, was pronounced deceased on scene.

Stonewall RCMP, along with a forensic collision reconstructionist, continue to investigate.

## Warren gets new park

#### By Evan Matthews

Warren has a new community space, and residents will get the final say in what to name it.

LUD member Diana Friesen said the soon-to-be-named greenspace, which is located southwest corner of the Railway Avenue and Hanlan Street intersection, recently had a bench, flower pots and a garbage container installed and is ready to be enjoyed.

"Part of the LUD members' responsibility is to beautify our community, and we want to do that. The space wasn't being used in any manner, and it's nice to spruce things up and have the area utilized," said Friesen.

"The RM has also been looking into making the community more pedestrian friendly, too, so once we get some funding from grant applications ... people would likely need some areas where they can sit down and rest if the community is opened up with a pedestrian pathway."

Some leftover tree stumps and cedar will be removed later, according to Friesen, with signage to identify the

park potentially going up later as well.

The greenspace's official name has vet to be finalized, but Friesen said the name will have come from a community member.

So far, there are eight names in the running including:

- Hofer Park (in memory of Sam and Edith Hofer, with their grandson Josh living adjacent to the park).
- Harrowby Park (the Harrowbys are believed to be the last family to reside on the property that has since become the greenspace).
- Edward Hanlan Park (Hanlan was a world champion oarsman in the
- Lindell Park (in memory of Terry Lindell, an active community member who passed away two years ago).
- Warren Community Park (for obvious reasons).
- Hanway Park (mashup of Hanlan Street and Railway Avenue).
- Railway Avenue Park (for ob-
  - Hanlan Point (as the park is at



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY EVAN MATTHEWS

The two flower pots and bench recently installed, are ready to be enjoyed, according to LUD Member Diana Friesen.

the "point" of Hanlan Street).

"At our next LUD meeting, I'll bring the names forward. The members can then decide how they'd like to proceed, whether voting for a name amongst ourselves or going to a community-wide vote," said Friesen.

"After the park is named, we'll look at providing people with the opportunity to gift a tree in someone's memory or put a name on the bench, that sort of thing."

Residents will have until the next LUD meeting (July 20) to submit names for the park.

Funding for the project came from the LUD's budget and is estimated between \$4,000 and \$5,000, split between 2019 and 2020.

# Old-fashioned drive-by parade in Stonewall







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Residents at Lions Manor, Crocus Manor and neighboring homes in Stonewall were treated to a unique drive-by parade last Saturday by The Manitoba Antique Auto Club. Seventeen vehicles made a few laps around the block and through the parking lot, honking their horns and waving at spectators.



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# Defunding police not the answer

By Evan Matthews

When Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin killed George Floyd by kneeling on his neck for eight minutes and 46 seconds, the conversation about police reform and systemic racism in North America became inevitable, if it wasn't already.

In response to the Floyd killing, Minneapolis city council has moved to defund and eliminate the police department and move toward a "holistic" public safety approach.

What that will look like or mean, nobody knows just yet.

Minneapolis city council is attempting to listen to its constituents, to the protestors; it's an attempt at doing the right thing.

But is defunding the police the right thing to do?

As our June 11 editorial pointed out, things in Canada are different than they are in the U.S., yet similar. In June alone, a video surfaced of Winnipeg police brutally beating a man who was already subdued on the ground, and top RCMP brass admitted there is a belief systemic racism exists within

interactions with police in North the police force was intended to do at America every day, most of which are positive. Most police, especially in reference to Canadian police, are good people. But the conversation about police reform has arrived in Canada,

To that point, defunding the police is not the answer to this societal issue, but maybe it's time to re-examine how police funding is spent. This could be a great place to start reform.

One example of a poor use of police funding is the militarization of police. In populous centres, we see police forces purchasing military grade equipment, such as the Winnipeg police's Gurkha tactical Armoured Rescue Vehicle (or ARV1).

In essence, it's a tank that has eight gun ports. It also cost about \$350,000.

It's no secret, according to the University of Winnipeg's associate professor of criminal justice Kevin Walby, that police in Canada — which includes RCMP — have upped training with military-style tactics in situations that involve crowd control and surveillance.

All to say, these notions of military-However, people have millions of style policing take away from what its core: serve and protect; and protect the peace.

If police forces could shift spending from equipment to training and education, so many officers would be better equipped to do what is, to put it mildly, an extremely difficult job.

By teaching de-escalation methods how to communicate effectively police officers would be better equipped in high-stress situations;, having the ability to de-stress situations by talking them out.

By teaching all officers martial arts like Jiujitsu, police officers would be better equipped to restrain and subdue people in non-violent ways, without weapons, when situations escalate beyond words.

While this may be an oversimplification of a very complex issue, it's a start. As a society, we need to weed out police officers with violent or racist tendencies, but we also need to better train and educate the officers we have.

Defunding — or abolishing police forces all together — is not the an-

### Manitoba's COVID-19 active cases now at 17

By Lorne Stelmach

The pandemic remains under control in Manitoba, but eight new cases over a four-day period show the CO-VID-19 virus is not going away.

Public health officials confirmed two new cases last Friday followed by four Saturday and then two more Monday. Saturday's cases were two men in the Winnipeg health region along with one man in his 30s from the Southern Health region. Monday's cases were a woman in her 20s and a man in his 30s, both from Winnipeg.

Health officials say it looks like most of these cases are related to travel or are close contacts of previously iden-

their 30s and one man in his 40s from tified cases, but the investigations are ongoing.

> That brings the total number of labconfirmed positive and probable positive cases in Manitoba to 324.

> As of Monday, there continue to be no individuals in hospital or intensive care. Manitoba currently has 17 active

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### Ratepayers want information about Poplarwood reconstruction

After ratepayers clamored for information about Warren's Poplarwood Drive reconstruction project via social media, the RM of Woodlands is providing

Woodlands' Reeve Lori Schellekens said the Poplarwood Drive reconstruction project has spanned many councils, but she wants to see the project completed under her council's watch.

"Basically, the older part of Poplarwood Drive, we'll be repaving and widening. We'll be repaving and reconstruct everything west of Morton Drive," said Schellekens, adding Broughton Bay is to the

"We're going to tear it up, fill in one of the ditches and install pipes for drainage, reconstruct and widen the road (including the shoulder), and put a sidewalk in there."

Ultimately the goal is to have the entire street uniform, according to Schellekens, so the old part of the road matches the newer part.

Speaking to ratepayers who are wondering why more information hasn't been available to date, Schellekens said all the RM has known is that the project is happening, but without anything finalized there hasn't been much information to convey.

"What were we going to tell them? The bid hadn't been put out, so we had no contractor. We knew project was going to happen, but we didn't have anything to tell people" said Schellekens.

"For as long as the Warren community has been existence, to still have dirt roads blows my mind. We're going to be really happy to provide some improved infrastructure."

Woodlands' project manager is working on an information package for ratepayers that will include the project's design rendering, according to administration.

The package will be handed out to all the applicable property owners on Poplarwood once everything — including the contractor's timeline — is confirmed, according to administration.

Though a date for the package's distribution hasn't been set, administration said ratepayers can expect it soon.

"Now that we've awarded the contract, we're waiting for the contractor to supply us with a schedule and all the details," said Schellekens.

"We'll go out door-to-door. If ratepayers aren't home, it'll be left in the mailbox, and if they have any questions, they can contact us. I'm sure there will be some questions because some people might not be able to access their driveway for a while."

She added that anyone inconvenienced by the project will be presented with alternative parking

Though the administration could not confirm the total cost for the project by press time — they assured the Tribune reporter that final numbers would be available once all the project details are in place with the contractor. The capital budget did list \$660,000 from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund to widen and re-build Poplarwood. However, that number also includes paving Coolidge, Michaels



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY EVAN MATTHEWS

Woodlands Reeve Lori Schellekens said everything west of Morton Drive (on Poplarwood Drive) will be re-paved to match the new part of the road. While no date has been set for ratepayers in Warren to receive an information package, administration said they can expect one soon.

and Maple Lanes.

The capital budget also listed \$145,000 from the LUD of Warren reserve fund to widen and re-build Poplarwood.

### > COVID-19 UPDATE, FROM PG. 4

cases, 300 recoveries and seven deaths due to CO-VID-19.

Officials continued to stress Manitobans need to take all the necessary precautions including practising physical distancing and following public health guidelines for gatherings whether at home, the cottage or camping.

Stay home if you feel sick, practise good hand hygiene and cover your cough, they urge. If you are travelling, remember to be COVID aware and reduce stops.

Public health orders updated last Friday including removing restrictions on travel to northern Manitoba and remote communities as well as easing self-isolation restrictions for film productions and professional sports teams from Manitoba.

It also permits individuals who are self-isolating under federal or provincial health orders to visit a family member or friend who has a life-threatening disease in a health-care facility, but only if the facility permits and they are not displaying any symptoms of COVID-19.

Meanwhile, in addition to releasing the plan for the resumption of school in the fall, the government also moved last week to temporarily ban evictions of commercial tenants during the pandemic if the landlords and tenants are eligible for the Canadian Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) program.

The federal government's rent relief program has been set up to have landlords apply and work with their tenants to receive rent relief. Not all landlords eligible for this funding are applying, leaving tenants without an option to stay in their current leased commercial space.

The CECRA program runs until Aug. 31. Manitoba has thus far received only 145 applications and has paid out just \$1.5 million of the \$64 million avail-

"We know this has been a tough time for many businesses, and it should not be made worse through an eviction if a business does not have the ability to pay rent on time," said Finance Minister Scott Fielding.

"It is our hope that this temporary measure will protect businesses and at the same time spark increased participation in the federally and provincially cost-shared CECRA program."

In addition, eligible Manitobans looking to return to work can now apply for up to \$2,000 in direct payments from the Manitoba Job Restart program.

The program will provide one initial payment of \$500 plus three additional bi-weekly payments for \$500 each for a total of \$2,000 over six weeks, but program participants must voluntarily stop collecting CERB or CESB support from the federal government.

"Our government believes in investing in solutions, and the solution here in Manitoba as we move forward in the COVID-19 pandemic is to help as many people get back to work safely," said Premier Brian Pallister. "As Manitoba continues to lead the country in recovery, I encourage all Manitobans to embrace the jobs that are available now as we restart our economy."





### Pop-up dinner event set for September

By Jennifer McFee

A local chef has created a recipe for success through a pop-up dinner event set for September.

Abbey McLeod of Stonewall graduated from Red River College's culinary arts program in 2019 but her interest in cooking began back in her teen years.

"I started as an apprentice cooking at Pizza Den in high school for extra credits and completely fell in love with the hospitality industry," said McLeod, who now lives with her boyfriend Cole just outside town, where they grow their own fresh herbs and

"From then on, I've worked at multiple different well-known restaurants in Winnipeg, such as The Cornerstone, Pizzeria Gusto and Bonfire Bistro. I have recently found my long-term home at Pineridge Hollow in Birds Hill Park."

Due to the pandemic, she had been laid off from her job as a kitchen manager, so she used the time as an opportunity to embark on some changes.

"I did a lot of home cooking, tried a lot of new things and, of course, spent way too much money online shopping for new kitchen equipment. I am so, so happy to be back at work and I couldn't be happier with my new job at Pineridge Hollow."

In addition, McLeod is trying her hand at hosting her first pop-up dinner event, which will take place on Saturday, Sept. 19 at the Heritage Arts Centre.

"This is my very first solo pop-up dinner — but the first of many. Up until a few months ago, I was part of a collective of chefs in Winnipeg that threw pop-up dinners multiple times a month," she said.

"I would always have opportunities to help plan the menus and be there in action the night of the event. I learned to love the atmosphere of a pop-up dinner rather than cooking on a line. I mean, don't get me wrong, I'll always be a line cook; it's just what I do best."

With pop-up dinners, she appreciates having the chance to completely change the concept with each event, through everything from the menu to the venue.

"I have an unlimited clientele because of the constant changes," she

"I am going to be doing these dinners in Stonewall about every two months, so keep your eye out for upcoming events."

For the inaugural event, guests can look forward to four courses, start-

ing with roasted butternut squash soup with mapleinfused ricotta, toasted pumpkin seeds and sage oil.

After that, McLeod will prepare an appetizer of smoked gouda and wild mushroom arincini with sundried tomato pesto, chiffonade basil and candied walnuts.

For the entrée, guests will enjoy panseared honey balsamic herbed chicken breast with smoky roasted baby potatoes, grilled candied garden carrots and sautéed broccolini.

Dessert will dazzle your sweet tooth with white chocolate cheesecake served with blackberry coulis, lemon curd, rosemary shortbread crumble and fresh glazed blackberries.

"Being the first pop-up dinner, I wanted to stay a little bit simple," McLeod said. "My main priority is to make sure all my product is as fresh and local as I can make it."

With an entrepreneurial spirit, McLeod operates her own business called Prairie Fusion.

"I chose that name because the word 'prairie' reminds me of a farm with fresh produce and free-run animals. The word 'fusion' stands for my style of cooking," she said.

"I like to take a basic food everyone is used to and turn it into an intricate dish that will make your tastebuds dance in your mouth."

For McLeod, her passion for cooking can't be extinguished.

"My favourite part about cooking is the reaction on my guests' faces when they take their first bites. I love that every chef I know has turned their job into a passion and that the hospitality industry is like no other," she said.

"In our industry, crunch time is all the time. You don't always get breaks, you always work the weekends and holidays, there's so much overtime,



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED Chef Abbey McLeod will host a pop-up dinner on Sept. 19.

it's hot, the shoes suck and so much more — but I wouldn't change it for anything. There is nothing like the sound of that last bill coming through the POS system after a four-hour rush of non-stop chaos. When you do something you love, you can hardly call it work."

Only 64 meals will be served for the Sept. 19 dinner. The bar will open at 3:30 p.m. followed by the first course at 4:30 p.m.

Unfortunately for readers the first dinner is sold out. More information about Prairie Fusion and its events is also available on Facebook and Instagram.

Mark your calendars, since McLeod plans to host another pop-up dinner on Nov. 21 at the same location.

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Winnipeg Folk Fest at Home will stream online through our Facebook page and YouTube

### **Britt's Gritt raises funds for the Movement Centre**





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Things looked a little different this year for the second annual Movement Centre of Manitoba Perogy Run. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the fundraiser was held virtually. From June 20 to 28, many Manitobans and individuals from across Canada raised funds and awareness of the benefits that conductive education has on children and adults living with neuromotor disorders. Friends and family of Grosse Isle's Brittany Howelko hosted their own community walk in Grosse Isle on June 28. The Britt's Grit team raised \$1,244.65 that will go straight to the Movement Centre in Winnipeg where Howelko has benefited from treatment since April 2012. Howelko sustained a brain injury in a snowboarding accident in November 2011. Meanwhile the fundraiser raised \$80,000 across the country. Pictured left is Britt's Gritt. Right: the youngest team member. seven-month-old Bennett Howelko, and his great-grandma Pat Blair.

### Summer camps prepare to function differently during COVID-19

By Sydney Lockhart

Kids summer camps are a go after provincial government gives the green light to open with restrictions in place.

Green Acres Art Centre, Rosser Woodlands Rec and the Stonewall Youth Drop-In Centre are all offering different day camps for children to attend this summer.

Green Acres Art Centre is offering Sewing & More, Flights & Fossils, Dance Camp, Sports Camp, Reader's Theatre & Making Short Films, Woodworking & Games and Music Camp this

They will be screening for COVID-19 every day, having masks and gloves available, splitting kids into smaller groups so there are fewer of them in one area at a time and cleaning and sanitizing on a regular basis.

Rosser Woodlands Rec is offering a day-to-day camp as opposed to weekly although parents can choose to pay \$15 per day, \$8 per half day or \$65 per week.

This camp will be all outdoor activities to help minimize the risk of COVID-19.

"The activities allow for social distancing as much as we can. Their mental health is just as important as their physical health and it's good for them to get out and do this," said Kelly Kimball, recreation director of Rosser Woodlands Rec Commission.

The kids will get an opportunity to play at parks, use bike trails, play sports and participate in survival training.

Kids will be screened before attending camp each day and social distancing will be implemented as much as possible. For all of their CO-VID-19 information, go to rosserwoodlandsrec.

The Stonewall Youth Drop-In Centre is not doing in-person camps but rather virtual camps on Zoom for kids who may not feel comfortable around people due to the pandemic or live around someone high risk.

They are offering a People Power/Life Mission camp, which has aspects of faith involved, a YouTube Influencer camp, a Financial Guru camp and a Future Business Owner Camp.

All of their camps are aimed at middle school to high school ages and teach kids new skills for their future.

For more information about these camps, go to stonewallstudents.com.

The Youth Drop-In Centre is also looking to hire four students between the ages of 15 and 30 to help out with the

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# Planets rule the night sky July and August

#### **By Ted Bronson**

Despite the short nights this time of year, planet-watchers will get the opportunity to see all of the brighter planets during July.

At the beginning of July, Jupiter and Saturn rise an hour after sunset; Mars, an hour after midnight; and Venus, about an hour and a half before sunrise.

The bright yellow colour of Jupiter, magnitude -2.7, is easy to spot in the constellation of Sagittarius to the southeast when it rises about an hour after sundown at the beginning of July. Because Jupiter is in a southern constellation, it does not get much above the horizon at its highest for us in the northern hemisphere. At the beginning of July, two and a half hours after midnight, it is a mere 20 degrees in altitude when due south.

A set of 10x50 binoculars (held steady) or a telescope of any size will show the four bright Galilean moons of Jupiter. Their relative positions change noticeably hour to hour. A small telescope will be required to reveal Jupiter's two dark equatorial bands. The higher Jupiter is above the horizon the better views you will get of the Giant Planet's cloud formations. By the end of the month, Jupiter will be 13 degrees above the south-southeastern horizon an hour after the sun has gone down. Jupiter comes to opposition on July 14.

About a half-hour after Jupiter rises look for a yellowish "star" just to its

left. This will be the ringed planet Saturn in the constellation Sagittarius. At magnitude +0.2 it will appear much fainter than Jupiter. Saturn comes to opposition on July 20. Despite the pleasing background of stars, the best views of Saturn come through a telescope. If you have the opportunity to view the planet with a scope, you will not be disappointed. Saturn hosts a large family of moons and the rings are presented towards us near their maximum tilt (21 degrees, northern face). The best views of Saturn are best next month when the planet is much higher above the horizon where atmospheric distortions are less.

The Red Planet Mars rises about an hour after midnight at the beginning of July. Its trademark reddish-orange colour makes it easy to identify amongst the stars in the constellation of Pisces. Observers will note the increase in the brilliance of Mars throughout July as it brightens from -0.5 to -0.9 magnitude. At present Mars is a bit too far away to show any surface features without the use of a larger telescope. As the Red Planet approaches opposition in October it will be closer to Earth and higher in the night sky. Our opportunity for good observations improves greatly. Let us hope for no Martian global dust storms obscuring most surface features such as what happened during the previous opposition two years ago!

Venus rises to the east of northeast an hour and a half before the sun at

the beginning of July. The pure white brilliance of

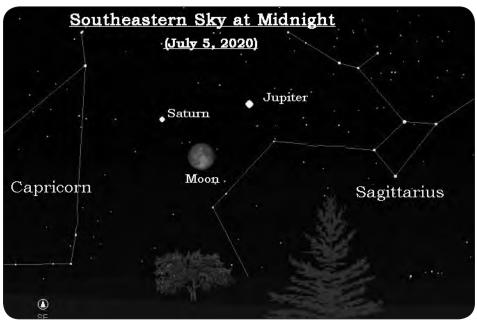


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During the month of July, stargazers will have the opportunity to see the planets of Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and Venus.

the planet, magnitude -4.7, makes it easy to spot in the dark sky. On July 12 it passes just north of the orange coloured star Aldebaran in Taurus.

Mercury can be spotted briefly, a half-hour before sunrise, very low to the east of northeast, around July 25.

The full moon forms a triangle with Jupiter to the right, Saturn to the left and moon just below on July 5. It is best seen about two hours after sundown. An hour before the sun rises, look for a crescent moon just above and to the left of Venus low in the east on July 17.

The Earth moves around the sun not in a circle but in an elliptical path. This means that there is a time of the year

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(January) when the Earth is closest to the sun and at another when we are farthest (July). On July 4, the Earth will be at aphelion (farthest from the sun). The Earth is at a greater distance from the sun in our summer in the northern hemisphere (winter season for the southern hemisphere). What eventually determines our seasonal conditions is the maximum angle of the sun above the horizon at midday and the total hours of daylight.

#### Clear Skies

Ted Bronson is an avid local astronomer who has been observing the sky since 1964. This column "Guide to the Galaxy" appears monthly in the Tribune.







### **Interlake youth speak for Interlake Community Visions**

**Submitted by Ross Thompson** 

The RBC Future Launch Community Challenge was funded by the RBC Foundation and empowers youth between 15 and 29 to invest their ideas into community needs. Due to the pandemic, the Vital "Conversation" in the Interlake Community Foundation (ICF) area was held by an online survey.

Community Foundations of Canada derived the concept of asking youth to generate a list of bold ideas to improve communities, and locally, the ICF facilitated and administered youth from Rosser, Rockwood, Woodlands, Stonewall and Teulon to share ideas in the survey, called Vital Conversations.

"We had responses from all of our community areas and from many age groups, with 64 responses in all. There is one large file of all of the responses, available in detail on our website" said Bob Beck, ICF chairperson.

"We thank Tammy Dziadek from Community Futures East Interlake in designing the survey and analyzing the responses. We thank our three youth leaders who helped with all aspects of the Challenge program: Brett Nespor, Curtis Beck and Brielle Cara. And we thank everyone who took the time to complete our survey."

We reached out to Coreen Pusiewich, community manager, Interlake South Community, RBC Royal Bank, since she is our RBC representative. She said, "Congratulations to the organizers at the Interlake Community Foundation for thinking outside the box and engaging the various groups, individuals and communities for feedback through an online survey. There is no shortage of ideas and creativity, which is essential to keep alive as we learn daily how to be involved and respect the requirements of physical distancing to protect each other. Your report is informative and demonstrates the 'wants and needs' to assist our youth in preparing for their future."

The top responses for visions of the community in 10 years were improved recreation, local jobs and safety. One respondent stated, "More recreation activities for youth. Job opportunities for teens. Lots of programs and recreation opportunities for preschool children and their parents/caregivers. Continued focus on opportunities in dance and fine arts."



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From left, Curtis Beck, Brielle Cara and Brett Nespor.

Ideas for improved high school experience addressed sports and recreation, and preparation for a variety of activities and social and job opportunities. "You can make a living from so many different careers other than the standard math, science, social studies and English," replied

Community assets to build on included parks and recreation and business development.

To "fix" communities, once again, recreation topped the list along with family and community support programs including housing to meet all needs.

"Allow for more housing and things that attract people to come live here like a swimming pool, more gyms, fast food, stores, clothing stores, which also leads to more young jobs and a better more fun and involved culture."

Listed in community or regional needs was more diverse activities guided by a regional plan.

"There are a lot of recurring themes appearing in all of the survey questions, thanks to the enthusiastic responses. It will now be up to government and non-government organizations to take this survey seriously as programs and priorities are set," said Beck.

The survey responses in detail can be found on the ICF website at http://interlakefoundation.ca/cause/vital-conversation-survey-till-may-15-2020/.

### Tips to avoid heatstroke, sunburn or paw damage

Always check the temperature of the ground with your hand before commencing your walk. Also, check when going on to a different surface such as going from the grass to footpath. This photo shows the damage hot ground can do to a dogs paw. If the ground temperature is too hot to put your hand on, it is probably an indication that it is too hot outside for your dog anyway.

Avoid vigorous exercise and play outside on hot days. Plan to exercise them early in the morning or later in the evening when the temperature is cooler. This will also prevent sunburn. Alternatively, exercise them indoors preferably in air conditioning.

Heat-related issues are very common in the early days of the hot weather. Your dog has not had the opportunity to become acclimated to the higher temperatures. Take extra care during this period. Expose your dog hot weather over a period of days so they can adjust.

Put a white cotton t-shirt on your dog, especially if they are black or dark colored and more prone to at-

Hydration is of crucial importance. Ensure you have water with you at all times when you are on vour walks.

Be aware that a dog can suffer from heatstroke even if they are not involved in vigorous activity or it is not that hot. In fact, dogs can suffer from heatstroke even while swimming.

Obviously, never leave your dog in a car or any area where they cannot stay cool.

### MLA Ralph Eichler applauds significant Highway 1 investments within Lakeside

Ralph Eichler, MLA for Lakeside, is welcoming an announcement that the Government of Manitoba is funding major border-to-border improvements to Trans-Canada Highway (PTH 1), including projects in the Lakeside rid-

"Our PC government's No. 1 priority is ensuring the safety of Manitobans," said Eichler. "These projects in Lakeside will contribute to the large-scale, safe movement of people and services."

The PC government has allocated \$91 million in total capital investment on construction improvements to the

Trans-Canada Highway (PTH 1) across Manitoba. This includes three projects that impact the Lakeside constitu-

- PTH 1 road reconstruction from PR 248 to east junction of PTH 26 (eastbound lanes);
- PTH 1 road reconstruction from PR 248 to east junction of PTH 26 (westbound lanes);
- PTH 1 structure at La Salle River, 0.5 km west of PR 248 (vicinity of Elie) (westbound lanes)

This funding is part of Premier Brian Pallister's \$3-billion commitment to infrastructure projects established in Budget 2020.







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### Sholdice, McCutcheon named WCI's Varsity Athletes of the Year

#### By Brian Bowman

For Warren Collegiate's Hunter Sholdice and Joy McCutcheon, graduation was a bit more special.

Both received Varsity Athletes of the Year Awards for their outstanding athletic seasons in their senior year.

"I didn't even know if there was going to be a female athlete of the year because of COVID but I felt I had a pretty good chance (to win the award) but you never know," McCutcheon said. "I was confident with how I played."

McCutcheon excelled in multiple sports at Warren Collegiate, including basketball, volleyball, badminton, soccer, and track and field.

"I love being part of a team," she said.
"I definitely like team sports ahead of individual sports. It's a great way to stay busy and be active."

McCutcheon, who lives in Grosse Isle, really enjoyed her time at Warren Collegiate.

"I loved it," she stressed. "I've been to a few schools and Warren is definitely my favourite. The connections between everybody is so good. You get so much help academically ... and everybody knows everybody. I had such a good time at Warren."

McCutcheon will be attending the University of Winnipeg in the fall and will enter the Faculty of Education.

"I'm hoping to be able to teach in the Interlake somewhere," she said.

Sholdice, meanwhile, was equally proud to win the Varsity Male Athlete of the Year Award.

"It's an extraordinary honour to have for my final year," Sholdice said. "Everybody was excited about it, but it just wasn't me. I had a lot of good people behind me, my coaches, Cathy Pleskach and Mark Hnatuk. I would not have gotten there if it wasn't for them, that's for sure, and with my family and everything."

Sholdice had a goal of winning the varsity male athlete of the year award but he said just playing sports was enough satisfaction.

It was tough leaving Warren Collegiate for the very last time as a student-athlete, he said.

"That was definitely odd knowing, for sure, that I'll never get to play



Joy McCutcheon was named Warren Collegiate's Varsity Female Athlete of the Year.

sports in the gym again," he admitted. Sholidce felt McCutcheon was a very worthy choice as Warren Colleigate's Female Varsity Athlete of the Year.

"She's a tremendous athlete that excels in anything she does," he said,



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED WCI'S Varsity Male Athlete of the Year was Hunter Sholdice.

noting they won a gold medal together in mixed badminton at their Zone 5 championships.

"She definitely deserved it the most out of any of the girls there."

### MJHL approves sanctioned summer activities

#### From the MJHL website

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League has announced that it is safe to return to sanctioned summer activities.

The MJHL and its 11 teams have been closely monitoring the re-opening plans for COVID-19 in Manitoba.

In early June, Hockey Canada determined that the best approach for a return to hockey in Canada is to allow each member and organization the opportunity to work with health authorities in their respective province to determine when it is safe to return to hockey activities.

With Manitoba easing restrictions and allowing indoor and outdoor sporting organized activities to operate again in a phased in and cautious approach, the MJHL has prepared Return to Play Guidelines using a phased in approach.

In preparing for the MJHL RTP Guidelines, the MJHL has worked in coordination with Hockey Canada, Hockey Manitoba, Sport Manitoba and the necessary provincial health

authorities

We are excited to officially announce that the MJHL Return to Play – Phase I Guidelines have been approved by the Provincial Health Authorities – Return to Sport Review Committee and Sport Manitoba effective immediately.

"This is another exciting and important step that allows the MJHL and member teams the ability to operate as they normally would throughout the summer months," said MJHL Director of Operations Kevin Saurette. "These uncertain times have necessitated specific measures to allow the MJHL and member teams the opportunity to return safely to the sport we all love."

The MJHL RTP Guidelines allow teams the opportunity to plan, promote and return to sanctioned summer activity in preparation for the upcoming season as it relates to Off-Ice Training Sessions/On-Ice Practice Sessions/Prospect Camps/Development Camps, etc.

While following all necessary safety guidelines – players, coaches, managers, staff, training staff and medical personnel employed by, affiliated with or invited by a MJHL team or the MJHL - may attend a facility for the purposes of off-ice training activity and on-ice activity.

The guidelines are to allow the MJHL and member teams the ability to conduct summer hockey activities in preparation for the upcoming season in a modified manner. The guidelines do not permit extended contact.

The guidelines have been prepared in accordance to the Hockey Canada Return to Hockey Safety Guidelines as they pertain to Junior Hockey. The guidelines have been prepared in accordance with recommendations of the Provincial Health Authorities.

The objective of the MJHL Return to Play | Phase I Guidelines is to demonstrate how the MJHL and its member teams plan to return to play in a safe, structured and responsible manner utilizing a phased in approach in accordance with necessary health restrictions and facility guidelines.

As a result, the following clearly defined guidelines and procedures have been recommended to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants – The health and safety for everyone involved is our number one priority.

MJHL Return To Play | PHASE II Guidelines will be presented in the coming days which will include our full plan for return to hockey in September. Our targeted start date for the 2020-21 Season is Sept. 25.

"Fundamentally we believe these guidelines put the MJHL, its member teams and all participants in the best position to return to sanctioned summer hockey activities in a safe and healthy manner," Saurette said. "We look forward to MJHL Hockey returning to the province in September as we continue to work diligently with Hockey Canada, Hockey Manitoba, Sport Manitoba and the necessary provincial health authorities."

### Stonewall trio running a virtual race across Tennessee

McMurren, Tyson Dwayne Grantham and Deon Schoeman were up for a challenge — a very big chal-

The Stonewall trio signed up for a virtual race across Tennessee competition, a 1,021.68-kilometre race.

A whopping number of 18,676 people are running, including 58 from

As of early last week, McMurren had completed 617 kilometres (almost all have been run outside in Stonewall) while Grantham was at 487 kilometres and Schoeman was "about halfway."

Grantham does all of his running on a treadmill while Schoeman is doing his running in Stonewall and Winni-

"It started fun," Grantham joked. "It's been going good. I laid out a pretty detailed schedule right at the very beginning and I've been pushing pretty hard to stick with it and it definitely makes it easier."

So, how did the three runners get involved in such a wacky race?

"It's kind of a funny story. Me and three other buddies were planning on doing Ironman Canada this year and when they announced that it was going to be cancelled, I was a little bit down because I spent all winter training," McMurren said. "I was reading a Canadian running article and I saw this race across Tennessee and I sent this to them and asked 'Do you guys want to do this?' and they said, "Yeah, I'm in."

It's a very unique race where runners can look online and see where



Tyson McMurren is over halfway to finishing the 1,021.68-kilometre virtual race across Tennessee.

they are currently placed among the thousands of other individuals.

Running on a daily basis is a must in order to keep pace.

"You have to keep the mileage going," McMurren warned. "You peck away at it a little bit at a time. I'm doing eight kilometres a day and some days I'll go a little bit more. I'm projected to finish on July 25. It's really interesting and it's really keeping me motivated in these times when it's hard to have a goal when racing because everything has been cancelled up until September."

McMurren said his body has been holding up well so far. He has been doing some cross training and stretching at night.

McMurren is getting to know the streets in Stonewall very well.

"It's kind of an interesting thing

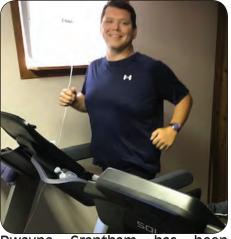


TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED Schoeman is halfway towards completing the virtual race across Tennessee.

when you see someone running on the streets and you don't realize that they're actually running in a race. There's (57) other people from Manitoba that are doing this race and it's totally different than if you're running in a normal race where you can actually see the people."

Schoeman said the race is a great motivator for him to keep active. He does a lot of running and has competed in marathons in the past. Sometimes he runs at midnight to avoid the heat and does a 10-kilometre loop in Stonewall. He also loves running on the trails in Stony Mountain.

"It's good; it keeps me going," he said on Monday afternoon. "As long as I just keep going, it doesn't matter too much to me (if other people are there). Some days my body gets tired but if I stop then I'm just going to fall



Grantham has Dwayne heen hitting the treadmill hard as he works to complete the virtual race across Tennessee.

behind."

Grantham, meanwhile, does not get to see any people as he runs on a treadmill in his house.

"I'm a pretty slow runner. My average is about an 11- or 12-minute mile. I'm a bigger guy and the pavement is just too hard on my body."

With all of the crazy stuff happening in this world this year, Grantham said this type of race is extremely good for the mental state of mind.

"I really felt this was good for mental health," he said. "I went into this kind of hoping that it would be more of a weight-loss thing. I run a business and I have a lot of things going on, but this seems to have really helped balance anxiety. It has certainly helped me in that way."

The race started May 1 and will conclude on Aug. 31.

# Interlake splits doubleheader with Winnipeg South

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Blue Jays scored 19 runs against Winnipeg South in their doubleheader Sunday in Stonewall.

But that offensive outburst still only resulted in a split in the Manitoba Junior Baseball League season opener for both teams.

Winnipeg South outslugged Interlake 15-9 in Game 1 and then the Blue Jays battled back for an exciting 10-9 walk-off victory in Game 2.

"You could definitely tell it was the first time out for most of the guys," said Blue Jays' assistant coach James Stolar. "We were able to work through (some mistakes) and get a win in the second one."

The Blue Jays' Ben Anderson had the game-winning RBI, scoring Devon Cassan.

Interlake's Noah Cnockaert-Ducha-

rme earned the victory on the mound. Offensively, the Blue Jays hit the ball well while Interlake pitchers did a great job throwing strikes.

"We didn't give up many walks," Stolar noted. "I think we had four or five walks in the day."

The Blue Jays began practising for the season on June 8 (the first day allowed by Baseball Manitoba) and have been hitting the diamond for workouts once or twice a week.

The MJBL season will be a short one this season with each team playing 21 games in just 35 days.

"There's lots of doubleheaders so everyone has to stay healthy with their arms," Stolar said. "We should be alright. With these doubleheaders every week, sometimes Wednesday and Sunday, we have to keep everyone's pitch count down just to save

arms. There's a pitch count in junior this year."

Other doubleheader scores from last Sunday saw the Elmwood Giants beat Pembina Valley 12-2 but the Orioles came back with a 6-0 victory.

The Altona Bisons swept the St. James A's with wins of 9-2 and 2-1 while St. Boniface split with Carillon. The Legionaires were victorious in the first game 4-0 but then the Sultans took the second game 14-2.

Interlake is back in action on Canada Day with a road doubleheader against St. Boniface. Game times are 3 p.m.

The Blue Jays will then host the Sultans in a twinbill on Sunday. Start times are 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

It's a very important week for the Blue Jays early in the season.

"We have to at least try to split all of

these games and all of these doubleheaders to stay around at least .500." Stolar said.

Interlake's roster includes six players in their final season of junior eligibility. It would have been a shame if there was no season this summer.

"It's actually exciting to get them their final season," Stolar said. "A month ago, it didn't look like we were going to be playing at all, so it's nice to see those guys get their last season in and hopefully they succeed."

The Interlake Orioles, meanwhile, will begin their 18U "AAA" baseball season on Wednesday when they host the North Winnipeg Pirates in a doubleheader at Fines Field.

Game times are 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.

### SCI Rams announce athletic award winners

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Institute Rams recently announced their award winners for the 2019-20 athletic season.

Due to spring sports being cancelled this season by the MHSAA because of COVID-19, there were no athletes of the year announced this season.

"There were no athletes of the year this year in fairness to a lot of kids. The majority of their sports (were cancelled) and a lot of kids weren't able to participate in their sports," said Rams' athletic director Curtis Grieve last week. "Lets, say they were a track and badminton player or fastpitch or baseball and some of the sports didn't even finish their season."

Overall, it was another very successful season at SCI in sports.

"Our mixed curling team had a good run at provincials, our JV girls' volleyball team had a really good run winning a provincial championship, jv girls' basketball finished strong, soccer had a decent showing," Grieve noted. "I think, for the most part, we had a really good core. The JV core was tremendously strong in a lot of things. They would have done a lot of things in track as well (and) the var-

sity girls' group would have done very well on the track."

A major highlight for the Rams this past season was that junior varsity girls' volleyball team winning a MH-SAA"AAA" provincial title.

Boys' hockey, meanwhile, returned to Stonewall Collegiate this past season. The program is in the upswing and in good hands with head coach Kyle Nixon.

"We're getting a few more guys out that maybe would have (gone) the "AAA" route," Grieve noted. "They played in Division 2 this year, which they saw some pretty good success in. In the playoffs, I know they lost to St. Paul's 2 but there were some really tight games in the playoffs so it could have gone either way."

It was a very challenging year for teachers, students and parents with the MHSAA shutting down sports in March. But despite the tough challenges, everyone involved did a great job doing the best that they could under very unusual circumstances.

"As much as the success in the first part of the year is rewarding, it was sad to see our Grade 12 athletes, who would have participated or maybe wouldn't have participated in the fall sports and didn't get to participate in the spring. They couldn't get in that last athletic experience before they left the building," Grieve said. "Probably a lot of the memories that they have from high school come from stuff that doesn't always happen in the classroom. It could happen on a field or on a track. To me that's sad, but I guess we're no different than anyone else."

Grieve said SCI had some great volunteer coaches this past season.

"It's a lot easier around here when we have those (people)," he said. "Our student teachers were phenomenal this year, jumping in and doing stuff with our teams. Our (administration) is always supportive of us over and over again. We're looking forward to next year and we're hoping for good stuff to happen next year as well."

Here are the athletic award winners for the 2019-20 season.

In cross country the top runners included Hayden Faragher (junior boy), Kate Farmer (junior girl), Megan Van Heyst (varsity girl) and Hunter Olson (varsity boy).

In girls' soccer, Dana Beck was named the team's most valuable player while Hailie Andries earned the coach's award.

Junior boys' volleyball awards went to Dray Sobkow (coach's award) and Liam Paul (MVP) while Alex Clark and Grace Fines (coach's award) and Charlie Reimer (MVP) won junior girls' volleyball awards.

In varsity girls' volleyball, Taryn Jackson won the coach's award while Maddy Fines and Emma Stephens shared the MVP award.

On the boys' side, Ethan Enns and Aidan Mulvihill each picked up coach's awards.

Turning to basketball, Kayden Stewart was the Rams' junior varsity winner of the coach's award while Jason Dilk was the team's most improved player. Grace Fines was the MVP of the junior girls and Rena Kathler earned the coach's award.

At the varsity level, Cam MacInnes (girls' MVP), Deana Johnson (girls' most improved), Gabriel Perrie (energy award), Andrew Perrie (energy award), Gabriel Perrie (energy award) and Tyler Hogg (MVP) won awards.

In hockey, Jackson Kummen was selected as the team's most valuable player while Brody Stovin was named the Rams' rookie of the year and Dasek Sobkow won the coach's award.

### Golf Manitoba announces tournament winners from Sunday

Staff

The 2020 Junior Bantam Championship presented by the Alex & Peggy Colonello Foundation and the City & District Championship both concluded on Sunday in Portage la Prairie.

In the junior women's Bantam event, Cala Korman of the Killarney Lakeside Golf Club took the top spot with a 36-hole score of 161 on rounds of 79 and 82.

Finishing second was Crystal Zamzow of the Swan River Golf & Country Club with a 172. Jeri Lafleche of the

Clear Lake Golf Club rounded out the top three with a 188.

In the 12-and-under junior women's division, Jewel Lafleche of the Clear Lake Golf Course finished first while her older sister Jeri Lafleche took top honours in the 13 & 14 year division.

The junior boys' overall championship needed extra holes for Mack Sanderson of the Pheasant Glen Golf Resort to earn the victory. Sanderson made a two-putt par on the second hole of a sudden-death playoff to beat Jackson Delaurier of the Dauphin Lake Golf Club. Both Sanderson and Delaurier shot a two-day score of 156. Finishing in third place and just two shots shy of the playoff was Austin Boge of the Pine Ridge Golf Club. In the 12 & under boys' division, Brayden Boge of the Pine Ridge Golf Club finished in first place with a 163. In the 13 & 14 division, a three-way tie for first at 158 was broken by a count-back giving Austin Boge the win.

In the women's City & District Championship, meanwhile, Greer Valquenta of the Southwood Golf &

Country Club was the lone player to finish the two-day event below par to win her first City & District Championship title. Valquenta fired rounds of 71 and 76 for a 1-under par finish. The 2018 and 2019 defending champion Charmain Mackid of the Breezy Bend Country Club and Marissa Naylor of the Pine Ridge Golf Club finished in a tie for second at 162. A new forward tee division was added to this event for 2020. Taking the inaugural top spot in that division was the Carman Golf & Curling Club's Kathy Adams.

## Amateur baseball is back in full swing in Manitoba

From Baseball Manitoba's website

Baseball Manitoba is proud to report that Phase 1: Return to Training has been going well.

Signage is being delivered and hung at ballparks, sanitizing supplies are being accumulated and distributed and volunteers and players are adjusting to baseball under the new circumstances.

Local baseball volunteers are working diligently to get the season started in a safe manner. Therefore, Baseball Manitoba has decided that Phase 2: Return to Competition will be able

to resume slightly ahead of schedule. This is exciting news for those working towards playing baseball this summer.

Sanctioned baseball competitions may safely resume on Wednesday of this week.

Prior to June 24, Baseball Manitoba will be posting a Return to Play 2.0 document that will supplement our original plan and further assist baseball organizations and players returning to play in a safe and fun manner. Baseball Manitoba has created, packaged, and sent coach packages to as-

sociations throughout the province with Return to Play details for coaches and Health and Safety Coordinators. This will further ensure that details are not missed and the plan is executed by all members.

As our province adapts and adjusts to Restore Safe Services, so shall baseball. It continues to be imperative that the baseball community works collectively to deliver programming completely in line with the Return to Play document and checklists. New checklists have been uploaded to assist all members as we transition to

Return to Competition. As Practices, camps, clinics, and games happen throughout the season, these checklists will assist members with their responsibilities at each session.

"As always, the health and safety of people in sport, including players, coaches, umpires, spectators, volunteers, and the public, is of the utmost importance to Baseball Manitoba," read a statement. "We are excited to see baseball competitions resume in Manitoba and will work diligently to keep it a fun, safe environment for our members and the public."

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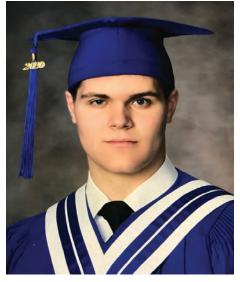
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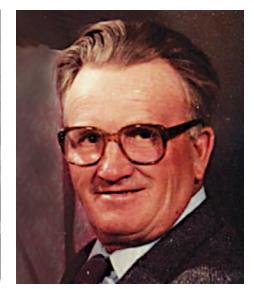
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#### **OBITUARY**

Jona Schott (nee Erickson) October 6, 1931 - June 18, 2020

On June 18th, Jona passed away peacefully at the age of 88 at the Teulon Hospital. She gracefully endured the slow progression of dementia with a smile on her face and an acceptance of her

Left to cherish her memory are her loving husband Jack of 65 years; her children Allan (Valerie), Dwayne (Dale), Ryan (Jacquie), Lynda (Brent), daughter-in-law Marlys; 14 grandchildren (Daniel, Monica, Bonnie, Stacey, Robert, Jeffrey, Kristina, Craig, Kristen, Rob, Ashley, Brayden, Stephanie and Nicole) and one great granddaughter, Emmalyn.

She was predeceased by her son Eric (Marlys), her sister Rosa and her brother Bergsveinn.

Jona was born in 1931 in the Mary Hill district, southwest of

Lundar, to Alla and Bergsveinn Erickson. She grew up enjoying the farm life and was proud of her Icelandic heritage. She spoke Icelandic before learning English and was known for her delicious Vinarterta. Like her mother, she was an avid student and became a teacher for a few years before marrying Jack in 1954. They raised five children on their farm near Warren. Jack cherished the 65 years they shared together.

She will be remembered for her amazing kindness, her selfless interest in others, and her beautiful smile. She was a strong encouragement to her children and grandchildren. She instilled in all of us her love of family and learning, as well as a strong work ethic.

Some of her pastimes included gardening, needlepoint, Sudoku, crossword puzzles and knitting for her grandchildren.

She will be sadly missed, but at the same time we feel incredibly blessed with the years we had with her.

A private interment was held at the Warren Cemetery with U.S. family viewing online in Wisconsin, Iowa and Idaho due to travel restrictions. Her grandchildren carried her to her final resting place.

The family wishes to thank homecare and the medical staff of Stonewall and Teulon Hospitals for taking such good care of her.

In my heart your memory lingers,

Always tender, fond and true;

There's not a day, my dear,

I do not think of you.

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#### **OBITUARY**

#### **Brett Matthias Young** September 9, 1957 - June 19, 2020

I am devastated to announce that suddenly and unexpectedly on Friday, June 19th, 2020 at his home in Teulon, Brett Matthias Young died at the much too young age of 62. He is survived by the love of his life and soul mate Jill; his children Katherine, William, Nathan, step children Luke (Erin) and Leah (David); his grandsons and buddies Elliot (4) and Emmett (3); fur kids Max and Lily; sisterin-law Pam and brother-in-law Mark (Joann). Brett was one of seven siblings and will be missed by his brother Jim (Dawn) of Pictou, NS and sister Faye of Regina, SK.

Brett was predeceased by his parents Matt and Florence Young and his in-laws Les and Connie Fawley.

He was born in Winnipeg on September 9, 1957 and grew up at CFB Shilo. At the age of eight the family relocated to Cornwall, PEI

where he remained until he enlisted in the military in 1975 first in the army with the 8th Canadian Hussars and then the Royal Canadian Dragoons in Gagetown, NB and Lahr West Germany where he was a tank commander. It was in 1983 that he realized that if he ever wanted to convert to civilian life "tank commander" wasn't going to do much on a job resume so he chose to move to the air force and became a certified Aircraft Maintenance Technician. He served with 443 Sea King Helicopter Sqn at CFB Shearwater and was attached to the HMCS Huron and Iroquois for two years. It took forever to convince him to go on a cruise later in life. He then went on to serve the balance of his career with 435 Herc Sqn at CFB Edmonton and then moved with the squadron to CFB Winnipeg. He also did trips to Tulle, Greenland and spent time with Nato in Bosnia. His first love was always his years in the army. He retired from the regular Canadian Armed Forces with the rank of Master Corporal and started at Standard Aero in 1998 finally retiring in 2017. He was a proud Canadian Veteran.

Brett and Jill met on Friday, January 13th, 2006 and were married on Friday, January 13th, 2012 at their home in Teulon. We were together 14 years, 5 months and 6 days. We were two people but one person. We laughed every day. We only needed each other. Our life was perfect.

In 2016 we moved to our current home which Brett so loved and the property showed it. He enjoyed gardening and could grow anything be it vegetables and fruit for us to eat or flowers and plants to attract the birds and butterflies which he also enjoyed photographing. He was always working in his shop (man cave) be it woodworking, starting his plants in the spring or improving his RC airplanes. Otherwise he was doing home and yard improvements. There was nothing he couldn't fix or figure out. When something needed doing he did it immediately. He could also cook and bake. His deep dish strawberry rhubarb pie complete with his own pastry was the best. He drove for the Teulon Handivan, was a spare bus driver for the Interlake School Division, a member of the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada and the Canadian Aviation Maintenance Council. He loved reading Steven King, spoiling the dogs, was a computer genius and had a wicked sense of humour.

To honour Brett there will be no service. There will be a gathering of family and friends later

If friends so desire adopt or donate to a dog rescue, plant or share from your garden with others, visit a veteran.

To the Paramedics, RCMP, friends (especially Judy, Marie and Rachelle that day), family, neighbours, Ken for his guidance and compassion, my children, Dr. Mike Loudon and his incredible staff for keeping us healthy, those who have come by, sent food, phoned, sent comforting messages,

continue to take care of me, hug me, allow me to tell Brett's story and cry, and anyone else I may of inadvertently forgotten, I say thank you. I will never be able to repay your kindness. It is what keeps me going day to day as I struggle. The world has lost a loving, compassionate and unique man who was mine. Until we meet again Babe.

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#### **OBITUARY**

James Brian McCurdy May 2, 1946 - June 26, 2020

It is with deep sadness we announce that James Brian McCurdy passed away June 26, 2020.

Jim was predeceased by the love of his life Frances (Baraschuk) in 2016 and leaves to mourn his daughter Darci (Rick), son Garth (Kristin) along with his grandchildren, Rachael, Kaitlyn, Austin, Melody and Alaynna

Jim was born in Winnipeg to a large family which included four brothers (Rudi, Ed, Alan, Bruce) and three sisters (Dolly, Heidi, Diane). Jim grew up in south Winnipeg until his early teens when he decided it was time to try to make it on his own. He held down numerous jobs before settling into working in the printing industry. Jim married Fran in 1968 in Winnipeg and started their life

together in St. Vital before moving to Stonewall around 1975 where

they spent 33 years raising their family. Jim and Fran spent time camping, bike riding, hanging out at Kinsmen Lake and spending time with his close friends on Shady Lane. They met some of their lifelong friends there and continued to stay in touch over the years.

Jim and Fran decided to downsize once the kids had moved out and moved to Winnipeg to the Courts of St. James in 2008. Even though they moved to Winnipeg, Jim remained employed at the local lumber yard helping people with their projects. It also allowed him to stay in touch with his friends from Stonewall. They continued to stay in touch with their Stonewall friends and were able to make new ones in the community in Winnipeg. After Jim retired, they would make daily visits to the Salisbury House or Perkins restaurants every day having breakfast and coffee with neighbors talking about all the important things retired people do.

Jim followed his brothers lead and spent most of his work life in the printing industry. He spent the bulk of his years at Public Press on Ellice and King Edward producing such things as the Cattleman and other UGG publications. When it was sold in the late 1990's Jim took some odd jobs before finding a new career at Jostens Canada where Fran had been working for many years. Jim and Fran got to spend all their time together commuting, having lunch and working side by side until they retired.

Jim was an avid reader and loved mystery, spy novels and most anything he could get his hands on. He was also a very big movie and TV fan and was always the first to try new technology, like the 10-foot satellite dish in his back yard that brought hundreds of options for them to watch.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Winnipeg Fire and Paramedic team along with the Winnipeg Police Service. Your compassion and actions were truly appreciated.

Due to current COVID-19 regulations a private service will take place in the coming days. Should you wish to view the service virtually, please contact 204-771-0524.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations can be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Manitoba Lung Association.

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#### **OBITUARY**

#### **Bert Bond**

On Sunday, June 28, 2020, Bert Bond aged 73 years of Teulon, MB. passed away at Selkirk Regional Hospital.

Longer obituary to follow in next weeks Tribune.

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