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Breakfast with Santa

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Turns out two-year-old Hadley McLean is not a big fan of Santa Claus. Hadley and her mom Lindsey and dad Carter took in the Balmoral Breakfast with Santa this past Saturday.

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Aubri Porter, left, and Brooklyn Sinclair keep busy at the craft table.

Hundreds pack the Balmoral Hall to have breakfast with Santa

Staff

Families packed the Balmoral Hall for the annual Breakfast with Santa last Saturday. The event is a fundraiser for the Balmoral United Church and helps to kick off the holiday season. Along with a pancake breakfast cooked up by the Stonewall and District Lions Club, children could have their photo taken with Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus, create a Christmas-themed craft and have their face painted. Guests did not leave empty handed thanks to the full baking table.



Stonewall and District Lions Club members, including Mel Harrison, cooked breakfast for over 200 guests on Saturday.



Neveah Turney crafts an ornament for the Christmas tree.



Claire Kirschman listens intently to Santa.

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Young dancer performs with Moscow Ballet

By Jennifer McFee

A local dancer put her best foot forward when she had the chance to take the stage with Moscow Ballet.

Reese Deprez, 12, took part in Moscow Ballet's performance of the Great Russian Nutcracker on Nov. 22 at the Burton Cummings Theatre.

The travelling show is celebrating its 25th-anniversary North American tour. Through its Dance With Me program, it gives local ballet students the chance to perform alongside the professional touring dance company.

Reese, who dances with L.A. Dance Academy in Winnipeg, was selected for the role of a snow maiden. She rehearsed every Sunday for two months to prepare for the part in the performance.

"It was really, really cool. It was a really great experience but I was really, really nervous. My knees were shaking and arms were shaking. I don't even know how I did it. It was really nerve-wracking but I just told myself 'It's OK. Everything will be fine,' said Reese, a Grade 7 student at Stony Mountain School.

"I would definitely want to do it again, but I would want to do a different part. There's a lot of other cool parts. The dances were amazing."

Reese started gymnastics about five years ago and only segued to dancing two years ago. She currently takes classes in jazz and ballet, and she'll soon be busy preparing for a recital coming up in May.

"I love to dance. I really love to do the moves and I love to get into it," she said.

"It's really fun and it's just a great thing to do. It's very calming too."

For her mom Melanie, it was a proud moment to see her young snow maiden take the stage.

"It was very exciting to see her up there," she said. "She looked beautiful in her outfit. She was exhausted by the end, but she was all smiles. It was a great opportunity to dance with the Moscow Ballet."

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Reese Deprez in her snow maiden costume.



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Former Teulon resident plays Last Post at Vimy Ridge

By Jennifer McFee

A former Teulon resident played an unforgettable role in Remembrance Day ceremonies in Vimy Ridge this year.

Lieutenant (Navy) Anne Day, whose maiden name is Phillips, is the Above Water Warfare Officer onboard HMCS Montreal.

"This means that I am responsible to assess anything that floats or flies and make recommendations to Command for what I think might be posing a threat to our ship/allies or our mission," she wrote in a message to the *Tribune*.

"During October 2017, I conducted a few missile firings off the coast of Europe, which were part of training exercises with NATO allies developing future capabilities for the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN)."

After those missile firings, her ship travelled alongside Antwerp, Belgium.

"I planned for the crew to attend a few different ceremonies including the 100th anniversary of Passchendaele, Menin Gate, Hill 62, Tyne Cot and Vimy Ridge," she said.

"The Nov. 11 ceremony at Vimy Ridge is often small as they generally hold theirs the Saturday before. (HMCS) Montreal sent three busloads of sailors, including myself, to



Anne Day, formerly of Teulon, performed the Last Post at Vimy Ridge.

bugle and one of my other shipmates to play the lament."

Day got her start playing trumpet in Grade 7 at Teulon Collegiate Institute. She also played in a sea cadet marching band in Selkirk with the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Daerwood.

She stopped playing for a number of years and then took up the French horn in the Silver Heights Commu-



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

HMCS Montreal sent three busloads of sailors to the Remembrance Day ceremony at Vimy Ridge.

nity Band until she joined the Royal Canadian Navy and left Manitoba.

For Day, playing the Last Post at Vimy Ridge is an experience steeped in significance.

"With the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge marked this past April, as well as Canada's 150 celebration, it was an incredible honour to

play Last Post where Canada forged its sovereign identity," she said.

"Standing on the monument during the ceremony, I trembled looking out over the fields where so many were lost and seeing the shell holes now covered in grass. It was a humbling moment, to say the least, and one that I will never forget."

Consumers urged to take precautions when shopping online

Consumer Protection Office encourages Manitobans to know their rights

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The Consumer Protection Office wants to ensure consumers are pro-

tected and have the information they need to make informed decisions while shopping online this busy shopping weekend and leading up to the holiday season.

Before entering any financial information online, consumers are advised to make sure they are using a secure site, which includes:

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New owner to take over the popular Sig's Grill

By Jennifer McFee

It's the end of an era for Sig's Grill as Miles and Tracy Sigurdson prepare to hand over the keys to its new owner next week.

"We've been doing this for 32 years and now it's time to do something different. We've got some ideas, but we're just going to take a bit of time off first," said Miles Sigurdson, who lives in Warren and grew up in Stonewall.

"We're really going to miss the people. All of the people in Stonewall and area have been wonderful. Our staff is also very special. It's all been people from around town and area. Lots of kids started working in Grade 10 and then went to university for a few years and stayed with me. Then I've had their kids come back to work for me too."

In addition, the helping hands included all three of the Sigurdsons' own sons — Scott, Brad and Thor — who all worked at the restaurant over the years. As well, Miles' sister-in-law Kim Meyers worked at the family business for more than 20 years.

"Even my wife did all the bookkeeping and payroll — and she had a full-time job in addition," Sigurdson said. "It's lots of work, but it's been really special."

Their last day is set for Dec. 4, when new owner Peter (Yong Rok) Janj takes over.

Last December, Janj moved to Canada from South Korea, where he worked for an electronics company for 20 years. Before he left his country, he attended an academy to learn how to cook.

"I wanted to live in another country and I wanted to change my career as well," he said.

"I like working here and I like the Stonewall community. It's very friendly, and it's small compared to Winnipeg. Everybody knows each other so I like it very much."

Currently, Janj is living in Winnipeg with his wife and two sons, age 11 and 13.

He plans to work alongside the same familiar staff members and to maintain the same menu, which is well known for its breakfast, burgers and soups.

"The only thing I'm adding is some cheesecake because my friend has a cheesecake café called Double D's Cheesecake located in Winnipeg. I'll take some of the cheesecake and add it on the menu," Janj said.

"At the moment, I don't have any plans to add Korean food, but maybe in the future."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Peter (Yong Rok) Janj, left, and Miles Sigurdson

As for Sigurdson, Dec. 4 will be a day filled with fond farewells to the restaurant that has been his second home for more than three decades. "It will be a hard day," he said.

Stonewall RCMP respond to fatal motor vehicle collision

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On Nov. 26, at approximately 11 p.m., Stonewall RCMP responded to a motor vehicle collision on Highway 6 at Road 79 North in the RM of Woodlands.

The initial investigation has determined that a car, driven by a 35-year-old male from the RM of Portage la Prairie, was driving northbound on Highway 6 when it went into oncoming traffic and struck a southbound semi carrying lumber.

The impact of the collision caused the semi driver to lose control and role his vehicle into the ditch, scattering

the lumber across the highway. The driver of the semi, a 43-year-old male, as well as his two passengers, a 42-year-old female and one-year-old male infant, were taken to hospital with minor injuries.

The driver, and lone occupant of the car, was pronounced deceased on scene. It is unknown at this time if drugs or alcohol were a factor in the collision.

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> ARNIE WEIDL **The fish keep coming, for some!**

Hi gang.

During my visits with our fellow fishers on the ice this past week, the question on everyone's mind was when we will be able to quit dragging loaded sleighs across the ice and use our sleds, trucks, SnoBears and Bombardiers instead. If last Friday was any indicator, it won't be long.

I walked (or, more accurately, slid) down the snow covered embankment at the end of Whitetail Trail in Petersfield onto the eight-inch thick ice of Netley Creek as a small truck came beetling up to Paul Dahlin and Les Zolinski, two local anglers, who were sitting on their sleighs and jigging their short rods. Beside them, a sledder, Bill Lakota, sat passing the time. I raised my hand in greeting as I approached and asked if they had caught anything yet. The two anglers grimaced and shook their heads from side to side. "Hi Arnie, you remember me?" the robust, energetic Bill called out. The tiny, foreign truck took off as I said my hellos to Paul and Les. We traded fish stories on the ice in the warm, still afternoon, and Bill mentioned he had been catching some huge fish in the "sixteen-foot hole" further downstream.

Now according to Bill, there is a deep hole in the middle of the creek that is full of fish. Apparently, some folks marked its location by tying things to a tree on the creek bank, but others, wanting to keep the location a secret, have removed them. If you talk nicely to Bill, he just might give you a clue.

Just then, Les' rod began shuttering. He reeled in quickly and a beauti-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL
Les Zolinski of Petersfield with a nice jackfish he caught.

ful Jack popped out of the ice hole. I promptly took a picture for us. Later, as I said my goodbyes and headed for "old red" on the creek bank, I heard Bill question out loud, "Have anyone of you guys ever seen a baby pelican? I never have!" I turned at the edge of the bank and called back, "Come to think of it, neither have I!" How odd, I thought to myself as I climbed into my truck.

The day before I was hanging with

the guys on Netley Creek, I went visiting the dozen or so anglers on the Red by Breezy Point. I met a young, lanky, blonde and long-haired Winnipegger, Josh Kerschti, who had just pulled an eighteen-inch walleye out of the ice. During our conversations, Josh said he gotten hooked on fishing years ago when his buddy was getting married and organized a bachelor fishing party at Cormorant Lake by the Pas. Now, every spring the whole wedding party returns there for some great fishing.

On Saturday, I made it over to Gull Lake by Stead. The bright sun shone on the many portable ice shacks as kids and dogs played tag on the ice. There, I met Tyler Dueck, another young, tall, fit guy sporting a short brown beard, who hailed from Grunthal. He said he was a little "ticked off" because his buddies were here a few days ago and caught eighty—yes eighty—perch, keeping only a few for lunch and releasing the others. It reminded him, he said, of a time last year when he was ice fishing on Shoal Lake, north of Stonewall, with his girlfriend, Janie Walteson, and she caught seven perch including a sixteen-inch Master. I looked hesitatingly at him and asked, "Have you caught anything today?" He lowered his head and, smiling, said, "No, but everybody else has!"

Ok gang, how about one last open water story until spring?

Like "luckless" Tyler, Shane Cornell, whom I talked to a while back, liked to fish but couldn't catch one.

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Meals on Wheels volunteers needed in Stonewall

By Natasha Tersigni

To help ensure that seniors in the community receive a healthy dinner, the South Interlake Seniors Resource Council (SISRC) is looking for a few more volunteers for its Meals on Wheels program.

Following a recent change with the Stonewall United Church, which has organized the volunteers in the past, the SISRC is once again recruiting drivers to deliver meals. The program runs Monday through Friday. The meals are prepared at Rosewood Lodge and picked up at 4:15 p.m. The time commitment for drivers is

approximately half an hour and all meals are delivered within the town of Stonewall. Meals on Wheels serves homebound seniors in the community and ensures they receive a nutritious meal.

There are currently five to 10 clients in the Stonewall program, and most people who participate are also receiving support from home care. For more information on Meals on Wheels, or to sign-up to volunteer, contact South Interlake Resource Council coordinator Darcy Freudenberg at 204-467-2719.



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Murray and Kathy Mulligan spend a few evenings a week delivering meals for the South Interlake Seniors Resource Council Meals on Wheels program. A few more volunteers are needed to deliver meals for the non-profit organization.

St. Laurent approves variance for marina, campground

By Jeff Ward

RM of St. Laurent council approved the conditional use for the future development of a marina and campground at their Nov. 15 regular meeting.

The development proposed by landowners Marc Fontaine, Louis-Marie Allain, Julien Chartrand and Albert Combot can now move forward. The landowners plan to construct a new marina with access to Lake Manitoba and to develop a campground. Council waited until Nov. 15 so Coun. Laurent Kerbrat and Coun. Monte Carrier, who were missing from the Nov. 1 public hearing, could vote. However, Reeve Cheryl Smith explained, only the councillors who were present at the hearing could vote. Therefore, Smith and Coun. Frank Bruce and Tom Johnson voted to approve. Smith said that they misunderstood the rule.

"We wanted them to be part of the decision, but they can't, it was our mistake," said Smith.

"But the three of us had no problem approving it. We believe that this type of development would be very good for our area and it's something we need here. This council is always excited about any potential economic development here."

Smith said she's aware many families in St. Laurent have wanted a campground close to the lake where relatives can stay when they visit. Moreover, to have a place where, as Fontaine explained during the public hearing, seasonal camping is going to be a priority, it can become a popular spot for future tourism.

Steep Rock Beach Park, 90 minutes north of St. Laurent, is one of those campgrounds that heavily caters to seasonal campers. Park management has recently begun expanding their service area to accommodate their long waiting list.

"The marina is something that also fills a need here because we do have a problem with boats accessing the lake. We were elected to make sure our community grows in a healthy way and we believe this will do that," said Smith.

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Voting now open for 10th annual Festival of Wreaths

By **Natasha Tersigni**

With Christmas just under a month away, staff at the South Interlake Regional Library (SIRL) Stonewall branch is ramping up their holiday-themed activities, and there is certainly plenty to do.

The season kicks off with the 10th Annual Festival of Wreaths contest. From Nov. 27 to Dec. 22, local businesses and non-profit groups adorn the Stonewall library with homemade wreaths. Community members that visit the library can pay \$1 to vote for their favourite wreath, and the owner of the wreath with the most votes walks away with bragging rights and a very nice certificate.

"All money raised from the contest is donated to the Stonewall Christmas Cheer Board and each year we donate anywhere from \$300 to \$700 from the contest," said SIRL Stonewall branch librarian Joan Ransom. "We are expecting around 20 to 25 entries this year and it is always a great turnout and great fundraiser for the Cheer Board.

"We are also open late on the night of the parade, Dec. 1. You can come warm up, watch the parade and vote for your favourite wreath."

If you're coming to the library to

vote for a wreath, you can also drop off a pair of new mittens, a toque or a scarf for the library's 'mitten tree.' Again, all donations are given to the Cheer Board and used in local Christmas hampers.

New this year at the library is Dewey, the Elf on the Shelf, who will be at the Stonewall branch from Dec. 1 to Dec. 24 and report to Santa Claus nightly on young patrons' activities. For those of you who can't make it to the library, you can follow Dewey's antics on the SIRL Stonewall branch Facebook page and Instagram account.

"Dewey is our Elf from the North Pole who is coming and will be here during the Christmas season. We are expecting a few shenanigans and those will be posted on our social media sites. Every day he will do something funny or naughty," added Ransom.

"Lots of children have Elf on the Shelf at home and even at school. Kids are really into it and it is just a fun way we can keep the Christmas spirit going all month long."

Information on all of the library's holiday initiatives and links to social media accounts can be found at sir-library.com.



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South Interlake Regional Library (SIRL) Stonewall branch head librarian Joan Ransom shows off a few of the entries in the 10th annual Festival of Wreaths contest including, left to right, the Woodlands Pioneer Museum, SIRL Stonewall branch and the Stonewall RCMP. Voting for the contest is open now until Dec. 22.

Home sweet home



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

The elevator in the new wing of Stonewall's Lions Manor was and will be a popular place with the first wave of tenants finally being handed the keys to their new suites this past Monday. With the move-in dates delayed for almost two months, residents were relieved to be moving in with mild temperatures and before Christmas. Pictured left, from left to right: Lions property administrator Ann Baird hands over the keys to both Dorothy Faulkner and Jack Peterson. Pictured right: Alex Fotty of Full House Movers was busy making several trips back and forth to the manor and up and down the elevator.

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Happy Holidays!

Warren Elementary fundraiser brings in almost \$,6,000

By Jennifer McFee

Warren Elementary School's recent fundraising auction and test drive was a great success, bringing in nearly \$6,000 towards new playground equipment.

On Thursday, Nov. 9, the school hosted two fundraising events: the School Goods and Services Auction as well as a GM Drive One for the Community event.

Principal Chris Gamble said that they're now even closer to their overall fundraising target of \$60,000.

"With the Help of McSherry Auction Services and over 35 community donations of goods and services, we raised \$4,851 towards our goal. The day was even more successful thanks to Selkirk GM's Drive one for your school, which raised over \$1,000. So, in total, our daylong fundraiser raised

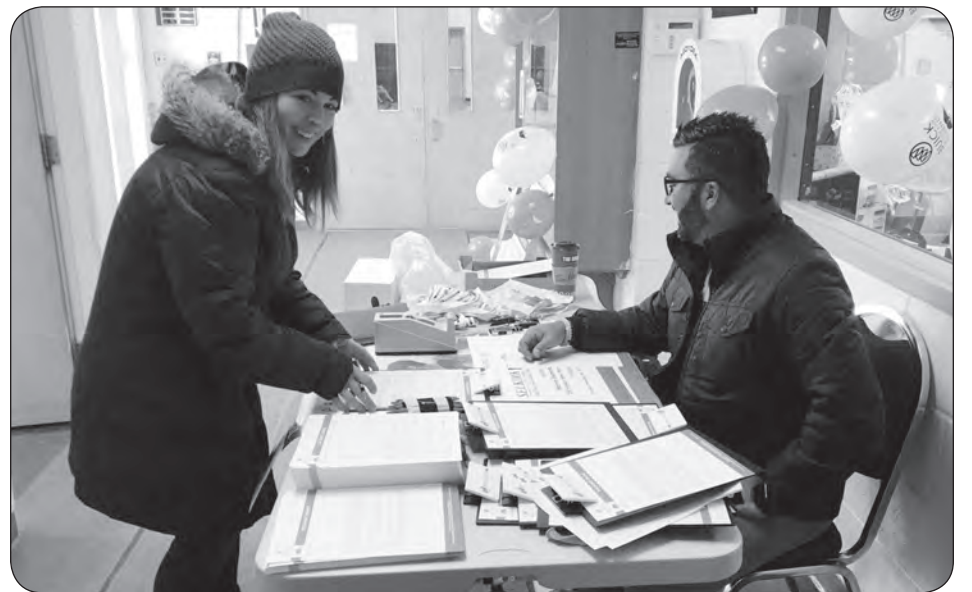
\$5,851," he said.

"Warren Elementary School and its Parent Advisory Council would like to express our thanks to all of the generous donations and those who attended the auction who made our fundraising endeavour a huge success."

The parent advisory council also added another \$500 towards the project through a recent comedy night fundraiser. As well, they host monthly movie nights to raise funds, and they screened *Cars 3* at the most recent event.

"We probably have upwards of \$50,000, so we're getting closer to our goal," Gamble said.

"We'll probably be making some decisions in the next month or two about who's going to build our structure and when it will happen. I'm anticipating that it will get built this summer."



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Debbie Goodman attended Warren Elementary School's recent fundraising auction. The event brought in nearly \$6,000 towards new playground equipment.

Woodlands looking to overhaul recycling programs

By Natasha Tersigni

RM of Woodlands residents and officials are currently faced with the challenging decision of whether to expand the current Woodlands Waste Disposal site or to turn it into a transfer station. No matter which option they go with, the consensus is that the current recycling program needs major improvements.

At the public hearing on Nov. 15 to discuss waste disposal options, it was reported that the RM of Woodlands is failing at recycling when compared to other municipalities in the region. In 2016, neighbouring communities recycled the following amounts per capita: RM of Armstrong, 171.5 kilograms; RM of St. Laurent, 53.9 kg; RM of St. Francois Xavier, 49.8 kg; RM of Rosser, 38.6 kg; and RM of Rockwood,

29.8 kg. RM of Woodlands comes in last place with 17 kg per capita.

In fact, recycling numbers for the RM of Woodlands are declining. In 2015, 70,600 kg of recyclable material was collected. In 2016, only 57,970 kg of recyclable materials was reported; that is an 18 per cent decrease from 2015.

Recycling materials not only helps the environment, but also extends the life of waste sites. The municipality can receive additional provincial funding for recycling.

"The RM gets reimbursed money from the province and it is based on our recycling numbers," explained RM of Woodlands CAO Adam Turner. "Every municipality has a levy that we have to pay per capita. The province then calculates what each munic-

ipality recycles and a portion of that is paid back to the province. We are really trying to stress the importance of recycling because there are more funds that could be coming back to us.

"Recycling would help us get money back from the province and keep product out of the landfill as well."

Coun. Lorna Broadfoot spoke at the meeting about how the RM wants to educate residents on what can and cannot be recycled and the importance of keeping products out of the landfill.

"One thing that has frustrated residents is that blue recycling bags are being crushed and placed in the garbage. The reason is that because if there is one item in the bag that is not recyclable, the policy is to crush it and the whole bag goes out into the gar-

bage. We are hoping to better educate people on what can and cannot be recycled so we are not losing three-quarters of a bag that could have left our landfill," said Broadfoot, who added that the recycling services need an overhaul.

"We have some pretty dismal numbers when it comes to recycling. We are hoping that with an increase in education and awareness on recycling, and improvements to our programs, we can increase our numbers."

Broadfoot, who is on the Woodlands Waste Management committee and leading the recycling initiative, is looking for input on how the current recycling program can be improved. She can be reached by email at lbroadfoot@rmwoodlands.info.

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Christmas Cheerboard

Help needed! The Stonewall and District Christmas Cheerboard is looking for donations to help those in need this Christmas. Donations of non-perishable food items, monetary donations and toys for children and teens would be appreciated. We are especially in need of socks for all ages and books and items for teens. Donation boxes are placed all over Stonewall and monetary donations can be made at **Sunova Credit Union**.

Volunteers will be collecting spare change along the parade route on December 1st.

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STARS crew help celebrate birthday with young VIP

When Charity was struck while cycling, her family feared the worst

Submitted

When Charity Edwards was released from hospital on her 11th birthday, her father threw a massive party. There was cake, gifts and 300 guests of honour.

"So many people helped save Charity's life," said her father, Justin Edwards. "Inviting them to a birthday party to help celebrate that my little girl is alive was the best way to say thank you."

Indeed, there was plenty to celebrate after weeks of wondering whether his daughter would survive.

Charity was struck by a vehicle while cycling with her siblings and sustained a traumatic head injury.

"It's the hardest time we've ever been through as a family," said Justin. "There are days in those two months while she was in the hospital that I went into her room and looked at her and felt fear. Things could have turned out so different."

Charity is one of many Very Important Patients featured through stories and photos in the 2018 edition of the STARS calendar. In the same way STARS was there for Charity and her family, Viterra is there for STARS.

For the third year in a row, Viterra is the presenting print sponsor of the STARS calendar — one of the organization's largest and longest running fundraising programs.

Viterra has sponsored the STARS calendar campaign since 2015 by covering the full printing costs of the more than 90,000 calendars sold every year.

It's a partnership both organizations celebrate.

"We're proud to stand by STARS as they continue their excellent work in

communities across Western Canada," said Kyle Jeworski, Viterra's president and CEO for North America. "Their tireless efforts have touched the lives of many, including our employees, our customers, and their families, and we're pleased that our support is able to help them continue delivering critical, lifesaving care to patients."

For Andrea Robertson, STARS president and CEO, hearing and sharing patient stories is humbling.

"That's why a partnership like this is so meaningful for STARS," said Robertson. "Through the calendar, we can showcase the tools and talent we have at STARS that help to save precious time for our patients."

Firefighter Carl Reimer was one of the first on the scene when Charity was struck. Reimer recalls her lying down, moaning and not responding. He held her head to prevent her from choking.

Charity's sister had already called their father. A witness called 911. STARS was launched within ten minutes of dispatch. Once the helicopter landed and our paramedic and nurse arrived by Charity's side, they could see they needed to treat the swelling on her brain and insert a breathing tube. Meanwhile, the STARS transport physician advised the children's hospital that this patient would need a neurosurgeon and to prepare for surgery.

While Charity was in a coma for six weeks, her family feared the worst was yet to come.

"We were all in disbelief," said Justin.

Slowly she recovered and emerged from the coma and within two months she was ready to tackle physio, speech



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED
Charity Edwards is one of many Very Important Patients featured through stories and photos in the 2018 edition of the STARS calendar.

and occupational therapies. Mostly, she was ready to go home.

"Now, I feel fine. I feel awesome," said Charity.

The annual STARS calendar campaign is a long-standing and important fundraiser for STARS. The campaign is in its 25th year and has raised millions of dollars to-date, with more than 500,000 door-to-door visits made annually.

It's a special way for STARS to say thank you to the allies who support them, including first responders who help land the helicopter and stabilize patients for transfer to urgent care.

"Viterra's sponsorship of the STARS calendar directly contributes to the success of this important annual fundraising and awareness campaign," said Robertson.

The calendars will be available until December at most Viterra locations, as well as online at starscalendar.ca. Those interested in purchasing a calendar, or making a donation to STARS, are encouraged to contact their local Viterra facility for more information.

> GET FISHING, FROM PG. 6

He used to work in Flin Flon and convinced his cousin Tar, along with an-

other friend, Crampton, to go fishing in Beaver Lake, south of Swan River.

They got up at five in the morning and started their trip, which involved driving, then trekking through the bush, then portaging and finally climbing

to the lake where they had stored a boat. It took hours, but at long last they stood by Beaver Lake and unpacked their gear. Only then did Tar realize he had left his rod at home. He had his reel with line though. Sitting in the boat, he thought for a bit, then took off his t-shirt, tore it up, wrapped the cloth around his hands and commenced fishing with Shane and Crampton. Crampton reeled in walleye after walleye, and Tar, working his line over his cloth covered hands, brought in as many as Crampton. But Shane, poor Shane, who insisted on the trip, didn't catch a thing all day!

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Warren Collegiate students learn the Cycle of Giving

By Natasha Tersigni

This holiday season, Warren Collegiate Grade 9 students will be putting their wrench wielding skills to the test when they volunteer to fix bicycles that will end up under the Christmas trees of underprivileged children and youth.

Students in Lee Stewart's Grade 9 bike repair and maintenance class will be teaming up with The Wrench, Winnipeg's non-profit bike repair and education organization, for their annual Cycle of Giving program. During the 24-hour repair-a-thon, volunteer bike mechanics come together to repair and build over 300 bicycles for children from reclaimed bikes and parts. This year, the event will be held from noon on Dec. 2

to noon on Dec. 3 at the Orioles Community Centre in Winnipeg.

While the WCI students will not be attending that repair-a-thon due to scheduling conflicts, their classroom will be turned into Santa's workshop for the majority of December. The students will focus on repairing bikes that will then be donated to the Cycle of Giving program.

This initiative not only helps put their repair skills to the test but also teaches students about the power of volunteering.

"We have a whole bunch of kids' bikes that people have given us, so we

will fix them at the school and then bring them to The Wrench," explained Stewart.

"As well, throughout the year the students try to find places to give bikes to. While they do fix their own, when they work on donated ones they will often ask in the community if anybody can put the bike to good use.

Just recently, a student donated a little children's bike to a local daycare," said Stewart.

She added that the class also aims to teach the students about the importance of recycling and re-using.

"There are so many bikes that just get thrown out, so we try our best to reclaim and repair them. All of the bikes we have are either reclaimed from landfills or they are donations that people drop off at the school. We try to use and save everything we can."

This is the second year the bike repair and maintenance class is being offered as a Grade 9 credit course after a successful pilot last year. Students in the class follow a curriculum and by the end of the year they are expected to know how to take apart and re-build a bike. From repacking bearings to fixing a broken axle, the class thoroughly covers all aspects of repair and maintenance.

The hope is that through this class, the students will learn bike mechanic skills they can use for years to come. Students also experience the added value of contributing to their commu-

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TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY NATASHA TERSIGNI
Warren Collegiate Grade 9 student Kaden Stewart, above, and Lane Bond, right, work on a number of bikes during the repair and maintenance class. All through December the students will be repairing bicycles that will end up as Christmas gifts for underprivileged children.



nity and learn how even a repaired bike can bring a smile to a child's face on Christmas.

An Evening of Remembrance, candle-lighting ceremony

By Jennifer McFee

The holiday season can be a difficult time for people who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

To offer a sense of solace and support, the South West District Palliative Care is hosting an Evening of Remembrance. The event will take place on Sunday, Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. at Warren Hall, and all are welcome to attend.

Event organizer Doris Hunter said the early date will hopefully help people through the Christmas season.

"There are just so many people grieving right now who have had losses in the past year and we wanted to acknowledge that as South West District Palliative Care," she said.

"Our mandate is to help with the grieving process, so we decided to

put an evening together because we needed to do something for our communities. As the holiday season begins, some people don't know which way to turn. Our plan is to support those people."

Attendees might gain some coping skills as well as ideas for how to make changes to their previous holiday traditions.

"We have a candle-lighting ceremony that's a bit of a meditation representing grief, courage, memory, love. It's helping to maybe create a new tradition at Christmas and help include those loved ones in the celebration," Hunter said.

"There will also be some poems to pull it all together and hopefully some music related to the evening."

After the short program, there will be time for fellowship and refreshments.

"I think that people need to know that they're not alone and many go through this. They'll be there with others who are struggling at the same time," Hunter said.

"Some people haven't had a recent loss but they're going to come to the environment where you can remember your loved ones. If there's tears, there's tears. It's a really safe environment to remember."

People will have the chance to write a message on a dove ornament to hang on the tree at the event or to take home with them. For the decorations that are left at the event, those ornaments will be then hung on the

Palliative Care tree at the Stonewall Library.

"The whole purpose of the evening is to allow people to come into a safe environment to be supported and to hopefully get some alternatives. Many dread Christmas because if they've always had their loved one with them, it's different," Hunter said.

"We're here as a community to support them so they know they're not alone in this grieving process and in this loss. There are many others, and it's a safe environment to let their emotions go."

Anyone interested in attending An Evening of Remembrance is asked to RSVP by Nov. 30 by email at s.w.d.p.c@hotmail.com or by phone at 204-322-5639.

Province bans commercial fishers from marketing catfish and sturgeon

CFIA standards difficult to meet

By Patricia Barrett

Manitoba fishers who smoke and sell channel catfish are about to take a hit to the pocketbook after the province released its new fishery regulation banning the marketing of the species.

Fishers found out a mere 10 days before the new Fish Marketing Regulation for an open-market fishery comes into effect (Dec. 1) that they'll be forced to dump channel catfish and sturgeon caught in their nets.

Section 30 of the regulation states "A person must not engage in the marketing of sturgeon or channel catfish."

Rather than finding a way to help the industry minimize bushing — a practice whereby unwanted fish are tossed back into the water — the province will be creating a "larger" bushing problem, said Lake Winnipeg fisher Kris Isfeld, spokesperson for 100-150 South Basin fishers.

"I now have to throw away catfish, an abundant species that I and other fishers smoke and sell," he said. "It's a bycatch but it does have potential market value, and some of us have been tapping into that potential market. This new regulation by the province has effectively forced us to throw that fish away."

Isfeld, who sits on the Lake Winnipeg Fishery Co-management Board representing Area 2, said he believes the ban was implemented because of

anglers' lobbying efforts.

"This has nothing to do with changing regulations for open marketing," he said. "As far as I can see, somebody's friend is a catfish outfitter on the Red River. They're too stupid to realize that [banning] commercial fishers from selling catfish will not correlate into fewer catfish caught by us."

Sustainable Development indicated that anglers' interests were considered when drafting the new regulation.

"Lake sturgeon is considered as a species at risk and has been protected from commercial harvest for many years. We also protect brook trout from commercial harvest because the value of this fish to commercial tourism is far greater than its value related to commercial net harvest," said a departmental spokesperson. "The same rationale would also apply to channel catfish. Catfish have limited potential as a commercial species in Manitoba, but support a highly valuable angling fishery in the Red River (\$10 to \$15 million annually) that is largely a catch-and-release fishery."

The department said an "increased commercial harvest associated with open marketing" would put catfish at risk.

"The department has made significant efforts to develop this fishery through increasingly restrictive reg-



TRIBUNE PHOTO COURTESY OF KRIS ISFELD

Lake Winnipeg fisher Kris Isfeld, who sits on the Fishery Co-management Board and represents 100-150 South Basin fishers, said the province's ban on the marketing of catfish will gut commercial fishers' earnings and waste food.

ulations on angling since the mid-1980s," said the spokesperson. "This conservation and sustainable management success story has resulted in the best channel catfish angling fishery in North America."

Sustainable Development does not monitor catfish populations, said the spokesperson, but a multi-agency catfish study is currently underway by

the province, Minnesota and North Dakota, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the University of Nebraska.

"This study will provide high quality data regarding catfish age and growth, productivity and fish move-

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Rockwood couple looking to host Real Love Summer Fest in 2018

Rockwood council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

Maurice and Tracy Thibodeau are requesting a temporary development permit to host the Real Love Summer Fest again in 2018.

At the Nov. 22 Rockwood meeting, they discussed the possibility with council.

The music festival ran in Gimli for three years before the crew decided to find a new location. Last summer, the event took place at the Thibodeaus' property, bringing hundreds of new faces to the area. They noted that the local businesses saw an increase in customers as a result.

They proposed changes to ensure proper management of traffic, parking, noise, safety, security and environmental concerns. For example, they plan to include a round bale

barrier to help muffle the sound and to move the flow of foot traffic away from the neighbouring site lines.

Eric Shaw, general manager of the South Interlake Planning District, suggested that they also apply for a text amendment to the zoning bylaw if they plan to host the festival as a recurring event. The process would include a public hearing.

Reeve Jim Campbell suggested that they begin the process as soon as possible since it can take four to six months to complete.

In other council news:

- The RM of Rockwood's 2017-18 accessibility plan is available on the website at www.rockwood.ca by clicking on the "Local Government" tab and then clicking on "Files and Downloads."



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JENNIFER MCFEE

Maurice and Tracy Thibodeau are requesting a temporary development permit to host the Real Love Summer Fest again in 2018.

Stonewall vet hospital collecting pet-related items until Dec. 21

By Jennifer McFee

Christmas is a time of giving — even to our furry friends. In the spirit of the season, Stonewall Veterinary Hospital is collecting pet food and other animal-related items in support of two rescues: Manitoba Mutts Dog Rescue and Journey's Legacy.

The local business is one of many veterinary clinics participating in the province-wide pet food drive, which is organized by the Manitoba Veterinary Medical Association.

Until Dec. 21, donations can be dropped off at Stonewall Veterinary Hospital, located at 4 Dolomite Ave.

"People can drop off wet food, dry food, puppy pads, used collars — and even newspapers, old sheets, towels or blankets," said veterinary assistant Samantha Gagnon. "We'll take anything pet-related."

She said that pet rescues usually have toys for the puppies to play with on site. When the puppies are adopted, they often get to keep one of those familiar toys to help them adjust to their new home. To help maintain supplies, pet toy donations are welcome too.

Whenever people make a donation to the cause, they can hang a decoration on the Honour Tree to pay tribute to pets, both past and present.

"We made angel wing decorations, so you could put the name of your pet that has passed on. We also have decorations for cats, dogs and pocket pets like guinea pigs that are still with us," Gagnon said.

"The donations can be anything, such as a can of dog food or tennis balls, and then they can put their pet's name on the decoration to hang on the tree."

This year marks the second time the Stonewall Veterinary Hospital will participate in the initiative, and Gagnon hopes it will grow even more next year.

"It's great to be able to help the rescues, and it would be nice if we could do even more than two," she said.

"If we can collect lots this year, maybe we can bump it up to three rescues next year."

For more information about the Manitoba Veterinary Medical Association's pet food drive, entitled "This season is FUR everyone," visit www.mvma.ca.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Stonewall Veterinary staff, left to right: Melanie Burkhardt (holding 10-year-old foster dog Rose), Amy Lafleche and Samantha Gagnon (holding 12-year-old dog Lego) are collecting pet food and other animal-related items in support of the Manitoba Mutts Dog Rescue and Journey's Legacy.

Cantata to celebrate Christmas message Dec. 9 and 10

By Jennifer McFee

The Christmas Cantata is right around the corner, and many families are looking forward to this long-standing tradition to launch the holiday season.

The 25th annual event will take place this year at the Stonewall United Church on Saturday, Dec. 9 and Sunday, Dec. 10.

This year's performance, entitled "I'll Be Home For Christmas," will take the audience back to the Big Band Era for a show that's set in 1941.

Set in late 1941, I'll Be Home for Christmas is the story of the faith of a family, and a nation on the brink of World War II, preparing to celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace. Most of the action takes place in the main characters' home, with the choir providing music and drama as it is broadcast over the family radio. The music highlights the sounds of the '40s, including swing, lush ballads, and big band songs interspersed with reen-

actments of radio broadcasts during that time. Original music mixed with familiar Christmas favorites form the backdrop for this memorable dramatic musical.

Bambi Rutherford, producer and conductor, said that the audience can look forward to a great storyline enhanced by some outstanding music with plenty of horns and brass.

"As with the Biblical story of Christmas, it's about having hope and faith amidst difficult times," she said.

"The writers have done a really great job. It's actually quite a comical show this year, but the ending is very poignant with a powerful message."

Rutherford gives credit to drama director Marilyn Debreuil, who is been working with a cast of 11 actors. In addition, a 40-person choir and a six-person combo are involved in making the show a success.

"It's a real ecumenical Christmas giving for the community. There are singers from Warren, Stony Moun-

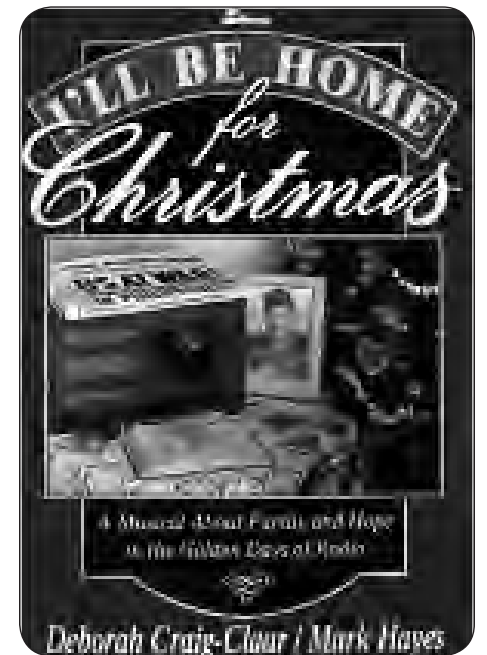
tain, Balmoral, Stonewall and Winnipeg," Rutherford said.

"It's a local performance, but it encompasses a real variety of communities and different churches from around the area. It's really something unique and special in that way and we're thrilled to be able to bring it to the community."

In the past, the Christmas Cantata has raised funds for local initiative such as palliative care, Community Living Interlake and the Liliane Baron Breast Cancer Support Group. This year, the recipient of the donation is still being determined.

The show will take the stage on Saturday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Tickets cost \$15 for adults, \$7 for youth aged six to 16 and free for kids five and under. Tickets are available through the Stonewall United Church office at 204-467-5469.



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The annual Christmas Cantata at the Stonewall United Church will be held on December 9 and 10.

Local disco group performs '70s musical



Barry (played by Mitch Obach) tries to make up to Mindy (played by Kendra Obach) for mistakes he made in the past.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
The Synchronistics, left to right: Chris Armstrong, Lindsey Sturgeon, Kendra Obach and Mitch Obach.



Lance, the local weatherman from the TV station, (played by Dave Hull) hosted the telethon.

By Jo-Anne Procter

The Interlake Players Travelling Musical Theatre Company brought polyester back into style at the Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre last Friday.

Kendra and Mitch Obach, Lindsey Sturgeon, Chris Armstrong and Dave Hull, all dressed in polyester, with their band entertained guests with their quirky musical *Polyester*.

Polyester tells the story of the Synchronistics, an almost-made-it late '70s disco group that reunites 20 years after they split to play at their hometown TV telethon. The show was full of disco dance moves backed by live music that complimented the story line of the dysfunctional characters that had to put their differences aside to help save the local TV station and earn their spot in the disco Hall of Fame.

Proceeds from the musical will be donated to local choir Tabula Rasa.



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Synchronistics band members Carl (played by Chris Armstrong) and Peggy (played by Lindsey Sturgeon) hoped Barry and Mindy would re-ignite their relationship.


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Thursday, December 7
- Stonewall Odd Fellows Hall @ 7:30

Tuesday, December 12
- Stony Mountain United Church @ 7:30

Wednesday, December 13
- Balmoral United Church @ 7:30

Thursday, December 14
- Warren United Church @ 7:30

We look forward to seeing you there!

Wonderland Evening supports palliative care

By Jennifer McFee

Life is a journey and not a destination.

At the Wonderland Evening fundraising gala, held on Nov. 25 at the Stonewall Legion, Lois Borkowsky shared these sentiments on behalf of Southwest District Palliative Care. The sold-out event commemorated the organization's 20th anniversary.

"I believe this saying sums up the work of the South West Palliative Care over the last 20 years," she said.

"It reminds us that we are in a relationship with people — people that want to travel this journey with us to enhance the quality of end-of-life care."

It all began in 1997 when 11 concerned people gathered together for a common cause, forming the first board. Over the years and decades, the district expanded and so did the group of people involved.

From the inception to today, more than 100 volunteers have spent time visiting clients and families while also tackling tasks of fundraising, event organization, attending meetings and so much more.

Borkowsky took a moment to recognize the work of Vera Appleyard and her instrumental contributions to the organization. She also gave a nod to past and present board members as well as the valuable volunteers, noting that more of each are always needed.

Relationships and community partnerships are what it's all about, even during times of change. Looking ahead, discussions are underway about establishing a hospice facility in the southwest.

"Health-care delivery is changing right in front of our eyes, but one thing remains constant," she said. "We are born surrounded by loved ones and we die surrounded by loved ones — hopefully in an environment of our choosing."

Supporters enjoyed the semi-formal event, which featured a delicious meal followed by speeches as well as toe-tapping tunes by the band Rewind.

Stonewall Mayor Lockie McLean even took a turn on stage after accepting a fundraising challenge. The crowd successfully raised \$1,500, dropped in a hat that circulated the room, so McLean sang a rendition of Pretty Woman, earning cheers from his audience.

The silent and progressive auctions were also big attractions at the much-anticipated event, which raised approximately \$15,000.

Proceeds from the event will go towards buying palliative care equipment.

For more information about South West District Palliative Care, visit the group's Facebook page or email s.w.d.p.c@hotmail.com.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JENNIFER MCFEE

Board members, volunteers and other supporters of South West District Palliative Care gathered to commemorate 20 years.



Bert Campbell and Lois Borkowsky



MP James Bezan presents a plaque to George Willis.



Tammie-Lee Rogowski



Lockie McLean sang Pretty Woman to the crowd.



Attendees enjoyed the speeches at the sold-out event.



The band Rewind entertained the audience with well-known tunes.

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Red Apple stores collecting toys for Cheer Board

Staff

If you're looking for another way to give this holiday season, the Red Apple stores are collecting toys for the local Christmas Cheer Boards.

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Then on Dec. 9, the Red Apple stores

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At the Stonewall store, families can drop by for cookies, coffee, hot chocolate, candy canes. Kids can look forward to face painting and a special visitor from the North Pole.

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Focus on French

Staff

Recent changes to the Bureau de l'éducation française are creating some concerns about the future of French education in Manitoba.

This bureau creates and administers programs on French curriculum while also providing educational support, French-language resources and professional development opportunities.

Recent reports indicate that the assistant deputy minister position has been cut and other positions have been shuffled within Bureau de l'éducation française.

Corinne Lothian outlined some concerns for French language learners, both locally and across the province.

"Canadian Parents for French is a group that advocates for French second-language opportunities for young Canadians. When there is any cut to funding, it's the students who lose out," she said.

"As the president of CPF Stonewall and as a French Immersion teacher, I am disappointed in this news. It is my hope that the province will reconsider the cut and reinstate the administrator of French-language education. We need more voices to advocate for our French learners, not fewer."

The provincial government has said that the Bureau de l'éducation française will continue to provide the same quality of service with the same level of funding.

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ParticipACTION 150: it's sumo time

By Natasha Tersigni

It is nearing the end of the year, and while I get mini panic attacks thinking about the length of my list, I still need to complete, I am positive that the end number will be in the triple digits.

To work off some very nervous energy and to check a few items off my list, I headed to the Stonewall Youth for Christ (YFC) drop-in centre.

For those who don't know about the Youth for Christ Drop-in Centre, located at 311 1st St. East in Stonewall, it's a great place for youth aged 12 to 18 to hang out and partake in evening activities in a fun, safe environment on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

The man behind the centre, supported by a team of awesome volunteers, is Paul Emmer. Perry Neufeld ran the centre when I first started with the *Tribune*. Neufeld was a great guy, community oriented, high energy and always coming up with great ideas

and programs. He was pretty awesome, but Emmer is the 2.0 version of Neufeld. Building off of the legacy Neufeld built in Stonewall, Emmer is continuing to support the centre with even more programs and services and more energy — something that I did not think was possible.

One of the many new programs that Emmer has started through the centre is the Leaders Dinners held Thursdays 5-7 p.m. These informal talks help to grow youth as leaders and the topics and initiatives covered are endless. A few weeks ago, each participant received \$20 to go make an impact in their community and the results were pretty cool. One young woman bought and delivered dinner for a senior couple who don't leave their home very much. One person bought \$20 worth of groceries for someone in need. The end result was that youth felt empowered that they could actually be the change they wanted to see.



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For activity #119 (sumo) wrestling Natasha Tersigni takes on Madison Hildebrand at Stonewall's Youth for Christ drop-in centre.

Enough about the great programs and opportunities offered at YFC. They also have sumo suits. Enter activity #119 Wrestling; I added the sumo part.

On any given Tuesday or Thursday evening during drop-in times, the centre is packed with teens playing video games, ping pong, foosball, pool, hanging out at the canteen or just chilling on the super comfy couches. When the weather isn't disgusting outside, the skate park and basketball court are usually occupied as well. There are also sumo suits that get pulled out on special occasions or when people want to beat up on the ir friendly neighbourhood reporter.

Not only was my time at the centre fun because the youth are awesome to hang out with, I was able to cross two items off of my ParticipACTION list: #119 wrestling and #148 for drumming for an impromptu Christian rock band jam session.

For more information on Stonewall's Youth for Christ drop-in centre go to www.yfcstonewall.com.

To help a failing reporter meet her desperate ParticipACTION goal, email natasha@stonewallteulontribune.ca.

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<p>Teulon & District Agricultural Society</p> <p>Lana Knor, President 467-0740</p> <p>The Teulon & District Ag Society meet on the fourth Thursday of each month from February to November at the Agricultural Building at 7:30pm. The Ag Society sponsors the Teulon & District Ag Fair and the Annual Teulon Pumpkinfest.</p>	<p>Interlake Community Foundation, Inc. 204-467-5634</p> <p>www.interlakefoundation.ca</p> <p>The Interlake Community Foundation provides the citizens of Rockwood, Rosser, Stonewall, Teulon and Woodlands with the opportunity to invest in the future of their community and region forever. The Foundation pools donations in a capital fund that remains in perpetuity. The income generated from the capital is distributed as grants to registered charities in the region. Grant applications are due by February 28th of each year.</p>	<p>Stony Mountain Stonewall Masonic Lodge #12</p> <p>Call 204-467-2788 for Information</p> <p>Stony Mountain Stonewall Masonic Lodge #12 is the oldest organization in Stonewall (1880) and part of the oldest and largest fraternity in the world. Although a belief in one God is necessary to join, Freemasonry is non-secular and prohibits discussion of religion and politics in its Lodges. Freemasonry focuses on the reinforcement of morality into the daily lives of our members and of charity, a giving back to our communities through our Lodges and by our charitable activities as well as in our personal lives, which we believe makes GOOD MEN BETTER. Monthly Meetings 2 B 1 ASK 1</p>	<p>Stonewall Ladies Auxiliary</p> <p>Committed to the wellbeing of our community and raising funds for the ongoing mutual support provided by the Stonewall Legion Branch #52. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month. New memberships are welcome. Yearly membership fee 10.00. Volunteers often required for events at the Legion hall.</p>	<p>South Interlake Seniors Resource Council Inc. Darcy or Corinna @ 467-2719</p> <p>sisrc@shaw.ca</p> <p>SISRC is a non-profit organization that offers services for seniors and those with disabilities. These services include; Transportation; Mobility Aid Lending Service; Caregiver Support Group; Health Education Presentations; Resource Information/Form Completion; Telephone Buddy/Friendly Visiting; Handy Helper/Housecleaning. We also distribute the ERIK (emergency response information kit) and we are Lifeline Representatives.</p>	<p>The Liliane Baron South Interlake Breast Cancer Support Group</p> <p>Claudette 886-2393 Joyce 467-2473</p> <p>The group is a non profit grass roots organization founded by women in the South Interlake Area diagnosed with breast cancer. Our mandate is to assist others who may find themselves with a similar diagnosis and to provide a variety of support, assistance and friendship where needed within the confines of privacy, respect and caring. The group meets for positive encouragement and support on the third Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the office of LJ Baron Realty, Main Street in Teulon. Anyone seeking information or services is always welcome.</p>
<p>Knights of Columbus Stonewall</p> <p>Dave Couprie 467-9548 \$40/member/year</p> <p>The Knights of Columbus raise funds for charities within the community. The Knights are open to all Catholic men, 18 yrs or older. Meetings are held 1st Monday of the month September through June at the Christ the King Church in Stonewall.</p>	<p>South Interlake 55+ Inc</p> <p>467-2582 www.si55plus.org \$20/member/year si55plus@mts.net</p> <p>This non-profit organization provides education and activities for persons age 55 plus. Many activities and events are held on a regular basis. Newsletters are published monthly and available to pick up at the 55+ Centre in Stonewall.</p>	<p>Stonewall & District Lions</p> <p>Ralph Sinclair 622 Centre Avenue, Stonewall 467-9600</p> <p>Motto: "We Serve"</p> <p>Membership is open to anyone over eighteen with an interest in providing assistance to those people or projects in our community in greater need than ourselves. Meetings are every 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:15 pm September thru June.</p>	<p>Independent Order of Odd Fellows Stonewall Lodge #49</p> <p>Larry O'Dell 467-8882 Ross Thompson 467-2438 www.ioofmb.ca</p> <p>Yearly nominal membership fee</p> <p>The Odd Fellows Lodge is a fraternal organization based on the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. We do charitable work through various projects in the local community, the province and internationally. We seek to elevate the character of man and thereby make the world a better place to live. Meetings every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at 8:00pm at the Odd Fellows Hall.</p>	<p>Stonewall & District Health Centre Ladies Auxiliary</p> <p>Marg Bond 467-8732</p> <p>The auxiliary's goal is to raise funds for the purpose of enhancing the care and comforts of patients, residents and clients served by the Health Centre. Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at Rosewood Lodge. New members welcome.</p>	<p>Grosse Isle Women's Institute</p> <p>Phone 204-467-9376</p> <p>Motto: "Home and Country"</p> <p>The GIWI has approximately 14 members that work hard to raise money throughout the year to donate to local and regional charities and community projects. Meet 2nd Tuesday of the month 7:00pm Grosse Isle Hall. New members always welcome.</p>
<p>Warren Horizons District Lions Club</p> <p>President: Irene Tully 204-375-6522</p> <p>Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Warren Fire Hall</p> <p>Sept. thru June.</p>	<p>Warren & District Lions</p> <p>President Stu Bangle 204-322-5381</p> <p>"We Serve"</p> <p>Membership is open to anyone over 18 interested in giving something back to their community through direct action, meeting humanitarian needs, encouraging peace, and promoting international understanding. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the Warren Fire Hall from Sept-June.</p>				

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December 2017/January 2018 Calendar of Events!

SOUTH INTERLAKE 55 PLUS, 374 FIRST STREET WEST

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Dec 14 & 15 No Programs	
Dec 4	Afternoon Crib Tournament @ 1:00 pm
Dec 5	Hop, Drop & Shop @ 10:00 am
Dec 5	Book Club Meeting @ 9:30 am
Dec 6	One Stroke Painting @ 12:00 pm
Dec 7	St. Vital Shopping @ 9:00/9:15 am
Dec 7	Quarry Choristers Caroling Evening @ 7:30 pm
Dec 13	Christmas Dinner @ 11:30 am – Entertainment Included. Advance Tickets Required
Dec 21	Club Regent Casino Trip – No Bingo
Dec 22	Hop, Drop & Shop @ 10:00 am
Closed Dec 25 – 29, 2017	
Jan 2	55Plus Programs Resume
Jan 7	Manitoba Theatre Centre “Come From Away”
Jan 8	Afternoon Crib Tournament @ 1:00 pm
Jan 8	Active Wellness Class Resume
Jan 10	Luncheon @ 12:00 pm
Jan 11	Shopping at Kildonan Place
Jan 18	McPhillips Street Station Casino Trip



Caroling with Quarry Choristers

Thursday, December 7 @ 7:30 pm

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Annual Christmas Dinner

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* It is important to update the information form as your information changes.
The Christmas Season is a good time to update your ERIK with your family!

E.R.I.K. kits are available at your local Senior Resource office.



From the Staff and Board of Directors

of South Interlake Seniors Resource,
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ment going forward," he said.

Isfeld contends that catfish stocks are not in any danger.

"There's absolutely no argument for catfish being at risk," he said. "They've been growing in numbers. In the last couple of years, commercial fishers have seen more catfish bycatch in our nets than ever before. It's a growing species, not a declining species."

The loss of a marketable food source has wider implications, said Isfeld. The restriction can open the door to further provincial regulatory amendments.

"They've set a precedent that they can take any species off the market with no legitimate reason or explanation," he said.

He sent an email to Gimli MLA

Jeff Wharton last week requesting a meeting with him and the Sustainable Development minister, citing fishers' concerns over the catfish ban and a lack of consultation with commercial fishers.

"[This] is a direct attack on commercial fishermen" he wrote, "that has nothing to do with anything other than department staff taking the advice of angling/catfish outfitting friends. Clearly the anglers had input into these regulations. Not a single person associated with the commercial fishing industry was consulted.

"The Department of Sustainable Development would rather we trash these dead catfish than find a market for them. That is irresponsible and goes against all recognized sustainable fishing practices."

In addition to the species ban, the regulation will put the onus on individual fishers and processing plant operators to meet strict Canadian Food Inspection Agency standards if they want to sell fish outside Canada – something the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation handles.

"Fishers will have to go through the CFIA directly and meet their requirements," said Isfeld. "It's huge. It's not

easy to get CFIA approval. And beyond that, you have to get FDA [Food and Drug Administration] approval to bring it into USA."

Former provincial Minister of Conservation and Water Stewardship Tom Nevakshonoff said fishers and plant operators will have to meet "stringent standards" and he expects they'll encounter difficulties trying to get CFIA approval to export outside the country.

He cited quality management practices such as sanitary stainless steel surfaces, paved parking lots, water testing and separate [human] waste facilities.

"You can't just fillet in a garage," said Nevakshonoff. "FFMC meets the [export] standard and it's not an easy standard to achieve. The feds won't compromise their standards just because the province has opened the market."

Isfeld is encouraging fishers to attend a two-day Lake Winnipeg Fishery Co-management Board meeting Dec. 7-8 at the Canad Inns Club Regent Hotel at 1415 Regent Ave. A biologist from Sustainable Development is scheduled to speak about the new regulations at 9 a.m. on Dec. 8.

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2. How does your family celebrate Christmas?
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Advent is the arrival of a notable person, thing or event. In the church, it is the first season in the Christian calendar and is a season of waiting, and a season of preparation. It is a season that includes four Sundays.

What is it that we are waiting and preparing for? If it is Christmas, then why do we need four weeks in order to accomplish a one day remembrance and celebration of an event that happened one day over two thousand years ago? Although with Santa flying into Montreal on Remembrance Day 2017 and the Christmas decorations I see up long before Advent, perhaps four weeks is not long enough. Perhaps we are better at waiting than we give ourselves credit for.

The people of the Old Testament waited not for four weeks, but for generations for the first coming of the Messiah. For centuries, they listened to the word of prophets foretelling the birth of the Messiah. They were looking for the one who would come from God and restore the former glory of Israel.

Christians recognize the first Christmas as the coming of God's Messiah but are not looking for the restoration of a former Israel. Jesus tells us that at some point in time God will indeed intervene and bring about restoration and justice.

Advent is a season in which we are to wait with expectant hope for the return of the Messiah, yet it is a season in which we are reminded to get busy with the work Jesus began. We are to take joy in coming together, take care of those who are in need, engage and spread the good news of the Gospel, and to reconnect with both God and neighbour.

This four Sunday season of advent at the beginning of the year is an opportunity to reflect on the last year, take stock of where we are, and make plans for what is to come. This Advent season as we wait to celebrate once again the marvellous coming of God to earth in human form, let us recall that we are still waiting for God to come again. Let us remember God's glorious acts of the past. Let us seek to further the Kingdom of God in the present. And let us expectantly wait for the wonderful salvation that is yet to come in the future when God will indeed tear open the heavens and come down once again.

Submitted by The Reverend James Bardsley
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Guide to the Galaxy

My name is Ted Bronson and I moved to Stony Mountain from Thunder Bay in 2012.

I have been involved in astronomy and associated sciences since childhood. My first observation was a total eclipse of the moon on December 18, 1964. That event stimulated my interest in the heavens ever since.

Years of experience has been gained travelling around the world observing rare astronomical events and touring observatories in isolated locations. I would like to pass on my expertise and experiences in the area of astronomy to the community and general public.

As part of my outreach program I wrote many articles for the *Thunder Bay Chronicle-Journal* as well as authored the regular monthly column "Guide to the Galaxy" (a "what to see in the sky" type article) for over 20 years. I would like to continue the tradition for the readers in our area and would like to acquaint you with what is happening in December.

Skies of December

A sure sign of approaching winter is the appearance of the star cluster

Pleiades (M45) rising up in the east once twilight fades to darkness this time of year. Even the nighttime coolness at the end of August seemed to be enhanced when I watch the Pleiades rise up out of the murky eastern night sky near midnight.

The Pleiades star cluster, also known as the Seven Sisters, is one of the most beautiful clusters in the night sky. It is easily identified as it appears as a tiny dipper shape of seven stars. Do not confuse the Pleiades star cluster with the little dipper containing the North Star. In urban areas usually five stars of this cluster are seen with the unaided eye but under a dark rural sky up to nine stars can be seen. Binoculars, with their wide field of view, offer the best way to observe this cluster. Binoculars of the size 10x50mm reveal the best images of the cluster but the Pleiades are spectacular through any binocular field. With binoculars the number of stars visible increase to over a hundred. Under an exceptionally clear and dark sky look closely and you might be able to glimpse filmy wisps of nebulosity surrounding some of the brighter cluster stars. These gentle clouds of dust and gas are all that remain of a once



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A sure sign of approaching winter is the appearance of the star cluster Pleiades (M45) rising up in the east once twilight fades to darkness.

vast nebula from which the Pleiades were formed. I find that the thing that makes the Pleiades fascinating is not just the crowded richness of 3rd and 4th magnitude stars but the icy blue colours of the stars. This young cluster (in astronomical time) is a mere 70 million years of age. The Pleiades is an open (galactic) group of stars fairly close to us lying at a distance of 440 light years away.

The Geminid meteor shower in December is one of the strongest meteor showers of the year. At a peak of up to 120 meteors per hour this shower is not observed as much as the Perseid meteors of August when the weather is warm. The Geminids peak at the time of year when the nights are clear and cold. This year they peak on the night of December 13-14. The moon is a waning crescent and rises at 04:24 CST on the morning of the 14th so its light will not interfere much with the

fainter meteors. Geminid meteors are slower moving and more graceful therefore tend to last longer than the meteors of other showers. Start looking once the sky is dark after sunset but the best time to view the Geminid meteors is around midnight. This is when the radiant (point from which the meteors appear to radiate from in the sky) near the star Castor in the constellation of Gemini is high up in the sky.

December is the time of year when winter begins for the northern hemisphere. South of the equator the seasons are reversed so they will be looking forward to the summer season. Officially winter begins on December 21st at 10:28 a.m. CST. This point in time marks the winter solstice for us and the summer solstice for those residing in the southern hemisphere.

Clear Skies

Cinnamon French Toast Sausage Roll-Ups



- 12 Smithfield Fresh Sausage Links
- 2 eggs
- 2/3 cup milk
- 3 tablespoons almond liquor (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 6 slices whole-wheat bread, crust removed and cut in half
- 3 tablespoons butter
- Cook sausage according to package

directions; keep warm.

Beat together eggs, milk, almond liquor and cinnamon. Dip one bread slice half in egg mixture and wrap around one sausage link. Press bread edges together where they overlap to keep from unrolling. Repeat with remaining bread and sausage links.

Heat large skillet over medium heat; add butter and let melt. Place French toast-wrapped sausages in skillet, seam-side down. Cook until browned on all sides, about 10 minutes total.

Scrambled Eggs and Ham in a Waffle Cup

- 6 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

- 2 cups Smithfield Honey Cured Boneless Ham Steak, diced
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 8 waffle cups (4 ounces each)
- 4 teaspoons maple syrup, warm, divided
- 1 teaspoon fresh thyme, chopped
- In bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, cheese, salt and pepper; stir in ham.
- In 10-inch, nonstick skillet, melt butter over medium-high heat. Add

egg mixture; reduce heat to medium-low.

Using wooden spoon, scrape eggs from edges of pan to center. Continue stirring eggs 3-5 minutes, or until fluffy.

Scoop 1/2 cup warm scrambled eggs into waffle cup and drizzle with 1/2 teaspoon maple syrup. Garnish with fresh thyme leaves. Repeat for each waffle cup.

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Wildcats place second at junior varsity girls' provincials

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Wildcats had an outstanding run at the MHSAA "A/AA" junior varsity girls' volleyball championship last weekend in Killarney.

Warren was very, very good as it reached the championship game before losing 2-0 (25-19, 25-17) to Gilbert Plains.

"It was a fabulous match," said Wildcats' head coach Tyler Oliver. "We just missed some serves at key points which, when you're playing in the final, you can't really do. That's what set us apart. Our serving wasn't quite where it usually is."

Warren reached the final after winning an epic battle with Gabrielle-Roy. The Wildcats won the first set 25-16, lost the second one 25-22, and then eked out a thrilling 16-14 victory in the decisive third set.

"It was pretty fun," Oliver recalled. "It was probably the most excited those girls have been for a volleyball match."

In a quarter-final match, Warren swept Prairie Mountain 2-0 by scores



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Warren Wildcat round-robin players of the game, left to right, Paige Wright, Mackenzie Turner, Emma Goodman, Jennifer Fossay and Hannah Friesen.

of 25-6 and 25-21.

Pool play saw the Wildcats finish with a stellar 8-1 record in sets. Warren swept Major Pratt, Boissevain and Morris 2-0 while also defeating Hapnot Collegiate 2-1.

The entire experience of playing in a junior varsity provincial final will help all of these girls in their high school volleyball careers.

"The ability to draw back to this experience and know what it feels like to be in that final (will be advantageous)," Oliver said. "To be able to draw back on that experience, I think will be great for the Grade 9s for next year and the Grade 10s that are moving up to Grade 11 when they go to varsity."

Overall, this past season was a tre-

mendous one for the Wildcats' junior varsity girls' program. Warren played in numerous tournaments – and an estimated 100 sets - over the course of the season.

"We lost a lot of Grade 10s last year that moved up to Grade 11, so there was lots of room on the roster (this year)," Oliver explained. "And these girls came in with a great work ethic."

Stonewall's annual stick curling winners



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The fourth-annual stick bonspiel was held at the Stonewall Curling Club on Nov. 18, attracting 22 teams. Bill and Judy Kitching won the first event while Howard Hilstrom and Craig Ross were tops in the second event. Ross also won the draw to the button contest. The third event winners were Jim and Gord Riddell.

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Provincial Lightning lose pair of home games

By Brian Bowman

A lack of goal scoring was predicted to be a problem for the Interlake Lightning in the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League this season.

And that lack of scoring punch appeared last weekend as Interlake lost 5-2 to the Winnipeg Wild on Saturday and then 4-1 to the Southwest Cougars on Sunday.

Both games were played in Teulon.

In Sunday's loss, Interlake's Jordan Wood scored the lone goal of the first period, assisted by Rhys Bremner.

But Southwest took over in the second period, scoring a pair of goals.

Leighton Holstein tied the score at 1-1 with a power-play goal midway in the second period and then Josh Wiens put the visitors up 2-1 about four minutes later.

Southwest outshot Interlake 16-2 in the second period

In the third, Callum Fortin tallied a shorthanded goal at 5:33 and then Landon Roberts added an insurance marker late in the game.

Against the Wild, the Lightning played well in the three-goal loss to one of the league's elite teams.

Winnipeg took a 2-0 first-period lead on goals by Zachary Falck and Ryan Gottfried.

Interlake's Shane Bear cut that lead in half, though, early in the middle frame. Jagger Bonkowski and Greg Paseschnikoff drew assists on the goal.

The Lightning gave up a shorthanded goal to Mitchell Joss to trail 3-1 after two periods.

Interlake's Dan Paseschnikoff pulled the lightning to within a goal midway in the third (Corey Soorma and Bear assisted on the goal) but the Wild put the game out of reach with two quick goals from Falck and Jackson Klewchuk.

The Wild outshot the Lightning 40-25.



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Interlake goaltender Josh Bond made 40 saves against the Winnipeg Wild last Saturday.

Interlake will have another home game this Friday when Yellowhead comes to town for a 7:30 p.m. game.

The Lightning will then hit the road the next day

to play Pembina Valley in Morden. Puck drop is 8 p.m.

Stonewall Jets gobble up pair of points

By Brian Bowman

While our American friends south of the border were eating turkey last Thursday, the Stonewall Jets were gobbling up another two points in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League standings.

Stonewall took advantage of a struggling River East Royal Knights' team, skating to a 5-1 victory. But the Jets didn't exactly come out flying to start the game.

"It's the same old struggle of playing your best game or just as good as you have to," said Jets' co-coach Brock Couch. "We kind of started that way and eventually found our way as the game went on."

Devin Muir gave Stonewall a 1-0 lead with a first-period goal and then Chase Faulkner and Chance

Dickenson tallied to make it 3-0 after two periods.

The Knights' Brandt Unger scored just 58 seconds into the third but Chase Faulkner netted his team-leading 11th goal of the season about three minutes later.

Faulkner also leads the Jets in points with 31 through 18 games.

Ryan McMahon then sealed the win with a goal in the game's final minute.

Stonewall outshot River East 42-28 as Curtis Beck posted the win in goal. He is now 6-2 with a very impressive 1.99 goals-against average and .934 save percentage.

The Jets continue to be very good on the penalty kill, shutting out River East on its seven power-play

chances.

The Jets (13-6) played the first-place Raiders Jr. Hockey Club (16-1-2) in a huge matchup this past Tuesday and then will host the St. Boniface Riels Friday.

With last weekend off, it was interesting to see how the Jets played against a very good Raiders' team.

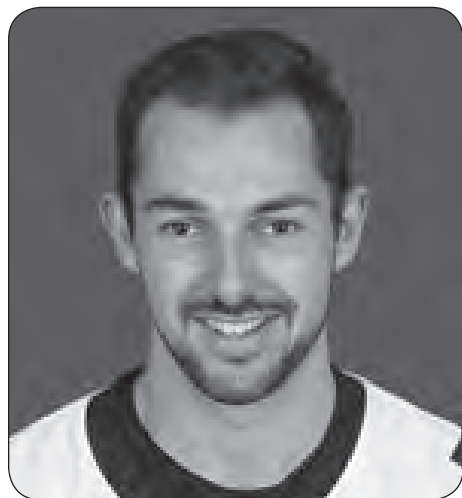
"We got ready for (the game) in the week leading up with practice but still, four days off is four days off," Couch warned. "It can be good or bad. You want to get the rest but you also want to be on the ice."

On Sunday, the Jets will battle the Charleswood Hawks at Eric Coy Arena. Both weekend games begin at 7:30 p.m.

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Stovin receives Fleming Family Hockey Coach Scholarship



Brett Stovin

Staff

The 2017 Fleming Family Hockey Coach Scholarship recipient is the University of Manitoba Bison men's hockey team captain Brett Stovin.

Stovin, a Stony Mountain native, has demonstrated a commitment to coaching hockey in Manitoba, said a media release.

The \$1,200 scholarship will be applied to Stovin's University of Manitoba tuition.

The inaugural Fleming Family Hockey Coach Scholarship was presented to Stovin during the first intermission of last Friday's game against Calgary at the Wayne Fleming Arena.

Stovin, 23, has already been coaching for eight years and has completed his first two levels of the National Coaching Certification Program.

This past summer, he worked as the head hockey coach for the University of Manitoba Mini U Programs and, in the spring, he coached the Manitoba Beast AAA hockey team.

Stovin has also coached the AAA Manitoba Colts. His passion for hockey is also clear in other leadership roles including: refereeing, intramural supervising, and as a University of Manitoba Athletes' Council team rep.

Jennifer Fleming created the Fleming Family Hockey Coach Scholarship

in memory of her father Jake Fleming and her brother Wayne Fleming to recognize an upcoming Manitoba hockey coach who shows similar coaching and leadership traits that were characteristic of both Jake and Wayne.

"Teaching, coaching and sharing the game of hockey was not only a passion for my dad Jake and brother Wayne, it was ultimately their life's work, pleasure and reward," said Jennifer Fleming. "This scholarship is a way to carry forward their passion to the next generation of coaches."

Manitoba Hockey Standings

MANITOBA JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE																		
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA					
Winkler Flyers	28	20	8	0	40	109	68	Southwest	20	9	10	1	19	65	68			
Steinbach Pistons	26	19	6	1	39	133	68	Parkland	20	8	10	0	18	64	77			
OCN Blizzard	26	18	6	2	38	98	77	Central Plains	20	6	11	1	15	61	77			
Portage Terriers	26	17	7	1	36	106	63	Kenora	21	6	13	0	14	60	77			
Virden Oil Capitals	24	15	9	0	30	105	71	Interlake	19	5	14	0	10	49	94			
Neebawa Natives	28	14	12	2	30	106	100	Norman	22	0	21	0	1	56	148			
Selkirk Steelers	25	13	9	2	29	92	87	AAA CITY MIDGET HOCKEY LEAGUE										
Winnipeg Blues	27	12	12	3	27	90	99	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA				
Swan Valley Stampeders	23	9	11	3	21	62	78	Monarchs	13	13	0	0	26	95	21			
Dauphin Kings	27	5	20	1	12	57	125	Selects	12	8	4	0	16	66	43			
Waywayseccappo Wolverines	28	2	24	1	6	52	174	Hawks	12	7	5	0	14	63	48			
MANITOBA MAJOR JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE																		
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA					
Raiders Jr. Hockey Club	20	16	1	3	35	80	39	Sharks	10	5	4	1	11	32	35			
Charleswood Hawks	19	12	4	3	27	46	34	Warriors	14	5	9	0	10	43	67			
Stonewall Jets	19	13	6	0	26	64	47	Lightning	15	0	15	0	0	21	106			
Transcona Railer Express	20	12	6	2	26	72	57	AAA BANTAM HOCKEY LEAGUE										
St. Vital Victorias	20	11	9	0	22	69	75	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA				
St. James Canucks	20	10	9	1	21	62	56	Monarchs	15	13	1	1	27	96	34			
Pembina Valley Twisters	19	9	10	0	18	76	75	Hawks	16	13	3	0	26	124	41			
Ft. Garry/Ft. Rouge Twins	20	9	11	0	18	59	57	Sharks	14	11	2	0	23	73	33			
St. Boniface Riels	21	6	12	3	15	61	76	Selects	13	10	3	0	20	83	28			
River East Royal Knights	20	1	18	1	3	29	102	Lightning	18	6	12	0	12	53	101			
KEYSTONE JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE																		
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA					
Central Division	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Warriors	13	0	12	0	1	24	83			
Peguis Juniors	13	12	1	0	24	94	26	MANITOBA FEMALE MIDGET AAA HOCKEY LEAGUE										
Arborg Ice Dawgs	14	10	3	1	21	65	43	GP	Reg W	Reg L	T	OTW	OTL	Pts				
Fisher River Hawks	16	1	15	0	2	32	137	Winnipeg Avros	12	6	3	-	3	-	18			
North Division	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Westman Wildcats	13	7	3	-	1	2	18			
OCN Storm	13	8	4	1	17	92	50	Yellowhead Chiefs	11	7	3	-	-	1	15			
Cross Lake Islanders	13	6	7	0	12	86	58	PV Hawks	13	7	5	-	-	1	15			
Norway House North Stars	13	1	11	1	3	40	148	Eastman Selects	14	7	6	-	-	1	15			
South Division	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Central Plains	12	5	6	-	1	-	12			
Selkirk Fishermen	15	11	1	3	25	81	41	Interlake Lightning	13	-	13	-	-	-	-			
St. Malo Warriors	14	7	4	3	17	58	43	MANITOBA HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY										
Lundar Falcons	14	7	4	3	17	60	55	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA				
North Winnipeg Satellites	15	7	8	0	14	62	69	Winnipeg Free Press #2 Division	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
SOUTH EASTERN MANITOBA HOCKEY LEAGUE																		
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Shaftesbury	9	7	2	0	21	36	24				
Altona	5	5	0	0	10	26	16	Sanford	8	6	1	0	20	29	11			
Morden	5	3	2	0	6	22	12	St. Paul's 2	8	5	1	0	19	23	15			
Warren	6	3	3	0	6	26	25	Westwood	12	4	4	2	17	48	53			
Notre Dame	5	2	2	1	5	19	20	Glenlawn	9	4	2	1	16	41	31			
Carman	5	2	3	0	4	20	20	Steinbach	7	4	2	1	13	29	23			
Portage	6	2	4	0	4	16	26	J.H. Bruns	12	3	7	0	13	43	53			
Winkler	6	2	4	0	4	21	31	College Beliveau	7	4	3	0	12	29	26			
AAA MIDGET HOCKEY LEAGUE																		
GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA	Kildonan East	7	3	2	1	11	31	26				
Wild	20	18	2	0	36	119	39	Fort Richmond	8	2	3	1	11	28	29			
Brandon	20	18	2	0	36	112	47	College Jeanne Sauve	7	2	4	1	7	20	18			
Eastman	21	16	4	1	33	96	62	Stonewall	12	2	10	0	6	23	49			
Bruins	19	14	4	1	29	79	60	West Kildonan	8	1	6	0	5	14	36			
Thrashers	24	13	10	1	27	86	93	MANITOBA HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY										
Pembina Valley	20	10	8	1	22	63	69	Price Division	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA			
Yellowhead	20	10	10	0	20	65	64	Murdoch MacKay	11	10	1	0	30	53	23			
											Leo Remillard	11	8	2	0	26	59	27
											Pierre Elliott Trudeau	12	8	4	0	24	42	31
											Louis Riel	11	5	4	2	17	42	40
											Linden Christian	10	5	4	1	16	34	35
											John Taylor	12	5	6	1	16	39	40
											Lorette	11	3	8	0	9	30	59
											Warren	11	1	9	0	5	37	56
											Sisler	9	0	7	0	4	25	50

STATS AS OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Rams drop pair of close WHSHL games

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams played a couple of close road games last week.

But, unfortunately, they lost both of them.

Stonewall was defeated 5-3 by Kildonan East on Nov. 21 and then was doubled 4-2 by the St. Paul's Crusaders 2 last Friday.

In Friday's loss, St. Paul's grabbed a 3-0 lead before the Rams' Dylan Stocki scored in the second period. The Crusaders then went up 4-1 before Seth Mandryk struck on the power play.

Mason Juras, Jackson Cadieux, Josh Humphries, and Mikko Vorster replied for St. Paul's.

Mandryk also scored a power-play goal against Kildonan East while the Rams' Adrian Klimpke and Easton Ewanek tallied at even strength.

Matt Myrowick (two), Nick Snowdon, Lachlan Allerton and Carter Johnson had the Reivers' goals.

Stonewall hosted Kildonan East Wednesday but no score was available. The Rams will then host Steinbach on Friday at 4 p.m.

The Warren Collegiate Wildcats, meanwhile, had just one game last week, losing 7-3 to Leo Remillard on Nov. 21.

Trey King led Warren with two goals while Bryce Allary added a second-period goal.

Matheu Workum led the winners with three goals and an assist. Justin Carriere, Martin Dupuis, Colin Malchuk and Eric McNeill also scored for Leo Remillard.

The Wildcats' hosted the Sisler Spartans on Tuesday and then Warren's next game is Dec. 6 against Leo Remillard at Southdale Arena.

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Mandryk moving to North Carolina next year

Local teen accepts lacrosse scholarship to Barton College

By Brian Bowman

Life is going to be a whole lot different for Seth Mandryk within the next year.

Mandryk has accepted a scholarship to play field lacrosse for the Barton College Bulldogs beginning next season. Barton College is a small Division II school located in Wilson, N.C.

"I'm really excited," said Mandryk Tuesday afternoon. "I really got along well with the players there and the other guys my age that will be going there next year and have already committed.

"I really like it there and it seems like a good fit."

Wilson is a city of about 50,000 people, located about an hour away from Raleigh, which is home to the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes.

"It's a smaller city but it has a Wal-Mart and everything you need right there," Mandryk explained. "The community there really supports the college teams and that's really neat."

Mandryk found Barton College via the Internet while he was searching for schools to possibly attend. He emailed the Bulldogs' coach, sent him his statistics and film, and then had contact with the school before he went down for a visit.

Two days after that visit, he committed to attending Barton College.

"I really like it there," Mandryk said. "Everyone on the campus was super nice to me. We would go walking around on a tour and everyone was saying

hi to each other. Everyone was friendly."

In terms of lacrosse, Mandryk will be joining a school with a brand new boys' lacrosse program. Barton College is a real good fit for a new player looking to find his place on a team.

"I was excited about that and it's Division II, so I'll be able to play at a high level for four more years after high school," said Mandryk, currently in Grade 12 at Stonewall Collegiate.

Mandryk will be a midfielder at Barton College and will be bringing plenty of Canadian lacrosse experience south of the border.

He has excelled with teams such as the Manitoba Blizzard in junior box lacrosse and True Lacrosse Manitoba in field lacrosse.

True Lacrosse is a travel team that has played games in Minnesota, Kansas City and at the prestigious University of Notre Dame.

Mandryk also played for the Team Manitoba U18 squad where he competed at the nationals in Saskatoon this past year.

Mandryk has plenty of experience of playing both box and field lacrosse but he feels the outdoor game suits his style better.

"You have more time and space," he said. "In box, you have a 30-second shot clock and less time to operate. Somebody is always right on you in box lacrosse but in field you have way more space to think."



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Stonewall's Seth Mandryk has accepted a scholarship to play field lacrosse for the Barton College bulldogs in Wilson, N.C., next year.

Mercs split pair of weekend games

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Mercs had two totally different results last weekend in South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League play.

Warren defeated the Carman Beavers 5-4 on Friday evening but then was knocked off 7-1 by the Notre Dame Hawks just a day later.

In the home victory over Carman, Warren trailed 4-3 in the third period but pulled out the comeback win with goals from Trent Genyk and Brock Genyk.

Brock's game winner came at 7:55 of the third.

Former Selkirk Steelers' defenceman Darren Bestland scored a power-play goal to give the Beavers a 1-0 first-period lead.

The Mercs came back nicely with goals from Trent Genyk, Scott Corbett and Bryn Lindsay (shorthand-

ed) by the 10:54 mark of the middle frame.

But Carman came back with three goals of its own before the second period ended.

Geoff Maloney, Aaron Lewadniuk and Bestland scored for the Beavers. The latter two goals came just 45 seconds apart in the final five minutes of the period.

Trent Genyk finished the game with three points while Warren's Chad Duprez and Matt Jacobucci each had two assists. Brock Genyk also had two points in the contest.

Travis Bosch earned the win in goal.

The next night was a much different story for the Mercs in the lopsided loss to the Hawks.

Notre Dame took a 3-0 first-period lead on goals by Matt Gingera (shorthanded), Brody Chabbert

and Jason Yuel.

The Hawks increased that advantage to seven goals as Kyle Rouse, Yuel, Chabbert and Gingera tallied in the second period.

Jacobucci scored Warren's lone goal at 15:40 of the third while the Mercs were shorthanded. Brayden McDonald and Mike Gemmill assisted on the goal.

With the split last weekend, Warren is now 3-3 and has six points to sit tied for second with the Morden Redskins (3-2).

Altona leads the seven-team league with a 5-0 record and 10 points.

The Mercs will now be home for three straight games to begin December. Warren will host Portage Friday, Altona Dec. 9, and Carman Dec. 16.

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REGARDING EMPLOYEE BENEFIT RESERVE FUND CLOSURE BYLAW NO. 07-17

A BYLAW TO CLOSE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT RESERVE FUND

The council of the Town of Stonewall has scheduled a public hearing at the Council Chambers located at 293 Main Street in Stonewall on the **6th day of December, 2017 at 7:00 PM** to consider a bylaw that will close the Employee Benefit Reserve Fund and transfer the remaining funds to the Town of Stonewall General Reserve.

A written objection may be filed with the Chief Administrative Officer, at the Town Office located at 293 Main Street prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the hearing, Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a presentation, ask questions or register an objection to the Bylaw.

All objections, written or verbal, must be filed prior to the adjournment of the hearing and must include the name, address and property description of the person filing the objection and the grounds of their objection.

Copies of proposed Bylaw 07-17 are available at the municipal office at 293 Main Street and on the municipal website at: www.stonewall.ca.

Dated at the Town of Stonewall this 8th day of November A.D. 2017, and issued pursuant to Section 168(2) of The Municipal Act.

Wally R. Melnyk
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Stonewall
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Council
Rural Municipality of Woodlands



PUBLIC NOTICE 2015 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Public Notice is hereby given under Section 194 of The Municipal Act that the Auditor's Financial Report, together with the related Financial Statements, for 2015, has been deposited in the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Teulon at Teulon, Manitoba and is 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 extract there from.

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

The CAAO will be expected to assume the authority and duties of the CAO in an acting capacity when the CAO is absent. Assuming the roles and responsibilities of other staff in extended absence may also be required from time to time.

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Chief Administrative Officer
The Rural Municipality of St. Laurent
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(Inside St. Laurent Recreation Centre)
P.O. Box 220, St. Laurent, Manitoba R0C 2S0
E-mail: cao.rmstlaur@mymts.net
Fax: 204-646-2705

*IMPORTANT: In your cover letter, please briefly describe each of your assets that would make you the ideal candidate for this position.

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The Stonewall Legion Seniors' Club would like to thank all who contributed to make our craft sale on November 18th a success. Thank you to the businesses and individuals who generously donated to our Silent Auction, for the cooks who provided such a delicious luncheon, to those who donated baking, to the ticket sellers and to anyone who helped in any way. Thank you.

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We would like to thank everyone who supported us by purchasing tickets, leaving a monetary donation, or donating a silent auction prize towards our social. We would also like to thank everyone who attended our social, especially those who traveled into Winnipeg. Thank you to our family, wedding party, and friends for all of your help preparing, setting up, and working at the social. We are overwhelmed with all of the support we received, and had such an amazing and fun night!
-Bree Gillis and Michael Dawson

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The Stonewall & District Health Centre Ladies Auxiliary and the Rosewood Lodge Recreation Department and Adult Day Program acknowledge with sincere appreciation, your generous donations to our annual Bake Sale and Tea which was held on November 16, 2017. We would like to thank everyone who came out and supported our tea and bought raffle tickets. The winners are as follows: 1st prize of the quilt was Connor MacGillvary; 2nd prize the fleece quilt was Kim Ritz and 3rd prize of the Basket was Pat Bergner. The event was a huge success and we thank you for your continued support.
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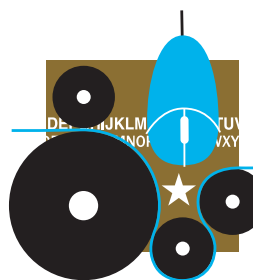
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Granddaughters Malia, Jaz and Kat



OBITUARY



Joanne Marie Cookson
June 21, 1968 – November 20, 2017

Suddenly, on November 20, 2017 at the Stonewall Hospital at the age of 49 Joanne Marie Cookson passed away.

Joanne is survived by her Mom Shirley, brother Billy (Shelley), nieces Brandi (Adam), Kaitlyn (Willy), Carlee (Ryan). Joanne is also survived by her special great niece and nephews Victoria, Ethan and Emmitt as well as her extended nieces and nephews. She is also survived by numerous friends she considered family. Joanne is also survived by her special longtime friend Carl Findley.

Joanne was predeceased by her loving Dad Roger Cookson, her Grandma and Grandpa Blake, her Grandma and Grandpa Cookson and her Uncle Doug Blake.

Joanne was born on June 21, 1968 in Carberry, Manitoba. She lived in Austin and Plumas before settling in Teulon with her family until her untimely passing. Joanne worked at Kookum's Place Day Care as a director for many years where she could extend her love to all the kids and staff that she considered family.

We would at this time like to thank the following people who tried to save Joanne on that stormy night. A special thank you to David and Dawn Carey who were the first people on the scene. We appreciate everything you tried to do. We would also like to thank anyone else on scene. Thanks to the Stonewall Ambulance, the staff and doctors at Stonewall Hospital, Vics Autobody and Towing and MacKenzie Funeral Home.

A private family / close friends service will be held.

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