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Grey Cup champion Jackson Jeffcoat high fives students at Stony Mountain School last Thursday.

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Grey Cup champion visits Stony Mountain

By Jo-Anne Procter

He may be #94 on the field, but Jackson Jeffcoat is currently #1 in the hearts of students and staff at Stony Mountain School.

The six-foot-three defensive end Winnipeg Blue Bombers Grey Cup champion paid a visit to the school last Thursday to talk about his championship and what it took to get there.

Jeffcoat had two of the six sacks in the Blue Bombers' 33-12 Grey Cup victory over the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in Calgary on Nov. 24.

The Grey Cup title capped Jeffcoat's third year with the Bombers.

Jeffcoat started playing football when he was in Grade 6.

He explained to students that there is a lot of hard work that happens even before the season starts. Even in the off-season, players still work out at home. He would have to get up at 6 a.m. for workouts and a lot of times he didn't want to.

"Then I would think about it and would think of all the other players out there that are up and working and trying to win the Grey Cup and trying to be better," he told his audience.

He would tell himself" if you want to



Grade 8 students (from left to right) Hayley Emberly, Sophia Dowsett and Kaitlynn Swanson pose for a photo with the Grey Cup champion.

be the best you have to work like the best."

"You have to always want to do it, even when you don't feel like doing it, you have to do it," he said. "That's with everything, school, being a good brother or sister, a good family member, a good friend. You can't have off days. You just gotta do it."

Jeffcoat is from Dallas, Texas, and grew up in a football family. His fa-

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Jackson Jeffcoat squeezes into a chair in Miss Zinyk's kindergarten classroom to visit and sign autographs.



Jeffcoat signs autographs in the Grade 6 classroom. Pictured left to right, Peyton Rinn, Elizabeth Howes (seated) Taylor Shymko-Wieringa, Ryder Bueckert, Avery Deprez and Jeffcoat.





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Olde-fashioned Christmas

By Jo-Anne Procter

There were chestnuts roasting on an open fire, Jack Frost nipping at your nose and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Woodlands Pioneer Museum last Saturday.

The second annual Olde Fashion Christmas Party kicked off the Christmas season complete with homemade Christmas baking, hot chocolate and apple cider, face painting, large hats for snowmen crafted by children to take home and a bonfire to warm up by and to cook bannock and marshmallows.

As dusk approached, the museum's main Christmas tree was lit.



Lewis Morley, Amie Lesyk, Owen Morley and Brenda Lesyk roast bannock over the bonfire last Saturday in Woodlands.



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER Ten-month-old Gibson Yachison wasn't overly thrilled to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus last Saturday.



Isabella Kotelko decorates a hat to take home to put on a snowman this winter.



Janice Carriere roasted chestnuts on the open fire with her dogs Lucy and Desi.



A healthy donation Family loses home to fire



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South Interlake 55 Plus was very pleased to receive a \$10,000 donation to their Lease Hold Improvement fund in memory of Tom McCrea. The name Tom McCrea may be unknown in the Interlake but his wife Debbie (Cripps) was born and raised in Stonewall. Since her return, she has been very impressed with all the activities provided to the seniors and wants to help secure the future of the 55 Plus. All donations to South Interlake will receive a tax deductible receipt. These funds will help us provide future needs for serving the older adult population of Stonewall, Rockwood, Rosser and Woodlands. Pictured are Kathy Turner, Debbie McCrea and Eadie McIntyre.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Teulon Rockwood Fire department attended a mobile home fire on Sunday afternoon and into the early evening in the RM of Rockwood. Fortunately, two children and the dog, who were home at the time, escaped unharmed. The home suffered severe fire damage on one end while the rest of the home suffered severe smoke damage. The Office of the Fire Commissioner attended the scene and the investigation into the cause is ongoing. There is nothing suspicious at this time. There has been a GoFundMe page set up for anyone wishing to donate to Monica and Desirae and their children. Donations are also being accepted at the Balmoral store. To donate online, visit https://gf.me/u/ w2rfq6.

Guest speaker shares impacts of distracted driving tebrae shattering into 16 pieces.

By Jennifer McFee Five seconds.

Sometimes that's all it takes to change a life forever.

For Rene Bouchard, those five seconds came in 2005 when he was just 22 years old.

Last week, he shared his story with students at Warren Collegiate Institute as part of the Friends for Life speaker series initiative. Recently, he was also a guest speaker at the high schools in Teulon and Selkirk in an effort to educate students about the consequences of unsafe driving behaviours.

Originally from St. Jean Baptiste, a small French community of about 600

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JEN MCFEE Rene Bouchard shared his lifealtering story with Warren Collegiate students as part of the Friends for Life speaker series.

people, Bouchard moved to Steinbach to start a career in the automotive industry after getting his Red Seal.

On his way to work, he was stopped at a red light on motorcycle when he was rear-ended by a distracted driver who was travelling 60 kilometres per hour in a 50 zone. He flew 54 feet through the air, passing by a street sign at eye level. He landed up against the boulevard with a dislocated leg. He wondered why he couldn't feel it, eventually realizing he was paralyzed from the waist down.

Paramedics arrived and cut off his cracked helmet before strapping him to a spine board where he would remain for the next 10 hours.

Bouchard was transported to HSC, where doctors discovered he had internal bleeding, a dislocated left hip, crushed cartilage in his left pelvis and two broken ribs — as well as major injuries in his lower back, including a burst bone that led to his second verHe underwent 17 hours of emergency

surgery to reconstruct his back. After that, he began the long, slow process of learning to walk again. Eventually, after spending three months in the hospital, he was released to go home.

It turns out Bouchard knew the driver who hit him. He was charged with distracted driving causing bodily injury, although Bouchard never found out what was causing the distraction. He got a \$2,800 fine, lost his licence for eight months and lost 10 points on his driver's licence.

Fourteen years later, Bouchard still lives with daily pain from fused lower lumbar and other injuries. He is still technically classified as a paraplegic since he has no feelings in the front of his leg.

"I'm a small town rural guy. I never Continued on page 5







Teulon byelection candidates speak to real issues

By Evan Matthews

There were no clear-cut winners or losers at the Town of Teulon's byelection forum on Nov. 28.

However, last week candidates had the opportunity to speak to the town's issues, how to move forward together, as one unit — something town residents said was informative and helpful.

"A lot of good ideas were brought forward. I hope we have some unity, some resolution, moving forward," said June McMahon, a resident in attendance.

"Everybody needs to work together. Once a decision is made, that's what you go with. Let's hope whoever is elected stays true to what was said here tonight."

The byelection forum drew a crowd of roughly 150 residents and ratepayers who were getting informed for the Dec. 11 election.

The mayoral candidates stood out to some in attendance as good leaders, providing positive leadership options for the town moving forward.

"I want to see the new council bring some new people to town instead of chasing away business," said Karen Krochenski, mentioning two of the three mayoral candidates as viable options for her vote.

"Teulon is a great place to live.... We want to live here, stay here and spend our money here. I came (to the forum) more so because I was unfamiliar with some of the councillor candidates, and I was extremely encouraged by what I heard here tonight."

Structure of the evening The evening, which was hosted by

Head Drop off:

o Terry Hartle



Teulon's incumbent Mayor Debbie Kozyra speaks to over 100 residents at the byelection forum during opening remarks. Pictured on the left are mayoral candidates Anna Pazdzierski and Ted Hodgkinson, while councillor candidates are on the right.

the Teulon and District Chamber of Commerce, started with all candidates' opening remarks (largely regarding personal and professional backgrounds, what the candidates intended to accomplish, and so on), followed by a question-and-answer period with an array of questions coming from the audience.

Questions included, but were not limited to:

"How can your leadership style bring us forward?"

"How have you demonstrated ٠ fiscal responsibility in your personal past?"

To the councillor candidates, "Do you feel you can work with any of the three mayoral candidates sitting at the end of the table?"

"How will you attract new business and new residents to Teulon?"

To the mayoral candidates, "What is your role within council? How does it differ from councillors?"

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The evening concluded with candidates' closing remarks.

Recurring themes throughout evening, largely reiterated by each candidate, included increased communications with RCMP, strategies to attract more business and more ratepayers to Teulon, and the emphasis and importance on hiring capable grant writers as administrators.

Mayoral candidates included the

> DISTRACTED DRIVING, FROM PG. 4

thought this would happen to me," he told the Warren teens. "And that five seconds is going to be with me for the rest of my life."

The students had the chance to sign a Friends for Life banner as a pledge to make safe driving choices and to

incumbent Debbie Kozyra, Ted Hodgkinson and Anna Pazdzierski.

Councillor candidates included incumbent Barb Mankewich, Angela Green, June Makowski, Sean Fisher, Matthew Bergmann, Matt Ewankiw, Todd Campbell, Robin Nishibata and Cherise Griffin.

Not in attendance was councillor candidate Kirt Ansell.

encourage their friends to do the same.

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Crime wave means more than bad choices

By Evan Matthews

Teulon is in the middle of a municipal byelection, as candidates prepare for voting on Dec. 11.

And one of the topics to come up at the forum held last week is definitely relevant to all rural Interlake communities.

"Crime and drug use are on the rise in the city, but it's everywhere and it's spreading," said a concerned resident, addressing the mayoral and councillor candidates.

"What strategies do you have, if any, that can provide residents with confidence and a feeling of safety in this bedroom community?"

With the robberies at Manitoba Liquor stores, rising violence in the city, and increased methamphetamine use, this is a completely fair question.

Just a couple weeks ago, some Interlake business owners expressed concern over some of the city's troubles migrating to rural communities after MLCC announced changes coming to its procedures.

Most candidates referred to the rural solution as being an increased police presence or a community watchtype-approach — or "tough on crime" — which may or may not be true, depending on your views.

What is troubling, though, is the lack of conversation about how this is not only a legal issue but a public health issue as well.

Only one candidate — to her credit, it was Robin Nishibata — discussed bringing together RCMP and the regional health authority for an educational-type approach, in congruence with an increased police presence on the streets.

When society talks about crime, the conversation is so often tied to addiction and drug use. Addiction and drug use are so often tied to socioeconomic hardship and poverty.

Sick people are a symptom of a sick society.

Poverty, lack of mental health services, mental illness and a society that is seemingly experiencing more and more individual isolation are very real issues we face every single day.

This is not a justification for those who make bad choices. It's why the law is in place; it's why we have police.

But when isolated incidents start to become trends, even norms, we need to ask the question, "Why is this the

case?"

Bringing together police and regional health authorities to combat this issue simply seems like the reasonable choice.

By engaging youth and providing education, society has the opportunity to prevent addiction before it happens.

People will still fall through societal cracks, and addiction will always be a real danger. But minimizing the number of those affected should be society's ultimate goal.

It seems like common sense — youth engagement, education, rehabilitation programs and open dialogue will go a lot further in motivating those most oppressed, as opposed to using the intimidation tactics we've seen continuously fail throughout generations.

Yes, crime and drug use are on the rise. Yes, it is likely for it to spill into rural communities if not handled appropriately.

But take a look around. Are there other issues within our communities, as well?

What is the strategy you want to take?

ICF celebrates a successful 24-Hour Giving Challenge

Staff

On Saturday, Nov. 16, Manitoba's community foundations received extra support during the Endow Manitoba 24-Hour Giving Challenge.

The Interlake Community Foundation received \$23,588.10 in donations and will receive an additional \$4,000 in top up funds from the Winnipeg Foundation and the Province of Manitoba for a grand total of \$27,588.10.

Gifts were stretched during the 24hour Giving Challenge. For every \$5 donated, The Winnipeg Foundation

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added \$1, up to a maximum of \$2,000 per foundation and the Manitoba government also added \$1, up to a maximum of \$2,000 per foundation so every \$5 became \$7.

Included in the ICF total is \$5,000 from Lloyd Jensen for the Lauritz and Georgina Jensen unrestricted fund, which was Lloyd's matching challenge.

Murray and Emma Slagerman, who own Ki Mobility, also donated \$2,500 for their business challenge. They challenged local businesses to donate

to the ICF and they would match up to \$10,000. They have extended this challenge and will still match donations from businesses.

On Nov. 16, Jacquie Derewianchuk and Mark Shurek also created the Badger Daylighting - CLI fund. Income from this fund will be granted to Community Living Interlake annually

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TRIBUNE PHOTO BY PAM PALCAT

The latest Christmas craft rage is outdoor winter gnomes that radiate the holiday spirit. They are easy to assemble with a tomato cage as the base filled in with evergreen branches and decorated with a hat and a pair of mittens. Last Sunday a group of friends gathered at the library in Stonewall and assembled 15 of the charming creatures.

Bezan pleased to remain Shadow Minister for National Defence



James Bezan MP for Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman

Submitted

James Bezan, member of Parliament for Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman, recently issued a statement in response to the announcement of the Conservative Shadow Cabinet for the 43rd Parliament:

"I want to thank our Conservative Leader Andrew Scheer for giving me the honour to continue to serve as the Shadow Minister for National Defence.

"Our Shadow Cabinet team combines experience and strength to hold Justin Trudeau and his Liberal government to account. I look forward to working alongside my colleague Richard Martel, member of Parliament for Chicoutimi—Le Fjord as the Associate Shadow Minister for National Defence.

"Thank you to all the brave men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces and their families for the sacrifices they make every day to keep Canada the true north strong and free. In executing my duties as the Shadow Minister for National Defence, I will be fighting for you while you fight for us.

"I will continue to hold Minister Sajjan and the Liberals to account to ensure that they no longer mismanage military procurement, and we are using our forces in Canada's best interests and supporting our allies."



Waiting and Preparing

I recently had a week off and decided I should get"ready" for Christmas. Over the course of the week, I put up all my decorations, did all my shopping, wrapped everything, and while I felt that I had accomplished lots, it left me with a strange feeling.

I mentioned to a friend, "I am all ready and prepared for Christmas." I hesitated and said, "Well, I am all ready and prepared on the outside" and I realized why I was feeling so strange this year. I was so busy getting the tasks done that I was forgetting to really prepare myself for the true meaning of Christmas.

When we think of preparing for Christmas, even when we remember the true meaning, we have to be honest that Christmas does at times seem to be all about the baking, shopping, wrapping, getting the cards sent out on time, finding the perfect tree, the perfect gift.

But I wonder if the best way to prepare for Christmas may be to not prepare at all. The best way to be ready may be to let God make us ready.

Scripture has very different ideas of preparing. The prophet Malachi calls us to a deeper kind of preparing as we anticipate the coming of the Christ child.

Malachi encouraged the people of Israel to get ready for the coming of the Messiah. Malachi has good news; God will indeed appear.

God announces that a messenger is being sent to prepare the way for God's coming. His message would excite the people of Israel"the Lord is coming" just like our message at Advent"Jesus is coming."

Malachi says that a messenger is coming to help us prepare the way. What helps each one of us to prepare the way for the coming of the Christ child? What opens our hearts to welcome the babe?

Sometimes it is those closest to us or what is around us that helps us prepare the way and softens our hearts. Time spent baking with a close friend, the beauty of the frost on the trees, the innocence of a child as they take in the wonder of the Christmas story, a passage in the Bible that speaks to our hearts. All of us will have a messenger if we look and listen for it.

Grace and Peace Rev. Tammy Bleue Stonewall United Church stonewallminister@mymts.net 1-204-467-5469

Manitoba RCMP Selective Traffic Enforcement Program set to begin

Submitted

The annual RCMP Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) kicked off on Sunday, Dec. 1 and will continue up to and including Jan. 1, 2020.

All RCMP detachments and traffic services units throughout the province will be participating in the program with the focus once again being on the detection and apprehension of impaired drivers and other high-risk

driving behaviours.

Last year, over 11,700 vehicles were checked during 262 checkstops that resulted in 105 people charged with Criminal Code impaired driving offences and 30 roadside suspensions. Five people lost their lives in trafficrelated collisions.

"The RCMP is committed to ensuring the safety of everyone travelling on Manitoba roads and educating the public in safe driving practices continues to be our priority," said Insp. Chris Moore, officer in charge of "D" Division traffic services. "We are doing our part by raising public awareness about road safety and conducting traffic enforcement programs. The driving public have to do their part by adjusting their driving habits to make Manitoba's roads safer."

Appointments made to board of College of Dietitians of Manitoba

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is appointing two new members and reappointing two members to the board of directors for the College of Dietitians of Manitoba, Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Cameron Friesen announced recently.

"Dietitians provide much-needed expertise on how good food choices affect us all, by helping develop policy, conducting important research and supporting strong nutrition programs," said Friesen. "The work of the college is key to ensuring quality services that benefit all Manitobans, and I am pleased to be appointing these new and returning members."

The new appointees include:

• Janice Hamm (Selkirk), a public representative to the college's council.

Prior to her retirement, Hamm was a co-ordinator of business/technology teacher education with Red River College, as well as an instructor for teacher education and a staff development volunteer instructor. Hamm has a bachelor of education and a premaster in education from the University of Manitoba, a permanent professional teaching certificate from the Province of Manitoba and a diploma in teacher education from Red River College.

• Helga Wheddon (Winnipeg), a public representative to the college's roster of public representatives. Wheddon is the general manager and on-farm programs auditor for Manitoba Turkey Producers. She has certification in human resource management from Red River College and a bachelor of human ecology from the University of Manitoba.

The board members being reappointed include:

• Bénédicte LeMaître (Winnipeg), a yoga instructor with GoodLife Fitness. She was recently a student at the University of Manitoba where she obtained her master's degree in philosophy and religious studies.

• Karen Kumka (St. Andrews), the former director of St. Charles Day Nursery and Tot Stop Day Care. Kumka, who is retired, has more than 35 years of experience in child care, holds a bachelor of arts degree and a certificate in day-care management from the University of Manitoba.

The minister said these appointments are part of the Manitoba government's efforts to continue to refresh the agencies, boards and com-



Helga Wheddon

missions of the province, ensuring Manitobans continue to be represented by highly qualified and enthusiastic individuals.

Premier welcomes new MLAs to committees of cabinet

Submitted by Manitoba government

Premier Brian Pallister welcomed MLAs taking their oaths as part of new responsibilities as members of cabinet committees, as committee meetings get underway.

"I welcome these fine MLAs as they broaden the scope of their roles and responsibilities. Their intelligence, drive and vision will serve them well on these important committees as we move Manitoba forward," said Pallister.

Audrey Gordon (MLA for Southdale) has been appointed to the Treasury Board Committee of Cabinet and the Gender-Based Violence Committee of Cabinet.

Josh Guenter (MLA for Borderland) has been appointed to the Economic Growth Committee of Cabinet and the Public Sector Compensation Committee of Cabinet.

Dennis Smook (MLA for La Verendrye) has been appointed to the Economic Growth Committee of Cabinet and been named legislative assistant to the minister of economic development and training.

Janice Morley-Lecomte (MLA for Seine River) has been appointed to the to the Regulatory Accountability Committee of Cabinet and remains on the Gender-Based Violence Committee of Cabinet, in addition to retaining her existing responsibilities as legislative assistant to the minister of families.

Andrew Smith (MLA for Lagimodiere) has been appointed to the Economic Growth Committee of Cabinet, in addition to retaining his existing responsibilities as legislative assistant for the minister of sport, culture and heritage.

Ian Wishart (MLA for Portage la Prairie) has been appointed to the Regulatory Accountability Committee of Cabinet in addition to retaining his existing responsibilities as legislative assistant to the minister of education.

James Teitsma (MLA for Radisson) has been appointed to the Treasury Board Committee of Cabinet, and remains on the Economic Growth Committee of Cabinet.

Alan Lagimodiere (MLA for Selkirk) has been appointed to the Treasury Board Committee of Cabinet.

Bob Lagasse (MLA for Dawson Trail) has been appointed to the Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Committee of Cabinet.

Shannon Martin (MLA for McPhillips) has been appointed to the Regulatory Accountability Committee of Cabinet.

Additionally, the following MLAs were named as legislative assistants to ministries:

• Scott Johnston (MLA for Assiniboia) has been named legislative assistant to the minister of finance.

Len Isleifson (MLA for Brandon

East) has been named legislative assistant to the minister for health, seniors, and active living.

The following MLAs retain their current legislative responsibilities:

• Derek Johnson (MLA for Interlake-Gimli) remains on the Treasury Board Committee of Cabinet.

 Andrew Micklefield (MLA for Rossmere) remains on the Regulatory Accountability Committee of Cabinet.
Wayne Ewasko (MLA for Lac du Bonnet) retains his responsibilities on the Planning and Priorities Committee of Cabinet.

"I look forward to the meaningful contributions to our decision-making by these elected representatives, who know that we are better and stronger together as we work to make Manitoba Canada's most improved province," said Pallister.

Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

At the Nov. 20 council meeting, Stonewall council approved a tree planting policy for tree removal and planting in public spaces in the town.

If a tree must be removed for any reason from a public space, the town will plant three trees to replace it. These replacement trees could be planted anywhere within town limits, not just the space where the tree was removed. Trees removed between January and October will be replaced before Oct. 31 of the same calendar year, weather permitting. Trees removed in November and December will be replaced before June 30 of the next calendar year.

"Trees not only beautify a community and provide shelter and habitat for wild life, they are the first line in the fight against climate change. It has been estimated that world wide, the planting of one trillion trees could cut the global carbon pool by 25 per cent," states the policy.

"For Stonewall the maintenance of an extensive, healthy, diverse and expanding tree canopy not only assists with fighting global warming but is an important part of the quality of life for residents of the Town of Stonewall. Unfortunately, invasive species such as the Emerald Ash Borer and diseases like Dutch Elm Disease have taken a toll on the trees in Stonewall and will continue to do so for years to come."

In other council news:

• At the Nov. 20 council meeting, Stonewall council hosted two public hearing for variation requests. Mitybilt Products Inc. applied to vary the minimum rear yard setback to 10 feet from the required 15 feet to allow an existing accessory storage building at a property on Limestone Bay.

Since the building was built without permits, double permit fees apply.

In addition, Margaret Avery and Matthew Nixon applied to vary the minimum rear yard setback to 19 feet three inches from the required 25 feet to allow for the construction of an attached three-season sunroom and deck.

Council approved both requests as long as conditions are met.

• The Dec. 11 committee of the whole meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, Dec. 10.

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Set RED RIVER > CHALET BEACH > LAKE WINNIPEG Don't give the girls your ice holes

should thank the Provincial Road guys out of Selkirk for civilizing the 320 road out to Breezy Point. Just days ago, it was flooded over because of the ice jam on the Red River. As soon as the water receded, they got out there and pushed off the ice.

Driving along what used to be a gravel road last week, I was presented with a good surface. Graded ridge rows of ice chunks on either side were piled truck-wheel high. The trees bevond the road held sheets of ice imprisoned on their trunks like table tops, a grim reminder of how high the flood waters had been.

At the Breezy boat landing, the ice was flat and I saw a young chap kneeling over one of his fish finders. He was maybe 10 car-lengths out on the ice. As I left Old Red, I yelled, "Did you catch anything?"

"I just got here," he called back.

My boots made a crunching sound as I made my way out to him. The dusting of snow over the ice gave good footing. Soon I was standing beside a brown-bearded, thin and agile guy.

"Hi, I'm Arnie Weidl, looking for a fishing story," I said handing him my card.

"Oh, I'm Chad Leganchuk from Stonewall. Yeah, I think I can give you one," he responded.

"My Grampa Albert used to live by Erickson and we fished Audy and Jackfish Lakes. We had a family aluminum boat that everybody used with an old nine-horse Merc motor and an electric trolling motor."

"That Merc," Chad grimaced, "it would never run!"

It was Grampa's motor and he

Hi gang. Once again, I think we wouldn't let anyone but himself repair it. Unfortunately, he was not a good mechanic and would forget to put all the parts that were supposed to go back in it! Time after time, Chad, Gramps and other men in the family would get the boat out on the water. Even though Albert swore he had fixed that old Merc, it would refuse to start. As always, they would crank up the trolling motor and get on with fishing.

This exercise in frustration went on for some 12 years until Albert became too old to go fishing so he gave the boat, the Merc and the trolling motor to Chad. Chad still uses the boat and trolling motor but the Merc hangs silent, as was its lot years ago, in a special place on the wall of his garage. Every time he goes near it, though, he gives it a little touch in memory of Gramps.

You may remember enjoying Cindy Kovach's story that I shared with you back in September about fishing with her sister on the Winnipeg River on floating lounge chairs. Turns out, her sister Shary Cormier has a winter ice fishing story for us. Last winter, the girls went to fish one of their favourite spots on the Red River, but when they got there three grey-haired brother anglers had already taken their spot. Shary and Cindy, having been hardcore fishers for years, didn't take offence but chose to set up close by. They put up their portable ice shack and began auguring ice holes with their hand auger. Yes, I said a hand auger!

As Shary toiled at making a hole, she saw one of the men looking her way with a condescending smile. She

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

DECEMBER 2ND TO 13TH, 2019

INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION requests that all parents/guardians of children eligible to attend Kindergarten in the 2020/2021 school year visit their local school to register their child. Kindergarten programs are offered at Teulon, Balmoral, Stony Mountain, Rosser, Argyle, Warren, Woodlands, and École R.W. Bobby Bend School in Stonewall. Argyle School offers a divisional Multi-level Learning program with all day Kindergarten every day. Please contact the Argyle School Principal (204-467-2683)

for details regarding this program.

French Immersion Kindergarten is offered at École R. W. Bobby Bend School.

Children who will reach their fifth birthday by December 31st, 2020 are eligible

to attend Kindergarten in the 2020/2021 school year.

Proof of age and residency/address are required.

called out, asking if the guys would make a couple of holes for them.

"No, we're almost out of gas," the smiler said.

"Well you've made a lot of holes and I've made one. Could we use one of yours and put our tent over it?" Shary asked.

"Oh, let them have one," another of the trio said to his friends.

So Cindy took the hole in the tent and Shary took the one outside. Soon the girls began catching fish. They could feel the three men who were fishing in the open wondering why the girls were catching and they weren't! Time after time, the ladies would catch a fish and toss it onto the ice to the dismay of the men. Then, well into morning, Shary felt a hard hit. The end of her little rod shot down the hole.

"Don't muscle it," Cindy cautioned as she came to her side. They looked down the hole to see a huge hooked jackfish stop sideways, broadside of the hole. Shary let out just a little line

TRIBUNE PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL Shary Cormier with her prize giant jackfish catch. and the fish sank lower in the water. As soon as the head was abreast of the hole, she hauled up. It worked! The fish's head and part of the body thrust up the hole, its tail thrashing

in the water. Cindy leapt forward and grabbed it by the gills, hauling it onto the ice. There laid a near four-foot long jack! The men stood transfixed for a moment. Then, with exclamations of frustration, they turned, packed up their gear and left.

Till next time. Bye for now.

> GREY CUP CHAMPION, FROM PG. 2

ther, Jim Jeffcoat — also a defensive end and two-time Super Bowl champion during his 15-year NFL career is Jackson's idol.

"He was my role model. My father and my mother were my role models," he said. "I always saw how hard my parents worked. They helped out their parents a lot and they were very respectful and that is key - being respectful, working hard and keeping that smile on your face."

His parents taught him what he needed to do and how hard he needed to work.

"I always had a competitive drive that I always wanted to be great at



what I did, no matter what I was doing," he said.

He worked hard in school, knowing it would get him to where he needed to go in life.

"Football and sports can only take you so far in life," he said.

Jeffcoat worked hard in school and earned his degree.

"You guys have to remember to work hard. Things are not always going to be easy, but you smile when things are not easy because you are going to get through it."

Jeffcoat spent the afternoon visiting each classroom in the school chatting and signing autographs.



MLLC changing policies after violent liquor store attack

By Evan Matthews

After a number of serious thefts, some resulting in violence, the Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation is making changes to its policies.

Some distributors fear what those changes could mean for the Interlake's rural communities.

"We're a little bit concerned. These changes could cause thieves to come to rural areas due to the changes happening in the city," said an Arborg Pharmacy employee, who asked to remain anonymous.

"So far, we won't be making the same changes unless it becomes mandated provincewide. But we're thoroughly going over all of our policies with all of our employees," the employee said.

One of the more serious incidents to date came on Nov. 20 at the Tyndall Market Liquor Mart in Winnipeg. Two thieves entered the location and, prior to exiting, one of the thieves went behind the counter and punched a female employee in the face, sending her to hospital in critical condition, according to media reports.

The violence then spread throughout the mall, as media reported multiple patrons of the mall being threatened and physically assaulted, with as many as eight people being considered victims of the incident.

"In recent months, we have witnessed new trends in the tactics used to commit thefts in our Liquor Marts. Since the summer, we have seen increased swarmings by minors and, more alarmingly, a greater number of weapons being brandished, including bear spray, pipes and knives," said a press release from Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries, adding safety of employees and customers remains priority one to the organization.

"Interventions by frustrated customers have also increased, putting themselves at risk of escalating a situation and also increasing the risk to all those working and shopping in the store," the press release reads.

Starting in Winnipeg, Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries said the way customers shop is about to change but did not allude to whether or not rural communities will at some point be included in this process.

Prior to the most serious incident, Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries said it had plans to implement additional "theft-intervention" measures, including controlled entrances, but the announcement was expedited due to escalating violence.

Again in Winnipeg, minors are no



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Security footage shows one of the Tyndall Liquor Mart thieves step behind the counter before punching the female employee in the head, sending her to the hospital in critical condition. She was later upgraded to stable. / Manitoba Liquor and Lottery security footage.

longer permitted in liquor stores, even when accompanied by a parent or guardian.

The Tyndall Market Liquor Mart will be one of the first Winnipeg locations to be fitted with a controlled entrance, according to the release.

But not all Interlake liquor distributors share the same fear of what could happen.

"I'm happy and proud to say I have no issues at all here. It starts at the door for us," said Warren Food Mart manager Elizabeth Peixoto, adding staff has an understanding of who enters the store.

"More often than not, we take ID at the door. This is something we've already been doing proactively."

Other Interlake Manitoba Liquor and Lottery distributors — including the Fisher Branch Health Centre, the Ashern Pharmacy and the Teulon Shoppers Drug Mart — declined to comment.

Selkirk Regional Health Centre receives donation from a physician for Family Birthing Unit

Submitted by IERHA

A local family physician from the Selkirk Regional Health Centre (SRHC), has recently made an anonymous donation of \$8,500 for the purchase of a BiliBlanket for the hospital's family birthing unit.

A BiliBlanket is a portable phototherapy device for the treatment of neonatal jaundice.

"I realized with our increasing birth rate at SRHC, that babies born jaundice are likely to come up more often and decided to help out our community by donating another BiliBlanket. I strongly believe in giving back to my community," says the physician who donated the funds but wants to remain anonymous.

Jaundice is a yellow tint to a newborn's skin and the white part of the eyes, which means there is too much bilirubin in the baby's blood. Phototherapy allows the skin to absorb the light which changes the bilirubin so that the body can more easily excrete it through urine and stool. Jaundice is estimated to affect 50 to 60 per cent of babies born at full-term and up to 80 per cent of babies born prematurely.

The physician says the donation came on the heels of a very busy few

weeks inside the family birthing unit.

"We had several babies requiring phototherapy. Unfortunately, one of our two BiliBlankets has been out for repair, so we were down to one and we were also having to rely on the overhead UV lights. I've noticed that the babies in the BiliBlankets seem to settle better as you can still swaddle, hold and feed them while they receive treatment."

Executive director of the Interlake Eastern Health Foundation Pamela McCallum was delighted to receive this physician's second donation to the foundation.

"We are so fortunate to have physicians in our region who care so much about their patients and who want to optimize the facilities they work in. I know staff and families are so grateful for this donation and I look forward to hearing about the success the family birthing unit has with this new Bili-Blanket to treat jaundice."

The family birthing unit team says the donation brings new light to the department.

"This blanket allows for uninterrupted treatment of babies diagnosed with hyperbilirubinemia and will allows us to support the current



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

A local physician donated \$8,500 for the purchase of a BiliBlanket for the Selkirk Regional Health Centre's birthing unit. Left to right: CRN Jamie Brown, RN Jennifer Palsson, RN Elyse Gillon and clinical team manager (Surgery, Med/Surg, FBU) Sara Unrau.

practice of promoting mother and infant bonding, as mothers are able to breastfeed and hold their newborns while they continuously receive treatment."

Interlake Eastern Foundation's mis-

sion is to raise funds that support health care in the Interlake-Eastern health region. For more information, visit www.iehf.ca or contact Pamela McCallum, executive director at 204-785-7044.

Manitoba to fund new crime reduction teams with a focus on rural crime

New \$1.9-million investment supports expansion of specialized enforcement teams

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government will invest \$1.9 million annually to support the expansion of Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) crime reduction and enforcement teams throughout the province including related policing investments with the goal of improving public safety for rural Manitobans, Justice Minister Cliff Cullen announced Tuesday.

"Our government is taking action in response to concerns from rural Manitobans who no longer feel safe in their homes and communities," said Cullen. "This important investment will support more officers across the province, complementing many other initiatives already underway that focus on public safety and crime reduction. We are following through on our commitment to implement the Safer Streets, Safer Lives Action Plan and this support to the RCMP is an important step."

Crime reduction teams focus on serious, prolific offenders and drug dealers. The RCMP's current four-member team in the north will receive funding to expand to six officers. Funding will also be used to create two new teams in the RCMP's eastern and western districts, with five officers to be recruited for each location. Funding will also allow another four officers to be added to the D Division Enforcement Team, a centralized unit that targets criminal organizations and street gangs that traffic drugs and guns throughout the province.

"We are pleased to be able to expand our crime reduction and enforcement teams to ensure there are dedicated resources throughout the province," said assistant commissioner Jane MacLatchy, commanding officer of the Manitoba RCMP. "Those who produce and traffic illicit drugs destroy lives, homes and communities. We remain committed to dismantling the drug networking and drug traffickers that bring drugs to our towns and cities."

The minister noted timely and relevant analysis of crime data is essential to support front-line policing in the province. As part of this new investment with the RCMP, the province will also fund two new crime analyst positions, who will help identify criminal trends and hotspots to inform enforcement.

The speech from the throne also highlighted additional investments expected this year, focused on improving public safety for rural Manitobans:

• enhanced resources for the provincial public safety investigation (PSI) unit, which investigates confidential complaints about properties where chronic unlawful activity takes place;

• support for a new provincewide Crime Stoppers cam-



paign including more cash for drug-related anonymous tips; and

• new processes to make it easier to seize assets and money connected to illegal drugs.

Every year, the PSI unit responds to between 350 and 400 complaints, approximately 20 per cent of which are in rural Manitoba.

The minister noted police agencies require increasingly specialized tools and training to continue to serve Manitobans most effectively. In 2019-20, the provincial Criminal Property Forfeiture Fund and the federal Proceeds of Crime Fund provided nearly \$1.5 million to police agencies serving rural Manitoba, including the RCMP, Brandon Police Service and several others, to support these types of investments. This also included:

• nearly \$70,000 to the Manitoba First Nations Police Service to purchase and outfit a new K-9 vehicle;

• more than \$6,400 to the Rivers Police Service to purchase necessary equipment and support its children's bike safety campaign; and

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12 The Stonewall Teulon Tribune Thursday, December 5, 2019 Oak Hammock Marsh earns Canadian Tourism Award

By Jennifer McFee

A birding hotspot nestled in the heart of the Interlake has earned accolades as a tourism destination that draws visitors from near and far.

Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre recently won the Responsible Tourism Award at the Canadian Tourism Awards. Hosted by the Tourism Association of Canada, these annual awards aim to recognize success, leadership and innovation in Canada's tourism industry.

Tourism Manitoba nominated Oak Hammock Marsh for the award because of the non-profit organization's commitment to connect people with wetlands. Located 20 kilometres north of Winnipeg between Stonewall and Selkirk, this popular destination offers a range of accessible and affordable programming, welcoming more than 100,000 visitors a year — plus more than 100,000 waterfowl daily during migration season.

The 36-square-kilometre wildlife management area features one of Manitoba's last remaining patches of tall-grass prairie, along with an aspen-oak bluff, artesian springs and waterfowl lure crops.

"Oak Hammock Marsh is an outstanding tourism attraction in the Interlake Region. What's special about Oak Hammock is the ability for visitors to join in important conservation work — such as nature surveys and bird banding through their Canadian Signature Experience, A Bird in the Hand," said Alexis McEwen, communications manager for Travel Manitoba. "The work that has been done to restore this wetland and the Centre's commitment to sustainability has earned them the national recognition as a responsible tourism destination." Nathalie Bays, general manager of Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre, travelled to Ottawa to receive the award on Nov. 20. Other nominees in the same category included Cielo Glamping Maritime from Haut-Shippagan, N.B., and Eagle Wing Whale and Wildlife Watching Tours Ltd. from Victoria, B.C.

"We are incredibly honoured to receive this Responsible Tourism Award from the Tourism Industry Association of Canada," Bays said.

"For the past 26 years, we have worked hard to connect people with wetlands in a meaningful and sustainable manner. Through education, our goal is for people to take action to protect this incredibly biodiverse ecosystem, now and into the future."

The Interpretive Centre, a joint partnership between Ducks Unlimited Canada and the Province of Manitoba, is a great asset for the Interlake region, she added.

As a new initiative, Ducks Unlimited Canada launched an awareness campaign on Nov. 29 to showcase the critical role that wetlands play in the fight against climate change.

"The wetlands we save aren't just for ducks; they're for all of us," said Nigel Simms, DUC's national director of communications and marketing.

"This sea-level rise campaign showcases the tremendous value of these



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From left: As the presenting sponsor, Air Transat's chief distribution officer Joseph Adamo congratulates Nathalie Bays and Jacques Bourgeois of Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre.

ecosystems. We want Canadians to see that the salt-marsh restoration we do is directly linked to mitigating the crippling effect of sea-level rise on our coastlines. It's a powerful example of how wetland conservation and restoration contribute to the immediate well-being of Canadians."

Oak Hammock Mash Interpretive Centre welcomes visitors all year round. Upcoming events include a movie afternoon on Dec. 7 and the 120th annual Christmas Bird Count. On Dec. 14, resident natural Paula Grieef will lead a workshop on how to identify birds. In preparation for the winter solstice, guests can learn about winter constellations during Astrono-

my Night on Dec. 19 and even have a chance to view them from the rooftop observation deck.

Winter Fun Day is set for Dec. 26, featuring snowshoeing, winter treasure hunt, critter dipping under the ice and a shuffle duck tournament, which is a blend of jam pail curling and shuffle board on the ice.

In addition, a snowshoe hike is slated for Dec. 29, with hot chocolate by the fire afterwards to warm up.

For more information about Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre, which now offers an electric car charging station for its visitors, call 204-467-3300 or visit www.oakhammockmarsh.ca.

Legislation introduced to authorize alcoholic beverage sales for take out and delivery service

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government introduced legislation that would amend

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Do you are someone you know need a hamper this Christmas? Please be advised that Christmas Cheerboard hampers can be ordered from now until December 13th. Hamper pick-up will be December 21st. Please call 204-467-7370 to order a hamper. Requests for hampers need to be made every year even if a hamper was received in previous years because lists aren't carried over.

CHRISTMAS CHEER BOARD Help needed! The Stonewall & 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 teddy bears, books for teens and teen gifts. Donation boxes are placed all over Stonewall and monetary donations can be made at **Sunova Credit Union**. The Liquor, Gaming, and Cannabis Control Act (LGCCA) to allow more options for consumers by allowing liquor to be sold with take-out and delivery meal service by licensed establishments, Crown Services Minister Jeff Wharton announced Tuesday.

"For several years, restaurant owners have expressed interest in selling wine, beer and single-serve beverages through food take-out or delivery service," said Wharton. "This is a win-win for businesses and customers as restaurants will now be able to expand their business and offer an additional service to customers."

Liquor delivery and take-out orders would be linked



to meal orders and offered by licensed establishments whose primary business is food, such as restaurants. Liquor pricing will be the same as in-dining service menu prices, which will link wine and beer retail to the licensees' meal service.

The amendment also considers social responsibility in serving alcohol, drivers delivering alcoholic beverages will be required to be 18 years of age or older, be certified by the LGCCA's Smart Choices responsible sales and service program, and conduct mandatory identification checks.

Several private wine stores have indicated they see this as an opportunity to sell more wine to their corporate restaurant customers, noted Wharton, which will also support their economic viability.

The proposed legislation would also amend The Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries Corporation Act to remove the current reference to 'beer' under the distributor section, which limits distribution for private distributors, and replaces it with 'beverage alcohol categories'. This will allow third parties to dispense a wider variety of product to licensed vendors including private wine stores and hotel beer vendors by agreement with Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries.

Legislation introduced to ensure fairness in public-sector tenders

Submitted

The Manitoba government has introduced legislation that would give all companies equal opportunity to bid or work on provincially tendered infrastructure projects, Infrastructure Minister Ron Schuler announced last week.

"The Public Sector Construction Projects (Tendering) Act will level the playing field for all bidders and give all companies the same opportunities, regardless of union affiliation," said Schuler. "We're committed to ending the practice that workers need to become union members to work on public infrastructure projects, as we believe it infringes on their rights to determine whether or not they want to be represented by a union."

Manitoba project labour agreements (PLAs) have required employees of non-union contractors to join a union to be eligible to work for their employers on public in-

> CRIME REDUCTION TEAMS, FROM PG. 11

• \$20,000 for the Springfield Police Service to support efforts to reduce speeding and traffic-related incidents near railway crossings.

As outlined in the province's Policing and Public Safety Strategy, Manitoba will continue to collaborate with law enforcement agencies to develop a provincial intelligence model, which will centralize information about serious criminal activity, organized crime and other safety concerns. This is a longer-term initiative that will help support intelligence-driven policing and collaboration among police agencies and other public safety partners.

Community mobilization hubs will continue as a proven method of connecting at-risk young people and their families with wrap-around community supports. Government will continue to invest approximately \$1 million annually to establish, enhance and support these locally led partnerships that bring together police, social service agencies and families to address underlying issues and reduce contact with the criminal justice system.

"Targeted investments will help ensure police are placed where and when they're needed, and be able to respond based on timely, accurate and insightful information," said Cullen. "We are committed to investing in human resources, technology, and other tools at our disposal to address rural crime and other public safety issues affecting Manitobans. Partnerships with law enforcement, communities, service providers and other systems will help build healthier, safer lives for all Manitobans."

The RCMP is Manitoba's provincial police service of record. It serves about 580 communities and are responsible for policing over 90 per cent of the land in the province, covering more than 465,000 square kilometres. It currently has nearly 1,000 sworn police officers members and nearly 500 civilian employees.



Ralph R. Eichler, MLA for Lakeside

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319 Main St. Box 1845 Stonewall, Manitoba R0C 2Z0 HOURS: Tues & Thurs 10 am - 2 pm Tel: (204) 467-9482 Website: www.ralpheichler.com frastructure projects. The minister noted such agreements have restricted competition for public infrastructure contracts and hindered government's ability to get the best value for money possible.

"By opening up contracts to greater competition, we expect more competitive pricing and savings for taxpayers," said Schuler. "Competitive markets allow public-sector entities to obtain the best value for money on their projects, with a larger pool of bidders saving up to 10 per cent of project costs."

The public-sector entities covered by the proposed bill would include provincial government departments, Crown corporations, regional health authorities, universities and school divisions. When such entities tender for construction work, they would have to do so in accordance with the bill's provisions.

The Public Sector Construction Projects (Tendering) Act is part of the government's 100-Day Action Plan.

Inland Port Special Planning Area Under The Authority of The Planning Act **Notice of Public Hearing** On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter: **INLAND PORT SPECIAL PLANNING AREA BY-LAW 3-19** Being an AMENDMENT to the **INLAND PORT SPECIAL PLANNING AREA REGULATION 48/2016** to **RE-ZONE** part of Parcel 1: Legal Subdivision 16 of Section 30-11-2 EPM Parcel 2: Parcel "B" Plan 37553 WLTO in closed government road allowance nly adjacent to Section 30-11-2 EPM Parcel 3: Ely 1320 feet perp of the SE ¼ of Section 31-11-2 EPM in the RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROSSER from INLAND PORT RURAL ZONE to "I3" INDUSTRIAL HEAVY ZONE HEARING Victoria Inn Hotel and LOCATION: **Convention Centre** 1808 Wellington Avenue, Winnipeg DATE and TIME: Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. ea to be oned to To re-zone part of GENERAL **INTENT** and Parcel 1: Legal subdivision 16 of section 30-11-2 EPM PURPOSE: Parcel 2: Parcel "B" Plan 37553 WLTO in closed government road allowance nly adjacent to section 30-11-2 EPM Parcel 3: Ely 1320 feet perp of the SE ¼ of section 31-11-2 EPM in the RM of Rosser CentrePort lands from Inland Port Rural Zone to "I3" Industrial Heavy Zone to establish an oat processing facility. AREA This by-law shall apply to the area **AFFECTED:** identified on the map appearing on this Hearing Notice. FOR MORE Kari Schulz, Planner INFORMATION Manitoba Municipal Relations CONTACT: Inland Port Special Planning Area 604-800 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3G 0N4 Phone: 204-945-2146 Fax: 204-948-4042 Email: inlandportspa@gov.mb.ca A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during normal office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken therefrom, upon request. A description of the procedure to be followed at the hearing is also available at the location noted above.



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By Ted Bronson

A sure sign of the oncoming chill of wintery nights is the rising of the familiar star cluster Pleiades in the east after twilight has faded to darkness.

It did not seem that long ago when I was out stargazing in mid-August. Around midnight I would look near the eastern horizon to be greeted by that tiny cluster of stars — the Pleiades. A quick glance at these icy blue stars brought on thoughts of the oncoming of winter. It's only August I thought, but now the winter season approaches. The shortening daylight and extending nighttime, along with the Earth's motion around the sun, brings the Pleiades into our view early at night this time of year.

The Pleiades star cluster, also known as the Seven Sisters, is one of the most beautiful clusters in the night sky. The tiny dipper shape of seven stars is easily identified. Many stargazers tend to confuse the Pleiades star cluster with the little dipper containing the North Star. This asterism (part of the constellation Ursa Minor or Little Bear) is much larger. Usually five stars of this cluster are seen with the unaided eye in town but up to nine stars can be seen under a dark rural sky by those with good vision. The best way to observe this star cluster is to use binoculars with their wide field of view. 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. I find what makes the Pleiades fascinating is not just the crowded richness of 3rd and 4th magnitude stars but the icy blue colours of the stars. Under exceptionally dark and clear skies, you may even be able to make out the nebulosity around the brightest of these 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 in the constellation of Taurus.

The Geminid meteor shower in December is one of the strongest meteor showers of the year. At a peak of 30 to 80 meteors per hour, this shower is not observed as much as the Perseid meteors of August when the weather is warmer. The Geminids peak at the time of year when the nights are clear and cold. This year they peak on the night of Dec. 13-14. Unfortunately these days host the full moon so many of the fainter meteors will be washed out in the bright moonlight. 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. 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.

By mid-December you may spot a bright"star"low in the southwest after sunset. This brilliant white object is not a star but the planet Venus. Venus will become more prominent in the months to come. The thin crescent moon can be spotted just below Venus in the southwest after sunset on December 28. The next night the moon will have moved to a position above and to the left of Venus.

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 be-



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY TED BRONSON The star cluster of Pleiades in the east after twilight is a sure sign of the oncoming chill of wintery nights.

gins on Dec. 21 at 10:19 p.m. CST. This point in time marks the winter solstice for us and the summer solstice for those residing in the southern hemisphere.

As a community service, I am available to do talks on astronomy or related subjects to teachers, students, scouts, guides or any community groups who would be interested. I can be contacted by at email bronsont@mymts.net to schedule a presentation. *Clear Skies*

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

ICF supports Cheer Board



Jim Penner, left, of the Interlake Community Foundation presented a cheque for \$1,000 to the Stonewall and District Cheer Board. Pam Moody accepted on behalf of the Cheer Board.

Newspapers in education



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JENNIFER MCFEE

Teacher Erin Hunnam's Grade 6 class at Ecole Stonewall Centennial School are learning about the components of a newspaper and the process of writing a news article. *Tribune* reporter Jennifer McFee visited the class last week to share some tricks of the trade.



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A sheep in Warren apparently wanted to be away from the manger, as it escaped Sunday morning from the Warren/Meadow Lea United Church Living Nativity scene on Dec. 1.

While the actors were getting dressed, members of the Fairridge Farm were unloading the truck with live animals for the Nativity scene, when the rogue sheep escaped and proceeded to run through the town of Warren. The sheep was runnin' here and there, down the streets of town for 45 minutes, before Corbin Fairlie, his sister Bobbie Fairlie and girlfriend Mackenzie Langrell ended the great sheep chase. Corbin piggybacked the sheep down MacDonald Ave. back to the church where it was loaded onto the truck and returned to the farm. The family-friendly Living Nativity event proceeded without the sheep and a few of its members. The church would like to thank the volunteers for taking part in the Living Nativity event.



Pictured left to right, Lenard Kapchinsky, Zachary, Zayden, Kaydance, Elena, Ryan, Bruce and Bryan Hogg.

Rosser council news in brief; committee appointments

By Jennifer McFee

At the Nov. 19 council meeting, Rosser council defeated a conditional use request from Lilyfield Quarry Inc. to develop and operate a limestone aggregate quarry in the municipality.

Coun. Ken Mulligan voted in favour of approving the conditional use, while councillors Lee Garfinkel, Angela Emms and Kelvin Stewart voted against it.

In other council news:

• The RM of Rosser is entering into an agreement with Kathy Magnusson regarding services as a municipal consultant.

• Coun. Angela Emms was appointed as deputy reeve for 2019-2020.

• South Interlake Planning District received quotations for planning consulting services for the RM of Rosser's zoning bylaw from Lombard North Group, WSP Canada Group Ltd. and Landmark Planning Design. Council accepted the proposal from WSP Canada Group Ltd. at an approximate cost of \$35,890.

RM of Rosser standing committee appointments for 2019-2020:

Legislative and Finance Committee - Stewart and Garfinkel (Mulligan alternate)

Personnel and Policy - Garfinkel and Smee (Stewart alternate) Enforcement Issues/Bylaws

Mulligan and Garfinkel(Emms alternate)

Public Works Committee - Stewart and Mulligan (Emms alternate)

Recreation and Culture - Smee and Garfinkel (Mulligan alternate) Utility Committee - Emms and Smee (Garfinkel alternate)

RM of Rosser boards and commissions for 2019-2020:

• Assiniboine River Basin Initiative — Mulligan Alternate: Smee

Association of Rural Mu-

nicipalities - Capital Region — Smee, Emms

• Waste Connections Canada Community Liaison Committee — Smee, Daniel Grenkow

• Cartier Regional Water Coop — Smee, CAO

• Community Futures East Interlake Inc. — Emms

• East Interlake Conservation District — Stewart, Gord Grenkow Alternate: Mulligan

• Grosse Isle Sub-Committee — Smee, Garfinkel

• Interlake Community Foundation Inc. — Murray Slagerman, Cheryle McClure

• Interlake Municipal Recreation Association — Emms, Mulligan Alternate; Smee

• Interlake Tourism Association — Stewart Alternate: Emms

• Lilyfield Cemetery Committee — Smee Alternate: Stewart

• Red River Basin Commission — Mulligan Alternate: Emms

• Rockwood/Rosser Weed Control Board — Stewart, Smee Alternate: Mulligan

• Rosser-Woodlands Recreation Commission — Mulligan, Smee Alternate: Emms

• South Interlake Planning District—Smee, Garfinkel Alternate: Emms

• South Interlake Regional Library Board — Stewart, Wendy Rutherford Alternate: Smee

• Stonewall & District Handi-Van Committee — Emms Alternate: Smee

• Stonewall & District Health Foundation — Carol Nichol, Cheryle McClure

• The South Interlake 55 Plus, Inc. — Stewart Alternate: Emms

• Southwest Teens at Risk Committee — Stewart, Smee A1ternate: Mulligan

• Winnipeg Metropolitan Region — Smee Alternate: Emms

Shoppers stock up on baked goods for the holidays



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY SHANTAL MARTINEZ AND JO-ANNE PROCTER The 13th annual Baker's Boutique held at the Stonewall Legion last weekend was a revolving door of shoppers purchasing their baking for the holidays. Friendly greeters handed out fresh baked cookies and helped carry items out for shoppers. There were an endless array of baking trays, buns, cookies, sweets, homemade ice cream and soups for purchase. A light lunch was offered at the Baker's Boutique Bistro with a choice of hot soup, a cheese bun and a cookie. A portion of the proceeds from the sale are being donated to the Stonewall Kinsmen Splash pad project. Pictured left, left to right: Maria Medina-Carvell, Jeannie Perkins and Bonnie Carvell from Winnipeg purchase baking from Rebecca and Helen Henry. Middle photo: Jenny, Pam, Sharon, Sue and Mandy prepared lunch in the kitchen. Right photo: Megan Hope was selling her baking.



Christmas cantata offers festive outing



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The annual Christmas cantata will be performed on Dec. 14 and 15.

By Jennifer McFee

For many families, the annual Christmas cantata marks the start of the holidav season.

This year's Christmas musical, entitled A Baby Changes Everything, will offer a festive start to the holidays.

"It's got a nice mix of contemporary pieces with a few familiar carols to bring it all together. We have 10 actors, a choir of a little more than 25 and a small pit band," said musical director Cathy Horbas.

"It's the tale of people who live in Bethlehem and they're surprised at having this baby. Some of them are expecting the baby and some of them don't believe. It's a coming together of the characters who might have been the townspeople of Bethlehem. So come and be inspired!"

Shows will take place on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Stonewall United Church, 369 1st Ave. North.

Tickets are available at Stonewall United Church at a cost of \$15 for adults, \$7 for kids age six to 16, and free for wee ones age five and under.







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Baby sign language book launches in Abby's honour

By Jennifer McFee

The memory of a cherished Stonewall girl is being honoured through a special book that focuses on an activity she enjoyed.

Abby Lee Anne Margetts' short life ended last January in a tragic accident that shook the community. The sweetnatured girl had just celebrated her third birthday on Dec. 2.

Starting when she was two months old, Abby had attended the Little Signing Stars program, which uses baby sign language to enhance communication. She expressed her love for the activity through her bright smiles, all the way until she graduated at the age of two.

Now Little Signing Stars owner Serena Yong is collaborating with Abby's mom Amanda to create a touch-andfeel board book in her memory.

"We thought it might be ready for Christmas but it's not going to be, so we decided to print a soft-cover version with the same photography. They're perfect books for babies and toddlers," Amanda Margetts said.

"Both books are dedicated to my daughter, who passed away."

The book includes photos of Abby and her baby brother Andrew, as well as their parents Amanda and Ryan. In addition, Yong teaches sign language in the book. It features basic signs that parents can use throughout their day.

"It's a nice concept and it's a great program. I know lots of people who've used baby sign language and it does work," Margetts said.

"Our little guy is on the front cover. He just turned a year old. It's really special that this book is dedicated to his older sister."

Right in time for Christmas, 150 copies of the limited-edition soft-cover book have been printed, and the touch-and-feel board version should be available in March.

As owner of Little Signing Stars, Yong explained that the book does not serve as a fundraiser. Instead, it's a way to remember Abby.

At the time of Abby's passing, her parents named Little Signing Stars as a recipient of donations made in lieu of flowers. The contributions will be used to offset the costs of publishing the upcoming book.

"I wanted to produce a book to honour Abby's memory, particularly a touch-and-feel book because they are the very best,"Yong said.

"They are the Cadillac of baby books. Babies are drawn in by the textures. It captures their imagination and stimulates their senses."

Yong shares that when Abby passed away, her own daughter, Jazlyn, was



The limited-edition book is available at Something Beautiful.



Kaitlyn Yurick reads her copy of *Little Signing Stars* to her 21-monthold daughters Sophie and Mya.

six months old. As she read to Jazlyn, the only books that piqued her interest were the ones with touch-and-feel textures. It was then Yong determined that this was something special.

"This is how we will honour Abby and keep her memory alive," she said.

"These books have a full dedication page so that people can learn about Abby. We want to keep her memory alive."

Friends and family gathered at Something Beautiful over the weekend for a soft launch of the limitededition book before Abby's birthday, since she would have turned four on Monday.

"Abby enriched the lives of everyone around her. When she laughed it was from her belly, when she cried it was from her toes, and when she loved it was from her heart," states the dedication in the book.

"Quality time with family and friends was important to her as well as celebrating moments big and small, and relishing in simple pleasures. Whether swimming in the cold prairie lakes or finding adventure by foot, she was happiest in nature. Abby had a special connection with owls; she loved to spot them in books and



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Ryan, Amanda and Andrew Margetts with Calvin, Serena and Keira Yong at the launch of the limited edition of the book *Little Signing Stars*, dedicated to Abby Margetts, at Something Beautiful last Sunday.

often played with her stuffed owl collection."

At the event, Yong explained that Abby requested the song "The More We Get Together" at the beginning of each class. The crowd of Abby's loved ones joined together in the song, and there wasn't a dry eye to be seen.

A limited number of soft-cover

books are available for \$10 each at Something Beautiful in Stonewall and online at www.littlesigningstars.ca/ newbook. Book updates will be posted on that same website and the Facebook page "Little Signing Stars Baby Sign Language." A book launch party will be held in the spring when the touch-and-feel board book is ready.



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Get to know your Teulon mayoral candidates and vote informed on Dec. 11

and councillor candidates five questions to help our readers get to know the candidates for the upcoming Teulon by-election on Dec. 11. Be informed and make your vote count.

1. Please provide a brief bio of yourself, where you live, how long you have lived there and include any previous political experience?

2. What are some of the major issues that are currently impacting the constituency?

3. What made you want to run in this election?

4. If elected, what do you hope to achieve during the upcoming term?

5. Why should voters support you?



Ted Hodgkinson

1. I was brought up on a cattle farm just outside of Teulon and went to elementary and high school here in Teulon as well. In my adult life I moved to Teulon, married a wonderful girl from Teulon and have called this home for almost 40 years. When I was 37 I under took to build a senior's apartment complex and along with my 30 year real estate career have continued to run. I was elected mayor from 1998-2002. I have remained involved in and engaged in the workings of the town since then, attending council meetings and reviewing financial plans and reports.

2. Our town is in turmoil. The main, and most painfully obvious, issue is the town for the first time in its history is without a council or CAO and is under provincial administration. This we shall overcome with a few good people.

3. Teulon needs stability and leadership to bring it back together. I feel that together with any of the great people can help achieve that.

4. This term is a short one until the next general election and realistically will be shorter yet by the time we get everything back on track and running smoothly. Then right after that we will be dumped into budget deliberations and financial plan reviews so it will be one step at a time. I have always had an eye to efficiency and I would like to have a discussion with council over efficiencies we might find in the delivery of our town services. With council's approval I would like to see the installation of a few security cameras around town and of course I would look forward to hearing any suggestions anyone else has.

5. I am looking forward to working with all the elected councilors and the town as a whole. I am an enthusiastic supporter of economic development and want to restore the town's dignity that so many before worked so hard to build. In this small town we all know each other and have a common goal, making this town the best it can be. Each decision is an easy one if it answers one question -"Is this the best decision for the town ?" If this was answered, would we be where we are now?



Anna Padzierski

I have lived in Teulon and area all my life. I am married with 2 children and 5 grandchildren. My volunteer community involvement includes Interlake Community Foundation, Chamber, Healthy Teulon, Teulon Ambulance, Hospital Risk Management, Seniors Resource, RCMP Advisory, and Youth Justice, to name a few. My education includes Business Adminis-

We asked each of our mayoral we have running for council, I tration and Administrative Management. I have prepared briefs and speaking engagements, developed protocols and government policies and liaised with cabinet ministers. I was Coordinator of Teulon Residences and Gateway Manor, a Teulon business owner and Executive Director of Nova House Inc. I retired March, 2018. See #teamanna for complete bio.

> Teulon has spent the last year in turmoil, accomplishing little resulting in another election. We need to concentrate on the future and the wonderful community that we live in, raise our children in, and retire to. We need leadership focused on teamwork, consultation with everyone and transparency at the Council level. Leadership that attends all meetings giving Teulon a voice at the table. As a community we need to support our town staff, work together with all community members and levels of government to make Teulon's slogan – A great place to come

> home to - a reality once again. I have worked with volunteer boards all my life. My experience leading teams, working with others, listening, being accountable for budgets and timely reporting to all levels of government will be a benefit to my community. At Nova House I was responsible for a capital project of \$2.4 million, all raised through government and foundation grants, private donors and fundraising. I brought that project in on budget with the support of my team. I can offer my community professional, transparent, accountable, proven leadership. I want my community to thrive and grow, to be a place we are all proud of.

> If elected I will provide the leadership necessary for our council, staff and all taxpayers to play a role in growing a vibrant, supportive community. During this term we will hire administrative staff, rebuild existing relationships within the community and with our neighbouring partners, as well as, working with all levels of government. I will do my best to bring awareness of what is available in our community, what more

we need and can do, then develop a strategic plan to move forward for the benefit of all; taxpayers, business owners, and everyone that lives or works in the Teulon area.

I love my community. I enjoy working with all ages and I like a challenge. I have a wide range of experience having volunteered on over 20 different boards in health care, policing, justice, education, training, development and recreation. I have a financial and administrative background, direct experience in project planning and management, proven ability in human resource management, knowledge of government policies and procedures. I am committed to transparent, accountable, professional and responsible leadership. I will do my very best to be an integral part of a team. All things are possible with commitment, community and a shared vision.



Debbie Kozvra

1. Debbie Kozyra, born at the Teulon Hunter Memorial Hospital and grew up on the family farm in Gunton. Attended Teulon Elementary School and graduated from TCI. Debbie has two daugh-Krystyna and Daniters. elle who also graduated from TCI.

Debbie has been self-employed for the last 37 years in Teulon. Owner of Kozy's Productions and the

2nd Time Around Market. I served as a councillor for the Village of Teulon 1992 - 1995. I was elected as Mayor of Teulon on October 24, 2018. Due to the resignations of 3 councillors in October 2019, the Province of Manitoba took over the administration of the Town of Teulon.

No quorum-No council,

thus I was made to step down as Mayor by the province.

2. The new Teulon council will have their work cut out for them as we go forward into 2020...a new CAO a n d Assistant CAO will need to be hired; budget and planning for the 2020 tax year will need to take place immediately along with the closing of the 2019 fiscal year; rewriting and passing a new Policies a n d Procedures and the Organizational By-Law.

One of the major issues impacting of citizens and community is our health care services in Teulon. R e s i d e n t s must travel out of town to acquire many medical services and residents with mobility issues are burdened with extra financial costs to have their medical needs met elsewhere.

3. As indicated in the 1st question, I was forced to step down from my position and with the support of the r a t e payers, I wish to finish my term as Mayor of Teulon.

4. If elected the first items which need to be addressed are answered in #2 above. I will lead and work collectively with the new council for the betterment of the community. It is the mandate of Mayor & Council as a the whole to maintain our infrastructure, whether it be roads, sidewalks or our recreational facilities; to work together to attract new development and businesses to Teulon; lobbying the Provincial Government to improve our health care services; developing a long term plan for the CPR land owned by the Town of Teulon; and to listen to the concerns of the citizens. One project that I would like to put on the top of the list of priorities is the replacement of the main street sidewalks; many citizens have tripped or fallen on the cobble stone sidewalks and many bones have been broken.

5. I know I am ready for the task to lead this council and I am confident that with a new team of councillors, we will move Teulon Forward.

Ten candidates running for four councillor positions

We asked each of our mayoral and councillor candidates five questions to help our readers get to know the candidates for the upcoming Teulon by-election on Dec. 11. Be informed and make your vote count.

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Todd Campbell

I am a fourth-generation member of my family who has raised a family in this area. For 53 years, I have lived, schooled, and worked in this community. I am a father of two and a soon to be grandfather of three. I have a university degree in management and have 30 years of experience within various management positions in electrical sales and manufacturing. I successfully built and ran a small local DJ business for 18 years. I am a voluntary member of the Teulon Rec Commission Board, a former 4-H Leader, and actively involved with Children's Wish Foundation.

In my opinion, some major issues that are impacting this constituency are the current vacant positions in town office, crime and vandalism, and speeding in school zones. I also think town water has people concerned because of excavation at the Imperial Oil site. Youth engagement and recreation is an ongoing discussion.

My family has been serving this community since the early 1900s. I want to run for council to continue this legacy and leave something for my grandchildren who are growing up here - they are our town's future. Council should be forthcoming and transparent. What goes on with council affects more than just members, it affects citizens of Teulon. Everyone deserves to have relevant information that may affect them. And, I believe in teamwork. A team is only as strong as their leader. In turn, a leader is only as strong as the cohesiveness of his or her team.

If elected, my top priorities will be filling the vacant CAO and assistant CAO positions, and preparing, reviewing and finalizing a budget for the 2020 year. I would like to look into the viability of LED speed signs in school zones. I will continue to build on relationships with Green Acres Art Centre and Teulon Rec Commission to explore ideas for youth activities and recreation. An important part of keeping the dialogue open with our youth is to fill the vacant student councillor positions on town council. Facility maintenance and infrastructure will also be a priority.

I ask for Teulon voter support because I believe in this town. I am fair-minded. I look at all sides and ensure that I have all pertinent information before I make a decision. I believe in teamwork, transparency, listening to community members, and providing results. I believe that everyone has a voice, and every voice deserves to be heard.



Barb Mankewich

I attended high school in Teulon and moved away returning in 1995 to the Teulon Area. In 2012, I purchased a house in Teulon and continue to reside here. My daughters attended school here opening a lot of doors for joining groups and committees. Along with that comes a lot of volunteering which is still a big part of my life. I have been working as a Senior Resource Coordinator at Teulon Senior Resource for the last 15 years and enjoy my job very much. Being employed in town makes me very accessible to the issues concerning the community.

I was acclaimed as a councillor on October 24th due to very unfortunate circumstances. After a very tumultuous year I was deemed resigned due to lack of quorum. Our town, at this point has a black cloud over it and first and foremost we need to look at this by- election as a new beginning and move forward in a positive manner. I am very excited to see so many people running for positions. If elected I look forward to serving Teulon with the other elected officials.

First on my agenda if elected is working cohesively with my fellow council. The council will need to hire a new CAO and Assistant CAO, making sure that they are proficient in grant writing. Setting out a positive 3 year plan is of upmost importance. I would like to start a reserve fund for a future splash pad or pool to attract and maintain young families. Resurfacing the sidewalks on Main Street is a must as they are in dire need of attention and a definite safety concern. Concession stands at our beautiful park need to be addressed as well. I feel that these items are achievable in the not so distant future with fundraising, grant writing, donations and hard work. These are some short term plans that I feel will benefit and motivate the community in a positive way. Ongoing plans include working on innovative ways to attract businesses to our community and housing development to name a few.

I had a very negative experience on council in 2018-2019 and felt that my views and ideas were irrelevant. A substantial number of ratepayers were treated in a dismissive disrespectful manner. My running for council again is to ensure that my ideas are considered. Our employers (the ratepayers) need to be treated with respect, informed and proper protocol is taken when decisions affect them.

If elected I will serve the community to the best of my ability with grateful modesty. If I am defeated, I will move forward with dignity and acceptance, supporting and respecting the newly elected mayor and council.

I hope that this election brings out the best in one another and we champagne with respect for one another. I truly wish my fellow candidates best wishes on December 11



Matthew Bergmann 1. Hello my name is Matthew Bergmann, I along with my family reside at 117 – 5th Avenue in Teulon. We have lived in this community for nine years.

2. Some of the issues that currently impact this community is lack of a united council, lace of police services, medical services and lack of activities for the youth of this community.

3. I decided to run for council for several reasons:

1. I have no connection to any organization

2. I am fairly new to this community so I come in with a clear view

3. I have no previous association with past or present council

4. I have no agenda other than to do what is best for the

town

4. I hope to help resolve past issues and move forward with a fresh new vision for our town and make this a place people can really call home and be proud.

5. I think voters should support someone who has no connection to past council, is concerned more with our town then ourselves willing to make choices based on factual information and vote with a clear mind and not just to please a few people. Rather we should try to please as many as possible by keeping a focus on what is important.



1. My name is Kirt Ansell. I am a 42 year old business owner in Teulon and have lived within the community

for over 25 years. I've had various opportunities within the community, as well as driving to Winnipeg for employment before starting my career as manager of the Red River Co-op gas bar/ bulk fuel operation in Teulon, 10 years ago. With my business partner, Michelle, we have 15 employees, and wish to thank them for the success of our business.

Unfortunately, I have no political experience but with the guidance from the community, I am willing to learn.

2. A major concern I've had, has been how our local government "hasn't" been functioning. I'd like to see a council that can function like it should, to work as a team accomplishing tasks, but also to maintain our small town way of life with as many conveniences as the population can support.

I feel council's main goal

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should be to keep our residents within the community, so they can raise their families, watch their grandchildren grow, and eventually retire here. Growth is important for any community, but so is preserving our small town appeal. This is why I chose Teulon for my family.

3. Last year we had 4 acclaimed councillors and 1 voted in mayor representing our town, and decisions were made that would more likely of had the community's support if council members were actually voted in. I decided that running for council means the residents of Teulon have another option, ultimately, leading to a group of councillors that were actually elected in by a vote, so more likely having the respect of the community that way. Maybe I'm not the only one that thought this, I feel having 10 citizens running for councillor is a great idea and gives choices.

4. If elected, I hope to be part of a group that can function and make decisions, together. I have a lot of experience working with the public. I think my greatest strength is working with people, and also getting things done effectively. When council doesn't function well, decisions don't get made efficiently, the towns money ends up getting spent, and the entire community suffers.

My goals to start would be to get council back on track, ensuring the leaders of Teulon are honest and accountable, and then anything after that...I'm full of other ideas and suggestions.

5. I am a father, grandfather, and an average citizen, just like anyone else who wants to see their family grow in Teulon. A real effort needs to be shown so that our families can stay here. Efforts like more daycare spaces, for example, would be an asset in helping our families.

This is my first interest in being part of politics and I would be approaching it as a business and family man, and less as a politician. Campaigning isn't an interest, I'd rather talk to you anytime, not just because I'm running for council. Anyone interested only has to stop by the store to find me.



Sean Fisher

My name is Sean Fisher. I live at 60 Beach Road West in Teulon. I have lived there for 10 years with my wife Patty and our children, Naudia, Jasmine, Ezra and T-Yana.

I grew up in Gunton and went to school in Teulon. I am a roofing and siding contractor.

I am a Christian. My faith in God is a guiding factor in everything I do. I attend Alive Family Church in Stonewall and lead a Bible study on Monday evenings with a wonderful group of people at Gateway Manor in Teulon.

Some major issues currently impacting Teulon:

- Frustration with council's perceived lack of respect for constituents.

- drug related crime

- recreational infrastructure

- how to achieve business and residential growth

I am running in this election because I want people to have confidence that they are being heard.

If you have an idea or concern, you need to know there is someone that will listen and genuinely cares about what matters to you.

When people know that they can speak and will be listened to, that their concerns are valid, communication begins. Ideas flow. Inspiration happens. Problem solvers speak up and contribute. All members of the community need to have a voice, because otherwise... whose perfect voice is not being heard?

If elected, I hope to spark the people of Teulon. There is no limit to what we can do when fired up and running on all cylinders. We can be an example for other communities. We can push forward and lead the way. Tapping into each other's strengths and growing stronger together. We have a common goal, to build our town and make it strong, because it is part of us and we are part of it. It is our home.

Support me if you want. If not, I will still be engaged and involved.

I hope you will as well. Matt Ewankiw

1. My name is Matt Ewankiw. I am retired and have lived in Teulon for 45 years. My wife Helen and I have two children and five grand children. I have worked locally in the Agriculture industry for 45 years as a grain elevator agent and manager of a farm retail business. I was a councilor for the town of Teulon previously for two complete terms. I was the chairman of several boards and represented the town on numerous committees.

2. Major issues currently impacting the community are a deteriorating infrastructure, the ongoing increase in property crime and a lack of cooperation/stability within the town council itself.

3. My love of this community has led me to have great concern regarding the previous failure of local government. I served on council with great success for two terms in the past and I felt that my previous experience and fair nature would be a great asset to our town. I want to bring transparency, stability and common-sense back to our local government.

4. If elected I would place priority on the following three issues.

The deterioration of infrastructure is inevitable and the systematic maintenance thereof is critical. In this I propose to conduct an overall assessment of our situation and implement a schedule for ongoing measures to both maintain and improve these foundations of our community. This takes into consideration our financial status and implementing measures accordingly. We must operate within our means.

I believe that a Citizens on Patrol (COP) program would be most beneficial in our town. The increase in property crime is relative to the drug crisis and it is already being felt here. I commit to spearhead this program as an active citizen on patrol in an effort to protect our family based community and to deter the bad elements from operating here.

5. My retired status gives me ample time every day to deal with citizens' concerns & issues. I am energetic and my previous council success and experience should give voters great confidence in my ability to serve them and our Town. Personally I am very easy to talk to, friendly & approachable and above all, *available. With a very modest tax-base in Teulon, dollars must be spent with great care. Having worked hard my entire life, I know the value of a dollar and how to spend a dollar wisely. I am not a"follower" or a"yesguy" however by nature I am cooperative and a team-player. I have a passion for solving/resolving difficult problems and I look forward to working with the other elected individuals for the benefit of our town and the families who live here ..



Robin Nishibata

1. My name is Robin Nishibata and I have lived in Teulon for 10 years raising my family. I am a mother of two boys, Jayse and Keaton, a step mom to my partner Vaughn's children Carly and Cody, and a foster parent to my two nieces. I am the Executive Director for the Selkirk Friendship Centre and have worked for them for 16 years. I have worked with government at a municipal, provincial and federal level and I am prepared to advocate for our community with this experience.

2. The biggest challenge for our last government was working together. If we are all working for the constituents of Teulon then it should be cohesive. Agreed to disagree and continue to move forward. This is why my main focus is getting together with elected council, residents and business owners and laying out a plan for the future. We need this to successfully move forward with goals for everyone's future. Planning and prioritizing the issues our community is faced with. Every community has issues and/or concerns that need to be dealt with. We need to be proactive and not reactive in every situation.

3. I have decided to run for council because I love our community and would like the opportunity to use my life and work experience to make a difference and lead our community into a positive direction of change. In addition to my work experience, I also sit on a variety of committees and boards in the Interlake and surrounding area. Teulon needs positive change and a plan. I can be a part of the team that will move us forward.

4. If elected, I will work hard for this community. My first priority will be developing plan. What does Teulon need? What are our strengths? How can we build on our strengths and achieve positive outcomes? I love coming home to Teulon every day and I want all of our community members to feel that way. I will work hard to close the gaps, implement positive change, and provide open and honest discussions with those I serve.

5. I hope I can gain the confidence of our citizens. I know I can be a great team player. My work and life experience will be an asset to the community. I'm ready to talk, I will listen and I will work hard to move forward to make Teulon the best place to live, work and play! I am passionate about community, families, parks and recreation. I am also a strong believer in process! There is policies, procedures, by-laws and ethics to govern the work that needs to be done. I hope to receive your vote on December 11th. And thank you in advance for your support.

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Cherise Griffin

1. I'm a mother of 2 and a 3rd generation resident of Teulon where I've lived my whole except 2 years when I received my diploma in Business Administration. I know my background in Business and Real Estate Development is a strength that will be an asset in ensuring Teulon continues to grow. I've proudly served as a town of Teulon Councillor from 2006-2018. This past political experience has given me a strong foundation and wealth of knowledge on issues Council will be dealing with and makes me an asset to be elected to Town Council. 2. I believe the largest issue affecting our community is that this past year has brought division to our once peaceful, inclusive and accepting community. Once elected, Council has to instill trust with the town residents and work together as a respectful team, united with a common goal of making Teulon a place we all can be proud of. Other issues affecting Teulon is that we need to be progressive and promote development for our community to not only survive but to thrive and grow. Residents are also concerned about maintaining and maximizing programming in our facilities which I will work diligently to address.

3. I am running for Council again as there is a possibility of having an inexperienced

council elected, I would be an asset given my extensive knowledge and background of the issues and know I can make a positive difference. I have devoted many years volunteering in Teulon because I love my community and have always been passionate and enthusiastic about ensuring that we live in a community that offers amenities, services and activities all residents can enjoy. In saying this, there are still areas we need to improve and I have progressive ideas on how this can be accomplished.

4. If elected I will I encourage and support the elected Council and be respectful of their opinions and agree with the consensus once decisions are made so we can positively move forward. In the upcoming term I will work hard with the cooperation of fellow Council members to start the steps needed to develop the stretch of CP land which will stimulate our economy and allow our community to grow. I also plan on addressing residents current and future concerns about what they want for Teulon and work hard to build our image in a positive wav.

5. Voters should support me because I will work diligently with the rest of Council and will bring progressive ideas to the table so we can make the improvements needed in our town. I will listen to residents concerns and have open and honest communication to build transparency and trust. When I was first elected to Council I could not have imagined starting off without someone on Council with substantial experience, knowledge and history of past and current issues so it's vital someone with is amount of knowledge is elected to Council.



June Makowski

I have lived in Teulon my whole life. I went to school here and I have worked here as well. I do not have any political experience but I am passionate when it comes to the well being of our town. I believe the people of Teulon are unhappy with the current situation and are looking for town council to do better. People working together with one common goal (the progress of Teulon) we can accomplish great things. I would like to see the high standards of our infrastructure maintained, our recreational facilities used more and promoted to surrounding areas to attract people here. We have a lot to offer someone, be it starting a small business, sending their children to really great schools, living in a safe community and having the services necessary to live a good life. I believe that I can promote that and with the hard work I am prepared to do Teulon will progress and grow. I will advocate for services for our residents and accessibility to all. I would love for everyone to know what council is deciding and planning for the future, information is valuable and when people are informed they can make educated decisions. They can also get excited about the future knowing everyone has the best interest of the town in mind. I would like people to be proud to live here and talk positively about their home, good things happen when people are happy. If people vote for me they are voting for progress and working together, honesty and integrity, boosting people up, good publicity and top notch services. I will work hard for you and together we will succeed.



Angela Green

1. I have lived in Teulon for 15 years. I am a Chartered Professional Accountant with a proven track record for professionalism. I don't have previous political experience, but I have been an involved community member, volunteering on several boards for many years. I have two teenage children that also volunteer in the town.

2. Currently, the biggest issue is the divisiveness that has been created in our town. Residents of Teulon are concerned about recreation opportunities, infrastructure and safety. We need a new council that can work together collaboratively and respectfully to focus on these issues. The new council will have to hire new staff at the CAO and Assistant CAO positions. I am concerned that it will be difficult to attract qualified candidates to these positions due to the recent negative publicity and ongoing lawsuits. I believe we can get past this negativity by working together, encouraging cooperation and providing support for all the people working and volunteering for Teulon.

3. I wanted to run in this election because I am proud to live in Teulon. I believe that I can make a positive contribution towards moving Teulon forward. We have some great facilities and organizations in our town, including the library, Green Acres Park, our arenas and our community hall. I want the Town Council to get back to focusing on building, maintaining and expanding these services.

4. If elected, I will work to support a collaborative municipal Council. I will work to foster decision making based on discussion and consensus. I will work to have a town office where staff and residents can express opinions and ideas and feel that they are being respected and not bullied. I hope to have positive publicity for the town to make people feel welcome and to remind people that Teulon IS a Great Place to Come Home to.

5. Voters should support me because I will work for what is best for the town. I will listen to residents and communicate clearly about decisions that are made. I encourage the residents of Teulon to speak to committee members who have worked with all of the candidates on volunteer boards and committees. I am confident they will find I have a reputation for being hardworking, professional and willing to listen to everyone's ideas. I would be honored to serve the residents of Teulon.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS ON DECEMBER 11TH





Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 2 minutes per pancake Yield: 12 pancakes (3 per serving) 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder

- 11/2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup 2% or non-fat milk

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 cups Aunt Jemima Original Complete or Buttermilk Complete Pancake & Waffle Mix

1/4 cup water marshmallow spread (optional) chocolate syrup (optional) Aunt Jemima Syrup (optional)



Servings: 8

- Cherry Filling:1/2cup Domino Golden Sugar1tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 cup water or unsweetened cherry juice

2 cups fresh or frozen pitted tart (Montmorency) cherries2 tablespoons cherry brandy

(optional) Cake:

- 1 2/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup cocoa powder
- 11/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 1/2 cups Domino Golden Sugar 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk

Stabilized Whipped Cream:

- 1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin
- 2 tablespoons cold water

2 cups (1 pint) heavy whipping cream 2 tablespoons Domino Golden Sugar chocolate curls or shavings, for garnish (optional)

To make cherry filling: In medium saucepot, whisk sugar and cornstarch with water or juice then bring to boil

FamilyFoods Phone 467-5553 Hot Cocoa Pancakes

Heat skillet over medium-low heat or electric griddle to 375 F. In microwave-safe bowl, mix cocoa

powder, sugar, milk and vanilla until well combined. Heat in microwave 30 seconds, or until warm. Stir again to ensure mixture is combined.

Combine cocoa mixture, pancake mix and water. Stir until large lumps disappear (do not beat or overmix). If batter is too thick, add additional 1-2 tablespoons water.

Pour slightly less than 1/4 cup batter onto lightly greased skillet or griddle. Cook 90 seconds, or until bubbles appear on surface. Turn and cook additional 30 seconds. Repeat with remaining batter.

Top pancakes with marshmallow spread and drizzle chocolate syrup, or top with syrup.

Black Forest Cake

over medium heat. Stir in cherries and cherry brandy, if desired, and boil 2-3 minutes, stirring, until sauce is thick and translucent. Drain cherries from sauce and set both aside.

To make cake layers: Heat oven to 350 F. Line bottoms of three 8-inch round cake pans with parchment paper. Grease and flour bottoms and sides.

In medium bowl, sift flour, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt.

In mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar 2 minutes on medium speed. Add eggs and vanilla; beat 1 minute. Stir in flour mixture and buttermilk.

Pour batter evenly among cake pans and bake 20-22 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool and remove layers from pans. To make stabilized whipped cream: In small pan or microwaveable bowl, combine gelatin and cold water; allow gelatin to bloom. Heat until gelatin melts and dissolves; set aside.

In chilled bowl, whip cream with chilled beaters until soft peaks form. Add sugar and gelatin; beat until stiff. Prick tops of two bottom layers with fork and brush cherry filling over layers. Sandwich bottom layers with a 1/4-inchthick spread of stabilized whipped cream. Sandwich second and top layer with same whipped cream. Spread remaining whipped cream over top layer and sides. Garnish with shaved chocolate, if desired, and decorate with any remaining whipped cream.



Winter for some can be difficult, especially when it is cold, dark and long. Those who enjoy winter sports tend to do much better, so these words are for those who find winter a challenge.

Instead of thinking of what you do not like about winter, and comparing it to spring and summer, do a little re-framing. Think of winter as a time of semi-hibernation; a time to rest and renew after a busy spring, summer and autumn.

Allow your focus to move inward, taking stock of where you are, where you are going, and of the blessings you have.

Take classes, or enjoy activities you would not have considered when there were so many summer activities to do.

Cuddle up by the fireplace, or

Welcome Winter

snuggle in bed with a good book, and pretend you are relaxing in a cabin in the snowy woods.

Start a big jigsaw puzzle the whole family can work on. Use more candles, to create a sense of light and warmth.

Write in a journal, or, if you have children, write letters they can read when they grow up - in which you share your reflections and your wisdom- they will be treasured.

Do these things, instead of spending time with television or the computer, because they are soul satisfying.

Welcome winter as a time of rest and renewal, as nature intended it to be.

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Prep time: 25 minutes

Cook time: 15 minutes

1 pound (3 medium) Wisconsin yellow-flesh potatoes, cut into 3/4-inch chunks

1 small butternut squash (about 1 pound), peeled, seeded and cut into

1-inch chunks water

1 teaspoon salt, plus additional, to taste, divided

3 tablespoons butter, divided

8-10 fresh (2-3-inch) sage leaves, stacked and cut into 1/4-inch strips 1/2 cup 1% milk

freshly ground black pepper, to taste In 3-quart saucepan, cover potatoes and squash with water; add 1 teaspoon



Browned Butter Smashed Potatoes with Butternut Squash

salt.

Bring to boil over high heat; reduce heat, cover and cook until tender, 12-15 minutes.

In small saucepan over medium heat, mix 2 tablespoons butter and sage. Tilting pan and watching closely, cook about 3 minutes, until butter foams and begins to brown; keep warm.

Thoroughly drain potatoes and squash, return to pan and shake 1-2 minutes over low heat. Using hand masher, roughly mash to create chunky mixture.

Over low heat, gently mix in remaining butter and milk.

Season with salt and pepper, to taste. Spoon into serving bowl and drizzle with brown butter and sage.





Team Klimpke victorious at MJCT championship

By Ty Dilello

For the second weekend in a row, Stonewall's Emerson Klimpke came out victorious, this time winning the MJCT Tour Championships at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club in Winnipeg.

Klimpke took the hard route by going 2-2 in the round robin and then had to win two tiebreaker games just to get them into the semi-final. After beating Jordon McDonald in the semi-final 6-1, Klimpke went on to defeat Ryan Wiebe 5-3 in the finals.

This was Klimpke's first Tour Championship victory and his young squad featuring Jayden Rutter, Tim Johnson and Reece Hamm are quietly becoming a team to look out for at the upcoming Telus U21 Provincials in Dauphin.

Klimpke is aging out of juniors after this season and would love nothing more than to finish off with a provincial championship.

On the girls' side, Moosehorn's Talyia Tober went 0-4 at the Tour Championship and will need to pick up their provincials berth this coming weekend at regionals if they are hoping to have a chance at representing Manitoba at the junior nationals.

In other curling news, Riverton natives Tracy Andries (skip) and Crystal Kennedy (third) made up half of Team Manitoba this past week at the 2019 Canadian Curling Club Championships in Leduc, Alta. The Canadian Curling Club Championships is an annual event that features the top "club level" curlers from every province and territory in Canada, plus Northern Ontario. The first event was held in 2009 as a way for club curlers to have a national championship to play for.

Each province and territory holds a series of playdowns where only one team per curling club is allowed an entry. The event features only "club level" curlers. This means that top curling teams are barred from entry. Teams can only have one player who has played in a provincial men's, women's or seniors' event that season or the previous season or in a Grand Slam of Curling event that year or in the previous year.

Andries and her squad were curling out of the Fort Rouge Curling Club in Winnipeg and won the provincial championships last spring to get them to the Nationals. Andries had won the curling club national championships previously in 2016 and was coming in as one of the event's favourites. Unfortunately, Andries went 3-3 in the round robin and failed to advance to the playoff round.

On the men's side, Team Manitoba's representative Derek Blanchard didn't fare any better, finishing with a 2-4 result and missing the playoffs as well.

On the World Curling Tour, Team William Lyburn featuring a pair of



Team Emerson Klimpke out of the Stonewall Curling Club after winning the MJCT Tour Championships this past weekend.

Interlakers Wade Ford and Kennedy Bird were competing at an event in Saskatoon this past weekend and after a strong start, Lyburn lost three straight qualifying games that would have put them in the quarterfinals to come home empty-handed.

Finally, the Tanner Horgan rink with the Lott brothers have departed for China to take part in the Qinghai Curling Elite event featuring teams for countries around the world. Team Horgan will be wearing the Maple Leaf as Team Canada this week overseas and are looking to bring home the gold.

"We're all very excited and looking forward to the event in China," said second Kyle Doering. "The team has been playing well all season with some great results so this is another big event to show what we can do as a team and anytime you get a chance to represent Canada you want to give all you got and play your best."

Call for Nominations for Sport Manitoba's Night of Champions

Submitted by Sport Manitoba

Sport Manitoba is calling on the public and media to nominate those in our sport community for the Night of Champions on March 21 at the Club Regent Event Centre.

The annual event celebrates sport excellence in Manitoba by recognizing our province's dedicated and influential individuals and teams.

"It's important to get the word out in our community when we come together to recognize our province's athletes, teams, officials, volunteers and coaches at an event like this," said Sport Manitoba president and CEO Jeff Hnatiuk in a media release. "It's a time to acknowledge a wide range of remarkable contributions in sport, and we hope to see many eager nominators this year who shine a spotlight on those who have had a positive impact on our sport community."

The Award Categories for Night of Champions are:

Junior Athlete (Male & Female)* Junior Team* Open Athlete (Male & Female)* Open Team* Official Volunteer Youth Volunteer Coach (Male & Female) ** *Junior athletes are those competing in Junior categories as determined by their national sport organization. Athletes competing in Open categories are as determined by their national sport organization.

**Coach of the Year winners are selected from nominations for the Sport Manitoba Coaching Awards.

The voting will be conducted by the Manitoba sports media to select winners for the following categories: Junior athletes, Open athletes, Junior team, and Open team.

A Selection Committee will select winners for Volunteer, Youth Volunteer, and Official awards. The Sport Manitoba Coaching selection committee will select the Coaches of the Year.

The nomination deadline is Dec. 15. Nominations are currently open to the public and media for all categories, and eligibility is for performances and accomplishments during the 2019 calendar year.

You can nominate online or submit your nomination via email to events@ sportmanitoba.ca.

Tickets for the event go on sale soon and will be available at www.sportmanitoba.ca. DOPTS&recreation

Wildcats win bronze at MHSAA AA varsity girls' volleyball provincials

By Brian Bowman

The Warren Collegiate Wildcats' varsity girls' volleyball team's quest for a second-straight MHSAA AA provincial title ended on Saturday.

Warren's goal all season was extinguished after a tough semifinal loss to the Gabrielle Roy-Les Roys at the varsity girls' provincial championship in Boissevain.

Warren lost the match 2-1 by scores of 25-21, 24-26, 8-15.

"In the second set, we had them at 18-10 or 18-9 and then Gabrielle Roy came back and got us," said Wildcats' head coach Tyler Oliver. "It was a bit of a heart-breaker that's for sure. The girls and everybody had expectations of us at least being in the final or bringing that big trophy back home to Warren. But that's sports, sometimes you get it and sometimes there's upsets and you don't. It was a good life lesson for the girls, you always have to work."

That close loss in the second set after blowing a large lead was a real heartbreaker.

But the Wildcats redeemed themselves in the third-place game with a hard-fought 2-0 win (26-24, 27-25) over Russell's Major Pratt Trojans.

There were plenty of long rallies and great defensive plays made by both teams.

Winning a bronze medal at a provincial championship is a great accomplishment.

"It was a good game and a hard match to get up for," Oliver said. "We had to refocus after losing a hardfought semifinal where we were up and probably should have been able to put it away."

Warren posted a 3-1 record in pool play to place first out of the five teams. The Wildcats swept the Landmark 96ers 2-0 by scores of 25-21 and 25-12 and the Carberry Cougars (25-10, 25-22).

Warren also defeated the Springs Christian Eagles 2-1 (25-23, 25-27, 15-8). Warren lost 2-1 (22-25, 25-22, 11-15) to the Boissevain Broncos.

On an individual note, Warren's Paige Wright won the Players' Choice Award and was also named a provincial all star.

"She absolutely got what she deserved, for sure," Oliver said. "She is an outstanding force and she leads. She's always positive and always cheering her teammates on all that while she was battling the flu. ... She's a phenomenal athlete."

Överall, the Wildcats enjoyed another very successful season.

"We set that goal back in the beginning of September to hopefully qualify for provincials and to win it all," Oliver said. "Just because we didn't meet that (second) goal, it doesn't come close to say it wasn't a successful season because it absolutely was. The girls worked so hard and gained so much and came so far from where they were in September.

"Losing that core group last year to the way that these girls developed and got better all season long was remarkable."

In varsity boys' MHSAA AA provincial volleyball action in Killarney, Warren finished with an 0-4 record in pool play and did not advance to the playoffs.

Warren suffered 2-0 losses to the Green Valley Pirates (16-25, 10-25), Killarney Raiders (12-25, 21-25) and the Gabrielle Roy Les-Roys (15-25, 19-



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED Warren's Paige Wright won the Players' Choice Award and was also named a provincial all star.

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The Wildcats also lost a tough 2-1 (25-21, 22-25, 9-15) decision to the Major Pratt Trojans.

Junior high divisional volleyball champions



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The Grosse Isle Flyers' girls' team was undefeated in junior high divisional playoffs on their way to winning the Interlake banner last week. The Flyers won their semifinal match against Stony Mountain and defeated Woodlands in the final. The Teulon Saints junior high boys' team defeated Stony Mountain in three sets in the semifinals before beating Stonewall in three sets to win the divisional banner. Both teams competed at provincials last weekend and finished ninth. Left photo, back row, left to right, Amanda Clemis (coach), Rianna Cassils, Jessie Habermann, Mia Lange, Addison Campbell, Mia Cassils, Ashley Hudon, Abbi Dorsch and Monica Baldwin (coach). Front row, Meadow Seidel, Alycia Galbraith, Colby Darragh, Jadyn Baldwin, Sarah Gilmore, Samie Boonstra and Kim Cassils (coach). Right photo, back row, left to right Josh T., Dylan V., Kelvyn K., Anthony O., Tyler C., and Lori Wutke-Lambourne. Front row, Ethan I., Jaxson G. and Sam L.

Slow start grounds Jets against the Raiders

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets had a very slow start against the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club on Sunday afternoon.

And it resulted in a loss.

Stonewall dropped a 6-3 decision to the Raiders in Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League action at the Seven Oaks Sportsplex.

The Raiders' Jayden Pikel opened the scoring just 1:30 into the game and then Juliano Garcea and Nick Sharpe made it 3-0 by the 14:02 mark of the first period.

But Stonewall battled back with three consecutive goals.

James Maxwell cut into the lead at 17:05 of the first period and then Carson Ouellette tallied just 39 seconds later. Ouellette then sniped a power-play marker at 18:02 of the second period to tie the score at 3-3. It was his teamleading ninth goal of the season.

The Raiders, though, would take over in the third.

James Barclay netted the eventual game winner at 7:16 of the final frame and then Jayce Kennedy tallied six minutes later.

The Raiders' Carter Ives' iced the victory with an empty-net goal as the Jets' goaltender was pulled for the extra attacker.

Last Friday, Stonewall skated to a solid 4-1 road win over the last-place River East Royal Knights.

Jets' forward Keevan Daniels-Webb and River East's Curtis Rebeck traded first-period goals and then Brendan Labossiere and Daniels-Webb tallied in the second.

Maxwell iced the win with an empty-net goal with 1:09 remaining. He finished the game with four points.

Adam Swan made 29 saves for the victory.

The Jets, now 10-9, are back in action Wednesday when they host the firstplace Pembina Valley Twisters and then the St. Boniface Riels will be in Stonewall on Friday. Both games start at 7:30 p.m.

On Sunday at 3:45 p.m., Stonewall will visit the Charleswood Hawks.

In off-ice news, the Jets' Jared Hulme was named the MMJHL's Defenceman of the Month for November.

Hulme scored four goals and had seven points in nine games last month.



Jaren Hulme was named the MMJHL's Defenceman of the Month.

Rams bucked in MHSAA AAA varsity boys' volleyball provincial quarter-final

Staff

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams' season came to an end after a quarterfinal loss to Steinbach Christian at the MHSAA AAA varsity boys' volleyball provincials. Steinbach Christian won the game 2-0 by scores of 25-14 and 25-20.

In pool play, the Rams finished with an 0-3 record.

Stonewall suffered 2-0 losses to the Linden Christian Wings (17-25, 11-25) and Neelin Spartans (17-25, 18-25). The Dauphin Clippers then downed

Stonewall 2-1 (23-25, 25-13, 15-8). The Westgate Wings won the provincial title after beating the Calvin Christian Eagles 2-0 (25-20, 25-22) in the gold-medal game on Saturday. In the third-place game, Northlands Parkway defeated Linden Christian 2-1 by scores of 21-25, 25-21 and 15-7.

Arborg power play potent in win over Lundar

By Brian Bowman

The Arborg Ice Dawgs took advantage of the Lundar Falcons' penchant for taking penalties on Saturday.

Arborg scored three power-play goals to defeat the Falcons 6-5 in Lundar in Capital Junior Hockey League action.

Logan Clarke had a hat trick for Arborg while Logan Brown, Blaze Bezecki, and Tom Moneyas added singles. Daron Monkman had two assists.

Josh Wilkinson led Lundar with two goals and an assist. Ryan Gleich, Jayden Allary, and Ronald Johnson also scored for the Falcons.

Allary, Braden Paulic, and Elmer Maytwayshing each had two points in the game.

Tre Strachan made 22 saves for the win.

Last Friday, the Ice Dawgs lost 6-5 at home to the North Winnipeg Satelites Arborg led 3-1 after the first period

but North Winnipeg responded with four second-period goals.

Bezecki scored twice for the Ice Dawgs while Hunter Warman had a goal and two assists. Arborg's Blaine Wishnowski and Monkman each had a goal and an assist.

Darian Emes (two), Liam McClintok, Easton Walker, Brett Williams, and Angel Gjorgievski replied for North Winnipeg.

The Ice Dawgs outshot the Satelites 62-46.

Arborg is back on the ice Thursday when it hosts the Selkirk Fishermen. The Ice Dawgs will then play at Lundar on Saturday. Both games will start at 7:30 p.m.

Lundar, meanwhile, lost 5-3 at home to the St. Malo Warriors on Sunday evening. Alex Murray led St. Malo with four goals, including three in the first period. Maxime Collette had a goal and three assists for the Warriors.

Paulic scored once and had an assist for Lundar while Derek Benson and Colby Choken also tallied. Wilkinson chipped in with two assists.

Lundar goalie Chris Lesage made 22 saves.

The Falcons will battle the Warriors in Lundar on Friday at 8 p.m.



Fisher nets pair of goals to lift Manitoba to a women's hockey victory



Mekaela Fisher

Staff

Mekaela Fisher scored a pair of third-period goals to lift the University of Manitoba Bison women's hockey team to a 3-1 victory over the Lethbridge Pronghorns at the Wayne Fleming Arena on Friday evening.

Lethbridge's Allison Borrow gave the Pronghorns a 1-0 lead with a goal just over three minutes into the second period.

But early in the third, Fisher, a Warren product, banged home a loose rebound to tie the score.

The Bisons' Jenai Buchanan made it 2-1 with 2:52 remaining in the third.

Fisher then added her second goal of the night into an empty net to seal the victory for Manitoba. She now has three goals in eight games this season.

On Saturday, Manitoba skated to a 2-1 overtime win over Lethbridge.

Bison captain Jordyn Zacharias scored the game winner in OT.

Kate Gregoire gave Manitoba a 1-0 lead with a second-period goal but Lethbridge's Madi Porter tied the score just a few minutes later.

Manitoba, now 5-11 overall, will be off until Jan. 3-4 when it plays the Mount Royal Cougars in Calgary.

Rams' stellar defensive play ends with loss

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams played some outstanding defensive hockey the past few weeks.

But that ended last Thursday.

Stonewall was defeated 9-2 by the Glenlawn Collegiate Lions in Winnipeg High School Hockey League action at the St. Vital Arena.

Glenlawn snapped a 1-1 secondperiod tie with four goals and then added four more goals in the third.

Lucas Singh scored a first-period goal for the Rams and then Rhett Woods tallied in the third. Adrian Klimpke assisted on both goals.

Connor Davis (three), Aaron Bertschinger (two), Mathew Trott, Gavin Lundle, Paxton Malcolm and Blake Lee replied for Glenlawn.

On Nov. 27, Stonewall played well in

a 2-0 loss to the Sanford Sabres.

"We actually played pretty good," said Rams' head coach Kyle Nixon. "We've been figuring out our game a little bit in the last little while. (This was) the first time in a little while that we struggled to put the puck in the net but we had lots of chances and power-play opportunities."

After a scoreless opening period, Talon Weselak gave Sanford a 1-0 second-period lead. Zach Erb made it 2-0 with 2:03 remaining in the game.

Before the loss to the Lions, Stonewall had outscored the opposition by an impressive 13-3 margin in four games.

"They're starting to put it together a little bit," Nixon said. "A lot of these guys, either in Grade 12 or Grade 10, the way we want them to play is new to them. I think there's a learning curve there and they kind of figured it out as to what gives them the best chance to be successful and both are goalies have been very good.

"We've been really good defensively and it has obviously helped."

The Rams battled the Kildonan East Reivers on Tuesday at Gateway Arena but no score was available at press time.

Stonewall won't play another league game again until Dec. 11 when they take on the Kelvin Clippers at River Heights Arena. Game time is 4:15 p.m. But the Rams will be in Brandon this Thursday through Sunday for a 24team tournament.

Warren Mercs tied atop SEMHL standings

Staff

The Warren Mercs are keeping pace with the Carman Beavers in the race for first place in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League standings.

The Mercs defeated the Morden Redskins 4-1 on Saturday evening in Warren.

Warren's Aldyn Gray opened the scoring 2:47 into the game and then Chase Faulkner made it 2-0 just over four minutes later.

Faulkner netted his second goal of the game just 17 seconds into the middle frame. He leads Warren in goals scored with five in six games this season.

Morden's Joey Baker and Warren's Reid MacLeod then traded goals late in the third period.

Johnny Lazo and Taylor Dickin each had two assists in the game. Lazo leads the Mercs with 10 points in seven games. Hayden Dola made 28 saves for the victory. Warren outshot Morden by a whopping 65-29 margin.

With the win, Warren is now 5-1-1-0 and has 11 points. Carman also has 11 points with a 5-0-0-1 record. The Beavers defeated Morden 6-3 last Thursday.

The Mercs are back in action Saturday when they host the Winkler Royals. Puck drop is 8 p.m.

U18 Winnipeg Wild a tough team for Lightning

By Brian Bowman

The Winnipeg Wild are certainly a tough team to play against.

The Interlake Lightning were reminded of that on Sunday afternoon. Winnipeg whipped the Interlake 8-0

in Manitoba AAA U18 Hockey League action at the Bell MTS Iceplex.

The first-place Wild grabbed a 5-0 first-period lead with two goals from Jackson Klewchuk and singles by Matthew Wisener, Tyson Smith and Brandon McCartney.

McCartney scored the only goal of the second period and then Klewchuk and Carter Halamandaris (shorthanded) tallied late in the third.

The Wild outshot the Lightning 40-14.

Last Friday, Interlake was nipped 5-4 in overtime by the Southwest Cougars in Teulon.

Hunter Wallace scored the game winner on the power play.

Interlake's Griffin Haight had tied the score at 4-4 with a power-play goal at 15:51 of the third period.

Southwest led 2-0 after 20 minutes on goals by Jordan Boyechko and Brayden Knox. Matthew Ramsey made it 3-0 early in the second before the Lightning received goals from Karson King (on the power play), Lyle Murdock and Haight.

But Ramsey scored a shorthanded goal with just 18 seconds remaining in the middle frame to put the visitors up 4-3.

Lightning goaltender Chris Fines made 34 saves.

On Nov. 27, the Lightning were doubled 4-2 by the Eastman Selects in Teulon.

Tied at 1-1 in the third, Eastman scored three straight goals to go up 4-1.

King scored a second-period goal for the Lightning and then Ashton Charison tallied in the third.

Hayden Fast, with a pair, Ryan Forster and Cabral LaBossiere replied for Eastman. Eastman outshot Interlake 40-22 as Fines made 36 saves.

Interlake will host the Central Plains Capitals on Wednesday (8 p.m.) in Teulon and then will hit the road to play the Pembina Valley Hawks Saturday (5:15 p.m.) in Morden.

The Yellowhead Chiefs will visit Teulon on Sunday for a 2 p.m. game.

In off-ice news, the league announced that the Lightning's Ethan Johnson was the CCM Hockey Defenceman of the Month for November.

In 10 games played during the month, Johnson had eight points (one goal and seven assists).

The 6-foot-1 175-pounder tallied a point in six of eight games to start the month.

The Winnipeg product is in his second season with the Lightning and has two goals and 13 assists in 22 games this season. Johnson is protected by the Steinbach Pistons of the Manitoba Junior Hockey League.

Bantam Lightning blast Central Plains Capitals

Staff

The Interlake Lightning Bantam boys' hockey team had a real nice bounce-back game against the Central Plains Capitals on Sunday.

After getting ripped 7-0 by the Winnipeg Warriors on Saturday, Interlake came right back the next day with a convincing 7-0 win over Central Plains.

The Lightning took a 2-0 first-period lead on goals from Rylan Slatcher and Hayden Wheddon (shorthanded) and then Adam Vigfusson made it 3-0 with a second-period marker.

Wheddon scored a pair to start the third and then Carter Boughton and Nicholas LeClair closed out the scoring.

Wheddon finished the game with five points while Slatcher had three. Dawson Cowan stopped 24 Central

Plains shots for the shutout.

In the loss to Winnipeg, Brett Kaiser (two), Dario Macchia (two), Chase Simon, Jack McFeetors and Lukas Hansen scored for the Warriors.

Dylan LeClair and Cowan shared the goaltending duties for the Lightning.

Interlake will host the Norman Wolves on Saturday (7 p.m.) in Stone-

wall and then will play the Winnipeg Sharks Sunday (2:30 p.m.) in Warren. The U17 Prep Lightning, meanwhile, lost both of their games against the Eastman Selects last week.

Last Thursday, Interlake was defeated 7-1 by Eastman in Stonewall.

Alexander Kaczorowski scored an unassisted goal in the second period. Easton Kapelus, Trey Sellen, and

Kaycee Cole, on the power play, scored for Eastman in the first period. Carter Johannesson, Derek Jolicouer,

Kapelus and Sellon (power play) tallied for the Selects in the third.

Zack Meadows made 36 saves in the losing cause.

On Sunday, the Selects beat the Lightning 8-3.

Connor Crosby, Kaczorowski, and Kai Tymchak scored for the Interlake. Two of the Lightning's goals were scored with the man advantage.

Jolicouer (two), Ty McNaughton, Johannesson, Cole Gratton, Tanner Amos, Reece Belot and Briggs Jowett replied for the Selects.

Meadows faced a lot of rubber as he made 53 saves.

Interlake will host the Brandon Wheat Kings this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Warren.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Lightning's Alexander Kaczorowski scored Interlake's lone goal in their 7-1 lost to Eastman last Thursday in Stonewall.

Stonewall stick curling bonspiel champs



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY BEV SCHICK

Last Saturday, 22 teams competed in the Stonewall Curling Club's annual Stick Curling Bonspiel. Winners of the A-side, left photo, left to right, Ross MacMillan and Jim Rouse. Middle photo, B-side champions Don Lewicki and Phil Brauen. Right photo, Rae and Tom Campbell. The Stick League in Stonewall runs on Monday mornings with two draws, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. It is a drop-in league and costs \$5 a game. For more information, contact Don Lewicki at either (204) 467-9465 or (204) 770-0681. He can also be reached via email at drlewicki@hotmail.com.

Teulon Healthcare Foundation gaining traction

By Evan Matthews

An old Teulon healthcare organization is making its presence known around the community once more; now under a different name.

The Teulon Healthcare Foundation — formerly known, as far back as the 1950s, as the Teulon Hunter Memorial Health District Foundation — is a volunteer organization focused on raising funds to offset the shortcomings in local healthcare funding, according to one of its board members, David Oakley.

"People who live all over the (Interlake) region use the Hunter Memorial Hospital or the Goodwin Lodge. Teulon is a bit of a (healthcare) hub," said Oakley.

"We serve a much larger community outside of the Town of Teulon," he said.

The foundation serves the populations of the RMs of Rockwood, St. Andrews, Woodlands and Armstrong.

The foundation pools financial gifts into a capital fund, and the income generated in the fund is used to purchase and maintain medical equipment, beautify and maintain facilities and grounds, and assist in the recruitment of medical staff.

The organization also offers scholarships to those in the region heading into the healthcare field.

First-hand examples Most recently, in 2019, the founda-

tion has contributed to the purchase of a power lift stretcher for the Teulon Ambulance Service, according to board member and Teulon Handivan Chairperson Cherise Griffin, for roughly \$25,000.

"If someone is over 250 lbs., and EMS workers need to lift them, if they're physically unable to do that it can create problems," said Griffin.

"The fire department would then have to be called in, which is more money and takes resource away from other areas. With this purchase, EMS can do it themselves," she said.

Other previous purchases the foundation has contributed to include, the 2018 purchase of a \$25,000 Teulon Handivan, specialized mattresses and power lifts for patients at the Goodwin Lodge, as well as the cosmetic renovation to the 2015 Teulon Medical Clinic, which the foundation contributed \$55,000 toward flooring, painting, ceiling tiles, desks, etc.

Often, though, the public perceives these significant additions as equipment provided by the healthcare system, which Griffin said is simply not the case.

"In reality, if it wasn't for generous donations and the hard work of the foundation, many would go without," said Griffin.

"We do our best to locate funding, and use it as the region desires... We



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Pictured is the Teulon and District Handivan's most recent addition, a \$25,000 purchase funded by the Teulon Healthcare Foundation.

want to make a difference, and to do that we need people's donations," she said.

foundation provides The over \$20,000 annually to support the Teulon Hunter memorial Hospital, Goodwin Lodge and Teulon Handivan's day-to-day operational costs, too, according to Oakley.

Moving forward

While Griffin said the organization never turns away donations, her colleague suggested the organization would never turn away an idea, either.

Of note, Oakley said healthcare organizations around the region in need of equipment or maintenance should consider reaching out to the Teulon

Healthcare Foundation, as the foundation keeps a "wish list" of sorts for the region's healthcare sector.

"We have projects in the works, it's just a matter of timing," said Griffin. 'We're actively looking for opportunities to improve service in our larger regional community."

Oakley said as 2020 approaches, the foundation expects to continue playing a large role — "behind the scenes - in helping to support local healthcare by fundraising.

Donations can be made out to the Teulon Healthcare Foundation Inc., and mailed to PO Box 312, Teulon, MB, R0C 3B0.

Legislation introduced to strengthen consumer protection at driving schools



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the implementation of Mandatory Entry Level Training (MELT) for Class 1 driver education." commercial truck drivers, Infrastructoday.



to establishing and maintaining the integrity of mandatory As part of its 100-Day Action Plan, entry level training programs and reinforcing Manitoba's the Manitoba government has intro- commitment to road safety," said Schuler. "The governduced legislation that would support ment's progressive discipline approach will support driving schools' performance, improve road safety and enhance

The province and Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI) impleture Minister Ron Schuler announced mented mandatory entry level training as a prerequisite for a new Class 1 driver's licence as of Sept. 1, 2019. New legis-"Stronger consumer protection and lation will support MELT implementation through efficient compliance mechanisms are crucial enforcement tools and measures to protect students' financial and contractual rights.

The Drivers and Vehicles Amendment Act would:

require surety bonds from driving schools to provide students with financial compensation if the school suddenly closes, for reasons such as permit cancellation or business insolvency;

impose administrative penalties for schools and instructors that do not comply with legislative requirements or permit conditions; and

• expand the Licence Suspension Appeal Board's authority to hear appeals related to administrative penalties.

Schuler noted the legislation would create consistency in driver training programs across the province and harmonize Manitoba with other Canadian jurisdictions that offer MELT.

More information on MELT requirements for Class 1 licensing is available on the Manitoba Public Insurance website at www.mpi.mb.ca/Pages/mandatory-entry-level-training.aspx.

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Council.

Rural Municipality of Rockwood



The Rural Municipality of Woodlands is now accepting written requests for grants for the year 2020. Requests for funding may be for major projects, community enhancement and operations & annual support grants. Requests are to be submitted in writing to the Rural Municipality of Woodlands, Box 10, Woodlands, emailed to cao@rmwoodlands.ca or dropped off in person at 57 Railway Avenue, Woodlands between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Applications are available on our website at www.rmwoodlands.info or can be picked up at the office during regular office hours. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, January 15, 2020. Not all applications will be approved.

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Victor Dola - Words can't express our gratitude

to everyone for your kind words and thoughts,

visits, food, cards and compassion during this

difficult time of Vic's passing. Thank you to Ken

Loehmer for his expertise, to Mona Buchkowski

and her helpers for such an excellent lunch

and to Father Peter Chorney and Father Isidore

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acknowledge with sincere appreciation, your

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was held November 21, 2019. Thank you to

all who came out to support us. The winners

of the raffle were 1st prize - Judy Morin, quilt;

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BIRTHDAY

ANNOUNCEMENT



Sonia Kaschyshyn In honor of Sonia turning 80 years young, our family would like to invite you for a surpise birthday party of coffee and cake. on Sunday, December 8, 2019 from 1-4 pm., at the Inwood Manor, Inwood Any questions call 204-278-3234. No gifts please.

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Bill Peltz In Loving Memory of our son, husband, Dad, grandpa, brother, uncle Bill who left us suddenly on November 27, 2015 There will always be a sadness, And often a silent tear; But always special memories, Of days when you were here. -Lovingly remembered by Mom, Tracey, Ashley, Keegan, Samara, Lachlan, Sophia, Mark, Lisa, Jason, Ryan, Nicole and Ben





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BITUARY





John is survived by two daughters, Tracy Cook and Dana Cook. Predeceased by his wife, Connie; and parents, William and Alexina. A service will be held at a later date.

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OBITUARY

Clare Ann Lawrence April 26, 1927 - November 30 2019

Peacefully in her sleep, our beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother left us to go dancing with her man, Gordon, on November 30, 2019 at Rosewood Lodge in Stonewall.

Mom will be lovingly remembered by son Lyle and wife Nancy and their children Regan (Riley), Monica, and Brett; daughter Elaine Nickel, husband Lynn and their children Chris and Cara (Richard) and great-granddaughter Alanna.

Mom grew up in Prince Albert Saskatchewan before moving to Winnipeg to live with an aunt in 1942. Mom married Gordon in 1949 and moved to Lilyfield where they raised Elaine and Lyle and operated a family farm. Mom was a talented seamstress, making clothes for the family and also to sell for some pocket money. Mom loved to do crafts and created many beautiful items for the family

and for the Canadian Red Cross raffles. She was known as an avid gardener, growing a huge vegetable garden and stunning flower beds. She once remarked that she was happiest when she was in her garden. Mom enjoyed her time as a 4H leader and as a volunteer for the Red Cross. After Dad's death the big yard and house became too much to cope with so she moved to Chilliwack B.C. in 1990 until 2000 when she moved back to Stonewall to be with Lyle and his growing family where her grandchildren enjoyed catching butterflies and preserving flowers with Gramma.

The past 10 years were a rough time for Mom as she had only partial sight and the things she loved to do most - crafts, reading and crosswords - were taken from her. She enjoyed her talking books and visits from family and the staff at Rosewood Lodge.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, December 6, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Lilyfield United Church.

The family would like to thank all of the Rosewood Lodge staff and Dr. Graham for the wonderful care and compassion that Mom received as a resident there. All of the

little extras that you did for mom warms our hearts.

Special thanks to Ken Loehmer for his professionalism and compassion in taking care of all of the details for us.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to Rosewood Lodge Recreational Department, 513 - 1st Ave N, Stonewall, Mb. R0C 270.



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



OBITUARY

Ronald Charles Miller

It is with broken hearts, the family of Ron C. Miller, born October 25, 1940, regret to share of his peaceful passing on November 27, 2019 at the Stonewall Hospital. Husband of 57 years to Sandra (nee Procter); father to IIa and Cheryl (Marcel); Papa to Alana (Shaun), Kristin, Miles (Robyn), Justin (Kara), Burgundy (David), Austin, Lynnea, Audrianna; great-grandfather to Emily, Haleyna, Logan, Natalia, Jayce, Harmony, Callen, Levi and Annika; fatherin-law to Lloyd; brother to Marvin (Marilyn), Ivan (Marlene) and uncle to many. Predeceased by his parents George and Bertha and brother Keith.

Please join us at the Woodlands Hall on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. for coffee and a gathering of friends and family to celebrate the love he had for life, and the appreciation and respect he had for his many friends.

Cremation has taken place and a family internment will be held at a later date.

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June 12, 1942 - November 28, 2019 With deep sadness, with his family by his side, we announce the passing of Bert Boonstra, father, grandfather, uncle and friend. He leaves to mourn his children Kim (Vince), Rob (Tammy), Brian (Jackie); 10 grandchildren, Jenna (Erik), Stephanie (Nolan), Jonathan (Taylor), Emily, Chelsea, Jodie, Chantal, Madeline, Gerrit, Thomas; great-granddaughter Emery; sister-in-law Pearl Boonstra, brother-in-law Ernie Boklaschuk; numerous nieces and nephews and many friends. Dad was predeceased by his

Bert Boonstra

and nephews and many friends. Dad was predeceased by his wife Janis; parents George and Pearl Boonstra; in-laws John and Muriel Swinton; sisters Anne Haarsma and Grace Boklaschuk; brother Carl Boonstra; brother-in-law John Haarsma. Dad was born June 12, 1942 and lived his entire life on the farm

in Meadows. The youngest of four children, Dad grew up in a

loving home where life revolved around the farm. He played hockey and baseball as a teenager, bought a 1200 cc Harley Davidson when he was 15, loved fishing, earned his pilots license and loved flying his plane that he owned together with Grant Johnson. Dad enjoyed coaching hockey and baseball in Warren and spent many years volunteering at the Meadows Community Club which he loved to do.

OBITUARY

Dad and Mom were married just over 50 years when she passed away in 2016 and life for him would not be the same without her. They had a wonderful life together travelling with friends, raising their family, and farming alongside Uncle Carl and Auntie Pearl. In his later years, he loved to help out on the farm with his family and grandchildren. Dad could usually be found on the seeder, baler, swather or packing silage. His experience and quiet determination will be missed immensely. Dad took great pride in his yard and garden, and he would make his rounds with his gator bringing water to the places that needed it and sharing his produce with any of us that wanted it.

Other than Mom, Dad's love was his grandchildren. Attending their sporting events and school programs, he loved each one in a special way. He always had a cupboard full of candies, chocolate bars, and his homemade butter tarts ready for any of them to come over and watch Jets games, CNN or old war movies with him.

We will miss you immensely Dad, but it's time to go home to be with Mom, and your brother and sisters. "Grampa we will miss you"

Cremation has taken place, a Memorial Service will be held on Friday, December 6, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel, Stonewall. A Private interment will be held at the Warren Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers if friends so desire donations can be made to the Meadows Community Club, Box 29 Group 40, Marquette, MB R0H0V0.

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