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Woodlands School students and staff bundled up to kick start the festive season last week by participating in their seventh annual Holly Jolly Jog community run. They also started a collection for the Interlake Food Bank and the Christmas Cheer Board and will be taking part in other festive activities throughout the month.

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Festive tradition continues with annual ice church

By Jennifer McFee

A chilly creation continues to warm hearts this holiday season.

Rosser Grosse Isle United Church has once again constructed its annual ice church in front of the building for all to enjoy.

Brooke Darragh, Sunday school teacher, estimates the church has participated in this festive tradition for at least a decade.

“Each year, the Sunday school requests that members of the congregation make ice blocks at home. They can use whatever they want to form



Congregation and community members made ice blocks for the project.



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This year's ice church is on display in front of Rosser Grosse Isle United Church.

the ice blocks. People often use old milk or juice cartons as well as four-litre containers. Some families use pails,” she said.

“They then deliver the ice blocks to the church on the day of construction and the children, along with some help from adults, create our ‘ice church’ — which usually ends more

like an ice wall, depending on the number of ice blocks people were able to make.”

All ages of the congregation are involved in the creative construction — and community members are also welcome to help.

“The Sunday school children do the

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majority of the building, but it involves our entire church community. We typically have about 20 children building our ice church and almost as many adults. All ages and stages are freezing ice blocks at home for this project," she said.

"When the ice church is built, it is the adults who make sure it is lit up each evening so it can be seen. It is a favourite tradition of the children. We get many compliments from people outside our church community, and it has now become an expectation that our ice church will appear sometime in December."

The purpose of the project is to work together to create something that the church community — and the greater community — can enjoy.

"It is about fellowship of our church community. It is now a treasured tradition that brings joy to the builders of our ice church and all those that drive through our community," Darragh said.

"It is a visual symbol that the community of faith is alive and well in our little church — and we hope it serves as a welcome sign and a reminder that all are welcome in our church. It is fun, it's unique and it requires us to work together."

This year's construction also served a more poignant purpose to honour a much-loved community member.

"The Sunday school children dedicated the ice church this year to the memory of Mark Bird. Mark was a long-time member of our congregation and contributed much to the life and work of the church over the years," Darragh said.

"He passed away this month. This is the first time we



It's an annual tradition to build an ice church at Rosser Grosse Isle United Church.

have dedicated the ice church to someone's memory."

The wintery wonderland also allows community members to reflect on loved ones, both near and far.

"On Christmas eve at our service," she said, "it provides an opportunity for people to place

a battery-operated tea light in the walls of the ice church in remembrance who cannot be with them that evening."

To view this year's ice church, visit Rosser Grosse Isle United Church in Rosser Village of Highway 221.

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Stonewall actor encourages other to develop their talents

By Jennifer McFee

A Stonewall-based actor is encouraging others to take a chance on the artistic endeavour.

Lance Cartwright initially launched his acting career in 2009 when he was preparing for a martial arts event at the Convention Centre. A crew was working nearby on a film called *Locked Down*. They needed someone to play a tattooed character, so they approached Cartwright to audition — and he ended up landing a speaking role in the film with Vinnie Jones.

Since then, Cartwright has been involved in multiple TV shows including *The Pinkertons* and *Channel Zero*, and he's worked on movies such as *Goon*, *Beethoven's Christmas Adventure* and *Welcome to Sudden Death*.

This year, Cartwright did stunt work on *Violent Night* and was cast as a wrestler in *Acting Good*. He's currently involved in another movie that remains hush-hush until it's released. He's also done stunt scenes with Forest Whitaker and Samuel L. Jackson through other projects.

Most recently, he had an audition for a TV series called *King of Killers*, which will be filmed in Saskatchewan.

"I enjoy the challenge of working in



Lance Cartwright

front of a set of 80 people," he said, "and being nervous and having them depend on your performance 100 per cent."

For anyone who would like to get started in the industry, Cartwright recommends taking acting classes.

"Manitoba is an awesome place to pursue acting," he said. "It's like anything — you have to work at it and that's going to acting school. Just like if you wanted to run a marathon, you



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Ample opportunities exist in Manitoba to get involved in the film industry.

have to train."

Even with years of experience, Cartwright continues to find ways to develop his skills.

"I'm trying to challenge myself and conquer one of my biggest fears — public speaking and just how everyone judges you. When you're trying to act, what

you see is what you get. Get used to failing and keep moving forward and take a lot of criticism," he said.

"I am 52 and I have nothing to lose. It's a cool job when you're on set. Believe me, it's a really fun gig."

Cartwright extends gratitude to his wife Cynthia for reading lines with

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Kids Helping Kids: Red River Co-op Kid's Cookbook Raises Money for the Children's Hospital

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Red River Co-op launched the sale of their *Kid's Holiday Favourites Cookbook* in support of the Children's Hospital at all nine food store locations last Saturday. Children's Hospital volunteers and Champion Kids were at select food stores to help sell the cookbooks. All proceeds from the sales will be donated to the Child Life Program to help make the hospital a little less scary for the 130,000 sick and injured kids and their families who depend on the hospital each year. The cookbooks will be sold for a minimum donation of \$5 each until supplies last.

The Children's Hospital Foundation supports families throughout Manitoba.

"We are so pleased with the support of Red River Co-op and have enjoyed working closely with them to develop the cookbook, which features several of the foundation family children who have needed care at children's hospital," says Stefano Grande, president and CEO of Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. "We hope everyone will enjoy the holiday favourites the kids have shared and know that every purchase of the rec-

ipes book will help support sick and injured kids in your community."

"The Child Life Program is an important program that provides kids and their families fun and purpose

through a difficult time. Red River Co-op is proud to continue supporting a program that helps bring comfort to children and families," said Doug Wiebe, CEO of Red River Co-op.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL

Corinne and Brady Bobrowich were promoting the Kid's Holiday Favourites Cookbook in support of the Children's Hospital Foundation at the Selkirk Co-op Food Store this past Saturday. Brady been an ambassador, the foundation's Champion Child for two years. This energetic young man has spoken at more than 40 virtual events to advocate for children's hospitals across the country.

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him, as well as Darcy Fehr at Winnipeg Acting Studio and Rick Skeene for giving him a chance in stunt work over the last decade.

"My goal last year was to get casted as an actor with some lines," he said. "My future goal is to get pages of lines — and eventually a role in a series."

He also wonders if other potential actors are living in the community with undiscovered talents.

"Can you imagine if there's someone really talented in town and they just don't know it?" he said.

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Eight more Manitobans succumb to COVID; RSV outbreak in Arborg PCH

By Patricia Barrett

Manitoba continues to rack up COVID deaths, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) has caused an outbreak at the Arborg Personal Care Home.

Another eight people succumbed to COVID, according to the provincial government's weekly respiratory surveillance report for the period Nov. 27 to Dec. 3 (reporting Week 48). There were 16 deaths reported the previous week.

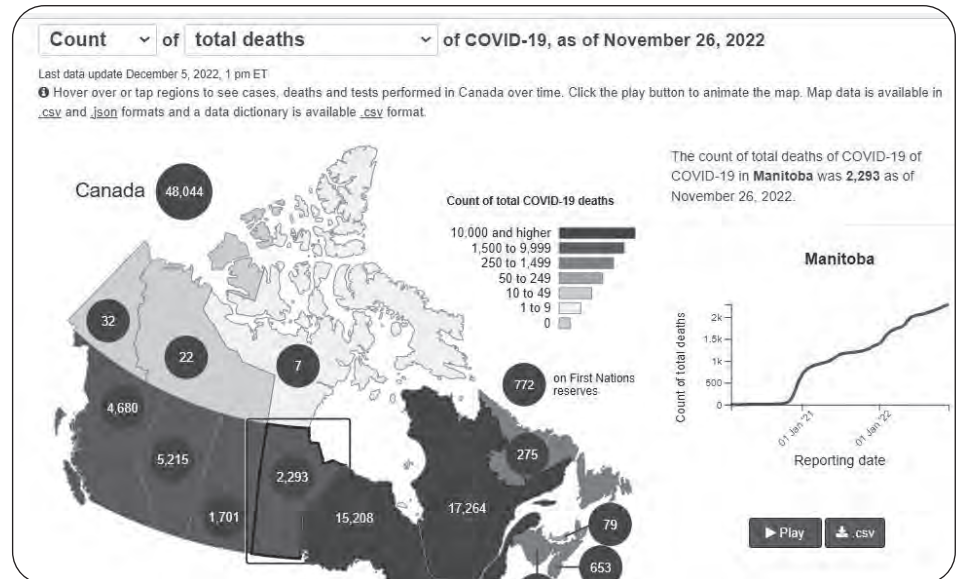
There were 76 new hospital admissions for COVID in Week 48, down six from the previous report showing 82 admissions. Included in the hospital admissions were seven admissions to the intensive care unit, down 12 from the previous report that showed 19 ICU admissions. The government doesn't provide in its report the total number of people in hospital with COVID on any given day or week.

The government diagnosed 251 new COVID infections by PCR testing. Provincial data is an undercount of the true number of cases as the government restricts PCR testing. Rapid antigen tests aren't tracked. There were 281 new infections reported the previous week.

Wastewater surveillance data to Dec. 1 shows "sustained activity" of COVID in Winnipeg and Brandon, according to the report.

The provincial government changed the way it reports cumulative deaths and hospitalizations. It started presenting data from Week 27 (July 3-9) of this year, showing 199 cumulative deaths to date. Manitoba's death toll from the start of reporting in 2020 to Week 44 (Oct. 30 to Nov. 5, 2022) was 2,256.

The change in the way the province now presents COVID data makes it difficult to easily assess the death toll from the virus. The federal govern-



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Manitoba's COVID death toll has reached 2,293 as of Nov. 26, according to the federal government. The number of deaths from the virus have continued to climb since December 2020 when omicron unleashed an unprecedented number of infections.

ment's COVID website shows Manitoba's death toll having reached 2,293 as of Nov. 26.

The provincial government stopped providing in its surveillance reports the names of personal care homes and hospitals with COVID outbreaks.

Influenza numbers for Week 48 are lower than expected because the government is experiencing a delay in reporting.

"Due to an influx of influenza laboratory reports this respiratory season, Manitoba Health is experiencing delays in the documentation of laboratory results within the provincial Public Health Information Management System (PHIMS)," states the government's surveillance webpage. "As [a] result, the influenza case counts for week 48 are lower than expected. We anticipate an update to these data in next week's report."

The Week 48 report shows 120 new

influenza A cases, zero influenza B cases and 80 RSV "detections."

"Up to Week 48 this season, children below the age of five years are at the highest risk for influenza infection. This age group accounted for 12% of all influenza cases and 20% of associated hospital admissions," states the report. "At the same time, other respiratory viruses continue to co-circulate. RSV test positivity increased to 4.0% in Week 48 from 2.2% in the previous week."

Other health news:
- The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority declared on Nov. 30 an RSV outbreak at the Arborg Personal Care Home.

Arborg mayor Peter Dueck said the town contacted the IERHA with concerns about the outbreak as well as having no emergency room service

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A scenic walk west of Teulon looks like a winter wonderland.

Serious harms from COVID vaccines downplayed, under-reported, says new study

By Patricia Barrett

An assessment of COVID-19 vaccine studies has found that serious harms from the vaccines have been ignored, downplayed and at times deliberately excluded.

Medical researchers from the Denmark-based Institute for Scientific Freedom — which focuses on performing systematic reviews and doesn't accept funding from the pharmaceutical industry — say vaccine harms were under-reported in medical trials that were published in high impact journals such as the *New England Journal of Medicine* and *The Lancet*.

The Danish study titled "Serious harms of the COVID-19 vaccines: a systematic review" was released as a preprint, which has not been certified by peer review and should not guide clinical practice. It was published Dec. 7 on the medRxiv health sciences server.

The mRNA COVID vaccines increased the risk of myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle), with

a mortality of 1-2 per 200 cases, the researchers wrote, while the adenovirus vector vaccines increased the risk of venous thrombosis (blood clots) and thrombocytopenia (low blood platelet count). The researchers also found evidence of neurological harms.

"We also found evidence of serious neurological harms, including Bell's palsy [unilateral facial paralysis], Guillain-Barre syndrome [peripheral nervous system weakness or paralysis], myasthenic disorder [muscle weakness] and stroke, which are likely due to an autoimmune reaction, as has been suggested also for the HPV vaccines," the researchers wrote. "Severe harms, i.e. those that prevent daily activities, were hugely underreported in the randomized trials. These harms were very common in studies of booster doses after a full vaccination and in a study of vaccination of previously infected people."

The researchers performed a systematic review of published vaccine studies worldwide to analyze the risk

of serious harms. A systematic review is a critical assessment of all the evidence on a medical topic and a synthesis of the results.

The Danish researchers based their findings on 17 systematic reviews, 14 randomized trials and 31 other studies with a control group (which establishes causality). They found most studies were of poor quality. The most reliable study was a systematic review of regulatory data on two randomized trials of mRNA vaccines, which found significantly more serious adverse events (SAEs) from the vaccines. The "excess risk was considerably larger than the benefit measured as the risk of hospitalization." The researchers excluded vaccine studies that were based on questionnaires, that didn't have an adequate control group and those with fewer than 1,000 participants.

A serious adverse event (SAE) is defined by the European Medicines Agency as an event that results in

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Christmas can be a tough season for many reasons, but if we are able to humble ourselves before our Maker and surrender the worries, hurts and pains of our hearts, He will hear. If we stop amidst the hustle and draw near to Him, He will receive us because that is what Christmas is all about — reaching out to the One who bridged the gap between heaven and earth both in and through the birth of a Saviour. See our need for a relationship with our Creator by looking at Jesus in the manger as God's gift of peace and reconciliation to Himself in the flesh and blood of His Son Jesus. That is the gift of God to all people — not presents under a tree but the gift of being able to be in the presence of our Lord through the sacrifice of Jesus. All that this world has to offer is fleeting but the gift of God is everlasting. Take the time to receive the most precious gift this Christmas and allow the Spirit of God to begin to turn those trials into treasures. <3 MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Campers express concern about break-ins

By Jennifer McFee

Some seasonal campers are expressing concerns about the safety of their belongings over the winter months.

Quarry Park Campground is open from May long weekend (weather permitting) to Thanksgiving, with 110 seasonal sites, as well as other sites that can be booked for shorter stays.

Teulon resident Louie Willman has been a seasonal camper at Quarry Park for 23 years. He recently experienced a break-in at his site and estimates the value of stolen property amounts to more than \$13,000.

"It's not a good feeling to enhance your property to have someone steal and rob you. And it's not only me — they've devastated a lot of people," said Willman, who planned to file an insurance claim.

"They went through every cupboard. Then they went through three sheds. They cut all the wiring to my two cabanas. They made a hell of a mess and cleaned me right out. I feel devastated."

As a result, Willman would like to see increased security measures at the campground.

"There used to be a gate up there, and it was the best thing they ever had. We never had any of these problems," Willman said.

"Plus, they need to put a few security cameras there."

Wally Melnyk, chief administrative officer for the Town of Stonewall, said there used to be a gate at the Main Street entrance, but it hasn't been there for many years. Instead, a gate was installed between the lake and ball diamonds, and it remains in place today.

"The change in placement of the gate came as a result of the building of the current centre after a fire destroyed the previous structure," Melnyk said.

"The former building only had the upper parking lot that changed when the Heritage Arts Centre was built. The lower parking lot was created and the lower lot is utilized daily by park staff and rental clients, thus the need to move the location of the gate."

Although gates and barriers are in



He took photos of footprints around his campsite after he experienced a break-in.

place to prevent vehicles from entering the campground, Melnyk added, they are limited in their ability to keep off-road vehicles or people on foot from gaining access.

He advises campers to report any break-ins to the RCMP.

"The town has had reports of a number of break-ins. While we have not kept track of the exact number, we have asked those who have contacted the town to file a report with the RCMP," he said.

"Break-ins are a policing issue that should be addressed by the RCMP."

The town has also been in touch with the RCMP about the issue and potential responses, he added.

"It is our understanding that the RCMP have been working on a plan to address this issue. In addition, the town has been paying for multiple patrols each week by the Commissionaires to help increase visibility



TRIBUNE PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER
Louie Willman is concerned about recent break-ins at Quarry Park Campground.

and presence of enforcement in the area," Melnyk said.

"The town recognizes and values the residents in our campground and we are continuing to work with the RCMP and Commissionaires to try and find a solution to the problem."

The local RCMP also provided some insight on the recent break-ins at the Stonewall campground.

"The RCMP has taken the opportunity to increase patrols to the area during the appropriate hours in efforts to apprehend or deter any suspects involved," said Staff Sgt. Jason Vrooman of the Stonewall-Headingley RCMP detachment.

"Police also remind property owners to remove all valuable items from seasonal properties to prevent the resulting thefts of property."



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Stonewall council news in brief

By Jennifer McFee

The Town of Stonewall is earning accolades for its urban beautification efforts.

Manitoba Good Roads Association named Stonewall as the winner of its CAA Shield for Urban Beautification Competition, in the population category of 2,001 to 7,500.

The town will receive its award during a banquet in Winnipeg on April 3.

In other council news:

- Council adopted a policy to develop guidelines for annual adjustments to indemnity payments.

The mayor's indemnity will increase to \$23,284.32 in 2023, up from \$21,480

in 2022. The deputy indemnity will increase to \$20,671.88 in 2023, up from \$19,070 in 2022. The councillors' indemnities will increase to \$17,116.36 in 2023, up from \$15,790 in 2022.

In addition, the daily per-diem rate will increase to \$195.12 in 2023, up from \$180 in 2022, and the half-day per-diem will be \$97.56 in 2023, compared to \$90 in 2022.

Citizen members' hourly rates will increase to \$24.12 in 2023, up from \$22.25 in 2022.

During the four-year term, the indemnities are reviewed annually and may be adjusted at the first meeting in December for the next calendar year to reflect cost of living. The cost of liv-

ing allowance is calculated from the consumer price index for Manitoba and is determined from the percentage listed from the previous October to the current October.

- During the Dec. 7 regular meeting, Stonewall council passed its interim operating budget, which will be in place from Jan. 1 until the 2023 operating and capital budget is adopted.

- Council gave second and third reading to a bylaw to govern the organization of the town and its committees.

- Stonewall resident Ralph Nespor will be inducted into the Manitoba Softball Hall of Fame in May 2023.

In addition, Stonewall residents Phyllis and Larry Klimpke, who founded the South Interlake Phillies Girls Softball Program, will be inducted in May. The Town of Stonewall will purchase two \$150 half-page ads in the banquet program to congratulate Nespor and the Klimpkes.

- Council accepted a quote from Larsen's Memorials Ltd. for \$29,975 plus tax for the purchase and installation of a new 32-niche columbarium, which will be consistent with the existing columbaria.

- The Town of Stonewall's water valve replacement has been postponed until further notice.

Local flower farm loses all its birds to avian flu



TRIBUNE PHOTO SUBMITTED

Miss Millie's Flower Farm lost its flock of chickens to the avian flu.

By Jennifer McFee

Avian flu has devastated a local family that lost 32 birds to the disease.

Jodi Friesen runs Miss Millie's Flower Farm, located 10 minutes north of Elie on Highway 26, along with her son Kirby and daughter-in-law Victoria. The local company offers you-pick flower experiences and florist wholesaling, while also serving as a picturesque event venue.

The family also enjoyed sharing their space with 30 chickens and two ducks until the avian flu struck.

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Inland Port Special Planning Area Under The Authority of The Special Planning Areas Regulation 49/2016

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 1-22 being an amendment to the Inland Port Special Planning Area Regulation 48/2016 to rezone from "IPR" Inland Port Rural zone to "I2" Industrial General zone and to subdivide 6 new lots totalling 10.18 acres in SW ¼ 28-11-02 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Rosser

HEARING LOCATION: Room Wellington B
Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre
1808 Wellington Ave.
Winnipeg, MB. R3H 0G3

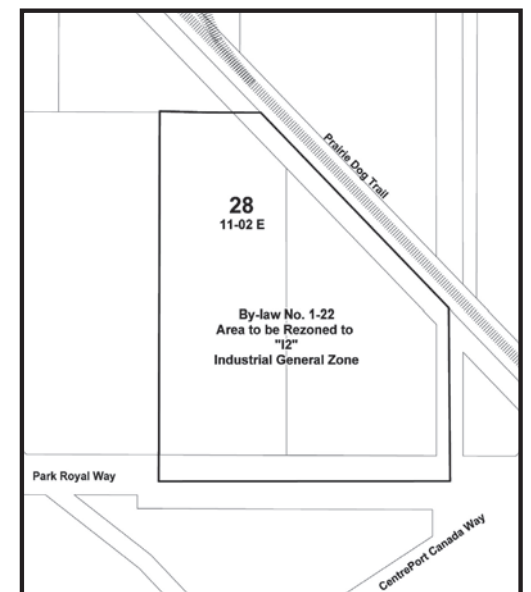
DATE and TIME: Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm

GENERAL INTENT and PURPOSE: To subdivide 6 new lots and rezone part of SW ¼ 28-11-02 EPM in the RM of Rosser CentrePort lands from "IPR" Inland Port Rural zone to "I2" Industrial General zone to accommodate new industrial development.

AREA AFFECTED: This subdivision shall apply to the area identified on the map appearing on the Public Hearing Notice.

This by-law shall apply to the area identified on the map appearing on the Public Hearing Notice.

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> COVID, FROM PG. 7

death, is life-threatening, requires hospitalization or a prolongation of existing hospitalization, results in persistent or significant disability or incapacity, or a birth defect.

The first COVID vaccines were authorized under emergency or conditional use in December 2020 by regulators such as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the European Medicines Agency.

The fast-tracking of the vaccines entailed a lower burden of proof for their efficacy and safety than would be required during traditional approval pathways, the researchers wrote. And independent researchers were denied access to raw trial data by the vaccine manufacturers and the drug regulators. The FDA was sued and access to the data was granted by a court.

Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna's mRNA COVID vaccines, along with

AstraZeneca and Janssen's (Johnson & Johnson) vector vaccines, are approved for use in Canada.

For a number of vaccines, the Danish researchers found months of safety data missing, deaths within 28 days of vaccination, vaccine trials with a majority of researchers from the vaccine company itself and adverse events considered to be related to vaccination. In a trial of Janssen's COVID vaccine, for instance, SAEs such as tinnitus, urticaria (hives), convulsion, pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis occurred within 28 days after vaccination.

"Our systematic review demonstrates the difficulty of determining vaccine related SAEs in published trial data. Theoretically, systematic reviews of randomized trials should be the most reliable source of evidence, but serious harms are vastly underreported, if reported at all, in published drug trials," they wrote.

"The underreporting seems to be

particularly pronounced in vaccine trials. For the COVID-19 vaccines, there is the additional problem that, within weeks of the vaccines receiving an emergency use authorisation, when far too little time had elapsed to identify late occurring or diagnosed harms, the unblinding of trials commenced and placebo recipients were offered the vaccine. The safety of vaccines is important because they are preventive, but editors of our most prestigious journals chose to relegate the data on serious harms to supplements, which few readers will access...."

Under-reporting is a problem, particularly when doctors have been "reassured by authoritative messages that vaccines are safe," they wrote. And there is fear among doctors that they can be threatened with disciplinary action if they undermine a government's COVID vaccine rollout.

The researchers don't state any limitations to their systematic review but

say further study regarding the harms and benefits of COVID vaccines is needed as authorities recommend that nearly everybody get vaccinated and receive booster doses.

According to the Canadian government's COVID vaccination side effects webpage, there have been 93,171,073 vaccine doses administered in Canada as of Nov. 11. There have been 52,203 adverse events (6 out of every 10,000 people) reported, of which 10,361 were considered serious and 41,842 were considered non-serious.

A total of 389 deaths following a COVID vaccination have also been reported although the federal government states "they are not necessarily related to the vaccine" because of missing information and changes to a causality classification system.

"Evidence indicates that the benefits of COVID-19 vaccines continue to outweigh the risks of the disease," states the website.

> HEALTH, FROM PG. 6

at the Arborg hospital from Dec. 16 to 31.

"We are aware of these concerns and have reached out to the IERHA," said Dueck last Wednesday. "We are hopeful that we will be back to three full-time doctors in January, and then we need to build from there."

A spokesperson for the IERHA said appropriate control measures are implemented in a timely manner when outbreaks are identified early. There is also adequate staffing at the Arborg PCH and support from hospitals in the region should any residents require hospitalization for RSV.

"The IERHA has adequate staffing in place in Arborg PCH. If needed, the site will enact incident command to address any staffing challenges that may arise," said the spokesperson. "Arborg PCH has medical support at all times and should hospital admission be required, arrangements would be made for a resident to be admitted to the most appropriate hospital for care (this could include Arborg hospital, another hospital in the region or a Winnipeg hospital if medical conditions require)."

The spokesperson wouldn't say how

many patients are infected with RSV, the impact on staffing, whether other viruses such as COVID and influenza are circulating in the care home and whether there have been any deaths from RSV.

"There are many types of outbreaks that might occur in health-care facilities such as respiratory, gastrointestinal, MRSA, scabies and some are expected every year like influenza," said the spokesperson. "The definition and number of cases of illness required to call an outbreak may be different between the different types of disease. For example, a COVID outbreak is called when two or more patients, who are not roommates or tablemates or do not share a bathroom between two patient rooms, acquire health-care-associated infections attributed to a unit, within 10 days of each other. A respiratory outbreak is called when two or more health-care associated infection cases of respiratory illness with similar symptoms, who are not roommates or tablemates, occurring within a seven-day period in an institution/unit. Ideally this includes at least one lab-confirmed case, but this is not necessary."

- A COVID outbreak that was declared on Nov. 4 at the Selkirk Be-

tel Personal Care Home continues, according to the IERHA's outbreak webpage (viewed Dec. 11).

- The IERHA declared a COVID outbreak on Dec. 7 at Pinawa's hospital, whose ER is also affected by ongoing temporary closures.

- Canada has had over 48,000 COVID deaths reported as of Nov. 26, according to federal data.

- Worldwide, there have been over 6.6 million COVID deaths reported as of Dec. 9, according to the World Health Organization.

- The IERHA's two-week emergency room schedule for the period Dec. 16-31 shows no ER availability at both the Eriksdale and the Arborg hospitals. Residents who can get themselves to emergency have the option of going to Ashern, Gimli or Selkirk, whose ERs currently show 24-hour availability for the period, or to Stonewall whose ER is open for most of the period apart from a few days of temporary shutdown near the end of the month. The ER schedule is posted online and is subject to change.

- Medical associations from across Canada have called on provincial and territorial governments to work with the federal government to fix the health-care system crisis and to enter

an agreement to increase health funding.

Fourteen associations, including Doctors Manitoba, jointly penned a letter to first ministers, asking them to show leadership to address the crisis.

Doctors across the country are "gravely concerned" that patients have long wait times, lack of access to primary care, delayed diagnostic services and cancelled procedures, all of which indicate "negative trends" in access to health-care in Canada, they state on behalf of doctors.

"Health care is in crisis in every province and territory in Canada. On behalf of Canada's doctors, we are writing to urge you, as First Ministers, to chart the path out of this crisis with commitments to significant funding increases, pan-Canadian collaboration and accountability to patients," states the Dec. 6 letter.

Doctors Manitoba reiterates in a Dec. 7 news release on its website that physicians are disappointed there's no additional health-care funding and that the medical system in every province and territory is in crisis.

"Patients cannot access the care they need in a timely fashion and physicians are rapidly burning out," states the release.

Grade 2 students get special visit from the Grinch



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

The Grinch certainly didn't steal Christmas on Friday, Dec. 2. Instead, he did quite the opposite. The green character brought smiles to the faces of Mme. Millar's French immersion Gr. 2M students at RW Bobby Bend as he peeked in through the window and then made his way to the classroom. The students were very excited to have the Grinch stop by.



Inland Port Special Planning Area Under The Authority of The Special Planning Areas Regulation 49/2016

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:

Appeal of the decision of the designated employee respecting Variance 13-1-172-2022-0008 on Lot 4 Block 1 Plan 46696 WLTO in NE ¼ 27-11-2 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Rosser

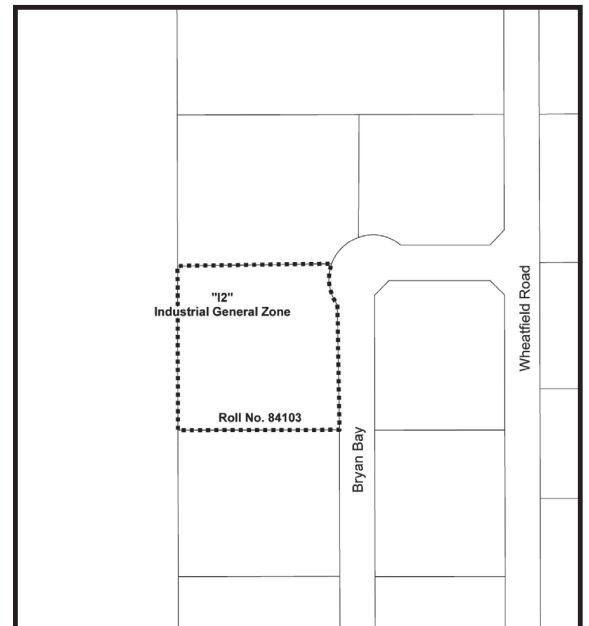
HEARING LOCATION: Room Wellington B
Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre
1808 Wellington Ave.
Winnipeg, MB. R3H 0G3

DATE and TIME: Thursday, January 5, 2023
at 7:00 pm

GENERAL INTENT and PURPOSE: The variance decision being appealed is intended to reduce the frontage glazing from 50% to 12%.

AREA AFFECTED: This variance shall apply to the area identified on the map appearing on the Public Hearing Notice.

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Lots for producers to consider as tax season looms

By Lorne Stelmach

Tax season is upon us with the year-end approaching, and it can present agricultural producers with a lot to consider in making sound tax and financial decisions.

There are myriad annual tax issues to consider with producers aiming to ensure they are minimizing the tax they pay. Some of the pillars of tax planning can include income tax deferral, income splitting and ensuring you use all available tax incentives.

"There's no way to avoid the tax; it's only a matter of postponing it and putting it off," said Lance Stockbrugger, a chartered accountant who had dealt mostly with farm clients until he turned his attention full-time to farming while still doing some consulting in areas including transition planning, tax planning, corporations.

"In the old days, a lot of people used to try to stay in that lower tax bracket and pay the minimum amount of tax. ... Farmers can do that by avoiding to take income ... and making sure all of their expenses are paid by year end," he said.

"I've been advising people for many, many years now that probably the minimum, the low tax bracket isn't enough. If you're running a decent business ... and we've had very successful years ... paying tax at the low tax bracket probably isn't enough.

You need to be probably paying upwards of closer to a hundred thousand dollars, depending on your business, obviously."

So Stockbrugger emphasizes "making sure you're paying enough tax anyway and that you're not creating a big problem because farmers typically will create a problem for themselves by not paying a lot of tax, deferring as much as they can, pushing off income and not delivering grain or selling cattle ... and then prepaying expenses to create this big balloon problem that the tax has to get paid."

A lot of the discussion revolves around whether cash or accrual accounting is better for a farm business.

In cash accounting, you record a sale or expense only when the cash is received or paid. Inventory is not included in the calculation of income. With accrual basis accounting, you record income and expenses when a sale or purchase is made, even if the money hasn't changed hands yet.

Stockbrugger also talks about monitoring the amount of income that you've taken in and looking at the expenses that you've paid. And this time of year, if your year-end is Dec. 31, then doing some planning around your year-end can allow you to reduce your taxes, hopefully to a manageable level.

"The key thing, which is not news to

anybody, is to make sure that you've got good records so that your books are up to date and you've done a good job of recording all of your income and expenses," he said, "so if you are going to see your advisor or your accountant at year end that they will have decent numbers to formulate a plan for you."

Unincorporated businesses, sole proprietors and partnerships would all be subject to the graduated personal tax rates, Stockbrugger noted, so you're going to want to be monitoring your level of income that you have based on those tax brackets.

"Another thing to think about is income splitting, utilizing as many tax returns as you can," he continued. "So if that's between husband and wife, you split your income and maybe even split your income with your children if your children are working on the farm."

If that is the case, though, it is crucial to ensure they are being paid a wage with all of the necessary deductions for proper reporting, he added.

If they are incorporated, Stockbrugger emphasized that producers need to consider what type of income they going to take personally from the corporation.

"Is it going to be wages? Is it going to be land rent? ... Is it going to be dividends?" he asked. "Those personal

incomes need to match or probably exceed the drawings that you've taken out throughout the year to live on, so all of your personal expenditures."

If it is wages, you need to ensure you take all the deductions like CPP but not EI because you are the owner of the business.

"The wages are deductible to the corporation and fully taxable as normal income on your personal tax return."

The option of land rent is only available if you own your farm land personally outside of your corporation, so you pay yourself land rent.

"The reason you might want to pay yourself land rent is because you don't want to pay into the CPP. Maybe you've got other sources of income that you're already paying into the CPP or you feel you've already paid enough in," he said.

"The stickler is, first of all, you have to own the land personally, but you also have to charge your corporation GST. ... You'll collect it personally and you'll claim it back in the corporation."

In the option of taking a dividend, it won't involve the deductions like CPP or EI.

"That is not deductible by the corporation. ... You will pay personally a lower rate of tax; however, what happens with a dividend is you get credit for the taxes that have already been paid by the corporation," Stockbrugger explained.

"Whatever you take out as a dividend is not deductible to the corporation. ... When you file your tax return and you report that dividend, you'll get credit for the tax the corporation has already been paid, and you just pay the difference."

The government is still getting their share of taxes; it's just coming from different sources.

"A lot more have been incorporated now ... but you need to treat them for what they are and treat them as a tax deferral, not a tax saver," said Stockbrugger, who noted the bottom line is to be prepared and plan ahead.

"You can set yourself up and plan for 2023. These are usually the times when you should be sitting down with your advisor and looking at is a partnership or a sole proprietor, an unincorporated business, is that still viable for you to run your business, or should you be looking at possible incorporating?"



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Supporting locally owned businesses is a great way to support a neighbor, but that's not the only attraction. Here are several reasons to shop small.

The feel-good factor

Doing for others certainly has an impact on the person on the receiving end, but also benefits the do-gooders. A November 2020 survey

by Union Bank found that 72 percent of Americans said supporting small businesses was more important than getting the best deals. That may be due to the feeling of helping out a fellow neighbor.

Create job opportunities

That's also true in Canada, where 68.8 percent of the total labor force works for a small business. A person may never know when he or she — or a relative — will need a job. Keeping small businesses viable provides a strong job market for locals.

Keep more money in the community

The Small Business Administration says \$48 out of every \$100 spent at a small business stays in the community. Spend the same \$100 at a national retailer and only \$14 stays.

Enjoy a more local flavor

National retailers and other businesses follow a global business model that may not allow for much customization, but small businesses can provide products or services that relate directly to the needs of the communities they serve. These same small businesses also may be more inclined to work with local vendors and start-ups than national companies that have global supply chains.

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Fire safety protocols to keep in mind when holiday decorating

Decorating the interior and exterior of a home is a beloved holiday season tradition in millions of households. Such decor makes it easy to dive into the festive nature of the season.

Many people could not imagine a holiday season without decorating their homes, and it's vital that celebrants do so safely. Fire safety is especially important during a time of year when string lights and potentially dried out trees feature so prominently. These fire safety tips can ensure this holiday season is safe.

- Buy the safest lights. It might be tempting to buy the most inexpensive lights, especially given all the extra costs already associated with the holiday season. However, safety should be the utmost priority when buying new lights. Testing laboratories such as CSA, Intertek and UL certify products to ensure they're safe for use. Products that aren't certified should be avoided.

- Use lights and cords where they're intended to be used. The packaging on lights will indicate if the product is intended to be used indoors or outdoors. It's vital that individuals decorating their homes with lights pay attention to these labels. Never decorate the exterior of a home with interior lights, and vice versa. Extension cords made for indoors also should not be used outdoors and vice versa.

- Be especially careful with candles. Candles should only be burned when adults are in the room and should

always be extinguished before leaving the room or going to bed. When burning candles, place them on heat-resistant surfaces that are beyond the reach of curious kids and pets. Never place candles within arm's length of Christmas trees or houseplants, including poinsettias.

- Ask an electrician to inspect your exterior outlets and circuits. Ground fault circuit interruptor (GFCI) outlets are designed to prevent electric shocks and reduce the risk of electrical fires. Most areas now require new homes be built exclusively with GFCIs, which are recognizable because they feature two buttons between the outlets. But older homes may not be equipped with GFCIs, particularly with exterior outlets. GFCI installation is not an especially expensive job, so homeowners should ask an electrician to inspect their interior and exterior outlets and replace non-GFCIs with GFCIs.

- Do not pinch light cords. Stringing lights can be a hassle, but cords should never be pinched in doors or windows or beneath interior and exterior furniture. Doing so increases the risk of damage to the cord, which in turn increases the likelihood of fire.

- Avoid overloading circuits. Overloaded circuits pose a significant fire hazard. When plugging in lights, choose outlets that aren't already occupied by devices and other electronics. If need be, unplug appliances like televisions and devices while lights



are on and plugged in.

When decorating this holiday season, celebrants are urged to do every-

thing they can to reduce the risk of fire in their homes.

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> AVIAN FLU, FROM PG. 9

"They were a hobby that we started only two years ago. They all had names and were a big hit with our flower-picking customers," said Kirby, who serves as operations manager for the family business.

"Little Zippy was especially a favourite. We lost them all. Zippy went last."

They were taken aback when they figured out their birds had the avian flu, a contagious viral infection that can affect many species of food-producing birds.

"There were no early symptoms at all," Kirby said. "As soon as the weather went below zero, they started dropping dead over a week."

Around Nov. 8, they started losing chickens. They sent a sample for testing on Nov. 13 and received positive confirmation of avian flu on Nov. 17. By the next day, they lost the last of their birds.

"We won't replace them right away, maybe before we open to the public in July," Kirby said.

"Apparently avian flu can survive the winter, so we want to make sure the coop is completely safe before we get more chickens."

Based on their experience, Kirby also offers a few words

of advice other bird owners.

"I'd encourage people to report it," he said. "It is extra work you have to do for the government and they don't fully compensate your time. But they are helping with most of the cleanup cost and the people I dealt with have been helpful and nice."

At the same time, he shares gratitude with others who appreciated meeting their birds while wandering through the flower farm.

"Thank you to all our customers from last season," he said. "You guys enjoying and caring about the chickens makes it worth having them."

More information about the avian flu is available on the Province of Manitoba website at www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/environmentalhealth/avian.html.

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Brock Vandor
Denturist

It was 2010, I was a fresh denture school graduate and had suddenly taken over my dad's denture clinic due to health reasons. My only employee was my mom, who I convinced to come out of retirement (but, of course, if you ask her, it was her idea to come and be with her son).

Christmas was coming and Dennis, the local newspaper salesman came into the office and said, "Brock, your dad always liked to put some sort of Merry Christmas wish in the paper. Would you like to do that too?" "Of course, I would love to put something in the newspaper, but let me think about what", I replied, wanting my very first newspaper Christmas wish to be great.

Dennis, my mom, and I thought about it for a few minutes; and I couldn't help but think, 'I am a Denturist, I now own a denture clinic, wouldn't the best Christmas gift we could give be a denture?' "I want to make someone smile for Christmas," I said. "We could do a Merry Christmas denture



giveaway!"

"I love it, it's like the song 'All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth', Dennis laughed. So my mom and I posed for a picture, and Dennis' team edited some garland and bows around us, and the annual denture contest was born!

We used a Christmas story trivia question as the ballot, put all the entries into a box and when we picked the winner, it was a lady named Jean. When we called her to say she had won, she was in tears. She not only wanted (and needed) teeth for Christmas, but for many years. I still remember when she came in. She had a brilliant white coat that I had no idea how she kept it so white! We made her a beautiful

white smile to match.

For going on 11 years now, even though the days of just my mom and I as the only employees are long gone, we continue the Christmas contest. What is amazing is that every year we have such an amazing winner. Spending time with them, sharing stories, giving gifts - it's what Christmas is all about! It's like we expand our families just a little bit more. We could never pick a winner, so we do a draw to make it fair. There are no strings attached, just a gift in honour of the greatest gift of all, Jesus. Which brings us to this year's trivia question: see ballot.

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BALLOT

What city did Joseph and Mary return to after giving birth to baby Jesus?

ANSWER: _____

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Ski hill owners ready to retire

By Jennifer McFee

It's a fond farewell to the owners of Stony Mountain Ski Area who plan to retire after nearly 35 years operating the popular winter destination.

Four partners from Winnipeg started the ski area in 1967. Then Heather and Gary Dewar bought the property in 1988 and ran the ski and snowboarding hill for decades, along with their daughter Camryn. Lifelong Interlake residents, Heather and Gary said they love living in Stony Mountain.

"We are proud of the legacy that our ownership will leave behind. We were the first ski area in Manitoba to embrace the sport of snowboarding in 1988. Snowmaking upgrades allowed us to be one of the first ski areas open for every year we were operational," Heather said.

"Our snow school was comprehensive and offered lessons for all ages and skill levels. Thousands of people have learned to ski here on the prairies, and we know many of our customers have gone on to have careers in the ski industry all around the world."

The ski area officially closed March 15, 2020, due to the pandemic. Now Gary and Heather have decided it's

time to officially retire.

"We have been closed for the past two seasons due to COVID-19. As a family, we reviewed our operations, logistics and capacity to re-open this winter," Heather said.

"As we plan our retirement, Camryn is pursuing a career in opera and is currently taking her masters in music, vocal performance, at Montclair State University in New Jersey."

Looking back, Heather said they're most proud of nurturing a family-friendly and inclusive environment for all to enjoy.

"We have loved to have grown up with families for almost three generations. We were a lot of teenagers' second home for the winter. Thousands of students came with their schools and learned and got hooked on skiing and snowboarding," she said.

"Nothing is more rewarding than seeing families have fun and people master snowplough turns on skis or linking a heel side turn on a snowboard. Also, it's been fun watching three generations of skiers on the snow at the same time."

Of course, they also weathered many challenges each season at the family business.



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Stony Mountain Ski Area has been a popular destination for generations.

"Mother Nature is the biggest factor," Heather said. "You need to make snow early in the season to get open and then hope for decent temperatures so that people come out."

Most of all, they'll miss their customers and their staff. In the winter, they would employ close to 60 staff members, who were mostly youth.

"Our staff were an enthusiastic group of boarders or skiers who loved the atmosphere at Stony," Heather said.

"Many of them have formed lifetime friendships with their colleagues from working at Stony."

In their retirement, they're looking forward to more opportunities for fishing, camping and travelling to warmer weather in the winter. They also plan to visit Camryn, whose uni-

versity is near New York City.

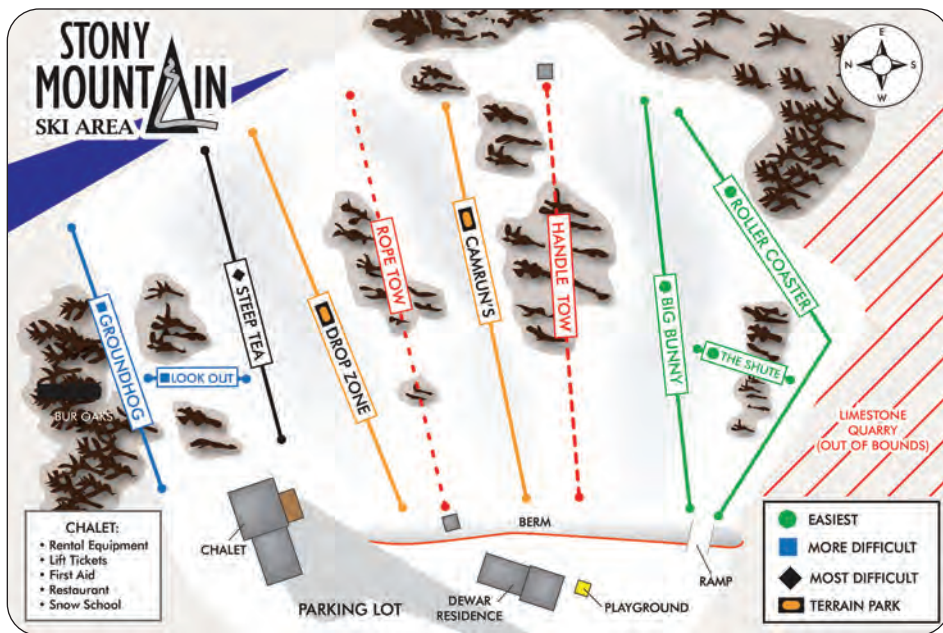
"Camryn loved living at the ski hill. She had many sleepovers with friends who would ski or snowboard all weekend. She also loved it when her school would come to her home for the day instead of her going to school," Heather said.

"On snow days when school was closed, we opened up and her classmates would come and ski or snowboard for the day."

With an eye on the horizon, the Dewars hope their legacy will continue to thrive under new ownership.

"We have loved our 34 years here and the support of the community and the region," Heather said.

"Now we're looking forward to the next chapter in our lives — and the ski hill's!"



Best wishes for a safe, wonderful Holiday Season and a New Year filled with peace and happiness!

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Santa Claus stopped in at Lake Francis for lunch



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Last Sunday, Jolly Old Saint Nick stopped at the Lake Francis Community Centre for the annual Christmas luncheon, a community tradition that has been ongoing for generations. Approximately 60 people enjoyed hot dogs, grilled cheese sandwiches and a large assortment of sweet treats. Santa Claus visited with all the children; many shared their wish lists and admired his real whiskers. In addition, community members donated items for a loonie auction. Photos from left: Arlene, Colleen and Loni sang Christmas Carols during the luncheon; Everett Brown had a deep conversation with Santa; Chris Hueging wasn't all that fond of the man in red; Theo wanted to know what Santa had in his sack; local youth Molly, Mya helped out with the luncheon.

Teulon Collegiate bands perform at Winter Concert



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Twenty-six band students from Teulon Collegiate entertained family, friends and community members at their annual Winter Concert on Dec. 7. Directed by Mrs. Fenske, the TCI Junior Band made up of Grade 7 and 8 students opened the concert by playing Jingle Bells. Following the junior performance, the TCI Senior Band with students in grades 9 through 12 played. A spring concert is planned for June 7, 2023.

Jiu-jitsu club makes donation



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Shumuna Jiu-jitsu instructor Rick Williamson and his students donated \$600 to Something Beautiful, a Stonewall-based social enterprise. Williamson and his students practise in the back of the building.

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Lightning teams in action

Staff

The Interlake Lightning U17 AAA hockey team was defeated 7-3 by the Winnipeg Wild on Sunday afternoon.

Troy Johannesson, Cole Swanson and Preston Crate scored for the Lightning.

Wild goals were scored by Luke Marykuca (three), Drew Russell (two), William Marceus and Nathan Shaw.

Last Friday, Interlake was edged 3-2 in overtime by the Winnipeg Bruins in Warren.

Carson White scored the game winner in OT.

Connor Vandal scored a first-period goal for the Bruins and then Interlake's Tytan Johnson and Winnipeg's Antonio Controneo traded goals in the second.

Interlake's Dainen Jacobson tied the score at 2-2 in the third.

Interlake will visit the Brandon Wheat Kings Friday (7:45 p.m.) and the Westman Ice Bandits Saturday (4:45 p.m.) in Elkhorn.

The U15 AAA Lightning, meanwhile, had a tough week with three lopsided losses.

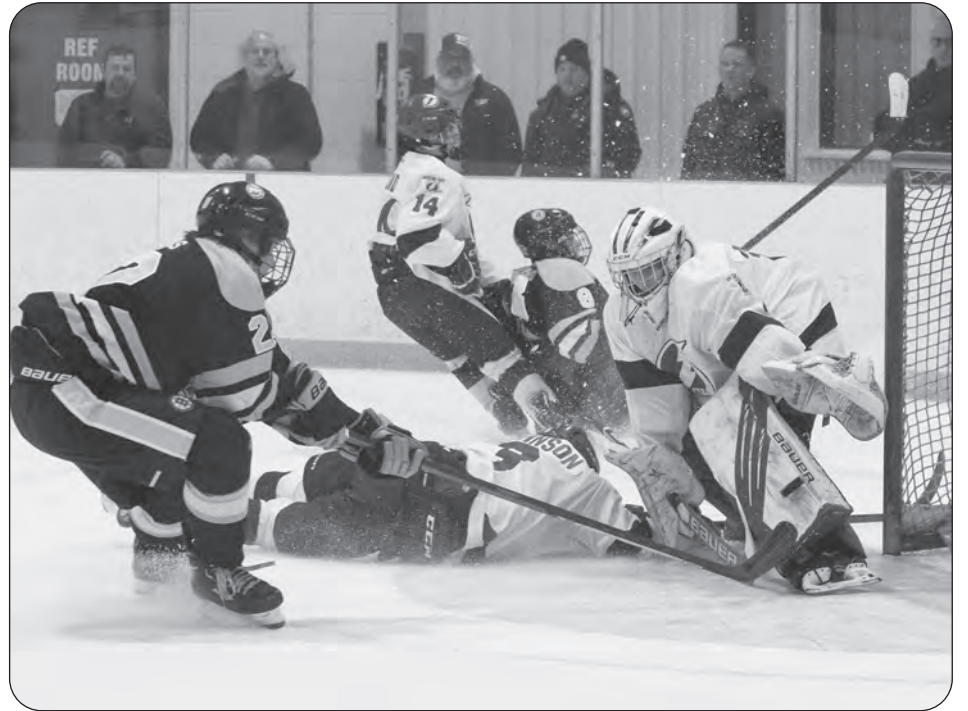
Ryder Kirk, with a pair of goals, and Layne Stuart scored for Interlake in a 10-3 home loss to the Winnipeg Thrashers White last Thursday.

The next night, the Lightning were defeated 10-2 by the Parkland Rangers in Russell. Lucas Miller scored both Interlake goals.

On Saturday, Interlake was beaten 10-4 by the Yellowhead Chiefs in Shoal Lake.

Lightning goals were scored by Talon Sutherland, Miller, Mason Bernier and Kirk.

Miller finished the game with three points.



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

U17 AAA Lightning goaltender Nathan Meisner made 43 saves in Interlake's 3-2 overtime loss to the Winnipeg Bruins last Friday in Warren.

Interlake will battle the Norman Wolves in The Pas this Saturday (6:30 p.m.) and Sunday (noon).

Interlake jr. high volleyball divisional champions



TRIBUNE PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Grosse Isle Flyers defeated Stonewall Sentinels to capture the 2022-2023 Interlake School Division Jr. High girls volleyball divisional championship banner. The Flyers were undefeated in round robin play. In the championship match, the Flyers defeated Stonewall's Grade 8 black team 25-8 in the first set, lost 19-25 in the second and won 15-3 to win the championship. Pictured back row, left to right: Monica Baldwin (coach), Julia Oliver, Keira McKnight, Chyler Grenkow and Paige Seidel; front row: Sarah Goodwill, Blake Darragh, Cadie Huard and Torie Galbraith. Missing from the photo is Brooklyn Voth and Jessica Adams (coach).



The Stony Mountain Hawks are the 2022-2023 Interlake School Division Jr. High boys volleyball divisional champions. The Hawks defeated the Woodlands Mustangs in the final match. The Mustangs won the first set 25 - 16 and the Hawks clawed their way back winning the second set 25 - 21 and the third 15 - 8 to claim the banner. Pictured left to right, back row; Alisha Kaegi (coach), Romeo P., Carter B., Jacob S., Mason R., Aaron D., Tyson V., Liam C., Porter D., Reece R. and Shannon Comte (coach). Front row; Zack C., Aiden J., Carson K. and Aaron O.

Lightning knock off Northstars twice

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake U18 AAA male Lightning hockey team had a great trip up north last weekend.

Interlake completed a road sweep of the Norman Northstars after a convincing 9-3 win on Sunday afternoon.

"It was a pretty good weekend," said Lightning head coach Aaron Kaatz. "We got off to a slow start both games just due to the amount of travel we had but the boys really stepped it up in the third period of both games to help us get the wins up there and the much-needed four points."

Interlake's Ian Buors had a great game with a goal and four assists while Adam Vigfusson scored twice and had two assists.

"Those two kids are absolutely electric and dynamic," Kaatz said. "They have so much chemistry between each other. They know where each other are on the ice. They're always in the right places and those two, no matter what, they will put that puck

in the back of the net."

Aiden Miller and Joel MacMillan each chipped with a goal and two helpers.

Nic Leclair, Blake Farthing, Gavin Holod and Noah Oughton also scored for the Lightning.

Russell Matoo, Prime Paniyuk, and Lazarus Constant replied for Norman.

Alex Myers made 30 saves for the win.

On Saturday, Interlake scored four third-period goals in a 5-1 win over Norman.

After a scoreless first period, Interlake's Brandon Burak and Norman's Gregory Wiseman traded goals in the middle frame.

The Lightning's Kai Smith and Vigfusson each scored a pair of goals in the third.

Interlake outshot Norman 57-27 as Myers earned the win.

Last Wednesday, the Lightning lost 5-3 to the Winnipeg Bruins in Teulon.

Morgan Waddell, MacMillan, and Buors scored for Interlake.

Ethan Bibeau (two), Hayden Moore, Nick Giasson and Nathan Brown replied for Winnipeg.

Interlake, now 11-14-0-2, will host Eastman on Friday and Pembina Valley Saturday. Both games will start at 7:30 p.m.

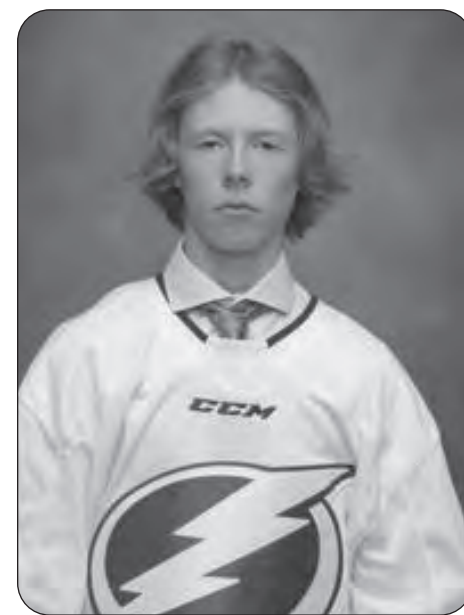
The Lightning trail the Selects by a point for the eighth and final playoff spot.

In Manitoba U18 Female Hockey League action, Interlake was defeated 8-0 by the Regina Rebels last Friday.

On Saturday, the Lightning were blanked 6-0 by Red Deer.

Interlake was scheduled to play a game Sunday morning but no score was posted on the team website at press time.

The Lightning will resume league play when they host the Winnipeg Avros Friday and the Winnipeg Ice Saturday in Stonewall. Puck drop for both games is 8 p.m.



Interlake Lightning forward Adam Vigfusson leads the Manitoba AAA U18 Hockey League with 41 points.

On Sunday at 12:30 p.m., Interlake will play the Pembina Valley Hawks in Morden.

Rams' hockey team is in first place

Staff

The Stonewall Collegiate Rams are in first place in the WSHL's Winnipeg Free Press Division.

The Rams defeated the Sanford Sabres 5-3 in Stonewall last Wednesday.

Stonewall's Rylan Slatcher had a great game with three goals and an assist while Hayden Kaczorowski and Russell Watts also tallied.

Kadyn Robertson, Jeremy Wuerch and Austin Spicer scored for Sanford.

Hunter Manning earned the win in goal.

The Rams were slated to play Shatesbury last Friday but that game was postponed.

Stonewall, now 9-3 in league play, will host Kildonan East on Wednesday (4 p.m.) and then play Gabrielle Roy on Friday (4 p.m.) in Ile des Chenes.

The Warren Collegiate Wildcats, meanwhile, were doubled 6-3 by the Edward Schreyer Barons last Friday.

Wildcats' goals were scored by Carter Olson, Quinn McKnight and Leland Chartrand.

Brady Szajewski, Miles Armit, Zach Erickson, Rhys Bullman, Irie Nolette and Gavin Winman replied for the Barons.

On Dec. 6, Warren was edged 7-6 by the Fort Richmond Centurions in a shootout.

Colton Bruce (three), Owen Shymko (two) and Brady Boonstra scored for Warren.

Fort Richmond goals came from Dylan Care (two), Scotty Hawryluk, Peyton Grennan, Carter Berard and Bo Potter.

The Wildcats played Linden Christian this past Tuesday but no score was available.

Warren will visit Powerview in Sagkeeng on Thursday (4 p.m.) and then host Murdoch MacKay Friday (4 p.m.).



TRIBUNE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Warren Collegiate's Quinn McKnight scored a goal in the Wildcats' 6-3 home loss to Edward Schreyer last Friday.



Stonewall Jets Player Profile

#11 Alex Kaczorowski
Forward

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Holiday parade honours Stony Mountain hero

By Jennifer McFee

Santa and Mrs. Claus are coming to town — but they won't be riding their usual sleigh.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, the special visitors from the North Pole will make a guest appearance via fire truck in Stony Mountain for the second annual Rob's Ride parade.

Hosted by the Stony Mountain Rockwood Fire Department, the holiday parade honours Rob Broadfoot, a volunteer firefighter for 15 years. In February 2021, he lost his battle with multiple myeloma.

"A few years ago, our fellow firefighter, brother Rob Broadfoot joined us in spreading the holiday cheer to the community, despite not feeling great due to his battle with cancer. Little did we know, it would be the last time Rob would be joining us. After a courageous battle, he passed away," said fire chief Marcel McIvor.

"As a way to honour Rob and start a new annual tradition, the Stony Mountain Rockwood Fire Department would like to announce Rob's Ride."

The event will feature the fire department's fleet decorated for the holidays. The purpose of the pa-

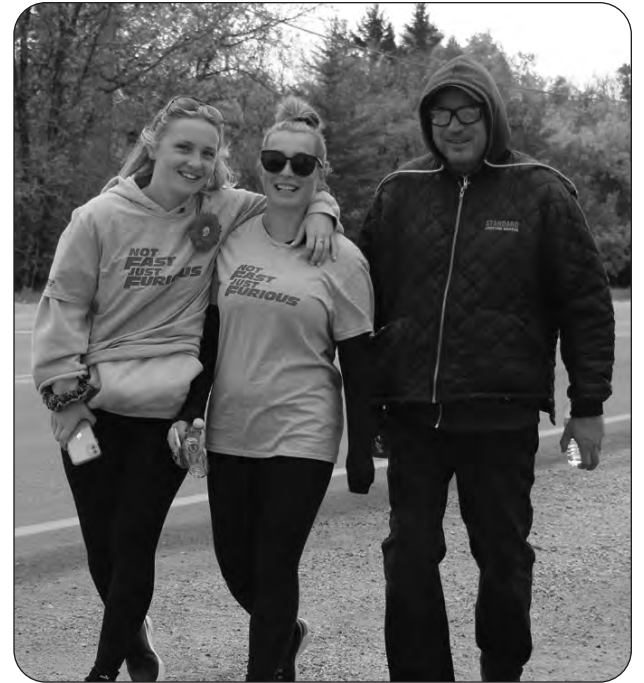
rade is to spread holiday spirit, complete with festive music and lights, while honouring Rob's memory.

Jessica Broadfoot, Rob's daughter, shared how meaningful the event is to her family, especially since the 2020 holiday parade was her dad's last fire call.

"I know my dad made an impact on many people's lives and is a hero in more eyes than just mine, but the continued love and support blows us away," she said.

"This parade means a lot to my family as it was my dad's last ride, so to be able to honour my dad, forever remember his last fire call and help spread holiday cheer will always be special to us. We can't thank the SMRFD enough for continuing to honour their fellow fighter, and we are so proud to belong to such an amazing community."

The parade starts at 5:30 p.m. at Memorial Boulevard and Old No. 7 Highway. The entire route is posted on the Stony Mountain Rockwood Fire Department's Facebook page.



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

The Stony Mountain Rockwood Fire Department will honour Rob Broadfoot, right, who lost his battle with multiple myeloma cancer in 2021, with Rob's Ride on Dec. 17. The Christmas parade will make its way through Stony Mountain.

Jets defeat first-place Canucks

By Brian Bowman

The Stonewall Jets handed the first-place St. James Jr. Canucks their first regulation loss of the season last Friday evening.

"It was a really good effort and it obviously means a lot to the kids, they were pretty pumped up after (the game)," said Jets' head coach Troy Kennedy. "We've beaten all of the top teams this year."

Hudson Chamberlin recorded a hat trick and had two assists to lead Stonewall to a great 6-5 road victory.

"He was very good. He went out and did what a 21 year old needs to do," Kennedy said. "He went out and led the team and everybody followed. Him and (Matthew Smith) were two of our big dogs out there and everybody followed suit. Everybody played a great game."

Nathan Vigfusson potted the game winner at 18:21 of the third period. Michael Spence and Karson King also scored for the Jets.

Ethan Robson (two), Trent Thorsteinson, Zach Greenwood and Tyrone Willan replied for the Canucks.

Jets' goaltender Tucker St. John made 37 saves for the win.

On Sunday, Stonewall lost 6-2 to the St. Boniface Riels. The Jets trailed 3-2 in the third before the Riels scored three times in just over seven minutes.

"We just fell apart in the third," Kennedy said. "We got down a goal and it seems to be a common factor throughout the year. When we get down one (guys) think we're done."

Peyton Bateman and Michael Spence scored first-period goals for Stonewall.

Nate Hinds (two), Connor Davis, Dylan Vitelli, Tyler Hattie and Dylan Waldmo tallied for the Riels.

The Jets (6-14) will visit St. James on Thursday (7:30 p.m.) and then host the Raiders Jr. Hockey Club Sunday (2 p.m.).

Inland Port Special Planning Area Under The Authority of The Special Planning Areas Regulation 49/2016

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:

Appeal of the decision of the designated employee respecting Variance File No. 13-1-172-2022-0010 on Parcel "F" Plan 50401 WLTO in Section 20 and NW ¼ 21-11-2 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Rosser

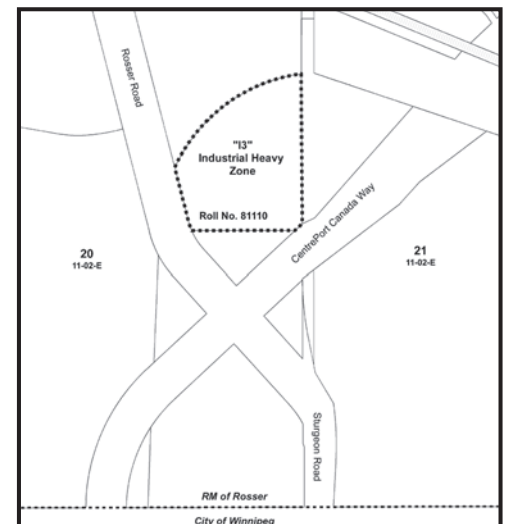
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Crossword Answer

CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- Take weapons away from
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Most ancient Hindu scriptures
- Actress Lathan
- Baseball's strikeout king
- British codebreaker Turing
- One who lives by disreputable dealings
- Tropical American plant
- Opposite of right
- Importance
- Monetary units
- Lawmen
- Cool!
- Affirmative answer
- Thrust horse power (abbr.)
- Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- Muslim nobleman
- About aviation
- Scientific instrument
- Protests strongly
- Not polished
- Grab
- Alias
- Large wrestler
- Relative quantities
- One who is big and awkward
- Sunscreen rating
- Atomic #90
- Mock
- Whales
- Peoples
- A state of being unclothed from DNA to the cytoplasm
- Ottoman military commanders
- Gatherer of fallen leaves
- Norse personification of old age
- Muslim mystic
- German river
- Measuring instrument
- Have witnessed
- Disallow
- Proverb

CLUES DOWN

- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

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- The back side of the neck
- A type of imine
- Black bird
- Partner to "Pa"
- Puts together in time
- Lucid
- Transmits genetic information from DNA to the cytoplasm
- Demonstrates the truth of
- Ancient Greek City
- Nishi language
- Slang for fidgety
- Southwestern farmers
- Metric weight unit
- Instant replay in soccer
- Less polished
- Popular pickup truck model
- Slang for a cigarette
- Large pile
- Solid geometric figure
- One from the Big Apple
- Male admirers
- Balsam is one
- Local area network
- Canadian law enforcers
- Koran chapters
- Cooperstown, NY museum (abbr.)
- Certificate (abbr.)
- An official who carries a mace of office
- Briefly in fashion
- Volcanic ash
- Dutch city
- Made of wood
- Legendary golfer
- Restaurant
- None
- Spanish city
- Stony waste matter
- Father
- Confederate soldier
- The ancient Egyptian sun god

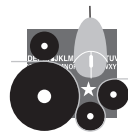
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R.M. OF ROSSER BY-LAW NO. 7/22
Being an **AMENDMENT to the R.M. OF ROSSER ZONING BY-LAW NO. 4/21**

HEARING LOCATION: R.M. of Rosser Municipal Office
0077 E PR #221, Rosser, Manitoba

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 10:00 AM

GENERAL INTENT: To rezone Pt. NE ¼ 31-12-1 EPM from "AL" Agricultural Limited Zone to "GD" General Development Zone.

AREA AFFECTED:



FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Shaw, General Manager
South Interlake Planning District
Office Location: 5-15 Davis Way,
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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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- Assisting Council in determining the future vision of the community
- Work closely with all levels of government

SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS:

- Ability to communicate effectively with the public, employees and external stakeholders.
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IN MEMORIAM

Mollard, Trevor John
 February 6, 1967 - December 17, 2019
 As the day goes by, my heart is filled with sorrow,
 If we could share just one more day
 If there was one more tomorrow
 I'd hold you close within my arms and never let you go.
 I love and miss you so much, more than these words could ever show
 You were my world, my rock, my best friend.
 A love so strong and true.

-Love Lisa xoxoxo
 Forever loved and remembered
 by your family and friends
 Miss and Love you Papa T - Eastyn

*Your memory will live forever
 Engraved within our hearts*

CARD OF THANKS



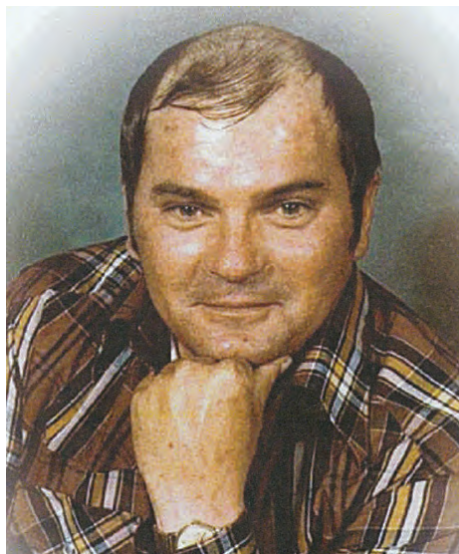
The family of Bill and Bea McMahon would like to express our sincere gratitude to the exceptional staff at Goodwin Lodge PCH, for the care and compassion they gave our parents over the last years of their lives. Working in healthcare is not an easy path, especially during the COVID years, and our simple thanks doesn't even come close to expressing our gratitude. To the Goodwin Lodge staff - resident care manager, nurses, healthcare aides, recreation staff, dietary and housekeeping staff - you are all wonderful people, and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

CARD OF THANKS

On behalf of my children and myself, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who dropped off food, flowers, gift cards, wood, made phone calls and sent messages, since the passing of our dad and husband, Ed de Laroque. Thank you to everyone who made donations to the MWF in his memory. Special thanks to Kenny Loehmer for all of your compassion, and for putting on such a beautiful service for Ed.

-Sincerely,
 Kim, Dylan, Rachel, Austin,
 Ciarra and Brady

IN MEMORIAM



Kenneth Wayne Mollard
 March 31, 1940 - December 26, 2010



Trevor John Mollard
 February 6, 1967 - December 17, 2019

May the winds of heaven blow softly,
 And whisper in your ear;
 How much we love and miss you,
 And wish that you were here.
 -Love your family

IN MEMORIAM



**In Loving Memory of
 My Mother
 and best friend**

Muriel Jean Lillies "Mollard"
 August 19, 1932 - December 18, 2021

A year has come and gone
 Happy 90th heavenly birthday Mom.
 Every time we think of you,
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 And though we'll always miss you,
 We know you're by our side.
 Your memory is our keepsake,
 With which we'll never part,
 God has you in His keeping,
 We have you in our hearts.

-Love you forever,
 Daughter Susan (Terry),
 Grandchildren Tanis (Jeff), Kyle,
 Tessa (Landon),
 Great-grandchildren Brady, Teagan, Lily
 and Ryland

IN MEMORIAM



Amanda Claire Seamans
 March 17, 1965 - December 15, 2021

Mom,
 Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure...
 You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure..
 You taught us all we needed to know except how to live without you.
 Until we meet again Mom

-All our love,
 Ashley, Andrew and Josh

IN MEMORIAM



McKenna Louise Riley
 September 10, 2000 - December 15, 2020

Time slips by and life goes on,
 But from our hearts you're never gone...
 We think about you always,
 we talk about you too,
 We have so many memories,
 but we wish we still had you!
 Goodbyes hurt when the story is not finished
 and the book has been closed forever.

-All our love,
 Mom, Dad, Brooke, Griffin
 and Grandma Donna

IN MEMORIAM



**In Loving Memory
 Matthew MacIntyre**

December 18, 1984 - September 6, 2012
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*There is a link death
 cannot sever,
 Love and remembrance
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OBITUARY



Mark Robert Bird
February 10, 1961 - December 6, 2022

After two years of cancer, Mark has gone Home to be with the Lord. He is loved and remembered by his family and community for his generosity and humour. His love of family and the value he placed on frequent gatherings have been passed down to his children. His generosity was expressed in part by regularly driving family to events and sports, as well as clearing snow from the sidewalk in front of his community church.

Mark is survived by his wife Lisa; mother Edith; sons Joshua and Kennedy (Chantel); daughters Laura (Dustin) and Katherine (Trevor); grandchildren Karmyn, Charlie, Mary, Sophia and Evelyn; sisters, cousins, nephews and nieces.

The family wishes to thank Mark's homecare nurses, Dr. Graham and the staff at Stonewall & District Health Centre for their

wonderful care.

A funeral was held at the MacKenzie Funeral Chapel, Stonewall on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

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OBITUARY



Rose Cecile Brennan (Lesko)

It is with great sadness we announce the sudden passing of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Rose Cecile Brennan (Lesko), on December 5, 2022.

Leaving to cherish her memory are her children, Marjorie (Murray) Horobin, Raymond (Caroline), Beatrice (Ron) Kurlowich, John (Sandy), Robert (Bonnie); daughter-in-law Elsie;

her grandchildren: Kevin (Katie), Ryan (Janine); Zachary, Breeann; Colleen (David), Cathie (Bob), Ron Jr. (Kerri), Kyle (Melanie); Eric (Tanya), Krystal; Glenn (Leighsha), Haley (Travis); Derek (Tina), Darren (Morgan); and great-grandchildren: Trenton; Anabella; Julian; Maksym; Katja, Nikolai, Aleksander, Oskar; Kaydan; Annie; Desyre, Bradon, Lucas; Wyatt, Lex, Jayce; her sisters Mary and Annie; sisters-in-law Mildred, Shirley (Norman), Frances, Mary; many nieces and nephews; and her life-long friends Bev and

Scotty, as well as many other close friends.

Mom always enjoyed visits from family and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Pat; her sons, Glen, Ernie, Brian, Ken; and her brothers Nick and Peter.

Mom was born at home in Stony Mountain October 7, 1932, where she lived until 1940 when they moved to a farm NE of Stonewall. She went to Stony Mountain School to Grade 4, Victoria School to Grade 8 and Stonewall Collegiate for Grade 9. Before marriage, Mom worked in a sewing factory for one summer and on her parents' farm.

Mom met Dad while working in her parents' field and Dad travelled this road to go between his farm and his parents' farm. They were married October 17, 1953, and spent the rest of her life on the farm outside Balmoral.

Early farming was dairy cattle, pigs and horses. Later farming was grain with a few dairy cattle (shipping cream), pigs and chickens for our own use and we housed horses for other people for a few years. By the early 70's, the dairy cattle were gradually replaced with beef cattle, and the pigs and horses were gone. Eventually, the only animals remaining were cats and dogs.

Mom ventured into the employment world in 1976, when she started working for Promoware (in Teulon) and later for Northern Goose (in Teulon) until 1992, when she joined the retirement team but still worked a few fall seasons at Riddell's.

A Funeral Service was held on Friday, December 9, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the MacKenzie's Funeral Chapel in Stonewall, Manitoba.

In lieu of flowers, if family and friends so desire, donations in her memory may be made to your favourite charity.

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OBITUARY

Margaret Anderson

Peacefully on Thursday, December 8, 2022 Margaret Anderson of Woodlands, MB passed away at 83 years of age.

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