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Racing into a new year

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Brant-Argyle Grade 4 student Fynn, left, and Grade 3 student Sam race up the school steps for their first day of classes last Thursday. Schools across the province welcomed students back for the 2021-22 school year with new health regulations in place. The first day of school is traditionally about creating routines and re-establishing the classroom community.

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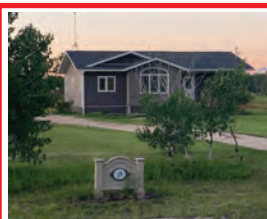
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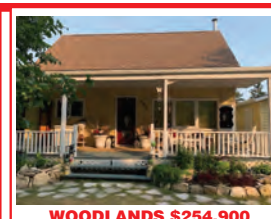
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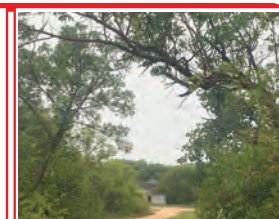
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Market on Main Street

By Jo-Anne Procter

Teulon's Main Street came alive last Friday evening. Visitors and families were treated to entertainment, food trucks and a street market with over 50 vendors selling their crafts, artwork, produce, baking and so much more.

The Teulon & District Seniors Re-

source hosted the 2nd Annual Moonlight Market and were pleased with the crowd.

People were happy to be out enjoying socialization and the weather while supporting entrepreneurs, local businesses and some local non-profit organizations.



Morgan Grace Music greeted guests with toe-tapping Métis-style music, along with her father Keith Ginter and Lloyd of the Metis Music Van, who accompanied them on the spoons.



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"Baked by Jocelyn" was a popular stop at Teulon's Moonlight Market where you could purchase her "ultimate cookies" and more.



Spiderman look-alike brothers Drayden and Kane Martin rode in style down the street with their family. Friends Shayla Chartrand, Sarah Wiens and Dannie Hanson checked out some of Dylan Bodnar's art.



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Stonewall's Abbey Cox, left, and friend Rachel Bell spent their final day of summer holidays selling iced tea at the corner of First Avenue N. and Highway 236 in Stonewall last Wednesday. The duo purchased all their own supplies and held a few sales throughout the summer.

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Local breast cancer support group marks 20-year milestone

By Jennifer McFee

A local breast cancer support group is marking its milestone 20th anniversary this year and is still going strong.

The Liliane Baron South Interlake Breast Cancer Support Group has helped more than 50 women and their families since its inception two decades ago.

Founder Claudette Griffin named the group after her mom, who was diagnosed with breast cancer in November 2000 during a routine visit to the mobile screening clinic in Teulon.

Since Griffin was a breast cancer survivor herself, she guided her mom through the process.

In April 2001, Liliane Baron lost her battle with breast cancer, and her family requested donations be made to the Selkirk and District Breast Cancer Support Group in her memory. Since so many donations flooded in, the Selkirk support group contacted Griffin and suggested that she could use the funds as seed money to start her own local breast cancer support group in the South Interlake area.

"It's unbelievable that we're celebrating 20 years. I think it's because people realize all the money raised goes to families and the people going through their journey. We don't use

the money for anything else. It's very unique," Griffin said.

"Everything that goes on at the meetings is very confidential. We've even had gals bring their families with them so they can have some ease in knowing that this is a good group."

The group aims to provide hope and support to families as they navigate their breast cancer path.

"It's all about focusing on the positive and being there to support people going through their ordeal. When there's as many of us that have gone through the journey, there's always somebody who has gone through a similar type of diagnosis," Griffin said.

"At the same time, every case is so different, and their journey is not the same as anybody else's. But there have been so many improvements as years go on with breast cancer, and that brings hope, for sure."

Usually, the group hosts a fund-raising walk each year; however, the event was cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic. Once again, the group won't host their own walk this year and instead opted to participate in the Teulon Moonlight Market on Sept. 10. They set up several tables with donated items for raffle ticket sales. Cash donations were also gratefully



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The Liliane Baron South Interlake Breast Cancer Support Group hosted a raffle table and took donations at the Teulon Moonlight Market this past Friday, raising \$5,904. Pictured from left to right: Eileen Wood, Claudette Griffin, Lorrie Kratzer, Sandra Epp and Joan Trombo (sitting).

accepted.

"People have been very generous. We're raising funds but we're also making people aware that we're here for them. The years go by and you never think that you or someone you know will be affected by breast cancer," she said.

"Our mandate is based on hope. We're a place to be a sounding board for sharing — and we're just a phone call away."

For more information about The Liliane Baron South Interlake Breast Cancer Group, contact Claudette Griffin at 204-886-7212.

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Business community learns about hotel opportunity

By Jennifer McFee

The local business community learned more about a proposed hotel and what it might bring to the area.

On Sept. 7, the Stonewall & District Chamber of Commerce hosted a meeting to explain how the new hotel project could enhance the community by attracting events, weddings, meetings, provincial tournaments, corporate events and more. Steel Creek Developers, a family-owned company, launched its Blue Crescent Hotels with a particular focus on smaller rural towns throughout the Prairies, including Rivers, Souris and Carman.

Local shareholder member Scott Marohn opened the evening and provided some information on the possibility of including a water park in the project.

"When we look at the value proposition of the hotel, without a pool it's not a destination hotel; it's a working hotel that has opportunities for the weekends and for events that take place," he said.

"But when you look at what a pool could bring, not only to us but to a community, that's where we started talking to the town about what could be. That would look like a public-private partnership where we would invest money into a pool and the town would run the pool and we would actually be an anchor tenant for the pool."

With the addition of a pool, it would become a destination hotel for out-of-town visitors.

"The whole idea behind this hotel and why my wife and I initially jumped into an investment is because of the small business venture tax capital credit that's available with the Province of

Manitoba. The credit exists for what they call to be risky venture propositions," he said.

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Steel Creek Developers is using this conceptual drawing for their hotel plan.

When you collect that money from the shareholders, you can take it to the province immediately and claim the refund back instantly, he added. They're looking for local shareholders to invest.

"This is an opportunity for people that want to get more involved in the community," he said, "and they see it as an investment back into the community."

Ken Rempel of Steel Creek Developers explained that they've got multiple different types of rooms, including some with bunk beds that are well

suited for families.

He discussed the economic spinoffs for communities with hotels, since guests often purchase gas, snacks, meals, local gifts, ice cream and more.

"We did a small hotel in Souris, and a year later I went and interviewed 11 businesses in town — and all of them said they had seen an increase in business since the hotel got there," he said.

"So I would venture to think that every business, including the hotel that's already here, I think will benefit from it because they have eating accommodations, they have VLTs and they have the bar. I think a lot of people from our hotel would go over there and have their dinner. If there's a tournament of some kind, both hotels would fill up."

During the construction phase, they would work with local businesses in an effort to support the local economy. Once the hotel opens, it would likely create about 15 local jobs and possibly some spinoff employment.

To view a recorded video of the presentation, visit the Facebook page entitled "The Stonewall & District Chamber of Commerce."

For more information about Steel Creek Developers, visit www.steel-creekdevelopers.ca.



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Congregations one step closer to normal in-person services

By Sydney Lockhart

As religious gathering space capacities rise, congregations are excited to be together again.

The current provincial health restrictions allow 50 per cent capacity or 150 persons, whichever is greater. Masks must be worn at all times in indoor community cultural and religious gatherings.

"We followed the government guidelines, which was to capacity limits and use of masks that sort of thing. We've done our best to continue to worship together and fellowship together within those guidelines," said Pastor Rusty Hildebrand of New Life Church on Highway 67.

The church had its fall barbecue this past Sunday where their congregation enjoyed food, games, balloon animals and axe-throwing outdoors.

"What we have done

is we've provided more services to try to make our gatherings available to everybody who wants to be here," said Hildebrand. "People were so eager to get together, to sing together, to see one another. So there's a real appetite for that people want to be together."

He said Bible studies and youth groups have resumed following restrictions and the extra services have helped more people be able to come back to church feeling safe.

"It's about relationships with God and it's about relationship with one another, and the essence of church is relationships so you can't really do church strictly online. It really does require coming together to build one another, to encourage one another," he said.

New Life Church in Teulon can have their entire congregation in the building while still meeting restriction guidelines due to their large capacity numbers inside their building.

Pastor Henry Ozirney said they still space out households and people, so they are six feet apart in the church but are happy to be in person.

"To be able to see people and, you

know, physically be in a room to sing together and have the service, it was just wonderful," said Ozirney.

He said most of the members of their congregation have come back after the pandemic lockdowns, but a few are still hesitant to be in public settings.

"It's bittersweet. I'm happy to see those that are coming, but I understand some people are concerned about the spread of the virus so they're not coming," he said. "I believe God has created us. We are social beings; we need each other and the virtual is certainly second best."

Bible studies and youth groups have resumed with restrictions.

The Stonewall Gospel Trust, despite loosening restrictions, has stayed online, holding their services over Zoom.

"We've continued that way because singing hymns is a major part of what we do in our services, and we can't do that with a mask mandate currently," said trustee Johnny Deayton.

He said their congregation will remain online until the mask mandate is removed and it is safer to go back to in-person gatherings.

"We respect the principles of government, and we follow the public orders. Until we're allowed to attend without masks, we'll be counting on the way we are," he said. "You know, we do respect that government orders and I guess we are probably being a bit more careful that way as well."

He said they want to keep everyone safe and feel staying the course will be the best option for them for the time being.

"We're just very much looking forward to the day when we can get back together," he said.

We did reach out to our local churches for comment. Those not quoted did not respond before publication deadline. For information on specific church restriction policies, phone them directly.

"WE RESPECT THE PRINCIPLES OF GOVERNMENT,"



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY SYDNEY LOCKHART

Tom Johnston, Braden Ronald, Caleb Enns, Annika Hildebrand, Sayla Mueller and Gillian Gesell helped out at the New Life Church's fall barbecue last Sunday.



Noah Guthrie and Cadence Huard learned how to throw axes at the barbecue.



New Life Church held a community barbecue with games, balloon animals and axe-throwing.

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Province commits additional \$1M for mental health programs in schools

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The provincial government announced additional funding last week for mental health supports for staff and students in Manitoba schools.

"The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the mental health of students and teachers in this community and across the province," Mental Health, Wellness and Recovery Minister Audrey Gordon said at a press event in front of the Louis Riel School Division offices in Winnipeg last week.

"For this reason, our government is committed to supporting the well-being of all students and staff as they return to school this September."

Gordon went on to announce the provincial government is providing an additional \$1 million in mental health supports funding above the \$2.5 million announced last year.

"This investment consists of 11 initiatives that fit into the framework of the Five T strategy," she said, explaining that includes talking about mental health, training for teachers and

school staff, teaching supports for mental health, ensuring appropriate tools and supports are available for students, and taking care of teachers and school staff.

The \$1 million includes:

- an additional \$380,000 to the Canadian Mental Health Association to provide supports to the education workforce, including service-navigation specialists, online resources in French and English, and a peer wellness coaching team;

- an additional \$100,000 for Sources of Strength in to allow further expansion such as French translation of materials and provide peer-programming training for 50 more educators as well as expanding the number of secondary schools offering the program;

- \$40,000 to provide SafeTalk training for 50 educators, who then train students age 15 and over, teachers and parents in suicide prevention and intervention, and also provide for a centralized SafeTalk registry for easy access and resource deployment;

- \$80,000 to provide further professional development for educators and leaders that is trauma-informed and culturally relevant to address the effects of long-term trauma caused by the pandemic; and

- \$150,000 for pilot projects to support and enhance well-being through the engagement of elders and knowledge keepers in schools.

These funding decisions were made in consultation with educators about what supports were most effective last school year, Gordon noted.

"Our goal is to build upon what we know works well for our students, teachers and communities," she said.

Gordon noted that the government will also be providing additional funding to school divisions to supplement provincial mental health supports.

"This will allow school divisions to continue offering wellness supports that are already in place and to implement further initiatives in response to local needs."

New provincial curriculum advisory panel members named

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government has established a provincial curriculum advisory panel to help form a new provincial curriculum framework as part of the Better Education Starts Today (BEST) strategy, Education Minister Cliff Cullen announced last week.

"The advisory panel will begin their work this fall, beginning with the design of a new provincial framework

that will identify the underlying principles of the kindergarten to Grade 12 curriculum and establish its overall structure," said Cullen. "The new framework will set out the vision, principles, skills, knowledge and values to empower students."

The minister noted consultations will take place in the fall of 2021 with a broad spectrum of stakeholders, allowing input from across the province.

The new framework will guide future K-12 curriculum development and ensure all subject areas are inclusive, reflect the full diversity of peoples in Manitoba, promote human rights and responsible citizenship through a focus on Indigenous perspectives, gender diversity and anti-racism.

"These educators and stakeholders represent the diversity, ideas and tal-

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Kinsmen Lake in Stonewall was a popular stopover for some Canada geese last Wednesday as they start their fall migration. According to Jacques Bourgeois, marketing and communications at Oak Hammock Marsh, the Canada geese that nest in the Interlake are the larger ones that will travel to Minnesota, while the ones that nest in Churchill will fly to Missouri. Help the *Tribune* record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or families enjoying the outdoors. Email: weather@stonewallteulontribune.ca.

letter to the editor

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It has to be cleaned up some day. Why not now?

There is a lot of controversy regarding the location of the proposed new hotel. I would like to offer a solution. There is a large piece of property that runs from the Ice Palace parking lot thru to Highway 236. It is common knowledge that this land is contaminated. Would this not be the per-

fect time to clean it up? When they cleaned up the old fuel yard at Winnipeg airport, the contaminated soil was hauled away and spread out to aerate. There is plenty of space in the old quarries to accommodate this. Environmental precautions would have to be exercised, but it would

be doable. What better use for this land than a hotel and parking lots? This is where the new recreational facility should have been built. Why use valuable green space when this land is just sitting there? It has to be cleaned up someday. Why not now?

- Rob Griffith, Stonewall

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ents of the people of Manitoba," said Cullen. "They will help government develop a new provincial curriculum framework that supports relevant, high quality learning for all, from kindergarten to Grade 12 and beyond. Developing a new framework is a considerable task and the most recent framework dates back to 1995, so it is

time for a thorough examination of what exists, what is needed and what is best for our students."

The minister noted system resources will be directed to curriculum implementation and learning at the classroom level, with a distinct focus on four official school programs: English, French, French Immersion and

Senior Years Technology. The panel includes students, parents, educators, school and system leaders, Indigenous partners and business. Terms will run until June 2022. Future terms will be determined based on need.

The curriculum advisory panel members and terms of reference are listed at <https://bettereducationmb.ca/better-education-starts-today-best-strategy-advisory-groups/>.

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Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life and only a few find it.

—Matthew 7:13-14

What did Jesus mean by these words? Why is the gate toward life small? And why is the road narrow?

The answer is illustrated by a moment when a wealthy citizen asked Jesus what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus' answer: "You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honour your father and mother.'"

"Teacher," the man said, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Jesus' response? "One thing you lack: Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

At this, the man's face fell and he went away sad because he had great wealth.

That man turned back from the small gate. He rejected the narrow path. He wanted to take the things of this temporary life on the road to eternal life.

What does this mean? That before we can get to God, we have to jettison everything else: our money, possessions, health, status and relationships? No. What this means is that none of these things can be the first thing. And when any of these things comes into competition with the first thing — God — we must give them up.

The reason Jesus says that the door to the kingdom of heaven is narrow isn't because he has any difficulty welcoming us in but because we have difficulty accepting his invitation. After all, it was the same Jesus who said, "Whoever comes to me I will never cast out" (John 6:37).

So come to him! Take him up on his invitation. Don't let anything stop you from walking with him on the path to eternal life.

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Don't forget to wear blue on World Alzheimer's Day

By Ligia Braidotti

Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia and only recently has been identified as a prevalent condition.

Selkirk resident Sandra Pawluk told the *Tribune* her family has a history of Alzheimer's disease, and although she's been tested negative for genes known to cause it, she still wants to keep her mind sharp.

Pawluk saw firsthand how the lack of information about this condition affects the outcome.

"I was always worried that I might have Alzheimer's because there's been Alzheimer's in my family," she commented, adding that one cousin and three aunts were diagnosed with it.

"My grandmother seemed to have the symptoms of that, but we didn't know anything about Alzheimer's then. So I think that was probably what she had."

September is World Alzheimer's Month. According to the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba, 50 million people are diagnosed with dementia around the globe, with more than 23,000 of them living in Manitoba.

"Having a globally co-ordinated World Alzheimer's Month sends a strong message to governments and policymakers, alerting them to the fact that dementia is a serious health issue that will have overwhelming implications on services and health systems around the world as the population grows older," their statement said.

Alzheimer's disease ultimately affects how a person thinks, feels and acts. The effects of the disease differ from person to person. When symptoms will appear and how they will advance is unpredictable, but there are a few things you can watch out for.

The most common symptom — and

the easiest to notice — is a person's weak memory. Some people will get lost, confused and forgetful. They may also seem to lose interest in things and become less expressive. As the disease progresses, their mobility also degenerates, affecting their ability to eat, bathe and get dressed by themselves.

Other common reactions include repeating the same action or words, hiding possessions, physical outbursts and restlessness.

Alzheimer's disease affects the brain's limbic system first, responsible for our response to emotions and memory capacity. It also controls our body's basic needs, such as sleeping and eating.

At a particular stage, Alzheimer's will affect the brain's frontal lobe, impair a person's interest in their hobbies, and affect their social judgment. The disease also affects the hippocampus, temporal lobes, parietal lobes and occipital lobe.

The sooner Alzheimer's disease is caught, the greater the chance of a person having a better quality of life. Although there isn't a cure for the disease, the symptoms can be treated with medications to slow down its effects.

According to research, there are many things you can do to maintain your quality of life with Alzheimer's disease. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle may also help slow the progression of the disease and ease the effects of its changes.

Minds in Motion is the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba's program geared toward preventing and treating the disease. Minds in Motion, which is available in Selkirk, provides a supportive environment for those with early signs of dementia to join with a care partner. This program's



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Sandra and Ken Pawluk play a game of spotting the error, one of the activities they do at Minds in Motion.

weekly sessions that take place over eight weeks of classes include gentle chair workouts followed by engaging activities.

Samantha Holland is the Interlake/Eastern regional co-ordinator for the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba and runs the Minds in Motion program at the Gordon Howard Seniors Centre.

"Staying active is the best way to kind of slow down the progression. So if we can stay socially active, physically active and cognitively active, that's wonderful. They say that the benefits for the person with dementia can last days beyond the program," she explained. "They are going home and talk about the games that they played, or they have a smile on their face."

Pawluk and her husband Ken have been attending the sessions for many years. She said that the exercises they do at the program keep their brains in shape.

"We found that it helped us with mindfulness first of all. So we try to

practise more often. We enjoy the exercises that we did and the puzzles. My husband is doing his crosswords every morning to keep his mind functioning better," she said.

The Minds in Motion program at the Gordon Howard Seniors Centre and Gimli New Horizons will start again in October. They will be held in Gimli every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. from Oct. 18 to Dec. 6 and in Selkirk every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. from Oct. 13 to Dec. 1.

Sept. 21 marks World Alzheimer's Day. The Alzheimer Society asks everyone to wear blue and light up their businesses or home in blue to show support for families living with dementia. They are also holding "Digging Deeper," an online research forum at 6:30 p.m., where they will explore current and emerging dementia research recently featured in the news. For more information, visit Alzheimer.mb.ca

NACI recommends third COVID vaccination for immunocompromised

By Patricia Barrett

Canada's National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) recommended last week that some immunocompromised Canadians

should receive a third shot of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine such as Pfizer-BioNTech's or Moderna's.

The Public Health Agency of Canada released a Sept. 10 statement from

NACI, which said its recommendation is based on scientific evidence and NACI's expert opinion.

"NACI has carefully reviewed the available data, including an assess-

ment of benefits and harms of an additional dose, and have recommended that moderately or severely immunocompromised individuals who may have somewhat lower responses to their first vaccinations should receive

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Watershed district program helps cut the cost of greenery

By Nicole Brownlee

Manitoba maples, Colorado spruces, willow trees and more seedlings are available for order through the West Interlake Watershed District's annual community tree nursery program.

Anyone within the WIWD boundaries can order a variety of tree seedlings and bundles of 25 bare root seedlings, and the organization will cover the first \$60 of a household's order.

The program started in 2013 to help community members replace trees damaged during the 2011 flood, said Linda Miller, WIWD manager.

"People along the lake had lost so many trees," said Miller. "We wanted to help re-establish the trees."

The WIWD budgets around \$30,000 each year to help cover a portion of orders. To date, the organization has received over 2,700 applications and distributed over 58,000 trees.

"There's really no other program out there like ours. ... It seems to grow every year," said Miller.

This season's lineup of plants includes 11 trees and six shrubs.

"We try to go with mostly local

[plants] like what's native to the area," said Miller.

The acute leaf willow is a popular order over the years because of the plant's fast growing time, she added.

Leslye Fisher has purchased plants from the program for the past two years after her neighbours in Steep

Rock raved about the opportunity.

"You can almost see as you go through the community this program is growing," said Fisher. "We pick up quite a few of [their plants]."

The program is an affordable and helpful way to start adding to your property and creating shelterbelts, said Fisher.

"THERE'S REALLY NO OTHER PROGRAM OUT THERE LIKE OURS."

"It's a nice incentive."

She has added evergreens, amur maple trees and shrubs to her property and plans to order more this year.

"I'm impressed with some of them. They went through that bad time we had this last July and August when it was super hot. ... Even the wildflow-



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Leslye Fisher has purchased Colorado spruce, left, and amur maple tree seedlings for the past two years from the WIWD community tree nursery program.

ers did beautifully," said Fisher.

Community members can order seedlings now until Nov. 1 for their properties. Businesses are excluded from applying. The plants will be available for pick up in early May

2022 from the Sabados Greenhouse in Lundar.

To apply for the WIWD community tree nursery program, visit wiwd.ca.

Access Credit Union, Noventis Credit Union and Sunova Credit Union engage in merger discussions

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The boards of directors for Access Credit Union, Noventis Credit Union and Sunova Credit Union are pleased to announce that they are currently engaged in discussions regarding the potential for a merger between the three organizations.

Leaders from Access, Noventis and Sunova began discussions in January 2021 after each organization recognized that ongoing change was necessary for continued growth and to ensure value for their members in an increasingly competitive environment. Since then, the teams have completed initial reviews and evaluation that has revealed this potential partnership is worth exploring for the benefit of their members, employees and communities.

As part of their continuing due diligence, each credit union will encourage broad participation by engaging with their members and employees. This will be valuable as they determine their next steps and the boards prepare to make a recommendation to their respective memberships.

"During these preliminary discussions, we realized our values and cultures were very much aligned. We believe that by working together, we can continue to provide competitive products and services for our respective memberships now, and into the future, as well as great opportunities for all of our employees," noted Sunova board chair Kevin Beresford.

Noventis board chair Paul Cuthbert said the new entity will continue to have a strong focus

on serving the community.

"Building strong community is important to each of our organizations and this merger would provide the capacity for a stronger community investment program now and into the future."

"We are very excited about the potential of this partnership and therefore, decided to share this exciting news with our employees, members and our communities at this early stage in the process. All three credit unions have a strong commitment to putting the needs of our members first and to maintain value for our memberships," shared Ingrid Loewen, board chair for Access Credit Union.

"As we proceed through the exploration stage, developing a detailed business case, we look forward to our potential future together. We will continue to engage and inform our employees and members as things progress and confirm our final recommendation to the members later this year."

Following completion of the due diligence process, if the board of directors from all three organizations choose to recommend a merger, they will seek membership approval in the winter of 2022.

About Access Credit Union

Access Credit Union was incorporated in 2020 following a merger with Crosstown Civic Credit Union. The current assets exceed \$6 billion. The credit union serves 92,000 members through 26

service delivery offices spread across southern Manitoba and Winnipeg. Access is currently the second largest credit union in Manitoba. For more information about Access Credit Union, visit www.accesscu.ca.

About Noventis Credit Union

Noventis was incorporated in 2010 following a series of mergers and currently serves 28,000 members with \$1.14 billion in assets across 12 branches through out the Interlake and west of Winnipeg. Noventis is the 10th largest credit union in Manitoba. For more information about Noventis Credit Union, visit www.noventis.ca.

About Sunova Credit Union

Sunova was incorporated in 1955 and has grown to serve 49,700 members with \$2.3 billion in assets across 14 branches located in Winnipeg, eastern Manitoba and southern Interlake region. Sunova is the fifth largest credit union in Manitoba. For more information about Sunova Credit Union, visit www.sunovacu.ca.



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Meet your local candidates for the Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman riding



James Bezan - Conservative Party of Canada

1- What are your personal goals should you become our region's representative?

As the Member of Parliament for Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman, I have been a voice for local farmers and ranchers, advocated for funding to ensure the health of Lake Winnipeg and Lake Manitoba, worked with municipalities, and supported our Canadian Armed Forces members and veterans. My staff and I worked relentlessly during the COVID-19 pandemic to assist our communities, small businesses and residents and answer questions on changing programs and mandates as they struggled to weather the storm. Now, I am ready to serve in an Erin O'Toole government and do the hard work to rebuild our economy and secure the future for all Canadians.

2- Since COVID-19 came to our area, more of us are understanding the importance of having strong health-care systems in place. If elected, how would you and your party hope to improve our current health-care system?

A Conservative government will propose a new health accord with the provinces and territories within the first 100 days, increase the Canada Health Transfer rate to at least 6 per cent, work with provinces and territories to develop national best practices for Long Term Care Homes, and inject nearly \$60 billion into our health care system over

the next ten years. Canada's Conservatives are committed to ensuring Canada is never caught as unprepared as we were for COVID-19. We will secure our country by creating a strategic stockpile of essential products and building the capacity to manufacture vaccines at home.

3- What is your position on masks and vaccines?

I am opposed to discrimination at all levels including vaccination status. To be clear, I'm vaccinated and believe in vaccinations and rapid testing as good health policy. But no one should be forced or coerced into doing something that is a personal health choice.

4- The pandemic has been especially difficult for small businesses with respect to staffing. What would your party do for them to encourage and retain employees?

I want to thank every small business owner in the riding for their tenacity and work ethic through the pandemic. It has been more difficult than necessary on them and I know they are the backbone of our rural communities. Once the Canada Emergency Wage subsidy (CEWS) ends, Canada's Conservatives will introduce the Canada Job Surge Plan which will pay at least 25 per cent of the salary of net new hires for six months after CEWS expires. Additionally, our plan will cover up to 50 per cent of the salary for those who have been unemployed for six months or more.

5- What would you do to assist and support the agriculture industry, which has been hit particularly hard by the drought this year?

Once again, the Liberal government ignored the calls from Western Canadian agricultural producers, and their Conservative MPs, until it was too late. If Conservatives had been in government, we would have taken early action to ensure supports were available so farmers and ranchers could be ahead of the crisis, rather than leaving them no option but to liquidate their herds. Our platform Canada's Recovery Plan has

an extremely detailed list of policies a Conservative government will implement to support farm families, boost exports, and ensure the food security of Canadians.

6- Climate change is a topic that keeps coming up, whether it's concerning local governments making regional plans or more broadly people being involved with issues of our region such as the health of Lake Winnipeg. What are your and your party's plans to tackle climate change?

Canada's Conservatives are committed to maintaining or increasing funding to ensure the continued health of Lake Winnipeg.

As for climate change, it is unrealistic to expect the plan to tackle such a complex problem to be summed up in three sentences or less as requested. Therefore, I encourage all voters in our riding to read the section of our platform titled A Detailed Plan to Tackle Climate Change by going to www.conservative.ca/plan.



Wayne James - Green Party of Canada

1- What are your personal goals should you become our region's representative?

Change the character of the dialogue. We, as a society, persist in believing the direction we are going in — with a continually expanding resource-driven economy — is the be-all and end-all. This way of thinking has brought us to the precipice of destruction, and yet we persist. I wish to live a healthy, happy life. This direction of thinking means I acknowledge my happiness

lies within the community I am living in.

2- Since COVID-19 came to our area, more of us are understanding the importance of having strong health-care systems in place. If elected, how would you and your party hope to improve our current health-care system?

Prevention is always the most direct way of dealing with this. I would like to see more emphasis put on eating healthy, quality foods, locally grown. As an organic farmer, I would like us to stop adding poison to our food supply system.

3- What is your position on masks and vaccines?

Mask and vaccines — I tend to trust the science which has given us the means of ending many health and life-destroying viruses.

4- The pandemic has been especially difficult for small businesses with respect to staffing. What would your party do for them to encourage and retain employees?

Something along the lines of what is being done now in terms of financial help. Before committing more of an answer, I would need to sit down with vested interest so as to find a workable path.

5- What would you do to assist and support the agriculture industry, which has been hit particularly hard by the drought this year?

We, as a society, fail to appreciate that what a farmer does—grow life—has nothing to do with money, yet we persist in saying 'make money'. It's insane. Farms that are 1000's of acres in size become immoral, they become factories that lose their connection to the living world with value determined by the free market. Farmers need parity.

This year's drought is only one of an everlasting series of crises that a farmer faces year to year. In a free society, the people have the right to work with the idea of collective self-interest which the former CWB was founded on.

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being involved with issues of our region such as the health of Lake Winnipeg. What are your and your party's plans to tackle climate change?

While moving away from fossil fuels is paramount, I note that global warming is only one of many problems we are faced with. By way of example, every child that comes into the world is born with a body that contains synthetic toxins. The capitalistic form of economy we are living with is the driver of our global climate shift. It should be obvious that we need to rethink our place within the global environment. We need to see ourselves as stewards of the land and not exploiters.



Ian Kathwaroon - People's Party of Canada

1- What are your personal goals should you become our region's representative?

First, I will fight to re-establish our rights and freedoms, which have been allowed to be removed without opposition by our current government and representatives; this is required immediately.

I will also be working hard to advocate for real responsibility and accountability from our elected representatives, by pressuring change in how erroneous actions and activities by our elected officials are handled; we must discontinue allowing our representatives to commit crimes, indiscretions, misspend and act outside of our interests, without real repercussions,

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which hold them to account in an appropriate manner.

I would also like to work with our Indigenous populations to deal with the embarrassing situations that have resulted from the inactions and lack of real solutions of our past and current governments; we must work together to modernise the Indian Act, provide assistance and counselling, create dignity and independence, as well as improved living conditions such as clean drinking water.

2- Since COVID-19 came to our area, more of us are understanding the importance of having strong health-care systems in place. If elected, how would you and your party hope to improve our current health-care system?

We must first re-establish our number of nursing and support staff, which was cut deep by the Conservatives; this has caused a serious lack of care due to understaffing, burnt out and overworked healthcare workers, and unreasonable wait times for visits, operations and tests.

We must place more onus on provincial governments and upper hospital administration to ensure appropriate services and budgets are met and remove such blame from trained, experienced and hardworking frontline staff; blaming frontline workers for management inadequacies is not fair on staff and leads to less productivity, as staff worry about liability and costs, and not the premium care that they are trained to provide.

Though Canada has free healthcare under the direction of each province, it has been allowed by past and current governments to become overloaded, financially bloated, lack innovation and services, and has fallen behind in both services provided and results compared to other countries; a People's Party government will replace the Canada Health Transfer cash payments with a permanent transfer of tax points of equivalent value to the provinces and territories, with a temporary program to compensate poorer provinces whose revenues from the tax will be lower than the transfer

payments they used to receive and create the conditions for provincial and territorial governments to innovate; provinces will be fully responsible for health care funding and management, and fully accountable to their citizens for the results, while Ottawa will respect the Constitution and stop meddling.

3- What is your position on masks and vaccines?

Lockdowns, mask mandates, school closures, and other authoritarian measures have not had any noticeable effect on the course of the pandemic with regions or countries implementing strict measures being as impacted as those that did not, as both the vaccinated and the unvaccinated can get infected and transmit the virus, which negates the rationale for segregation and vaccine passports; Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms states that reasonable limits to our rights and freedoms can only be imposed if it has been demonstrated that they are justified in a free and democratic society: such a demonstration has not been made for COVID restrictions, most of which are arguably unconstitutional.

A People's Party government will promote a rational and scientifically-based approach to the pandemic focusing on the protection of the most vulnerable, guarantees the freedom of Canadians to make decisions based on informed consent, and rejects coercion and discrimination.

We will also repeal vaccine mandates and regular testing workers, repeal vaccine passports, support individuals and groups that challenge such measures in court, stop bailing out provinces that impose economically destructive lockdowns, and support medical research and development of therapies to treat covid-19 and other viral diseases.

4- The pandemic has been especially difficult for small businesses with respect to staffing. What would your party do for them to encourage and retain employees?

We will immediately work to repeal vaccine mandates, regularly testing workers, re-

peal vaccine passports, support individuals and groups that challenge such measures in court, and stop bailing out provinces that impose economically destructive lockdowns.

Our current government has done little to assist small businesses during the pandemic, and has in fact had a serious negative impact on employment, employability and staff and owner burnout.

We must assist get Canadian small businesses to get back on track by providing incentives to companies to hire back and provide fair wages and meaningful employment to those who have lost their jobs.

5- What would you do to assist and support the agriculture industry, which has been hit particularly hard by the drought this year?

I am an honest man and not a farmer and will not pretend to be just to elicit votes, but without agriculture, we have no local food and without local food, we must buy from foreign suppliers which is expensive, so supporting local Canadian agriculture is cost-effective, as well as ecologically and economically sound, which can be passed along to customers.

We must work with farmers to create a system that works for them, to assist in maintaining quality products by ensuring balanced crops and the preparation of projects such as water reservoirs to be available when drought occurs and by allowing farmers to regulate soil and crops by overwintering and rotation.

We must seek out financial subsidies or assistance to assist our agricultural industries to rebound from this year's drought.

As your representative, I must listen to the needs of those who I am helping and ensure that my actions and decisions reflect them and their needs, not simply my own opinion or that of other government bureaucrats which only slows progress and sets in place a system based on red tape.

6- Climate change is a topic that keeps coming up, whether it's concerning local governments making regional plans or more broadly people being involved with issues of

our region such as the health of Lake Winnipeg. What are your and your party's plans to tackle climate change?

A People's Party government will abolish the Liberal government's carbon tax which accomplishes nothing, and allow for private and government players to develop profitable and efficient alternatives that prioritize the implementation of practical solutions to make Canada's air, water and soil cleaner, including bringing clean drinking water to remote First Nations communities, and investing in adaptation strategies if problems arise as a result of any natural climate change.

I will encourage practical and economically feasible solutions that will encourage more ecological solutions and practices from individuals as well as businesses, which can be achieved by such measures as incentives towards smaller vehicles, less packaging and curbing urban sprawl which damages natural habitat.

Issues such as the health of Lake Winnipeg and other bodies of water must be dealt with by the experts and not government bureaucrats, who must stay out of the way and only assist where needed, in achieving the end goal of well-balanced and healthy waterways.



Detlev Regelsky - Liberal Party of Canada

1- What are your personal goals should you become our region's representative?

The Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman riding has a very large and diverse community. That's one of its beauties. As

such there are many issues, I'm passionate about. The most important issue is climate change — it affects every aspect of our community, farming, tourism, the lake health and I can go on.

2- Since COVID-19 came to our area, more of us are understanding the importance of having strong health-care systems in place. If elected, how would you and your party hope to improve our current health-care system?

I support the Liberal plan to increase funding for health-care. The two parts of the plan I'm most passionate about is providing tax incentives for health professionals to practice in rural and remote areas and to provide funding to hire more nurses.

3- What is your position on masks and vaccines?

I'm a man who believes in science. No system is infallible, but masks do work so I support masks mandates as needed and, yes, I do believe everyone should get vaccinated.

4- The pandemic has been especially difficult for small businesses with respect to staffing. What would your party do for them to encourage and retain employees?

Retaining employees requires paying good wages and benefits, this, in turn, requires prosperous businesses. As such I support the many Liberal programs such as Canada Recovery Hiring Program and the temporary rent and wage support for the hardest hit sectors like the tourist industry.

5- What would you do to assist and support the agriculture industry, which has been hit particularly hard by the drought this year?

I definitely support the Fed relief programs such [as those that allowed farmers to access] 90 million federal dollars and 60million provincial dollars in funding and changes to Agrilinsurance that will allow drought-damaged crops to be sold as livestock feed and will advocate for further aid as needed.

6- Climate change is a topic that keeps coming up, whether it's concerning local governments making regional plans or more broadly people

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being involved with issues of our region such as the health of Lake Winnipeg. What are your and your party's plans to tackle climate change?

Climate change is the major issue. As for Lake Winnipeg's health we must modernize our 50-year-old Canada Water Act and coordinate the management of Canadian fresh waters within our provinces and territories plus invest in freshwater research.



Margaret Smith – New Democratic Party (NDP)

1- What are your personal goals should you become our region's representative?

I will work collaboratively with everyday citizens in our local small towns, including Indigenous and agricultural communities, to come up with solutions that fit their needs. There is no "one size fits all" in this riding. I will work hard towards achieving the visions Jagmeet Singh and the NDP have outlined: a national Pharmacare program, affordable housing and child care, fair and just taxation to pay for all education, health care, etc.

2- Since COVID-19 came to our area, more of us are understanding the importance of having strong health-care systems in place. If elected, how would you and your party hope to improve our current health-care system?

As are all Canadians, I am proud of our health care system and know that we should all be able to count on getting the care we need when we need it. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted some big gaps in our system, many of which were created by Harper-era cuts which were

carried on by the Liberals.

The NDP have committed to reverse these cuts and invest in healthcare. I will fight, along with my NDP colleagues, to deliver the health care that Canadians deserve: dental care, mental health care and Pharmacare that we can get with our health card, not our credit card.

3- What is your position on masks and vaccines?

As a senior who is susceptible to lung infections, I know that vaccines are crucial to protecting us all and preventing our health care system from becoming overloaded and backlogged. However, even those who are fully vaccinated may still be at risk, or be an unwitting carrier. That's why everyone should follow guidance from health professionals such as wearing masks and social distancing. I want to lead by example to encourage people in the community to get vaccinated and follow public health measures to protect those around us.

4- The pandemic has been especially difficult for small businesses with respect to staffing. What would your party do for them to encourage and retain employees?

Working people will remain

very loyal and hardworking to employers who take their living conditions seriously and makes sure they can live a decent life. As a business owner, I know this well. I will work hard to establish a federal minimum wage of \$15.00 an hour, provide better working conditions, put in place real, seamless sick leave for all workers, and improve services such as affordable child care, universal Pharmacare, and create affordable homes.

5- What would you do to assist and support the agriculture industry, which has been hit particularly hard by the drought this year?

I will work collaboratively with the local communities to get them the help they need to ensure that rural livelihoods are good and sustainable. This will include feed for livestock, infrastructure to provide water for homes and animals, encouragement to use sustainable farm practices and the provision of high-speed broadband and reliable cell phone coverage so that they can have access to the services and tools they need. I will also work hard to address the physical and mental health needs of rural families and help them adapt to climate-induced weather

changes, including the associated increases in pests and invasive species.

6- Climate change is a topic that keeps coming up, whether it's concerning local governments making regional plans or more broadly people being involved with issues of our region such as the health of Lake Winnipeg. What are you and your party's plan to tackle climate change?

This past summer a lot of Canadians have woken up to the real and immediate threat of climate change. In Manitoba that meant extensive droughts which affected a lot of local farms. People deserve a government that addresses this emergency with the urgency it demands.

The NDP are committing to ending subsidies to big oil and gas companies and reallocate them to the clean, renewable energy sector instead. We will also cut Canada's emissions by more than half by the year 2030 at the same time creating hundreds of thousands of good-paying jobs by investing in clean energy, energy-efficient, affordable homes, electric transit, zero-emissions vehicles and retrofitting homes across the country.

Ceilidh coming to Argyle

By Jennifer McFee

It's been a long while since communities have been able to gather together, and Argyle residents are gearing up for a free outdoor gathering.

On Sunday, Sept. 19 from noon to 5 p.m., all are welcome to attend a ceilidh (pronounced kay-lee) in the parking lot at Argyle Community Hall.

The word ceilidh stems from the Gaelic word for gathering.

"A ceilidh is basically a community party," explained Lana Hintz, one of the organizers. "There's usually food and drinks and dancing and fun."

In addition, the get-together will serve as a fundraiser for the community's non-profits and organizations, which could include the Brant-Argyle parent advisory council, the local skating and curling clubs, the community hall, the legion and the fall supper committee.

"Like everybody else, our commu-

nity-based organizations haven't had the opportunity to do any fundraising so we're allowing them to do something to raise funds, if they want to," Hintz said.

"And we have so many new people in the community, so it's to just allow them to meet everyone and get to know the organizations that we have in town."

This social setting will be the first community gathering since the onset of the pandemic. There's much to look forward to, including a juggler and other children's entertainment, as well as a bluegrass band called CSI from Stonewall. Food will be available for purchase, with mouth-watering options at a hotdog cart and from Mr. Perogie.

During the event, local resident Ron Watson will also be presented with his Honour 150 award. He was named a recipient of this award last year, but

due to the pandemic, he hasn't received his medal yet. The award recognizes 150 Manitobans who stand out for making our province great.

Watson is well known as a community volunteer who lends a helping hand whenever needed. He has been involved at the community centre, cemetery, skating rink, legion, local events and much more. In addition, he has used his handyman skills to rebuild parts of the community hall.

Honour 150 recipients, including Watson, receive a commemorative medal designed by Manitoba artist Takashi Iwasaki. As well, Canada Life is making \$500 donations to the charity of each recipient's choice. Watson chose the Argyle Skating Club to receive the donation.

There's still time for sponsors to get involved with the ceilidh, and any cash or in-kind donations would also be gratefully accepted.



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Ron Watson

"If someone wants to make a donation, that's absolutely perfect," Hintz said.

All funds raised will remain in Argyle and benefit Argyle organizations.

For more information, or to provide a sponsorship or donation, contact Lana Hintz at 204-461-0050, Danelle Guenther at 204-513-0420 or Shayne Campbell at 204-290-0013.

Provincial COVID dashboard shows COVID cases, hospitalization by vaccination status

By Patricia Barrett

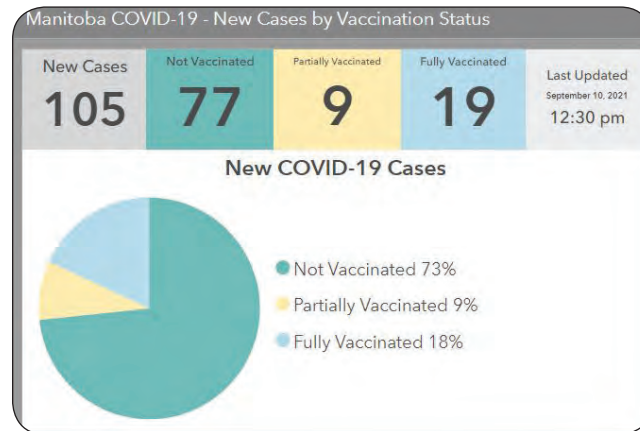
The provincial government unveiled a new COVID-19 dashboard last week that shows infections by vaccination status.

Acting deputy chief public health officer Jazz Atwal announced last week that the new dashboard will show COVID infections among those who remain unvaccinated, those who are partially vaccinated and those who are fully vaccinated. It will also show hospitalization and ICU numbers by vaccination status.

Atwal said new infections are being driven by the unvaccinated.

On Sept. 10, the new dashboard showed 105 new COVID infections of which 77 (or 73 per cent) were among unvaccinated people. Fully vaccinated people accounted for 19 (or 18 per cent) of the new cases that day while the partially vaccinated accounted for nine cases (or nine per cent).

COVID and its variants are infecting partially and fully vaccinated people, indicating the virus's ability to get around immune defences induced by COVID vaccines. Scientific studies have shown, though, that these breakthrough infections are much less severe and less deadly in vaccinated



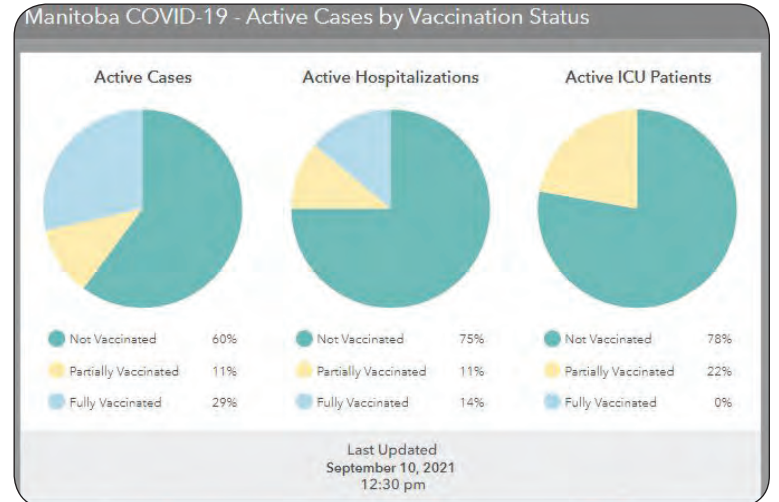
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New COVID infections are shown by vaccination status on Sept. 10.

people than they are in those who remain unvaccinated.

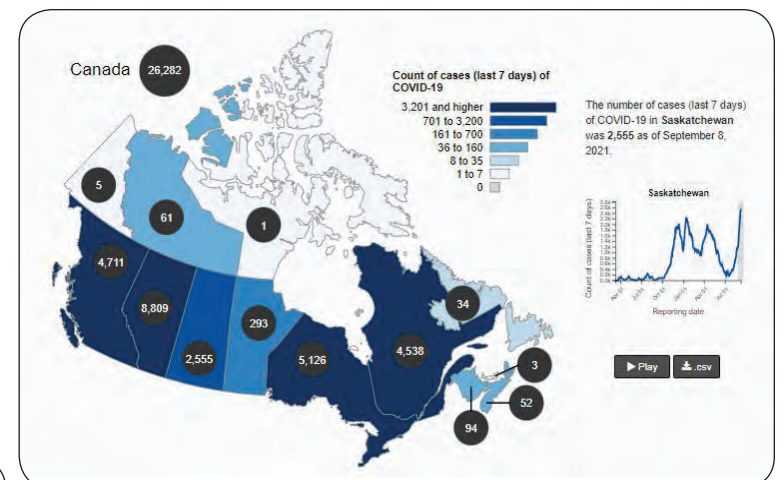
On Sept. 8 the province updated its requirement for mandatory quarantine, according to its COVID-19 travel webpage. Anyone returning to or coming to Manitoba from "all jurisdictions" must quarantine for 14 days regardless of symptoms and test results. Travellers who are exempt from quarantine are advised to self-monitor for 14 days upon arrival in Manitoba.

Over the month of August, travellers by train (Via Rail) and plane (domestic airlines such as Air Canada, Flair, Swoop, WestJet, as well as connecting international airlines) continued to be exposed to COVID.

Across the Interlake-Eastern health region, the



Total active infections, hospitalization and ICU numbers are shown by vaccination status Sept. 10.



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Over the past seven days since Sept. 8, Alberta has led the country in COVID infections followed by Ontario, B.C. and Quebec.

spread of COVID and/or its variants continue. There were 23 active cases in the Arborg-Riverton area, two in Eriksdale-Ashern, five in Fisher River-Peguis, two in Selkirk, five in Stonewall-Teulon and one in Winnipeg Beach-St. Andrews, according to the province's regional dashboard (viewed Sept. 12).

In Canada, Alberta is leading the country in COVID infections, according to federal government data released last week. Over the past seven days since Sept. 8, Alberta had 8,809 new cases. Ontario was second at 5,126 cases followed by British Columbia at 4,711 and Quebec at 4,538. Manitoba had 293 new cases over that time period.

Rosser council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

The RM of Rosser issued a request for proposal in regards to the Prairie Dog Trail upgrade project and received bids from two companies: Hugh Munro Construction Ltd. and Wintec Building Services.

At a special meeting on Sept. 9, Rosser council accepted the quote from Hugh Munro Construction Ltd. for \$288,396.47 plus tax for the project, with costs to be paid from the general operating fund.

- At the same meeting, the RM of

Rosser lifted the burning ban in all areas of the municipality.

- The RM of Rosser had previously entered into an agreement for engineering services to complete a Rosser CentrePort wastewater treatment study at a cost of \$49,373.85 plus tax. Stantec Consulting issued a change order on a requested expansion of the study, which requires an additional \$15,000 plus tax in expenditures. Council approved this increased expenditure, which will be funded by the capital levy reserve.

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Dreams come true at family-owned pumpkin patch

By Nicole Brownlee

Rachelle Brown picks smooth orange, yellow and white pumpkins almost daily as she prepares for fall, but her choice of winter squash has a bit more personality.

Cucurbita pepo, or commonly known as knucklehead pumpkins, look like they're covered in green and yellow warts.

"I think they're a beautiful pumpkin," said Brown with a laugh. "Some others might not think so."

This is Brown's second year growing and selling pumpkins at Brown's Corner Patch. The majority of the property is devoted to their turkey farm, Brown Feather Farms Inc., but Brown wanted to try something new.

"I've always enjoyed growing them with the kids when they were younger, and we really like Halloween," said Brown. "As I'm getting older and transitioning out of farming, I was looking at something else I could still be doing."

Last year, they grew a few hundred mini pumpkins and jack-o'-lantern pumpkins to test out their new patch just



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A new installment at Brown's Corner Patch is a hand-crafted Cinderella carriage for princes and princesses to take photos in.

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Brown's Corner Patch is selling mini pumpkins, jack-o'-lanterns, and owner Rachelle Brown's favourite knucklehead pumpkins on opening day, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

west of Gunton and got a lot of positive feedback, she said.

"We decided to keep growing it into an agribusiness-type venture and see where it takes us."

With the help of her two children and three grandchildren, Brown has tripled the size of the patch this year and hopes to continue expanding.

"It's a full family affair. It's not just me. I've got support right across the board," said Brown.

Brown said her oldest granddaughter, who is turning four years old, helped plant the pumpkins, water them and is excited to pick them.

"The excitement on [her face] when we're picking pumpkins and starting to make displays is actually pretty cool to see because she's seen them from inception to where they are today."

With family in mind, the Browns are offering wagon rides and have added a handmade Cinderella carriage to take photos in.

Children are encouraged to point out the "lost turkeys" along the property, which are wooden cut-outs of the Browns' fowl.

"It was well-received last year, so we're definitely looking forward to doing that again," said Brown.

The patch is set to open on Sept. 25 and will be open from



10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on following Saturdays and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays until they run out of pumpkins.

The Browns encourage all visitors to wear masks, use the sanitizing stations and stay distanced to remain safe while enjoying the outdoor activities.

"We're hoping that, and weather permitting, [the patch] is well received, and people come out," said Brown.

To learn more about the Browns' pumpkin patch, visit Brown's Corner Patch Facebook page.

Down and dirty at second annual Mud Bog



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY ROBERT E. WILSON

Engines were roaring and mud was flying at the Stonyridge Seasonal Campground in St. Laurent on Sept. 4. Fifty-five trucks participated in the second annual Mud Bog in front of cheering fans. The stock class had 24 entries. Pictured with the trophy, Allan Gaudry driving "Raising Hell" placed first (11.78 seconds), while Aaron Jones driving "Trouble Maker" placed second (11.797 seconds) and Hunter Chartrand in "Big Punch" third (12.37 seconds). In the modified truck class (38" tire or smaller), there were 18 entries. Wade Newman came in first place (7.3 seconds), Cory Ducharme second (8.76 seconds) and Steve M. third (9.15 seconds). In the modified truck class (44" tire or smaller) category, there were eight entries. Jeremy Mosel driving "Dirty Intentions" won first place (4.32 seconds), Steve M. placed second (8.7 seconds) and Cory Ducharme came in third (9.59 seconds). In the open class Jeremy Morsel claimed first place; Steve. M., second; and Cory Ducharme, third. Organizers were thankful to sponsors and volunteers that made the event the success that it was.

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a three-dose primary vaccine series using mRNA COVID-19 vaccine for the additional dose," said NACI chair Dr. Shelley Deeks in the statement. "This is not unusual for immunocompromised groups, where we often recommend different vaccine schedules to help them achieve better protection."

Immunocompromised individuals have weakened immune systems because of disease or medical treatment, said the statement, and some of those people will have a weaker immune response to the vaccine than the general population.

Recent research shows immunocompromised people who had a reduced response to an mRNA vaccine can see an increased immune response after a third dose, said the statement. Immunocompromised people who contract COVID-19 are at increased risk for "prolonged infection and serious complications" from the virus.

Third doses are recommended for people undergoing active treatment for solid tumour or hematologic malignancies, those who received a solid-organ transplant and are taking immunosuppressive therapy, those with advanced HIV and people with

moderate to severe immunodeficiency. A full list is available online.

A third dose of a viral COVID-19 vaccine, such as AstraZeneca's, should only be considered when other authorized COVID-19 vaccines are contraindicated or inaccessible, said the statement.

The advisory committee didn't make a recommendation on whether a broader segment of the Canadian population should receive a third dose.

"NACI is also looking at whether booster doses might be needed for some key populations, but it is too early to comment on the state of the evidence for general boosters at this time," said Deeks.

Offering third doses to the immunocompromised "contributes to health equity," said the statement.

NACI's advice goes against the World Health Organization, which wants wealthy countries to refrain from giving their populations third doses as poorer countries do not have equitable access to the vaccines.

"In the context of ongoing global vaccine supply constraints, administration of booster doses will exacerbate

inequities by driving up demand and consuming scarce supply while priority populations in some countries, or subnational settings, have not yet received a primary vaccination series," states the WHO's interim statement on COVID-19 vaccine booster doses that was released Aug. 10. "The focus for the time being remains on increasing global vaccination coverage with the primary series"

Other countries are going ahead with third doses. Israel is offering its population (anyone 30 and older) third doses. The U.K. is offering third doses to severely immunocompromised people. And the U.S. is offering a third shot to people with compromised immune systems.

In Canada, Ontario is offering third doses to immunocompromised people. Alberta will offer third shots to the immunocompromised, seniors living in congregate care and some travellers who had received AstraZeneca or other mixed vaccine doses that aren't recognized by other countries.

Manitoba's vaccine task force had said at the end of August there was "no medical reason" to provide third doses, but that could change.

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Urban harvest raises funds and agriculture awareness

By Jennifer McFee

A new philanthropic initiative has cropped up in the local agriculture community.

On Thursday, Sept. 9, the first-ever Harvest on the Crescent event raised more than \$20,000 for Harvest Manitoba while also showcasing some cutting-edge advancements in modern-day agriculture.

The fundraising and awareness-raising event took place in Winnipeg at 703 Wellington Cres. at a heritage home purchased by the Rutherford family in 2019. For nearly a century, this local family has farmed in Grosse Isle using the most modern equipment available. In the early years, that meant toiling in the fields with horses plows and binders, later giving way to tractors and combines.

Today, the family farm uses a data-driven fleet of John Deere equipment,



Kevin Barron use his plot combine to harvest the small wheat crop.



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Rick Rutherford planted a small wheat crop in his front yard to raise funds for Harvest Manitoba while highlighting agriculture advancements.

working closely with Manitoba-based supplier Enns Brothers. Over the past

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Harvest on the Crescent founder Rick Rutherford.

100 years, the farm has expanded from 320 acres to more than 5,500 acres.

The Rutherford family, along with some of their agriculture friends, came up with a plan to showcase modern agriculture on Wellington Crescent while bolstering support for a good cause.

"I had a vision that I wanted to grow wheat and maybe a different crop each year in a garden in front of this place. I got ahold of some of my ag friends, and a lot of them thought it was a great idea," Rick Rutherford explained.

"At one time, Wellington Crescent was home to a lot of people who were involved in the grain trade. The idea is to bring wheat back to its roots."

Ray Bouchard, CEO of Enns Brothers and board chair of EMILI (Enterprise Machine Intelligence and Learning Initiative) Canada, suggested adopting Harvest Manitoba as a charity for the project. Jacqueline Keena, managing director of EMILI, and Tom Greaves, president of Pitura Seeds, were also instrumental in launching the event.

EMILI is an agriculture-AI (artificial intelligence) accelerator in Manitoba, Keena explained.

"We're working to grow the digital agriculture ecosystem in the province and across the prairies. We want more people to be engaged in the industry, one that we know is filled with such meaningful work and is so important to our provincial economy," she said.

"We also work with businesses, from start-up to legacy, to highlight and promote the positive benefits of integrating intelligent technologies like AI and machine learning."

Harvest on the Crescent was a great opportunity to bring awareness of modern agriculture to people in the city of Winnipeg, she added.

"Through the summer, walking down Wellington Crescent is a pastime of many Winnipeggers. Through this event, we were able to raise the profile of the level of technology used in agriculture today," she said.

"For EMILI, we want to highlight digital agriculture to as many people as we can and engage them in meaningful

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New group forms for grandparents raising grandkids

By Jennifer McFee

Are you a grandparent who is raising your grandkids?

If so, there is now a new group just for you.

Tamara Elias, one of the organizers, explained how the group began — and how it has grown since then.

"It started out as a Facebook group to share support and resources, and it's kind of evolved from there," she said.

"We're trying to increase awareness for the numerous families that are in our situation. We're trying to create more regular contacts, such as monthly meetings and get-togethers so there's a sense of a support."

She hopes that other grandparents raising grandkids know that there are others who understand their situation.

"People are not alone. Everybody's got different stories. It's quite diverse," Elias said.

"For us, we fostered the mom of the two grandchildren that we've adopted. When her kids came into care, she asked us to take them. As time went on, it evolved to guardianship and then to adoption. Our story is a little different than others."

Although Elias lives in Winnipeg,



Tamara Elias is hoping to grow the "Grandparents Raising Grandkids" community.

the group includes people from all over Manitoba, with the farthest being Garden Hill — and they welcome more members from the Interlake community and beyond.

On the weekend, they hosted their first-ever event, which took place in Winnipeg at St. Vital Park.

"Although our first event was in the city, our intent is to have things in all



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Jessika and Ryan took part in the "Grandparents Raising Grandkids" event held at St. Vital Park this past weekend.

of the outlying areas and not just Winnipeg. We found that everything happens in the city and there's not always a lot of resources outside the city so we're trying to avoid that," she said.

"And, of course, we're hoping to do things virtually because that makes it

a lot easier for some grandparents to be able to participate."

For more information or to keep up to date on upcoming events, you can request to join the Facebook group called "Grandparents Raising Grandkids Manitoba."



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The "Not Fast Just Furious" team of walkers, including Rob Broadfoot's family and friends, carried on a tradition he began by participating in the annual Multiple Myeloma March last Sunday. Broadfoot, who recently passed of multiple myeloma, took part in the last three marches, raising funds to bring awareness to the cancer that eventually took his life. This year, the team contributed \$875 to the provincial total of \$26,610.

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Mushroom-loving Manitobans

By Sydney Lockhart

The hobby of mycology, the study of fungi, is rising among Manitobans after much-needed rain grows numerous mushrooms to forage.

"The interest for foraging and mushroom hunting has grown a lot recently and we feel it," said Alexandre Brassard, dean of the faculty of arts and professor of introductory mycology at Université de Saint-Boniface.

Brassard created the Facebook group called Winnipeg Mycological Society in 2019 to try and create a community among Manitoban mushroom lovers.

"Mushrooms are not taught much in schools; people don't know about them. It's a bit mysterious, right? People don't know if it is a plant or an animal or something else," he said.

Since starting the Facebook group, it has grown to over 3,000 members in just two years. Members of all knowledge levels post photos of mushrooms they find and forage. Often the group works together to identify the species found.

"We make it a good place to discuss. There are a lot of resources there for local species," said Brassard. "For instance, we have a beginner's guide to Manitoba mushroom that people can download for free with pictures and checklists of common edible, easy to identify mushrooms so it's a good way to start."

Many of the members find mushrooms on hikes, walking their dogs or even in their backyard and garden.

"What I like the most out of this is that we find species that we didn't think existed in Manitoba. And so there was a species mycologists thought that it didn't grow in the province, but we have three members who saw and reported

that species here," said Brassard. "We've got two members who think they have seen puffballs here and so that's interesting in terms of citizen science that helps us to gauge what species really grow in Manitoba."

While most mycology hobbyists forage to try and identify species, some forage for edible mushrooms only to use in cooking. Most people who forage to cook have years of experience in mushroom identification because many species that grow in Manitoba can have deadly look-alikes.

"Even deadly mushrooms can be touched without any harm; you don't need to wear gloves. Eating is another matter, of course," he said. "When you're in even the slightest doubt, throw it out. Don't play Russian roulette with mushrooms. We do have deadly species here. They exist."

Brassard added that picking mushrooms is not bad for the environment or the habitat that they are growing in. The organisms live in the soil substrate. He described it like picking an apple off a tree — it will one day grow another in the same place. He encourages people to bring any mushrooms and fungi that they find home to study.

Woodlands resident Laura Kinley has been part of the Facebook group since the beginning when fewer than 100 people participated in it.

"Especially with COVID ... instead of obviously going to the mall or going out because of restrictions, people are trying to go do things outdoors," she said.

Kinley said the growth on the Facebook page that she has seen has been amazing and that she is glad the group has stayed a positive and educational place despite getting so large.



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Herizium coralloides is a beginner mushroom as it is easy to identify and edible. Laura Kinley found it in Woodlands on a decaying poplar tree in late August.



A *Boletus chippewaensis* (porcini) found by Aneta Chomik, a member of the Winnipeg Mycological Society Facebook page.

She keeps her eyes out for mushrooms on walks with her dog and hikes through forest like areas, saying that she enjoys learning more about the outdoors.

"My phone is full of mushroom pictures. People have, like, pictures of their dogs. Mine is just like all these mushrooms and it's just a natural interest that everywhere I go looking for it," said the 28-year-old electrical apprentice.

Kinley said she created a rule for herself when she started mushroom hunting to try and keep herself safe while enjoying the hobby. She will not eat any mushrooms until she has spent five years studying mycology as a hobby.

"I had no idea a couple years ago how these poisonous things are everywhere," she said. "Just thinking of little kids, you know, little kids are so curious about things all the time I'm like, 'Oh, I didn't even think of that, that they could have this in your yard growing up.'"

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careers in the industry. Through the harvest event, we were also able to raise funds for a very important cause in the city and in the province — Harvest Manitoba.”

During last week’s event, members of the public also had the chance to watch Kevin Barron use his plot combine to harvest the small wheat crop. Barron undertakes small plot research in the Interlake area.

Adding to the interest, the first 70 people who dropped off a non-perishable food donation for Manitoba Harvest received a freshly baked loaf of bread from Warburtons, a U.K.-based bakery brand that has used Canadian wheat since 1885.

For onlookers interested in learning more about agriculture technology, the garage served as a hub of information. Guests had the chance to learn about topics such as non-GMO gene editing, a soybean breeding program and various EMILI projects including precision farming techniques using artificial intelligence and machine learning algorithms.

Lakeside MLA and agriculture minister Ralph Eichler auctioned off donated items, including a special contribution from Winnipeg-based Patent 5 Distillery of a limited-edition single-barrel whisky created with the harvested wheat. This one-of-a-kind whisky will be made with 100 per cent Canadian red spring wheat, Manitoba spring water and Lallemunde yeast. The AAC Starbuck wheat is a descendant of Red Fife, which was used to create the last wheat whisky that was locally distilled in 1880.

“They got on board with us and decided to make a 100 per cent wheat whisky, which is something that hasn’t been done for quite a long time. There was a distillery that actually did it in Winnipeg in the 1800s, so they’re rejuvenating this idea,” Rutherford said.

“They took the wheat from our plot and will use it for the wheat whisky. We auctioned off Bottle 1 of their Canadian Western Red Spring whisky, and the winning bidder paid \$10,000 for it. That was one of the big successes.”

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Multiple other companies and individuals also sponsored the event, and they enjoyed a gala event in the house, complete with hors d’oeuvres and cocktails.

“We celebrated harvest — and ‘harvest’ can be defined in several ways. It represents Harvest Manitoba, the harvest of our crop on Wellington and the harvesting of crops in the ag community,” Rutherford said.

“At the end of the day, we raised more than \$20,000 for Harvest Manitoba. Really, it’s about Manitoba’s ag community giving back, even though many of the people there were dealing with the drought of the summer. At the same time, we’re trying to educate people through modern agriculture because a lot of people in Winnipeg have lost their connection with the farm.”

The innovative fundraiser was much appreciated by Harvest Manitoba, formerly known as Winnipeg Harvest.

Colleen McVarish, director of corporate partnerships, expressed gratitude to all involved with Harvest on the Crescent.

“We appreciate all events that are

held in the community for Harvest Manitoba. This was a fantastic event,” McVarish said.

“The idea was so original. Rick Rutherford did a great job, and the money and food raised will go to help those in need. We look forward to this becoming an annual event and we appreciate all his hard work.”

Likewise, Keena said EMILI was pleased to participate in the event this year, which was hugely successful.

“Many people learned about modern agriculture and digital agriculture practices throughout the summer, got to learn more about the work of EMILI and, in the end, raised more than \$20,000 for Harvest Manitoba,” Keena said.

“We are looking forward to an even more successful event next year.”

And for Rutherford, he’s already looking ahead to the next urban harvest.

“It was great,” he said. “We hope to have Harvest on the Crescent 2.0 next year and we’re planning on planting canola.”

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Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes
Servings: 8
1 cup white quinoa
1 small head cauliflower, trimmed and cut into small florets
1 1/4 cups red California grapes, halved

Quinoa, Cauliflower and Grape Salad

3 scallions, trimmed and thinly sliced
2 ripe avocados, diced 1/3 inch
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1 tablespoon honey
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano, crumbled
1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt
1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
freshly ground black pepper, to taste
Cook quinoa according to package directions and drain on two layers of paper towels. Transfer to mixing bowl. Add cauliflower, grapes, scallions and avocado pieces.

To make dressing: In small bowl, whisk vinegar, lime juice, honey, cumin, oregano and salt until blended. Gradually whisk in oil. Drizzle dressing over quinoa mixture and toss gently. Season with pepper, to taste.



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Heat oven to 350 F.

In large skillet over medium heat, add turkey, onions, salt and pepper. Break up turkey and cook until browned.

Add turkey mixture to 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Add bell peppers, crushed tomatoes, brown rice, oregano and garlic powder. Mix until combined. Cover with aluminum foil. Bake 80-90 minutes until rice is tender.

Remove foil, add shredded cheese and bake 5 minutes until cheese is melted.

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STARS adds new helicopter to its fleet

Staff

STARS added a new helicopter to its fleet of air ambulances last week.

The Airbus H145, which will fly missions from STARS' Winnipeg base, is the latest in the service's push to replace and renew its fleet across Western Canada.

"Today is about bringing us one step closer to making our fleet renewal program a reality," said STARS president and CEO Andrea Robertson. "It is also about paying tribute to our community allies who began building STARS in this province 10 years ago and have sustained it ever since."

Dignitaries and supporters gathered in Winnipeg Sept. 7 to celebrate the new vehicle, which will officially enter service later this fall.

"On behalf of the provincial government, I congratulate STARS on the arrival of their new H145 helicopter in Manitoba," said Premier Kelvin Goertzen. "STARS has been a valued partner in the delivery of critical care in our province for a decade, and I know Manitobans will be well-served for many years to come with this new addition to STARS' life-saving fleet."

In honour of STARS' commitment to Manitoba, the new helicopter carries the registration mark C-FMBQ, with the "MB" paying homage to its new home and the people and communities it will serve.

STARS estimates it will cost \$13 million to replace its fleet of BK117 and AW139 aircraft with new medically equipped Airbus H145 helicopters.

"The bulk of our aging fleet are no longer being built and are becoming costlier to maintain," said Robertson. "Additionally, independent assessments of the sustainability of our fleet told us we needed to move from two aircraft types to one."

Thanks to government, community and corporate support, the not-for-profit charity began taking delivery of the first H145 helicopters in 2019 and has since flown hundreds of life-saving missions in the new aircraft from other bases.

Although it has millions of dollars left to raise, STARS hopes to wrap up its fundraising campaign later this year and see the remainder of the new fleet enter service by 2022.

Last week's event helped get them



STARS PHOTO BY DAVID LIPNOWSKI

STARS unveiled its new H145 helicopter at a ceremony in Winnipeg last week.

part of the way there, with the Kinsmen Club of Winnipeg and Cargill Limited on hand to present STARS with donations of \$500,000 and \$400,000, respectively.

"Our supporters ride along with us on every mission, and now they are helping us build the next STARS

fleet," Robertson said. "These new aircraft are an investment in our ability to serve the people of Manitoba for decades to come, and we're incredibly grateful to the community for helping us get closer to our goal."

Katie Cares hosting online auction in lieu of fashion show

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Models won't be strutting their stuff on the Katie Cares Fashion Show runway this year, but that doesn't mean the charity is sitting idle on the fundraising front.

Katie Cares is holding an online auction Sept. 19 to Oct. 9.

"We've been working on this since January, knowing full well there was no way we'd be able to get 500-plus people together for a fashion show this year," says executive director Ruth Reimer. "I think we have been able to put together a really good auction ... we have some awesome prizes."

Forty-three prize packages, to be exact, including staycation hotel and attraction passes, cabin accommodations outside the area, jewelry, furniture, baby supplies, artwork, a children's play kitchen, a fine wine basket and more.

"Everything was purchased locally to support our local community," Reimer says, explaining the items were bought thanks to the generosity of individual and corporate donors.

They'll be posting sneak peaks of some of the packages on their social media pages over the next few weeks. The full listing will be available online at katiecares.ca on Sept. 19 when bidding begins.

Bidding will be confidential — registered participants will only be able to see the highest current bid for each item.

Don't see anything that strikes your fancy? You can still support the work of Katie Cares and Ka-

tie's Cottage with a donation online or a mailed cheque payable to Katie Cares Inc, 255 13th St., Winkler, MB, R6W 1S5.

Reimer isn't sure what to expect in terms of money raised from this auction, but she's hopeful those who have supported Katie Cares in the past will find something to bid on.

"This is something very new for us," she says, noting it's a much bigger scope than the relatively small prize auction they have at the fashion show each year. "We've never done it at this scale before."

The funds are integral to the continued operation of Katie's Cottage, the respite home down the road from the Boundary Trails Health Centre, and the various support programs they offer to patients and their families.

"We need to do this so we can sustain the cottage," Reimer says, noting the past year and a half has been tough for them, as it's been for everyone.

"We're feeling the pinch in that we feel we need to do something. We're very careful with the money that has been entrusted with us — and donations are still coming in, though maybe not at the rate that we had in the past — and we're grateful for every cent that has come in."

With any luck, the fashion show will return for 2022, and Reimer can't wait.

"I think we all want to get out and do something again," she says.



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The Katie Cares online auction coming up later this month offers 43 different prize packages ranging from an impressive kid-sized play kitchen to jewelry and wine baskets. Bidding opens Sept. 19.

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Phillies place fourth at U14 'AAA' softball provincials

By Brian Bowman

The South Interlake Phillies played some of their best ball of the season last weekend.

And that great play resulted in a fourth-place finish at the U14 "AAA" provincials in Steinbach.

"For whatever reason, they decided to play their best ball of the year at the right time," said Phillies' head coach Jamie Dowsett. "All in all, the girls exceeded all expectations."

The top two teams from each pool advanced to the playoffs on Sunday. The Phillies placed second in their pool and played Central Energy, the second-place team from the other pool with the loser claiming fourth place.

South Interlake got off to a great start by taking a 5-0 first-inning lead. But it was all Central Energy after that in a 15-5 victory.

"Central is a really good hitting team and they earned those runs," Dowsett said. "It wasn't like there were a bunch of errors. It's not hard to take when a team earns it like that."

The provincials had two pools of four teams. South Interlake started play with a 7-0 loss to the Westman Magic and then defeated the Winnipeg Lightning 12-7.

The Phillies then lost 6-4 to the Manitoba Angels but still advanced to the playoffs by having a better



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Left to right: Mia Cassils, Jadyn Baldwin, Alivia Drohomerski, Chloe Bereford, Scarlett Dowsett, Taylor Huminuk, Lucy Hoff, Kassie Siwak, Morgan Walker, Paige Powoznik and Emma Wirgau. Coaches: Jamie Dowsett (head coach), Mike Walker (assistant coach) and Sheri Meyers (assistant coach).

run differential.

Westman Magic won the gold medal while the

Eastman Wildcats took home silver and Central Energy claimed the bronze.

Junior curling champions



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Pictured, left to right, the team of coach Albert Bazinet, lead Quinn Allan, second Autumn Good, third Hannah Thiessen, and skip Samantha Gevers defeated Team Ogg in the final of the Morris Fall MJCT last Sunday.

Thunder begin RMFL season Sept. 24

Staff

The Interlake Thunder have had an excellent registration and will be fielding teams at all four levels this season.

The Thunder will field teams in Varsity (14- to 17-year-olds), PeeWee (12/13-year-olds), Atom (10/11-year-

olds) and Cruncher (8/9-year-olds).

The three minor level teams are still awaiting a start date and schedule. The high-school-aged Thunder, which play in the Rural Manitoba Football League, will open a six-game regular-season schedule in Virden on Sept. 24.

CRJHL releases preseason schedule

Staff

The Capital Region Junior Hockey League will be playing a preseason exhibition tournament this year.

The tournament will take place Sept 23-26 at the Selkirk Recreation Complex.

Here is the schedule:

Sept. 23 - 7:30 p.m. - North Winnipeg versus Arborg; Sept. 24 - 7:30 p.m. - Selkirk versus St. Malo; Sept. 25 - 4:30 p.m. - Lunder versus North Winnipeg; Sept. 26 - 4:30 p.m. - St. Malo versus Arborg; and Sept. 26 - 7:30 p.m. - Selkirk versus Lunder.

Senior Blue Jays' season ends with playoff loss

Staff

The Stonewall Blue Jays' season came to an abrupt end last Friday evening.

Stonewall lost 11-0 to the St. James A's in Game 3 of their Winnipeg Senior Baseball League best-of-three "A" Pool semifinal series.

St. James won Game 1 of the series 8-3 at Charleswood Park on Sept. 7.

The Blue Jays then staved off elimi-

nation with an exciting 8-7 win over the A's at Fines Field last Wednesday.

The Elmwood Giants, meanwhile, won the other "A" Pool semifinal series 2-1 over the Carillon Sultans.

After losing the first game of the series 11-4, Elmwood won the next two games by scores of 6-4 and 7-4.

Elmwood and St. James started their best-of-five final series on Monday but no score was available.

MHSAA updates return to school sport plan

From the MHSAA

The Manitoba High School Athletic Association updated its return to school sport plan on Sept. 7.

The MHSAA will continue to re-evaluate and adapt as new information and guidelines become available, with the best interest of the student-athletes always in mind.

It is vital that before any return to school sport occurs, that you consult and obtain approval from your school division's administration or school administration for independent schools.

Further, each school's administration will be responsible to determine how return to school sport will be implemented in their building, ensuring all current provincial public health orders are followed and each sport specific return to play protocol is being adhered to.

Use of masks

Current public health order: A person who enters or remains in an indoor public place must wear a mask in a manner that covers their mouth, nose and chin without gapping. The above statements do not apply in respect of the following: a child who is under five years of age; a person with a medical condition that is unrelated to COVID-19, including breathing or cognitive difficulties, or a disability, that prevents them from safely wearing a mask; a person who is unable to put on or remove a mask without the assistance of another person; a

person who is swimming or engaged in other athletic activities; a person who needs to temporarily remove their mask while in the indoor public place for the purpose of: receiving a service that requires the removal of their mask, consuming food or drink, an emergency or medical purpose, or establishing their identity.

Schools must adhere to each sport specific return to play protocol and facility guidelines regarding the use of masks, and if they are needed be worn on the field of play while actively participating in the sport. If there is a discrepancy in mask use policies between a sport specific return to play protocol and a facility or school division policy, the policy with the highest level of protection must be adhered to for all participating.

Immunization

In the current public health orders, there are no immunization requirements for K-12 students to participate in indoor school sports. All coaches, team personnel and officials 18 years of age and up must be fully vaccinated to participate in all indoor school sports. There are no current immunization requirements for outdoor school sports.

It is the full responsibility of each school to ensure their coaches, team personnel and officials staff comply with all provincial public health orders regarding immunization.

Exhibition and league play

The MHSAA permits exhibition and league play provided that the zone receives approval from their respective school division(s) or school(s) administration for independent schools.

All current provincial public health orders must be followed and the sport specific return to play protocol must be adhered to. No out-of-province teams are permitted to participate.

Tournaments

Hosting and participating in tournaments within Manitoba may proceed. The MHSAA is accepting sanctioning requests for tournaments in all sports. All teams participating must have received approval from their respective school division(s) or school(s) administration for independent schools. All current provincial public health orders must be followed and the sport specific return to play protocol must be adhered to. No out-of-province teams are permitted to participate.

As per Manitoba Education's Restoring Safe Schools 2021-22 Guidelines, overnight trips remain prohibited. This is subject to change. Any change will follow public health recommendations and orders at the time.

Provincial championships

Provincial championships will take place, if and when possible. Currently provincial championships have been paused due to Manitoba Education's restriction on overnight trips. All teams participating must have received approval from their respec-

tive school division(s) or school(s) administration for independent schools. All current provincial public health orders will be followed and the sport specific return to play protocol will be adhered to. mhsaa.ca

Spectators

As per current provincial public health orders:

Outdoor facilities: The number of spectators at an outdoor sporting or recreational facility must not exceed 50 per cent of the usual spectator capacity of the facility.

Indoor facilities: Indoor sporting and recreational facilities must not operate unless admission of members of the public to the facility is restricted to the following: persons who produce proof that they are fully immunized; persons who produce proof from the Government of Manitoba that there is a medical reason for the person not to receive a vaccine for COVID-19; persons under 18 years of age. For certainty, the above applies to spectators who are watching sporting or recreational activities at the facility.

It is the full responsibility of the "home" or host school to ensure the provincial public health orders regarding spectators are adhered to.

Interprovincial travel and tournaments

MHSAA member schools will not be sanctioned to travel out-of-province or attend out-of-province tournaments at this time and until further notice.

Stonewall United ties Richmond FC

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall United had a great start to their game against Richmond FC — taking a 3-0 first-half lead — on Sunday.

But it still wasn't enough to produce a victory.

Richmond FC battled back with three goals of their own as the two teams played to a 3-3 draw in Manitoba Major Soccer League 4th Division action.

"They were short players," said the United's Jason Ferris. "They started with 10 players and we scored two quick goals and then they had some players show up. They started playing a lot harder and we started playing not as good."

Richmond FC played a very physical game that gave Stonewall problems and created some scoring chances.

Dylan Andrade, Nicholas Dale and Marco Correia scored for the United.

Paul Odedina, with a pair, and Efemena Isume replied for Richmond FC.

With the tie, Stonewall is now 3-1-1 and in fifth place in the 10-team division with 10 points. The United is just a point behind Richmond FC and the YFC Saints with a game in hand on both teams.

"We've been playing some good soccer," Ferris said. "The core group of guys that have been playing for years all agreed to come back and play this year."

That core group, along with some new additions, has the United scoring a lot of goals this season. Stonewall has 18 goals in just five games.

"In past years, our problem has been not scoring," Ferris noted. "This year, having four or five dedicated forwards has really helped us put the ball in the net."

The United is back in action Thursday when they battle Dirty Garry's at the Ralph Cantafio Soccer Complex. Game time is 10 p.m.

Stonewall will then host Southside FC on Sunday at 5 p.m.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Stonewall United's Dylan Andrade scored in his club's 3-3 tie with Richmond FC on Sunday.

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Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
56400	EAST HALVES OF LOTS 16 AND 18 BLOCK 55 PLAN 2594 WLTO IN E 1/2 25 AND SE 1/4 36-13-1 EPM - 517 3RD AVE N	L -\$83,900 B -\$121,200	\$15,772.79

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- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
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 - The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
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- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2021.

Managed by:



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER

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- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft to the Rural Municipality of Rosser as follows:
 - The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
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- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 20th day of August, 2021.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION



TOWN OF STONEWALL REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES STONEWALL WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY

September 1, 2021

The Town of Stonewall (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for Stonewall Water and Wastewater Utility (Utility) as set out in By-law No. 05-21, read the first time on May 19, 2021. Rates were last revised January 1, 2021, as approved in Board Order No. 47/18.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates By-Law 03-17	Proposed Rates (Year 1) By-Law 05-21
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 22.50	\$ 22.50
Water (per cubic meter)	\$ 0.93	\$ 0.95
Wastewater (per cubic meter)	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.83
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 46.25	\$ 46.78
Wastewater only customers**	\$ 65.54	\$ 66.60

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Replacement of Gate Key	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
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Wastewater Disposal Tipping Fees (per cubic meter)***	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.10

*Based on 13.64 cubic meters

**Based on 53.13 cubic meters plus service charge

***Will be charged based on the vehicle tank capacity at the time of licensing

Details of the Town's application are available for review at the Municipal office or the Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the Town.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Town of Stonewall'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 Town.*

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **October 1, 2021**

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.

Jennifer Dubois, CPA, CMA
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All bidders will be advised within two working days of October 15, 2021 if their bid was successful. Successful bidders will be asked to enter into a formal Purchase Agreement with a possession date of December 1, 2021, or sooner or later by mutual consent.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 194 of the Municipal Act, that the Auditor's Financial Report together with the related financial statements for the 2020 fiscal year have been deposited in the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Teulon and are available for inspection by any person or their agent during regular office hours. Any person or their agent at their own expense, may make a copy thereof or extracts there from.

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ALL claims against the above estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at his office, Box 149, 70 Main Street, Teulon, Manitoba, R0C 3B0, on or before the 22nd day of October, 2021.

DATED at Teulon, Manitoba, this 3rd day of September, A.D. 2021.

STEVEN R. SHINNIE
SOLICITOR FOR THE EXECUTOR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF the Estate of Alwine Paula Hueging, late of the Town of Stonewall, in the Province of Manitoba, Retired, Deceased.

ALL CLAIMS against the above Estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at Box 940, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, R1N 3C4, within fifteen (15) days of the date of publication.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the 2022 Assessment Rolls for the Rural Municipality of Rosser has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 0 077E PR 221, Box 131, Rosser, MB and are open for public inspection during regular office hours.

THE BOARD OF REVISION shall sit to hear complaints on **Thursday, November 4th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Municipal Council Chambers in Rosser, Manitoba.

ANY PERSON, including the assessor, who believes that an assessment ought to be revised may make application for revision of an Assessment Roll in accordance with Sections 42 & 43 of The Municipal 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, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to:

- liability to taxation;
- amount of 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
- state the grounds on which the application is based; and
- be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
 - serving it upon the secretary,

at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice.

Applications for revision or complaints must be received by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday October 19, 2021, no late exceptions will be allowed. Applications should be mailed: Secretary, Board of Revision Box 131, at 0 077E PR 221, Rosser, Manitoba, R0H 1E0 emailed: info@rmofrosser.com or faxed: 204-467-5958. Applicants will be notified, in writing, of the date and time of the hearing of their application.

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DATED this 13th day of September 2021 at the Village of Rosser, in the Province of Manitoba.

Larry Wandowich, Secretary
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Qualifications:

- Experience in administration and basic book-keeping.
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- Must be willing to travel and have access to a vehicle

Salary range: State salary expectations

Resume including references must be received no later than 4:00 P.M. on Sept. 30, 2021. Submit by email to rwrc@rosserwoodlandsrec.com in the subject line - **Attn: RWRC Hiring Committee.**

A job description is available to download / view on the RM of Woodlands and RM of Rosser websites.

RM of Woodlands - www.rmwoodlands.info
RM of Rosser - www.rmofrosser.com

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted.

Successful candidates must complete a Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector, Child and Adult Abuse Registry check prior to commencing employment.

Rosser-Woodlands Recreation Commission welcomes applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available upon request during the assessment and selection process.

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Rural Municipality of Woodlands 2020 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT



Public Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 194 of *The Municipal Act*, the Municipal Auditors Financial Report, together with the related Financial Statements, for the year 2020, have been deposited in the Office of the Administrator of the Rural Municipality of Woodlands and are available for inspection by any person or his agent during regular business hours and that any person or his agent, at his own expense, may make a copy thereof or extract therefrom.

Adam Turner
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Woodlands

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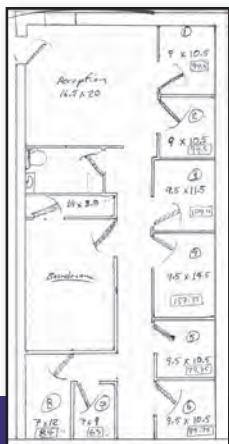
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Raymond J. Fontaine
October 30, 1949 – September 16, 2020
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Each time we hear your name,
We've cried so many tears
Yet our heart's broken just the same.
We miss our time together
Things in common we could share,
But nothing fills the emptiness
Now you're no longer there.
We've so many precious memories
To last our whole life through,
Each one of them reminders
Of how much we're missing you.

-Love Janine, Stephen, Gaige,
Orren and Georgina

IN MEMORIAM



Judith Marlene Willey
In loving memory of
my wife, our mother and grandmother
who passed away
September 22, 2017

Remembering you is easy,
We do it every day;
But missing you is the heartache,
That never goes away.
If memories bring us closer,
We are never far apart;
For you are always in our thoughts,
And forever in our hearts.

-Always loved and deeply missed by
her husband Blaine,
children Damon, Kari, Ryan and Christine,
and grandchildren Nathan and Keira

IN MEMORIAM



**In Memory of
Raymond J. Fontaine**
October 30, 1949 – September 16, 2020
Though no one person may be able to
change the world...
You have made a significant difference
in our lives.
You are forever loved and never forgotten.

-Linda Fontaine
and family

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

IN MEMORIAM



Clayton Frederick Tully
June 24, 1983 – September 19, 2003
This day will be remembered
And quietly kept,
No words are needed
We shall never forget.
For those we love
Don't go away,
They walk beside us
Every day.

We will love you forever
We will miss you always,
As long as we live
Our son and brother you will be.

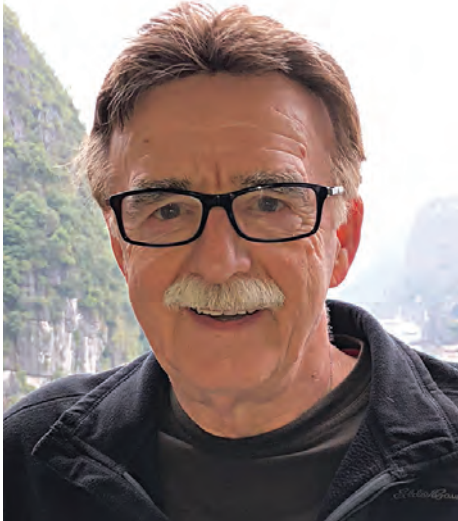
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IN MEMORIAM



Roger Griffin

May 11, 1942 - Sept 16, 2020

Our Dad and Papa,
You held our hand when we were small
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The hero of our childhood
And of latter years as well.
Every time we think of you
Our heart fills with pride
And though we will always miss you
We know you're by our side.
In laughter and in sorrow
In sunshine and in the rain
We know you're watching over us
Until we meet again.

-Lovingly remembered and missed by,
Cherise, Dominic and Desiree
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IN MEMORIAM



Roger G. Griffin

It's been a year Roger, we had such a wonderful life...

The moment that you left me,
my heart was split in two;
One side was filled with memories;
the other side died with you.
I often lay awake at night
when the world is fast asleep;
And take a walk down memory lane
with tears upon my cheek.
Remembering you is easy, I do it every day;
But missing you is a heartache
that never goes away.
I hold you tightly within my heart
and there you will remain;
You see life has gone on without you,
but will never be the same.
-Forever in My Heart ... Claudette

OBITUARY

Lillian Joyce Robinson (nee Meads)

Lillian passed away in Toronto on September 6, 2021 after a lengthy illness. She was 77 years young.

She was predeceased by her mother Irene, father Albert and brother Arthur.

She is survived by her loving husband Dennis, son Darren, step children Matthew, Katie, Christine, and Steven, and by siblings Ron Meads (Janet), Brian Meads (Sharon), Lorna Armstrong (late Gary), Dorothy Meads, and Lori (Kerry) Baldock.

Lillian was an accomplished piano player. In her younger years, she played piano and organ at churches she attended. She had a long career at the Winnipeg Tribune before she got married. Lillian, Dennis and Darren moved to Toronto in 1995.

Lillian felt so blessed to become a mother, especially after being told by doctors she would probably not be able to. 'My men' as she lovingly referred to Darren and Dennis, were her whole world.

Lillian lived a life of faith. She was a gentle, caring, wonderful person. The Lord saw her suffering and called her home.

OBITUARY

Margaret Charison

Our family was blessed to share in the life of Margaret Charison. She touched our hearts and our lives with her unwavering love and goodness. It is with heavy hearts that we announce her passing on August 30, 2021. She will be always loved, never forgotten, deeply missed and forever in our hearts.

Margaret was born on November 21, 1924 in Madison, Saskatchewan. She was the oldest daughter of Donald and Barbara Fines of Gunton, Manitoba. She always remained close with her 10 sisters and brothers and their extended families and those family bonds remain strong to this day. She is survived by her three sisters Zetta, Ramona and Flora and numerous nieces and nephews that she loved so dearly.

Margaret was happy to spend her entire life in the Gunton-Teulon area. She was devoted to her husband, Stan and their children - Sandy Skinner (John), Sherry Green (Terry), Linda Stock (Fred) and Curtis Charison (June). Being a mom was the most important thing in the world to her, and her children always knew how very fortunate they were to have had her love and tender care throughout their lives. Then came her pride and joy, her 10 grandchildren - Jennifer (Jason), Rod (Kim), Scott (Angele), Sherry (Mike), Richard (Vilay), Kelly (Maria), Kimberly, Tim, Cameron (Whytnie) and Jodie (Nicole) who were the light of her life and brought her endless fun times and happiness. They presented her with the gift of 16 great-grandchildren - McKay, Matheson, Lachlan, Lilly, Olivia, Abigail, Brianne, Austin, Liam, Avery, Kiana, Mattea, Chloe, Ryan, Brady and Hadley whom she adored.

Margaret was very well loved and respected in the community, especially by her close friends, many of whom she treasured from her early childhood days. She was an avid gardener, active in curling and golf, she enjoyed playing cribbage and she never failed to support and contribute to any local event happening at the time. Her kindness to all and her generous spirit touched many people along the way. One of her favorite expressions was "When you do something for someone else, you make two people happy". The example she set inspired a lot of people to do their best to help others in a selfless and caring manner.

Special thanks to her physician Dr. K. Graham and the medical staff at Betel Home in Gimli.

Margaret requested that there be no funeral service but a private family gathering to be held when the time is appropriate.

Anyone wishing to send an on-line tribute or to make a donation to any charity of your choice in her honor is welcome to do so.

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CARD OF THANKS

The family of Heather Unger would like to thank our family, friends and neighbours for the flowers, baking, meals, phone calls, texts, emails, cards and for all the donations made. Your thoughtfulness and support at this emotional time have been greatly appreciated. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Ken Loehmer and Shirley Williams.

-Ron,
Randy, Gina and family
Dana, Dean and family
Darcy, Jenn and family
Kelly, Kris and family

CARD OF THANKS

The Liliane Baron, South Interlake Breast Cancer Group would like to sincerely thank everyone who came out to the Moon Light Market in Teulon on Friday night and purchased raffle tickets in benefit of those diagnosed - or who may be diagnosed - with Breast Cancer in our South Interlake area.

We would also like to thank our many donors (and angels!) for their awesome contributions - Big Way Foods; Rona Lumber; Teulon Tractor Motor; CAM Trans; Sunova Credit Union; Steven Shinnie Law Office; Sudden Impact; K-Indu Ltd.; Lori Benn Massage Therapy; Debbie Pescitelli, Mind, Body, Sole; Krista Sweezy, Sole Purpose Reflexology; Shelley Stewart, One Link Financial; Barb Sloggett; Debbie and John Bagan; Camille and Gord Sochaski; Ken Slater; Joan Trombo; Gary Arsenault; Lorrie and Bernie Kratzer; Lori and Bill Mott; Mike and Darlene Walsh.

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OBITUARY



Edward Lawrence Vandekerckhove

With broken hearts and broken dreams, we sadly announce the passing of Edward Lawrence Vandekerckhove, our husband, dad, and grandpa on September 10, 2021.

Ed is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Dawn; his son Kevin, grandson Kylan; daughter Kristi (Ryan Desjarlais); brothers Dennis (Kerry), Jerry (Tammy); brother-in-law Jack Campbell (Rosalie); sisters-in-law Dale (John Fox), Debbie (Gord Deprez), many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his parents Leon and Evelyn, sister Bonnie and brother-in-law Jim Buckle, sister Judy Campbell, and in-laws Emil and Lydia Grandmont.

Ed was born on July 10, 1957 in Winnipeg, MB and grew up in and remained in Stony Mountain his entire life. His first job was at the local quarry, and then on to the family tradition of selling cars, first at Wiley Mercury, then Landau Lincoln Mercury, then

McPhillips Lincoln Mercury, followed by successfully running his own business Ed Vande Auto Sales Inc for the past 20 years. Through his company he also managed the exporting of vehicles for Jim Gauthier Cadillac.

Besides his love for selling cars, Ed loved curling with his family and friends in many bonspiels and at the Stony Mountain Curling Club, which he was an executive member for many years. He enjoyed camping trips with his family and coaching both his kids in baseball.

He enjoyed the numerous trips we went on to Las Vegas and Shooting Star Casino, and betting on the ponies at the racetrack.

Ed loved goose hunting and fishing, and established the Stony Mountain Curling Club Goose Shoot, which helped the community in various areas.

Ed had the "gift of the gab" and acquired numerous friends and colleagues wherever he travelled.

As per Ed's wishes cremation has taken place and a private family interment and gathering will be held.

We would like to thank MacKenzie Funeral Home for their care and compassion for guiding us through such a difficult time.

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire donations can be made to the Stony Mountain Community Association, at Box 449 Stony Mountain, MB R0C 3A0

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OBITUARY



Emily Edna Louise Loehmer

August 20, 2021 - September 10, 2021

Peacefully on September 10, 2021, Emily Edna Louise Loehmer passed away in the HSC-Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Winnipeg. She was three weeks old.

Emily will be forever loved and remembered by her parents Kyle and Kezia Loehmer, and her grandparents Lyle and Michelle Loehmer and David and Elvera Stoesz. Emily will also be loved and missed by her great-grandparents Lloyd and Darlene Stewart, Elmore and Eileen Loehmer, John and Ellie Dyck, and Ed Stoesz. She was predeceased by great-great-grandmother Edna Fisher, for whom Emily was given her middle name. Emily will also be loved and missed by numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, friends, and her dog Princess.

Emily was born suddenly and unexpectedly on August 20, 2021.

From that moment, Emily lived life on her own terms. Described as "feisty" by everyone who knew her, Emily never held still for very long. She was constantly untucking her blankets, kicking when her diaper was changed, and pulling at her air tubes.

Emily loved being held by her parents, sucking on her soother, being read stories, and listening to her favourite songs and lullabies. She loved to hold onto her Mom and Dad's fingers.

Emily touched the lives of everyone she met. Her feisty and stubborn personality made for numerous entertaining moments and memories for both family and nurses alike. From the moment you met Emily, you knew she was someone who would make a strong and positive impact on your life.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses and staff members of the HSC NICU for all of their amazing work and support for Emily. The amount of care, love and compassion they showed for Emily can not be overstated.

Emily and her family would like to thank all the friends and family members who offered a helping hand during her stay in the NICU. They would also like to give a sincere thank you to the Stonewall Hospital Community Health Office, as well as to the members of the Winnipeg Police Service for all of their care and support.

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