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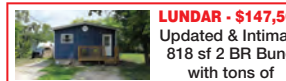
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Laurel and David Yeo have lived at 35 Procure Dr. for the past 27 years and are this week's Stonewall Communities in Bloom Yard of the Week. Three years ago, the Yeos reconstructed their front yard after voles repeatedly damaged their lawn. Laurel designed the new layout, and together the couple planted pollinator-friendly species to attract birds and butterflies. An ornamental crab apple tree provides beauty throughout the seasons, while Karl Foerster grass, other ornamental grasses, a large Joe Pye weed, milkweed, burning bush, flamingo willow, hydrangeas, roses, peonies and sedum thrive in mulched beds that keep the garden tidy. A stone path, inlaid with colourful granite, leads to the front of their home. A new yard is recognized each week until the end of August. Nominations can be submitted at Stonewall Home Hardware or the Stonewall Library using ballot boxes marked "Yard of the Week."



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Stonewall Family Foods is this week's Communities in Bloom "Business of the Week," earning the 2025 Best Blooming Business Award. Located at 330 Third Ave. South, the grocery store features an attractive entrance with two large planters created by Jaspersen's Greenhouse and Nursery. Staff have diligently cared for the planters, which are filled with ivy, sweet potato vine, coleus, begonias, verbena, fern and a canna lily. Two judges — one from CIB and one from the Stonewall and District Chamber of Commerce — evaluated storefronts to recognize creativity and curb appeal. Pictured, left to right: Brent Thiessen, Jayden Stewart, Tracy Walde, Shea Spraggs, Kristle Snell and Tyler Findlay.



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Rain creates temporary wildlife oases



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More than 20 millimetres of rain fell this past week, filling ditches and fields and creating temporary oases for wildlife. Among the visitors were cormorants, spotted perched atop hydro lines along Highway 227 on Aug. 20, their silhouettes stark against the grey sky. With webbed feet and strong toes, they can grip branches or wires to maintain balance while scanning the landscape for prey. Cormorants have specialized plumage that sheds water but isn't fully waterproof, so they often spread their wings to dry after diving. Help the *Tribune* record this week's weather — send your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors to news@stonewallteulontribune.ca

Volunteers needed for Teulon tree- planting day Sept. 20

By Lana Meier

REACT is calling for at least 10 more volunteers to help plant 225 trees at Teulon/Rockwood's Green Acres Park on Saturday, Sept. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m., rain or shine.

The trees are being provided by TD, and organizers say a strong turnout will help get all one-gallon potted trees in the ground within about two hours.

Participants are asked to wear sturdy closed-toe footwear and long pants, and to come prepared for the weather with comfortable clothing, sunscreen and a hat.

The community planting will take place in Teulon for the first two years before moving to Stonewall in future years.

To sign up or ask questions, contact Ken Fosty at 204-963-2209. Replies to the organizing email at info@reactinc.org are also welcome.

Garden glory correction



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

A photo cutline published in last week's *Tribune* should have identified Nicole and Tony Kingsley with their son, Rory, of 99 Poplarwood Dr. in Warren, who earned Yard of the Week honours for Week 7. The *Tribune* apologizes for not including Nicole's name.



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1. Beware of Anti-freeze. Ingesting anti-freeze is lethal to both humans and animals. Make sure to check your car for leaks and make sure all bottles are stored far away from your pets.

2. Cold is a common Pet Killer. Please keep in mind not to leave your pets outside for prolonged periods of time, no longer than 15-20 minutes. Any temperature below 32 degrees can cause dogs and cats to suffer hypothermia and frostbite, and most pets need a temperature above 70 to be completely comfortable.

3. Beware of ticks. It's tick season in many areas and walking, exploring and playing in the cool autumn leaves is one of the many ways your pooch could get them.

4. Let 'em have their fur coat. If you shave your dog during the summer, let them start growing their coat back in the fall. Just like you need a fall/winter coat they'll need theirs too, as this thick coat is their natural protection against frostbite. And don't forget to never shave double coated dogs.

5. Update their ID tags. The changing of seasons is a great time to check your pet ID tags and microchip. If you do happen to have a pet go missing in the fall, they will be more likely to suffer effects of the cold environment.

6. Make holiday arrangements. Make plans with your dog walker, pet sitter or doggy day care NOW. As the holidays approach, most of us get busier and sometimes travel. Take time out to plan ahead so you can make the holidays easier on your pets and keep them from ripping up those presents.

7. Make guests aware of pet's special needs. Fall celebrations such as Thanksgiving and Halloween often mean visitors to your home. If you have a pet that has special needs or is wary of new people, be sure to tell your guests about your pet before they come over.

8. Make sure pets are blocked from exterior doors. Make sure your pets can't escape through the main entrance of your home. This is especially important if you plan on having several guests in and out of the house this holiday season.

9. Be careful with holiday treats. Aside from known hazards such as chocolate, cooked bones and raw bread dough, many other fruits and vegetables can also be life threatening to pets.

10. Be careful with decorations. Many shiny, new decorations look like really fun toys to your pets. Make sure decorations are displayed far enough away from your pets.



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GoFundMe launched to support boy battling rare cancer

By Lana Meier

A GoFundMe has been launched to support a young boy and his family as he begins treatment for a rare and aggressive form of cancer.

On Aug. 15, Kwin was diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma, a fast-growing type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. While the illness is considered rare and aggressive, doctors have told the family it typically responds well to treatment.

Kwin received his first dose of chemotherapy the following day and will remain in hospital as treatment continues. His mother, Kim, is staying with him throughout his care.

Family friend Jody, who set up the fundraiser, said many people have asked how they can help.

"Kim has asked for prayers for her sweet little boy, and I'm asking for support with the extra expenses they'll face while Kwin is in the hospital," Jody wrote on the campaign page. "No donation is too small, and anything helps."

Funds raised will go directly to Kwin's family to cover costs while his mother is away from work.

Despite the difficult diagnosis, Jody said both Kim and Kwin remain in good spirits.

"I was able to visit them and they were both cracking jokes, the same Kim and Kwin we all know and love," she said. "I have no doubt little dude is going to kick lymphoma's ass."

Donations can be made through the GoFundMe page titled Help Kim and Kwin.



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Kwin, middle, recently diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma, is surrounded by love and support from his mom Kim and sister as he begins treatment.

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Andersons win Week 8 Yard of the Week



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Congratulations to Bridget and Craig Anderson, winners of Warren's Week 8 Yard of the Week and the Miracle Grow Best Garden Selection. The creative use of a tree stump at 318 Hanlan St. immediately catches the eye, with new growth cradling a planter brimming with thrillers, spillers and fillers. The yard is full of lush plants in every size and colour, with a fairy garden tucked in and a flower bed showcasing impatiens, hostas, lamium, lilies, dogwood, cedar shrubs and more.



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Engines roared and smoke billowed from exhaust systems at the 2025 Teulon International Truck & Tractor Pull, held Aug. 16–17 at Green Acres Park in Teulon. Trucks, stock 4×4 pullers and antique tractors took to the track to test their power by dragging a weighted transfer sled as far as possible. For more than 50 years, fans have filled the stands to watch the powerful machinery in action.



Stolen quad crash causes highway scare



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

A stolen quad and its driver attempting to cross Highway 236 collided with a northbound half-ton on Sunday afternoon. The male driving the quad and the occupants of the truck were not injured.

Stonewall One Insurance staff mark Customer Appreciation Week



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

One Insurance marked Customer Appreciation Week across Manitoba from Aug. 18 to 22. The Stonewall branch welcomed clients with coffee, snacks and Danny's Whole Hog pork on a bun on Aug. 22. Left photo: staff members Alycia Campbell, Lindsay Stoutenburg and Shari Wirth served lunch to Ron Maryniuk; Right photo: Alycia Campbell, Vina Burzuik, Ginette Henry, Lindsay Stoutenburg and Shari Wirth.

John Deere dealers help grow 4-H leadership in Manitoba

Submitted by Ana-Julia Reis

4-H Canada is celebrating a landmark partnership with the John Deere Foundation of Canada and participating John Deere dealers across the country, aimed at developing youth to take on leadership roles in the agriculture industry and in communities nationwide.

The initiative brings a total of \$175,000 in funding, including \$100,000 from the John Deere Foundation of Canada and an additional \$75,000 from 11 regional dealers.

The investment will help reach an estimated 1,500 to 2,000 youth through national 4-H programs such as Citizenship Congress and Members' Forum, as well as local activities across seven provinces. Participants will gain skills in agricultural innovation, sustainability, leadership and well-being — experiences that contribute to a stronger future for Canadian agriculture.

The impact builds on evidence from 4-H Canada's recent alumni survey. At least eight in 10 alumni reported 4-H helped them develop skills such as public speaking, leadership, teamwork, self-confidence, meeting

management and responsibility. Seven in 10 also reported improvements in interpersonal skills, decision-making, self-esteem, positive values and record-keeping. On average, alumni identified 14 skills, attitudes and attributes gained through 4-H, with responsibility, positive values, teamwork, leadership and planning/decision-making ranking highest.

Notably, 44 per cent of 4-H alumni report working in agriculture today, compared to just one per cent of the general population — demonstrating the program's influence in building a talent pipeline for Canada's agricultural sector. Alumni also report a higher sense of confidence than the general public, and 75 per cent agree 4-H helped them master skills they continue to use both professionally and personally.

"This partnership is about investing in young people who will drive the future of agriculture and rural communities in Canada," said Hugh Maynard, CEO of 4-H Canada. "By working together, we are giving youth the tools, networks and confidence to lead in a rapidly evolving sector."

"Supporting 4-H means supporting

the next generation of innovators, entrepreneurs and community leaders," said Karen DeBreaux, communications and CSR lead at John Deere Canada. "The John Deere Foundation of Canada is proud to stand behind this vision for a thriving agricultural sector."

In Manitoba, the investment is strengthened through the support of local John Deere dealers Enns Brothers, with nine locations across the province, and Greenvalley Equipment, with four. Their commitment ensures Manitoba 4-H Council Inc. can continue delivering relevant provincial programming that meets the needs of today's youth. From leadership workshops and judging competitions to career exploration initiatives and community service projects, these programs empower 4-H members to build confidence, develop life skills and explore opportunities in agriculture and beyond.

The backing of Enns Brothers and Greenvalley Equipment directly supports the growth and development of young Manitobans, ensuring they are equipped with the knowledge, values and leadership skills to contribute meaningfully to their clubs, commu-

nities and the future of agriculture in the province.

The funding is part of the wider Tomorrow Needs 4-H campaign, an initiative led by the Canadian 4-H Foundation to raise funds to sustain and expand high-impact youth programs.

Beyond financial support, the partnership will create opportunities for mentorship, volunteering and stronger connections between local 4-H clubs and John Deere dealer communities — reinforcing shared values around rural prosperity and empowering youth.

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Manitoba ends state of emergency

By Haley Cvar

Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure's Emergency Management Organization says the provincewide state of emergency under the Emergency Measures Act expired at noon today and will not be extended.

The declaration was first made on July 10 and renewed Aug. 7 as wildfires across the province forced hundreds of residents from their homes and strained firefighting resources. It gave the province temporary pow-

ers to mobilize resources, co-ordinate evacuations and bring in extra support under sections 10(1) and 10(2) of the Act.

Officials say while the emergency order has ended, evacuation orders issued by local authorities remain in place until conditions are deemed safe for residents to return. Several communities in the north and Interlake remain displaced, with local councils continuing to monitor wildfire activity and air quality before lift-

ing restrictions.

The province is reminding Manitobans that wildfire risk remains high in many regions despite recent rainfall. Crews are still working to contain active fires, and fire restrictions and burn bans continue in several municipalities.

For updates on active wildfires, fire bans, evacuation notices and prevention tips, visit gov.mb.ca/wildfire.

Madeline's Closet to host inaugural health resource fair Sept. 3

By E. Antonio

Madeline's Closet is expanding its outreach with the launch of its first-ever health resource fair, to be held alongside its monthly community clothing day on Sept. 3.

The Inwood-based charity is dedicated to making life more affordable and accessible for women and children. On community days, individuals can choose three free pieces of clothing, but founder Shannon Dupont said the Sept. 3 event is designed to go a step further.

"We are a charity located right here

in the Interlake who strive to improve the lives of many," Dupont said. "We know there is a gap in services and we can see people are coming by who don't know what resources are in the area and how to access them — especially with the recent surge of fire evacuees. We want to give people an idea of what options they have and how to access them."

The community day will run from 4:30 to 8 p.m. at Madeline's Closet, located at 40 Main St. in Inwood. Health resource vendors will be available from 3 to 6 p.m. Ten organizations

have already signed on, including Service Canada, midwifery services and a public health nurse.

Dupont said additional groups are welcome to join. Anyone wishing to host a vendor table can email madelinesclosetinc@gmail.com or call 204-861-8336.

The organization is also collecting toiletry donations, which can be arranged by contacting Dupont directly. More information about Madeline's Closet is available through its Facebook page.

Stonewall RCMP seeks info about vandalism

By Jennifer McFee

Anyone with information about recent acts of vandalism or mischief in town are asked to reach out to Stonewall RCMP.

Earlier this summer, weekend van-

dals caused damage throughout Stonewall including tipped planters, vandalized signs, broken glass and doors and flags taken from outside the legion.

"If you are aware of who's doing it,

let us know," said RCMP Staff-Sgt. Jason Vrooman.

Those with information can reach out to Stonewall RCMP through the non-emergency line at 204-467-5015.

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Mark your calendars for a ‘beary’ fun day

By Lana Meier

One of Manitoba’s most beloved summer traditions is set to return next month as the Children’s Hospital Foundation of Manitoba hosts the 36th annual Teddy Bears’ Picnic at Assiniboine Park.

The event, presented by Johnston Group, takes place Sunday, Sept. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature more than 20 tents filled with kid-friendly activities. The free community celebration helps families learn about health care and research in an interactive way while supporting HSC Children’s Hospital.

Families can start the morning with the Teddy Bears’ Pancake Breakfast by IHOP, running from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased online in advance or at the event. New this year, the foundation is introducing a pre-booking system for two of the most popular attractions — the

Dr. Goodbear Clinic and the I Want to be a Scientist tent — with limited spaces available for advance reservations until Aug. 31. Walk-up visits will remain open throughout the day.

The Dr. Goodbear Clinic will once again triage stuffed animal patients, offering mock MRIs, X-rays, casting and other medical treatments, while the science tent will provide hands-on activities presented by the Children’s Hospital Research Institute of Manitoba.

“The Teddy Bears’ Picnic is beloved by so many families in Manitoba, generation after generation,” said Scott McDonald, chair of the Teddy Bears’ Picnic. “We’re thrilled to host this free, fun and interactive event and share important information about child health care and child health research.”

In addition to activity tents, families can enjoy main stage performances

sponsored by Endless Events, including Heather’s Pretty Parties, hoop dancers, baton twirlers, the Royal Winnipeg Ballet’s creative movement class and more. Activities such as face painting, GellyBall, character visits, Teddy’s ball pit and appearances from the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and Sea Bears will keep children entertained throughout the day.

A 50/50 draw, supported by Food Fare, is already generating excitement with a prize pot nearing \$30,000. Tickets are available online, with all proceeds going to support Manitoba’s only children’s hospital.

In 2024, the picnic welcomed more than 35,000 visitors, with over 2,000 teddy bear patients treated at the clinic. Since its debut in 1987, more than one million children have attended the event with their bears.

“The Foundation team and Board are so grateful for generous commu-

nity leaders, supporters and volunteers who make Teddy Bears’ Picnic possible,” said Stefano Grande, president and CEO of the Children’s Hospital Foundation. “We know kids and families make meaningful memories at this beloved community event and we are so thrilled to host it every year.”

Park and ride locations will be available at St. Paul’s and Shaftesbury high schools, with the Assiniboine Park Trolley running every 30 minutes between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Visitors can also purchase food from on-site trucks, bring a picnic lunch and browse Dr. Goodbear merchandise, with proceeds benefiting HSC Children’s Hospital.

For more information, advance booking and ticket purchases, visit goodbear.ca/TeddyBearsPicnic.

RCMP tactical training



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Officers from various units of the Manitoba RCMP took part in a tactical training session in Stonewall. The routine exercise, which is held regularly, runs officers through operational assignments and procedures.



REMINDER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

You’re Invited

to share your views about the rate application filed by Manitoba Public Insurance

The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) has filed the 2026 General Rate Application before the Public Utilities Board (Board) for approval of Basic Autopac vehicle insurance rates and premiums effective on April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027.

For further details, please contact MPI at inquiries@mpi.mb.ca or visit the Board’s website at www.pubmanitoba.ca.

A public hearing on the proposed rate application will be held beginning:

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Please view the hearing via the PUB website link: <http://www.pubmanitoba.ca/v1/live-stream.html>

If you are interested in learning more about this rate application, you are encouraged to attend the hearing, observe the hearing via live streaming, or provide your perspectives through the Board’s online comment tool.

If you wish to speak at the hearing or make a written submission, please contact the Board Secretary, Dr. Darren Christle at 204-945-2638 or toll-free 1-866-854-3698, no later than **September 30, 2025**.

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Gimli resident hoping to get beloved pet turtles back after theft, offering \$6,000 reward

By Patricia Barrett

An RM of Gimli resident who lives just north of Sandy Hook is hoping that whoever stole his two beloved box turtles from his residence last month will have a change of heart and return them to him.

Benjamin Wiesenthal posted a \$6,000 “no questions asked” reward for their safe return. The turtles have a special diet and require special care.

He noticed his turtles missing one morning in mid-July when he went to feed them. He had noticed one turtle in its water bowl — turtles like to climb into their bowls to drink or to absorb moisture through their skin — the evening before they vanished.

The two female turtles — one an eastern box turtle and the other a three-toed box turtle — lives in large terrariums and liked to hide under boxes Wiesenthal would install in their enclosures.

He said he has had both turtles for decades and was naturally fond of them in the way someone would be of a pet dog or a cat or another animal.

“I’ve had my turtles for years and they’re like any other pet,” said Wiesenthal almost a month after his turtles were stolen. “I’m quite laidback as a person and easygoing, and I’m surprised that someone would do this to me.”

His \$6,000 reward for the return of the two turtles far exceeds what they’re worth, he said, but he’s worried about their welfare.

He provides special supplements with their food and sometimes gives them superworms, a beetle larva that’s high in protein, fibre and fat.

“My main concern is the animals’ welfare and their safe return,” said Wiesenthal “I’m not interested in going after the person who took them; I just want to get my pets back.”

No current native populations of the

eastern box turtle are known to exist in Canada because of loss of habitat. Remains of the turtles have been found at archeological sites in Ontario, according to a 2014 status report from the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) that was commissioned by Environment Canada (now Environment and Climate Change Canada). Eastern box turtles, which can be found in the U.S., can live to as old as 100 years in the wild. Three-toed box turtles were considered a sub-species of the eastern box turtle but have been

re-classified as a different species.

Wiesenthal said box turtles are not common as a pet in Manitoba, but they’re not what would be considered “rare.”

“I acquired one my turtles in 1992 from Vancouver [33 years ago] and the other one I acquired from Petland in Winnipeg in 2000 [25 years ago],” he said.

No one apart from close friends — and an acquaintance visiting him at the time of their disappearance — knew he had the turtles.

“They were in terrariums in a room off the kitchen and they’d

hide under the boxes I would make for them. Someone walking in wouldn’t notice them,” he said. “Also, no one knew I had them out here except very close friends in Winnipeg — and they certainly would not have done this.”

He did have an acquaintance staying at his place and later noticed his turtles missing after that person left, he said. He had gone out bicycling for about four hours on the day they must have been taken (July 19) and stopped in Winnipeg Beach to visit some friends.

“Nothing looked amiss when I came back. Whoever came in didn’t go



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An eastern box turtle is shown. An RM of Gimli resident had two box turtles (not exactly as illustrated) stolen from his home in July.

around opening doors or rummaging through rooms; the place wasn’t torn apart,” he said. “But I noticed a day later that the turtles were gone. A bag with \$5 or \$6 in change I had in a top dresser drawer and some gift cards were also taken. My car was in the driveway when I was out cycling but it wasn’t rummaged through.”

He said he tracked down the acquaintance in Winnipeg and the person denied taking his turtles.

Wiesenthal posted about the theft on a local social media site, which resulted in hundreds of responses. He has a number of people on the case.

“There are other people actively looking into this, not just me,” said Wiesenthal.

Social media users offered advice on what sites to look at online to see if his turtles are being offered for sale and also commiserated with Wiesenthal.

“So sad this happened to your beautiful turtles,” wrote Dar Zayne. “Hopefully they will be returned knowing how much they mean to you.”

Laurie Toback wrote: “Heartless people in this world. Hope you get them back.”

Wiesenthal said he appreciates those keeping their eyes and ears out for his turtles. He’s worried that the thief or

thieves won’t know how to properly feed/water his turtles or just dump the animals in the wild.

“These animals are not native to this environment and they wouldn’t survive outside — especially a Manitoba winter,” he said. “It would be cruel if someone just stuck them outside and left them there.”

Wiesenthal said he contacted the Gimli RCMP detachment the day he noticed them missing and reported the theft.

Spokesperson Cpl. Melanie Roussel confirmed the Gimli detachment received a report on July 20.

“The investigation is still ongoing,” she said when asked about the status of the case.

Anyone with information about the turtles can contact the Gimli RCMP or submit an anonymous tip via Crimestoppers.

“If the public has information about the location of the turtles, they are asked to call either the Gimli RCMP detachment at 204-642-5104, Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477 or submit a secure tip online at www.manitobacrimestoppers.com,” said Roussel.

In addition to the police, Wiesenthal said people can also contact him at 204-218-0913.

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Stonewall Teulon

Cycling from mountains to home: a biker's western Canada adventure

By E. Antonio

According to Stony Mountain resident Tony Hoess, the sky is the limit for him and his bike. For three decades, he's had his eyes set on biking across Canada, and this July he is half way to achieving his goal.

"I've always said when I turned 60, I am going to bike across Canada. I have always been a biker and this is strictly something I've always wanted to do for fun. I've admired other bikers who have taken on the challenge and I thought it would be great to explore the country on my bike," said Hoess.

He and his long-time cycling friend, Dwight, flew to Vancouver on June 27 with their bikes in a box. Once they arrived, they assembled their Devinci Hatchet road bikes in the airport and set out on the first 90-kilometre leg of their journey. In total, they biked 2,400 kilometres in 24 days, arriving at the longitudinal centre of Canada just east of Winnipeg on July 20.

They carried all of their gear on their bikes such as their clothes, food, water and camping supplies.

"Everything has got to be multi-purpose," he said. "If it's only got one job, you had to get rid of it because you don't want to be hauling around that extra weight. I didn't even buy any souvenirs because it would have been too heavy."

They tried to stay in campgrounds most nights but opted for a hotel room when there was a possibility of rain or when they needed to do laundry. Hoess explained they didn't have a specific route they followed, often travelling east and stopping in towns others recommended. The most challenging part of their adventure was tackling the mountains.

"The steep hills are hard enough for us Manitobans who are used to biking on relatively flat terrain— but when you add on all your gear, it makes it even more of a challenge."

Hoess described it like biking with a 40-pound toddler. With the wind,



Hoess (right) with his friend, Dwight, who made the 2,400-kilometre bike ride with him.

heat and rain, he said he never quite knew how far they were going to travel each day, trying to beat the heat by being on the road by 5:30 a.m. daily.

They only had one rest day, which was spent in Herbert, Sask., due to the rain.

"We never knew what we were set out for each day. Was it going to rain? How strong was the wind? Where could we spend the night? Were we going to have enough power so our phones wouldn't die? These were all conditions we had to be mindful of — especially the power because we didn't want to be put in a position where our batteries were dead."

For food, he wasn't too mindful about what he was eating. He said he would eat anything and everything because he was constantly hungry and needed to replenish all the calories he burned.

"I ate like an unsupervised raccoon in an all-you-can-eat buffet."

He enjoyed eating at local restaurants and finding hidden gems in the towns he visited but also didn't stray away from convenience stores. His only rule was he wanted to find some place local to eat, not a chain restaurant he could easily find in Manitoba.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Stony Mountain's Tony Hoess biked from British Columbia to Manitoba this July.

Because of the risk of bears finding their campsite, they couldn't have extra food lying around, so picking up food on their route was the easiest option. Plus, he got to meet and talk to more people this way.

"It's the places you go, the people you meet and the sights you see that make this all worth it. When you're on a bike, you are going to take the time and stop at everything. Cars probably won't stop every 40 kilometres for a break, but we will. Because of our bikes, we got to see so many more things than we would have if we were driving. I think of all the things I have ever done in my lifetime — this is one

of the best things. I recommend anyone thinking about taking this leap to get on your bike, see the world, and leave your worries behind."

Hoess already plans on biking the rest of Canada in 2026 and will keep up his training by keeping in shape and biking daily. He reminds aspiring bikers this is not a race.

"If you want to take an hour break, take this break. Do you want to explore the town you found? Explore it. I hope you take a little longer than we did because I wish we took some extra days to enjoy sightseeing because those moments all add to the scrapbook of memories you will create."



Hoess enjoys a seat at a rest stop in B.C.

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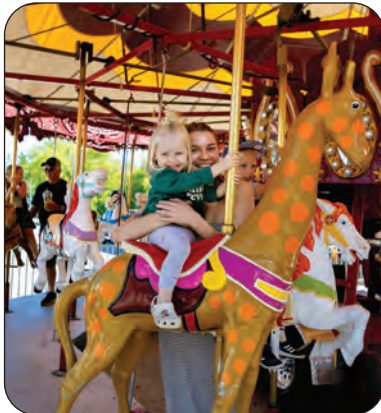
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Weekend of family fun



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER AND LANA MEIER
Stonewall's Main Street became a vibrant hub of activity as it transformed for the 39th Quarry Days celebration Aug. 15-17. Attendees were treated to an array of festivities that catered to all ages with live music, street dance and beer garden, fireworks, pancake breakfasts, a parade, midway, car show and fair food galore. Sponsors, volunteers and local businesses ensured endless fun for the whole family.





TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY RICHARD KLAPP

Thirteen teams battled it out over Quarry Days weekend at the fourth annual Danica and Abby's Village Slo Pitch tournament. Teams raised \$2025 for the cause. Pictured left, Stonewall Booze were the A-side winners after defeating The Pirates while Darryl Strawberries (right) won the B-side after defeating Pitches be Crazy.

WAVE of inspiration hits Gimli beachcomber

Barbara Foreman opens her studio, Fossibilities, to the public Aug. 30-31

By Emma McGill

Whether she's creating a custom piece in honour of a loved one's memory or making art for herself, Interlake artist Barbara Foreman lets her materials — all of which come from nature — guide her process.

Originally from Winnipeg, Foreman has lived in Gimli for about 30 years, enjoying the gardening, walking and beachcombing that the lakeside environment provides. About a decade ago, living in the Interlake inspired her to begin crafting heartfelt works of art with driftwood, stones and beach glass found along the Gimli shoreline.

"I'm inspired by the things that wash up and how nature creates them and how I can manipulate them into designs and create art with them," Foreman said. "I work with what is given to me and what I discover. I enjoy the challenge of using those pieces to create."

Foreman recently embraced a new challenge. After applying last fall and completing the jury process, she was accepted as a participant in the 2025 WAVE Interlake Artists' Studio Tour. The self-guided tour offers visitors an expansive art experience across 16 studios and runs over two weekends. The first one was June 7-8 and the second one is Aug. 30-31 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. WAVE has an app that can be downloaded to start planning your route.

Foreman's studio, Fossibilities, located at 249 Parkside Dr. in Gimli, welcomed more than 100 visitors during the June weekend.

"I was very nervous," she said. "You know, you're opening not only to a different group of people but you're also inviting them into your personal space. I was excited. I think a lot of people were surprised because our physical environment is quite different. I got to meet and chat with people at a really relaxed pace. It was a very positive experience."

In the past, Foreman showcased her work at markets, including the Arnes Farmers Market.

"They're like family, and I thoroughly enjoyed my time there. It was just time to step back a bit and slow down a bit," she said, adding that being a WAVE artist allows her to focus more



Foreman believes honouring memories and events with an unusual medium makes the tribute all the more special.

on her art and welcome visitors into her home gallery.

Fossibilities is on the property where she and her husband, Charles Kirkpatrick, live.

"My husband is my right-hand man," she said. "All of our artwork is framed with wood that's been reclaimed from the landfill. On every piece of art that I make, I can pretty much tell you where those stones come from or where the wood comes from. Some of them are like 100 years old."

Just as the pieces are connected to each other, Foreman said she, too, is deeply connected to her work. Her process often follows one of two paths.

She might begin with a drawn design based on an idea, sorting through her trays of materials — organized by shape and colour — to find the right fit. She revisits and refines the arrangement until she's satisfied with the result.

Other times, inspiration strikes during a walk on the beach.

"I come home with what I've found, I wash it all and separate it into categories, and sometimes, if I'm lucky, they come together in a way that I think is quite magical," said Foreman. "The stones tell that story."

While much of her work is rooted in the found materials, Foreman also creates custom and memorial pieces. In those cases, the story behind the artwork comes from families and loved ones. She gathers details through photographs and conversations to honour those relationships.

She recently completed two pieces for a customer seeking to commemorate families who had lost their pets.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Interlake artist Barbara Foreman welcomes visitors into her Gimli home gallery, Fossibilities, where she creates art from driftwood, beach glass and stones gathered along the Lake Winnipeg shoreline. She will open her studio again Aug. 30-31 during the WAVE Interlake Artists' Studio Tour.

"When I look back to the early pieces, I still love them but my work has grown by the detail and the intricacy of the way I do things," Foreman said. "I like to challenge myself, and often it's been through custom orders and customers where I have been the most challenged. One customer, she said to me at one point, 'You know, this just doesn't bring me joy.' Now, I have to ask myself at the end of each piece, 'Does this bring me joy? Is this joyful?' If not, I have to go back and keep working at it."

Foreman plans to keep her Gimli gallery open throughout the summer so that locals and visitors can stop in outside of the WAVE weekends. She is open Saturdays and Sundays from 12 to 4 p.m. or by appointment. She hopes to create seasonal pieces and is exploring ideas for interactive ac-

tivities, like scavenger hunts on the property.

"I really just look forward to continuing on with the work that I do and welcoming back customers and continually meeting new folks that are discovering WAVE for the first time and educating them on the way that my art works," she said.

"I'm proud to be a part of a collection of artists that are so incredibly talented on this tour. There are many of them that have been on this tour since the beginning. The Interlake just has a wealth of creativity and I think we are inspired by each other. I think, collectively, the tour is a great way to honour that."

To contact Foreman, call 204-407-8924, email bforeman@mymts.net or visit watchthewave.ca.

FALL & WINTER ACTIVITIES & registration section 2025-2026

Eight good reasons to take a dance class

Dance is an activity that's both athletic and artistic. Plus, it offers many benefits for your body and mind. From classical ballet, flamenco and contemporary jazz to swing, Argentine tango, hip-hop and Irish jig, there's a dance style for everyone. Here are eight excellent reasons to join a dance class.

1. **Improve endurance.** Dancing increases both cardiovascular and muscular endurance. Some styles of dance provide a better aerobic workout than others.
2. **Tone the body.** In addition to developing strength, dancing helps improve your bone density and supports better posture in your everyday life.
3. **Work on coordination.** When you dance, your body must move in multiple directions and requires dif-



ferent parts of your body to work together in unison.

4. **Increase flexibility and balance.** Dance improves your range of motion. If you're an older person, it can help you reduce your risk of falling.
5. **Work your brain.** Learning new movements and choreography helps improve your concentration and memory.
6. **Develop creativity.** Dancing enables you to explore your artistic side as you improvise and experiment. It's an ideal way to build self-confidence.
7. **Socialize.** Whether you go as a couple or join a group, dancing is a social activity that promotes collaboration.
8. **Combat stress and depression.** Dancing has a positive impact on mood. It can have a liberating effect by allowing you to connect with your emotions and express yourself.

Check out the schools in your area to find a class that appeals to you or your children.



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Why everyone can (and should) take a creative writing course

Creative writing courses offer more than just instruction on how to craft stories and poems. They provide valuable tools for personal and professional growth, regardless of background or writing experience. Here are five reasons why everyone can benefit from taking a creative writing course:

1. Unlocking creativity. Creative writing courses encourage you to tap into your imagination and ex-

plore the boundless possibilities of storytelling. You'll learn to unleash your creativity and develop your unique voice and style through exercises, prompts and feedback.

2. Improving communication skills. From composing emails to crafting presentations, creative writing courses teach you how to communicate ideas clearly and persuasively, using correct grammar, syntax and vocabulary.



3. Building confidence. As you receive constructive feedback and praise from instructors and peers, you'll gain the courage to share your work and take creative risks. This confidence extends beyond writing and can foster self-assurance and resilience in all aspects of life.

4. Cultivating empathy and understanding. Creative writing courses encourage empathy and understanding as students step into the shoes of characters with different backgrounds and worldviews. Engaging with diverse voices and nar-

ratives will help you develop greater compassion and cultural awareness.

5. Joining a supportive community. Creative writing courses provide an opportunity to connect with others who share a passion for storytelling. The relationships often extend beyond the classroom, offering ongoing support and inspiration.

Whether you're a seasoned writer looking to refine your skills or a novice exploring your creative potential, sign up for a creative writing class in your community.



Registration for Prairie North Dance's 2025 Dance Session is now open

The following classes will be offered for the 2025-2026 Dance Season:

Fall Session 2025

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Beginner (Ages 7-10 yrs) – 3:45-4:30pm
Novice (Ages 8 & Up) – 5:00-6:30pm
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Five workshops and classes your family can do together



Participating in workshops and classes together as a family strengthens bonds and creates shared experiences and lifelong memories. Here are five enriching activities that your family can enjoy together:

- **Cooking classes.** Cooking classes provide a fun and interactive way for families to learn new recipes and skills while spending quality time together in the kitchen. Cooking

together encourages teamwork, creativity and healthy eating habits, making it a rewarding and enjoyable activity for the whole family.

- **Art workshops.** Whether painting, pottery or crafting, art workshops offer a creative outlet for self-expression and imagination. Working on art projects as a family encourages collaboration, communication and problem-solving while allowing each member to showcase their unique talents.

- **Outdoor adventure classes.** Explore the great outdoors as a family by joining adventure classes such as hiking, camping or nature photography workshops. These classes provide opportunities for physical activity and exploration and promote environmental awareness and appreciation.

- **Gardening workshops.** Learning about plants, gardening techniques and sustainable practices promotes environmental stewardship, responsibility and patience. Moreover, it yields delicious fruits, veg-

etables and flowers for the whole family to enjoy.

- **Yoga and mindfulness classes.** Yoga or meditation classes promote physical health, mental well-being and stress relief while teaching valuable self-care and emotional management techniques.

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Why it's never too late to learn how to swim



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REGISTRATION NIGHT

Fall Registration Wednesday, September 10th, 2025

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Stonewall Curling Club

Learning how to swim has many benefits, no matter how old you are. While some people may think that picking up swimming later in life is too hard, the truth is that it's never too late to take the plunge. Here are four benefits:

1. Improved physical health. Swimming engages all muscle groups, promoting cardiovascular health, strength and flexibility. Unlike high-impact exercises, swimming is gentle on the joints, making it an ideal choice for older adults.

2. Better mental health. Swimming can reduce stress, anxiety and depression. Immersed in the water, swimmers often experience a sense of calm and relaxation, providing a much-needed respite from the pressures of daily life. Moreover, overcoming fears and stepping out of your comfort zone can help promote confidence and self-assurance.

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nities. Joining swimming classes or clubs allows adults to meet like-minded individuals, fostering friendships and support networks.

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BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

ISD reminds drivers to slow down as students return to class

By E. Antonio

September marks the return of students to classrooms, and the Interlake School Division (ISD) is reminding motorists to put safety first.

Beginning Sept. 1, school zone speed limits come into effect, requiring drivers to slow to 30 km/h during school hours, Monday through Friday. Jaret Thiessen, ISD transportation manager, said although the restricted hours vary, it's best to slow down any time of day, whether or not students are present.

Drivers are also reminded they must stop when a school bus's red lights are flashing and stop arms are extended. Anyone caught passing a school bus will be reported to the RCMP.

"Unfortunately, we encounter way too many motorists who fail to pay attention to our school bus warning and stop lights," Thiessen said. Last year, more than 50 reports were made for drivers passing a stopped school bus — an offence that carries a nearly \$675 fine. Thiessen noted the only exception is if there is a physical median

or ditch separating the vehicle from the bus. In all other circumstances, motorists must stop when the stop signs are out and the red lights are flashing.

ISD operates 35 bus routes that carry about 1,800 students, travelling more than 900,000 kilometres annually.

"The biggest risk of injury to students riding the bus is during loading and unloading," Thiessen said. "We strive to keep everyone safe, and slowing down and stopping near a school or bus is a way we can do this."

Amber lights indicate the bus is about to stop. Each stop takes roughly 30 seconds, and Thiessen stressed that half a minute can make all the difference.

"Trying to save a few seconds could cost you a lifetime of guilt," he added. "Thank you for trying to keep everyone safe this upcoming school year."



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School zone speed restrictions take effect Sept. 1. Drivers must slow to 30 km/h during designated hours, Monday to Friday, in school zones.

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Bike maintenance

Start by inspecting the condition of your child's bike. Does it have all the mandatory reflectors? Reliable brakes, properly inflated tires and a strong chain are crucial for a smooth ride.

Protective helmet

Wearing a helmet is vital to prevent serious injuries in case of a fall or collision. Ensure your child's helmet fits correctly and fastens securely for maximum protection.

Optimal visibility

Dress your child in bright colours or clothes with reflective strips to help other road users spot them. Highly visible clothing is especially important on overcast days or at dusk.

Maintain a safe distance from large vehicles

Remind your child that heavy vehicles like trucks and buses have large blind spots. Encourage them to keep a safe distance and always remain visible to drivers.

Finally, to help your child feel more comfortable, ride to school with them a few times before school starts.

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Second chances for local man and his truck

By Jennifer McFee

A local man and his much-loved old truck are both revved up to enjoy a second chance at life.

Two years ago, Maryan Hradowy fell down the stairs at his home and broke his neck. When doctors told him he would never again be able to walk — or drive or even sign his name — he was determined to prove them wrong.

To boost Maryan's spirits, his son Kevin thought it might be a good idea to fix up his old truck that had been rotting away in the weeds. The 1976 Dodge half-ton had definitely seen better days.

Kevin's son Owen had bought the truck off his grandpa for a \$1.10 about eight years prior. Now 16, Owen was ready to jump on board with the fix-up project along with his siblings Bohdan, Breanna and Travis.

Together, Kevin and his kids embarked on a mission to restore the truck to driving condition. They decided to name the truck "Mean Green, Maryan Hradowy edition."

Maryan had been an upholsterer by trade, so they knew the seat coverings couldn't be overlooked and they took the seat to Ron's Upholstery in Winnipeg to be redone. Adding a special touch, Breanna designed a Mean Green logo, which was embroidered on the like-new seat. They even added Maryan's signature in embroidery, since he has taken great strides in recovery and is now able to sign his name again. In fact, Kevin says his dad has defied the odds and is now about 90 per cent recovered.

Since Bohdan and Owen are both apprenticing to become mechanics, the old truck offered an ideal opportunity for them to strip it apart, cut it up and weld it back together again. Looking ahead, Travis, a Red Seal woodworker, plans to add wood accents to the vehicle. The truck even includes a push bar on the front that Kevin and his cousin made about 45 years ago.

"It's a family venture. It was pretty bare bones at first. It was so basic that



New parts were installed.



Bohdan working on the floor after the new sheet metal was welded in.

it didn't have a radio or power steering. It was two-wheel drive, six-cylinder, and it had the shifter in the column. We decided to put a four-wheel drive chassis under it, so now it's got four-wheel drive, power steering and it's automatic — but it still has the integrity of the original truck," he said.

"It looks rough right now, but eventually it will be all pristine."

As they worked on the project, they kept a goal in mind — to have the truck ready to drive in time for Bo's grad in June. They achieved their goal, and it added to the excitement of the milestone moment.

"The first thing we did was take it to dad and let him get inside it. He took the boys for a ride in it," Kevin



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The Hradowy brothers, Bohdan and Owen, brought the truck for their grandpa Maryan Hradowy to see the day they got it mobile.



The seat is embroidered with a logo designed by Breanna, which includes Maryan's actual signature.

said. "And now I can drive down the road and feel like I'm back in 1980. It's been good therapy for me."

After driving Mean Green for the first time in decades, Maryan shared some poignant thoughts.

"They said I would never walk or drive again. They said Mean Green would never be back on the road," Maryan said. "Well, both of us have a second chance at life."

For Kevin, he wonders if the situation could serve as an inspiration to others looking to rebound from hardships.



Maryan is excited to see the truck and was impressed with his grandkids' work.

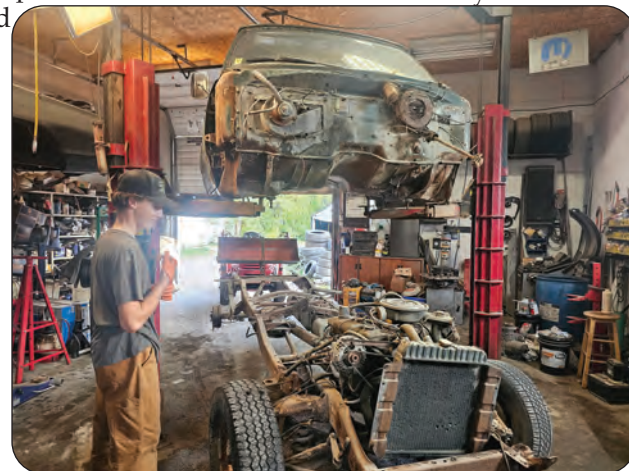
"I thought that both the truck and my dad were written off. They both weren't supposed to be around anymore," he said. "The truck got a second life — and so did my dad."



Owen was working on the motor, installing a new manifold, carburetor, valve covers and distributor.



The truck now has a four-inch lift, 33-inch tires and a roll bar to give it that 1980s look. They'll drive it like this for a year or two before they finish the body work and paint it.



Owen started to take the truck apart.

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INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

Local coaching spotlight: On the go with Lance Marohn

By Kieran Reimer

Mastering the art of coaching is nearly impossible.

For professional sports teams, there's the pressure of performance and the constant scrutiny from fans and media. For local youth sports, the pressure comes from other directions: parents wanting more playing time for their kids, coaches clashing with players, or even disagreements between coaches themselves.

There's no recipe for being the perfect coach, but Lance Marohn is doing his best.

"It's all worth it," said Marohn. "It's so rewarding to see the girls' faces light up and how well they're doing and learning, and watching the progression from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. I'm a very social person, so it's a great way to get to know the community and the people."

Marohn grew up in Waldersee, Man., where he played hockey, baseball and even broomball. His father, Ronald, coached him growing up, and that's where he learned what it takes to coach community sports and succeed at it.

Since moving to the Interlake, Marohn has carried on the tradition by coaching his kids. It's become a year-round commitment on top of his job as a project manager for PCL Construction.

The schedule leaves him with only about a week and a half away from coaching each year, as one sport ends and another begins.

Now 45, Marohn has built up nine years of experience behind the bench in hockey, softball and soccer for his children Brock, Katie and Annika.

He still has a long way to go to match his father's four decades of coaching.

"He's a mentor," said Marohn. "He's somebody I can go to and talk about little things. He's the one who told me he prefers coaching girls over boys because girls he can coach out of a jam. Boys fall behind in a game, sometimes they lose their head and take themselves out of the game. But he says with a girls' team, you can coach them back in a lot easier. That kind of stuff, he's always said. If you run a



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Lance Marohn and his daughters Katie and Annika celebrate the U11 A Stonewall Blue Jays Girls Softball Team winning the provincial championship. Marohn coached both of Katie's softball and hockey teams this season.

drill with the girls and show them how to do something, they're going to do it that way every time. If you show the boys, he basically said if you tell the boys to go beat each other up, they will. It's just the psyche of the two genders."

This past year, Marohn coached the city championship-winning U11 A2 Female Stonewall Blues and served as assistant coach for the provincial champion U11 A Stonewall Blue Jays girls' softball team.

He has also pitched in with Timbits soccer and U9 hockey.

Balancing fun and competition is one of the greatest challenges when coaching younger players. Some are just there to try a new sport, while others want to push for the next level.

Marohn works to blend the two.

"You need a healthy mix between competition and fun, so I always make sure the girls are going to have fun — that'll never be a problem," said Marohn. "When it comes to practices or games, they also need competition. In my mind, it's a huge thing for learning. As the kids come into adulthood, they need to understand how to get out of tough situations. They need to learn how to handle losing, whether it's a battle for the puck in the corner or dropping a fly ball. Not only that, the others on the team need to learn how to handle it when one of their teammates fails because, at the end of the day, the team wins and loses together. That's something I've really been practising and preaching. The biggest part of it is communication."

That communication extends to the coaches as well. Marohn says his teams have found the most success when head and assistant coaches work as equals.

"What I've learned about being a coach is that it's not all me at all," said Marohn. "My job is to organize the group, and one of the first things I learned is that I really need to put a lot of trust in my assistant coaches and ask for help right from Day 1, whether it's hockey or baseball."

Marohn said he tries to learn something from each coach he works with.

He named Scott Marohn, Scott Yurick, Jim Campbell, Nathan Brunel, Megan Humeniuk, Brian McLeod, Scott Kwasnitza, Heidi Fingas, Kevin Donovan, Shawn Rempel, Nicole Hutchinson and Brynn Williams as recent collaborators.

Other mentors include Larry Denbow, Garth White and Jerry Caumartin, who all coached Marohn during his playing days.

Shakhov's brilliance lifts Juventus past NexGen, into MMSL Div. 2 playoff spot

By Kieran Reimer

It's getting to the point where things seem unfair for CSSE Juventus striker Danila Shakhov.

On Tuesday, Shakhov and the Stonewall-based Juventus travelled to Buhler Recreation Park to face the eighth-ranked FCNW NexGen.

Entering the match with 10 goals on the season, Shakhov did what he does best.

After NexGen went up 1-0 early, Shakhov, playing the first half at midfield, responded with a hat trick to help a shorthanded Juventus close out the first half with a 3-2 lead.

Juventus' Kyle Andrade then padded the lead with a goal in the second half. NexGen, however, kept pressing and tied things up at 4-4 with back-to-back goals.

All square, the match came down to the final minutes of regulation when Shakhov came through in the clutch. With a shimmy-shake move around a NexGen defender, he followed with a quick strike in tight that beat the keeper.

The score held until the final whistle as Shakhov's four-goal night powered Juventus to a 5-4 victory, snapping a two-game losing skid.

"We're getting a rhythm with the team, and we're just enabled to do better," said Shakhov.

With the win, Juventus moved back into a playoff spot, holding a share of fifth place with the Kildonan Cavaliers and a game in hand.

For the 24-year-old Shakhov, the night also vaulted him back into a share of the Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 2 scoring lead with 14 goals — in what is only his first season with the club.

"I can fit in with teams pretty good," said Shakhov, who joined Juventus this year after an invite from a friend

already on the team.

Though he lives in Winnipeg, the Stonewall area isn't exactly new to him — his parents have a hobby farm in nearby Grosse Isle.

"I can kind of adapt to my social situation, so I've seen how they play, and then I try to adapt to it, and I guess it's worked."

Next up for Shakhov and Juventus is a date with ninth-ranked United Punjab Sporting Club on Wednesday back in Stonewall. Kickoff at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex is set for 6:30 p.m.

Arborg Ice Dawgs offering tryouts in Stony Mountain and Gimli

By Patricia Barrett

Hockey players who want to join the Arborg Ice Dawgs have a chance to try out next month during a series of fall camps being offered in Stony Mountain and Gimli.

Tom Chwaliboga, who sits on the Ice Dawgs board, said there are a handful of spots available on the team for players aged 16 to 20.

"We're looking for players not only from the Interlake but also from Winnipeg and elsewhere to help us round out a team for the upcoming season," he said. "Most of the kids will be returning from last year, apart from those who've aged out. But there are at least four or five spots available on the team that we're looking to fill."

Chwaliboga said the Ice Dawgs will probably be the youngest team in the league based on the age of most of the returning players, who are 17, 18 and 19 years old. Other teams in the league have a greater number of 19-, 20- and 21-year-old players.

"Our young players are really good hockey players, and we anticipate being very competitive with them this

year. We're really excited about what the future holds with these young players," said Chwaliboga. "What we're hoping is that over the next few years this group of players will grow and develop, and when they turn 19, 20 and 21, we'll have a really strong team competing for the league championship."

During the tryout camps, coaches will be assessing the overall skill of prospective players, their knowledge of the game and their on-ice abilities, said Chwaliboga. They'll also be talking to the players about the Ice Dawgs' history, team accomplishments and what the team's overall goals are for this season and in the future.

Ice Dawgs' general manager Lloyd Barylski said the tryouts are an opportunity for players to showcase their skating, stickhandling, and shooting and passing skills in their respective positions such as defence, forward and goal, as well as their decision-making and competitiveness, among other assets.

"We're looking for the most skilled

players at tryouts, the ones we want to build a strong, competitive team with — that's the biggest thing," said Barylski, who oversees the Ice Dawgs' daily operation including coaches and players. "We try to keep a lot of local players. But if we've got stronger players coming from the outside, some players will have to try out again the next year."

Chwaliboga said the Ice Dawgs emphasize the importance of their players attending school or work over hockey, and will work with the player and his family to ensure hockey isn't negatively impacting other important aspects of their lives.

"We want to provide an opportunity for each player to play some really good, competitive hockey. But in saying that, we understand the importance of our players going to school, whether it's high school, university or trades, or if he has work commitments. We will work with that player and his family to ensure that's priority No. 1. We'll look at the scheduling of practices and games and see where we can be flexible and work around

the times when he has an exam or other important commitment," said Chwaliboga. "Ours is a 30-game season; the commitment is not as great as other teams that might have 44 games or 50 games throughout the winter."

Holding the Ice Dawgs' fall camp in other communities will make it easier for aspiring players to try out for the team.

"We decided to move our camp to southern part of the Interlake and to be closer to Winnipeg so that it's easier for some of the players in those areas to attend our camp," he said.

The Ice Dawgs' camps in Stony Mountain are scheduled for Sept. 13 (3:30 to 5 p.m.) and Sept. 14 (2 to 3 p.m.). In Gimli the camps are scheduled for Sept. 17, Sept. 19 and Sept. 23, all from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

A registration fee of \$75 covers all five skates.

For more information, contact the Arborg Ice Dawgs' general manager Lloyd Barylski at 204-642-2949 or email the team at arborgdawgs@gmail.com.

Sr. Aces returning to SEMHL after Hockey Manitoba ruling

By Kieran Reimer

The Ste. Anne Senior Aces have gotten their wish.

Last week, the Aces and team president and head coach Kevin Lansard announced on Instagram that Hock-

ey Manitoba ruled in favour of their appeal regarding the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League's decision to remove them from the league.

The Aces were informed they had been removed from the SEMHL at a

league meeting on May 4 at Carman Golf Course, following an alleged vote by multiple member teams.

"This was a long process, and we are extremely grateful that Hockey Manitoba has recognized our position and confirmed that the league's actions were not in line with proper governance," Lansard said in the statement. "This ruling allows us to continue competing in the SEMHL, where we rightfully belong. From the beginning, our goal has been to build a respectful, competitive team that represents our players, our community and our fans with pride. Today's ruling reaffirms those values and gives our players and supporters the clarity they deserve."

Now back in the league, the Aces will enter the 2025-26 season looking to defend their title as champions.

The Aces have captured the championship in all three seasons they've competed in the league.

In that three-year span, they have finished first in the regular season twice, posting a combined 31-5 record over the past two campaigns.

The Carman Beavers, Ile des Chênes Northstars, Morden Bombers, Notre Dame Hawks, Portage Islanders, Red River Wild, Springfield Winterhawks, Warren Mercs and Winkler Royals made up the other nine clubs that competed in the 10-team league in 2024-25.

Sharpening their skills



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As summer evenings grow cooler, arenas across the Interlake are once again bustling with activity. Players of all ages are sharpening their skills at conditioning camps and goaltending clinics as they gear up for tryouts and another busy season of hockey. The AAA Lightning boys and girls tryouts begin the first week of September in Warren, Stonewall, Stony Mountain, Gimli and Lundar and online registration has opened for community minor hockey associations.

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Warren Collegiate pushes ahead with track revival project

By Lana Meier

Warren Collegiate Institute (WCI) is lacing up for the final stretch of its ambitious Track Revival Project, which aims to rebuild the school's outdoor track for students, neighbouring schools and the broader community.

Organizers are zeroing in on their last \$50,000 in fundraising, launching a "buy a metre" campaign that invites supporters to sponsor one of the 400 metres of the new track at \$100 each. Staff member Fallon Campbell said the idea came when the project was close to its target but still faced a daunting gap.

"We were so close to our goal, but that last little bit can be so daunting," she said. "I just thought, 'well, we have to get the money somehow — just one metre at a time' and that's where the metre campaign was born."

The school will also host a community pancake breakfast on Sept. 21 and a bake sale, with alumni encouraged to get involved. Campbell said nostalgia plays a powerful role.

"Legacy and nostalgia are such powerful things," she said. "There are a lot of memories made at WCI, and whether or not it was the 4x400m team that stood on the podium at Provincials in 2004, or the kid that started their running journey around the old track in phys-ed. class years ago — the memories still elicit that same response. These alumni understand the power that these memories hold, and I just know in my heart that they would support this for future students and the community."

Over the summer of 2024, the Interlake School Division completed critical drainage improvements at the track site, laying the groundwork

for future upgrades. In November, Campbell announced that Phase 1 of the project was complete thanks to volunteer labour and donations.

Phase 2 began earlier this year, with subsoil repairs addressing silt deposits and preparation for the base of a new six-lane track. Campbell said the most important first step in this phase was securing funds.

"This phase requires a substantial amount of money, so our first step was to secure funding," she said. "We are so appreciative of the funding from the Province of Manitoba's From the Ground Up grant, the Interlake School Division's capital funding for outdoor spaces, the Richardson Foundation, the Lion's Club of Warren, and everyone that supported our multiple fundraising efforts over the past year. So far we have solidified the design through Dillon Consulting. This allowed us to put the project out for tender and accept bids. We have now chosen a contractor and are ready to break ground."

She admitted the road has not been easy.

"Costs and securing funds have seemed like an uphill battle. A lot of great organizations and initiatives are seeking funding, and so grants have been very competitive."

Despite the challenges, Campbell said the community has shown its determination to see the project through.

"There have been countless ways where the community has come together," she said. "From volunteering machinery and time to grind stumps to coming to meetings as a PAC to giving money and donations for all of our fundraising initiatives and much more. Some of this has been through



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Construction is underway on Warren Collegiate Institute's outdoor track, part of the school's Track Revival Project that will provide a new six-lane surface for students, alumni and the community.

students and parents of the school; however, it's very humbling to see how others in the community and surrounding areas have stepped in to help."

The project has also been buoyed by outside contributions. In the first phase, DGH Engineering supported the project by providing consulting and plans for the drainage on the track. Earlier this year, Stonewall Tim Hortons partnered with WCI through the Smile Cookie campaign, and in summer 2025 the Warren Lions Club provided a \$5,000 boost.

The completed track will be a game-changer for both students and residents.

"The new track will allow for our students to stay off the roads, work on pacing, and be safer for physical education classes," Campbell said. "We also won't have to travel to Stonewall to practise for track and field, saving time and money."

Beyond athletics, she said the track

will serve the entire community.

"This track and field space will allow better access for people to enjoy free activities," she said. "Many seniors in town have expressed how valuable a smooth walking track will be for their health and well-being. We have also talked with several young families who are out on the town and they feel the future space will be great for family walks, roller blading and staying active."

Looking ahead, crews plan to complete the asphalt in spring 2026, followed by landscaping. The ultimate vision is to include a regulation in-field for soccer and outdoor games, with the possibility of hosting track meets in the future.

"The end goal is to have a space for people of all ages to enjoy safely and be proud of," Campbell said. "It takes a village. We are incredibly grateful for the support we have had so far. We are climbing a mountain, and the top is so close."

United drop key matchup despite return of top scorer

By Kieran Reimer

Potentially the biggest game on tap in the Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 3A last week was between Stonewall United and 313FC.

The matchup had grown in significance over the past few weeks as United slid out of the top five and into sixth place in the division, holding the final playoff spot.

In that same stretch, 313 moved up the table into a share of sixth with Stonewall.

Last Thursday, the two deadlocked clubs met at Shaughnessy Park Field to see if one could grab an edge in the playoff race.

United received a boost ahead of the match with the return of leading scorer Bret Sveinson after a five-week

absence. The striker created several scoring opportunities for his club and had a few looks of his own.

But 313FC always had an answer in net for Sveinson and United's offence.

After taking an early 1-0 lead, 313 put it in cruise control as Stonewall struggled to find an equalizer. United made a final push to tie it in the second half, but to no avail, as 313 added a late tally to secure a 2-0 win.

"We started off slow," said Sveinson. "We picked it up. We created a lot of chances but, again, we couldn't capitalize on anything. We had a few misses in front of the net that bummed us out, but they got their last goal because it was the end of the game. We were in full-on attack mode, and there was no one back there, so it was kind

of just an easy one. We left Steff (Hillcock) out to dry, but we gave it all we had."

Though he didn't score in his return, Sveinson said he felt pretty good, in part due to a training session a few days earlier.

"I just got to capitalize on our chances, maybe hit the net," he said. "We created a lot of chances last game, a lot of them came from my effort up front, but we just couldn't capitalize. I had a few chances. Goalie made some good saves."

The road to a playoff spot now gets a little tougher after the loss, but Sveinson's return should help United's offence down the stretch.

They now sit three points back of 313FC for the final playoff spot, with

both teams having played 15 games. Elmwood and Richmond Kings also remain within striking distance, but with just five games left on United's schedule, the margin for error has grown smaller.

United, however, are keeping calm — something the club prides itself on.

Following Thursday's loss, the team gathered for some bonding to lift their spirits.

Now they will shift their focus to what's next: a home date with Richmond Kings this Thursday.

The two clubs last met in June, playing to a 3-3 draw at Buhler Recreation Park.

Kickoff this time is set for 6:30 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Sports Complex.



NOTICE OF APPLICATION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSETER AND
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROCKWOOD
GROSSE ISLE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY
REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES

August 6, 2025

The Rural Municipality of Rosser (Rosser) and the Rural Municipality of Rockwood (Rockwood) have jointly applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Grosse Isle Water and Wastewater Utility as set out in Rosser's By-Law No. 1-25, read for the first time on January 8, 2025 and Rockwood's By-Law No. 3/25, read the first time on February 12, 2025. Rates were last approved in 2020 in Board Order No. 83/20, with current rates coming into effect January 1, 2022. In addition to the revised rate application, the Municipality of Rosser has also applied for the recovery of a 2022 Utility deficit by rate rider.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates			
	By-Law 5-24	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 39.64	\$ 37.91	\$ 38.68	\$ 39.47	
Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 3.38	\$ 4.19	\$ 4.85	\$ 4.85	
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$ 3.51	\$ 2.70	\$ 2.70	\$ 2.67	
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 142.99	\$ 141.26	\$ 151.93	\$ 152.27	
Quarterly Charge - Wastewater Only Customers **	\$ 74.74	\$ 159.41	\$ 160.18	\$ 159.62	
Rate Rider	\$ -	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.56	
Minimum Quarterly Charge- with Rate Rider*	\$ 142.99	\$ 149.66	\$ 160.33	\$ 160.67	
Lagoon Tipping Fee	\$ 6.75	\$ 11.40	\$ 11.40	\$ 11.40	

*Based on 15 cubic meters

**Current rates based on 10 cubic meters, proposed rates based on 45 cubic meters

Details of Rosser and Rockwood's application are available for review at the Municipalities offices or the Public Utilities Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the RM's.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Rosser or Rockwood's application for water and wastewater rates, please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your comment. Please note all comments will be forwarded to the RM's.

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **September 20, 2025**.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. The Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pubmanitoba.ca.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOODLANDS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING BORROWING BY-LAW 2813/25

In accordance with Subsection 169(6) of The Municipal Act, the Council of the Rural Municipality of Woodlands shall hold a PUBLIC HEARING on

Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.
Municipal Office
57 Railway Ave, Woodlands, MB

Regarding the proposal to borrow \$2,235,000.00 via borrowing by-law 2813/25 to pay for the construction of a new reverse osmosis water treatment plant, new water supply reservoirs in Stonewall and Warren, new supply wells, and a water supply pipeline from Stonewall to Warren.

Please note: this hearing is being held to correct a procedural error in which the April 2025 public meeting was not conducted as a formal public hearing. Furthermore, the by-law was not included in the 2025 Financial Plan, which may have helped to avoid the correction. If you have any questions about this error and the correction required, please contact the Municipal Office.

Important:

- No new information about the project will be presented from that which was available in April.
- No changes have been made to the borrowing application or borrowing proposal.
- This will not impact the Municipality's 2025 budget or tax levies.
- This hearing is being held to ensure transparency and compliance with the Municipal Act.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow any interested person to make representation, ask questions, or register an objection in respect of this proposal. If you are planning to attend we are requesting that you pre-register with the RM of Woodlands Office at 204-383-5679 or by email at finance@rmwoodlands.ca, to ensure there is sufficient space available. A virtual Teams link can be provided by email upon request.

Copies of the proposal are available for review by email, mail, fax, or in person at the RM office.

Kaitlyn Griffith
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Woodlands

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TOWN OF STONEWALL NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVISION

General Assessment and Personal Property Assessment 2026 and 2025 Supplementary Property Taxes

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The Board of Revision shall sit to hear applications respecting assessment on **Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 6:30 PM** in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall, 293 Main Street, Stonewall, Manitoba.

Applications for revision of assessment shall be made in accordance with Sections 42 and 43 of the Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

- liability to taxation;
- amount of an assessed value
- classification of property; or
- a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

43(1) An application for revision must:

- be made in writing;
- set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- set out which of the matters referred above in subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office of the Town of Stonewall, Box 250, 293 Main Street, Stonewall, Manitoba, R0C 2Z0, or
 - serving it upon the Secretary of the Board of Revision

The final date on which applications shall be received by the Secretary of the Board of Revision is **Tuesday, September 23, 2025.**

Dated this 27th day of August A.D., 2025 at the Town of Stonewall in the Province of Manitoba.

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-Love Vivian,
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Michael

OBITUARY



John "Jack" McEachern

It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of John "Jack" McEachern on August 17, 2025 at his home.


Jack was predeceased by his beloved wife, Debby, in 2005. He leaves behind his loving daughter Tracy and son-in-law Shawn, who will carry his love and memory with them always.

Jack also shared a very special bond with his dear friend Laurie. Together, they enjoyed many laughs and adventures over the years. He was embraced as a part of her family by her daughters, Sandi (Kirt) and Kristin (Tom). Laurie's grandchildren - Kaity (Mason), Riley, Peyton, and Maddox - brought Jack immense joy, and he took great pride in cheering them on in all of their sports and activities.

Jack will be remembered for his thoughtfulness, his knack for a good story or joke, and a laugh and presence that could fill any room. He touched the lives of many and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In keeping with his wishes, a private gathering will be held at a later date to celebrate Jack's life.

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MARGARET BLOWERS (SORENSEN)

September 4, 1930 – August 18, 2025

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of our beloved Mum, Margaret Blowers, who left us peacefully at home on August 18, 2025, just shy of her 95th birthday.

Margaret was born on September 4, 1930, in Transcona, MB. She was predeceased by her parents William and Grace, her brothers Jim and Loren, her sister-in-law Betty, and her husband Ralph, with whom she shared 51 years of marriage.

She is lovingly remembered by her children Verna (Spring), Ray (Tammy), and Curt (Ochie). Grandchildren: Daniel (Nicole), Jay (Jocelyn), Michael (Lacey), Shawn (Lauren), Derek (Jessica), Talea (Connor), and Riley. Great-grandchildren: Gus, Jaques, Grayson, Aubrey, Ella, Liam, Emberleigh, Teylie, Sophie, Owen, Madison, and Avelin. She also leaves behind her niece Rhonda (David), Krys and Sam, and many other nieces and nephews who loved her dearly.

Margaret married Ralph on September 16, 1950, together they built a life in Woodlands, Manitoba, where they started the Blowers family farm and raised their three children. The family home, filled with decades of love, laughter and memories, remained her most cherished place. It was there, in her favourite chair, that she found comfort each day and where she remained until her peaceful passing.

Maggie, as Ralph lovingly called her, was a caregiver in every sense of the word. Throughout her life, she looked after each of her closest family members at one time or another, and extended that same compassion to the many people she cared for as a dedicated home care worker within the community. She had a gift for making others feel nurtured and at ease.

Her love for cooking and baking was well known, her kitchen was rarely without a freshly made pie, cake, or batch of cookies, and no one ever left her kitchen on an empty stomach. Maggie also found great joy in tending to her yard, especially mowing the lawn on her riding mower, a task she proudly continued until the age of eighty-eight.

Her family extends heartfelt gratitude to those who supported Mum with love and care: Maureen, Bonnie, Joanna, Lisa, and Marjorie, our Earth Angels, whose dedication made it possible for her to stay at home, we are forever grateful. Thank you also to Karen from Nav Care for her weekly visits (and to Gwen for arranging), Dan from the Alzheimer's Society, Dr. Masek and Dr. Joseph, Jason and Trevor from the pharmacy who always answered my questions. Lindsay from Palliative Care, Laurie from Home Care, to Edie for the telephone calls that mum always cherished. A special thank you to Rhonda who came from Vancouver to give her love and support on many occasions, to mum you were considered a daughter and to me a sister. Each of you played a meaningful role in Mum's journey, and our gratitude is endless.

Margaret was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, neighbour and friend. A pillar in the Woodlands community, her kindness and love will be remembered always. Her legacy lives on in the hearts of all who were blessed to know her.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Ken Loehmer.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at the Woodlands Hall, Woodlands, Manitoba.

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OBITUARY

Brooke Florence Gray (Riddell)

Brooke Florence Gray (Riddell) passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at the age of 85.

A Service of Remembrance will be held on Saturday, August 30, 2025 at Warren United Church at 1:00 p.m.

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Love and remembrance last forever.

OBITUARY

Alan James

January 11, 1937 - August 18, 2025

It is with profound sadness that we announce that Alan James, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, went home to Jesus in the early hours of Monday, August 18, 2025 at the age of 88.

Alan is survived by his wife Natalie (nee Ozirney), his children Brent, Brad (Candace), and Tracey (Alvin), his grandchildren Jasmyn, Tanner (Kaitlyn), Madison (Jeremiah), and Brooke-Lynn, and his great-grandchildren Jaylen and Levi.

Alan was predeceased by his sister Evelyn Corrigan.

Alan was born in Grosse Isle in 1937, the oldest of four siblings. In 1944 Al's father died in World War II when he was seven years old. Needing to help contribute to the family finances, Al quit school at the end of grade 8 and joined the workforce.

On July 1, 1961, Al met the love of his life, Natalie Ozirney. They were married four short months later on October 28th. In 1963 they made the move out to Richmond, BC where Al went to trade school for welding. In February of 1964 they were surprised by the birth of twin boys. Feeling homesick, they returned home to Grosse Isle in 1965, and a year later welcomed their daughter.

In 1967 evangelist, Billy Graham, came to speak in Winnipeg and Al and Nat were there. It was on that day that their lives changed forever as they both accepted Jesus to be Lord and Saviour of their lives. The rest of Alan's life can only be described as a life lived of unwavering faith in Christ. If you ever crossed paths with Al, whether you were a close friend or a stranger, he would make sure you left knowing about Jesus.

Later in life Al and Nat started travelling, visiting Ukraine twice, England three times, Israel four times, Portugal, Egypt, Ireland, and France where Al's dad is buried.

After living in the Stonewall area for almost 40 years, they moved to Inwood, MB where Alan spent the last 14 years living next door to his daughter, grandchildren, and later, great-grandchildren. Having Al next door has been such a blessing to all of us and he will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held at New Life Church in Stonewall on Wednesday, August 27th at 2:00 p.m.

Alan's family would like to send our sincerest thanks to the nurses and health care aides on Medicine 4 at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre. Their kind and compassionate care extended not only to Al, but also to us.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Bethel Rays of Hope Ministries.

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OBITUARY

Clint Dzuba

October 30, 1971- August 17, 2025

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of Clint Dzuba at the age of 53, surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, August 17, 2025.

Clint will be enormously missed by the love of his life and wife of 26 years, Angie; loving children Julie and Matthew; mother Anne; sister Nicole; numerous family and friends.

Clint was predeceased by his grandparents Matt and Agnes Dzuba, John and Mary Boitson; father Bill Dzuba; brother Wesley Dzuba.

Clint was born on October 30, 1971 and raised in the Komarno/Pleasant Home area. His early childhood education took place at Komarno School followed by Teulon Collegiate for his junior high and high school years where he graduated in 1990.

On August 20th, 1995 Clint and Angie had their first date, fell in love and he knew from that moment he would marry her one day. They married on July 3, 1999 and started their life together and raised two wonderful children who he was very proud of. On

March 5, 2002 his baby girl Julie was born, then on July 13, 2005, during the addition and big house renovation, his little man, Matthew came along.

Clint's work life consisted of his first job at Interlake Supply Center in Gunton during his teenage years, then he went off to Poplarfield and worked on a farm for Rocky Wallack. Clint took up driving and hauled pigs across Canada for Cotswold. He found that driving was his passion so he went on to get his Class 1 license. He worked for Dola Brothers for a brief period then finally Mark Brandt Trucking where he built many life long relationships. Clint drove for Mark for 10 years until the passing of his father when he then took over the family farm. Clint always said even though he is farming now, he'd always be a truck driver.

Clint had an amazing amount of friends and made countless memories – most of them involving speed, squealing tires, roaring engines, mud, music and of course alcohol. Clint was the hardest working person who would drop everything and give anything to help someone out. Clint was strong but so gentle, the biggest teddy bear and yet would do anything that needed to be done to protect his family.

We would like to express gratitude to the EMT's who responded to the 911 call and tried everything to bring Clint back to us and also to the huge support team of family and friends.

A funeral will be held at the Teulon Hall on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at 11:00 a.m., followed by interment at Pleasant Home Cemetery.

In honour of Clint's memory, we ask everyone to raise their glass to the greatest guy who touched so many lives.

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OBITUARY



Susan (Tinny) McKay
September 10, 1959 - August 14, 2025

Mama, she was an amazing wife, sister, mother and grandmother. She was a vibrant, kind, loyal and loving woman who often went above and beyond for all; especially the people who were closest to her, she gave love that seemed to be never ending. The smile of a true Angel with hands that were always willing to help. Papa's beautiful wife and Mama to all that needed one. She raised many children and grandchildren, her proudest accomplishment.

Mama was predeceased by her husband Brian; her son David; and grandson Jason.

She leaves behind her brothers Allen and Melvin; sisters Jackie, Shelly; children Robert (Bob), Karen, Lance, Scott, Karly, Andre, Ian, William; grandchildren Culley, Maddie,

Justin, Donnie, Josie, Robert, Vincent, Evan, Jessie, Danette, Darius, Ellaira; and great-grandchildren Clara, Caleb, Dawn, Eveha, Nova-Mae and Bear.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, September 1, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at the St. Laurent Rec Centre.

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Donna (Marlene) Daher (nee Dyck)

Peacefully, after a lengthy illness, it is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Marlene Daher on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at the Stonewall and District Health Centre, at the age of 81 years.

Mom was a resident of Stonewall, MB and formerly of Morden, MB.

Surviving to mourn her loss is her beloved husband Robert of 57 years; son Karl (Tanya); grandchildren Sarah and Robert.

Mom was predeceased by her parents Jacob and Dorothy Dyck.

Mom had a love of gardening, but a greater love for her family, nothing made her happier than preparing a special meal during the holidays for the family to enjoy on her beloved "Old Country Rose" dinnerware.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel, Stonewall. Rev. Shaun Manning officiated, with interment at the Stonewall Cemetery.

Thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff at the Stonewall and District Health Centre, Betel Home Selkirk and Selkirk Regional Health Centre for their care and compassion over the past year.

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire, memorial donation may be made to the Interlake Eastern Health Foundation or a charity of your choice.

John 14: 2-3

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

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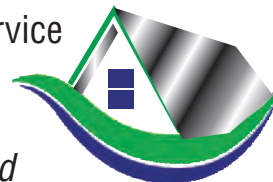
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Nancy Woychyszyn, Arborg.....	\$768.00	Ilean Haldane, Winnipeg Beach.....	\$1979.00	Fred Finson - Knausa.....	\$319
Mathew & Gemma Avison, Arborg.....	\$219.00	Catalina Janzan, Arborg.....	\$709.00	Dawn & David Sul - Arborg.....	\$2118
Raymond Bazinet, Eriksdale.....	\$389.00	John Krulick, Arborg.....	\$1126.99	Oliver & Florence Flett - Peguis.....	\$759
Lynn Bear, Peguis.....	\$1,044.00	John Logan, Teulon.....	\$439.00	John & Dorianne Jones - Arborg.....	\$1189
Ken & Linda Cherepak, Arborg.....	\$49.01	Todd and Lisa Mazur, Fisher Branch.....	\$72.40	Leonard Kisman - Ashern.....	\$3096
Debbie Deveau, Eriksdale.....	\$249.00	Jason and Sarah Naylor, Arborg.....	\$1328.99	Gwen McDougall - Ashern.....	\$1399
Dorothy Dubchak, Gimli.....	\$899.00	Peter and Lisa Sawatzky, Arborg.....	\$249.00	Allen Spence - Hodgson.....	\$719
Sid & Beatrice Dueck, Arborg.....	\$669.00	Donna Skinner, Arborg.....	\$50.94	Delores Steg - Gimli.....	\$2567
Don Firman, Arborg.....	\$529.00	Allen Spence, Hodgson.....	\$1199.00	Steve Taylor - Riverton.....	\$1148
Heather Hamberg, Teulon.....	\$749.00	John and Mary Troyan, Arborg.....	\$868.99	Victor Unruh - Arborg.....	\$2898
Matthew Hamberg, Winnipeg.....	\$399.00	Boyd Abas, Hodgson.....	\$338.99	Greg & Karen Chic - Komarno.....	\$3367.99
Star Johnson, Arborg.....	\$548.00	Sharon J. Bear, Peguis.....	\$39.99	Kevin Gross - Arborg.....	\$45.87
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Brenda Kayer, Teulon.....	\$399.00	Glen & Greg Brown, Lundar.....	\$1,713.00	Gwen McDougall - Ashern.....	\$1999
Wayne & Kathy Kristjansson, Arborg.....	\$499.00	Elaine Bruce, Ashern.....	\$449.00	Gerry & Anne Plett - Arborg.....	\$1518
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Don Barkman, Arborg.....	\$279.00	Darrin Mitchell, Riverton.....	\$1,703.95	Robert & Cathy Grinnolson - Riverton.....	\$1388.99
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Jocelyn & Tony Hayka, Arnes.....	\$749.00	Darryl and Doris Bear, Peguis.....	\$2,647.00		

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Due to the nature of this sale, we felt a brief explanation is essential.

At closing, 5 p.m. Sat. Sept. 27th we will tally the 20 days of paid sales and divide by 20 to get the average daily sale. The day which is closest to this daily average, without going over it, will be the day which ALL qualifying purchasers will receive their purchase amount back, taxes excluded.

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- All purchasers on free day will be notified and receive their full refund by Friday, Oct. 3rd, 6p.m.
- All sales tallies and free day will be verified.
- Commercial sales excluded in tallies and free day.
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