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STANDARD PHOTO BY BECCA MYSKIW Rylie Bazin was quite content to spend time with the bunnies in the petty zoo at the Miami Agricultural Fair last weekend.

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Local women speak at conference advancing women in ag

By Becca Myskiw

Two local women are doing their part to advance women in agriculture at a national level.

Donna Wytinck and Kiera Young were speakers at the western Advancing Women in Agriculture Conference last week. The conference was created in 2013 for every woman interested in agriculture and food — university students, producers, entrepreneurs, and representatives of associations or businesses.

The two-day conference helps women enhance their family life, community, and career through communications and coaching, mentoring and networking, financial management and independence, health and balance of life strategies, career planning, and setting goals. It's grown into two conferences, an east and west one, and Wytinck and Young were asked to speak at the western conference. This year, it was held in Calgary.

"It's a chance to tell your career path story, but also to impart some inspiration to the new women coming up in the industry," said Wytinck. "I felt honoured to be asked."

Wytinck spoke on the conference's sponsor panel. She started in the agri-

culture industry in 2006 when she was the second woman ever to take a sales position with Cargill. She worked her way up to being the regional grain advisory services leader. Today, the company's sales staff is close to 50 per cent male and 50 per cent female.

According to Harvard University, the number of women in top leadership roles in the industry is around 20 to 25 per cent. Wytinck doesn't know if a 50/50 split is the correct number, but she's hoping to see it grow.

So, to raise that number, she's doing her part. She's part of the Cargill Women's Network, a volunteer group of women from across North America who help find strategies to empower women to get into leadership roles in the company. For example, they offer courses on how to have difficult conversations at work and a mentorship program with a leader who isn't their manager where they can discuss a career development plan.

Cargill has had a significant leap in female leadership because of the group.

That's what Wytinck focused on when talking at the Advancing Women in Agriculture Conference — taking charge of your development. She



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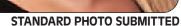






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Kiera Young, left, spoke about how her rural upbringing made her who she is today, while, Donna Wytinck, right, shared how she is taking charge of her own development at the Advancing Women in Agriculture Conference.

said her career path wasn't linear, and that's OK as long as women get the opportunities they want and deserve.

'What's nice is the conference isn't 'this is what leadership looks like as a man or woman," she said. "It's 'this is what leadership looks like.' In the future there will be no female leaders; there will just be leaders."

Young started her professional career in the aerospace industry. She's been married to a farmer for almost 23 years and after 17 years in the aerospace industry, an opportunity arose at MacDon Industries Ltd. that she jumped at.

In 2015 she was the director of design engineering, and now, she's the senior vice president of customers and products and services. No one else at MacDon Industries Ltd. is in a position similar to hers. She spends a lot of time mentoring and supporting those developing in the company to do something that matters.

ginalized because of being a female," said Young. "I think that what I needed was experience, time, perspective, and being in situations and dealing with problems, doing things wrong, learning, and growing."

So, in 2017, she got more perspective at Harvard business school, where she took a leadership development course. There, she learned having many views in one room is a good thing, not a bad one.

Young's presentation was called "Tales of a Prairie Girl: Lessons in Living and Leadership". She talked about how her rural roots influenced who she is, from her school and family to her career path.

"I love agriculture," she said. "Is there anything else so grounded in Canadian industry than agriculture? It's so core to humanity, the progression of life. It's really settling. Who wouldn't want to be a part of that?"

"I've never felt that I've been mar-

Upcoming Events

Central Region Juried Art Exhibition Location: Golden Prairie Arts Council

Carman Country Fair Location: Carman Fairgrounds

Cultural Festival Location: Ryall Park July 5 to 28

July 7 to 9

July 22 and 23

Mike Pritchard Memorial Golf Tournament July 9 Location: Carman Golf and Curling Club

Quinton Blair excited to play new song at Carman Country Fair

By Becca Myskiw

Manitoba country music star Quinton Blair is hitting the Carman Country Fair stage with a brand-new song.

Blair's newest song, "20 Dollar Bottle", was recently produced in Toronto after he co-wrote it with Jason Blaine in Tennessee. The song is about the parts of country life everyone can relate to.

"It's a real barn burner of a country song," said Blair. "It's a small-town anthem."

The song was released just over a month ago and is already being played on country music radio and satellite radio and is being added to playlists around the globe.

"I'm pretty excited about the trajectory of the song," he said.

Blair's song writing is about life and the things he's seen along the way. As he spends a lot of time in the backcountry riding horses and driving around in his truck, he has a lot of quiet time to string lyrics together and work out his different ideas.

One of his friends always brings a mule when they go camping together, so the lyrics "it'll kick you like a mule, put a hitch in your hobble" in "20 Dollar Bottle" are about that. The lyrics "she grabbed me by the hand, pulled me out on the floor, next thing you know we were out the back door dixie-cup-sippin that shine in the dark, solid count gold got her here in my arms. Swayin' to the left, swaying to the right, slow Keith Whitley in the full moonlight" are about a time he and his partner stopped on a gravel road to dance to Keith Whitley.

"Song writing's always about life," said Blair. "It's commentary."

One of the main things in his life right now is his family's business, Woodside Outfitters. He and his partner bring a couple people out on a trail ride to their cabin, then sit under the stars as he plays his guitar, and they sip from bottles of wine.

Blair said they started doing that in the pandemic when he wasn't on the road performing. Though COVID-19 hit musicians hard, he said it made him realize how important his home life is to him, and now he's trying to focus more on his backcountry concerts than his big city ones.

"[The pandemic] changed the way I approach my career," he said. "I don't want to drive 16 hours to play a show and 16 back right after. I'd rather drive three hours to play for people



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Quinton Blair will be playing his new single, "20 Dollar Bottle" at the Carman Country Fair on July 9.

I know."

The Carman Country Fair will be around Blair's 10th concert this year. ON a normal year, it would be his 30th, and he's happy to be slowing down. He played Carman last year and said it was a great venue with a great crowd, so he's excited to take that in again. He hits the stage on July 9 at 8:45 p.m.

"I count myself lucky I get to watch the sun go down while playing music on a stage for people," he said.

Pritchard Memorial Tournament this July 9, online auction available

By Becca Myskiw

The 25th annual Mike Pritchard Memorial Golf Tournament is in a week, and those who can't make it can participate online.

On July 9, golfers will get together at the Carman Golf and Curling Club for a day in support of Mike Pritchard, who died from cancer. In his honour, 100 per cent of the tournament's proceeds go to CancerCare in Manitoba — 50 per cent to South Central Cancer Resource and 50 per cent to Cancer-Care Manitoba.

The tournament is sold out golferswise, but those who don't golf can participate in the online auction at https://birdease.com/17531/auction. There, they'll find almost 100 prizes like game-used, autographed, and brand-new sports jerseys from



Contact Joyce 204-626-3310 or Edith 204-745-3077 the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, Winnipeg Jets, Vancouver Canucks, Toronto Maple Leafs, and more. In addition, they'll have 25 jerseys for the 25th year.

The auction also has golf packages, barbecues, lawn mowers, cabin stays, and jackets. People can also purchase 50/50 tickets online. Last year's take-

home was \$8,000 and because it's the 25th year, Darren Pritchard said they're planning to make everything bigger and better.

There's also an online raffle, with the grand prize being a trip to watch the Jets play anywhere in North America. It includes airfare, a hotel, game tickets, jerseys, and spending money. The second prize is a group fishing lodge package, and the third is a \$1,000 gift card to Thermea.

The online auction is open until July 9 at 10 p.m. Darren Pritchard said they're hoping to surpass last year's \$60,000, so he encourages everyone to check out the auction, raffle, and 50/50.



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Various construction projects brightening the Carman area

By Becca Myskiw

The Town of Carman is busier than ever, with four major construction projects happening in and around town.

One of the main projects currently underway is the reconstruction of 1st Street SW from the bridge by the former water plant property to provincial road 245, a total reconstruction of the roadway, curbs, gutters, and sidewalks is being done.

Town chief administrative officer (CAO), Cheryl Young, said crews mobilized and moved into town on June 8. The week after that, they installed catch basins and storm drains, then, on June 20, they started the extensive road excavation.

Horizon Earthworks is the contractor doing the job. They sent a letter to homeowners on June 6, letting them know of their work. The letter said the project estimation is approximately a month and a half (six weeks), depending on the weather. They also warned residents 1st Street SW would be closed to traffic from mid to late June, with access available to residents through the back lanes.

This project costs a total of \$585,190.22, which is being paid for with money from the infrastructure and CDI grant and the town's operating budget.

Another construction project set to happen this summer is the final com-

ponent of the water reservoir project, where two water mains are being upgraded to increase the water pressure. There are also some upgrades to fire hydrants in Kings Park under this project.

From the lights to the Boyne River bridge, the first water main to be replaced is on Highway 13. This will start July 18 when Southwood Ventures, the contractor, will set up temporary water services for all affected. Excavation will commence on Aug. 2.

The second water main will be installed along provincial road 245 from Kings Park Road to Eagle Drive. When the work is being completed, water that services the west road will be looped in so that residents will not be affected, and the golf course will have water.

This project is slated to finish by the end of October, which will complete the water reservoir project. Young said there should be no shutdown of traffic, it may only be temporarily stopped during work. The total cost of this project is \$458,729.66, which is being paid for by three levels of government funding.

The sidewalk on the south side of Hwy. 3 will also be completed this summer. From the crosswalk at 3rd Street SE to the Blue Crescent Hotel Carman, Carman Bobcat and Excavation will finish the sidewalk starting in July. Young said this project will



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Construction crews are busy with the reconstruction of 1st Street SW, from the bridge by the former water plant to provincial road 245. This is one of four projects that the Town of Carman has contracted out this year,.

provide a safe passageway for pedestrians to Syl's Drive Inn, Tim Horton's, and the hotel.

It costs \$35,000, which is being paid for with the town's operating budget.

Outside of Carman, highway 3 is also getting a \$19.6 million reconstruction. Coco Paving is renewing the road from Pilot Mound to Crystal City by widening it, improving its intersections, replacing its culverts, and resurfacing the multi-layered pavement. Partially and fully paved shoulders will also be added on curves.

This project began in the spring and is set to be completed by fall of this year. Surfacing work will start next spring and be completed by fall 2023.

DCS grad gets \$10K scholarship to Providence

By Becca Myskiw

A Dufferin Christian School (DCS) graduate has received a \$10,000 scholarship to Providence University College & Theological Summary.

Josiah Smith graduated from high school on Wednesday. He said he enjoys school, especially the sciences. His grades average around 95 per cent and he's been on the school's volleyball and cross-country teams. Smith also volunteers in the Carman community with the Carman Fair Exhibit Hall, local cheer board, and other events. He's also participated in the Remembrance Day Literary Contest and done exceptionally well.

Now, it's time for Smith to do more elsewhere. So he's going to Providence University College & Theological Summary, where he'll be taking a four-year Bachelor of Health Sciences Degree.

There are three main reasons Smith chose to go to Providence.

"First, it's a Christian university, so

I'll get the chance to grow my education and my faith at the same time," he said. "Second, Providence is a small university where there is a lot better chance of having one-on-one time with your professor and a better chance of learning the material well and doing better overall. Third, when I was applying to university, many universities were implementing vaccine mandates, which would exclude me from their campuses. Providence offered a testing option, though, and that really appealed to me, that they weren't forcing you to be vaccinated to come to their university."

Smith plans to study medicine at the University of Manitoba after he graduates from Providence. He intends to be a doctor because it's one way he can use his education to help people.

"Following this, I hope to have a career with Doctors Without Borders," he said.

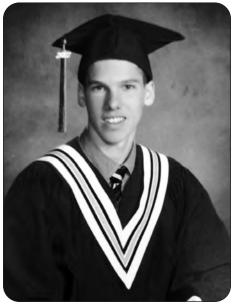
Going to university is no cheap feat, though, and Smith was worried

about the cost of it, especially since he's planning not to live in residence there. Instead, his commute will be an hour and 20 minutes there and back every day and with the ever-rising gas prices, it'll cost a pretty penny.

One of the scholarships Smith applied for to help offset the university costs was the \$10,000 Providence President's Scholarship, based on academic merit, the strength of character, community service, and leadership. He applied back in May for it with 1,000-word essay explaining how an education at the school would prepare him to grow in knowledge and character for leadership and service. He received confirmation on June 21 that he won. One person receives this award each year.

"I'm super excited that I got this scholarship," said Smith. "I feel really blessed and I'm looking forward to spending the next year at Providence."

Smith also received the High School



STANDARD PHOTO SUBMITTED Josiah Smith from Dufferin Christian School won a \$10,000 scholarship to Providence University.

Leadership Scholarship from Providence, which is \$500.

Wall retires after 20 years as CCA in Elm Creek

By Becca Myskiw

After 20 years with Elm Creek Stay and Play Centre Inc., Joyce Wall is retiring.

Wall started with the centre in 2002 after spending three months working at an orphanage in Mexico. She knew when she came home that she wanted to work in childcare but didn't want to return to school.

An opportunity arose at Elm Creek Stay and Play Centre Inc. as a childcare assistant (CCA), and she knew she had to apply.

"I was like, 'this is my dream,'" she said.

Wall got the job and never thought about leaving it. For the past 20 years, she's been a CCA at the centre, watching generations of children learn and grow. Recently, she's been teaching the grandkids of some people she once went to school with.

"It was really about interacting with kids and being able to watch them grow and develop and getting to be a part of that," she said. "You're teaching them how to socialize and integrate with other kids. And you're watching them learn things like 'My name starts with a C this is so cool.'"

One of Wall's favourite parts of the job was getting on the floor with the children and playing with them. So many times, she'd be sitting in the play kitchen, and a child would come up and ask her to babysit for them while they went to get groceries. They'd have the play phone by ear and give her their number, saying if anything was going on, just call them.

"That was just awesome," she said. Wall said being a CCA was the most rewarding job she could imagine. She got to be a part of giving children their first interactions with other children and teaching them to write their names. But now, she has a new child to spend time with.

Wall is a grandma now, and as her daughter returns to work as a nurse, she'll babysit the little one. She's retiring from the centre to help her daughter and get to know her grandkid.

"It's a bittersweet retirement," she said. "I cried obviously. I'm sad but



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Joyce Wall retired from Elm Creek Stay and Play Centre Inc. after 20 years as a childcare assistant there.

excited for this next chapter in my life." Creek Stay and P said knowing he makes her happy.

Creek Stay and Play Centre Inc. She said knowing her name's still there makes her happy.

Tractor Trek sets out from Winkler on Saturday, July 9

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Eden Foundation's 15th annual Visit the Villages Tractor Trek has a new start and finish line this year.

The cavalcade of vintage tractors will be gathering at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler (750 15th St.) on Saturday, July 9, instead of the usual Reinland location.

"This will provide a great opportunity for people in the community of Winkler as well as throughout those villages we're visiting—Schanzenfeld, Hochfeld, Blumenfeld, Osterwick, and Chortitz—to actually be able to get outside and see these antique tractors go by," says foundation director of development Jayme Giesbrecht, noting they're especially excited to be taking the parade past the Salem Home personal care home with this new route.

Every participating tractor is an antique, at least 40 years old or more.

"There are all sorts of different makes and models ... we'll see everything from green and red to maybe a rusty brown and everything in between," Giesbrecht says, noting they're hoping to exceed 40 tractors again this year.

"We have a lot of trekkers who have been involved with the Tractor Trek for all 15 years, and so they're returning again," she says. "And then we're



Eden Foundation's Visit the Villages Tractor Trek travels from Winkler to Schanzenfeld, Hochfeld, Blumenfeld, Osterwick, and Chortiz and back next week.

always finding more diamonds in the rough when it comes to antique tractors, so we're really looking forward to hopefully seeing more tractors than ever."

Participants are raising funds for Eden's mental health programming, and many of them really go above and beyond in that task.

"They'll ask their friends or family

or community members or coworkers to sponsor them even further [beyond the \$150 registration fee]," Giesbrecht says. "It's not everybody's cup of tea, but when we do have individuals who are willing to ask that question—'Are you willing to sponsor me?'— it really goes a long way and makes a big difference in the final number when it comes to funds raised." Those donations allow the foundation to sponsor upgrades at Eden Health Care Services' various facilities in southern Manitoba and support subsidized programming like Recovery of Hope counselling, which operates on a sliding fee scale.

"There are so many different ways







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By Lorne Stelmach

A provincial investment of \$516,000 will support four Regional Connections programs to help address workforce shortages in the Pembina Valley.

It is estimated the two existing projects and two new initiatives combined could serve nearly 400 unemployed and underemployed Manitobans in the region, and executive director Steve Reynolds sees it as a vote of confidence in what Regional Connections is accomplishing here.

"I think there's both the recognition there are a lot of jobs available in the region; there's a lot of employers looking for labour and for workers and to hire people," Reynolds said following the announcement last week. "There's also recognition of the past program success here at Regional Connections and positive outcomes and helping people find work and a good reputation.

is helping us build on it," he said. "We're really excited about both the new programs starting up and the ones that are continuing on now."

Economic Development, Investment and Trade Minister Cliff Cullen said the government is committed to providing meaningful employment opportunities for all Manitobans, but they wanted to specifically address the skills gap and workforce shortage in Pembina Valley.

government's investment "Our will enable Regional Connections to provide project-based employment services so unemployed and underemployed Manitobans living in the Pembina Valley can receive shortterm skills development and on-thejob training to find and maintain purposeful employment," said Cullen.

The projects provide a range of services and diverse training such as employment assistance for individuals who can find jobs with minimum

supports, language training for employment, and skills development training to address the skills gap and workforce shortage in the local labour market.

The projects include:

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• Employment Assistance Services Project. This existing project helps 325 unemployed and underemployed individuals including immigrants find and maintain employment in Morden, Winkler, or Altona. The project uses a holistic service delivery approach in which clients have access to a wide range of services that support outcomes including settlement, employment, language and community connections.

• Professional Bridging Program Project. This project currently helps 40 underemployed internationally educated individuals as they develop occupational-specific skills through

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"So we're really happy the province

Carman Chamber hosts successful golf tournament

By Becca Myskiw

The Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce held one of their most successful golf tournaments last week.

The Chamber's annual golf tournament was on Thursday, June 23. Twenty-seven teams of 107 golfers showed up at the Carman Golf and Curling Club to tee off from noon until 1:45 p.m. They each completed 18 holes throughout the day, then went into the clubhouse to choose one of three burgers to finish their day off.

The golf tournament is one of the Chamber's only fundraisers, and it's their biggest.

Jodi Winkler, executive director of the Chamber, said they were hoping to have 100 golfers, so surpassing that was amazing. Along with each team's registration fees, the Chamber generated funds from sponsorships at the tournament.

There were 42 hole sponsors on Thursday and various prize sponsors. Access Credit Union (ACU) was the event's major sponsor, Homestead Consumers Co-op was the meal sponsor, and MMJS Law Offices and Janzen Chevrolet Buick GMC shared the cart sponsorship.

"When they're sponsoring the tournament, they're not just sponsoring the golf tournament," said Winkler. "They're sponsoring the Chamber. And that money goes right back into the work we do to help them. It's a full circle thing."

Some sponsors added some fun to the holes. Community Futures Heartland set up a candy bar on theirs, Newman Hand Insurance Ltd. held a hole in one competition, Carman Ford held a marshmallow drive competition, while others handed out water or did other things to make their holes interactive.

Syl's Drive Inn and Chicken Chef served up pizza and ice cream on the golf course. When each team was done, they could go into the clubhouse to have a burger and a drink, then head home.

"COVID taught us lots of golfers like to golf, have their meal, and go," said Winkler. "They don't want to wait for everyone to finish to have a banquet."

The Chamber doesn't have figures yet for how much the golf tournament generated but Winkler's confident it was more than last year.

The Chamber's next activity is the Community Pro Am golf tournament on Aug. 23. Sponsors from this tournament are invited to golf with professionals at the Carman Golf and Curling Club then. Funds from that tournament are split between the Chamber and the junior golf and curling program, something the Chamber finds great value in supporting.



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GPAC reports on strong year despite **COVID** challenges

By Becca Myskiw

It was a year of triumphs for Golden Prairie Arts Council (GPAC) despite the COVID-19 struggles.

On Wednesday, June 22, GPAC hosted their annual general meeting (AGM). This year's meeting was held in person again after two years of virtual meetings with just the board members.

Brenda Major, the executive director, said it was nice to get all the new and old members back in the building together to talk about the 2021 year.

"Twenty-twenty-one was all things considered very successful even though we had COVID restrictions," she said.

In 2021, GPAC hosted an art talk with Desiree Penner, three music festival performances, a tipi demonstration, and two virtual concerts, including the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra performance.

They held six art exhibitions, including "Immerse Yourself In My World", "Colour Distinctive", "Central Region Juried Art Show", "Coastal Tiny Art", "Abstract Reality", and the "Members Show & Sale".

There were 16 classes and workshops last year, the most popular being the Kids Art in the Courtyard Drop-in with 55 attendees and the Artist Residency-NFL class with 50.

GPAC also ended 2021 with more of a surplus than in previous years. For the exact number, Major said to contact GPAC at contact@gpaccarman.ca.

"COVID did affect our ability to put on program-

> TRACTOR TREK, FROM PG. 5

that these funds are helping within Eden," Giesbrecht notes.

You can support the cause by making a donation online at edenhealthcare.ca/donate or stopping by the Tractor Trek community breakfast on July 9.

Food will be served by donation from 7:30 a.m. to about 9:30 a.m. at the Emmanuel church.

The tractors will then leave the church grounds at around 10 a.m. and head west down Roblin Blvd. to Summerfeld Dr., Grandeur Ave., and then 15th St. all the way to Pembina Ave. where they'll turn east for a short stretch before heading down 14th St. South out of town.

After leaving Winkler, the route takes the tractors to Schanzenfeld and then through Hochfeld (where they'll stop for lunch), Blumenfeld, Osterwick, and Chortitz on their way back into Winkler for supper and awards. It's a long day of driving, but a fun one, says

Giesbrecht.

"I think there's a parallel with mental health with that freedom you can have when you're on a tractor and the wind's in your hair and you're getting a bit of a sunburn and you're just outside with friends," she says. "It's a happy time, and that's something that we all need is to get together and do something fun."



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Colden Prairie Arts Council held their ACM last week, reporting on a good year financially.

ming," said Major. "But despite the challenges we do feel it was very successful. Our finances are in a good position."

Board chair, Scott Johnston, highlighted some of the upcoming plans for GPAC. They will paint the outside of the building, attend the Carman Farmer's Market, host daycare and Carman Dufferin Recre-

ation art classes in August, continue community partnerships like the ones with the Boyne Regional Library and the Dufferin Historical Museum, host drop-in community art classes throughout the year and extend the fence project with support from the Carman Area Foundation (CAF).

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English language training, professional certification in the regulated fields of their interest, and bridging support to connect with the labour market.

"For newcomers who are internationally educated professionals ... connecting to professional level jobs in Canada and in Manitoba is another whole process. People are trying to get their credentials recognized, get their licence," explained Reynolds. "It's specific support, so hopefully those people with professional skills can get into a career here in Manitoba."

• Gateway to Work Experience for Newcomers. GWEN will help address workforce shortages in welding, manufacturing and hospitality sectors in the Pembina Valley. It will provide an opportunity for 24 unemployed or underemployed individuals to prepare to work in an entrylevel position in the welding, manufacturing and hospitality sectors, understand the Canadian work environment and gain work experience, and maintain sustainable employment in those three sectors in the Pembina Valley.

• Employer-Driven Curriculum Development Project. This aims to develop a program curriculum for the GWEN pilot project, supporting 24 unemployed or underemployed newcomers. It will develop modular courses in the welding, manufacturing, and hospitality sectors and a workplace-specific coaching and mentoring component. "As economic growth continues to drive community growth in the Pembina Valley, we know local employers are looking for skilled labour," said Reynolds.

"This investment in Regional Connections means we will be able to help local unemployed or underemployed job seekers identify their goals, find good local jobs and upgrade their skills to become eligible for new opportunities," he continued.

"Today's announcement builds on years of successful employment programming and projects at Regional Connections that have supported hundreds of local residents towards meaningful employment. That good work will continue and be taken to the next level with this new funding."

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Three emergencies in one day for CDFD

By Becca Myskiw

June 18 proved to be a hot day for the Carman Dufferin Fire Department (CDFD).

The sunny Saturday was busy for the volunteer firefighters, throwing three emergencies their way.

The first emergency the department responded to was a shop fire at a private residence at 1:07 p.m. On arrival, the CDFD found the work bench in the shop was on fire and it had started running up the wall.

"So, we pulled the wall apart with equipment from the shop owner," said fire chief, Ben Vanderzwaag.

They were able to extinguish the fire and leave the scene after two hours there and with help from the Elm Creek Fire Department who brought extra water. Vanderzwaag said there was substantial damage to the west wall of the building and a number of tools, but they ultimately saved the shop.

A few minutes after getting back into service, the CDFD received a call for a hydro line that was down in the northwest corner of Carman. At 4:12 p.m. they got the call, then responded to the scene, ensured the hydro was off, and secured it. Essentially that means they moved the line off the driveway it was blocking and ensures nothing was obstructed.

Later at 8:54 p.m., the CDFD got



The Carman Dufferin Fire Department responded to three emergencies on June 18.

called to a water rescue at Stephenfield Lake. Vanderzwaag said two people got into an inflatable boat and as it got away from the shoreline, the wind started to pull it further and further out.

One of the passengers got out and tried to swim while pulling the boat but they were unsuccessful. He then got separated from the boat and tried to swim to shore while the boat blew further away. Vanderzwaag said the one person struggled back to shore, getting help from a family member on shore who also called 9-1-1, and when the CDFD showed up, he was safe.

A local camper had brought a boat down by the time the CDFD got



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The department responded to a water rescue at Stephenfield Lake. Everyone left unscathed.

there, and the department took it out to search for the missing person on the boat. Within 15 minutes, they had located them, brought them into the rescue boat, and had them back on shore.

Both passengers were then evaluated by EMS and released without treatment.

Vanderzwaag said water rescues are rare with the CDFD. They don't actually offer water rescue, either, so the Morden Fire Department had come

out with their equipment, but they didn't end up needing it.

"The challenge was that both occupants of the boat did not have lifejackets on, and it was extremely windy," he said.

Vanderzwaag said before going out on the water, people have to evaluate the conditions and ensure they're following safety measures which means using a life jacket and having a bail device and a whistle on hand.

Incredible Creatures: Dung Beetles: mighty manure munchers

By John Gavloski

Wednesday, June 8 was National Insect Appreciation Day. While the benefits and ecological roles of some insects like bees and dragonflies can be easier for many to appreciate, some insects have very important roles that often go unnoticed. Dung beetles are an example. Without them our natural and agricultural areas would be a lot messier, and biting flies that breed in manure would be more abundant. In this month's Incredible Creatures we will explore the fascinating world of dung beetles.

Dwellers, Tunnellers and Rollers

Dung beetles are beneficial insects in several ways. Dung beetles convert manure into nutrients, improving soil aeration, minimizing pest flies and increasing water infiltration. Studies have shown that greenhouse gas emissions from manure, such as methane, ammonia and carbon dioxide, are higher in dung pats when there is no insect activity.

There are three general categories of dung beetles; dwellers, tunnellers and rollers. Dwellers spend their entire life in dung, and they can break down a manure pat in a few weeks or months. The dwellers are part of a group of beetles called the small dung beetles (subfamily Aphodiinae). There are 20 species of dung beetles in Manitoba that are dwellers, and 38 species in Canada. They are rarely over 15 mm, and most are less than 8 mm.

Both "tunnellers" and "rollers" arrive to a fresh dung pat as adult beetles, ready to tear it apart. Tunnellers dig tunnels beneath the dung pat, and bury the dung at the end of the tunnels. They aerate soil, and make soil more porous to water. In Canada, species of tunnellers belong to a group (genus) of beetles called Onthophagus. There are 2 species in Manitoba, and 3 species in Canada

The rollers are the best known type

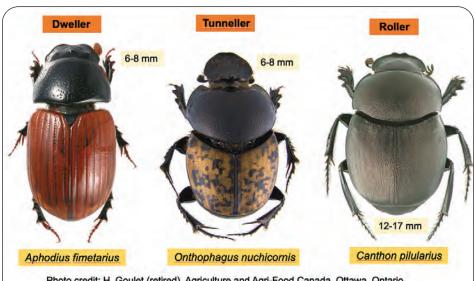


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PHOTO CREDIT H. GOULD, AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA Dung beetles are one of many beneficial insects.

of dung beetle by many, as they are roll some distance from the pat prior often seen in nature documentaries. Adults of rollers form balls of dung from fresh manure, which they then

to burial. In Canada, species of rollers

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belong to a group (genus) of beetles called Canthon. There is 1 species in Manitoba, and 6 species in Canada.

The adult activities of tunnellers and rollers can remove most of a fresh dung pat from the soil surface in less than a week. Tunnellers and rollers typically are larger than dwellers.

Incredible Strength

Dung beetles display some incredible feats of strength. Some rollers can roll a ball many times their weight. The horned dung beetle (Onthophagus Taurus) takes the gold though. Just 10 millimeters long, this beetle can move up to 1,141 times its own body weight. This is the equiva-

New PC caucus chair announced



PHOTO SUBMITTED Midland MLA Blaine Pedersen will become the new Chair for the Manitoba PC Caucus.

Submitted

The Manitoba PC Caucus is excited to announce that Midland MLA Blaine Pedersen will become the new Chair for the Manitoba PC Caucus following Riding Mountain MLA Greg Nesbitt's appointment to cabinet.

"I am honoured to start this new role and continue working hard for Manitobans on behalf of our entire PC Caucus," said Pedersen. "I know that my colleagues and I are united in our goal to strengthen health care, make life more affordable and bolster the economy."

Pedersen has extensive experience in government and the upper bench. First elected in 2007, he has been a strong voice for Manitoba's PC Caucus for many years. He has served in cabinet in the portfolios of Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Growth, Investment and Trade and Minister of Agriculture and Resource Development.

The entire PC Caucus congratulates MLA Pedersen on this appointment, and congratulates Minister Nesbitt on his appointment to cabinet. lent of an average man moving two fully-loaded 18-wheeler trucks. Please don't try this.

By making food out of what would normally be considered waste, and a breeding ground for some nuisance flies, dung beetles are certainly an insect that must be appreciated. The introduction of specific dung beetles to Hawaii, and the Australian Dung Beetle Project are great examples why. Dung beetles were introduced to Hawaii from Africa as a way of controlling horn flies. Later, in the 1960s, dung beetles were introduced to Australia from Europe, Hawaii and Africa to deal with the dung problem created by introduced cattle. The native beetles found the foreign dung unpalatable, leaving it to litter the landscape. Native Australian species of beetle had developed alongside marsupials such as the kangaroo and wombat, which produce small, hard, dry and fibrous pellets of dung. Cattle were relatively recently introduced to Australia by European settlers and produce large, soft, moist dung pads. Thanks to the introduced dung beetles, pasture quality improved considerably and fly outbreaks were reduced



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SHOW is Thursday, July 7 • 9 AM SALE is Friday, July 8 • 1 PM at the DAS fairgrounds.

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Club members will be representing the Miami 4-H Beef Club, Graysville 4-H Beef Club and Elm Creek 4-H Beef Club.

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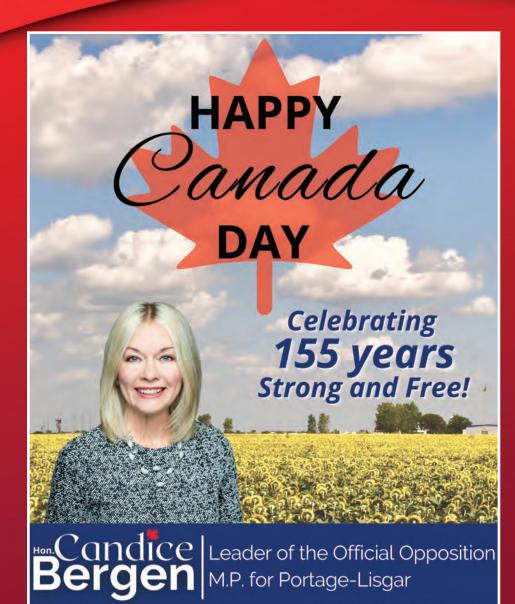
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On July 1, Canadians celebrate their home country for its beauty, culture and history. Many people partake in colourful events, such as performances, parades and fireworks displays to mark the occasion. Others take the day to reconnect with family and friends in a festive atmosphere to show their colours and express their civic pride.

As you raise a glass to Canada, think about all the things that make this country great and give you cause for celebration. Here an noteworthy facts and figures • 12.9 is the length, in kilc

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square kilometres. Canada has the h most lakes of any country in the th world. The Great Lakes alone comprise 18 per cent of all fresh water on the entire planet.

• 1000+ is the number of cheese varieties produced in the country. If you're a cheese lover, that's plenty of reasons to celebrate.

• 340,000 is the number of square kilometres of land and freshwater protected inside Canada's 48 national parks and park reserves. Canada

has vast areas to protect. After all, it's the second-largest country in the world.

Happy Canada Day!





Miami fair and rodeo back in full swing

By Becca Myskiw

Hundreds strapped on their cowboy boots, put on their cowboy hats, and headed to Miami to breathe in the smell of dirt after two years without the annual rodeo.

From Friday, June 24 to Sunday, June 26, the Miami Agricultural Society grounds were full of rodeo events. The weekend kicked off with open and interclub beef judging on Friday, started Saturday bright and early with a pancake breakfast.

A mini horse show was first on the scheduel followed by the cattle show. Young and old enjoyed the petting zoo and the children's fair complete with bouncy inflatables. The real fun started Saturday afternoon with the Heartland Rodeo. The event started off with bareback horse riding and one saddlebronc. Junior steer riding had five competitors, goat tying had four, and calf roping had two. The first team roping event saw 10 teams of two, then breakaway roping had seven riders.

Following intermission was the peewee barrel racing, ladies barrels with 20 riders and junior barrel racing with four. Also on Saturday was steer wrestling, the second team roping event, and the day finished off with a jam-packed bull riding event.

Sunday wrapped up with duck races and more rodeo.



Chad MacDonald was one of two to compete in calf roping.



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Jacey Boyes competed in breakaway roping at the Miami Agriculutral Society Fair and Rodeo last weekend.



Colton Davis competed in the bareback horse competition on Saturday.



both competed in goat tying.

It was a race against the clock for Brooke Heinrichs, left, and Jacey Boyes who



Breakaway roping was one of the most cheered on events on Saturday.

The Ukrainian flag was one of several flags flown to officially start the rodeo.

The Carman-Dufferin Standard Thursday, June 30, 2022 13 GIFF getting set to commune under the projector's magical glow

By Patricia Barrett

The largest rural film festival in Canada is gearing up to host outstanding cinematic works from Canada and around the world and welcome back film buffs to the shore of Lake Winnipeg in July.

The Gimli International Film Festival, which is celebrating its 22nd year, unveiled its diverse lineup of more than 70 films, documentaries and shorts that highlight Manitoba filmmakers, female and Indigenous filmmakers, and filmmakers from circumpolar nations including Iceland, Denmark, Finland and Sweden.

The film festival added "international" to its name this year to reflect its global reach to virtual audiences over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. But it's ready to roll with inperson screenings.

"We are very grateful we can bring the festival back to the community



Alan Wong, GIFF's executive director

of Gimli this summer and welcome back our many visitors for whom attending the festival has been a longtime summer tradition," said execu-

Exam table for Carman Memorial Hospital



(Left to right) Kathie Findlay, Della Heaman, Janine Lodder, Ian Bergsma, Darlene Pritchard, and Lori Wychopen.

By Becca Myskiw

The Carman Memorial Hospital has a new exam table. In 2019, three community organizations (Carman Health Auxiliary, Carman and Area Foundation, and Carman Legion Ladies Auxiliary) partnered to provide \$16,000 to purchase a piece of equipment for the hospital. The equipment purchased was an electric examination table. The previous one was similar to what is used in doctors' offices. With the improvements in the new model, adjustments are done electronically and thus more comfortable for the patient during an examination and easier for the nursing staff.



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Gimli International Film Festival board (from left) Lynn Chalmers, Lila Goodspeed Everett, Terry MacLeod, Norma Bailey and Janis Johnson

tive director Alan Wong during the festival's program launch at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg June 23. "It has become Manitoba's premiere film festival, bringing film buffs, filmmakers and industry professionals all together to celebrate on the shores of Lake Winnipeg."

The festival's opening night film is Band, billed as "Icelandic performance art meets Spinal Tap" that features three female bandmates who agree to give elusive pop stardom one final chance.

"It's a story about a group of women who are in a band called Post Performance Blues Band and who've been playing to audiences of 10, eight, six people for many years," said documentary film programmer Shira Newman. "They're hitting their 40s and are struggling with what it means to be a female artist in the world, balancing motherhood, care-

giving and making an income while trying to make art. They've decided they're going to have an enormous concert and give it one year to try to make it."

Newman said the festival has a large number of Canadian documentaries this year, including Geographies of Solitude, about Sable Island's (southeast of Nova Scotia) ecosystem. The island is populated by wild horses, seals and a naturalist who has lived there for 40 years, documenting the island and the garbage that washes up on it.

"It's a beautiful portrait of someone who is incredibly connected and passionate about her connection to the land," said Newman.

GIFF's international feature film programmer David Knipe said the festival will be screening 19 fiction

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feature films, nine of which were produced in Canada. They include Indigenous films Wildhood and Slash/ Back.

On the Icelandic film front is Quake (or Skjalfti in Icelandic), a "bold psychological thriller" about a woman with amnesia who starts to have repressed memories from childhood against a "snowy backdrop of Iceland," said Knipe.

On the Saturday of the festival, film-goers are in for a surprise with a "super-secret late-night screening" of a debut Manitoba feature film. Knipe said "we can't tell you what it is," only that it's "classic Winnipeg irony and self-deprecating humour" and it will be "a blast."

"Our audiences are sure to be impressed by the scope of these and all the other films we have selected for their mastery and skill, and you'll recognize them as a group of the best films released in the last two years," said Knipe. "After these past two years of interfacing with the festival through a screen, I for one can't wait to get back to Gimli in July, share in the power of cinema together and commune under the projector's magical glow once more."

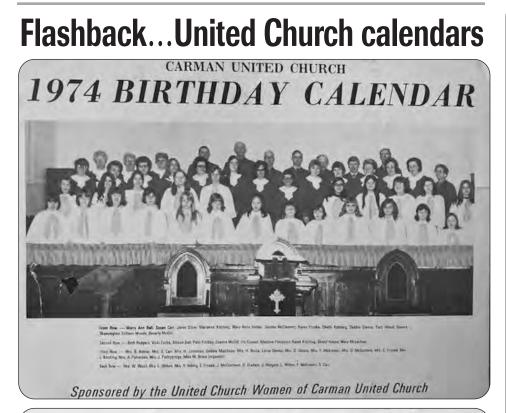




PHOTO SUBMITTED From 1950 to the last one in 1983, the Carman United Church made sure everyone had the chance to publicly announce their Big Day! Started by Sunshine Circle then the United Church Women took over as their own fundraiser but there is no record of exactly when.

And where else but Gimli can you Janis Johnson announced that Canasit under the stars with your toes in the sand and Twizzlers in hand to watch free films on a massive screen set up on the shore of Lake Winnipeg. GIFF board member Terry MacLeod announced RBC's free Sunset Screenings, Cast Away, Lilo & Stitch, Mamma Mia, Life of Pi and Nine to Five, which will start at 9 p.m. each night on Gimli Beach.

Manitoba filmmaker Norma Bailey announced that Eagle Vision (Manitoba production company) founder Lisa Meeches will be the recipient of the festival's Jack Clements Living the Dream Award. And festival founder

dian documentary filmmaker Nettie Wild will be the recipient of the festival's highest honour, the Alda Award.

The festival includes the RBC emerging filmmaker pitch competition, in which finalists will get a three-minute shot at \$10,000, earn a little PR and some professional feedback.

The festival is set for in-person screenings from July 20-24. And starting on July 25, the festival goes virtual with a selection of the best until Aug.

Visit gimlifilm.com for a full schedule films and events.

Manitoba RCMP water safety reminder

Submitted

With the summer season now officially here, the Manitoba RCMP would like to remind everyone to stay safe out on the water. For those of you who enjoy being out on a boat, paddle board, kayak, canoe, etc, please remember that water temperatures are still cold even though air temperatures are rising. Be aware of the wind and your surroundings and always wear a lifejacket or Personal Floatation Device (PFD).

On June 18, two young women, from Winnipeg, who were paddle boarding without lifejackets, had to be rescued out on Lake Manitoba after they were unable to return to shore due to the strong winds.

Thankfully they were not injured but this incident could have easily resulted in tragedy.

In partnership with the Life Saving Society, here are important safety tips:

- Wear your lifejacket
- Learn to swim

Always swim with a buddy Children and non-swimmers should always be supervised around water

Be aware of cold-water risks Alcohol and water don't mix don't drink and swim and certainly

don't drink and drive your boat "It is very important to wear a lifejacket. Many serious incidents that occur on our waterways are as a result of not wearing a properly fitting lifejacket or Personal Flotation Device", said Staff Sergeant Bob Chabot, Manitoba RCMP Inland Water Transport Coordinator. "When unexpected incidents occur, and a person ends up in the water, a lifejacket or PFD is your number one piece of safety equipment."

Following these safety tips will help make everyone's experience on the water a safe and enjoyable one.

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We want to hear from you.

The Carman-Dufferin Standard connects people through stories to build stronger communities. Do you know someone who has a unique hobby? Will be recognized by a local organization for volunteer service? A teacher that goes above and beyond? A hometown hero? A sports star? A business celebrating a milestone or expansion? A senior celebrating their 100th birthday? A young entrepreneur starting out?

Please share your story ideas with Dennis Young at denjohnyoung@gmail.com or Lana Meier at news@carmanstandard.ca or call 204-467-5836.





Carman Beavers Alumni honoured at mini-reunion

By Dennis Young

This year marks the 60th season that Carman has played in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League. Last Friday, the Carman Beaver Hockey Club hosted Alumni players from the 1960s to celebrate. Players and executive from 1963 thru 1969 were invited to attend a supper, presentations and entertainment at the Carman Legion. Although their numbers are dwindling, 12 former players and their wives were able to enjoy an evening of reminiscing while others sent their best wishes and memories via email.

The Beavers won Championships in 1963/64, 1966/67 and 1967/68. In 1969/70 they won the MAHA playdowns.

The Club is planning a full 60 year Reunion in November. For more info regarding that, check out carmanbeavers.com.



Back row, left to right: Jack Sayer (69/70), Jim McGregor (69/70), Larry Stout (65-68), Marsh Kennedy (64-69), Wayne Fawcett (63-65), Ray Garnett (66/67), Neil Strachan (63-69), Brian Coates (69/70); front row: Blake North (69/70), George Gray (63/64), Denny Hunter (63-67), David Bishop (63-69) and Terry Keith (66-69.)

MJHL releases regular-season schedule

Staff

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League announced the 2022-23 regular-season schedule will begin on Sept. 16.

Opening weekend will feature divisional matchups involving all 13 teams.

The expansion franchise Niverville Nighthawks will play in their inaugural MJHL regular-season game on Sept. 16 in Steinbach before returning to the ice the following night for their home opener.

The MJHL will continue with two divisions for the 2022-23 season featuring a West Division (six teams) and East Division (seven teams).

The Selkirk Steelers will play in the East Division along with the Portage Terriers, Niverville Nighthawks, Steinbach Pistons, Winkler Flyers, Winnipeg Blues and the Winnipeg Freeze.

Selkirk will host Portage on Sept. 16 (7:30 p.m.) and then the Steelers will visit the Terriers Sept. 18 (6:30 p.m.).

The West Division will consist of the Dauphin Kings, Neepawa Titans, OCN Blizzard, Swan Valley Stampeders, Waywayseecappo Wolverines, and the Virden Oil Capitals.

Each team will play a 58-game schedule that concludes on March 19. The 2023 MJHL playoffs will begin March 24, starting the road to the 2023 Centennial Cup presented by Tim Horton's to be held in Portage la Prairie in May.

Cardinals on three-game winning streak

By Jack Pethybridge

After a slow start to the season, the Carman Cardinals have now won their last three games.

Carman beat the West Division Clearwater team at home 7-2. They then hosted the Cartwright Twins for a late inning come from behind game winning 8-6.

On June 21, Carman travelled to Winkler and defeated the Whips 8-4 behind the complete-game pitching of Tim Dunn.

The Cards scored two in the first inning

and five in the second inning to take an early lead and never looked back.

The Cards hope to continue their hot streak with three of the next four games at home, including hosting Clearwater July 8 during the fair.

They then travel to Baldur but they do have a rain-out game (hosting Morden) scheduled to be completed the following week.

See you at the ballpark.



The Carman Cardinals beat the Winkler Whips 8-4 in Winkler on June 21.





Servings: 8 Watermelon Curd: 3/4 cup watermelon juice 2 tablespoons lime juice 1/2 cup honey 1 pinch salt 3 eggs, lightly beaten 1/2 cup butter (1 stick), cut into small cubes Crust: 8 graham crackers, crushed 2 tablespoons honey 1 pinch salt 4 tablespoons butter, melted and cooled basil leaves, for garnish Whipped Cream: 1 cup heavy whipping cream To make watermelon curd: In medium,



Servings: 8 2 cups pureed watermelon 1/2 cup sugar 1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch 1 cup fat-free half-and-half 3 tablespoons lemon juice 1/2 cup whipping cream In blender, blend watermelon, sugar, cornstarch, half-and-half, lemon juice and whipping cream until smooth.

Using ice cream maker, process gelato



Prep time: 45 minutes Cook time: 15 minutes Servings: 4 1 can (6 ounces) pineapple juice

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 lime, zest and juice only
- 1 tablespoon sugar 1 piece (1 inch) fresh ginger, grated
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes

Watermelon Ice Cream Bars

heavy-bottomed saucepan, combine watermelon juice, lime juice, honey and salt. Stir to combine then add eggs.

Place pan over medium heat and cook, adding cubed butter to pan and stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and coats back of wooden spoon. Immediately remove from heat and carefully pour through fine mesh sieve. Cool completely in refrigerator.

To make crust: Preheat oven to 350 F.

In food processor, pulse graham crackers until rough crumbs form. Add honey, salt and melted butter; pulse until mixture resembles wet sand.

Line 8-by-8-inch pan with parchment paper then press graham cracker mixture into bottom of pan in even layer. Bake crust about 10 minutes, or until just beginning to brown. Allow crust to cool completely.

There's a nature preserve in Stonewall?

By Karl Daher, REACT

Stonewall is fortunate to have its own nature preserve in the form of the Ruby Roe Tall Grass Prairie (RRTGP), located just west of the hospital. What is a tall grass prairie? From a distance it may look to many like an overgrown field, but at closer range you will notice some uncommon plants that set it apart from other places; among them are Big Bluestem (Manitoba's provincial grass), New England Aster, Blazing Star, Prairie Clover and Western Prairie Fringed Orchid.

So why preserve an area like this? Tall grass prairie is the most biologically diverse and productive grassland in North America. Genetic information contained in these rare plant communities is used by researchers to develop new crops and pharmaceuticals. Nearly half of all of the medicines we use today are derived from a natural source. Perhaps a cure for an untreatable disease today may be found in a protected patch of big bluestem? Tall grass prairie is also a refuge for a variety of birds and insects. The Poweshiek Skipperling is an example of a butterfly that relies on the existence of a tall grass prairie to survive. As a result of the loss of habitat, it is now an endangered species.

What is the best way to maintain a tall grass prairie? While it may sound counterintuitive to some, a partial or near complete controlled burn of the prairie is the best tool. Native species have adapted over thousands of years to store energy in their roots, whereas most nonnative species store energy above ground. A controlled burn therefore reduces non-native species and allows the native species to return and thrive. We hope to conduct another controlled burn of the RRTGP this fall.

As one of the groups responsible for its upkeep, ŘEACT was fortunate to recently get some matching funding from the province to help us maintain and improve the RRT-GP for both the land and its visitors. As we are in the breeding grounds of purple martins, we have acquired a new "condo" to increase the population of this species. In addition to maintenance of existing infrastructure, we've added a bench and signage at the south entrance to the RRTGP to enhance the experience for visitors.

If you haven't visited the RRTGP before, we encourage you to drop by this summer and enjoy Stonewall's small piece of this rich prairie heritage.

Watermelon Gelato

according to manufacturer's instructions. To make whipped cream: When crust and curd are completely cooled, in large bowl, whip cream until stiff peaks form.

Gently push cream to one side of bowl and pour in watermelon curd. Using spatula, gently fold cream and watermelon curd together until no streaks are visible.

Pour creamy watermelon mixture over graham cracker crust. Freeze dessert completely, 4-6 hours or overnight.

When ready to serve, loosen sides with small spatula or butter knife. Turn out onto cutting board and use large spatula to flip so graham cracker crust is on bottom. Cut into eight bars and top each with basil leaf.

Easy Kona Pineapple Chicken Kebabs

1 package Perdue Fresh Cuts Diced **Chicken Breast**

1/2 fresh pineapple, cut into 16 chunks 1 large red bell pepper, seeded and cut nto 16 (1-inch) chunks

4 metal skewers or 8 wooden skewers (12 inches) soaked in water 30 minutes

In bowl, whisk pineapple juice, vegetable oil, lime juice and zest, sugar, ginger and red pepper flakes until sugar dissolves. Add diced chicken breast, cover and marinate in refrigerator 30 minutes.

Thread alternating pieces of chicken, pineapple and red bell pepper onto



Recipe courtesy of Marcia Stanley, MS, RDN, Culinary Dietitian, on behalf of Milk Means More

- Total time: 25 minutes
- Servings: 4
- 12 street taco-size corn tortillas
- nonstick cooking spray
- 1/2 cup plain Greek yogurt (2% or 5%) 3 teaspoons lime juice, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder 1 1/2 cups shredded or chopped rotis-
- serie-roasted chicken breast 1/2 cup seeded and chopped tomato
- 1/2 cup chopped zucchini
- 2 teaspoons olive oil

skewers. Discard remaining marinade. Heat lightly greased grill or grill pan

to medium-high heat. Grill kebabs 10-12 minutes, turning every 3-4 minutes until chicken feels firm to touch and a meat thermometer inserted in the center reaches 165 F.

Remove kebabs from grill, rest 2-3

Roasted Chicken and Zucchini Tostadas

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin

1/8 teaspoon ground cayenne pepper 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Heat oven to broil.

Line large baking sheet or 18-by-13-by-1-inch baking pan with foil. Arrange tortillas in single layer on pan. Lightly spray tortillas with nonstick cooking spray. Broil about 5 inches from heat 4-6 minutes, or until beginning to brown on one side. Remove from broiler. Carefully turn tortillas over.

In medium bowl, stir yogurt, 1 teaspoon lime juice and garlic powder. Set aside. In another bowl, toss chicken, tomato, zucchini, remaining lime juice, olive oil, cumin and cayenne pepper.

Spread yogurt mixture on unbrowned sides of tortillas. Top with chicken mixture. Sprinkle with cheese. Broil about 5 inches from heat 2-3 minutes, or until hot and cheese melts. Serve immediately.

minutes and serve.

Tip: If using wooden skewers, soak in water 30 minutes to keep skewers from burning on grill. If using metal skewers, remember chicken will cook faster because metal will conduct heat and cook chicken cubes from inside along with grill heat cooking chicken from outside.

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Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 26, 2022. Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

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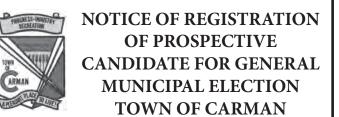
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at the Town of Carman office, 12-2nd Avenue SW, Carman, during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the SEO at the email or telephone number listed below. Cheryl Young

Senior Election Officer

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OF DUFFERIN

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for the year ended December 31, 2021, for the Rural Municipality of Dufferin are available for inspection by any person during the regular office hours of the Rural Municipality of Dufferin office at 12-2nd Ave SW, or on our website at www.carmanmanitoba.ca. Dated at the Rural Municipality of Dufferin this 21st day of June, A.D. 2022.

Sharla Murray, CMMA Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Dufferin



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Cheryl Young CMMA, Chief Administrative Officer Town of Carman Box 160 Carman MB R0G 0J0

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REGARDING AUDITOR'S

REPORT

Pursuant to Section 194 of The Municipal Act, notice is given

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Dated at the Town of Carman, this 20th day of June 2022.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Carman Mosquito Fogging Schedule

Ground fogging of the entire Town of Carman plus a 3 km buffer zone, for the control of mosquitoes with Malathion ULV will commence

THURSDAY evenings at 10:00 pm until FRIDAY morning ending at 6:00 am.

Fogging will be suspended on any scheduled day if:

- 1. Temperature is below 13° Celsius
- 2. Rain
- 3. Wind speeds are too high and not conducive for effective adult mosquito control
- 4. Statutory Holiday

NOTE CHANGE OF POLICY: Should fogging be cancelled or suspended on any scheduled day it will commence the next acceptable night.

Fogging will commence when daily landing counts exceed an average of one landing per minute over a ten minute period.

Buffer zones will be recognized during fogging unless a Province of Manitoba Health Order has been issued.

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OBITUARY



Mary Elizabeth Rance July 5, 1931, to June 18, 2022

We will cherish our memories of Mary, whose welcoming smile never failed to warm up the room. Her kindness, wisdom, and empathy touched many lives during her 90-plus years. We are grateful that she so willingly shared herself with us all, inspiring all who knew her to see the world in a different light. Mary served as a teacher, wife, farmer, mother, leader, and minister. She was also a friend who could listen without judgment and a formidable advocate for what is fair and just.

Born July 5, 1931, Mary was the second of four children raised by Lila (nee Guest) and Bill (William) Elliot. She grew up on the Elliot family dairy farm near Stonewall, Manitoba, with siblings Jean, Harry and Margaret. She contracted polio as a teenager, which permanently compromised the muscles in her left arm. But, aside

from making swimming in a straight line a bit of a challenge, there is no evidence to suggest that it handicapped her from doing anything she set out to do in life.

Mary attended teachers' college, after which she accepted her first position at Lone Star School in the Sperling area. That's where she met her partner in life, Leonard, a young farmer and older brother to four of her students. They married in 1952 and spent 69 jam-packed years together before he passed almost a year to the day ahead of her.

Mary loved children and those of us at the family's core, Lyle (Jane), Darrell (Allyson), Laura (Gord) and Shelley (Dino) learned from an early age that family is not defined by birth. We were family to many over the years. John, David, Stephanie, Nina, Peggy, Geraldine, Corrine, and Keith have a special place in our memories and hearts.

Mary was predeceased by her sister Jean Kitching, brother-in-law Jim Kitching, sister-in-law Thema Shields, brother-in-law Alex Shields, brother-in-law Jerry Winters (May), and sister-in-law Ivy Rance (Cliff).

She is survived by her siblings Harry Elliot (Bonnie), Marg Bond (George,) and Leonard's siblings Cliff Rance, Vic Rance (Betty), Owen Rance (Barb), May Winters and Allan Rance (Brenda). She is also survived by her children and grandchildren: Summer, Amanda, Kevin, Brian, Erica, Travis, Lexi, Kathlyn, Matthew, Taran, Ethan, Symara, Mya, and Kaleb; great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, each of whom she has enjoyed getting to know as they grow.

The farm Mary and Leonard operated together for 40 years was a sanctuary for whoever needed one. It was a place of safety and nurturing, whether that was expressed through a healthy bowl of soup or an empathetic ear. It was also a place of learning for international agricultural exchange students or non-farmers wishing to understand what farming is all about.

Her faith was a guiding beacon for how she lived. The church community was essential to our parents' lives, one they sought out no matter where their travels took them. And their travels took them afar. Driven by Mary's spirit of adventure, they expanded their travel beyond camping trips in Canada and the U.S. The highlights included trips to Ethiopia and Eritrea on a study tour with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, a study tour to Cuba, visits to the U.K, Europe, and New Zealand, small-ship cruises with famous authors, road trips in their camper van south to Mexico and north to Alaska, and in their later years, multiple cruises.

Mary actively participated in the regional and national church communities, where she took on several leadership roles. She was elected chair of what was then known as Manitoba-Northwestern Conference of the United Church of Canada, served on national committees of the church and co-chaired the board of directors of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

She later followed her heart into lay ministry studies at the University of Winnipeg and congregations located throughout rural Manitoba called her to serve. With Leonard as her companion and driver, they made lasting friendships wherever they went.

When they retired from farming in 1993, Mary and Leonard moved to Wawota, Sask, where they spent four years serving the United Church congregation. They retired — for real this time — in 1997 to Sperling where they enjoyed another 16 years before moving to Carman in 2013.

As we sat with her during her last days, our family wondered many times why her heart kept beating long after her will to live had been sapped by pain and weariness. In hindsight, however, we realize that her heart has always been larger than life.

The family is grateful to Dr. Tyler Atchison, the nursing and support staff of Carman Hospital for the care and kindness they showed her during her stay in the palliative care unit. Donations in her memory to the Carman United Church, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, the

Donations in her memory to the Carman United Church, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, the Palliative Care unit for Carman Hospital or another charity of your choice would be gratefully accepted.

Mary's life will be celebrated at 2 p.m. on July 16 at Carman United Church. All are welcome to attend. Masks are recommended, but not required.

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