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Nora Baschuk, left, Daxton Baschuk, middle, and Nova Baschuk dance with the Ukrainian United School in Morden. They're currently making Ukrainian flags to sell to fundraise for Ukraine. See full story inside.

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# Dance keeps Ukrainian culture alive for a local family

By Becca Myskiw

Ukrainian dance is more than just a movement for one Roland family.

Twelve-year-old Nora Baschuk started Ukrainian dancing when she was three years old. Her brother, 10-year-old Daxton Baschuk, began when he was two. Their younger sister, Nova Baschuk, will start this year.

"I think my parents just wanted to put me in cause I'm Ukrainian, and they wanted me to experience my culture at a young age," said Nora Baschuk.

And she's right. Their dad, Derek Baschuk, Ukrainian, danced when he was younger. His grandparents came from Ukraine in the early 1900s, and he said the Ukrainian culture was always part of his life growing up. His family celebrated the holidays and dates that came on the Julian calendar.

"Ukrainian culture just became something that you would appreciate when I was growing up in school," he said.

Both of Derek Baschuk's children started dancing with a school in Winnipeg, but when the club folded, they were forced to find another place to put on the belts and the flowered skirts.

"One of the original things that we liked about this dance group was it just wasn't a dance group, but we showed appreciation for Ukrainian culture," he said. "And spreading the culture. Because of that, just having that greater appreciation for the culture and the country itself."

And Nora Baschuk does have that appreciation. Since moving to the Ukrainian United School in Morden, she's gained a growing love for the culture and wants to immerse herself in it as much as she can. She plans to start learning the language of her great-grandparents.

Before that, though, she and Daxton Baschuk have more pressing things to do. Their dance school, Ukrainian United School, is making and selling Ukrainian flags as a fundraiser for Ukraine and to spread awareness about the current war there.

Their dance teacher's mother is still living in Ukraine and is currently hiding there. Other Ukrainians in the Pembina Valley have family members overseas, fearing for their lives.

"I don't think people realize there are people right here in the Pembina Valley who are being directly affected

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Nora Baschuk, left, Nova Baschuk, middle, and Daxton Baschuk Ukrainian dance to keep their culture alive.



Ukrainian United School is making and selling Ukrainian flags as a fundraiser for Ukraine.

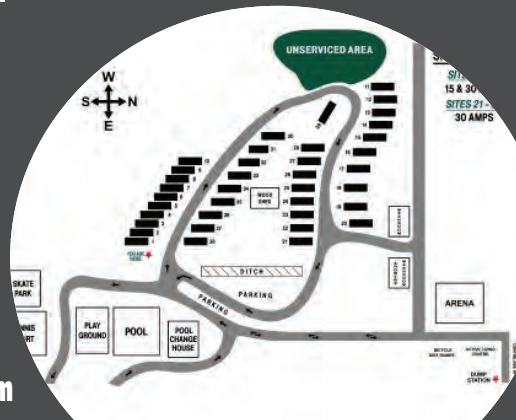


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# Carman council to penalize those who don't recycle correctly



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Carman council decided at this month's meeting those who don't recycle properly will lose their right to MWM Environmental's services.

By Becca Myskiw

The Town of Carman will start cracking down on those who don't correctly recycle by taking away their use of MWM Environmental services.

The town has recently been pushing through their Facebook page for residents to take care when recycling. MWM Environmental, the company that collects Carman's garbage and recycling, has found more than just recyclables dumped in the blue bins. At Thursday's town council meeting, it was decided this was unacceptable.

Councillor and chairman of the Work and Operation Committee, Brad Johnston, said there had been dirty diapers, rotting food, dog poop, and more in the recycling bins — all things that are not recyclable.

"I don't know if everybody realizes most times their recycling ends up being handled by other human beings," said Johnston. "It's unsanitary, unhealthy, unfair, and just will not be tolerated."

Previously, MWM Environmental had a "three strikes you're out" policy for incorrect recyclers, but the town has realized that isn't enough. So, people who recycle things they can't recycle will now get one warning, and

they won't get a second.

"A few times is too many," said Johnston. "This is a very serious thing."

Suppose residents ignore their one warning and continue to recycle the wrong items. In that case, they will no longer have access to the garbage and recycling services from MWM Environmental, and they'll have to take care of their waste.

Also discussed at the March 10 council meeting:

- The Boyne Book It Fun Run will happen this year on Saturday, May 28. Full story to come in the coming weeks.

- The Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce received the town's support for applying for a Carman Area Foundation for five five-bike racks.

- A resident sent a letter asking for rails for the seating on "A" side of the Carman Arena that would cost \$500, which would be donated and completed by Walinga. The town agreed this would solve the issue for viewing in the area.

- The Association of Manitoba Municipalities' online seminar showed the premium rate for building values would increase five to sev-

en per cent. Still, with the \$4 million in the self-insurance pool, municipalities will not see an increase.

- A reminder of the 2022 general municipal election.

- The town will continue participation in the Dutch Elm Disease program.

- Swimming lessons and camping registrations dates are confirmed for April 12 at 7 a.m.

- Summer day camp registration is now May 18.

- The Carman and Community Pathways are sprucing up the trails. Full story to come in the coming weeks.

- Communities in Bloom will be doing Yard

of the Month this year. Full story to come in the coming weeks.



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by this," said Lisa Pinkerton-Baschuk, the children's' mom.

All materials used to make the flags are from the Pembina Valley, and volunteers sew them together in Morden. Each flag costs a minimum donation of \$20. The school also has pins for sale, and they're collecting supplies to send to Ukraine.

A complete list of supplies needed can be found on the Help Ukraine — Morden & Pembina Valley page on Facebook. Some needed are baby food, pet food, sleeping bags, travel mats, and various medical supplies. To help with the last one, the school is also putting together tactical first aid

kits.

Carmanites who want a flag or donate supplies can coordinate through Pinkerton-Baschuk by emailing carmanforukraine@gmail.com. She will drop off and pick up anything people have and want.

Ukrainian United School started the flag campaign on March 5, and within a week, they raised over \$4,000 to send to Ukraine.

"There's a lot of Ukrainian people in Canada, mainly in Manitoba," said Noreen Baschuk. "And a lot of their families could be in Ukraine, and that's going to affect them."

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## Tuesday marked the end of COVID-19 restrictions in Manitoba

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The last of Manitoba's public health orders and restrictions relating to COVID-19 lifted on Tuesday.

March 15 marked the first day Manitobans were no longer required to wear masks in public spaces. The day also saw the end of travel restrictions in northern Manitoba, individual case investigations related to COVID-19, and self-isolation requirements for those who test positive for the virus.

"Thanks to the commitment, compassion and hard work of all Manitobans, particularly our health-care heroes, we are finally in a position to lift restrictions," Health Minister Audrey Gordon said in a statement released Monday.

"This path forward will be different for all of us, whether we choose to wear masks or not, or how and when we connect with family and friends. Let's be patient, thoughtful and kind to each other as we navigate this new normal together."

While the mandates are gone, public

health recommendations remain.

Symptomatic individuals are still encouraged to stay home and isolate and even someone who isn't showing symptoms but tested positive should isolate for five days from the date of the test. Anyone with symptoms or a positive test should avoid non-essential visits to higher-risk settings or with people with a high risk of negative COVID-19 outcomes, officials say.

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, officials continue to recommend Manitobans get vaccinated, stay home when sick, assess their risk and make decisions about using masks, physical distancing, and other actions based on those risks.

While masks are no longer mandated in public spaces, they are still required in all health-care facilities. This includes clinics, hospitals, and personal care homes.

Shared Health stressed last week that this decision was informed by experts in infection prevention and control and will be evaluated continu-

ously moving forward.

"Manitoba's health-care facilities and care settings provide services and care to thousands of patients, residents, and clients daily, many of whom are at increased risk of severe illness if they become infected with COVID-19," Shared Health said.

"While health system leaders continue to monitor the transmission of COVID-19 in our province over the coming weeks, we are taking this extra preventative step in an effort to provide protection and comfort to the Manitobans who seek and receive care."

Screening for symptoms and exposure will also remain in place at health-care facilities.

On Monday, the province's online COVID-19 dashboard put the number of people in hospital with the virus at 414 (182 actively contagious), including 20 total ICU patients (14 contagious). The death count had reached 1,716 people.

## Chamber looking forward to in-person time with ease of restrictions

By Becca Myskiw

The Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce are looking forward to more time with the community in person.

The March meeting of the Chamber was held on Tuesday, March 8.

First on the agenda was reviewing February's minutes, which included confirming the Carman Country Fair and the Denim and Dust Barrel Racing Series for 2022.

Last month's meeting showed the Town of Carman had a small surplus when 2021 ended, which they put into a reserve to be used for street renovations. Priorities for using the town's capital funds are 1st Street SW reconstruction, prep work on 2nd Street SE and 3rd Street SE, and the storm sewer on 1st Street SW. Council also wants to spend funds on sidewalks

near the new hotel and in the north end.

At last month's meeting, Carman Dufferin Recreation said that Rugby Manitoba hopes to start playing in Carman this June.

The March meeting discussed a lot of looking to the future with the changing weather and restrictions.

"Although winter seems endless, it is exciting that plans to gather are in full swing," said president Marni Harrison. "We look forward to meeting with you at the meet and greets, the Chamber Golf Tournament on June 23, and perhaps a couple of other events that are in the planning stages."

Harrison also congratulated the winners of Surviving February, mentioning that member feedback is why they could host Surviving February.

They wouldn't have known businesses wanted to bolster cash flow last month without it.

Executive director Jodi Winkler said the campaign was a huge success, bringing in \$6,100 for local businesses.

She is also looking forward to members meeting in person, hosting after-hours business mixers, and networking with each other.

"As we look forward to warming sunshine and rounds of golf, we can also start to look forward to the opening of McGee's and Syl's and, of course, Poutine Week," said Winkler.

Poutine Week will be held from May 9 to 15 this year, getting local businesses to use their creativity to make the best poutine in town. More details on the week are to come.

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# Incredible Creatures: snow fleas: jumping through the snow

By John Gavloski

If you see tiny black specks on the snow that seem to be moving, it may not be your eyes playing tricks on you. They may be snow fleas. Although unfortunately they have the word flea in their name, snow fleas are not real fleas, and can't bite people or other animals. Although they are tiny and easy to overlook, they do have some fascinating and beneficial traits. This month's Incredible Creatures will explore the fascinating world of snow fleas.

## Life on the snow

When outside on a sunny winter day, don't be surprised if you see very tiny animals called snow fleas moving on the snow, especially where it has melted a bit around the base of trees or house foundations. Snow fleas will look like someone spilled pepper on the top of the snow, but if you look closely you can see them moving. They are believed to feed on fungal spores and algae on the surface of the snow.

## Built-In Antifreeze

Snow fleas have a higher tolerance for cold temperatures than most invertebrates, and are often found in large numbers on top of the snow! They hibernate in the soil during the winter, and become active as the weather warms and the snow starts to melt. They are able to move up through breaks in the snow to reach the surface. They can sometimes gather in high enough levels that the snow in an



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## Snow fleas

area looks black. While snow fleas can be found in all seasons, they tend to be most noticeable in the late winter.

Snow fleas have compounds in their body that basically serves as anti-freeze. They have a couple of glycine-rich, anti-freeze proteins in their bodies that prevent the water that is in their systems from actually freezing. This allows them to be active when many other animals are seeking shelter.

## If not Fleas, What are Snow Fleas?

Despite its name, snow fleas are not really fleas. They are part of a group called springtails. There

are many different species of springtails, 474 have been recorded in Canada. Most are not active in the winter, with snow fleas being exceptions to this. Springtails were classified as insects at one time, but now they have their own grouping. Instead, they are a kind of a cousin that shares some insect attributes. Most springtails are usually found in damp areas, where they feed on fungi and decaying organic matter. If you have a compost pile, chances are you've seen springtails. In the summer, springtails can easily be found in the soil, under leaf litter, in decaying logs, and other areas that are moist with organic matter. They are actually very abundant, but can get overlooked because of their small size. Depending on the species they are generally less than a millimeter to several millimeters in length. They are important for nutrient cycling, and they can help to keep microbe populations in check.

Springtails get their name from their ability to use a tail-like apparatus to jump. While real fleas use their legs to hop around, springtails leaps around using what resembles a little fork, called a furcula, which curls underneath the back of their abdomen. The furcula can be moved quickly away from the body, causing the springtail to spring into the air.

As we go through our final days of winter, keep an eye open for snow fleas. Against a background of white snow, this may be the easiest way to see some of the this beneficial group called springtails.

# Faouzia nominated for Juno's breakthrough artist of the year



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Faouzia has been nominated for Juno's breakthrough artist of the year.

By Becca Myskiw

Carman's Faouzia has been nominated for a Juno award.

On March 1, the 2022 Juno nominees were announced, and among them was Carman's own. Faouzia received her first-time nomination in the "breakthrough artist of the year" category, alongside 347aidan, Jessie, Pressa, and Teshar.

After the nominations were announced, Faouzia took to Twitter to say, "nominated for breakthrough artist of the year. :) thank you so much !!!!!!! @TheJUNOAwards <333333".

Other notable nominations for this year's Juno awards are:

- Single of the year: "Make a Life, not a Living" by Brett Kissel, "Meaningless: by Charlotte Cardin, "I'm not Pretty" by Jessie, "Peaches" by Justin Bieber and Daniel Caesar feat. Giveon, "Take my Breath" by the Weeknd

- Album of the year: Phoenix by Charlotte Cardin, Dangerous Levels of Introspection by JP Saxe, Justice by Justin Bieber, Wonder by Shawn Mendes, Too Young to be Sad by Tate McRae

- Artist of the year: Charlotte Cardin, JP Saxe, Justin Bieber, Shawn Mendes, The Weeknd

- Group of the year: Arkells, Loud Luxury, Mother Mother, The Reklaws, Valley

- Breakthrough group of the year: Black Pistol Fire, Cleopatrck, Monowhales, Ocie Elliott, Spiritbox

The complete list of 2022 Juno nominees can

be found at <https://www.cbc.ca/music/here-s-the-full-list-of-2022-juno-nominees-1.6371516>

The *Standard* reached out to Faouzia for further comment on her nomination but did not hear back from the artist.

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# Donations wanted for Quilts for Ukraine

By Becca Myskiw

Local quilters are using their skilled hands to comfort the people of Ukraine.

Maureen Carr has been quilting for years. Last Sunday, she was sitting at home thinking about the current Russian invasion of Ukraine, and it seemed a no-brainer on what she could do to help.

"They're leaving home with nothing," she said. "They have nothing. The clothes on their back."

As Carr's a member of the Carman Legion's Ladies Auxiliary, she spoke to another legion member, asking if she could have the hall space for free one day. She told him she wanted to get a group of quilters together there to make blankets for Ukrainian immigrants.

Once she got the OK for the space, Carr wasted no time putting out a call to her Facebook friends, asking any quilters who could come to the Legion Hall on Tuesday, March 15, and quilt. She asked them to bring their sewing machines, any fabric they

had, and anything else they thought could be helpful.

A couple of days after her post, Carr had six quilters confirmed. And for those who want to help but can't quilt, she said they can donate money towards the batting needed to put between each quilt layer to make the blanket warm. Batting, she said, is the expensive part, the most crucial part, and the one material they don't have a lot of.

To donate money to the batting for the quilts, e transfer [gmcarr112@gmail.com](mailto:gmcarr112@gmail.com). Any leftover money not used for that will be donated to help efforts in Ukraine.

"I love to quilt," she said. "I don't mind donating quilts in at least I know they're being used, and there's value to them."

Carr's original plan was to send the quilts made on Tuesday to Poland for Ukrainians when they got there. But as they're set up in temporary spots there with no specific addresses, she's now going to keep the quilts until Ukrainians get to Manitoba, and



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Maureen Carr got a group of quilters together this week to make quilts for Ukrainian refugees.

they'll be a sort of warm welcome gift.

She doesn't have any personal ties to Ukraine — she wants to help in the way she knows how. Carr has also donated quilts to CancerCare Manitoba, the Boyne Lodge, Boyne Regional

Library for a raffle, the Alberta Kidney Foundation, and more. She said she and the quilters from Tuesday are looking to do another day like this one for more Ukrainian quilt-making.

## Two jobs, 13 horses and a farm; a dream come true

By Nicole Brownlee

Sherri Anderson loves horses. And the first chance she got, she bought as many acres as she could to welcome horses into her family again.

Anderson grew up in a rodeo family and learned from a young age how to train horses.

"I love taking a horse that is scared of people or doesn't trust people and teaching them that people are good," said Anderson.

"That brings me so much pride and makes my heart so full."

When she moved from Saskatchewan to Manitoba in 1991, Anderson dreamed of the property she could get outside of Winnipeg to return to her love of raising horses.

The opportunity arose in 2012, so she moved her family north of Teulon, where she collected a 48-hectare property and a team of horses with the help of community members.

"While we were here, people started coming to us and offering to give us horses," said Anderson.

She was surprised to be given the horses for free after growing up with a family who trained horses that cost anywhere between \$4,500 to \$8,000.

"We decided to train them and give them a good home."

Anderson became attached to the horses after investing hours of training with them.

People offered to buy the horses for a bargain of their cost, but Anderson couldn't part with them.

"It's hard to see people come here and talk about your animals like they weren't the most wonderful animals in the world," said Anderson.

After realizing most of the horses she took in were coming to stay, Anderson decided to establish The Barefoot Ranch as a rescue for animals in need.

"We don't really focus on finding them homes," said Anderson.

"If the right situation came up for a great home, we're not opposed, but we mostly just keep them here and provide them their best life for the rest of their life."

Anderson cares for 13 horses, two calves and one donkey while working two jobs as a product manager for an IT company and a waitress at Fry-Days in Teulon.

One of her horses is 35 years old and requires consistent care throughout the day.

"This cold spell has been really hard on her, but we give her specialty feed multiple times a day," said Anderson.

While working from home for the IT company, Anderson checks on the team. While she's working nights and weekends at Fry-Days her husband pulls the night shift with the horses.

Anderson works with the Spirit of Hope Rescue and The Good Place: Farm Rescue & Sanctuary to care for abandoned or mistreated horses.

Spirit of Hope is working with Anderson to rescue two ponies from Sagleeng First Nation who are reportedly homeless.

"It's cool to have the opportunity to be affiliated with them because they're quite a successful non-profit," said Anderson.

Before Fall 2021, Anderson paid for all ranch expenses out of her pocket. Now, she's hoping to raise money to continue caring for the horses, maintain their feed and build them a shelter.

The Barefoot Ranch raised \$500 at their first fundraiser in September 2021 and gained exposure in the community.

The ranch is now hosting its second fundraiser to help pay for bales and has raised \$2,400 in a month. Anderson hopes to reach \$3,500 by the end of February.

Volunteers are welcome to join the ranch in the spring, summer and fall to help with socializing and feeding the horses. They plan to build a horse shelter in the summer and encourage any helping hands to join them, said Anderson.

The ranch also always accepts dona-



STANDARD PHOTO SUPPLIED BY SHERRI ANDERSON.

Sherri Anderson started the Barefoot Ranch in 2012 after community members donated horses to her 48-acre ranch.

tions of feed, bedding, salt and mineral blocks. More information about the fundraiser is available on their Facebook page, The Barefoot Ranch: Manitoba Horse Rescue & Sanctuary.

# Carman's skating surfaces - Part 1...the first complex

By Dennis Young

Early settlers in this area spent any available spare time maneuvering the Boyne River on skates. With no power equipment yet invented, back power was the primary source to clear a path or a rink for shiny. Some 100+ years later, Carman outdoor enthusiasts discovered it once again! Let's trace the other skating options made available over the years.

The first enclosed rink was built in 1893, where the MCC building is now. By 1901 the Carman Rink Company began planning a new rink and, after much land searching, decided on Villiard Avenue (Main Street), where Janzen Pontiac was last located.

The tender went to local contractor Don McIvor in 1928 with a bid of \$14 894.00 (\$220,000 today) and was expected to be one of the finest of its kind in Manitoba, accommodating 1400 people. The structure would be 140 x 200 with the standard 80 x 185 ice surface and three sheets of curling ice on the north side. Included were two club rooms and a band room.

The rink board passed a motion to accept the Royal Bank's bid of 5.52 % per annum to finance the construction. A number of applications were accepted, but the rink manager job went to Thomas McCormick, who was handling rink affairs for some years. His salary was \$75/month, and he could engage extra help at his own expense.

An opening ceremony was in the works, with both curlers and hockey teams requesting a part of them. However, wiring for lighting, hoses

for flooding, a sound system and stoves for heating the waiting room held up that for what seemed forever to die-hard users.

In the meantime, fees were announced for users. The Curling Club, who collected \$10 from regular curlers, \$5 from Ladies and schoolers .25/game, paid \$400 for the season. Expenses compared to the skating section were recorded to have an accurate evaluation next winter.

The rink had its opening on Christmas night as the ice was not hard enough for daytime use yet. The Town band played for the large numbers on the ice and spectators. Curling began New Year's Eve with a bonspiel of 32 teams, but January 10, 1929, marked their official grand opening featuring teams from the surrounding towns. Supper and dance were held at the Memorial Hall basement following the contests.

Willa Keith was quoted as, "I fondly remember the big potbelly stove that dominated the waiting room. We would come in from skating with frozen feet and sit around that stove. The year's highlight was the carnival where we got to wear fancy clothes with sequins. When we got to high school age, someone ( I think Kor Kats ) played records, and you might even hold a boy's hand sand skate around!"

"With sheets of ice and sloped roof, schoolchildren learned to curl in that very cold old building," Gwen Johnston recalled. "The music played all the time, and kids would leave skates



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Carman Skating Rink - The above picture shows the setting in the Carman skating rink for the annual Ice Carnival, sponsored by Carman Recreational Association. The rink, which also provides three sheets of curling ice, is the chief centre of activity in town through the winter months.

on sometimes and "skate" down to the York Cafe for a bar & drink."

However, all was not perfect when the Hall Board asked the Rink Board to stop booking hockey games on Saturdays.....the same nights as their picture shows. Both Boards vying for the same bucks the same nights proved troubling, and a motion was passed to accommodate the Hall after

much deliberation.

By the late 1940s, the rink was displaying some structural problems, and the 30-year-old building was in the process of being given extensive repairs using a particular type of bracing cable from Eastern Canada. It was too late!

Following part 2....a new Arena!

## Manitoba's top event for your outdoor living retreat

Submitted by Matthew Seth Ostrove

The Cottage Country's Lake & Cabin Show is back at the Red River Exhibition Park after a two-year absence due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

Aviva Insurance Canada proudly sponsors this year's show.

The 2022 event features over 160 booths with many new ideas on how to build or renovate your lakeside retreat. Cottagers can save themselves weeks of running around town by meeting all the lo-

cal experts right in one place.

The show starts again on Friday, March 18, and runs through until Sunday, March 20. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at the door. Seniors, respectively, get a discount and pay just \$10. Kids 13 and under can attend for free. There is no charge for parking at the event.

Hours: Friday 2 p.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-8 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.



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The Cottage Country's Lake & Cabin show is at the Red River Exhibition Park from March 18-20.

# The second annual Library Project features a wide variety of mediums

By Becca Myskiw

This year, six local artists have one-of-a-kind pieces hanging up at Boyne Regional Library as part of the second annual Library Project.

Golden Prairie Arts Council (GPAC) and the Boyne Regional Library have teamed up for the second year in a row to fundraise for each organization and to showcase local artists.

Artists in GPAC's catchment area were able to put their names in a draw before 2022 to participate in the Library Project. Six were drawn at random — Marie Minaudier, Desiree Penner, Lee Rothwell, Cyndie Sutherland, Kelsey Buyer, and Erin Richards — and each created a piece specifically for the project.

Each of the six artists was compensated \$500 for their work thanks to the following sponsors:

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The art will be up in the library until December, when each piece will be raffled off, and all proceeds from the draw will be split between GPAC and the library.

"It's really cool to see all the pieces together on the wall," said Penner, artist and executive assistant and curator at GPAC. "It gives the artists an opportunity to be seen by the community."

Penner's piece is named "Best Friends." It's of two cows standing close to each other and is done in acrylics, though she usually works with watercolours to feature the ocean. She said she chose to paint this scene based on where her piece would be hanging and who would see it.

As agriculture is such a large part of Carman's identity, she felt more people would relate to this painting and respond well to it. It was her first time painting a cow, and she's extremely happy with the finished product.

"I decided to take a different avenue," said Penner. "Part of being an artist is continually challenging yourself. Though watercolours will



Erin Richards macrame piece.



Marie Minaudier's quilt art piece

always be a significant part of my artistic practice, I'm always looking for opportunities to grow and evolve as an artist."

Rothwell's piece is an oil painting of the birch trees lining the hills in Roseisle. She named it "Roseisle Birches."

She works with just about anything — pencil, charcoal, pastels, oils, acrylics, sculptures, and more. She gets inspiration from life and what's around her, and the Pembina Valley's hidden gem seemed the perfect inspiration for this specific project.

"I don't know anybody from Carman that doesn't take a ride to the Roseisle hills at least once a year," said Rothwell. "It's just a beautiful hidden gem for locals."

This specific piece is vivid and



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Kelsey Buyer and her macrame piece.



Cyndie Sutherland's encaustic piece.



Lee Rothwell's oil painting.

graphic, showing the trees almost as someone would from the whirring car window. Rothwell said creating art is positive for her, and seeing the finished product makes her feel good every single time.

"Not everybody is lucky enough to have something that makes them feel special," she said. "I can create something that's original...that nobody else can do that way."

Kelsey Buyer is one of only two artists picked back-to-back years. She brought her famed macrame art back for the Library Project, this one bigger and better.

"I wanted to make something that was a real big statement piece," she said. "I felt like the one that I made last year was more of a simple hanger.




Desiree Penner and her acrylic piece.

I wanted to show off more skills I had learned over the year."

And she did. Her piece in the 2022 Library Project is called "The Eagle" because its size and the way she tied the material resembles a large bird. It took her around eight hours in total, from picking the wood it hangs on to securing the last piece onto it.

Buyer said she had no hesitation when it came time to enter her name again. She didn't think she'd be cho-

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# Local soybeans finding markets around the world

By Lorne Stelmach

Manitoba farmers and a Canadian soybean company are working in partnership to provide a home-grown solution to growing global demand for food-grade soybeans.

As that demand continues to grow, Sevita International is working with local farmers like Altona-area grower Kyle Friesen to produce soybeans for markets around the world.

These soybeans are used in such things as tofu, soy milk, soy sauce, cheese, pizza and more by leading global food manufacturers, and according to IMARC, a market research company, the global soy food market reached a value of \$42 billion US in 2020. Looking forward, it is expected the market will grow by 5.2 per cent between 2021-2026.

Friesen is in his third year growing Sevita food-grade soybeans on his farm north of Altona. His 500-acre crop yielded very well last summer, even during the dry growing conditions, so he credits Sevita's breeding program that focuses on characteris-

tics specific to Manitoba.

"Sevita's yield, performance and profitability are what every grower hopes for from a soybean crop," said Friesen.

"It's also nice to know that the beans I'm growing are going to high-demand markets across the world and that I'm playing a key role in helping feed the growing global population while driving more revenue for my farm.

"I think moving forward in agriculture, there's going to be a much more direct connection between the producer who's growing the food essentially and the end use," added Friesen, who estimated 30 to 40 per cent of his soybean acres are non-GM, and he sees that likely increasing further.

"They do provide an opportunity for better return ... I like the idea that they're actually going to a sort of specified food end-use product," said Friesen.

"They do provide some different

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Sevita International business manager Sandy Hart says there's a tremendous demand for high-quality Canadian soybeans in international markets.

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sen again, but she was and is honoured.

"The first year was really surreal to receive \$500 for something that was kind of a hobby," she said. "Now, I've gained enough knowledge to know my work is worth what it is. It's still very humbling, though, to know that someone's willing to pay and sponsor \$500."

The other artist back for a second time is Cyndie Sutherland. She entered a hot wax painting called "Riding the Waves."

"Roughly 10 years ago or so, a good friend and painter introduced me to the medium," she said. "Followed by my own experimenting, loving the transparency of the colours, malleability of the wax & the many ways of application."

Sutherland's love of the ocean inspires her piece in the Library Project. She made her mix of colours, beeswax, and damar resin for it, building up each layer one by one and heating each individually until she was happy with the colours and water flow. The white caps were the finishing touch, painted on and heated with her heat gun.

"I wanted my project to be something unique (encaustic) but also something that would hopefully appeal to a wide range of people," she said.

Erin Richards entered a piece also done in macrame. It was her first time using the medium — she got into it

using recycled fabrics from her grandma and mom. She said she enjoys the many different knots and patterns she can try with the medium. Richards tries to work an ode to her family into each piece she does. She said it keeps her close to them while doing something she enjoys. Her hanging in the Library Project is based on family and her environment, and it's the first place she's been able to display her work since high school publicly.

"It's just one piece, but it was meant to bring my love for family and the prairies to other people and remind

them of the beautiful world around us," she said. "Even if it just looks like dirt, it's really a rainbow of textures if you look at it the right way."

Another fibre art artist in this year's project is Marie Minaudier. She, however, works with quilting fabric.

Minaudier got addicted to quilting in the 90s and just in the last six years started making art with the skill. Most of her pieces depict animals and birds because that's what she likes. First, she quilts the background together, sewing the curved pieces to each other, then working off a picture; she

starts designing the centrepiece and sewing colourful pieces together to finish it.

"Quilting is making a sandwich of fabrics," she said.

Her piece in the Library Project is a heron. She's done it before, but it is larger and has a different colour theme. Every Child Matters inspire the colours in this one, and the bird represents freedom, going hand in hand.

"I thought the timing was right for the colour theme," she said.



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# Sharing a vision of a fossil fuel-free Canada

By Lorne Stelmach

A group gathered outside Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen's office in Morden Friday as a part of a nationwide day of action on the environment.

The Day of Action for a Just Transition was urging Parliament to pass legislation that accelerates the switch to renewable energy while creating millions of green jobs.

Organizers held events outside constituency offices across the country to deliver letters of support as they press their vision for a near future where Canada undertakes a rapid transition away from fossil fuels.

"We're hoping we can convince our MPs to switch us off fossil fuels fairly to everybody and to pay attention to

the climate issue," said 12-year-old Morden activist Meredith Plett.

"I'm very concerned about the climate," she said, noting she was inspired by her mother's involvement with multiple climate organizations. "We brought letters, and we hope this makes a difference. It feels good to write letters, and it feels like every small bit counts."

The local event was spearheaded by members of the Mennonite Church Manitoba climate action working group. Member Sandy Plett said they want all members of government to set aside political and ideological differences and "to respond with strength and unity to the climate emergency."

"These are such complex times, and



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Supporters of the Day of Action for a Just Transition gathered at Portage-Lisgar MP Candice Bergen's office last week to speak out for the need for a non-partisan plan in Canada to address climate change.

the journey towards climate solutions is no less complex," Plett said. "We continue to urge Canadian leaders to be bold in the face of all of these crises. We want the government to pay attention to how we get off fossil fuels and to do it in a way that leaves no one behind."

"A just transition is saying we all

need to engage in something now," added fellow participant Marilyn Houser Hamm. "We have moved to a state of climate emergency."

"All of these things are pointing in a direction ... the earth is answering back, and so what we're being called to is more than awareness, is more

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weed control options which help us manage herbicide resistance on the farm," he added. "And they provide similar return to dry beans with probably a little less risk because they're more tolerant to moisture extremes."

Sevita International is a food-grade soybean production and export leader, and business manager Sandy Hart also shares the optimism around further cultivating the market for non-GM food grade soybeans.

"That's a market that has been under supplied for at least the past four seasons, so there's a tremendous amount of opportunity there particularly for good quality beans from Canada," he

suggested.

"What's held us back in previous years is not having genetics in the non-GM side of things that would yield competitively with the GM varieties grown in Manitoba and western Canada and also give us the protein and other food qualities that we need to be successful marketing that crop."

Hart said Sevita's exclusive Canadian genetics and food-grade quality standards are in high demand around the world and have a reputation for excellence with some of the largest and most progressive soy food manufacturers.

"For the past 25 years, we've built long-standing relationships across our supply chain to ensure we create

value for both the farmers and the end user. From breeding and genetics specific to each region's growing conditions to qualities that meet our manufacturers stringent criteria, Sevita invests in every stage of the soybean value chain," he said.

"Certainly, it looks better going forward. We've been able to bring some products to market that are early maturing enough to be grown on a good swath of the acres in western Canada, particularly in Manitoba," he continued. "Southern Manitoba, I think, is a really great place for that growth to get started. Certainly we have aspirations of greater market share in the rest of western Canada at large."

"There's also a lot of really great

growers in southern Manitoba who have experience with other types of edible beans or dry beans," added Hart, who estimated there was about 1.3 million acres in the province last year.

"We want to go slow, make sure growers are having good success and that we're able to supply our customers reliably, and that's how you build a more robust, long term program."

To help expand its food-grade soybean acreage in Manitoba, Sevita partnered with Ceres Global Seeds in 2020 to leverage their extensive seed dealer network and regional soybean expertise, and Ceres Global Seeds director of sales and marketing Daniel Acuna is keen on the partnership.

"Sevita International is like no other soybean seed company we've seen in western Canada," he said.

"It's fully integrated, from having access to its in-house breeding program with varieties bred specifically for Manitoba growing conditions to its close affiliations with international export customers and long-standing relationship with large manufacturers around the world."

"I only see it being propelled further and further, and the growth opportunity is huge," Acuna said. "The premium market that Sevita International is involved with, the demand is always there."

"A big driver that we're seeing right now is the futures price on new crop soybeans ... there is a good draw now," he concluded. "I anticipate a good push, not only on traded soybeans but even on the food grade soybeans being an extremely profitable and viable option."

## NOTICE OF MEETING

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#### Proposed By-Law Change: 10.05 Notice of Meetings

Notice of the date, time and place of each meeting of members shall be given by any one or any combination of the following methods, as determined by the Board of Directors 21 to 50 days in advance of the meeting: [Section 226(1)]

- 1) posting the notice in each place of business of the Cooperative.
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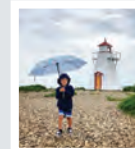
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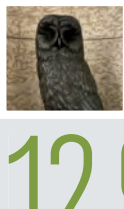
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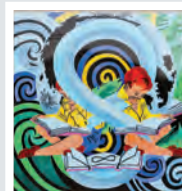
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## \$2.86 million for new conservation projects from the Conservation Trust

Submitted by Manitoba Habitat Heritage

The Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation Board of Directors recently approved \$2.86 million in new grants to 20 projects delivered by 14 Manitoba-based conservation groups.

"These funds provide new opportunities to improve wildlife, water and soil conservation across the province," said Stephen Carlyle, chief executive officer of the Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation (MHHC).

The revenue source for these projects is \$204 million in contributions made to The Winnipeg Foundation between 2018 and 2020 to establish three trusts dedicated to land, water and wildlife conservation. MHHC manages granting programs for the trusts.

Establishment of the Conservation Trust, the GROW Trust, and the Wet-

lands GROW Trusts in Manitoba resulted in permanent revenue sources for new conservation activities. The Trusts focus on restoring natural areas in the rural landscape to help address floods and droughts, water quality, wildlife habitat and biological diversity, carbon sequestration and connecting people to nature.

"The conservation investments will help make our landscape more resilient to the impacts of climate change in the future," said Carlyle.

Projects supported include:

- \$400,000 to Manitoba Beef Producers to support projects that help cattle producers conserve grasslands and enhance habitat for threatened and endangered birds

- \$200,000 to Holistic Management Canada to support its Regenera-

tive Agriculture Accelerator Project, which helps Manitoba agriculture producers incorporate soil, water and wildlife conservation into their farming operations

- \$400,000 to Ducks Unlimited Canada to conserve and restore wetland and grassland habitats in the province

- \$25,000 to the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society – Manitoba Chapter to work with the Fisher River Cree Nation to develop a conservation areas plan for the Fisher River watershed

The \$2.86 million in Trust funds is being matched by \$6.6 million in funds and services by the groups, which will result in \$9.5 million of conservation activity in Manitoba.

"An additional \$7.5 million will

be awarded in April for watershed-based conservation projects under the GROW Program delivered by provincial Watershed Districts, bringing total grant funding from the trusts to \$10.3 million in 2022," said Carlyle.

Since the first projects received trust funding in 2019, a total of \$20.86 million has been committed to 139 conservation projects delivered by 47 Manitoba-based groups.

Serving its mandate to conserve fish and wildlife habitat in the Manitoba for the past 36 years, MHHC became a private, not-for-profit charitable organization in 2021. In addition to direct conservation program delivery, MHHC manages granting programs from the Trusts.

Visit [www.mhhc.mb.ca](http://www.mhhc.mb.ca).

## Faith Mission has supplies en route to help Ukraine

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Faith Mission (FriedensBote) in Winkler is putting a call out for donations as it continues to try to help the people of Ukraine.

The Christian ministry has sent clothing, blankets, and bicycles to those in need in Ukraine and other former Soviet Union nations for decades.

It had three shipping containers filled with supplies en route to the region when Russian forces invaded Ukraine three weeks ago, shared secretary-treasurer Jake Elias.

"We have two containers stuck in Turkey right now. They should have already been in Ukraine being unloaded, but they're not," he said, noting the third container was held up in Halifax. "Right now we don't know how we're going to get them into even Poland, where the need is tremendous."

Millions of Ukrainian refugees have

fled their homes in recent weeks, seeking sanctuary in neighbouring countries.

While the Halifax container will be relatively easily redirected, Faith Mission is working with its international partners to figure out how to route the other containers from Turkey to where the supplies are needed most.

"The two million refugees that have walked away from their homes, some took a suitcase or a bag with clothing, but many, many went with what they were wearing," Elias said.

Faith Mission has been in communication with people in Ukraine about the conditions there, and the reports have been sobering.

"I've been getting messages almost every day," Elias said, explaining they have contacts with many churches in the country. "It's scary. We just got a message this morning from Mariupol ... they were hiding in a church basement and most of the buildings

around them were all bombed and flat and they had no food. They were down to drinking sea water because there's no water supply, no electricity. He said it was almost unbearable."

Faith Mission's partner in Germany, Missionwerk Friedensbote, has been working to get food and other emergency supplies into the region.

The mission is asking people to drop off donations of blankets, sleeping bags, wool socks, pillows, clothing, and bandage material at their depot in Winkler at 425 Roblin Blvd. (call Elias at 204-362-7575 to arrange a drop-off

time).

Elias expects they'll likely have enough supplies to ship another container overseas in the next few weeks, once they work out the safest route.

Monetary donations are also needed to help purchase food for refugees in Ukraine, Moldova, and Romania.

"Right now we are really pushing for financial help," Elias said, explaining their German counterparts are spending thousands of dollars trying to keep displaced people fed.

E-transfers can be made to [info@faithmission.ca](mailto:info@faithmission.ca).



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Faith Mission's partners in Germany have been on the ground in and around Ukraine distributing supplies to the millions of refugees who are fleeing the Russian invasion.

## Flashback...King and I



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Celebrating the King and I 40 years ago. The Carman Community Theatre was resurrected in 1981 and its first production would be the musical *The King and I* in March of 1982. Boosting dozens of local performers, band members, costume/makeup and stage/props people, it was a huge success on and off the stage for this area. *Fiddler on the Roof* in 1983 followed the first successful stage performance.

# SCRL celebrating “everything garden related”

## Spring break programming focuses on 2022 as the ‘Year of the Garden’

By Lorne Stelmach

The South Central Regional Library is inviting its five communities to join them in marking 2022 as the Year of the Garden.

People are invited to stop by their local branch over spring break to participate in either seed planting or a take-home seed kit.

“With spring break approaching, as well as it being the Year of the Garden in Canada, we thought there was no better time to celebrate everything garden related,” said Raina Teigrob, Miami library branch administrator.

She encouraged residents to check with their local library to find out what further events are planned.

“All of our five locations will be offering either a sunflower seed kit for children to take home and assemble themselves, or a seeding station will be set up in branch that allows kids to stop by and put together eggshell planters right at the library,” said Teigrob.

“While all branches will have some sort of seeding activity available, a few branches have also opted to add a seed swap table,” she added. “This gives people the opportunity to share leftover seeds from the previous gardening season and to pick up a new pack for themselves as well.

“It’s a fun way to share within the community and went over really well in previous years,” Teigrob said. “We hope to brighten everyone’s last few weeks of winter by getting everyone excited about the approaching gardening season and warm weather that is bound to follow.”

The Canadian Garden Council is promoting the Year of the Garden by encouraging Canadians to consider ways that they could live the garden life, such as planting red and showing your Canadian garden pride by signing up your property as a 2022 celebration garden. You can find more information online at [livethegardenlife.gardenscanada.ca](http://livethegardenlife.gardenscanada.ca).



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South Central Regional Library branches will have seed kits and/or seeding stations set up for budding green thumbs to enjoy later this month.

“We are also in the works of planning a presentation on seed starting along with helpful tips and tricks for gardening,” noted Teigrob of SCRL’s other spring plans.

“We hope to plan an event night across multiple branches as long as restrictions continue going our way. Though this won’t take place during spring break, it is a very exciting event to look forward to in the coming months.

“We’re really excited to get back into in-person programming and events for our patrons this spring,” said Teigrob. “Although we still have to be careful to follow all government restrictions accordingly, it seems things are now looking up for Manitoba libraries.”

Check out South Central Regional Library on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on the latest news and events.

# MASC loan limit changes positive, but not a solution

By Becca Myskiw

The Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC) announced on Feb. 10 with agriculture minister Derek Johnson they will be increasing limits on several lending products to help producers out.

MASC’s lending programs give Manitoba agricultural producers access to credit with “reasonable interest rates and flexible repayment terms.” They provide direct loans and stocker loans while guaranteeing loans are made by private-sector financial institutions to help create and expand operations in rural Manitoba. These loan limits were last updated in 2018.

“Our government recognizes the economic pressures on producers as they strive to succeed in the competi-

tive world of agriculture, despite the challenges presented by last year’s drought and the impact of the ongoing pandemic,” said Johnson. “In response, MASC has increased lending limits to provide our farmers, especially the younger generation, with financial options that give them greater flexibility in managing, establishing or expanding their operations.”

Effective April 1, 2022, the direct loan limit for producers will increase from \$3.5 million to \$4.25 million, which reflects land values and operating costs. These loans can be used to purchase agricultural land and buildings, agricultural equipment, breeding livestock and quota for supply-managed commodities. They may also be used for construction or renovation of farm

buildings, greenhouses and nurseries, consolidation and refinancing of debt, and financing operating expenses.

Stocker loan limits provide short-term financing for producers. They’re typically used for purchasing feeder cattle and lambs or as a cash advance on their retained feeder animals. Also effective April 1, 2022, these loan limits will increase from \$500,000 to \$750,000. Johnson said as Manitoba’s beef herd has been significantly reduced recently due to the drought, this increase will provide “an excellent tool to help producers rebuild their herds.”

Limits on the Manitoba Livestock Associations Loan Guarantee program are also increasing. This program encourages feeding cattle in

the province by providing several economic spinoffs. It will increase to \$750,000 from \$500,000 and association limits will increase to \$12 million from \$8 million, both as of April 1, 2022.

Manitoba Beef Producers general manager Carson Callum said these increases are important especially right now as the price of land is increasing for producers.

“It’s not necessarily a solution for those that are in a cash shortfall situation due to the drought,” he noted.

Though they are important changes, young producers don’t have enough equity to take advantage of them, he said, and it won’t bring other producers out of debt.

## > CLIMATE CHANGE, FROM PG. 10

than carbon pricing,” she continued. “What we’re being called to is a new imagination as a whole society of people, a new imagination for transforming our society to make it healthy, to make it sustainable, and to make a way for our children to have a future.”

Representatives of the campaign at the national level echoed the call to action last week. Organizers hope

these events will focus attention on the urgent need for the Just Transition Act that Justin Trudeau first promised in 2019.

“The Just Transition Act is the most important missing piece of climate legislation in Canada, and it needs to pass this sitting of the House of Commons,” said Dylan Penner, climate and social justice campaigner with the Council of Canadians.

“We cannot tackle the climate crisis without rapidly phasing out fossil fuels. Canadians deserve immediate action from our federal government to make that shift happen in a way that puts workers and communities first.”

“Climate scientists just put out another terrifying report on what will happen if we don’t stop burning fossil fuels fast, but you don’t have to be an expert to see that this is a serious crisis,” said Katie Rae Perfit, senior organizing specialist with 350.org.

“Last year in Canada alone, climate disasters caused billions of dollars in damage, killed hundreds of people, and destroyed communities. The Trudeau government needs to wake up and get to work on a just transition.”

For more information on the campaign, head online to the [350.org/m12](http://350.org/m12).

MP Bergen did not respond to requests for comment on this story at press time.

# sports & recreation

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## Carman girls team wins high school provincials

By Ty Dilello

The Carman Cougars are champions after going undefeated at the 2022 Manitoba High School Provincial Curling Championships in Hamiota and Kenton.

Shaela Hayward and her team of Keira Krahn, Rylie Cox and India Young went 6-0 to win the title. They defeated West Kildonan 7-4 in the A-Side Final and later knocked off the Swan Valley Tigers 7-3 in the championship-clinching B Side Final.

"We had a great week from start to finish and have probably played the best we've played all year!" Shaela Hayward. "We had some close games but managed to come out with the win going undefeated! There was a lot of good shot-making throughout the weekend!"

Carman's first game was held at the Kenton Curling Club, which was the first time that they had ever played on natural ice before.

"So it was a little bit tricky to get

used to the natural ice! We were down by two in the last end and ended up getting three to win."

From there, Hayward played in Hamiota the rest of the way and got on a roll.

"The A final was our closest game! We were tied up coming home in the eighth and ended up stealing to win! We defeated Swan Valley in the B final to win provincials!"

Hayward's victory becomes the first provincial curling championship in the history of Carman Collegiate.

"Going into the weekend, our goal was to keep the games close to give ourselves a chance to win," said Hayward. "This was our first high school provincials, and we weren't really expecting to win, but we got on a roll and felt confident going into Saturday that we had a chance. I'm really proud of my team and how well they played! It means so much to bring this banner home to ourselves, our school, and the community!"



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The Carman Cougars girls' team recently won the Manitoba High School Curling Championships. Pictured left-to-right, India Young, Rylie Cox, Keira Krahn, Shaela Hayward and Diane Hayward.

## Carman Cougars lose in overtime at hockey provincials

By Becca Myskiw

It was a jam-packed final weekend of hockey for the Carman Cougars.

The Dairy Farmers of Manitoba Provincial 'AA' Hockey Championships were held last weekend from March 10 to 12. The Cougars kicked off the three days of play on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. when they faced off against McCreary.

Carson Park scored the game's first goal, followed by Gavin McCallum, Anthony Lehmann, and Kolton Worms. McCreary got their first, and only goal of the game before the first period ended when Liam Musgrave

found the back of the net.

Slade Sotheran scored in the second, while Coltyn Plaitin and Ethan Wilde each scored in the third. Carman won the game 8-1.

The Cougars beat the Major Pratt Trojans 7-0 on March 10 at 5:30 p.m. Lehmann scored the first two goals, followed by Ryan Orchard and Sotheran. Plaitin scored twice in the second, and Park got the team's only goal of the third. Gabe Mondry was in the net for Carman, stopping every shot fired at him, giving his team the win.

The Cougars won their third game

6-1 against the Pembina Tigers on March 11. The first period saw goals from Lehmann, Orchard, Wilde and Sotheran. McCallum scored one in the second and Orchard one in the third. The Tigers Alex Kubinec scored his team's lone goal with just 17 seconds left in the game. Carman's perfect record advanced them to the finals on Saturday.

Carman hit the ice at 1:30 p.m. against Killarney. Park and McCallum got two quick goals for the Cougars in the first. Sotheran kicked off the second with another goal, followed by two from Killarney — one

from Josh Archambault and one from Connor Martin. Orchard answered back with another goal for the Cougars, but Killarney's Kieran Debaker got two more before the period ended, sending the teams into the third tied at four.

Killarney's Russell Outhwaite opened the scoring in the third, but Carman's Wilde answered back tying the game and forcing it into overtime.

With just 3:28 left in the overtime period, Ryder Heaphy scored for Killarney, giving them the championship. The Carman Cougars finished their season with a "finalists" banner.

## Winkler Flyers roll into MJHL playoffs on a high

By Ty Dilello

The Winkler Flyers continue to be one of the hottest teams in the MJHL, posting another pair of wins over the weekend.

The Flyers were in Portage to take on the Terriers Friday night. Despite getting outshot 31-20, Winkler was able to pull off a 3-1 win, which was in big part to the strong goaltending of Dylan Meilun.

The Flyers' goals on the night were scored by Justin Svenson, Troy Hamilton, and Jackson Arpin.

"We knew Portage was a desperate team, fighting for their lives, so we knew they were going to come out and play from puck drop," said forward Josh Beauchemin in a post-game interview on the team's social media. "It wasn't our best game, but we managed to pull it out. Our goalie

Dylan has been playing unreal for us and has been stealing us some games, which was needed tonight."

On Saturday night, the Flyers blasted the Terriers in the rubber match at home 7-1. Trent Sambrook led the way for the home side with a massive six-point night (one goal and five assists). Other goal scorers on the night were Beauchemin, Brody Beauchemin, Justin Svenson, Troy Hamilton,

and Ryan Monias.

The game became a very rough and physical affair, but the Flyers stuck with it and stood their ground while the scoreboard continued to tilt in their favour.

After another monster week of scoring, Flyer's sniper Justin Svenson has extended his lead on the league scoring race. He now has 81 points (32 goals, 49 assists) in 53 games.

# Morden Triathlon a go for July 8-9

By Lorne Stelmach

Organizers have high hopes for the return of the Morden Triathlon this summer.

Cancelled the last two years because of the pandemic, the event is slated to be back for 2022 the weekend of July 8-9.

"Everyone is optimistic that we'll be back to a more normal event-filled summer, so that is exciting for the triathletes and even people in the community who are looking forward to being part of the event," said race director Heather Francis.

"I think there will be a lot of interest from triathletes in getting back into it. I think everyone has this pent up desire to get back out there and engage with people and with sports and back to the things that they love and have missed doing the last couple years."

It's been a rocky few years for the triathlon, which was cancelled in 2018 due to a shortage of volunteers. It returned in 2019 before being cancelled again the next two seasons thanks to COVID-19.

Francis is not too concerned that they will be able to draw the competitors to make the event a success, as while some racers might not return, there will be other newcomers to take their place, she suggested.

"I think it will be a bit of a challenge in terms of rebuilding the sport in our area," she acknowledged. "We've lost a few key members of our triathlon group to moving away or just different life circumstances. So we will be looking to do some events this spring to get people back into our club and get new people involved and share our love of triath-

lons.

"Hopefully we'll get a lot more interested people joining our group. We hope to grow our club again," Francis said. "Right before COVID hit in 2019, we had a really fun triathlon event in the spring designed to get new people involved, and we had a great turnout ... so hopefully some of those people who were interested will come back out now that we can all get back into the sport."

She is also optimistic that they will attract the volunteers they need.

"There's always a challenge when you take a break. You fall out of the minds of people," she said. "I think also there is going to be, with volunteering, the same as athletes wanting to get back out there, volunteers will want to get back out there as well."

The 2022 race lineup includes sprint and olympic triathlons, sprint and olympic duathons, sprint cross and olympic cross triathlons and duathlons, try-a-tri and try-a-du, and Kids of Steel, which features a new off-road/cross format.

"We hope to offer the cross triathlon again this year," Francis noted. "In 2019, it was our first time offering the cross triathlon, and Mother Nature came out in full force and the rain poured and we didn't have the chance to showcase our awesome trail system and our cross triathlon.

"We still ran the event, but we had to turn the trail ride into a 'gravel grind' bike ride," she said. "Fingers crossed this year the weather will be kinder to us."

A major selling point for several of the events is that they are world qualifiers, paving the way for



competitors to go to the next level.

"It's super exciting. If you come and you place well in those events, you can wear the Canada jersey on your back and you can go to the Worlds, so that's really exciting," Francis said. "It could draw people from all over Canada who want to come and have the chance to qualify for one of those spots."

Online registration opens April 1. Head to [mordentriathlon.com](http://mordentriathlon.com) for more information.

# Twisters, Twins tied at one win each in quarter-final

By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Twisters went into the week even at a game apiece with Fort Garry Fort Rouge in their MMJHL quarter-final series.

The sixth-place Twins drew first blood in the best-of-seven series with a 3-1 win Friday, but the third-ranked Twisters bounced back with a 3-2

overtime victory Sunday.

Pembina Valley could not get much offensive pressure going in game one, and they came out of it with a slim 26-24 edge in shots on goal. Logan Enns took the loss in net with 21 saves.

Riley Goertzen scored the lone Twisters' goal late in the first period, but the Twins scored the winner at

13:26 of the third period and then sealed it with a late empty-net goal.

Things opened up a little more in game two with the Twisters connecting twice on powerplays, including the overtime winner.

Griffin Ayotte and Travis Penner scored in regulation time for Pembina Valley, then Nico Vigier got the win-

ner just 32 seconds into extra time. Enns made 29 saves with the shots on goal 36-31 in favour of the Twisters.

The Twisters won the regular season series against the Twins, with Fort Garry Fort Rouge only picking one overtime win in five games.

The playoffs continue with game three Tuesday in Morris, game four Friday in Winnipeg, and game five back in Morris Sunday.

# Hawks, Mercs to face off in SEMHL finals

By Voice staff

And then there were two.

The South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League championships playoffs are down to their final round, pitting the Warren Mercs against the Notre Dame Hawks.

Warren, who placed third in the regular season, knocked the Morden Bombers out of the running in five games to earn a seat at the championship table.

The Hawks, meanwhile, punched way above their seventh-place regular season finish by

bouncing the Carman Beavers (fourth place) and the Winkler Royals (fifth place) in the survivor series and then putting an end to the first-place Portage Islanders in seven games, narrowly taking the series four games to three.

The deciding game seven in Portage Sunday saw the home team come from behind in the first half of the third period with two goals to tie it 3-3. The Hawks got the game winner with less than four and a half minutes on the clock.

The schedule for the finals was not available at press time. Head to [semhl.net](http://semhl.net) for updates.

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> MEAL IDEAS



## St. Patrick's Day Sandwiches

fresh cilantro leaves  
lemon juice  
lemon slices, for garnish (optional)  
In bowl, mix cream cheese spread, mozzarella cheese and salt well.  
Split English muffins in half. Cut each muffin half into shamrock shape.  
Spread cheese mixture over each muffin half.  
Place three cucumbers on each "shamrock," one on each "leaf." Use green peppercorn slice as stem. Place cilantro leaf on top of each sandwich.  
Sprinkle sandwiches with lemon juice and add lemon slices, for garnish, if desired.

Yield: 8 sandwiches  
8 ounces plain cream cheese spread, softened  
1 cup finely shredded mozzarella cheese  
salt  
4 English muffins  
24 slices cucumber  
8 thin slices green pepper



## Cheesy Basil Cod

1/4 teaspoon pepper  
rice, for serving (optional)  
steamed vegetables, for serving (optional)  
Preheat oven to 450 F.  
Line baking sheet with parchment paper. Place fish fillets on baking sheet and set aside.  
In small bowl, stir mayonnaise with cheese, parsley, basil, garlic, salt and pepper. Spread evenly over fillets. Bake 10-12 minutes, or until fish starts looking flaky.  
Switch oven to broil and brown tops of fish until lightly golden. Remove from oven; cool 3-5 minutes.  
Serve with rice and fresh steamed vegetables, if desired.

Recipe adapted from [Laurenslatest.com](http://Laurenslatest.com)  
Servings: 4  
3 cod fillets (12 ounces each)  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmigiano Reggiano cheese  
1 tablespoon parsley flakes  
2 tablespoons basil leaves  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1/4 teaspoon salt



## Cheesy Asparagus Tart

1/4 teaspoon pepper, plus additional, to taste, divided  
flour, for dusting  
1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed  
1 cup grated fontina cheese  
1 cup grated gruyere cheese  
1 tablespoon shallot, minced  
2 egg yolks  
3 tablespoons milk  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
1 lemon, zest only  
Heat oven to 400 F.  
In large skillet, add water and asparagus. Cook 5-8 minutes until asparagus is bright green.  
Drain asparagus and soak in ice water.  
In large bowl, mix drained asparagus,

Servings: 8-10  
5 cups water  
1 pound asparagus  
ice water  
2 teaspoons vegetable oil  
1/4 teaspoon salt, plus additional, to taste, divided

## Making "We" more important than "I"



By Gwen Randall

Do you find yourself arguing frequently with your partner? This may happen for several reasons. If one person is criticizing the other, undoubtedly an argument will ensue. The solution here, obviously, is to stop criticizing. No one likes to be criticized.

Telling someone that what they are doing or thinking is wrong will only trigger defensiveness. Instead of telling the other what he/she is doing wrong, simply ask for the behavior you would like. Offering to modify one of your behaviors in return creates a win-win situation.

Sometimes the arguments are a result of differing opinions. You have probably noticed that when two people are reiterating their respective positions, they may become louder or more forceful, but that rarely shifts the perspective of the other. The result is either a blow-up, with an aftermath that lasts for days, or one party gives in to keep the peace, but may feel unheard or resentful.

This can become a pattern in the relationship, either with a partner, parent, teen, or someone at work. Such a pattern slowly degrades the relationship and provides no opportunity for resolution, or finding a healthier way of communicating.

There is a better way. Marshall Rosenberg is a mediator who worked globally to help countries find agreement over difficult issues. He is also the author of "Nonviolent Communication." Rather than fighting each other, his model shows the

two people (or sides) how to join together and work as a team to solve the problem. One says "black", the other says "white." The first step has both working to clearly understand the other's concerns and preferences. Then each proposes "grey" solutions, until they come upon one that both can live with.

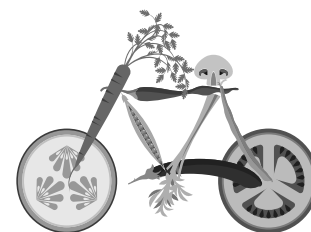
One cannot underestimate the importance of showing the other that you understand what they are saying and how they are feeling. This can be done even if you disagree. It shows respect for the other person and their point of view.

If you are one half of a couple, there will be times when you disagree. It is vital, for a healthy relationship, that you learn the process, and the art of compromise. Indeed, there may be some issues that are non-negotiable for you, for example, things involving legal or moral issues. These should be few, so for most issues, there should be room to reach some kind of agreement.

Neither party may be completely happy with the result of the compromise, but if the relationship is one in which there is respect for one another, both will see that while there may have been a "loss" in terms of one's stance on the issue, there is a "gain" in terms of the relationship. In ten years, the issue will be over, but you will be reaping the rewards that come from putting the relationship first.

Sadly, in our world there are not enough examples of conflicts being approached in this way. Evolving beyond polarity has to start somewhere, so in our homes is as good a place as any.

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vegetable oil, salt and pepper until combined.

Flour surface area. Using rolling pin, roll out pastry to 10-by-16-inch rectangle. Transfer pastry to parchment-lined baking sheet. Prick pastry with fork. Bake about 12 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool slightly on baking sheet.

In large bowl, mix fontina cheese, gruyere cheese, shallot, egg yolks, milk, nutmeg and salt and pepper, to taste, until combined. Spread cheese over pastry, leaving 1 inch around edges. Lay asparagus over cheese mixture.

Bake 5 minutes, or until cheese has melted.

Sprinkle lemon zest over tart and serve.



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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

# X CROSSWORD

- CLUES ACROSS**
- Type of footwear
  - Studies a lot all at once
  - Adventure story
  - Hundred thousand
  - Former U.S. Vice President
  - Ruler
  - Indian city
  - Similar
  - Ship as cargo
  - Volcanic craters
  - Boxing's "GOAT"
  - Bullfighting maneuvers
  - London soccer team
  - Score perfectly
  - No (Scottish)
  - SoCal hoops team (abbr.)
  - Woman (French)
  - Unwanted attic "decor"
  - Peter Griffin's daughter
  - Broad, shallow crater
  - Large instruments
  - Low bank or reef
  - \_\_\_ and Venzetti
  - Oil group
  - Father
  - Aggressive men
  - Pairs well with green
  - Travelers need it
  - Digital audiotape
  - Midway between northeast and east
  - Chemistry descriptor
  - S. China seaport
  - Sound unit
  - Heavy cavalry sword
  - Thick piece of something
  - Spa town in Austria
  - Boyfriend
  - Norse personification of old age
  - Type of box
  - Tie together
  - Fiber from the coconut
  - Chicago mayor
  - Old English letters
- CLUES DOWN**
- Type of sauce

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- Pattern of notes
- Plant with long seedpods
- Map out
- Numbers cruncher
- Make a mental connection
- Italian tenor
- N. America's highest mountain peak
- Witness
- Arabic given name
- "The Immoralist" author
- Area units
- Units of loudness
- Political action committee
- Bar bill
- Witch
- A theatrical performer
- 2-door car
- \_\_\_ and flowed
- Papier-\_\_\_, art medium
- City in Georgia
- Irregular
- College sports conference
- Angry
- Partner to cheese
- S. American mammal
- Self-immolation by fire rituals
- Split pulses
- Disfigure
- Cow noise
- Erase
- Chadic language
- Reward for doing well
- Paid TV
- Millisecond
- Other
- Colombian city
- Necklace part
- Every one of two or more people
- Regrets
- They come after "A"
- Horse noise

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-Shelley Czarnecki and family

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On behalf of the Carman Hospital staff, we wish to say a heartfelt thank you for the warm wishes, snacks, plants and flowers provided to us by such caring members of our community. It made coming home to our hospital even more special!

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On the date and at the time and location shown below, a **PUBLIC HEARING** will be held to receive representations from any persons who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:  
**The Rural Municipality of Grey By-Law No. 02-2020, BEING an AMENDMENT to the Grey-St. Claude Planning District Development Plan By-Law No. 2/99, as amended.**

HEARING LOCATION: RM of Grey Municipal Office – Council Chambers  
27 Church Ave E, Elm Creek, Manitoba  
DATE & TIME: **April 6, 2022, at 8:00 p.m.**

GENERAL INTENT: To re-designate portions of the land from "Agriculture" to "Industrial"  
Area Affected: Part of SW ¼ 22-8-7 WPM RM of Grey

FOR INFO: Kim MacLellan, Coordinator of Planning Services  
Carman-Dufferin Planning District, Phone 204-745-2443

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during normal office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Copies may be made, and extracts taken therefrom, upon request. Please notify our office if you require special accommodation because of a disability or a medical need.



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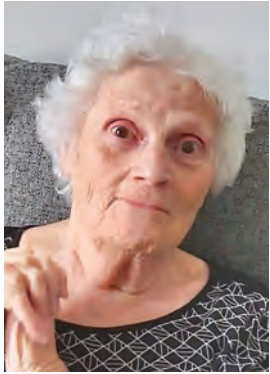
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## OBITUARY



**Olive Verona (Huston) Norris**  
December 27, 1937 – March 9, 2022

On Wednesday, March 9th 2022 at 9:11 p.m. at St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Verona Norris, aged 84 years passed away with family at her side.

Mom is survived by four daughters: Brenda Norris of Carman, Debbie (Ben) Klassen of Morris, Carole (Charles) St-Cyr of Winnipeg, and Pat (Allan) McFarlane of Carman. Grandchildren: Dustin Norris of Calgary; David Klassen and great-grandchildren Zachary, Brendan, and Alex of Plum Coulee; Michael Klassen of Morris and great-grandson Greg of Winnipeg; Amber (Jason) Herkert and great-grandchildren Cameron, Zander, Brooklyn, and Jordan of Morris; Jamie St-Cyr (James) of Winnipeg; Charissa (Brodie) Dobson of Manitou; Rene McFarlane (Steve) and great-grandchildren Lennox and Lane Lecours of Lorette; Lyndsy

McFarlane and great-grandchildren Zaide, Aislyn and Rowyn of Carman. She is also survived by one sister Louella Booth of Red Lake, and nieces and nephews.

Verona was born in Bengough, Saskatchewan on December 27th, 1937 and lived in Harptree until she moved to Carman at the age of two.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband Gordon Norris; her parents Henry and Evelyn (Kennedy) Huston; five brothers Donald and (Elsie) Harry "Scottie", Arlie "Lou", Orval, Charles "Chuck" (Percilla), John "Jack", Norman "Pete", and one sister Betty (Ken), and one brother-in-law Alec.

She was the 10th child in a family of 10. Verona met her husband Gordon Norris, and they were married on December 19th, 1959. Gordon and Verona raised a family of four daughters and resided in Carman. She worked in housekeeping and laundry at the Boyne Lodge for more than 20 years. We always valued her honesty and admired her for her strength. She would always be there for her family especially when the kids were involved. She was protective and a hard worker. Five years ago she became very sick and we almost lost her then, we consider ourselves very fortunate to have had these past five years with her when it looked as though we wouldn't.

A funeral service was held in Carman, Manitoba on Thursday, March 17th 2022 at 2 p.m. Interment took place at Greenwood Cemetery in Carman with Rev. Harold Kenyon officiating.

Our family would like to thank relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy, flowers, food, and phone calls after the passing of our loving mom, grandma, and great-grandma. We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the doctors and staff of St. Boniface Hospital for all they did for her during her visits throughout the years and for their excellent care and kindness to our family in our loss. We would also like to express gratitude to all her homecare workers. Thank you to Janice for her friendship and daily calls to her, and to the ladies in her apartment building who always invited her for tea.

Thank you to Rev. Harold Kenyon for his words of encouragement and the wonderful funeral message.

Special thanks to Craig Johnston of Doyle's Funeral Chapel for all of his help, compassion, and professionalism at this very difficult time. Your patience and understanding was wonderful.

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### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TOWN OF CARMAN REVISED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES CARMAN UTILITY March 4, 2022

The Town of Carman (Town) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water and wastewater rates for the Carman Utility (Utility) as set out in By-Law No. 21/2050, read the second time on March 4, 2022. Rates were last approved by the Board in 2016 in Board Order No. 94/16. Current Utility rates are set out in By-Law No. 20/2047 based on pass-through rate increases for water purchased from the Pembina Valley Water Cooperative.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates			
		By-Law 21/2050 Year 1	By-Law 21/2050 Year 2	By-Law 21/2050 Year 3	By-Law 21/2050 Year 4
Quarterly Service Charge	\$ 21.50	\$ 29.01	\$ 29.77	\$ 30.56	\$ 31.36
Water (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 13.49	\$ 16.62	\$ 17.79	\$ 18.07	\$ 18.27
Wastewater (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 3.09	\$ 3.09	\$ 3.42	\$ 3.46	\$ 3.50
Minimum Quarterly Charge*	\$ 71.24	\$ 88.14	\$ 93.40	\$ 95.15	\$ 96.67
Minimum Quarterly Charge - Wastewater Only*	\$ 30.77	\$ 38.28	\$ 40.03	\$ 40.94	\$ 41.86
Bulk Water Sales**	\$ 17.00	\$ 22.89	\$ 24.07	\$ 24.37	\$ 24.58
Lagoon Tipping Fee**	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.50	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.50	\$ 8.00

\*Based on 3,000 gallons

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

If you have concerns/comments regarding the Town's application for water and wastewater, rates please go to [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca) and provide your comment. Please note all comments will be forwarded to the Town.

Questions or comments should be sent on or before April 3, 2022.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. The Board's review process involves:

- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at [www.pubmanitoba.ca](http://www.pubmanitoba.ca).

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