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Fifty years and singing

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The Sonatrice Singers celebrated its 50th year this spring, singing for enthusiastic audiences during both performances April 27 and 28 at Carman United Church. The local women's choir is recognized as one of Manitoba's longest existing choral choirs. See pg. 13 for more coverage.

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Miami Teacher Elaine Owen wins agriculture award

Celebrating a leader in agriculture education

By Ty Dilello

Miami School's Elaine Owen is the recipient of the 2023 Agriculture In the Classroom – Manitoba (AITC-M) Teacher Driver Award.

The Teacher Driver Award is given to a Manitoba teacher annually who demonstrates exceptional leadership in fostering agriculture literacy in their students. A small committee reviews several nominations, and the winner is given a trophy, a certificate, and a \$500 cheque to use toward fur-



Elaine Owen, left, has used creative ways to help her students understand how critical farming is to our lifestyle and world according to Elaine's colleague and nominator Bev Swain.



PHOTO BY AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM – MANITOBA
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thering agriculture literacy in their teaching life.

Owen, who teaches Grade 6 and Grade 2 Social Studies at Miami School, was excited at winning the award which highlights teaching agricul-

ture to students in the classroom.

"I was extremely surprised and thrilled that I was nominated and won," said Elaine Owen. "The students were excited as well as I felt they were part of the reason I won."

Owen grows connections within her school and her community, and leaves a legacy of agriculture learning and inspiration in her students once they leave her classroom. She loves the activity of growing and harvesting things and has utilized that in her classroom.

"When I was young, my mother helped to run the garden club, and she always had a large garden," said Owen. "All four of the children in my family helped with the garden. It was a source of a great deal of food for us. I think that is part of the reason I do this with kids."

No matter what your economic or cultural background is, you can learn to grow plants and help yourself secure your source of food. Miami School has provided Owen with a space that has large classroom windows and loads of encouragement.

"Originally there was not enough space on my window ledge for all the plants we had seeded, so I purchased a small greenhouse for my classroom. Shortly after that, a teacher I knew told me about Agriculture in the class-

room and the Little Green Thumbs program. I applied immediately and was accepted into the program."

All materials are supplied through the program, which is fantastic as the students do not have to pay to have

access. This makes it a level playing field for the students. Curricular expectations are built right into the program, and the yearly servicing provides support and a chance to share ideas. There are new materials every year, and virtual interactive tours have now become part of the program. And several times a month, the classes can watch agriculture programming from across the country.

An additional aspect of the program is to help students recognize and understand the importance of the Agricultural community around us, which is to show the interconnectedness of the economy and job market.

Having been on the Dufferin Agricultural Society board for a number of years, Owen sees another side to the disconnect that currently exists and notes that it is imperative that we all learn about agriculture and simply gardening.

"A friend sent me a quote that 'Gardening is cheaper than therapy.' I believe that. The sense of accomplishment and the relaxation it provides has always helped me. Even one tomato plant is a success."

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Indulge your tastebuds during Carman's Poutine Week

Seven local restaurants are taking part from May 7 to 14

By Autumn Fehr

Feast your eyes and prepare your stomachs for a week-long Carman annual event.

Back for its third year, from May 7 - 14, the week-long event promises unique and delicious poutine recipes at all seven participating restaurants. Don't miss your chance to indulge in something you've never tasted before!

This year, Carman's restaurants are vying for the title of Poutine Week king with their scrumptious creations; Big Willy's, Breakaway Family Restaurant, Chicken Chef, McGee's Original Grill, Carman Golf Course, Syl's, and Scotswood Links have all thrown their hats into the ring. The winners from the previous two years are back in the game - who will triumph?

Keep an eye out for this year's scrumptious poutine entries, featured on the Carman & Community Chamber of Commerce website in the coming days.

"The participating restaurants are always overwhelmed and overjoyed at the number of poutines that they serve during this week," said Jodi Winkler, executive director at the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce.

When it began three years ago, the Chamber's Burger Week was embraced by the community with resounding enthusiasm. Businesses were taken aback by the remarkable amount of support they received.

After the initial food event was well-received, the community began discussing having a second one, with participating restaurants proposing Poutine

Week to be held in the spring.

Restaurants around town are presenting their top poutine dishes, and citizens can vote for the one they like best through the Carman & Community Chamber of Commerce website.

Follow the Chamber on social media for 'Poutine Bucks' that can be redeemed at the participating restaurants during Poutine Week.

At week's end, the winner with the most votes will be crowned as the poutine king and awarded a unique trophy to display in their business.

Boyne River Irrigators, a collective of five potato farms located along the Boyne River, are once again joining forces with the Chamber to sponsor this year's poutine extravaganza. These farmers specialize in cultivating potatoes for French fries that are mostly supplied to McDonalds and potatoes for grocery stores. Corduroy Plains, Rivertrail Potato Co, McIntosh Ventures, Kehler Farms, & Kroeker Farms Ltd are part of the Boyne River Irrigators.

Don't miss out on this week-long culinary celebration and a chance to support local restaurants in your area through delicious never-before-seen poutine creations.

Winkler wants to thank Leanne Doell of Leanne Doell Photography for photographing the poutine creations and Kaleigh Karlenzig of Kaleigh RaeXO for running our social media for Poutine Week.



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Tractor Pull and Mud Bog returns to Miami

By Ty Dilello

The Miami Agricultural Society and Miami Power Toboggan Club are happy to announce that its Miami Tractor Pull and Mud Bog will be back for two days of value-packed entertainment at the Miami Fairgrounds on May 27 and 28.

The Tractor Pull will take place on May 27 at 1 pm, while the Mud bog will happen on May 28 at 1 pm. The cost to attend is \$15 for adults, and kids 12 and under get in free.

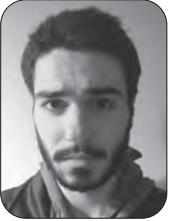
"We took a few years off from the pandemic, and we have some new blood in our organization that's putting the event on now," said organizer John Friesen. "So we started last year with the Tractor Pull, which was a new event for us. We've always had the mud bog, and everyone was happy and excited to see it, so we're happy to

bring it back, so we're going to make it an annual event now with the tractor pull and the mud bog."

Friesen notes that they have some big horsepower coming this year to participate in the events. There is a strong local community in southern Manitoba that will be taking part in the races, in addition to a few trucks coming from Saskatchewan, and the United States. There will be some entrants coming from Northern Manitoba as well.

"We've got a new sled that's going to bring out some large competitors," said Friesen. "And we still have all of the classic tractors and the fan favourites. It's going to be an exciting time, and we're happy to be growing from what we did last year as we have a few more competitors than in years past."

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COVID hospitalizations rise; Health Canada approves RSV vaccine for infants

By Patricia Barrett

COVID hospitalizations rose during the third week of April, according to the provincial government's respiratory surveillance report for the period April 16-22 (reporting Week 16).

There were 57 new hospitalizations for COVID, including six admissions to the intensive care unit. There were 46 people hospitalized with COVID in Week 15, including 12 people who required intervention in the ICU.

The province reported 10 more COVID deaths in Week 16. There were 13 deaths the previous week.

Manitoba's COVID death toll now stands at 2,483, according to the federal government's COVID webpage. Canada's death toll now stands at 51,921 as of April 15.

There were 123 new COVID infections detected by PCR testing in Week 16. There were 172 new cases reported the previous week. Provincial COVID case data are underestimates of the true number of infections as the government restricts access to PCR testing. Rapid antigen tests aren't tracked.

Numbers are calculated using comparisons of total outcome data between the current and the previous week's report.

Wastewater surveillance data for Winnipeg and Brandon up to April 20 show sustained COVID activity.

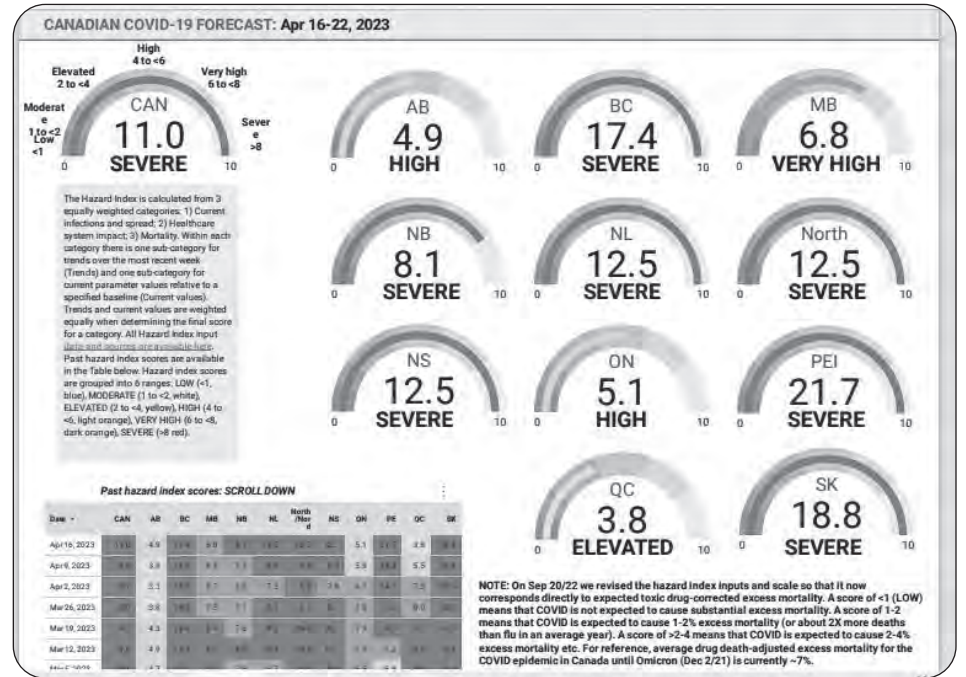
The provincial government no longer lists in its surveillance reports the names of hospitals and personal care homes with COVID outbreaks.

There were six new cases of influenza A and three new cases of influenza B reported in Week 16, along with six new hospitalizations for the virus. There were no deaths reported from the flu that week. There were four and seven new cases of influenza A and B, respectively, reported the previous week, as well as zero hospitalizations and zero deaths.

There were 10 new cases of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) in Week 16. There were 10 cases reported the previous week.

Other health news:

-There have so far been 6,915,286



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Manitoba's COVID score was 6.8 or very high from April 16-22. The COVID Hazard Index scores are calculated using current infection numbers and spread, deaths and impact on the health-care system.

deaths globally from COVID, according to the World Health Organization. The pandemic continues.

WHO infectious disease epidemiologist Maria Van Kerkhove said in a tweet April 29 that omicron sublineages XBB are dominant worldwide.

"Be vigilant. Each week millions of people [are] (re)infected, hundreds of thousands are in hospital & thousands are dying from #COVID19," she wrote. "Be safe."

-Health Canada approved an RSV vaccine for infants last week. Beyfortus (nirsevimab) is a single-dose immunization to prevent RSV in newborns and infants, including those born healthy, at term or preterm or with specific health conditions, according to an April 24 news release from joint vaccine developers Sanofi, a global health-care company, and AstraZeneca, a British-Swedish pharmaceutical company that helped develop a viral vector COVID-19 vaccine with the University of Oxford in England.

RSV is a highly contagious respiratory virus infecting almost all children by the time they reach two years of age. It is usually mild but can cause

severe illness, including bronchiolitis and pneumonia that may lead to hospitalization or death.

- Manitoba's auditor general Tyson Shtykalo said the provincial government was effective in managing the COVID vaccine rollout.

"Our audit of Manitoba's immunization service delivery and vaccine inventory management found the Manitoba government effectively managed the COVID-19 vaccine rollout," said Shtykalo in his report titled Manitoba's Rollout of the COVID-19 Vaccines released last week. "I would like to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of public servants and service delivery providers during the vaccine rollout. The successes Manitoba achieved are linked to these efforts."

Shtykalo said there were some limitations to the rollout, notably a paper-based method that was used to collect consent and immunization data. The process would have run smoother had an electronic system been implemented.

"A more robust electronic system would reduce some of the risks in-

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Flashback...Carman Tire Shop 138 Main Street N.

By Dennis Young

Cousins Jack and Jim Stout in 1945, decided they wanted to go into business for themselves, so they sold their homes and pooled money to build their shop, Stout's Service Station. It had living quarters at the back for Jim, Mary and his family, while Jack, Sadie and the family moved in with Sadie's parents.

The garage opened under Stout's Service Station as a "White Rose" fuel and Dominion Royal" tires dealership. They did minor repairs, sold batteries and did everything a service station would do in those years.

Over the next 10 years, they added the "Allis Chalmers" line of implements and the British line of "Morris" automobiles. They hired two mechanics, Ranford Adamson and Bill Dyck as their business grew.

The shop was sold to John Stewart from Miami in 1955 but then it



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Carman Tire Shop, at 138 Main St. N. was knocked down in 2009.

gets unclear of dates/ownership. An ad from 1963 shows the store when it was owned by Ed Reichert with Ken Kroeker as the Manager. Further newspaper ads show it was the Carman Co-op Tire Centre with Abe

Braun as supervisor in 1974. Lloyd Nordquist ran Lloyd's Repair there from 1982-2009 before Carman Collision (now Auto Ready) bought the property and knocked down the building making way for the present day compound.

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involved in using paper-based methods," he said.

The report is available on the Auditor General's website at www.oag.mb.ca

-The Manitoba NDP released on May 1 a five-point plan to fix health care province wide.

The plan will address the closures of rural ERs and health-care centres, health-care staffing shortages and "dangerous" wait times for emergency care.

"The biggest challenge facing rural communities right now is health

care," said Kinew. "Brian Pallister and Heather Stefanson eroded rural health care for seven years, leaving rural families cut off from care and rural communities struggling to build a future. Our team is ready to fix that with common sense solutions that will deliver better health care and a brighter future for rural families and communities."

The plan entails (1) reinstating the rural physician recruitment fund that was cut by Brian Pallister and doubling the fund, (2) filling paramedic staffing vacancies by giving rural paramedics a new contract, paying them the same as Winnipeg paramed-

ics and allowing Advanced Care Paramedics to work to their full scope of practice, (3) keeping ERs open by recruiting and retaining more diagnostic imaging and lab technologists by giving them a competitive deal and offering incentives to allied health professionals, nurses and nurse practitioners to work in rural communities, (4) equipping rural health-care centres with technology to reduce patient transfers and connect patients to specialists and (5) reimbursing homecare workers properly for their mileage to help seniors age in place and building more personal care home beds to keep seniors in their home communities.

letter to the editor

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Remember them when they were alive

It is with great sadness that I want to address the ladies misfortune of having to deal with the alleged death and dismemberment of her loved ones. My advice to you would be to do as my mother did when her mother, my grandma, who passed away in the Netherlands in 1956. She told me that she didn't want to go to her mother's funeral because she wanted to remember her mother alive rather than dead. I was 16 years

old at the time and I thought that was just fine to remember her mother that way. I never met my grandma but my two younger sisters did. That was on a trip, by boat, my mother had taken some years prior to her mother's death.

I think you need to consider the mental ramifications on your person as well as the mental ramifications on the person or persons who find any singular body parts at that hugh landfill site north of Winnipeg. I think they will present to you what will be unearth from this site but that is an unknown. That will be an un-

mentionable horror to you if they do find something. No one profits other than the diggers. It would be far better, in my opinion, for you to frame a enlarged picture of your decease and even if you are included in such picture, and hang it on a wall for you to see daily. You can shed tears whenever you want as you remember them. You also may from time to time turn the picture to face the wall.

Eventually this will hopefully come to end all your nightmares. Hopefully the authorities will convict this perpetrator and put him away for life.

In 2022 I saw a documentary on the World Trade Centre where this man lost his wife. She worked on the 25 floor in the south tower, which was the first tower to come down. He received a part of her foot, confirmed by DNA, so he put the partial foot in a casket and had it cremated. This put an end to his search and a continuation of his life. Just to let you know that there are still over a 1000 people of the 2700 or so that have still to be identified. The process is long and time consuming.

- Yours, Edmond Rootsart

Get Answers

Does God exist? How can anyone believe in religion when science has neither a need nor a place for God? Is evolution happening today? If God is a God of love, why do we suffer and die?

Creation Ministries International is coming to your area soon with answers to these important questions. Come and hear Thomas Bailey expose the bankruptcy of the evolutionary myth. You'll be amazed to see how weak the scientific evidence for evolution is.

This is an issue that affects everyone. Evolution teaches us there is no need for God, there is no spiritual realm, and there is no afterlife. According to the theory, spirituality is just an evolutionary trick of the mind!

The Bible gives a very different picture about the nature of these things. At this presentation, you will learn how the scientific evidence, when properly understood, confirms the details of the biblical account. At the same time, we will answer many of the Big Questions. How Do You Know? Who Was There? According to Their Kinds. To find out more join us on Saturday May 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Carman Collegiate Theatre 121-4th Ave SE in Carman.

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Branden Leslie wins Conservative nomination for Portage-Lisgar

By Lorne Stelmach

A former campaign manager for Candice Bergen is now seeking to take her place as the Member of Parliament for the Portage-Lisgar constituency.

Branden Leslie earned the Conservative party nomination for the riding last weekend after two days of speeches and voting in Portage la Prairie Friday and Winkler Saturday.

Leslie came out on top over former Morden-Winkler MLA Cameron Friesen, former Winnipeg MP Lawrence Toet, and Winkler's Don Cruickshank.

Leslie said on Monday that he is very grateful for the vote of confidence.

"It feels fantastic to have gained the confidence of Conservative party members across the riding, and it's a very humbling feeling and a sense of responsibility that's been placed on my shoulders."

Leslie felt he earned the support for his stance on such key issues as the carbon tax and gun control measures and the various impacts on the rural way of life. He also felt a lot of hard work and conversations with a

lot of people about their many frustrations with the current federal government paid off for him as party members headed to the polls.

"I would say focusing on what I know are the priorities of folks across the riding," said Leslie.

"I've got a pretty deep understanding of both elections and governance and politics itself and of course advocacy, and I think collectively that's going to be important to make sure that we can actually try to advance interests."

Active in the Conservative party for over a decade including his stint with Bergen for the 2019 election, Leslie feels his years of experience fighting for Conservative values and ideas including having advised several MPs and cabinet ministers makes him well suited to represent Portage-Lisgar.

Leslie was born in Portage la Prairie and raised on a farm south of town. He attended Portage Collegiate Institute and went on to Brandon University and Carleton University to receive a degree in political science.

Before announcing his campaign, Leslie was the manager of policy and government relations at the Grain Growers of Canada.

Leslie observed that there are high hopes for the potential for the Conservative party to form government in the next federal election.

"Everybody I talk to across this province and across this riding in particular ... is eagerly awaiting a change in government, and I think the time is right for a change."

The next federal election will take place on or before the fall of 2025.

Bergen, who had represented the riding since 2008, announced her retirement from politics in February.

A by-election for Portage-Lisgar must be held by Oct. 17, though it could take place earlier.

The Portage-Lisgar seat has been held by the Conservatives ever since the riding was created in 1997, but Leslie says that doesn't mean he won't have to work to keep it that way.

"We need to make sure we take nothing for granted ... and work



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Branden Leslie will represent the Conservative Party of Canada in the Portage-Lisgar by-election this year.

hard for every single vote across the riding," he said. "It's time for renewal on both the provincial and the federal level ... there's going to be a lot of fresh faces, and I look at it as a real opportunity for us to sit down together early, discuss the priorities."

Explore STEAM with free kits at Boyne Regional Library

By Autumn Fehr

Read, learn, create and explore with STEAM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) story kits, now available at the Boyne Regional Library!

Starting April 19, library members can now borrow the new kits from their local library.

Thanks to the generous \$5,000 Literacy For Life grant from The Winnipeg Foundation, we are able to offer our Early Explorers program and STEAM Story Kits as part of our STEAM-based literacy initiatives at the library.

"The STEAM story bags will help bring the books to life at home, sparking imagination and creativity while fostering a natural sense of curiosity for the world. STEAM activities and programs are an opportunity to introduce concepts and promote skills that set up for creative, scientific, and collaborative thinking now - and in the future," said Lynsey Hannah, library clerk at the Boyne Regional Library.

Having STEAM kits available at libraries is not a new idea, but the Boyne Regional Library incorporated family literacy into the kits by giving

books at varying reading levels and fun activities for families to do together.

Each kit incorporates STEAM topics such as science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Games, puzzles, toys, and science equipment related to a specific theme can be found in the kits. Popular themes include engineering, coding, pollinators, electricity, animal tracking and star gazing. To explore all the kits that the Boyne Regional Library has to offer visit their website or head over The Commons!

Hannah said the library's goal in launching this new activity is to provide accessible, free, hands-on literacy experiences to children and their caregivers that incorporate all the elements of STEAM. They also hope these kits will facilitate curiosity and conversation about the world for the kids that use them.

STEAM story bags can be borrowed from the library for a three-week period at no charge.

Anyone with a library membership who is over the age of 13 can check out a kit. The kits are user-friendly and an excellent resource for grandparents to

use with their grandchildren. Each kit has a folder with a list of contents, instructions, ideas on how to use the kit and other fun resources or activities for families to do together.

"Hands-on experiences and informal STEAM learning can be expensive and may hinge on caregiver familiarity, education level, and family socioeconomic status. Our goal of intentionally integrating literacy with STEAM will help provide fun, equitable and free experiences to families who may not otherwise get the opportunity," said Hannah.

The grant received from The Winnipeg Foundation has also contributed funds to a new preschool-aged program called Early Explorers that is already underway. Early Explorers is a story time STEAM program for children aged two to five and their caregivers. Sessions include story time, followed by self-paced stations, which may consist of games, puzzles, crafts, building and experiments for the children and caregivers to do together. Topics may include magnetism, pollination, numeracy, balance, and engineering. The library has two

sessions left that are currently full, but it hopes to run the program again in the fall as the response has been so overwhelmingly positive. There is registration for the program but no cost to attend.

To keep up with all the library's new services and programs, follow them on Instagram and Facebook for updates, or stop by the library and see what's happening.

"THE STEAM STORY BAGS WILL HELP BRING THE BOOKS TO LIFE AT HOME, SPARKING IMAGINATION AND CREATIVITY WHILE FOSTERING A NATURAL SENSE OF CURIOSITY FOR THE WORLD."

FTC brings Anne of the Island to the stage May 4-7

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall will be transformed into a slice of the Maritimes as the Flatlands Theatre Company (FTC) performs Anne of the Island May 4-7.

The show continues the story of L.M. Montgomery's Anne Shirley as she leaves P.E.I. for college in Nova Scotia and navigates the rocky waters of adulthood and romance.

The play is based on the third book in the beloved Anne of Green Gables series. It's the fourth time FTC has performed an Anne show, having put on the first play in the series in 2007 and again in 2016 and then following it up with the second part of the story in 2017.

FTC then turned to local playwright Angela Klassen to create the first non-musical adaptation of Anne of the Island. The pandemic pushed the show's world premiere back a few years, but it's now ready to take the stage.

Stepping into the part of Anne is Sasha Dyck, who took a break from rehearsals last weekend to share a bit about her process of preparing to take on this iconic role.

"There's a bit of pressure, for sure," she says, "but so far I've received pretty positive feedback. She's such a fun character to try to portray."

Dyck says she watched the 1985 television miniseries starring Megan Follows for inspiration.

"I was just really captivated by her energy," she says, noting this part of

the story includes an Anne who is trying to figure out her place in the world as an adult. "She thinks that she's made up her mind on things but it's proven over and over again that maybe she doesn't know her mind as well as she thinks.

"It's a lot of growing; she needs to mature throughout the story," Dyck says. "You get a whole arc with her. And it's written so well. It's really a heartwarming story."

Playing Gilbert Blythe, who has been smitten with Anne since childhood, is Ezra Reimer.

"She doesn't at first want Gilbert to be anything more than a friend," he shares, noting there's definitely some ups and downs in the story for his character and Anne. "It's a great story. And Anne is a great character, despite her flaws. I think it will really tug at your heartstrings."

Having Klassen on set for rehearsals as both a writer and actor (she's playing Marilla, Anne's adopted mother) has made for a unique experience for cast and crew, Reimer notes.

"It's really cool to have the writer on stage with us, playing a part alongside us," he says.

It made the creation of the show much more of a dynamic process, adds Quinton Stoesz, who is playing Roy Gardner, another love interest of Anne's.

"A lot of times we look at something that's said in a script or something is done a certain way and we're like,



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Sasha Dyck and Ezra Reimer play Anne Shirley and Gilbert Blythe in Flatlands Theatre Company's production of Anne of the Island May 4-7.

"We can't really change it because it's in the script," he says. "But now we're able to just talk to Angela and get permission to change things on the fly, if we need to. You're working with the person who made it."

In an earlier interview, Klassen noted she worked hard to stay true to Montgomery's work with this adaptation.

"When people see the play they're going to notice that a lot of the dialogue is right from the book, because I don't feel like I can improve on L.M. Montgomery."

Prior knowledge of Anne of Green Gables is certainly not needed to enjoy the show.

"Even if you've never seen the other plays or never read the books, the characters are very believable, the situations are very believable and you can really connect with them," Stoesz

says. "So even if you're not familiar with Anne at all, you can still enjoy it to its fullest. You're not going to be disappointed."

To celebrate the local roots of the play's creation, FTC is going all-out in setting the stage before audiences even take their seats.

The concert hall foyer will feature some Anne memorabilia and P.E.I. chocolates for sale. They're also partnering with Mulligan's Restaurant & Lounge on an East Coast supper special people can enjoy before heading to the Friday and Saturday night shows.

Anne of the Island runs nightly May 4-6 at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee at 3 p.m. May 7.

Tickets are available online at www.winklerconcerthall.ca.

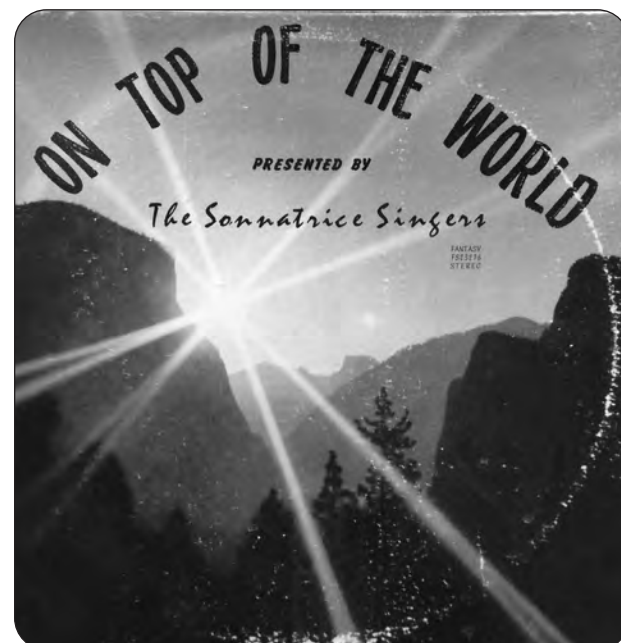
Flashback...the Sonatrice Singers

By Dennis Young

Back in the days of vinyl, local artists were cutting records to spin their way into souvenir posterity. The Sonatrice Singers did just that in 1975 with a compilation of their spring concert called "On Top of the World".

The women's choir and Director Ed Manteufel had been together for three years handling requests to perform at various festivals throughout Manitoba. The records were in limited quantity but sold out never the less featuring tunes from popular musicals. A 2nd record was produced in 1976.

Manteufel also had a recording made from the concert combining Community & Collegiate Band, Community Jazz Band and the Collegiate Jazz Band.



Boyne River Keepers hosted its second annual fundraiser

Staff

The Boyne River Keepers' "A Current Affair" fundraiser was a huge success, with tickets selling out in less than 12 hours.

This year's event was aimed at raising funds for the soon-to-be-constructed Ryall Park River launch, which will allow for even greater access to this beautiful river.

The fashion show added an extra element of excitement to the evening,

while guests enjoyed drinks and appetizers. The highlight of the night was undoubtedly the screening of "Voice of the River," reminding everyone in attendance why protecting our waterways is so important.

Attendees were treated to delicious drinks and appetizers throughout the night.

To cap off an already fantastic evening, Nathan Strange - Rainy Day Apparel provided live music.



The Carman Dufferin firefighters were volunteering to serve the guests at the Boyne River Keepers' second annual fundraiser, "A Current Affair on On April 22."



STANDARD PHOTO BY TRACY ENNS

Carman Dufferin firefighter Rick Penner serves dinner to Linda Drewlo. The local fire department's members volunteered to serve the guests at the Boyne River Keepers' second annual fundraiser, "A Current Affair on On April 22."

> MUD BOGGING, FROM PG. 3

The tractor pull course on Saturday is going to include a couple of different entries from classic tractors that have worked the field from 40 years ago. There will also be some high-horsepower trucks that run on methanol alcohol, and some heavily modified diesels as well.

"So we've kind of run the entire spectrum of what's available in the tractor pull and truck pull world. We have a fantastic facility with ground prep starting as soon as the snow is off to make the track acceptable for the entrants."

Mud bogging will take place on the Sunday, which is an off-road motorsport in which the goal is to drive a vehicle through a pit of mud or a track of a set length. Winners are determined by the distance travelled through the pit.

The Tractor Pull and Mud Bog will be fun for all ages, as there will be a Candy Toss, Dash For Cash, Bouncy Castle, Beer Gardens and Food Booth. The grandstand that is set up at the Miami Agricultural Society will provide a fantastic viewpoint of all the action.

"Sunday is the mud race where the kids can race in the mud pits, so that's always a hoot. There are a lot of activities for the kids as we're gearing toward a family-friendly event that is affordable for all families. That's what's most important here."

For more information, please reach out to event organizer John Friesen at 204-822-5550.



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Valleyfield Music Studio is looking to expand business

By Ty Dilello

Valleyfield Music Studio is one of southern Manitoba's premier place to get piano and guitar lessons. Based out of Morden and owned by Danselle Neufeld, Valleyfield Music is looking to reach even more students across the southern part of the province as they look to expand its clientele into other towns.

Neufeld's piano teaching career started many years ago in a quaint little studio in Pickering, Ontario. She was looking for a way to make some extra cash while going to college, when a friend suggested that she try teaching piano.

"What started as a part-time job to help pay bills, grew into a passion that I have never been able to shake. Little did I know that 18 years later, I would still be teaching," said Neufeld. "My goal is to help my students harness their love for music and to influence them positively along the way. Throughout the years, I have had students of various ages and backgrounds, but the one thing they all had in common was the look of wonder on their faces when they mastered something they thought was impossible. This is what makes teaching so rewarding for me."

Neufeld has spent many years teaching privately on and off, while working full-time and balancing family life. Over Christmas break one year, she hit a wall as she struggled to maintain her schedule, knowing that she had a waitlist of 30 plus people.

"The idea came to me that I should hire teachers to help me manage the schedule," said Neufeld.

"I knew that southern Manitoba is full of talented musicians that have the ability to teach, but might just need a little encouragement to put themselves out there."

This was the moment that Valleyfield Music Studio was born. Neufeld put out an ad and hired her first piano teacher. The second piano/vocal teacher came shortly after. Then came in requests for guitar lessons, so they hired a guitar teacher and then a second.

Valleyfield Music Studio is a mobile music studio, which means that each instructor teaches from their own home studio. This allows the business to grow and expand into other communities as the need arises.

"It also allows our instructors flexibility, whether they're stay-at-home parents or have other jobs. Most of our instructors are new-ish to teaching when they are hired, and so they have access to mentorship from myself. We have a great group of instructors that are joined together over their love for music and a passion for sharing that with others."

What's to come in 2023 is that Neufeld hopes to expand Valleyfield Music Studio into other communities including Carman, Roland and Miami. She invites anyone that is interested in music lessons to message her on Facebook for more details.

For more information or to reach out for lessons at Valleyfield Music Studio, please check out its website at <https://valleyfieldmusicstudio.com>.



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Danselle Neufeld of Valleyfield Music Studio is looking to expand her piano and guitar studio.

Alzheimer Society of Manitoba holding annual walk May 27

By Ty Dilello

The Alzheimer Society of Manitoba will be holding its annual IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's at Assiniboine Park on May 27 at 10 a.m.

The Walk is the Society's largest nationwide fundraiser that gives Manitobans an opportunity to get out into the community and raise funds to help support over 18,400 Manitobans currently living with dementia and their care partners.

"The number of Manitobans living with dementia is expected to more than double by 2050, so the need for resources and support has never been greater," said Erin Crawford, Program Director and incom-

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ing CEO at the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

Funds raised at the Walk go toward essential programs the Society offers to people living with dementia and their care partners, like the First Link Client Support

program, support groups, education sessions and community programming.

To get involved, you can register online for the Walk by sign-

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Hollyhock Hill Studio crafted for Art In Mind

By Ty Dilello

The Hollyhock Hill Studio will be welcoming many people across the province this summer to try out some unique art workshops.

Hollyhock Hill Studio was built by husband-and-wife team Brian McMillan and Lucinda Doran twenty years ago on 29 acres of untouched woodland in the rolling Pembina Hills just west of Miami.

When Doran and McMillan aren't using the studio to create their own art, they have now decided to offer up art and craft workshops as well as accommodations for artists and musicians to create new work at the Hollyhock Hill Studio.

On the main floor, they have a well-equipped studio featuring lots of natural light, plenty of power outlets, a kiln, and enough worktables for ten craftspeople. On the second floor are two spacious bedrooms with four single beds and a set of bunk beds, a bathroom with a shower, cooktop stove, microwave and small fridge.

McMillan and Doran are lifelong craftspeople/artists. For 40 years, they worked at their family business "Prairie Studio Glass" in Winnipeg. In retirement, Doran had begun concentrating on making prints using the traditional Lino cut techniques, in addition to working with clay, mosaics and live edge furniture.

"We bought our property in 1990, and in 1994, we built a log home to be our weekend getaway from the city," said Brian McMillan. "Once the home was complete, we decided to add a studio to allow us to pursue personal art projects. And if we were building a studio, why not have accommodations upstairs for guests. Over the years, we hosted a number



The Hollyhock Hill Studio.

of glass-related retreats and had artist friends come to enjoy the beauty and inspiration of the Pembina Hills. Now that we have more time to spend at Hollyhock Hill Studio, we are open to hosting art workshops for school groups, adult craft classes, artists retreats, etc."

Hollyhock Hill Studio has plenty of upcoming workshops on the agenda this summer that people can sign up for.

On May 13, Doran is teaching a one-day Lino print-making workshop, where participants will learn the techniques needed to make greeting cards or wall art. On June 2-6, Hollyhock Hill is co-hosting with the Manitoba Crafts Council a bookbinding retreat with local artist Debra Frances. And then, on June 10, Doran is teaching a one-day stained glass workshop for beginners.

Details for all of the workshops are available on the website at <https://hollyhockhillstudio.ca/>. If you have a group that would like to arrange a private workshop, please get in contact with McMillan and Doran at hollyhockhillstudio@gmail.com.



STANDARD PHOTOS BY BRIAN MCMILLAN

The Hollyhock Hill Studio will be welcoming people this summer to try out some unique art workshops. Brian McMillan worked at Prairie Studio Glass in Winnipeg for 40 years.



Some of the glass mosaics made at Hollyhock Hill.



Lucinda Doran in their studio west of Miami where they are offering workshops.

> ALZHEIMER WALK, FROM PG. 9

ing up as an individual, team member or team captain at alzheimer.mb.ca/wfa2023. You can also start fundraising and sharing your fundraising page and your reasons for walking on social media by using the official hashtag #IGWalkForAlz. Reach out to your friends, family, neighbours and colleagues (in-person and online) to ask for support.

The Alzheimer's Society urges the public to participate in the Winnipeg Walk or Selkirk Walk

and join dedicated people who are committed to helping people living with dementia and care partners.

"If you've known someone with dementia, come walk with us," said Crawford. "It's a fun, family-friendly event that really shows the people participating they are not alone."

Visit alzheimer.mb.ca/wfa2023 to learn more about the Walk and to register.

Cha-ching! Make your money pay at the Manitoba Coin Club's show

Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show set for mid-May in Stonewall

By Patricia Barrett

If you've got a commemorative 1973 Mountie quarter – which honours the centennial of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police – don't plug it into a parking meter or coin-operated laundry machine because it could be worth hundreds of dollars depending on its condition and whether the Queen's image is a small or a large bust.

To get the lowdown on what collectibles such as old or commemorative coins and coin sets, bank tokens, paper bills, stamps, medallions and comic books could be worth, bring them to the Manitoba Coin Club's Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show in May at the Red Barn just south of Stonewall.

Club members can price your collectibles, tell you some of the fascinating history behind the items and perhaps make you an offer too irresistible to pass up. They'll also have some of their own collectibles on display.

Coin club member Larry Dalman, who has about 50 years' experience valuing currency, said this is the first time since the club's inception in 1954 that it will hold a show in rural Manitoba.

"We're trying to be more inclusive for people living in the rural areas. We want to give them an opportunity to see old bills and coins and other collectibles and bring their own collectibles in," said Dalman.

The club had one of the "greatest turnouts" last fall at its show in West St. Paul. It drew people from all across the province, including Gimli, Selkirk, Morden, Winkler, Portage la Prairie and Brandon.

In addition to finding out how much your devil-faced 1954 paper bills (is there a devil hiding in the Queen's hair?) are worth – a whole lot if they're in pristine condition – people can learn about the history of money and how Canadian banks operated in days of yore.

Every commercial bank in Canada – including Canada's first bank, the Bank of Montreal – made their own tokens, which were substitutes for coins. Paper notes were also issued by banks in provinces such as British Columbia, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

"There were more than 120 banks in Canada using their own bank notes. People were carrying around a variety of bills from the Bank of Montreal,



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The Canada 2021 Bluenose 100 Anniversary commemorative coloured dime will be available for purchase at the Red Barn this weekend. The year 2021 marks the 100th anniversary of the launch of Bluenose, the Grand Banks fishing schooner whose racing feats and indomitable spirit earned it the title of "Queen of the North Atlantic."

the Bank of New Brunswick and so forth," said Dalman. "But in 1944 the Government of Canada asked those banks to quit making their money and took over ownership."

Newfoundland made a two-dollar gold coin between 1865 and 1888, he said. The rarest of the lot are those made in 1880. In bad shape it will fetch about \$1,570. One that's close to "uncirc" (uncirculated condition) will net about \$3,000. A "really, really nice one" is worth \$24,500. And they're still out there. Somewhere.

"They did put out a specimen [two-dollar gold] coin, one that was sold separately as a specimen and was not intended to see a human hand. In perfect shape, it's worth \$122,500," said Dalman.

Canadian coinage made from silver will get you only face value if you take it to a bank. Companies that buy Canadian silver currency will give you the current market value of silver by weight. But a single silver coin or a coin set could be worth far more money if they're in good condition and have unique characteristics such as a flaw, small production run or other special feature that make them a collector's item.

Even money that's not considered "old" can be worth more than face value. For example, the Royal Canadian Mint issued three different commemorative 10-cent coins in 2021 for



PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Manitoba Coin Club member Larry Dalman is encouraging the public to come out and learn about Canadian currency and commemorative coins at the Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show being held May 13-14 at the Red Barn just south of Stonewall.

the 100th Anniversary of the Blue Nose. One is coloured, one is uncoloured and one has 1921 on its left side and 2021 on its right side, said Dalman. The dime with the dates on the left and right side is the more highly valued coin.

People with American and other foreign currency (coins or bills) – including coins from Roman times – are welcome to bring them to the show for evaluation.

Dalman said the club is hoping to get more children interested in collectibles including specialty coins depicting superheroes or Disney characters, as well as comic books.

"Coins nowadays run the gamut of subjects. I will be bringing some of my superman coins, Disney coins and

in exchange for two run-of-the-mill Loonies.

People who want to learn about how to value their coins and bills before the show can visit websites such as coinsandcanada.com

The Manitoba Coin Club's Coin, Stamp & Collectibles show takes place May 13-14 at the Little Red Barn on Highway 236 and Road 75, just south of Stonewall. Admission is \$5. There will be giveaways and door prizes. Children under 12 get in free. There is parking for hundreds of cars.

Anyone interested in joining the Winnipeg-based Manitoba Coin Club can fill out an application form at the show. Visit the club online: www.manitobacoinclub.org

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Teen mentorship program comes to Southern Manitoba

By Ty Dilello

Morden's Danselle Neufeld has been working quietly behind the scenes preparing her new Teen Mentorship program which is set to debut this summer.

Teen Mentorship was created in response to the need for healthy and interactive activities in the local communities for teens and tweens.

"My goal with Teen Mentorship is to build confidence and resilience in our future leaders," said Neufeld. "This will be done through group workshops and one-on-one mentorship."

Low self-esteem is a thinking disorder in which individuals view themselves as inadequate, unlovable, and incompetent. Once formed, this negative view permeates every thought, producing faulty assumptions and ongoing self-defeating behaviour.

High self-esteem protects youth from anxiety, depression, pressure and stress. In addition, studies show that Social Emotional Learning (SEL) positively impacts youth by giving them tools to navigate life, such as Self Awareness, Self Management, Social Awareness, Relationship Skill and Responsible Decision Making.

"In order for our youth to be successful, confident adults, it is important that they have access to support and resources," said Neufeld. "It is our goal and passion to be able to teach SEL in my programs to both middle and high school-aged kids."

Teen Mentorship was created to support teens and families in our community. So whether you are working through challenging situations or need a little positive reinforcement, we are here to help. Our goal for each is that our teens and tweens leave us with the confidence and knowledge to go into the world and keep pursuing their goals and dreams.

Teen Mentorship is a safe and non-judgmental place that's inclusive of everyone.

"Mentoring can hopefully help with stress, self-confidence, schoolwork, substance use, body image, relationships and many other common issues such as anxieties and loneliness brought on by social media. One-on-one coaching can be a valuable space to figure this stuff out so that you can live your best and most fulfilled life."

Neufeld has over ten years of experience working as administrative



PHOTO BY DANSELLE NEUFELD

Morden's Danselle Neufeld has been working quietly behind the scenes getting out her new Teen Mentorship program which is set to debut this summer.

For more information on Teen Mentorship or to sign up, check out the website <https://teenmentorship.ca> or visit its pages on Facebook and Instagram.

staff and a special constable for local police services, helping callers in distress and high-risk situations. She also has over eighteen years of experience inspiring students and other music teachers with Valleyfield Music Studio. In addition, she has several years of experience volunteering for the Morden Youth Justice Forum.

"Helping people is my passion, and these experiences have inspired me to create a safe place where teens and tweens can be themselves."

Teen Mentorship hosts Summer Wellness Camps in Morden for teens from July 31-Aug 4 and Aug 14-18. The registration deadline is May 12.

RBC Fdn. donates \$10K to ongoing education at BTHC

Staff

A donation from the RBC Foundation is going to support ongoing nursing education at Boundary Trails Health Centre.

In honour of the upcoming National Nursing Week, the foundation has gifted BTHC with \$10,000 to help cover certification fees and allow the hospital to provide honorariums for speakers on topics like palliative care, medical management of elderly patients, and acute medical emergencies.

Other continuing education opportunities will include casting techniques, wound education, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, and Pediatric Advance Life Saving.

"During the last few years, our nursing education days have been greatly missed and this grant gives us the opportunity to jumpstart our programs again," said Joel Nelson, BTHC director of health services. "Nurses here are craving the opportunity to get back in a learning environment in order to work towards providing excellent care for our clients."

National Nursing Week is held May 8-14 in honour of nursing pioneer Florence Nightingale. It's designed to



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BTHC Emergency Room nurses Rebecca Dueck (left) and Amy Friesen are among the local staff who will benefit from the RBC Foundation's \$10,000 gift to the hospital in support of ongoing education initiatives.

increase the awareness of the many contributions nurses make to the wellbeing of Canadians.

"RBC recognizes the impact that nurses have in our healthcare system is unparalleled. Dedicated, commit-

ted, and always answering the call no matter the sacrifice, they are our caregivers and comforters during our deepest times of need," said Kim Ulmer, RBC regional president.

"We aim to give back to nurses

through a donation supporting their continuing education and professional development, to refresh their skills and open more opportunities for their career options and advancement."

The Golden Age of singing: 50 years of great voices



Audrey Myers was a teacher at Carman's Elementary School in 1972 when she and other local women organized the first choir in the autumn of that year. Audrey's remarkable 50-year contribution to the Sonatrice Singers is as its talented and dedicated accompanist.



STANDARD PHOTOS BY LORRAINE STEVENSON
Sonatrice Singers began in 1972 with 22 members. In the 1980s and 1990s their numbers ranged between 25 to 30 women, and starting in the 2000s choir sizes were even as high as 40 some years.



Drummer Dan Deurbrouk and Robert Marginet on bass guitar have faithfully served the choir over the years as supporting musicians at spring concerts.



Life-long friendships, memorable performances, travel, and community fundraising are the proud legacy of this signature local choir.



The Sonatrice Singers are a key part of the community's cultural life and their annual concerts have raised significant funds over the years for local charitable organizations such as the Christmas Cheer Board and for the Central Manitoba Youth Choir. It has supported the Carman Music Festival and many other events over 50 years.



The choir has a notably high number of long-serving members, whose involvement with the choir now spans several decades, plus many more who have come and gone over the years. The choir is always happy when new members want to join.

Manitoba Baseball museum receives grant

Staff

The Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Morden is one of five museums in the south central region receiving provincial funding.

The Manitoba government last week announced \$240,000 for community museum project support grants, and the local museum in the Access Event Centre received \$10,000.

Other recipients in this region included the Dufferin Historical Society - \$4,715, La Société Historique de Lourdes - \$7,000, Morris and District Centennial Museum- \$7,000 and the Star Mound Historical Society - \$2,100.

The province allocated funding to 30 recipients overall, and Sport, Culture and Heritage Minister Obby Khan noted the importance of museums.

"Museums enhance our understanding and appreciation of Mani-

toba's natural and cultural diversity and help to foster a sense of identity and pride," said Khan.

"This investment will help to improve the quality of museum collections and programs throughout Manitoba and support an appropriate interpretation of Manitoba's history that reflects the experiences and contributions of indigenous peoples."

The community museum project support program supports one-time initiatives and/or unique opportunities to advance reconciliation, equity, diversity, accessibility, inclusion, COVID-19 recovery and/or collections management.

The program supports up to 100 per cent of project costs to a maximum of \$25,000 to non-profit community museums focused on conserving, preserving and interpreting their collections for the public's benefit and



enjoyment.

The 30 non-profit community museums were selected based on prioritizing projects that advance the program's goals including five initiatives that will advance reconciliation, one

project that will advance equity, diversity, accessibility and inclusion, six projects that will support COVID-19 recovery and 18 initiatives that will improve collections management activities in community museums.

Change and growth for Access Credit Union

By Lori Penner

Significant change, evolution and growth were the themes of 2022 for Access Credit Union.

Board chair Kevin Beresford delivered a review of the past year at the annual general meeting last week, and he recalled how 2022 started off with membership approval of a merger with Noventis and Sunova credit unions in January.

"We're seeing the core benefits the board covered in their due diligence process - a stronger, more resilient credit union that can give back to the communities it serves, a robust development environment for staff and a continued commitment to great product, services and rates for all members regardless of the way they wish to bank," said Beresford.

He added these benefits led to additional conversations with Amaranth, Casera and Carpathia credit unions later in the year. As a result, memberships from all three credit unions voted to join Access as well.

"In joining with Access, it underscores the necessary work that our legacy directors and credit unions began many years ago in building the foundation of success we see today.

"While these changes have been impactful on staff and members, the rapidly changing financial services environment requires that credit unions adapt, grow and change at a faster pace than ever before," added Beresford.

"We're all faced with new require-

ments, new technologies and new demands for members who see convenience of technology, an aggressive rate environment and the importance of local investment as key priorities for their financial institution of choice," he continued. "Access is well positioned to be that institution, and as we continue to grow, we'll focus on serving the needs of those members including expanded in-branch offering and wealth services."

Last year, the board tasked itself with determining the new vision, priorities and values for the amalgamated organization.

"Our refreshed vision aligns with the strategic direction of the board, ensuring the financial well-being of our members and communities is served through the unique strengths of our new credit union," Beresford said.

"We continue to prioritize serving our clients and members with excellence, to invest in a sustainable future for our communities and to empower our staff to their fullest potential. We will achieve these goals through the consistent application of four basic principles: doing good, being better, owning it and moving forward."

Access Credit Union's deposit and loan portfolios grew substantially in 2022 in addition to growth as a result from the Noventis and Sunova mergers. The loan portfolio grew by 85 percent in 2022, 65 percent of which was the result of the merger but 20 per cent was a result of the organic

growth, explained president and CEO Larry Davey.

Deposits enjoyed similar success, growing almost 71 percent - 64 percent of that was from the mergers and 7 percent was a result of organic growth. Last year also saw a record \$13.5 million in profits returned to members.

The institution continued to support the communities it serves by sponsoring organizations, charities and events that reflect the values of its members, employees and communities. In 2022, Access donated over \$1.5 million to local charitable organizations, and employees raised over \$118,000 for community organizations through the Access Jeans for Charity program.

For the eighth year in a row, Access was also named one of Manitoba's Top 30 employers.

"As our team grows to almost 800 staff across Manitoba, we continue to strive to be employers of choice. Supporting professional and innovative environments, developing staff to achieve their full potential. Each employee contributes to the continued success of Access," said Davey. "Being recognized as a top employer is an important goal of Access, as both the employment market shifts and the demand for specialized knowledge increases.

"By creating an environment that encourages development, facilitates teamwork, inspires innovation and highlights the importance of work-life balance, we are better able to re-



STANDARD PHOTO BY LORI PENNER

After a year of growth, Access Credit Union will see their membership increase to over 194,000 members by July 1, 2023.

cruit and retain exceptional individuals that serve our members in-branch and online. Our internal teams manage specialized areas within our organization."

Looking ahead to 2023, Davey said they are excited about their upcoming merger effective July 1 with Carpathia and Casera Credit Unions, and their already effective merger with Amaranth. This merger will result in membership increasing to over 194,000, more than 1,000 employees and 61 branch locations.

"Our focus on our members, employees and communities continues through each merger, and we anticipate bringing that effort to the benefit of those organizations and their members as well."



STANDARD PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH

South Central Cancer Resource last week celebrated the return of its popular spring fashion show, which hasn't been held since pre-pandemic in 2019. The 2023 edition raised over \$50,000 before expenses for the agency, which offers support for people battling cancer.

SCCR fashion show returns

By Lorne Stelmach

A major fundraiser for South Central Cancer Resource returned in a big way last week.

The fashion show gala last Thursday in Morde raised both funds and awareness, featuring volunteer models who have been touched by cancer in some way as well as a speaker who offered a glimpse of her battle with the disease.

"It's too early to determine the net proceeds, but the initial estimate is that we took in just over \$50,000 before expenses," said fashion show chairperson Dianne Mestdagh. "I would call the event a huge success. The fashions were beautiful, and the models did an outstanding job and received a standing ovation from the sold-out crowd."

Mackenzie Gaultier of Roseisle shared about her journey with brain cancer since her diagnosis in the fall of 2021.

"I didn't have any signs or symptoms ... one minute I was healthy, 28, enjoying life and my family. The next minute our whole lives were turned upside down, and I was diagnosed with brain cancer," she said.

Gaultier recalled the day when her life changed forever.

A few days after a busy weekend of doing photography for two weddings, she suddenly woke up, screamed, fell on the floor and went into a grand mal seizure.

It was determined she had an egg-size tumour in her left frontal lobe. An MRI showed she would need brain surgery as soon as possible.

"This was a lot to think about, a lot to process ... brain surgery, the risks involved, too many for me to tell you," said Gaultier, noting as well that

she would be awake for the surgery because it was dealing with the part of the brain that controls language. That meant they wanted her to be talking during the surgery to help determine how much of the tumour they could take without harming her brain function.

"I love to talk, so I was an A-plus patient," she joked. "I'm grateful to say the surgery went amazingly well. I feel I had the best care while at Health Sciences Centre ... they were the true miracle workers."

She was able to be sent home only two days after the surgery, returning 12 days later for an appointment with her neurosurgeon. It was then that she received a diagnosis of stage three brain cancer.

"My surgeon told me I would never know the cause of this cancer ... he also told me I will never be considered cancer free," Gaultier said. "This tumour will grow back. It could be years and years from now or it could be sooner than I would like, but the hope is that I can live many years of my life."

What followed was radiation and chemotherapy treatments that came with seven pages covering side effects.

"I have to say that being a cancer patient, I feel like a VIP of the medical world. The care and communication has been amazing," said Gaultier, who cited the example of having a reaction during second round of chemo but being able to immediately speak to an on-call oncologist.

Gaultier offered a positive message to others who find themselves facing cancer.

"Often cancer is a terminal illness, sometimes it



isn't, and everyone's story is different," she said, speaking then as well of the reactions from people when they learn about her diagnosis. "A few times I've had to console someone I barely knew about my life and my cancer. They were the ones crying on my shoulder.

"I often am reminding people in my life that I'm still Mackenzie, cancer or no cancer. I'm still me ... more often than not, I say we all have problems.

"Having cancer of course has been life changing ... it shows us that life is short, much too short, and it humbles us to not take life for granted."

She concluded by saying how much her family is "forever grateful for the support we received during this challenging time ... I know personally how much SCCR helps cancer patients and their families in this area."

Mestdagh noted they were so grateful to be able to hold this event again for the first time since 2019.

It is especially meaningful to have cancer survivors, those still receiving treatment, and supportive family members serving as models, who showcased clothing and accessories from local retailers Fashions by Co-op, Knockabouts, Livienne Bridal, Copper and Sparrow, and Focal Point Vision Care.

"I'm so grateful to the community for their overwhelming support for the event. Tickets sold out very quickly. After 24 hours of going on sale we had only seven tickets left," Mestdagh said. "Area businesses were very generous with donations, both cash and prizes.

"I'm extremely thankful to the planning committee, models and volunteers who dedicated so much time and effort to make the evening a success."

Carman Beavers hosting first golf tournament

By Ty Dilello

The Carman Beavers senior hockey team will be hosting its first-ever golf tournament on July 14 at the Carman Golf and Curling Club.

"We figured that we were one of the only teams in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League without a golf tournament in the summer, so I thought I'd organize one," said Carman Beavers' head coach Mark Klaasen. "We're going to do a four-person best ball or Texas Scramble as it's generally called. There will be eight people in a group, with two groups of four. Whoever wants to come out and play can play for the great day that we're hoping for. Dean North from the golf course has been a big help setting everything up for us."

The tournament will begin at 11 a.m. with a shotgun start. It's \$120 per player (\$80 for Carman Golf Course members) with a power cart and supper included.

Klaasen is hoping to get 80-100 golfers signed up for the tournament.

"With the sign up cost, everyone will also get two meals (supper and an on-course snack throughout the round). And then, everyone is entered to win some prizes as well," said Klaasen. "Hopefully, it will be good for our first year as this is the first time we're doing a golf tournament, and we just hope everything will go smoothly."

To enter the Carman Beavers Golf Tournament, please contact Klaasen at 204-751-0043 or Dean North at 204-745-2366. The sign up deadline is one week prior to the tournament on July 14.

The Carman Beavers are also trying to find hole sponsorship too. Hole sponsorship is \$400 or \$700 with a golf four-some included. If your business is interested in sponsoring a hole, please call Dennis Young at 204-745-8811.

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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- Dull and flat
- Baking measurement (abbr.)
- Education-based groups
- Not behind
- Runners run them
- Japanese ankle sock
- Grave
- Japanese industrial city
- People of southern Ghana
- Particular designs
- Device fitted to something
- Infections
- Pirates' preferred alcohol
- Expression of sympathy
- Rock guitarist's tool
- Neither
- Ancient city of Egypt
- You ___ what you sow
- Ruined
- Narrations
- Body art (slang)
- Fencing sword
- Apartment buildings
- Type of missile
- Fathers
- Extremely high frequency
- Type of school
- Incorrect letters
- Two-year-old sheep
- Nasty manner
- One who accepts a bet
- Indian prince
- Asian country
- Rhythmic patterns in Indian music
- "Uncle Buck" actress Hoffmann
- Detailed criteria
- Son of Shem
- Talked wildly
- Discount
- Not good
- Growing out

CLUES DOWN

- Actor Damon
- A call used to greet someone
- Part-time employee

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- Emaciation
- "Westworld" actor Harris
- Gains possession of
- Relaxing spaces
- 23rd star in a constellation
- Northern grouse
- Monetary unit of Bangladesh
- Manila hemp
- Unites muscle to bone
- Makes deep cuts in
- 18-year period between eclipses
- Member of a people inhabiting southern Benin
- Synthetic rubbers
- Unwelcome rodent
- Expression of creative skill
- Some is red
- Seems less in impressive
- Harry Kane's team
- Gland secretion
- Action of feeling sorrow
- Disallow
- Deceptive movement
- More dried-up
- Crimson
- Actress Ryan
- Adherents of a main branch of Islam
- Accomplished American president
- Side of a landform facing an advancing glacier
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OBITUARY



Elsie Lorraine MacNair Coates
March 21, 1937 - April 11, 2023

It is with peace and sadness that the family announces the passing of our loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Elsie was the 4th born child to Neil and May MacNair and grew up on the family farm south east of Graysville. After graduation she completed Home Economics from Brandon Agriculture College. In 1955 she married Walter Coates and they farmed south of Graysville and

raised three children.

In 1998 she married Murray Coates and they lived in Carman. Then in 2020 she moved to the Boyne Lodge when dementia didn't allow her to stay in her own home any longer.

Elsie hosted every holiday meal until it became too much for her, then the next generation took it on and she got to enjoy the grandchildren.

She was very proud of the skill of bread making she learned in Brandon and baked bread every week until she retired to Meadowood and decided she could buy her bread now! She served on countless committees and volunteered wherever help was needed. She loved to garden and reap and share the harvest. You never found a weed in her garden!

She enjoyed her curling, golfing, shuffling and all the socializing that came with it. Arizona was her winter home for many years where she enjoyed many activities and no snow! Church was very important to her and she took pride in being part of the UCW in Graysville and then in Carman.

Survived by sons Bill (Corrine) and Bob (Caroline); grandchildren Mark (Sarah) Coates, Jacquie (Eric) Griffin, Curtis (Jen) Faux, Jaymeson Coates, Amy Coates, Cody Faux, Eric Coates and Devin Coates; great-grandchildren Ella, Tyler, Scarlett, Lochlan, Kip and Sienna. Siblings Roberta Dyck and Neil and Linda MacNair and sister-in-law Shirley Harrison.

Predeceased by daughter and son-in-law Beth and Ray Faux, Walter Coates, Murray Coates; siblings Jim and Mae MacNair, Isabelle and Gordon Rutter, May and Keith Braden; in-laws Dave Dyck, Luella and Don Kennedy, Olive and Jim Jenkins and Wes Harrison.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to the Boyne Lodge staff who cared for Mom and to all that took the time to brighten her day with a visit.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to the Carman Health Auxiliary, Box 2268, Carman, MB. R0G 0J0.

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AGENDA ITEMS:

- Annual report of the Board & Management to the membership
- Presentation of the audited financial statements
- Appointment of auditors
- Election of Directors
- Bylaw Amendment: Bylaw Change Proposal- 3.19: Remuneration

CURRENT BYLAW STATES:

3.19 Remuneration:

A Director shall be paid at a rate of equal to 1/2 of the rate paid to Federated Co-operatives Limited delegates as determined at their annual meetings. The Directors shall also be entitled to be reimbursed for travelling and other expenses properly incurred by them in attending meetings of the Board or any committee thereof.

PROPOSED BYLAW:

3.19 Remuneration:

Homestead Co-op Board of Directors remuneration will be set at 50% of the Federated Co-operatives Limited Director per diem rate. Homestead Co-op Directors will also be entitled to reimbursement for any travel and/or other expenses properly incurred to them in attending meetings and/or events.



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OBITUARY



Don Thomas Pfrimmer

August 21, 1936 – April 23, 2023

With cherished memories, we announce the passing of Don Pfrimmer at the age of 86.

Don was born in Winnipeg and raised on a farm near Myrtle, MB., son of William and Agnes Pfrimmer. He married Nancy (Nisbet) in 1959, and together they farmed while raising their five children: Michael, Karen, Heather, Paul and Cindy.

Don was predeceased by his parents, William and Agnes Pfrimmer, infant daughter Karen and in-laws Jim and Annie Nisbet.

Surviving Don are his wife Nancy; son Michael (Theresa) and family Brianne (Sanjay), Kylie (Jeff), Kellie (Regan), Aaron and Josh; his daughter Heather Halstead (Ron) and family Mitchell (Robyn), Luke (Jaimi) and Dane (Taylor); son Paul (Deb) and family Bryce (Alannah), Amanda (Mark), Evan (Jaydee Lynn); daughter Cindy

Terwin (Leigh) and son Hunter. Don was great-grandfather to Kai and Kala, Tanner and Chay, Max and Asher, and Colter. He had a way of making each grandchild feel like his favorite. He was very proud of each of you. Also surviving Don are sisters-in-law Jessie Heaman, Shirley Stow and their families.

As a child with no siblings, Don's friends were his beloved dogs, Ted and Dickey. A harness and cart, made by Don's dad allowed Don to ride Ted like a horse and get pulled in the cart. Don started driving early and he was known far and wide for his heavy foot. Not sure that really changed much.

Don was his own man - loyal, loving, generous, honest and had strong moral principals. He was a man of faith. He made a wide circle of friends through his community involvement - he taught Sunday School, lead Cubs and Scouts, held all offices in the church, was a member of The Midland School Division Board for eight years, devoted 30 years as a councillor for the RM of Roland, and of special interest was his time spent serving on the Manitoba Land Value Appraisal Commission. He was also excited to help organize the Myrtle School Reunion in 2011.

In 1975 Don took his pilots licence and soon after joined the Manitoba Flying Farmers. Many trips with family and friends were made both in Canada and the United States, and he later did some aerial spraying, in 1984-85.

Don was known by many as "Mr. Fix It". He took pride in being able to fix, weld and repair almost anything. He was a farmer through and through, being actively involved as combine operator until the age of 85. His interest in the farm stayed strong and he'd be on the phone with questions as to what was happening day to day each season. He was known for his great story telling and was never short of a joke, some of you will remember a favourite.

We appreciated Don's vibrant and laughter filled attitude towards life. He showed so much strength during the last several years. Regardless, one of his final quotes was "Every Day is a Good Day!"

Don, you picked a Good Day to Fly!

The family really appreciated the wonderful care that Don received at Boundary Trails Hospital and the Manitou Personal Care Home.

If friends so desire, in lieu of flowers, donations may be forwarded to: Roland United Church, Box 179, Roland, MB. R0G 1T0 or Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation, Box 2000 Station Main, Winkler, MB. R6W 1H8.

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OBITUARY



Alex Emro
June 13, 1930 – December 6, 2022

Isaiah 6:8-10

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

It is with heavy hearts that his family announces the passing of Alexander Emro on December 6, 2022, peacefully in his sleep at the age of 92.

Alex was born to Michael and Mary Emro (Hungarian immigrants) in Hansworth, near Kipling, Saskatchewan. Alex worked with the Canadian National Railway, moving with his family throughout Southern Manitoba, eventually settling in Carman. Retiring from the railway, he would be recognizable to many community members for his work as a caretaker of Carman United Church and McKenzie, Mooney and Brown - whistling as he worked.

He will be missed by his wife Myrtle, of 63 years; his children Angela (Keith) McCullough, Jo-Ann (Murray) Wood, Beverly (Gordon) Twiss, and Bradley (Tina) Emro; his grandchildren Dale McCullough, Harley (Stephanie) McCullough, Jill (Haeden) Lorenz, Raven (Jerrod) Willoughby, Robin (Jeremy) Norquay, Jenna (Allan) Whiten, Terance (Jennifer) Twiss, Brandy (Harley) Swain, Zackary (Haley) Twiss, Wade Twiss, Hailey Twiss, Kaitlin Emro (Cliff), Desiree Marschall (Sean), and Dakota Emro (Aaron); his great-grandchildren Macy and Brooks McCullough, Scarlett Lorenz, Harrison and Owen Norquay, Savannah Whiten, Wyatt and Cole Swain, Nixon and Briar Twiss, Logan Twiss, Zander and Neo Courchane, Rosemary and Roland Herbster; and his extended family of nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his son, Scott Emro; his granddaughter, Brigitte Twiss; his son-in-law, Murray Wood; his siblings, and his parents.

Our heartfelt thank you to everyone at Gladstone Health Center for providing care and organizing activities that enriched Alex's life in his last year.

In lieu of flowers, charitable donations may be made to Gladstone Health Centre, Box 1000, 24 Mill Street, Gladstone, Manitoba, R0J 0T0 or Carman United Church.

The family wishes to thank Carman United Church and Doyle's Funeral Home for their kind assistance during this time.

A service will be held May 13th at 2:00 p.m. in Carman United Church.

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OBITUARY



Wayne Cameron

July 28, 1937 - April 16, 2023

The family of John "Wayne" Cameron is deeply saddened to announce his passing at the age of 85 in the University of Alberta Hospital, surrounded by his family.

Wayne will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 61 years Marleen; daughter Kim Nayowski (Terry); son John Cameron; granddaughters Kristen Cameron and Georgia Nayowski; brothers Gordon Cameron (Darlene) and James Cameron (Donna); numerous nieces and nephews; many business associates and dear friends.

Wayne was born to William and Margaret Cameron in Morden, Manitoba and lived on the family farm in Roland, Manitoba until 1957 when he moved to Calgary, Alberta to begin a career in construction. It was in Calgary that Wayne met Marleen and they

were married in 1962.

In 1968, Wayne and his family moved to Edmonton, Alberta to open a branch office for Keller Construction Ltd. - a company that he purchased from Ernie Keller. His dedication to making a success of Keller Construction Ltd was unparalleled but his family was what he considered most important. Wayne loved his family dearly and taught them patience, understanding and kindness.

Wayne believed in "giving back" which was exemplified by his involvement with the construction industry and Edmonton South Rotary Club. He held the positions of: Past President of the Edmonton Construction Association; Past President of the Alberta Construction Association; Past Chairman and co-founder of the Alberta Construction Safety Association; Past Chairman of the Advisory Council to the Minister of Human Resources, Alberta Government; Past Board Member of the Canadian Construction Association; and a Paul Harris Rotarian.

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