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Local chef competing for Bon Appetit magazine feature

By Becca Myskiw

Food is more than sustenance on a plate for Mignon du Plessis — it's memories and tradition.

After only being in Carman for 18 months, du Plessis is making quite the mark. She moved here with her family from South Africa where she worked as a caterer and taught herself the ropes.

"I always think to myself, I'm by far not the most talented cook or chef in the family," she said as cooking has always been important in her bloodline. "I'm just the one crazy enough to do it as a job."

du Plessis is entered in the Favorite Chef cooking contest, where chefs from around the globe are invited to compete in an exclusive online competition where individuals vote for their "favorite chef." This contest not only deems the winner as "favorite chef" but awards that individual \$50,000 and a two-page advertisement in Bon Appétit, according to the Favorite Chef website.

On the Favorite Chef website, du Plessis's profile highlights her fourth-place status, her signature dish, oxtail ravioli, and outlines what she would do if she were to win the prize money — open a South African-inspired deli.

Oxtail ravioli is a South African favourite. It's her favourite not necessarily because of the taste or the process, but because of what it reminds her of: home.

"You don't eat oxtail at a restaurant because everyone's mom makes it the best," she said.

First, she cooks the oxtail off the bone to make an oxtail filling. She then adds a heavy red wine, which

she brines overnight, then slow cooks the filling for three to four hours before adding the cream. Next, du Plessis makes the pasta dough, fills it to make the raviolis, and cooks down the juice from the bones to make a red wine ju. She serves the dish with wild mushrooms and peas.

Du Plessis has been making more memories since coming to Carman. After working at Subway in town, she decided that was not what she wanted to do. So, she acted on a long-standing idea she had and created the Bon App Box, a grazing box full of meats, cheeses, vegetables, and homemade dips.

At du Plessis's job in South Africa, she focused on working with good produce cooked in a good way. She's brought those values to the Bon App Box and recently added South African-made jerky from a friend back home.

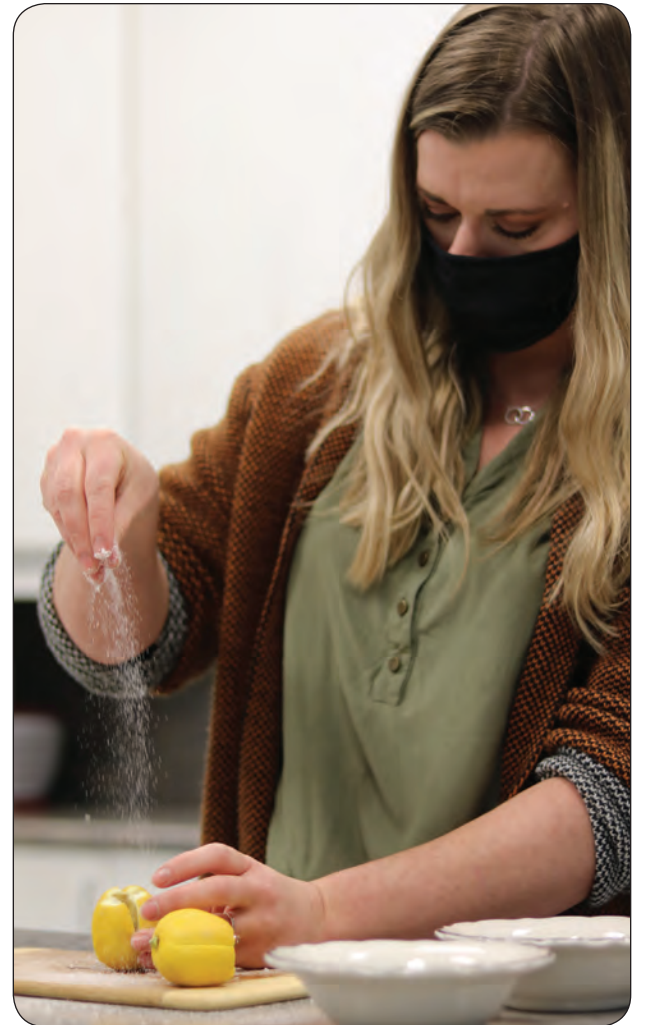
"I try to stay authentic to what I like," she said. "I would never put food in that I don't eat."

Her grazing boxes are a big part of du Plessis making top 10 in the Favourite Chef contest and they take up most of her photos for it.

If you would like to support du Plessis by voting, check the website <https://favchef.com/2021/mignon-du-plessis> to see if she advanced and if so keep supporting her.

Daily voting for Favourite Chef is free and open to the public. There is also an opportunity for the public to "hero vote," which means they can boost a participant's votes with a cash donation with a portion of the donations from "hero votes" benefiting Feeding America, the nation's largest organiza-

tion dedicated to fighting domestic hunger through a nationwide network of food banks.



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Mignon du Plessis is competing in the Favourite Chef cooking on-line contest and needs your votes to help her win \$50,000 and a feature in Bon Appetit magazine.

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Sales tax and health and post-secondary education deadlines extended

Staff

Manitoba Finance is extending its tax relief measures to provide extra support to businesses, as the province continues to protect Manitobans against the impacts of COVID-19.

Small and medium-sized businesses with retail sale tax (RST) remittances of no more than \$10,000 per month are eligible for an interest and penalty-free payment deferral to June 30, 2021. The deferral is for the January, February, March, April and May 2021 return periods. Businesses are also eligible for an interest and penalty-free payment deferral until June 30, 2021, for the March quarterly RST return.

As well, the Health and Post-Secondary Education Tax Levy returns for small and medium-sized businesses with remittances of no more than \$10,000 per month are eligible for an interest and penalty free payment deferral to June 30, 2021. The deferral is for the January, February,

March, April and May 2021 return periods. The RST and tax levy deferrals are optional and for tax payments only. Businesses must continue to file returns by the required due dates.

The province has also extended the previous interest and penalty-free repayment option set to expire March 31, 2021, until June 30, 2021.

The deferrals recognize Manitoba businesses are facing a challenging economic situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and some businesses may need access to these extra funds. The government provided similar relief in 2020, which benefited 20,000 businesses.

Businesses can contact the collections unit at the taxation division to update payment arrangements. Further information regarding filing requirements is available on the Manitoba tax publications webpage at www.gov.mb.ca/finance/taxation/bulletins.html.

Community garden plots up for grabs

By Becca Myskiw

The Carman's Community Garden plot registration is in full bloom.

Last year, the community garden moved to a large space in the north end of the industrial park. The land was donated by the town, along with the tool shed and the current water supply.

Since the move, the garden now has around 70 plots up for grabs, with about half of them already spoken for. There are five different plot sizes to choose from — 10x3, 15x15, 15x30, 30x30, and 30x60. The smallest one costs \$10 for the season, and each one from there goes up by \$10, making the highest cost \$50.

Pat Veldman of the community garden said the money generated from the rent fees goes right back into the space.

"Each year, there's something that needs to be done," she said.

Last year, they put a fence around the entirety of the two-acre garden along with some picnic tables for the gardeners and a birdhouse. The town currently brings in a water tank for them, but the community garden people would like to get a well to make

the water more accessible for everyone. They'd also like to build another shed on the land along with some things to attract bees.

Three more people have requested raised beds to garden in as well, which means they'll have to build more — another cost paid for by the gardeners themselves.

There's always maintenance to be done as well. Veldman said they try to bring in manure and compost for people to use and help those who can't till their own garden.

As last year was the community garden's first one in their new location, not all of the plots got rented. Veldman said people can rent more than one plot if they wish, and she hopes everyone without access to their own garden will look at this opportunity.

"It's quite the community out there," she said. "It's pretty cool."

To rent a plot with the Carman Community Garden, email carmancommunitygarden@gmail.com. Registration forms can also be found at Toews Printing & Office Supply. Veldman asks that people have their forms in by April 15, 2021.



STANDARD PHOTO BY BECCA MYSKIW

Pat Veldman, left, is on Carman's community garden board. Rosie Merkus has her own plot there.

Viewpoint: Pandemic debt will affect generations to come

By Becca Myskiw

Mona Brown at PFK Lawyers is urging people to get ahead of the inevitable post-pandemic debt.

PFK Lawyers and BDO are hosting a series of webinars to educate people on what's to come and to help them plan for it. Brown said there's no way to know what will happen, but it's important to anticipate it.

Right now, the debt to GDP ratio is over 72 and climbing to 106, said Brown, which is the worst it's been since the end of the Second World War.

Because of COVID-19, government spending has been higher than usual. They've rolled out the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB),

business and rent subsidy programs, forgivable loan programs, and have given loan upon loan. There's also vaccine spending and an higher than usual unemployment rate, which was at 9.5 per cent federally in January.

Brown said there will also be a big bailout coming up for large airline companies because without them, the economy will cripple.

"So, someone has to pay more taxes to get the debt down," she said.

Brown said to lower the debt, the government will have to cut spending, but they can't while they're trying to boost the economy. So, instead they have to increase taxes or cut the benefits people have right now.

The benefits Brown is referring to

are the small business and small farms corporate rate of tax, which is nine per cent. She's concerned the special farmer rules will be significantly changed to get ahead of the incoming debt, but that's not the only sector that needs to worry.

"Everything and anything is potentially on the chopping block," she said.

Brown expects the economy to get worse before it gets better. There's no question, she said, that Canadians will have to pay more taxes because of the pandemic for multiple years to come.

"People have to be aware that we can't just saddle our grandchildren," she said. "It's our debt."

Anything people can do now to save for the future and prepare for it will

be helpful, she said, and she encourages anyone who can, to do so. Taking advantage of the current rates is also important because they won't last much longer.

For more information email Mona Brown at mbrown@pfklawyers.com



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Legislation introduced to ensure Legal Aid Manitoba can be more responsive

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is introducing changes to the Legal Aid Manitoba Act that would give Legal Aid Manitoba (LAM) the authority to set fees for private bar lawyers, Justice Minister Cameron Friesen announced Thursday.

"Giving Legal Aid Manitoba the responsibility over the tariff will ensure that Legal Aid has the ability to make adjustments quickly and manage services more effectively," said Friesen. "Fees have not increased for years; we acknowledge the importance of addressing this in order to ensure that lawyers will continue to choose this important field of practice."

The proposed amendment would

ensure that LAM has the necessary levers and tools available to make modifications quickly to ensure fair or reasonable services. This would also provide opportunities to make adjustments when law or procedures change.

LAM provides free or affordable legal services to low-income Manitobans and ensures access to justice for those who are disadvantaged and facing a well-resourced individual or entity in court. These services are delivered using a mixed model, with roughly half of the cases handled by lawyers on staff and the other half of cases handled by private bar lawyers who are paid a fee for each case. Fees for private lawyers are currently

set out in provincial regulation based on an hourly rate, which has not increased since 2008.

Early last year, the province released an independent review of Legal Aid Manitoba that identified several important opportunities for improvements. The report included a number of recommendations to improve legal services and support the sustainability of the organization, including amendments to the Legal Aid Act to give Legal Aid the authority to set the tariff as they see fit.

This change aligns with Manitoba's throne speech commitment to enhance the provision of legal aid to ensure it delivers on its core mandate to efficiently provide legal services for

those who cannot afford them. The minister noted it also supports the goal of Manitoba's Criminal Justice System Modernization Strategy to improve the timeliness of the justice system including bail hearings.

LAM operates at arms length from government and is funded by the Manitoba government, the Government of Canada, the Manitoba Law Foundation and fees paid by clients. Similar programs exist across Canada. For more information about LAM, visit www.legalaid.mb.ca/.

The independent review of LAM and its recommendations are available online at www.gov.mb.ca/justice under Publications.

RCMP investigating multiple thefts in Carman

Staff

The Pembina Valley RCMP received multiple property crime complaints that occurred in the early morning hours in Carman on Feb. 23.

Shortly after 3 a.m. an unknown person(s) broke into multiple storage lockers at the Bring n Lock Self Storage facility located in the Car-

man Industrial Park. The unknown suspect(s) gained entry into multiple storage units and then departed the area in a dark colored van hauling a small utility trailer.

A short time later at approximately 4 a.m. a 2003 camouflage Polaris Sportsman 700 ATV, worth an estimated \$3,000, was stolen from a yard in the



STANDARD PHOTO SUBMITTED BY RCMP

RCMP continue to investigate several break and enters that occurred on Feb. 23 in Carman.

100 block of 7th Street NW. Further investigation revealed that the vehicle involved in the break, enter, and theft at the Bring n Lock Storage Facility was the same vehicle involved in the theft of the ATV on 7th Street NW.

RCMP are also investigating a break and enter to at the Carman Transfer Station in the early morning hours of

Feb. 23. Unknown persons gained entry into an electronics building.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Pembina Valley RCMP Detachment at (204) 745-6760, or call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477, or secure tip online at www.manitobacrimestoppers.com.

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Where are they now? Catching up with Rod Lehmann

By Dennis Young

This feature will attempt to renew some acquaintances with those who called Carman home at one time or another. I have randomly selected people to answer questions of their past and present so the readers can be brought up to speed on their lives.

Q. Firstly let's get familiar with you again. When did you live in Carman?

Born in 1946, I was raised on the family farm 2 1/2 miles east of the Barnsley whistle stop off PTH 305. Was called home until I left for Winnipeg in 1965.

Q. Did you attend school here or move here for career?

I attended Tracy School, a one room school house, Grades 1 thru 8. After Tracy I was bused to Carman and attended Carman Midland Collegiate.

Q. What did you do for summer jobs as a student here?

Being raised on the farm my summer jobs were preordained. That entailed slopping the hogs, hauling 'stuff' out of the barn, working the fields, hauling grain without a license, milking cows, hoeing weeds, etc. My sole source of income was the 100 ducks I raised each year.

Q. What did your family do for a living here?

We lived on a mixed farm. The major source of income however, was the hog barn that held 500 hogs. We also had milk cows from which we sold cream. One year to supplement the farm income, my father decided to grow commercial cucumbers. Cleaning a 1/4 mile long strip of cucumber plants took the fun right out of gardening for me.

Q. What activities did you participate in as a student?

I think I was about 12 years old when I was signed up by my parents to be a member of the Carman Marching Band in which I played drums. I curled, bowled and managed the Junior Rifle Club at lunch time in the basement of the high school. Being a qualified Junior Rifle instructor and with the blessing of Frank McKinnon, students were allowed to target practice during lunch time. Can't picture that happening these days! I started taking guitar lessons and hooked up with my cousin Gary McEachern, Bill Johnston, Paul Jensen and Sheldon Smith to form the local renown rock band The Saints. Our first gig was at Boyne School....our pay....a box of chocolates!

Q. Did you meet your spouse here?

Nope I met my spouse Helen, who was from Kenora, on a blind date in Winnipeg arranged by Bill Johnston's girlfriend Elaine. We are approaching our 52nd year together.

Q. Did you raise any children here? Names, where



Rod and Helen Lehmann

and doing what?

We have three great kids we raised in Winnipeg. Shane (49) is a paramedic in Kingston, Ontario. Greg (47) is a computer consultant and data base manager in West Kelowna, BC. Then there is Tannis (44) a high school English and Drama teacher in Winnipeg.

Q. Do you have extended family now?

Our kids have given us six wonderful grandchildren. As for relatives my Aunt Elvy Foubert lives in Pinawa, Aunt Alice McEachern and cousin Doris Allen still live in Carman. My brother Wayne lives in Brandon, brother Les lives in the Dominican Republic and my sister Wenda lives on her farm in Austin. My eldest brother Dennis passed in 2015.

Q. What got you to leave Carman and where?

After graduation I headed for the big city to start a career with the Provincial Government in Winnipeg, which I remained at for 43 years. My first job was in the Winnipeg Land Titles, but shortly moved onto Surveys and Mapping.

Q. Did you move around lots in career or life?

Not a lot of moving. My first stint with the province lasted five years, after which we moved to Edmonton where I worked for a private mapping firm for 1 1/2 years before moving back to Winnipeg, to rejoin the province, staying until I retired in 2008. My career was spent with the Survey and Mapping Branch where I worked and eventually managed the topo mapping unit. I spent 30 years in mapping, ending my career managing the Department of Conservation website.

Q. What else have you done, where and how long?

As nearly my entire career was with the province,

anything else I was involved in centered around family and the great outdoors. I was involved in hunting, fishing and taxidermy. I had been involved with a fishing magazine, The Big Fin Outdoor Report, for which I contributed a monthly humour article. These farm, fishing and hunting tales were later printed in a book titled Surviving the Calls of Nature. I built our family cottage in the Kenora area which we had for the past 40 summers until this year.

Q. What do you do now? Retired?

I enjoyed my tenure with the province but after 43 years, it was time to leave.

Q. What passes your leisure time? Hobbies?

I still enjoy playing acoustic guitar and look forward to the fall bow hunting season. My wife tolerates my affairs with nature and I love her for it. I also help our daughter with her bees...a truly fascinating hobby. I plant a small garden each year, as a reminder of my agricultural roots...weeds and all. Our time now is spent watching our family make their way in life and enjoying retirement.

Q. Any future plans?

With this COVID issue it will probably be sometime before we venture south of the border so will be spending more time visiting more of Canada.

Q. Have you travelled and where?

We try to spend a couple months each winter driving down south and have spent time in Florida, Texas, Arizona and California. We've spent time in all the provinces with the exception of Newfoundland and been throughout the US. Seen Hawaii, Cuba, Los Cabos and took our family to Puerto Vallarta to celebrate our 50th anniversary.

Q. Do you ever return to Carman?

With the passing of my parents, we don't make as many trips as we used to but try to get out to Carman at least once a year.

Q. What are some of your fondest memories of your Carman days?

I would say the friendliness of the people and their pride of doing something well. I'm always proud to say that I'm from Carman. As a kid the Carman Fair was spent playing in the Carman Band. I've sat through more horse races than your average kid...I really don't like horses anymore!

Q. Any last words you wish to send to our readers?

As I explained to Dennis I was certain that there were other Carmanites with a more compelling story but appreciate this manner of reaching out.

If you wish to reach this former Carmanite please send me an email at denjohnyoung@gmail.com and I will forward it to them for further contact.

New waste management program rolling out in Carman April 1

By Becca Myskiw

The Town of Carman is welcoming a new waste disposal program come April 1.

MWM Environmental will now be in charge of collecting the residents' trash, recycling, and composting in a bi-weekly schedule. Mayor Brent Owen said this new program comes because the special services by-law expired on Dec. 31, 2020 — in other

words, it was time for a change.

For the past few years, the town has been collecting and disposing of everyone's waste on a weekly system. The switch to the new program will not cost any extra for Carman or its residents — Owen said it's actually more cost efficient.

The company has been operating in southwest Manitoba for over 20 years and all of their references were good,

said the mayor. Their pricing was also competitive, and their services were just what Carman was looking for.

MWM Environmental currently provides curbside waste, recycling, and compost services for over 8,000 households in the province. They have a public drop-off site for hazardous waste in Morden along with an "efficient and environmentally safe" landfill.

With the new program, each household will get a 240-litre cart to store their garbage in. They will get those, along with an information packet from MWM Environmental sometime in mid-March.

The recycling depot in town and at the community dump will still be available for people to use.

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Case numbers on the right track, but risk remains: Roussin

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Public health officials announced 63 new cases of COVID-19 and one new virus-related death on Monday.

That brought the total of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba to 32,288.

There were 1,145 active cases, 30,236 recoveries, and 907 total deaths due to the virus at press time. Manitoba has thus far reported six cases of the B117 COVID-19 variant and three of the B1351 variant.

“Our case numbers for the most part continue to improve, trend in the right direction, as do our hospitalization numbers,” said Dr. Brent Roussin, Manitoba’s chief public health officer. “However, we still see many individu-

als in hospital, still see many individuals still in intensive care.

“So there continues to be a need for us to be on guard. The variants of concern add to that need. We are still at risk.”

A total of 164 people were in hospital due to the virus on Monday, 22 in intensive care. Fifty-four of those patients were considered to be contagious.

The five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate was 3.5 per cent provincially and 2.4 per cent in Winnipeg.

Our health region, Southern Health-Santé Sud, had a total of 34 active cases at press time and 16 people in hospital, including three in ICU. A total

of 4,627 people have recovered from the virus. One hundred and forty-two people have died.

Breaking down the numbers further in the Pembina Valley, there were four active cases in Carman at the start of the week, three in Winkler and Red River South, two each in Morden and the Altona and MacDonald areas, and one each in the Lorne/Louise/Pembina and Morris areas. Reporting no active cases were the areas of Stanley, Roland/Thompson, and Grey.

These areas together have seen 1,338 recoveries and 27 deaths since the pandemic began a year ago.

Manitoba delaying COVID-19 shot second doses

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitoba’s vaccine task force announced a major change to the rollout of the COVID-19 shots last week.

Dr. Joss Reimer, the task force’s medical lead, said the province is increasing the length of time between first and second doses of the vaccine. This change could allow every eligible Manitoban to receive a first dose of the vaccine by the end of May or June, depending on vaccine supply.

“This approach will allow us to immunize more eligible Manitobans sooner,” Reimer said. “This helps protect us all.”

Manufacturers of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines recommend second doses be administered three or four weeks after the first.

But recent guidance from the National Advisory Committee on Immunizations (NACI) has stated the interval between doses could potentially be extended to four months without losing a great deal of effectiveness.

“These vaccines are providing a significant level of protection even after one dose,” Reimer explained. “This means that there is more of a clear advantage to getting vaccine to more people sooner.”

Data from other parts of Canada, the United Kingdom, and Israel have put first dose efficacy of the vaccines to be between 70-80 per cent.

“That’s excellent real-world vaccine effectiveness,” Reimer said, noting, of course, the vaccines have not been out long enough to get four-month data yet.

“We feel very comfortable with the data that we have in front of us, that it’s been so consistent in so many different jurisdictions to provide that high level of effectiveness up until two months,” she said. “But we also will be watching and if there’s any signs after that two month point that immunity starts to decrease, we can pivot again.”

“That’s the nature of science—we are always putting out our best plan but then testing it and watching,” Reimer said. “We need to be ready to adapt to new information as it comes in ... we feel that, based on the information available to us, this is the best plan.”

Health officials have said that all

second-dose appointments made before this change was announced will be honoured.

It’s also important to note that a second dose of the vaccine is still needed for full protection.

“For long-lasting immunity, that second dose is really important,” Reimer stressed. “We don’t want to have to do this next year.”

“The whole world is watching”

Reimer also addressed questions about the differences between the various vaccines now approved for use in Canada, including the newer

AstraZeneca vaccine.

“Clinical and real-world studies have shown all of these vaccines to be effective in preventing COVID-19,” she said. “The people who have been immunized are much less likely to not

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Remembering...Harry Malcolmson

By Dennis Young

After nearly 50 years on the job, pharmacist Harry Malcolmson retired for good in October 1979. From the Medical Corps to Saunders Drug Store to Baird's in Winnipeg to Carman Pharmacy to the Carman Co-op, Harry put in his time wearing the familiar white coat behind a counter.

Upon finishing high school in Carman he took a three year apprenticeship program with Milt Saunders in Carman.

"The first year I was allowed to dust, the 2nd year I handled vet supplies and finally in my 3rd I was allowed to dispense drugs". He enrolled at the U of M and graduated in 1935 as a licensed pharmacist.

His first job was with Baird's Drug Store in Wpg. where he worked 72 hours/week for \$75/month. During those depression times, 25 grads a year were coming out of University capable of taking your job. "So working those hours and every 2nd Sunday was just accepted. Now (1979) you have to advertise 3-4 months to get one! They don't want to leave the city."

He returned home in '38 and purchased the building at the corner of 1st Street SW and 1st Ave SW presently Corner Connection. He paid Albert Doyle (Don's grandfather) \$2750.00 and was about to realize his dream of owning his own business and building. It not only housed Harry's Carman Pharmacy and Southern Electric (Lowry family) on the main floor, but the 2nd floor was rented by the local chapter of the IOOF (Odd Fellows).

"We did a terrific veterinary business mainly for horses before the days of the tractor. We also made up a lot of powders and capsules. These days (1979) drug products come ready to use so dollar wise pharmacies now do twice the business in half the time." Considering that, he wondered why more people do not go into that livelihood.

In the mid 50s Southern Electric moved down the street so Harry branched out and incorporated a 20 seat lunch counter with a soda fountain. "Anyone who recalls the ol' store will probably remember the irregular shaped 5-sided counter with swivel stools that sent many a youngster spinning out of control" his daughter Susan tells me. "It was an environment that suited Dad with his ability to "kibitz" with anyone whether there for meds or a cup of coffee."

"My Mom, Muriel Stevenson, started to work for Harry there in 1955. They had a regular coffee crew that included Carm Colvin (Drycleaners) and Ralph Stewart (Robinson's)" Marge Stewart adds. It was just her and Doreen McLean in the Pharmacy but with the lunch counter Harry hired Madelaine Eby

(Murray), Marlene Grundy (Rose), Bess Reynolds (Skelton), Hazel Stewart, Jean Smith and Dorothy Course just to name a few."

All the Malcolmson kids helped in some capacity from sweeping floors, filling coolers, sorting glass pop bottles, balancing hydro or phone bills that were collected there or wrapping endless boxes of Black Magic chocolates at Christmas. In 1960 the IOOF chapter relocated and Harry had the second floor converted into apartments by 1961. Early renters were Murray and Iona Smith and Al and Jennie Fuller to name just 2.

After he moved the pharmacy to the Co-op building, he renovated the back half of the downstairs into apartments and left the front half for a business opportunity (Sears?). Harry continued to own the building until the early 70's when he sold it to Mel Morrison, who was living in an upstairs apartment at the time.

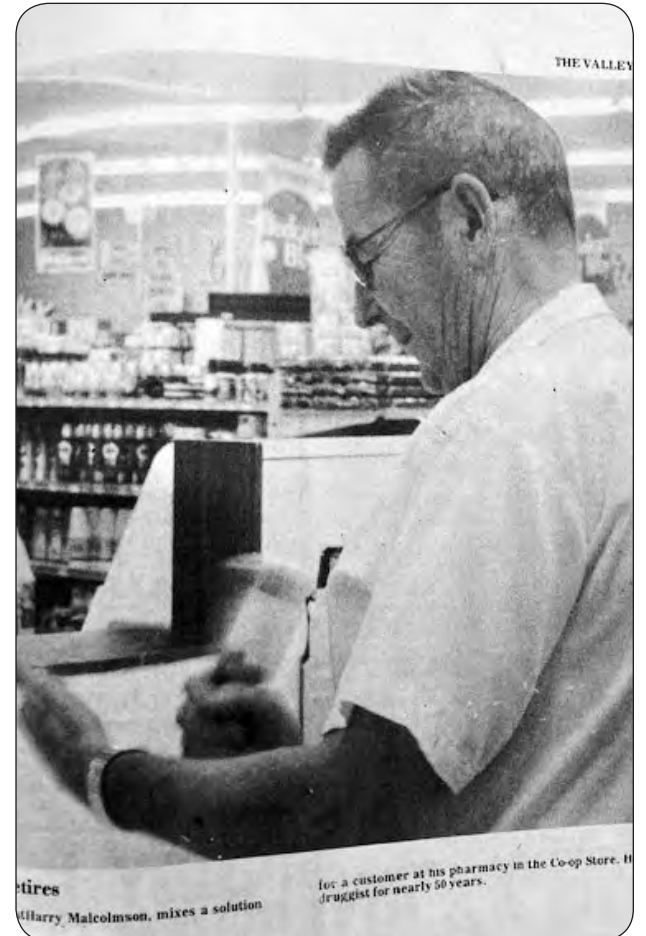
In 1964, when Harry accepted the position as the first pharmacist at the newly built Carman Co-op Pharmacy, he dissolved the Carman Pharmacy name, which reappeared in 1995 thanks to the Clarks. Susan acknowledged "It was a great move for him. Gone were the headaches of owning a business plus, much to his delight, he had a new group of people to "kibitz" with lol." Making the move and staying loyal for the next 15 years until his retirement were Muriel and Doreen.

"Dad would never turn away someone in need his store was never really "closed". A phone call at home after hours for a needed medicine, never went unanswered. He always responded with a "meet me at the store in 15 minutes. To him, this was also part of giving back to his community" a proud Susan remarked.

With a career tied so closely to the medical field, he sought volunteer opportunities in the community he would have a natural fit with. He was a driver for the Carman Memorial Hospital ambulance and was a Carman-Dufferin Fireman for 20 years, some as their chief.

Susan expressed "I can still hear the shrill ring of the "fire phone" in our house signalling fires or doing the Sunday test call. It was made to ensure lines were working but Dad was usually at work by then and never had to answer them!"

From 1957 to 1963 he served 2 terms on the Town Council under Frank Harris but found it tough trying to run a business and service Council. "As far as attracting industry to Carman" Harry explains (1979) "retired people are the best industry and Carman has plenty of those."



Harry Malcolmson, mixes a solution for a customer at his pharmacy in the Co-op Store. He has been a pharmacist for nearly 50 years.

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Harry Malcolmson was a pharmacist for nearly 50 years before retiring in 1979.

Although time spent fishing, duck and prairie chicken hunting was not always abundant, anytime he went with friends or family was a highlight. The banjo or bagpipes were his musical instruments of choice to listen to which takes a special person to appreciate. Travel became important after retirement and took trips to Scotland, Hawaii and points across Canada.

"The building as it is today hasn't changed much since Dad purchased it. The front entrance is changed....now being a flat front as it did have a concave entrance at one point. When Dad converted to apartments, upstairs and down, the stairs on the east side was an addition at that time" Susan related after her many visits to Carman over the years.

After his first and only time in hospital, Harry passed away in 2002 at the age of 89. His legacy includes 5 children, 15 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and to date, 2 great-great-grandchildren.

We all miss those soda fountain days of Carman's pharmacies but Susan admits what she misses most are Harry's butter tarts!

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only become infected but also to have severe symptoms if they do become infected."

While these vaccines were developed quickly they still had to meet certain standards before being approved for use.

"There have clinical trials, there have been data reviews—all of the processes associated with a more typ-

ical vaccine authorization process," Reimer said. "Data on these vaccines are growing all the time and they continue to be very closely monitored. In fact, the whole world is watching as these vaccines get rolled out."

She pointed out that this close monitoring and quick reporting of any potential side effects doesn't happen with any other type of medical inter-

vention.

"So we know far more about the vaccine safety than we do any prescription that I might write in my clinic, for example," Reimer said. "For me, the development of these vaccines shows what we are capable of on an international scale when there's a strong collective will to protect people's health."

Reimer urged people to get vaccinated with whichever vaccine is avail-

able as soon as they are eligible.

"They have all been tested and they have all been found to be safe and effective," she said.

Up-to-date vaccination eligibility guidelines and details about booking your appointment are available online at manitoba.ca/covid19/vaccine/index.html

Province eases back on some restrictions

Relaxed public health orders in effect until March 25

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Another step in Manitoba's slow return to some semblance of normalcy was taken Friday as the province's latest public health orders came into effect.

At a press conference outlining the orders on March 2, Premier Brian Pallister stressed that while the province's vaccination program is making some headway, "we are not out of the woods yet" when it comes to battling COVID-19.

That's why Manitoba will continue with a slow but steady approach to re-opening, the premier said, explaining there will be two phases of health restriction rollbacks in the weeks ahead.

"These changes, once again, are cautious changes to ensure we continue to protect and safeguard Manitoba lives," Pallister said.

Dr. Brent Roussin, Manitoba's chief public health officer, went on to outline the first phase of orders, which came into effect March 5 and remain active until March 25.

"Manitoba's case numbers and test positivity rates continue to trend in the right direction," he said. "That's

why we're able to begin to look at other options to cautiously reopen services in Manitoba."

Changes to the public health orders in effect throughout Manitoba include:

- Households can either continue to designate two visitors to their homes or designate a second household so that two households can visit each other, as long as everyone in the house has authorized those designated individuals to visit.

- Gathering limits at an outdoor public or private place increase to 10 people, including for outdoor non-organized sport or recreation activities.

- Places of worship have increased capacity size of 25 per cent or 100 people, whichever is lower, with physical distancing measures in place and mask requirements.

- All business types are now able to operate, with the exception of indoor theatres, indoor concert halls, casinos, and bingo halls.

- Retail stores, malls, and personal services have increased capacity limits of up to 50 per cent or 250 people, whichever is lower, with other public

health measures still in effect.

- Restaurants and licensed premises have increased capacity limits of up to 50 per cent, with the requirement for tables to sit with only household members. Other public health measures remain in effect.

- Businesses other than casinos can resume operating video lottery terminals.

- Professional theatre groups, dance companies, symphonies, and operas can resume rehearsals that are not accessible to members of the public.

- Day camps for children can operate at 25 per cent capacity.

- Indoor recreation and sporting facilities such as gyms, fitness centres, rinks, courts, fields, ranges, studios, clubs, pools and centres can open at 25 per cent total capacity, with public health measures in place including for spectators, common areas, and locker rooms. The requirement to provide one-on-one instructions has been removed.

- Gym, fitness centres, and pool users must continue to wear a mask while working out and in all other areas of the facility, with the exception

of while in a swimming pool.

- Dance, theatre, and music facilities can open for a total capacity of 25 per cent.

- Indoor recreational facilities such as arcades, go-kart tracks, and children's facilities can open at 25 per cent capacity with physical distancing measures in place.

A further easing of restrictions could come into effect in a few weeks.

"Later in March we'll continue to evaluate whether we will stay at this level or continue to cautiously re-open," Roussin said.

He stressed that people still need to take steps to protect themselves from contracting and spreading the virus.

"We shouldn't interpret these reopenings as a reduction in our risk," Roussin said. "We were at this place before. We know that if let our guards down we're going to see transmission of this virus again. So we all have to be on guard, continue to practise those fundamentals."

That includes the continued use of masks, practising good hand hygiene, physical distancing, and staying home when showing even mild symptoms of illness.

Researchers pleased with cover crop survey response

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The second round of the Prairie Cover Crop Survey has yielded some interesting early results.

University of Manitoba PhD student Callum Morrison said they received more responses overall than the year before and from a varied group of producers across Western Canada.

"We opened it up this year to people who had never grown a cover crop," he explained, noting over 350 producers have weighed in thus far, about 150 of which had never grown cover crops before.

Cover crops are those grown at a time when the land would otherwise be left bare, often during the shoulder seasons of spring or fall when the cash crop is not on the field. They've been gaining popularity across North America in recent years.

The survey, which Morrison is overseeing alongside assistant professor of agronomy and farming systems Dr. Yvonne Lawley, is designed to gather people's thoughts on this practice and find out what kinds of producers are using cover crops, what they're growing, and what benefits they might be seeing.

Expanding the survey's reach in 2020 allowed researchers to also hear from producers on the reasons why they haven't given cover crops a go before and what might make them decide to do so.

"We got such a wonderful snapshot" of what producers are thinking, Morrison said, noting that several things stood out to him from the results.

"We're really seeing the diversity of how cover crops are being used," he said for a start. "It's not just one group of farmers that are using them and they're not just using cover crops for one reason."

Looking at the Manitoban respondents alone (about 150 producers strong), many (47 respondents) have been growing cover crops for three to five years while 24 were giving it a try for the first time in 2020.

"Amazingly, we found 13 per cent have been growing them for more than 10 years," Morrison said. "So we know cover crops are relatively new here compared to the States, but there's still a sizeable portion that have been growing them for over a decade."

A quarter of Manitoba respondents

put their cover crops in after spring wheat. The next most common preceding crops were fall rye, canola, and oats.

The most popular cover crop by far was oats, with 55 per cent of respondents picking that as their crop of choice. Next up was peas and clover, respectively.

More than two-thirds of cover crop farmers reported that they grow a mix of species, most commonly two to three, and about half reported growing crops that die naturally over the winter so that additional herbicide or grazing is not required.

A good number of producers said they've seen benefits relatively quickly.

"I was in shock when I saw this because a lot of people will say it will take you a long time to see any benefits from cover crops, but for Manitoba about 40 per cent of farmers said they saw benefits within the first year," Morrison said.

Many producers reported seeing an increase in their profits thanks to cover crops. About one-quarter said they saw no significant increase. Only two producers reported a decrease in

profits.

When it came to common challenges, our province's short growing seasons and a lack of moisture topped the list.

"Really, our climate seems to be the biggest two hurdles," Morrison said.

Overall, Manitoba farmers, once they start growing cover crops, are more likely to grow more such acres year over year than they are to decrease them.

"That's another way to show whether farmers are enjoying it," Morrison pointed out. "You're only going to keep doing something and keep increasing your acres if you think it's doing some good."

Only one respondent reported actually decreasing their cover crop acres. The rest either increased them or, in a few cases, kept them the same.

Morrison plans to have more details about the survey results available in the months ahead. A series of in-depth focus groups on the topic are also in the works.

You can learn more online at <https://sites.google.com/view/prairiecovercropsurvey>.

ECS Grade 2 class reflects on winter with poems and art

By Becca Myskiw

The Grade 2 class at Elm Creek School recently wrote poems about their feelings towards winter.

Teacher Liza Salazar brainstormed with her class positive and less positive thoughts, activities, and expressions about the season. Then, the students folded their papers in a "hot-dog" style and wrote their own ideas about winter on each side — one side was a happy face and the other was a sad face.

"The result are some fabulous poems," said Salazar. "Showing that we can feel good or bad about the same thing."

Then, they made art pieces to go along with their poems. Over a three-day period, the class used cardboard to dip in black paint and flick across the sheet to make birch trees. They then made a blue wash with a sponge.

The class then read "Snowmen at Night", observing how light and shadows look on snowmen. Soon, each student created their own snowman, each with its own personality.

The poems and complementing art pieces are shown here.

I Don't Like Snowstorms!

By Mason Warren

I love playing in the snow
And sliding down the hills!
I don't like the cold
Or snowballs hitting me!
I like going for walk
And skating at the rink
I don't like my glasses getting foggy
Or when my hands get cold!
I like Christmas, watching TV
And making snow angels!
I don't like snowstorms, the cold wind
Or getting STUCK!

I LOVE WINNING!

By Brock Enns

I love making forts in the snow!
I hate getting snow in my boots!
I love winning a hockey game!
I hate falling down on the ice!
I love going snowmobiling!
I hate getting my boots stuck in the snow!
I do love winning a hockey game!

Yay – It's SNOWING!!

By Ava Duspasquier

Yay! It's SNOWING!
We can make a snowman!
I hate the snow because I get snow....
.....up my sleeve
....and in my boots
...and down my back!!!

I can't wait to make a snowman!
It is going to be awesome!
Here comes my little brother Sawyer
To play with me!
I hate winter
I get frost bite on my cheeks
I hate it when the wind Hurts my cheeks!

Winter is for Hot Chocolate!

By Berlynn Tkachyk

I love hot chocolate milk
On a cold winter's day!
I love skating on my outdoor rink
Until my toes get cold!
I hate when my toes get SO COLD!
I hate it when snow gets in my boots!
I love making a snowman with a hat,
A scarf and a carrot nose.
I love making perfect snow angels!
Snow is SO COLD!
I cannot wait to jump in the pool!

Yay – It's SNOWING!

By Liam Isaak

Yay – it's SNOWING!
I really like snowmobiling.
I like making snow forts with big blocks.
I especially like making snowmen.
I hate getting snow down my back!
And I hate putting on ALL those clothes!
I do love tobogganing!
I can't wait for winter!

Winter is Fun!

By Oliver Sisson

It is TOO COLD to go outside
I like to play video games!
We can skate on the pond all day.
I hate when I fall on my butt sometimes.
We can make hay forts.
I can't stand it when my brother breaks my fort!
I like breaking snowmen, especially the one my brother built!
I love snowball fights.
Except when I lose....

Falling Off Stings!

By Kale Dyck

Winter time can be a lot of FUN!
But sometimes it is NOT!
Going skating on our rink is really fun!
Falling on my bum HURTS!
We build snow forts in our front yard
By digging a hole and using big blocks.
I hate it when my fort collapses!



I love snow days!

I do not have to walk to school!
I hate it when my hands get frozen!
Sledding down the hill is super fun!
It feels like I could spin around!
Falling off the sled head first STINGS!

I Don't Like Snow Down my Back!

By Michael St. Cyr Pazmandy

I love steamy hot chocolate!
I love snowmobiling up the hill!
I don't like when my fingers freeze!
I don't like when my toes freeze!
Snowball fights are fun!
I like being cozy under the blanket
Or cozy by the fire in the shop.
I hate snow down my back!
Winter is freezing!

I love the snow!

By Evie Ingals

I love the snow!
I love snowmobiling with my family!
I don't like slipping
And I really don't like snow in my boots!
I love sipping hot chocolate!
I love sledding down a big hill.
I hate shoveling snow
And getting snow in my mittens.
January is pretty great because....
I do love my birthday!

It's cold outside!

By Shay Unrau

When I go outside,
I am SO COLD!
When I go outside,
I think I will go with the cows!
Maybe I'll just hide in the bales!
I like to make snowmen!
I love to go tobogganing....
But I hate being
The one in the middle
SQUISH!

No gymnastics?

By Sarah Deurbrouck

In winter, I love snowmobiling!
I love going skating.
In Winter, I cannot go on the quad.
I hate getting my boots stuck in the drifts!

I love making a fort or a snowman.

I love yummy hot chocolate.
In winter, the roads are icy!
I am can't even do gymnastics.
NO GYMNASTICS!!!

I Hate the Wind!

By Elle Zielinski

I hate the wind
In the wintertime!
I like tobogganing down a big hill.
I like having hot chocolate with marshmallows!
I hate the wind
In the wintertime!
I love playing with my family
Making snowmen and building forts.
I hate snow down my back!
I don't like falling on my head,
Or getting frost bite!
I really hate the wind
In the winter time!

Snow Days!

By Declan Spencer

Snow days are the BEST!
I don't have to play outside in the cold.
I can skate at the park or down the river.
I love snowball fights with my brothers!
I can't go swimming in the winter.
I don't like to slip on the ice.
I hate it when snow goes in my jacket!
I can't breathe when I have too many clothes on!
I can't wait for another SNOW DAY!

Snow play!

By Axel Cumber

Playing in the snow
is the best thing about winter!
I like playing at the hill
I slide down as fast as I can!
Flying a kite in the winter is not much fun.
It is hard to go swimming
Because the lake is too frozen!
I love skating at the rink!
I love buying candies and hot chocolate at the canteen!
The best thing about winter
is making snowmen.
I just love playing in the snow!

Morden opens up its community hall for vaccination super site

The City of Morden is making contingency plans for various user groups and potential events now that the Access Event Centre hall is to be home to the latest COVID-19 vaccination super site in the province.

The immunization clinic in Morden is expected to open this month, subject to vaccination supply. Details were still being finalized at press time, but the clinic is slated to be set up in the community hall, maintaining public access to the rest of the complex, including the rinks, the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre, and the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.

"We want to make sure that those two groups stay distinctly separate, and we think the public can be better safeguarded that way," said Mayor Brandon Burley.

Burley said the province initially considered a number of locations in the region both public and private for the super site, but then focused on solely public venues.

The City of Winkler turned down the idea of having the clinic located at the new Meridian Exhibition Centre, with a key factor being not wanting to shut the brand new facility down to the public for an extended period of time.

Indeed, Morden could see the com-

munity hall in use for vaccinations for up to a year, though Burley noted public health officials are optimistic that the timeline could be shorter.

Any inconveniences are outweighed by the public good of having a local vaccination centre, the mayor stressed.

"We're finally beginning to look towards the end of this pandemic, and Morden's more than happy to play a part in it," he said. "I think there's a moral duty to do what we can as a community to help see this ended, and we're happy to do so."

"I would say that without a vaccine in people's arms we're not going to have much going on in any of our facilities anyway," Burley continued. "But I think there is also a moral duty that communities have to protect each other. Morden has in the past stepped up when needed to do things for the betterment of our community and country and we're happy to do that again."

Another consideration for the City of Morden is that the province is not only paying for use of the hall but will be further compensating the community with funding support.

"They're also making some capital improvements to the facility as well that had been on our capital plan,"

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The Access Event Centre Community Hall will be home to our region's vaccination super site in the coming weeks.

Burley said. "We just are working on finalizing the actual arrangements for compensation, but once that is done it will be a public document."

As the vaccination centre prepares to open, city staff have been actively making alternate plans for hall user groups.

"There are practical considerations around usage that we are working through to try to accommodate user groups who are frequent users of that

facility. That's a challenge, but it's a positive challenge," Burley said.

"We are actively looking at alternate spaces that the City can accommodate these different groups in over the year, and I think we'll be able to find some solid alternatives so that we don't have to put these organizations to the curb and their programming can still happen," he said. "I think we've got very solid plan B venues for all those things that will be affected."

Province issues third round of Manitoba Bridge Grant payments

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is increasing its budget for the Manitoba Bridge Grant and making a third round of payments to help protect businesses in the province from the impacts of COVID-19, Premier Brian Pallister announced on March 2.

"As the pandemic and public health orders continue to impact businesses, we are increasing our budget by \$15 million for the Manitoba Bridge Grant to help create a bridge for businesses through this challenging time," said Pallister. "We are focused on creating an environment for a sustained reopening of our economy so that businesses can reopen safely and stay open. We continue to work side-by-side with all businesses to help them get back to doing what they do best – create jobs for Manitobans and offer the services Manitobans rely on."

Through a third round of payments,

the province will provide up to \$67 million in immediate support to eligible small and medium-sized businesses, not-for-profits and charities impacted by the #RestartMB Pandemic Response System. This brings the total program investment to \$215 million, which is \$15 million above the province's original commitment of \$200 million. The province has also extended the Manitoba Bridge Grant application deadline until March 31.

Eligible businesses that received a first and second bridge grant payment, each worth up to \$5,000, will automatically receive a third equal payment beginning as early as Friday, March 5 and will be notified of the deposit via email. New program applicants will be eligible for a one-time immediate payment to a maximum of \$15,000.

"This additional payment will help cover the impact of public health or-

ders on operating costs pending the careful reopening of our province, as well as help businesses with reopening costs as we safely loosen public health orders," said Pallister. "We recognize and appreciate the sacrifices our business community has made to keep all Manitobans safe and the crucial role it plays in our safe reopening plans."

The province created the Manitoba Bridge Grant in November 2020 to provide \$5,000 upfront to businesses, not-for-profits and charities directly affected by public health restrictions and temporarily ordered to close their storefronts to the public. It expanded the program Dec. 8, 2020, to support home-based businesses indirectly impacted by public health orders, offering up to \$5,000 based on 10 per cent of their most recent calendar year revenues. The province expanded program eligibility Jan. 8 to include

hotels, resorts, lodges and outfitters, travel agencies, janitorial services companies and owner/operators of licensed passenger transportation businesses that saw demand for their services impacted by public health orders.

To date, the Manitoba Bridge Grant program has paid approximately \$134 million to 14,775 eligible applicants. This includes approximately \$117 million to more than 11,700 storefront businesses and organizations, and \$17 million to more than 2,400 home-based businesses.

More information about the Manitoba Bridge Grant is available at:

www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/programs/bridge-grant.html

Businesses that require assistance in completing the online form can contact Manitoba Government Inquiry at 204-945-3744 or 1-866-MANITOBA (1-866-626-4862).

Warmer weather brings thinner ice

Ice safety concerns come from lifesavers

Submitted by the Lifesaving Society of Manitoba

Due to the ongoing above average and fluctuating temperatures in the province, Lifesaving Society Manitoba is advising everyone to stay off frozen bodies of water. All ice in the province is now unpredictable and potentially unsafe.

"If you do choose to go on the ice, then you need to plan ahead and be prepared to go through the ice and into cold water," said Lifesaving Society Water Smart Coordinator Dr. Christopher Love. "Wear something that floats, like a lifejacket over your winter clothes, don't go out alone, and be prepared to perform a rescue."






Lifesaving Society Manitoba's Ice Safety Thickness Cards are now available in nine different languages. The cards tell you how thick the ice needs to be to walk or drive on it. However, no ice should be considered without some risk.

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Thicknesses of ice required to hold various weights of objects.

Recommended Minimum Ice Thickness for New Clear Hard Ice

No ice is without some risk.
Measure clear hard ice in several places.

				
7cm (3") or less STAY OFF	10cm (4")	12cm (5")	20-30cm (8-12")	30-38cm (12-15")
	ice fishing, skating, walking, cross-country skiing	one vehicle - ATV or snowmobile, or one large group of people	one vehicle - car or light truck	one vehicle - medium truck or SUV

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Spectacular northern lights



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The aurora borealis, or northern lights, have been dancing up a storm over Manitoba over the last few weeks. These photos were taken on March 2. A large number of pictures of this spectacle have been posted to social media by those fortunate enough to catch the show. But what causes this light show in the sky?

The bright dancing lights of the aurora are actually collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth's atmosphere. The lights are seen above the magnetic poles of the northern and southern hemispheres. They are known as 'Aurora borealis' in the north and 'Aurora australis' in the south..

Auroral displays appear in many colours although pale green and pink are the most common. Shades of red, yellow, green, blue, and violet can also be seen. The lights appear in many forms from patches or scattered clouds of light to streamers, arcs, rippling curtains or shooting rays that light up the sky with an eerie glow.

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St. Claude school getting new play structure

By Becca Myskiw

The St. Claude School Complex is getting a new play structure, thanks to parents and teachers.

Currently, the school only has one structure with room for a small number of students to play on at a time. The St. Claude School Complex Staff and Advisory Council have chosen a new structure to complement the existing one, which will have overhead obstacle features, allowing all Kindergarten to Grade 6 students to play on each structure separately.

This structure is just phase one of the council's larger goal — to replace or update the current one.

"The St. Claude School Complex Staff and Advisory Council feel it is imperative that the students have the ability to engage in multiple levels of activity during the school year," said Kody Webber of the council. "By adding and replacing current play structures, we believe this will keep our children engaged and will also encourage continued creativity through active play."

The purchase of the new structure was possible because of community support, said Webber. Caisse Financial Group gave a \$6,000 grant, Pembina Co-op



Pictured from left to right: Jean Godard (St. Claude School Complex principal), Kody Webber (St. Claude advisory council president), Brodie Gobin (Pembina Co-op St. Claude store manager), Joanne Massinon (St. Claude advisory council vice president).

and their St. Claude branch donated \$1,600, and the Prairie Spirit School Division granted \$7,000 for the project.

The total cost of the project is around \$27,000 and the council expects the new structure to be up and

ready during the summer holidays of this year. The St. Claude Advisory Council is looking for new ways to fundraise for phases two and three of this project. To donate or to share an idea, contact Webber at (204) 750-3880.



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The St. Claude School Complex is getting a new play structure this summer.

This week in review over the past..... 100 years

(This feature will inform readers of a condensed version of events that were in print in the Dufferin Leader from 1921, 1946 and 1971).

March 10, 1921

L.O.B.A will hold dance in S.O.E. Hall, Wednesday, March 16. Admission 50 cents.

Carman School will hold a concert in Memorial Hall on Thursday March 17 at 8 pm. Program will consist of songs, drills, folk dancing and the trial scene from "Merchant of Venice". Adults 50 cents children 25 cents. Proceeds towards stage furnishings for the Memorial Hall.

Carman Hardware Co. sale items—skates ½ price, Hockey sticks 50 cents regular \$1.00- \$1.50, Lanterns \$1. Each regular \$1.50

March 14, 1946

George and Marcel Lahure, two Stephenfield boys have recently returned after serving overseas—George 4 years in the Army and Marcel 3 years in the Navy

The Sperlins Players provided an enjoyable evening on Wednesday at the Memorial Hall to a full audience when they presented a comedy "Here Comes Charlie"

W.F. Garnett will be building a new house this summer on Fournier Ave (1st St. SW)

Friday, March 15—Novelty Dance at Stephenfield sponsored by the Jr.

Red Cross.

Saturday, March 16—Irish Tea at Roseisle, afternoon and evening by the Hyde Park Ladies.

Quite a number of Roseisle people attended the hockey tournament at Roseisle last Thursday.

March 11, 1971

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Celebrating 40 years of dependable care: Wee Care Child Centre

By Becca Myskiw

It was April of 1981 when Wee Care Child Centre opened its doors for the first time. Forty years later, it's more than tripled in size while continuing to provide quality child-care to more than 90 children, including the second generation of children.

Carman resident Fern Kerr returned from Calgary as a graduated early childhood educator (ECE) with a dream of opening a child-care centre in town. It would be the first of its kind for Carman, making it somewhat of a foreign concept to a lot of families.

Located in the Masonic Hall and licensed to provide care for 25 children, Wee Care Child Centre started with just under 10 children. The next year in November, the centre moved to a small house on the corner of 2nd Street SE that was called home until May of 1985.

One of the first infants in that house was Aaron Nakonechny. The room where he spent much of his early years is now where he drops of his own children for their days.

It wasn't long before that one room house turned into the multi-room, two location facility Wee Care Child Centre operates out of now. There's an infant room, a toddler room, and a preschool room, each with their own staff to care for the children. The be-fore and after

school program operates out of the United Church's basement.

One of those preschool staff members is Shirley Reimer — she's been with Wee Care Child Centre since its opening on April 27, 1981.

When she started, there was no cleaning staff at the centre, so Reimer was a caregiver as well as a furniture mover, vacuumer, toilet cleaner, and more. Her favourite — and most important — task was and still is being with the children.

"Everything you do," she said. "You're trying to provide the best care you can."

For Reimer, the best care comes in the forms of singing songs, reading stories, and play-based learning. Over the 40 years, she's taken every moment she can to encourage the children to keep thinking, providing them with learning opportunities.

That, along with love, acceptance, and physical activity, are the basic needs of the children in her care. Reimer doesn't think that will ever change — it's part of their developmental path.

Brooklyn Measour is still learning what the children need to thrive. She's the newest childcare aid at Wee Care Child Centre, and like Reimer, loves working with children. She said it's rewarding to see them change into "young little people."

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Friday afternoon was a toy-filled day.



The four-year-olds took Friday afternoon to ply outside and one of their friends read them a Blues Clues book.

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Donna Vandersluis used to be one of those young little people — now, her daughters are. Vandersluis attended Wee Care Child Centre from when she was one year old up until she was four. Now, her two-and-a-half-year-old daughter, Wrenleigh, attends the centre every day and her eight-year-old daughter, Chelsea, is in the before and after school program.

On the day Vandersluis brought Chelsea in to tour the building, Reimer recognized her right away and was more than proud to see the second generation coming.

Nakonechny remembers Reimer from his time in her care as well. He likes that some-one who helped teach him is now teaching his own children.

Both Nakonechny and Vandersluis were in the centre as children because their parents both had full time jobs, though it wasn't common in 1981. Fast forward to now and their children are in the centre for the same reason.

Nakonechny said the centre has grown with families. There was a need for it 40 years ago but because most families have two working parents today, the need is even greater.

Vandersluis said even if she did work at home, she would still have her children in the daycare simply for

the socialization aspect of it. And she's not the only one — Nakonechny said because of Wee care Child Centre, his children are building independence from an early age.

Because they both do work, though, knowing their children are in good hands is the icing on the cake.

"It's not just a place where you drop off your kids," said Vandersluis. "As time goes on, there's more people working outside of the home. They need dependable child-care...they know their kids are receiving a level of care that [the staff is] happy to see them. [The children] are growing and learning and it's just amazing."

High quality care for the centre includes providing care to as many community members as they can. At the beginning, parents could walk in and start their kids at the daycare the follow day. Now, wait lists are hundreds of names long in some towns.

In 2007, Wee Care grew again and was expanded to provide licensed care for 74 children. The United Church basement was renovated in 2012 so the centre could al-so provide a before and after school program for 45 children.

Of course, with the pandemic restrictions, they have to operate in cohorts of 30 so numbers are down due to that.

Kathie Atkins, assistant director of the centre, has also been with it since the beginning. She said they try not to make it feel like an institution, but like a family setting for the children and their families.

Vandersluis said the staff — who she calls teachers — interact with the children based on their age. Her younger daughter role plays, rides bikes, goes on walks and adventures, plays dress up, sings songs, recites rhymes, and such. Her older daughter goes on walks by the river trail, goes to the playground, the pool, the splash pad, and has duties like cleaning up after herself.

And it's not just a great place for parents to take their

children. Wee Care Child Centre has only had three different executives in its 40 years and has various long-standing staff members with the newer ones making plans to stay.

Reimer started her job at the centre straight out of high school and hasn't looked back since.

"Where else do you get a hug when you walk into work?" she said.

Through 40 years, Wee care Child Centre has seen change upon change, the most exciting being their expansions and additions, the biggest being the need for them.

Atkins said daycares give children socialization and learning from an early age. It also gives the parents a sense of ease while at work, allowing them to do their job to the best of their abilities. Having dependable childcare, she said, helps the economy thrive.

From 10 kids to 90, from year one to year 40, Wee Care Child Centre has remained a staple in the Carman community, now taking care of their children's children.



The toddlers took their chance to go to space on Friday.



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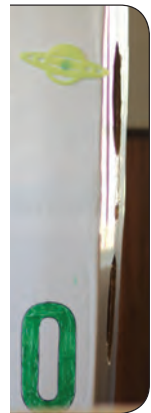
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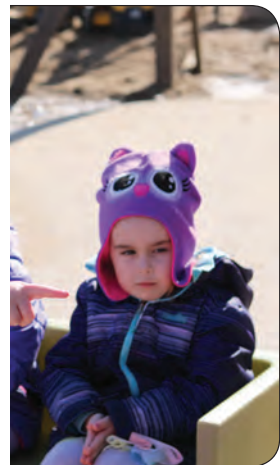
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Along with toys, the children made crafts on Friday.



The toddlers played before snack time on Friday.



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The infants had a pretend picnic on Friday.

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Your FARM



Mixed farmer maintains five income streams

By Jennifer McFee

Although he might be among the last of the small mixed farmers, an Argyle man enjoys trying out new forms of agricultural technology.

Ian Smith generates his entire income from five different sources on his quarter-section that he bought from his parents, Malcolm and Audrey, in 1994. The industrious farmer cares for a couple hundred naturally raised pigs, 15 head of cattle, 85 laying hens as well as three fields — one for canola that he sells, one that he rents out to another farmer and one for barley that he uses for feed.

"I'm the last of the true mixed farm-

ers in the province, meaning I have a little bit of everything. Hardly nobody has a quarter-section anymore. If they do, they don't have as much diversity as I have here," said Smith, who drives a 1954 John Deere 60 tractor.

"I have no off-farm income here. I have no pension coming in. I have no spouse here that's working off the farm. I have no other money to rely on except what I'm making off this farm."

When Smith's parents bought the farm in 1953, it came with some dairy cattle. Although they shifted their focus to hogs, they still kept cattle over-

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Ian Smith with one of his shorthorns cows and her calf.

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Smith with his bull Gallagher.



Smith raises pigs along with the beef.

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The varied value of trees

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Pembina Valley Water District is urging landowners to give some thought this spring to the value of shelterbelts.

Clinton Cavers, the district's GROW Program coordinator, says they're doing everything they can to incentivize people to plant and maintain new shelterbelts, including providing partial funding and labour for tree planting projects.

It can still be a hard sell, though, in an area where land values are so high.

"Most people want to farm as many acres as they possible can get," Cavers says.

"Shelterbelts were pretty popular 40, 50 years ago, but now because they haven't been maintained they're starting to degrade, the trees are getting to the end of their life cycle, and with machinery getting larger they're maybe not in the ideal spot. That's why you see so many that are being torn down."

But as aging trees come down, it's becoming more clear than ever the vital role they play in the landscape.

"I think people are starting to realize the value in trees," says Cavers. "Once they're gone they can see what those old shelterbelts were doing for them and how they were beneficial."

Among the benefits? Wind erosion, for starters.

"Soil is the key to having a productive and successful farm, so if the soil's blowing away you're actually losing your productivity," says Cavers.

Shelterbelts also do their part to keep snow on the fields in the winter—something that can be immensely helpful during a dry spring.

On the flip side, they also provide a measure of flood protection.

"Having that snow stay in the field and on the field a little bit more slows the runoff in the spring, which has great effect for soil erosion and flooding," Cavers says.

A well-placed shelterbelt also provides shelter for livestock and wildlife and reduces the impact of wind on snow drifting on nearby roads and yards.

But perhaps one of the biggest benefits—and one the water district is understandably most excited about—is the role trees play in refreshing local

aquifers.

One recent study shows that a single kilometre of shelterbelt can supply over nine million litres of water to an aquifer per year.

"It's pretty incredible," says Cavers. "And with an area like Winkler in particular where you have irrigation and lots of development happening, that aquifer recharge is hugely important."

PVWD, through the GROW Program, has about \$80,000 it can spend on shelterbelt projects across the region this year. It also teams up with local municipalities in funding certain projects, including the City of Winkler and the RM of Stanley.

Whether it's a single row of trees along a driveway or several shelterbelts on a larger farm, no project is too small for consideration, Cavers stresses, explaining funding is based on the size of the shelterbelt.

"There's a huge list of trees that are available to plant," he says. "We will basically supply the trees. We can also



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From left: PVWD GROW Program coordinator Clint Cavers with Kroeker Farms organics agronomist Jason Peters. Kroekers has for years made shelterbelt planting and maintenance a priority.

supply some help with summer students to install the trees.

"And with this program we offer a little bit of incentive for the land that the shelterbelt takes up," Cavers explains. "So if there's an acre or two taken up by a shelterbelt along the side of your field, you can apply for some incentive payment to offset that."

One local farm taking PVWD up on this offer are potato growers Kroeker Farms, who have made shelterbelt

planting a priority for years.

Jason Peters, organic agronomist with Kroekers, says that while some trees do need to be removed at the end of their life cycle, the company is committed to replacing as many as they can.

"Potato ground is extremely vulnerable to erosion," he points out. "We know we need trees to help keep it where it is. Without the soil, we have

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the years.

Since it's preferable if cattle remain calm in order to gain more weight, Smith decided to try the docile shorthorn breed. He bought four registered shorthorn heifers from

Tom Walls of Balmoral in 2017, followed by two more the next year.

"He's been my mentor and guides me through," Smith said of Walls.

Now, Smith and Walls are the only two registered shorthorn breeders in the Interlake In total, there are about 20 registered shorthorn breeders in the province, Smith notes.

Shorthorns were the first registered breed in North America, he adds. He refers to his animals as "Armac" shorthorns — "Ar" for "Argyle" and "Mac" for his dad's first name (which was actually Malcolm, but everyone called him Mac.) His family, his community and the shorthorn breed all have ties that bind to Scotland.

With an appreciation for agricultural history, Smith also keeps his eye on the future of the industry — and he doesn't shy away from incorporating new technology.

About two months ago, Smith installed cameras in his cow barn so he could keep an eye on his cattle remotely.

"The cameras are quite a novelty. They're pretty nice to have. I can sit in the house and watch the cows calve from my couch. I can watch it on TV or the computer or even my phone," he said.

"There's a camera in the centre of the barn on the ceiling and I can turn it around from inside my house or anywhere from my phone. I could be in Winnipeg and turn the camera around to see what's going on with each cow."

A couple weeks ago, he also added another technological feature — a calving sensor called Mocoall from Ireland.

The sensor is attached two to three days before the cow's due date, high on the tail opposite the vulva, using a ratchet clip. The Mocoall measures tail movement when a cow gets contractions and sends an SMS notification to a phone or computer.

"I'm only the third person in Manitoba to have this. It straps onto the cow's tail and it detects when the cow is going to have a calf. It's supposed to give you a two-hour notice, then another text an hour before they calve," Smith said.

"The technology is just unreal. It's totally awesome. I

have two of them now, and it's unbelievable. They'll save a calf's life, for sure, because you can't be there all the time when a cow's calving. It gives you a warning and tells you when a cow is going to give birth."

For Smith, the best part of farm life is the hands-on experience that comes from working with the animals. All of his pigs and cattle are under a herd health program with his vet. Smith runs a closed herd, which means he keeps his own replacement females to reduce bringing in any health problems with other animals.

"Every animal has their own personality. I've only got Grade 9 education and that built character in me. I'm not a big believer in textbooks; you've got to learn by experience," said Smith, who goes outside at 5 a.m. to start his daily chores with the animals seven days a week.

"I might be the hub of the wheel of this place, but the hub is no good without the spokes, meaning the people who surround me — like the guy I buy my hay from, the veterinarian I deal with, the guy that does my AI for me for the cattle, my neighbours at New Haven Hutterite Colony, the mechanics, the electricians that I depend on. In some cases, the big operations don't depend on locals in the same way."

For Smith, the bulk of his business still comes from pork sales, he proudly maintains a binder with the names of hundreds of customers as well as a website called Natural Raised Pork at www.naturalpork.ca.

"I've got customers that have been very loyal to me," he said.

"If you love what you're doing, it's not work. I just turned 58 and I would say I've never worked a day in my life."

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nothing."

CEO Wayne Kroeker adds that they feel a duty to the land they oversee.

"I do think we have an obligation beyond economics—we need to protect and enhance the environment and the precious resource of our soil."

If you'd like to learn more about the incentives available for shelterbelt projects, contact Cavers at 204-245-0636 or pvwdgrow@gmail.com.

"If anybody has any ideas or inklings that they might want a project to happen on their land, just give me a call and I will come out and see them," he says.

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Brad Reykdal, a fifth-generation farmer

By Evan Matthews

Though technological advancements have drastically changed Canadian farming methods over the last 153 years, remnants of a simpler time remain on Lake Manitoba's Birch Island, where Brad Reykdal's family has farmed for five generations.

But as much as things change, they stay the same, as the 35-year-old Reykdal said he and his family have been preparing for the annual calving season on the farm. The Reykdals' commercial cow-calf operation totals about 600 head of cattle.

"Going back five generations, our descendants immigrated from Iceland in the late 1800s. My great-great-grandfather was named Havardur Gudmundson," said Reykdal, making note that his family first started the farm where it is today—"Hayland"—in 1907.

The farm is located roughly 30 minutes west of Ashern, between Lake Manitoba Narrows and Vogar.

"My grandfather, David, would tell stories about growing up, when he lived on Birch Island. We still farm the island today. We take cattle out to pasture on a barge, and in the context of some of his memories out there, he was four years old. Some of the equipment they used is still out there.

"Our family has a lot of history on that island. The lineage and the history, it definitely adds value for me when I'm spending time out there," he said, noting the island itself is technically considered Crown land.

Reykdal returned to the farm full-time after the passing of his grandfather. He said the family intends to spread his grandfather's ashes at Birch Island. While growing up, the



Brad Reykdal, right, with his son Thorian and his uncle Calvin Reykdal whom he farms with.

farm belonged to Reykdal's grandparents, but the entire family had a hand in having things run smoothly.

Whereas many kids growing up would leave the farm for summer to find other employment experience, Reykdal said he never did work off the farm. Some of his fondest memories growing up are those summer days and nights, he said.

"All summer, those times were spent in the hayfields," said Reykdal. "The farm has always been really important to me. I've spent a lot of time here."

The notion has been passed down to his own kids, according to Reykdal. He said one of his kids is in school now, but the other often goes to spend



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Brad Reykdal said though his children are young, he sees both Thorian and Stannis taking an interest in the family farm.

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I was speaking with former Gimli Mayor Tammy Axelsson recently and she said - I am paraphrasing here - that flag and the message it sends is much needed in the world today. I agree.

I was in China when the proverbial hit the fan. Jinan, Shandong province is 850 kilometers from Wuhan where it is speculated the coronavirus came from. At the time we in Jinan felt sorry for the people of Wuhan. I have friends there, had spoken at a university there the year before. We felt sorry for the people of Wuhan and indeed all of Hubei province, 60 million people, but we never thought the virus would reach us. History shows just how wrong we were.

I lost my job teaching English shortly after that, and the entire country went into lockdown.

People complain about restrictions here in Manitoba, but it is nothing compared to the lockdown in China last winter. Nothing. I remember standing in the middle of an eight lane highway in a city of seven million people with no cars going in either direction. It was apocalyptic.

Since I lost my job, couldn't travel, and everybody was freaking out, I started doing two hour internet 'shows'. I had a translator sitting beside me the whole time. I would sing, recite poetry, dance, cook western food, juggle....anything to distract people who were totally confined to their homes, and let's face it, beginning to panic.

In all the shows I had two main messages. First, I am from Canada. I can leave anytime I want, but I won't because I am not going to panic. I take my precautions, I wash my hands and wear a mask, but I will not panic. Neither should you.

The second, related to the first and undeliverable



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Bruce Benson wearing a shirt in front of the capitol building in DC.

if the first did not exist, "We will get through this together."

Then I would introduce The Flag of Humanity, celebrating the commonality of being human. We are all in this together.

This is where the world sits now. We need to get through this together. We can't flee from this. There is no running back to Canada, there is no running anywhere. There is no running away from this truth.

The Flag of Humanity is two sets of hands in silhouette, shadow, to represent all the skin colours of the people on earth. Small hands represent children and larger hands represent adults. The adult hands are passing the earth to the child's hands. It is relatively simple, but that image was four years in the making.

It has now travelled much of the world, celebrating that commonality of being human. But this pandemic, that does not care about a person's religion, skin colour, nationality or politics, has made it all the more relevant. If this tiny virus is such an equal opportunity villain, we can be equal opportunity heroes.

But not just in battling this pandemic. If we see starvation, genocide, slavery, injustice, wherever in the world, we should act. We are in this together. There is a commonality of being human that supercedes our differences.

The Flag of Humanity is just that, a flag. But flags are powerful things. Every nation on earth has a flag. Millions of American children pledge allegiance to their flag every morning in school. And in the course of human history millions of men and women have followed a flag, or banner, into battle to kill or be killed. So flags are powerful things, and as powerful flags go I believe the Flag of Humanity can be the most powerful of all, because it represents all of us.

This is a pivotal time in human history, and I would like to see this flag, a simple image that represents all of us, in every school on earth, with the message of what it means.

In speaking at a conference in Florida, schools in China and even Gimli, wherever I was in the world, there has been a universal acceptance of the concept. I will not live to see it in every school on earth, but I believe it will happen.

I have often asked the question, what would be the result, or return on investment if you will, if for three generations children in one country could look at the Flag of Humanity flying over their school, government buildings, libraries (especially libraries) at sporting events, and do so knowing that children in other countries, though they have a different nationality of course, perhaps a different skin colour, political system, religion....are looking at the same flag celebrating the commonality of being human? I believe the results could be magnificent.

If we look south of the border to America we can see how divisiveness can destroy a country. Even Canada is hugely divided. A lesson we should learn from this virus, an invisible enemy that threatens all of us. And there will be more to come.

We can replace the tattered flag at the beach, raise a fresh new banner to go into war against all the ills of humankind, divisiveness possibly being the greatest, that fear of the other. But when our societies, our countries become frayed, tattered, there is no replacement.

We can get through this pandemic together, putting petty differences aside. We can get through anything, together.

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Daylight Savings March 14

Staff

Daylight Saving Time goes into effect on Sunday, March 14, when clocks will "spring forward" by one hour beginning at 2 a.m. The shift will essentially make it darker in the early morning hours, while leaving one extra hour of light in the evening.

It also means that March 14 will only be 23 hours long, and you'll lose sleep if you have fixed times for waking up on the weekend. Regardless, you'll probably feel a bit discombobulated over the following days as you adjust to

a different sunlight schedule.

Clocks are pushed ahead one hour in spring to what's commonly called "daylight saving time," an idea first used in Germany during the First World War with the goal of saving energy. It aims to take advantage of daylight hours in the spring so that people don't sleep through the first few hours of sunshine.

When the daylight period gets shorter in the fall, the clocks are readjusted to the proper "local standard time."

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MJHL launches first annual Draft Prospect Camp

From the MJHL

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League is pleased to launch the MJHL Draft Prospect Camp to be held in conjunction with the annual MJHL Prospect Development Camp.

Hosted from July 14-17 at Seven Oaks Sportsplex in Winnipeg, the U16 age-division (MJHL Draft Prospect Camp) will feature elite Manitoba players from the 2006-born age category who will be eligible for the 2022 U17 MJHL Draft.

With the recent updates to the MJHL Draft process, moving to a U17 age category, the addition of the MJHL Draft Prospect Camp will give MJHL

organizations the opportunity to begin identification of those (U16) 2006-born players in a high-performance environment.

The current MJHL Prospect Development Camp has traditionally seen one division of the top U18 prospects from MJHL teams who are listed or drafted and eligible to compete for a roster spot in the upcoming MJHL season. That camp will coincide July 15-18 also at Seven Oaks Sportsplex.

Both camp divisions will further provide hockey partners such as the Western Hockey League, NCAA, and Hockey Manitoba U16 Program of Excellence opportunities for player

identification and evaluation within one convenient setting.

"We are excited to add another age group to our annual summer MJHL Prospect event and for the opportunity to work with these young athletes as they continue on their development path," said MJHL Commissioner, Kevin Saurette.

"It has been a difficult season for all of these players and this camp will provide them with the environment to showcase their abilities, while also learning more about the MJHL and what it takes to succeed at the next level."

An elite class of guest coaches and

development personnel that regularly participate in the MJHL Prospect Development Camp along with "AAA" coach networking and mentorship opportunities will become a part of the new MJHL Draft Prospect Camp.

Initial invites for the 2021 MJHL Draft Prospect Camp will be distributed in the coming weeks directly to those players identified.

The MJHL will continue to monitor and adjust to public health orders leading up to the planned event in July.

Please stay tuned for upcoming camp announcements including event schedule and rosters.

Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League ices season

Staff

The Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League has made the decision to suspend league play for the remainder of the 2020-21 season. While no league championship will be awarded, teams

are permitted to pursue activity, including practices, team events, and exhibitions games, as Public Health restrictions may permit.

"Our decision reflects the uncertain timeline and lack of direction from

Public Health with respect to game play," said Manitoba U18 Hockey League commissioner Levi Taylor in a statement. "Thank you to our players, coaches, managers, and volunteers for continued dedication to this pro-

gram. We share in your frustration. We will continue to engage with the provincial government, Public Health, and local facilities to ensure a safe and responsible return to play for the 2021-22 season."

MHSAA announces transfer policy amendment for the 2021-22 school year

From the MHSAA website

The MHSAA received numerous inquiries as to the effect the COVID-19 pandemic has on the association's transfer policy, and questions surrounding transfers happening now or moving into next school year.

At the request of the MHSAA Board of Directors, a survey of all 15 member Zones was conducted by the MHSAA's Executive Director regarding this topic. Responses were received from all Zones presidents and the results clearly indicated a desire by our member schools to see a temporary amendment to the transfer policy in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A core element of the MHSAA transfer policy, as established by our member schools, is that student-athletes that transfer schools are ineligible for 12 months, in any sport they have participated in during the preceding 12 months. This is a common concept in school sport across Canada.

We know that at times in the past, individuals or schools make efforts to get around the rule, but generally the rule acts as a deterrent for athletically motivated transfers, something our membership has steadfastly believed is contrary to the goals and values

of school sport. The issue created by the COVID-19 pandemic is that we have had no interschool competition since mid-March 2020, and it appears unlikely we will see any meaningful competition for the remainder of this school year. This results in every student-athlete in Manitoba no longer being tied to their school for athletic purposes. Creating, for all intents and purposes, 35,000-plus free agents who under current MHSAA policy, would be able to move schools primarily for athletic purposes, and participate immediately. There has been concern raised that without a change to policy in response to the situation created by the COVID-19 pandemic, there would be an unprecedented number of transfers motivated by sport that would have a significant effect on the competitive balance of school sport in Manitoba for years to come.

Any student-athlete requiring a transfer for one of the other approved reasons in the MHSAA transfer policy (change of principal residence, etc.) would still be able to have their new school submit a standard transfer appeal submission. The desired effect would be to achieve a consistent application of the existing MHSAA trans-

fer rules, allowing those transfers that have traditionally been allowed, while closing the opportunity created by the COVID-19 pandemic for a potential high number of athletically motivated transfers. The Association is cognizant that student-athletes and their families are currently planning for the Fall 2021 academic year, and we want to provide our member schools with the proper guidance so they can inform any inquiring students and their families appropriately.

Transfer Policy Amendment: Not competing in interschool competition in the COVID-19 affected seasons of play would not meet the requirement to transfer without a period of athletic ineligibility, therefore ensuring student-athletes are subject to the normal and existing MHSAA transfer policy. The MHSAA Board of Directors has approved the following amendment to the MHSAA's Transfer Policy:

Point 1. of the MHSAA Transfer Policy for the 2021-2022 school year will read: The student did not participate in a particular sport at the interschool level for 24 months prior to the date of transfer. Written confirmation from the Principal or Vice Principal at the

previous school is required or the student accepts his/her ineligibility under the Transfer Policy, but requests eligibility for the sports he/she did not participate in at the interschool level for the 24 months prior to the date of transfer. Written confirmation from the Principal or Vice Principal at the previous school is required. Students who transferred schools before Oct. 1, 2020, are exempt from the 24 months amendment.

Timeline: The amendment will be in place for the 2021-2022 school year only. This amendment will be automatically removed following the 2021-22 school year.

Intent and Rationale: The intent is to state that missing a season of play due to COVID-19 cancellations, does not allow a student to transfer schools without restriction. The Oct. 1, 2020 date is to recognize that students may have transferred prior to the 2020-21 school year and were expecting to either go through the process to obtain eligibility due to a valid transfer, or to sit out a year already. The MHSAA is aware that most student movement that occurs in the first few weeks of the year is normally done by the Oct. 1 date.

Hockey Manitoba updates Return to Play policy

Staff

Based on the province's public health orders that took effect last Friday, indoor ice rinks will be permitted to open for practices and drills. There will no longer be a one to one requirement and no organized games or tournaments are allowed.

Groups of a maximum of 10 players will be able to participate in practices (excluding coaches and instructors) and must take reasonable measures to ensure that there is no interaction between different groups participating at the same time. The ice surface can be divided in half with one group

on each side.

Indoor rinks will be permitted to open at 25 per cent total capacity, with public health measures in place for spectators and common areas. Dressing rooms will be permitted to open at 50 per cent of the usual capacity or to a number that ensures that all per-

sons in the dressing room are able to maintain a separation of at least two metres from other persons, whichever is lesser.

Hockey Manitoba has released Version 6 of its Return to Play (RTP) plan which includes updated Indoor/Phase 2 protocols.

"I still can't believe that we were there"

Mordenite hit the ice at the Scotties

By Lorne Stelmach

One of the five Manitoba-based teams at the recent Scotties national women's curling championship included a team member with Morden roots.

Katherine Doerksen played second for the team skipped by Beth Peterson based out of the Assiniboine Memorial club in Winnipeg

The rink, which also included third Jenna Loder, lead Melissa Gordon, and alternate Cathy Overton-Clapham, earned the third wild card spot just behind the number two wild card team skipped by Mackenzie Zacharias of Altona.

Curling Canada expanded the field at this year's Canadian championships to 18 teams as many provinces were unable to run playdowns due to COVID-19. The field included three wild card teams as determined by the Canadian Team Ranking System, and the news came as a pleasant surprise for Doerksen and her teammates.

"It wasn't really on our radar," Doerksen said after returning home from Calgary last week. "Even then, we didn't really think of ourselves as being in the mix. We knew we were up there, but we just thought we would be at least a few spots shy of those expanded spots. So we kind of brushed it off at first.

"I still can't believe that we were there. It's still so surreal to me because it's something you dream about as a kid," she said of the experience of going up against elite curlers like Jennifer Jones, who has multiple Canadian and world titles to her credit. "It was something that took a while to sink in ... even half way through the whole thing, it was still sinking in for

me. It was a really special experience."

The team had a solid enough showing at the Scotties, advancing to the championship round and then finishing fifth with a 7-5 record.

Doerksen hopes this could just be a major stepping stone for a curling career which goes back to when she first got involved in the sport in Morden at age 12.

"I think it was the jam can event at the Morden Curling Club when I first threw some rocks, and then I was hooked," she recalled, noting she then got involved in the local junior program and curled a lot in Miami as well.

"It was a great program, and I had great people help me along the way," Doerksen noted. "I kept my eyes open for the next opportunity with different teams every year, and now I've found myself here."

Doerksen sees a couple key aspects of the game as being the attraction for her.

"I think it was first and foremost the strategy of the game. I really liked having to think about where to put the rocks and then also as a kid especially I just loved throwing them," she said.

"It's really about the people. I think that's what keeps me around in the sport now, meeting so many great people," she added. "We're all so close and love spending time together."

It is that bond that has developed with the Peterson team now over the last three years that has been central to their success.

"Over the past few years, what's made our team work was the chemistry. We all get along very well, and we love spending a lot of time together on and off the ice," Doerksen said. "It makes it so much better and the communication on the ice so much smoother when you are getting along so well with your teammates. That has



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Morden's own Katherine Doerksen (second from left) competed with Team Peterson at the national Scotties curling tournament last month.

really helped us.

"On top of that, we've really reached out to as many people as possible. We had some on ice sessions with Jeff Stoughton," she noted. "We were just trying to make small improvements in our game wherever we could, and the second season is where that showed, and we had a good season for points."

As well, support came through a funding program to help young teams get to the next level.

"That is what got us in touch with way more people and much more experience," Doerksen said.

"We just tried to use those resources as much as possible," she added, noting they had been uncertain at one point what the season would look like in the midst of the pandemic.

"By the time we got the invite to the Scotties, we were at a much more prepared level," she suggested. "Our team just kind of took the attitude that

even if we're not on the ice, let's soak up everything we can with what we've been given and see what we can do."

Competing at the Scotties became another great learning experience for them, and Doerksen would love to get back there and make it to that final day of play.

"At the end of the day, I would have loved to have been playing on Sunday," she said. "I'm super proud of our fifth place finish. I think we all wanted to prove to ourselves that we could be up there with Jennifer Jones and Rachel Homan ... I think we did that.

"We're in a really tough province ... just winning the provincials is almost more difficult," Doerksen said. "Now it's a matter of how do we get ourselves to a spot where we can throw those critical shots at those critical times and make it to Sunday.

"Now that we've had a taste of it, we want to be back there."

Winkler Flyers extend Jeanson, Cech's contracts

Pro Justin Falk coming on board as assistant coach/GM

Staff

The Winkler Flyers are getting their house in order well in advance of the 2021-2022 season.

The junior hockey team last month announced contract extensions for general manager Jeff Jeanson and head coach Kelvin Cech.

Jeanson's first full season with the Flyers saw the team finish third in the standings last year before the pandemic put an early end to the playoffs.

"I'm honoured to be back as the GM of the Flyers," Jeanson said in a statement announcing the extensions.

"There have been many challenges in the past year and a half for everybody, for our club as well as many individuals and businesses. I'm excited and looking forward to a complete season in 2021/22."

Jeanson said his first order of business was to make sure Cech was sticking around for the long haul, offering him a two-year contract extension. Cech was named the MJHL Coach of the Year for the 2020-2021 season.

"We are very lucky to have a coach with Kelvin's skill set. He has had a major impact on the team and I'm thrilled he'll be back with the organization for the next two years," Jeanson said. "It's been a pleasure and an honour working closely with Kelvin and I can't wait to see what the future holds for us and the Flyers."

Cech, who joined the Flyers in 2019 after three years as an assistant coach at UBC, is equally excited at what the future holds for the team.

"There's nowhere I'd rather be than here in Winkler working towards the

unfinished business we have," he said. "The past two years have been tumultuous for a lot of people, and the Flyers are a major source of pride that the community can rally around. This is my dream job."

"The players and I can't wait to be back home at the rink, the loudest building in the MJHL."

Joining Cech and Jeanson behind the bench next season will be former pro hockey player Justin Falk as the team's new assistant coach and assistant GM.

Falk spent nine seasons playing pro hockey with the Ottawa Senators, Columbus Blue Jackets, Buffalo Sabres, Minnesota Wild, and the New York Rangers. He also played in the AHL, the WHL, and, back in 2004-2005, for the MJHL's Swan Valley Stampedes.

"I am beyond thrilled to carry on my journey in the game of hockey in a community I care deeply about," Falk said of his new role. "I'm humbled by the opportunity presented to be involved in this organization and I can't wait to get to work and contribute to the lives of our hockey players on and off the ice."

"Giving back to this community is a passion of mine and I can't wait to get that started with the Winkler Flyers."

The team also announced last week that head scout Mike McAulay is taking on the new role of director of player personnel.

McAulay has overseen the team through two junior drafts. He'll be focusing his attention on building the Flyers' prospect base and 50-man list.

> FIFTH-GENERATION, FROM PG. 19

time with grandma while dad goes to work on the farm.

It's something both grandma and Reykdal's son enjoy, but he said also enjoys seeing the history continue.

"Right now, I'm farming with my mom, my uncle, and my grandma, so we have three active generations," said Reykdal, noting his children are five and eight years old, respectively.

"My kids are starting to get involved and they would be the fourth (active) generation. I kind of hope they grow up and go to college, maybe go do something else for a while, then come back and take over the farm. It's a lot of hard work, but it's a great lifestyle," he said.

On the side, Reykdal has started a business in which he sells state of the art video equipment, specifically designed for cow-calf operations. The technology makes it easier for farmers to monitor their herds from afar, he said.

Calling his side business Reykdal Ag and Security, Reykdal said it has become quite successful. For inquiries, Reykdal said to call 204-302-1402.

The future of Manitoba's agriculture industry

Year over year, Reykdal said it seems there are fewer and fewer family farms.

For a young person interested in the agricultural industry, it's an uphill battle, to put it mildly.

"A lot of the current programs don't really cater to cow-calf operations," said Reykdal, referring to AgriStability, agricultural insurance, and even recent changes to the Agricultural

Crown Lands Leasing Program.

He said larger corporate farms are outbidding smaller operations for Crown land leases, which acts as a difficult barrier to entry for young farmers. However, legacy farms such as the Reykdal's always have priority on lease renewals.

"It would be extremely tough to start from nothing. If you don't have generational farm ties, I can't imagine it," he said, emphasizing how lucky he and his family are to have the lineage and history they do.

Flood Outlet Channels Project

Farmers in the region are still recovering from the floods of 2011 and 2014, according to Reykdal.

The Province of Manitoba has responded by initiating the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels project, both designed to enhance flood protection the respective lakes, and help to strengthen Manitoba's existing flood mitigation network.

Reykdal said while the project has been controversial in some ways—including the expropriation of farmers near Moosehorn, as well as environmental concerns raised by First Nations—farmers he's spoken with in the region are supportive of the projects.

"The land still hasn't come back the way it was before the floods. Birch Island even, we couldn't use it for a couple years and had to find pasture elsewhere," said Reykdal.

"The outlet channels are going to be a good thing, and reduce the risk of major floods, which set the farm back many, many years. I'm all for it."



The Reykdal's cattle enjoy the ride, on their way out to pasture at Birch Island.

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Reykdal's late-grandfather, David Reykdal, guiding in the barge at Birch Island.

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Irish Potato Bread

tender. Remove potato from saucepan into large bowl. Mash potato then set aside.

Grate second potato onto cloth. Wring potato in cloth to remove excess water. Add grated potato to mashed potato in large bowl. Add egg, egg white, oil, milk, onion, caraway seeds, 3 1/4 cups flour, baking powder and salt. Stir with wooden spoon until mixture is soft and sticky.

Turn dough onto floured surface. Adding flour as needed, knead dough to form 8-inch round shape with slight dome. Place dough onto baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Cut large "X" on top of dough about 1/2 inch deep.

Bake 55 minutes until golden brown. Cool on wire rack 1 hour before serving.

- 2 medium or large russet potatoes
- 1 egg
- 1 egg white
- 1/3 cup canola oil
- 3/4 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons green onion, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 3 1/4 cups all-purpose flour, plus additional for dusting and kneading
- 1 1/2 tablespoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Heat oven to 375 F.
- Peel potatoes. Slice one potato and boil in saucepan 15 minutes, or until



Mint Brownies

- 1/2 cup whipping cream
- 1 bag (12 ounces) chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup butter
- Heat oven to 350 F.

Spray 8-by-8-inch pan with nonstick cooking spray.

In large bowl, mix brownie mix, water, oil and egg until combined. Pour into prepared baking pan. Bake 35 minutes. Cool completely, about 1 hour.

To make filling: In large bowl, beat powdered sugar, butter, whipping cream, cream cheese, peppermint extract and food coloring. Spread over cooled brownies. Refrigerate 1 hour, or until set.

To make topping: In saucepan, melt whipping cream, chocolate chips and butter until smooth. Cool until lukewarm, about 10 minutes. Pour over filling; spread to cover. Refrigerate 2 hours, or until set.

Before serving, let brownies set 10 minutes at room temperature.

Tips: Cut brownies with wet knife for cleaner cuts. Store covered in refrigerator.

- Servings: 9-12
- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 box supreme brownie mix with chocolate syrup pouch
- 3 tablespoons water
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 1 egg
- Filling:
- 3 1/2 cups powdered sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 1/4 cup whipping cream
- 5 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 5 drops green food color
- Topping:

Forgiveness and letting go



By Gwen Randall

The hardest pain to carry in life may be the one we create within our own mind. The deepest hurts, notwithstanding loss of loved ones, invariably result when we feel someone has not lived up to our expectations. They have not loved, respected, or cared for us as we wish they might have.

We yearn for that fulfillment to come, like a cat waiting for someone to fill up her food dish. We feel a void inside, and keep focusing on that emptiness. We feel sad it is there, and look to someone else to fill that void. It may be a parent, partner, friend or even an employer. When it does not come, there is a feeling of disappointment, sadness, and perhaps bitterness along with feelings of lesser worth.

Unfortunately, the reason another does not fill this void in the way we would like is because they do not know how. They have their own inner void. We are all moving along a healing path, after all. The love, respect and caring we crave needs to come from within anyway. If we truly love and honor ourselves, with compassionate patience, we fill the inner void. Then we are free to simply love others, without expecting anything in return.

This is the unconditional loving

that returns a hundredfold. Waiting for others to do this for us creates pain. Resenting them for not having done it in the past creates bitterness. Pain and bitterness reside in our own hearts: we are hurting ourselves. If we no longer want the hurt, we must give up the idea of changing what is outside of ourselves. Instead, we just release the pain and bitterness. That's it. As soon as we choose to let go of the pain and bitterness we have chosen as the response to life events, the hurting stops.

Forgiveness does not mean that the hurtful acts of others are okay. Forgiveness means that we are no longer going to hold others responsible for the pain and bitterness we have been carrying in relation to them. We may not understand their actions, or why it is they cannot change. We recognize the pain as our way of blaming them for not being who we want them to be. Forgiveness means that we see they are who they are, and we are free to choose a less painful response. We may love them anyway, or decide to keep some distance. Either way, we no longer blame them for our unhappiness.

This is letting go. Once we learn to let go, whether the person is in our lives or not, we have untied the knot that bound us together in negativity. Both feel the freedom. The irony, or the miracle, is that often once we have let go, the love we have always wanted begins to flow freely.

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Mint Chocolate Chip Cookies

- Servings: 24-32
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 2 eggs

Mint Brownies

- 30 drops green food coloring
- 1 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 1 package (12 ounces) chocolate chips

Heat oven to 375 F.

In large bowl, mix flour, baking soda and salt until blended. Set aside.

In medium bowl, beat butter and sugar until combined. Add eggs, food coloring and peppermint extract; beat until combined.

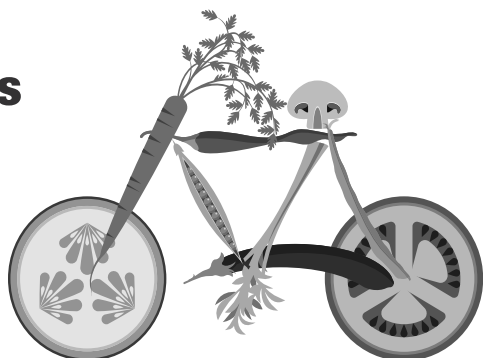
Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients; beat until combined. Stir in chocolate chips. Drop spoonfuls of cookie dough onto baking sheet.

Bake 11-14 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned.

Cool on wire racks.

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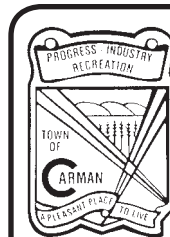
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SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF DUFFERIN

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of The Municipal Act, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 1st day of April, 2021, at the hour of 1:00 PM, at Rural Municipality of Dufferin, 12 2nd Avenue SW, Carman Manitoba, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
123530	LOT 5 PLAN 37460 MLTO EXC ALL MINES AND MINERALS AS SET FORTH IN TRANSFERS 29060 MLTO (C DIV) AND 26737 MLTO (C DIV) IN NW 1/4 26-6-7 WPM - 34162 ROAD 38W	L -\$33,200 B -\$256,900	\$11,514.65
177700	NW 15-7-7 WPM EXCEPTING FIRSTLY - WATER CONTROL WORKS PLAN 1128 MLTO (C DIV) SECONDLY - ALL MINES AND MINERALS AS SET FORTH IN TRANSFER 24270 MLTO (C DIV) - 38157 PR240	L -\$98,700 B -\$178,300	\$5,265.25
177900	SW 15-7-7 WPM EXCEPTING FIRSTLY - WATER CONTROL WORKS PLAN 1128 MLTO (C DIV) SECONDLY - ALL MINES AND MINERALS AS SET FORTH IN TRANSFER 24270 MLTO (C DIV) - SW-15-7-7 WPM	L -\$243,500	\$6,062.26
184200	THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 30-7-7 WPM EXC FIRSTLY: ALL MINES AND MINERALS AS RESERVED IN R.P.A. NO. 15019 MLTO AND SECONDLY: PUBLIC ROAD PLAN 1252 MLTO (C DIV) - SW-30-7-7 WPM	L -\$286,300	\$6,544.14

The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any property taxes not yet due.
 - The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
 - If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
 - The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
 - The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft to the Rural Municipality of Dufferin as follows:
 - i) The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - ii) If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
 - iii) A fee in the amount \$309.75 (\$295 plus GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
 - The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
 - The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
 - If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.
- Dated this 4th day of March, 2021.

Managed by:

Sharla Murray
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IN MEMORIAM



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John Pople
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I am preparing stories on the following subjects:

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- Mink Ranching

If you owned a business in Carman in the past and wish to have it documented as part of Carman's history contact me.

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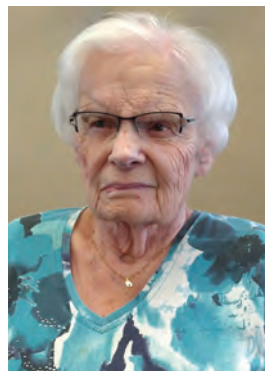
Joyce Rutter (nee Borsheim)

It is with sadness we announce the passing of our mother Joyce Rutter on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 in Saskatoon, SK at the age of 98 years.

Joyce was born in Sperling, MB July 17, 1922 - the third child of Eilert and Ellen Borsheim.

October 5th, 1946 Joyce and Elmer were married at Sperling United Church. They farmed in the Rosebank district where they raised their family.

In 1999 Joyce moved from her home in Portage la Prairie to the Dalton Estates where she made new friendships and became actively involved. At age 93 Joyce moved to Saskatoon to be closer to family.



Joyce is survived by children Valerie (Al) Irvine and Dale (Shannon) Rutter; four grandchildren Gregory (Heather) Irvine, Heather (Jason) MacDonald, Jamie (Brittany) Rutter, Jennifer (Kai) Nome and 10 great-grandchildren as well as one brother Harold Borsheim, sisters-in-law Fran Borsheim, Deloris Borsheim and Delaine Ketterling, all in Minnesota, as well as numerous nieces and nephews of both the Rutter and Borsheim families. She was predeceased by Elmer in 1997.

Celebration of Joyce's life will be held Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. led by Rev. Julie Baker. The service will be viewable through Zoom, a link will be added to Joyce's obituary page at mckenzieportagefuneralchapel.com once it is available. Burial will take place at the Miami Cemetery.

Joyce requested no flowers, suggesting friends may conduct random acts of kindness. If you so desire, charity donations may be made to the Elmer and Joyce Rutter Fund c/o the Community Foundation of Portage and District, 206 Saskatchewan Ave E, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 0K9.

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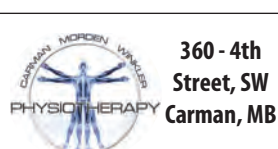
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MS is most frequently diagnosed in young adults, although individuals of any age may be diagnosed with this neurological condition. People who are not familiar with MS can easily be confused by its name and its unique symptoms. Particularly with today's approved treatments and wellness strategies, most individuals with MS are able to live a full and productive life, with much hope for the future.

A wide variety of symptoms can occur with MS. To help categorize the effects of MS, MSAA has listed the commonly experienced symptoms

alphabetically in three groups, as follows:

Common Physical Symptoms of MS

- balance problems
- bladder dysfunction
- bowel problems
- muscle spasticity (stiffness)

Common Emotional, Mental, and Psychological Symptoms of MS

- anxiety
- cognitive changes
- depression
- Pseudobulbar Affect (PBA – a neurologic effect characterized by sudden, uncontrollable expressions of laughter or crying without an apparent trigger)

Common "Invisible" Symptoms of MS

- dizziness/vertigo
- fatigue
- numbness
- pain

- sleep issues
- Uhthoff's syndrome (the temporary appearance of symptoms resulting from heat stress)
- visual disorders
- weakness

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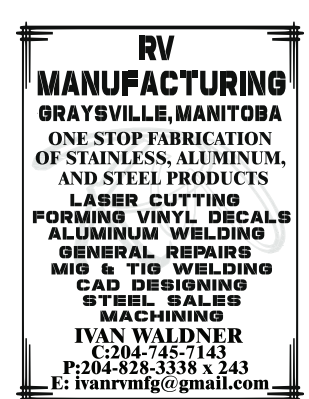
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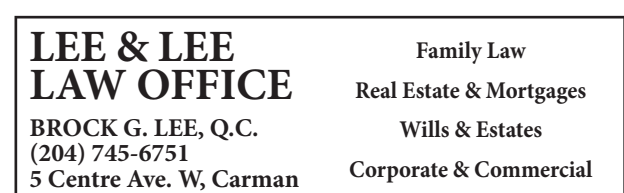
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