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Heaviest pumpkin champion Jason Terwin took home his third straight title at the Roland Pumpkin Fair weigh-off with his pumpkin tipping the scales at 1,539 pounds.

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# Homestead Co-op donates \$3200 to Carman Community Pathway

Co-op members and customers recently pumped up the community

Submitted by Shannon Vaughan

Thanks to your support on Sept. 19, Homestead Co-op has donated \$3,200 each to Carman's Community Pathway, wheelchair accessible playground equipment for the city of Portage la Prairie, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Plains, for a total of \$9,600 as part of Fuel Good Day. During that day, 10 cents from every litre of gasoline and diesel that was purchased at Homestead Co-op Gas Bars were donated to these groups.

"As we come together to celebrate Fuel Good Day, we recognize the power of collective giving. Each litre of fuel purchased that day is a step towards a brighter future for those who rely on the vital services provided by these charities," said Trent Schidlowsky, General Manager of Homestead Co-op. "We are proud to support these incredible charities that bring hope and change to those in need and enhance life in our communities. Thank you to our members, customers and the charitable groups involved for the support you've

shown during Fuel Good Day. It's amazing what we can accomplish when we all work together."

The Carman Community Pathway Organization is a volunteer committee that works closely with the Town of Carman and the RM of Dufferin to provide a community trail for recreation, today and tomorrow with minimal impact on nearby ecosystems for generations. They ensure the pathway is safe, accessible, and well-maintained trail for all users. The pathway expands approximately nine km throughout the community. The proceeds from Fuel Good Day will be used for enough benches/seats to go along the pathway to accommodate all users and their abilities.

Homestead Co-op is a retail co-operative that has proudly served Southern Manitoba for 95 years. Today, Homestead Co-op serves more than 25,000 members — and many more customers — in Austin, Carman, La Salle, MacGregor, Oakville, Portage la Prairie & Treherne. Last year, Homestead Co-op returned over \$5.8 million to its members in cash back and equity, while contributing almost \$100,000 to community organizations and initiatives.



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Judy Duthie accepted a \$3,200 cheque on behalf of the Carman Community Pathway from Homestead Coop (Carman) gas bar manager Cole Redmond.



The Carman Community Pathway will use the funds to purchase benches/seats to go along the pathway to accommodate all users and their abilities.



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# Roland Pumpkin Fair, a smashing success

By Ty Dilello

Carman's pumpkin, dubbed heaviest in Roland at the annual weigh-in, topped the scale at a whopping 1,539 pounds — roughly the weight of a full-grown bull moose.

The weigh-off started at 10:30 a.m. with 27 giant pumpkin entries. And the defending champion Jason Terwin of Carman took home his third straight title with his winning gargantuan jack-o'-lantern gourd.

Terwin is happy to share his growing tips and notes that for anyone looking to grow gigantic pumpkins, get a soil test and prepare your soil as best you can.

"Get some good genetics seeds, fertilize and water," said Jason Terwin. "Get tips from other growers and ask questions. There's usually a Growers Seminar and Patch Tour in the spring and summer. But it comes down to spending a lot of time in the garden and a lot of luck."

From a seed the size of a dime, Terwin starts them in the house around April 20 and has them in their little garden shelters by the first week of May.

"It's a great hobby to be outside in the garden," said Terwin. "You never know what shows up at the Roland Pumpkin Fair. I was hoping for the Manitoba record set by Cornie Banman at 1,660.5 lbs in 2019. But the Banman's always have some good ones. And I knew Charlie Bernstrom had a near 2,000 pounder coming in."

However, Bernstrom had some unfortunate news: he found a crack under his pumpkin when he lifted it up on Friday before the fair, making it

not eligible to win.

"So no, I didn't expect to win heaviest pumpkin for the third consecutive year. It was a great surprise. Now I have to start for next year preparation."

"Following the Harvest Supper, the Pumpkin Drop was a huge smash," said organizer Derek Baschuk. "This was the second year of the drop and was a crowd favourite both last year and this year. And this year, a splash was added as it was dropped into a large pool of water."

A big thank you goes out to all of the volunteers who helped make the Roland Pumpkin Fair a success.

"It was a great day," said organizer Lisa Pinkerton. "We were glad the rain finally stopped. The fairgrounds were pretty muddy but at least we had good weather. We held our second annual giant pumpkin drop to end the day, and we dropped one of the giants that were weighed in the morning into a swimming pool this year."

## TOP GROWERS OF THE FAIR:

### Pumpkin

First \$1,500 - Jason Terwin - Carman - 1,539 pounds

Second \$1,000 - Cornie Banman - RM of Stanley - 1,496.5

Third \$500 - Marlene Terwin - Carman - 1,299

Fourth \$200 - Art Cameron - Roland - 1,178

Fifth \$100 - Emilio Lassnig, RM of Stanley - 1,156.5

Sixth - \$100 - Zac Anseeuw - Oak Bluff - 1,114

Seventh - \$100 - Helen Banan - RM



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Three's Country provided music on the main stage at the Roland Pumpkin Fair. The group played a unique blend of country and bluegrass favourites.

of Stanley - 1,107.5

Eighth - \$100 - Julianne Zoppa, Oak Bluff - 1,094

Ninth - \$100 - Henry Banman - Schanzenfeld - 1,061.5

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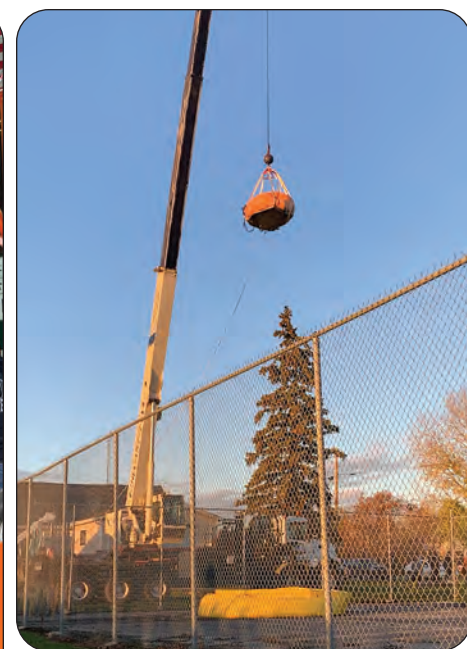


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Each pumpkin is placed on the scale for the weigh-in.



For a second straight year, organizers hoisted a gigantic pumpkin into the air for onlookers to see it come smashing down.

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# October kicks off with chocolate moustaches for cancer campaign

By Becca Myskiw

What started as a way to support a friend has turned into a multi-thousand-dollar fundraiser.

Mary Reimer, principal at Carman Collegiate, is making chocolate moustaches for the third year for Boundary Trails Health Centre's cancer supports. She started the fundraiser two years ago when a friend and colleague was diagnosed with cancer. After buying the moustache moulds and melting chocolate and making more than 3,000 chocolates, Reimer generated over \$1,500 for CancerCare Manitoba.

Then, on Aug. 30, 2022, Reimer herself was diagnosed with breast cancer. While undergoing chemotherapy in October (breast cancer awareness month), she started making the moustaches again for the same cause.

"These little moustaches are what kept me sane," she said. "They have me a purpose. They're going to save lives and they kind of saved mine."

After selling the chocolate moustaches for just six weeks the second time, Reimer donated \$8,300 to Boundary Trails Health Centre for cancer care.

"I have never felt more supported by the community than during my cancer journey," she said.

This year, she's back at it, and after just a couple weeks, she's almost surpassed what was raised last year. Reimer is selling chocolate moustaches for \$2/each in flavours of milk chocolate, dark chocolate, white chocolate, Skor, cookies and cream, candy cane, Reese's Pieces, and birthday cake.

This year, a local business is selling Reimer the supplies to her at cost. OMG's Candy has also donated 500 lb of chocolate for her to make the candies from. With the supplies, she



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Carman Collegiate staff supporting the Boundary Trails Health Centre moustache fundraiser for cancer support.

and a number of students at Carman Collegiate get together in the school's kitchen and melt the chocolate, pour it into the moulds, then let it set. Reimer said she has three long pages full of the names of students wanting to help. Their goal this year is to raise \$12,500.

Reimer started on Oct. 1 by posting a Facebook post about the fundraiser. She started getting orders that day and, since then, has received three orders for 500 moustaches and one order for 450, on top of countless smaller orders. By Oct. 10, she had already raised \$6,000.

"For a disease that is so deplorable, it really brings out the best in people and in our community," said Reimer. "Cancer destroys the body, but it will never take the goodness of humanity."

She plans to sell the chocolate moustaches this year until the end of November. With Christmas right around the corner, the candy cane flavoured ones are a big hit and Reimer said they freeze really well, making them the perfect stocking stuffer.

Though the feat is a big one, Reimer said she's happy to be so exhausted.

"If my efforts can save one woman

from hearing those words I heard one year ago, it's worth it," she said.

It's projected one in two men and one in three women will receive a cancer diagnosis in their lifetime. Cancer is the second-leading cause of death in the world, with 10 million people dying from it each year. According to World Cancer Day, 30 per cent of cancer-related deaths could be prevented through screening and early detection.

To order your chocolate moustaches from Reimer and her students, people can message her on Facebook or call the school at (204) 745-2001.

## Boyne Regional Library accepting application for Youth Makers Market

By Becca Myskiw

Calling all youth makers: Boyne Regional Library is accepting applications for the second annual Youth Makers Market.

After a successful first market last year, the library is hosting one again on Dec. 2 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Library clerk Stacy O'Connor said there are lots of markets in the area around Christmas time, but none exclusively for young people. So, the Boyne Regional Library is offering up their space once again for the local youth with goods to sell.

"Youth don't always have a place to market wares," she said. "So, we

wanted to give them a space to do that."

It doesn't cost anything to be a vendor at the Youth Makers Market — registration is completely free. There are a limited number of spaces available, though, so O'Connor encourages makers to sign up quickly. The only criteria is vendors be 18 or under and sell their own goods. They'll be accepting applications until Oct. 25.

O'Connor said if they receive more applications than they have space for, they'll select makers through a random draw.

Last year, the market saw youth vendors of all kinds. There were 13

vendors at 11 tables selling crocheted items, paintings, custom t-shirts, Christmas ornaments, reconditioned golf balls, soy candles, metal bookmarks, scrunchies, key fobs, home décor, handmade earrings, and more.

"It was a huge variety of things to shop for," said O'Connor.

They saw 185 people come through the doors to shop last year and are hoping to meet or exceed that this year. To encourage more shoppers, Community Futures Heartland has sponsored four prizes of \$50 Carman cash bucks. Every time someone makes a purchase at it, their name will be put in the draw to win.

New at the market this year is the opportunity for youth buskers. Musicians under 18 can apply for a 30-minute spot at the market. If using a keyboard, the library is donating theirs for the youth to use. Other instruments are welcome but will have to be provided by the musician themselves.

To apply as a vendor or busker at this year's Youth Makers Market, go to <https://sites.google.com/site/boyneregionallibrary/> and click "Youth Makers Market" under the "Library Programs" dropdown or pick up an application at the library.



# The Carman Gun and Hobby Show will be returning for their 33rd year

By Ty Dilello

The 33rd annual Carman Gun and Hobby Show is just around the corner, and this year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever.

The Carman Gun and Hobby Show will be returning on Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carman Community Hall (60 1st St NW). Admission is \$7 for the day with children 12 and under free.

Bruce Reid, the organizer of the show, has been hard at work securing an impressive lineup of vendors who will be showcasing a wide variety of items. With several new vendors on board, attendees can expect a fresh look and plenty of exciting finds.

One thing that hasn't changed is the venue itself - the Carman Community Hall will once again play host to this fantastic event. With 80 tables chock-full of cool stuff, there's no doubt that visitors will be in for a treat.

"There will be guns, ammunition, hunting supplies, knife makers and reloading stuff. As always, there will be a large selection of new and used guns, and all of the accessories to go with them for sale."

Whether you're looking for a brand-new firearm or interested in adding some unique pieces to your collection

of used guns, you'll find it all at the Carman Gun and Hobby Show. The knowledgeable owners behind each table are always eager to share their expertise with visitors. It's not every day that you have access to such first-hand knowledge about firearms' history and intricacies.

In addition to being a hub for gun enthusiasts, the Gun Show also has a charitable side. Each year they raffle off an item with 100% of the proceeds going towards supporting different charities. There will also be several other door prizes to give everyone a chance to win something.

With its reputation as one of Manitoba's premier gun shows steadily growing over three decades now, the Carman Gun and Hobby Show attracts attendees from far beyond its borders. This year there will be vendors coming all over from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Ontario.

"It's one of the only locations you can go and see so many at one point. The owners know all the info and history about the guns, so you're getting all that knowledge firsthand. The atmosphere is great, and everyone seems to have a common idea as it's the same kind of hobby," said Reid.

So mark your calendars for Oct. 28



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The Carman Gun and Hobby Show will be returning for their 32nd year on April 22 (Saturday) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Carman Hall (60 1st St NW). Admission is \$5 for the day.

because this is an event you won't want to miss. Make sure to bring along your appetite too because Crazy Lady's Cafeteria will be serving up delicious food throughout the day including their famous Schnitzel Burger.

Reid said everyone is welcome to

take in the day to browse, shop, trade or sell. Several door prizes will be given away throughout the day as we hope to see everyone out at the Carman Gun Show.

For more information, contact Bruce Reid at [carmangunshow@gmail.com](mailto:carmangunshow@gmail.com).

## Ag Society raffle winner



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Dufferin Agricultural Society President Bernie Townsend presents Daphne Martens with a cheque representing her winnings for the Monster 50/50 Raffle. The draw took place at the Carman Legion on Sept. 30. The remainder of the funds will be donated to the Student Endowment Program and facility upgrades.



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## Winter forecast revealed – bundle up and grab your shovel!

By Jennifer McFee

The weather has been beautiful for the last few weeks, but get ready for plenty of snow and cold coming soon.

The 2024 Old Farmer's Almanac Canadian Edition predicts this winter in the prairies will be colder and snowier than usual.

Managing editor Jack Burnett expects Manitoba's winter will be chilly with more precipitation than normal, particularly in the form of snow.

"We're looking for an old fashioned heavy-duty Manitoban winter. When I look at the weather map for Canada, I don't think I've ever seen one that has more white in it," he said.

"By Vancouver and over in Newfoundland and Labrador, there are some exceptions, but the rest of Canada looks to be white and snowy, a little bit milder. Manitoba is going to be right in the heart of it."

The coldest of the cold will show up in three stretches, he said.

"The first one is the middle eight to 10 days of November. The second one is the last week of December into the first week of January. The third one is the last week of January up through the middle of February. That's right around Valentine's Day, so people are going to need to use their warm and loving hearts to warm up because it's going to be bitter cold," Burnett said.

"You might say, 'Of course, it's winter in Manitoba and Stonewall and Teulon and that's the way it's going to be' — but not necessarily. We get our indications and usually we're fairly close."

What's interesting is that the cold is front-loaded, he added.

"There are going to be times when it's cold in March and it's going to go into April too. But after the middle of February, we don't see any big-time cold sieges," Burnett said.

"As far as snow goes, it's interspersed. We see three hardcore bouts of heavy snow. The first one we see arriving around Nov. 8 to 12, pretty early. The second one will be the first week of February and the third one will be the last week of March."

And we'll need to brace ourselves for the first 10 days of February because that's when the extreme cold will overlap with heavy snow.

"The first 10 days of February look to be the real heart of the heavy winter," he said.

"Once folks get through that, there's going to be cold spells and snow, but that's the real heavy-duty time."

Manitobans can also expect snow storms around Nov. 8 and April 5.

"It will be hardcore, but by the same token, we want to get some moisture into the ground. The more moisture we can get into the ground, the better it is for fighting fires. And because we've had drought conditions in many places, a lot of growers have been using ground water for irrigation," he said.

"In many places, the aquifers and lakes have been down, so we need this winter moisture to replenish those as best we can throughout the prairies. Anything will help. I think that there's a silver lining — or, we might say, a white lining — to that cloud."

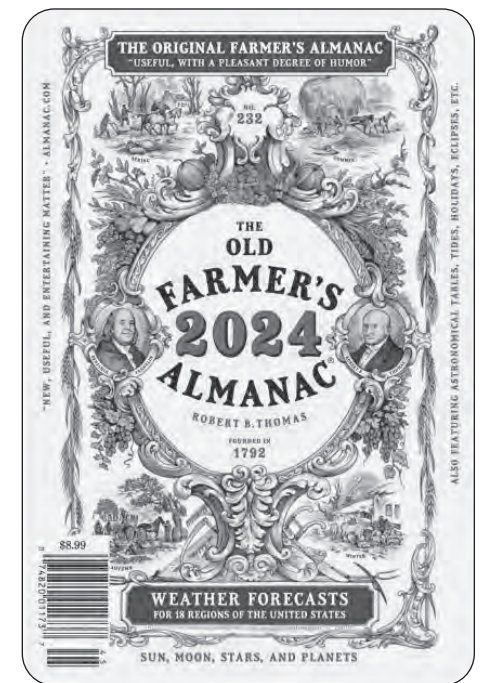
Spring will likely be a bit cooler and slightly wetter than usual, Burnett noted.

"I think it's going to be a good year for oat growers. And I think that summer is going to be ever so slightly warmer and drier but hopefully not drought conditions. Growers and home gardeners of every stripe should have a good spring to get things going," he said.

"Then, all of a sudden, summer will come, the soil will warm up, things will start popping and the crops will start pushing. Once you make it through the winter, it's not going to be clear sailing but it's going to be smoother seas."

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the almanac touches on many other interesting topics.

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# Flashback...Knudson Furniture Manufacturing

By Dennis Young

In 1961 the Carman Industrial Development Corporation, with chairman Roy Skelton, held a meeting at The Shamrock (The Breakaway) to discuss the location of a new furniture factory coming to town. The plant would employ up to eight people, with the potential to grow to a staff of up to 40 within a year. It was rightfully seen as a tremendous lift to Carman's suffering industry sector at the time.

The corporation promised to supply the building for the factory on agreement of sale, plus a payment of \$15,000 needed to get it in operation.

Those at the meeting were assured there was ample security for the investment, and shares were being offered for \$25.

The plant manager, Alf Knudson of Gretna, moved to town and had most of the equipment and stock necessary required.

After a slow start in share sales, Mayor Frank Harris publicly encouraged citizens to buy in.

"If the general public wish to establish industry, they should share in the responsibility and financing too," he said, before announcing a drive for funds.

Property was purchased from Mel Park on the west side of Highway 13 North, and construction of a cement

block building (Blayd Corp.) began while shares were still behind. The finished product cost slightly over \$2 per square foot, including land using local men at cost, or \$10,000. A far cry from previous development corps in neighboring towns, but still from local pockets.

Walter Rieve of Morden was hired as plant foreman but with sales in shares all but stopped, production was on hold until financial assistance from the Manitoba Industrial Development Board could be secured. Directors from that board had to approve the building and business plan.

Knudson's explained he envisioned the factory of being capable of producing all forms of product made from wood.

Overall, nothing extraordinary had been ordered, other than slats for binder canvas, but he did have requests for custom kitchen cupboards, coffee tables, bedroom suites and more. Plus, he added an upholstery division with Stan Birdsell, formerly of Manitou, in charge.

When only \$6200 worth of shares were raised, a mortgage was given on the building to raise an additional \$8500, which was obtained from 12 shareholders. Despite the funding, provincial board approval and



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Mayor Frank Harris lays a cornerstone for the new building being built for Knudson Furniture Manufacturing. Watching are (from left) Councillor Alex King, Carman Development Corporation VP Sven Jensen, president Roy Skelton, Harris and Mel Borland Secretary.

months of production, financial difficulties put the factory out of business in 1963.

Two years later the corporation sold the building to general contractors George Trottier & Company of Winnipeg for \$8000, a substantial loss to share and mortgage holders since the cost had risen to \$14,000.

To facilitate the sale and to re-establish an industry in Carman, mortgage holders agreed to accept \$4000 in cash with shares in the company to the value of \$4000 in full settlement of their mortgage.

The old saying "build it and they will come" did not work for Carman in this case.

## SAFE Work Manitoba launches youth safety contest

Submitted by WCB

SAFE Work Manitoba has launched its 2024 Norm the Safety Contest. High school students across the province are invited to submit their projects for a chance to win one of three cash prizes. First place winners will also be submitted to the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety's national safety youth video contest.

This year, for the first time, there will be six student and six school prizes; three for each of the two submission categories. Students may submit a video or a poster to the 2024 Norm the Safety Contest.

"Safety is a shared responsibility, and we should encourage students to lead by example. Norm the Safety Contest is the perfect opportunity for students to tap into their creativity and create a project that inspires their peers to embrace a culture of workplace safety," said Dave Kramer, Vice President, SAFE Work Manitoba. "Young workers need to be aware of hazards they may encounter on the job and how to



handle these situations. This project gives youth a chance to be leaders in workplace safety and make a difference in our province."

This year's theme is "hand and finger injuries." Submissions should help raise awareness among young workers about the importance of preventing hand and finger injuries.

The following prize amounts will be awarded to the student (or group of students) and \$1,000 will be given to each of the winners' schools.

- First place: \$2,500 for video; \$2,500 for poster
- Second place: \$1,500 for video; \$1,500 for poster
- Third place: \$1,000 for video; \$1,000 for poster

The submission deadline is Friday,



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SAFE Work Manitoba is hosting a national safety youth video contest with a Feb. 2, 2024 deadline.

Feb. 2, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. CST. For more information about Norm the Safety Contest and to view previous years' winning entries, visit our resources page.

SAFE Work Manitoba, a division of the WCB, is dedicated to preventing

workplace injury and illness. Working with our partners in the safety community, we provide prevention education, safety programming, consulting and strategic direction to create a genuine culture of safety for all Manitobans.



# Singin' in the Grain concert comes to Winkler Oct. 29

By Lorne Stelmach

Fans of choral music will again have the chance to enjoy the music they love and support a worthy cause at the same time.

Singin' in the Grain returns as a major fundraiser in support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank with two in-person concerts starting Saturday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Douglas Mennonite Church in Winnipeg and then Sunday, Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler.

This year's show features the Steinbach Regional Secondary School choir with Kristel Peters conducting and the Westgate Mennonite Collegiate choir with Vic Pankratz conducting.

The 12th year for the concerts is also celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, so committee chairperson Pearl Braun Dyck noted that makes this one a little extra special.

"All of the money has always gone directly to CFGB because of all of the fabulous sponsorships that we have," she said, noting the exact country that will benefit this year was not determined yet, but it will be wherever it is felt to be the most needed.

"And the musicians give all their

time ... so that's something that we just don't take for granted," she noted. "Something we will do this year is that there will be a little bit more of a congregational part with the singing."

Since the concerts started in 2011, they have raised almost a quarter million dollars, with the federal government then matching that amount for CFGB up to four to one. Last year, including online donations, the shows raised \$36,000.

"People have been very, very generous with their giving," Braun said, suggesting there is a higher level of awareness now around the area of food security. All funds raised will go towards CFGB projects addressing food insecurity around the world.

"People who are not able to attend the concerts but would like to make a donation can go to the Canadian Foodgrains website [foodgrains-bank.ca] and there will be a page for our concerts where they are able to make a donation," Braun noted.

"Everybody needs to be involved in eradicating hunger in this world ... the need for food is just so great again ... that need for food has just exploded again, and we hear people to say that we want to help, we have a lot and we can share."



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The Steinbach Regional Secondary School Choir (above) and the Westgate Mennonite Collegiate choir (right) perform in Winkler Oct. 29 in support of CFGB.

# Diversitas hosts 25th guest speaker Oct. 24

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The local Diversitas speaker series hosts its 25th event later this month in Morden.

When the series first got its start back in 2015, the goal was to educate people and foster discussion about the diversity of the human experience, says organizer Peter Cantelon.

"The intent originally was just to that one time bring someone down to talk about an issue that I felt was being kind of distorted or misunderstood in our region," he says of the very first speaker, Dr. Idris Elbakri, then president of the Manitoba Islamic Association. Elbakri's presentation, by happenstance, took place a week after the November 2015 Paris attacks in which Islamic extremists killed 130 people and injured 416 more.

The talk drew nearly 200 people—still Diversitas' largest group—and Elbakri deftly fielded questions about his faith and some of the misconceptions that surround it.

Though originally a one-off event, the community response was such that Diversitas became a full-fledged series, welcoming guest speakers from outside the Morden-Winkler area (to better provide a perspective beyond the local echo chamber, Cantelon explains) every several months.

"It just continued from there because there kept being more things that would crop up," says Cantelon.

In the years since, the series has welcomed speakers on topics that include a variety of world religions and life philosophies, Indigenous issues, 2SLGBTQ+ topics, and the immigrant/refugee experience.

"The goal is to combat ignorance on subjects, particularly subjects that are related to human diversity," Cantelon says, noting the best Diversitas events have been those revolving around topic suggestions that came from the community itself.

He expects the upcoming session will be one of these, as it was put forth

as a timely topic in light of some of the protests and rhetoric making the rounds over the past year.

On Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at the 500 Stephen Community Centre in Morden, Diversitas welcomes guest speakers from Winnipeg's Sunshine House for a discussion entitled "What is Drag? Why is Drag?"

Drag is a form of entertainment where people, most often men, dress in women's clothing and makeup and give a stylized performance featuring exaggerated gender characteristics.

There's a lot of confusion out there about what drag is and what it is not, Cantelon says, so it seemed a ripe topic for Diversitas to tackle.

"I was thankful that we're able to have a couple of speakers from Sunshine House and Winnipeg willing to come down, because this is their area of expertise ... they serve the [2SLGBTQ+] community and some of them participate in drag."

There will be a time after the presen-

tation for questions.

Everyone is welcome, though Cantelon hopes attendees, whatever they may feel about drag, will be respectful of the event and the speakers.

"My goal is just to provide a source of information that is intimately connected with the [drag] community and the phenomena and have them answer questions as openly and as honestly as they can.

"If we get some people in the room who hold opposing perspectives, I hope they'd at least be willing to stay, ask questions, and continue to communicate afterwards so they know that, while they may not agree with the speakers and the community they represent, they're not monsters—they just hold opposing positions.

"That's really my goal for every Diversitas event."

You can learn more online at [diversitasca.wordpress.com](http://diversitasca.wordpress.com).



# Miami Fall Social will go country on Oct. 21

By Ty Dilello

The Miami Fall Social (commemorating the Miami Fun and Fiddle Festival) will be held on Oct. 21 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Miami Community Hall.

And this year, country artist Quinton Blair is providing the entertainment. Blair is a Manitoba-based artist heavily influenced by country music's storytelling and songwriting traditions.

He is a four-time Manitoba Country Music Association Roots Artist of the Year and a two-time MCMA Male Artist of the Year. He also garnered himself Songwriter of the Year for the song 20 Dollar Bottle, a collaboration written with Jason Blaine.

"The country music family is so fantastic in this country, and it's an honour to have your peers recognize all the hard work and energy that goes into every song and every show," said Quinton Blair.

Blair has released five singles to Canadian radio, granting him national

exposure to many markets across Canada, with a loyal Prairie following. His mainstream crossover appeal and his ability to execute an engaging live performance have presented Blair with many opportunities to share the stage with the likes of Corb Lund, Charlie Major, Terri Clark, High Valley and many more, along with playing main stage festivals, and headline shows across the Prairies.

From tear-jerkers to boot scooters, Blair has an incredible handle on the country music songbook and an uncanny ability to read a crowd and bring them to the dancefloor. Blair doesn't just play country music; country is in his blood.

Check out Quinton Blair at the Miami Community Hall on Oct. 21 for what is projected to be a fantastic night at the Miami Fall Social. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased in Miami or by e-transfer to miamirecandplay@gmail.com.



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The musical act Quinton Blair will be performing at the Miami Fall Social on Oct. 21, which will be held at the Miami Community Hall.

## Canterra Seeds board appoints new president and CEO

Submitted by Canterra Seeds

Canterra Seeds announces that Brent Derkatch has been named as its new President and CEO. Derkatch replaces David Hansen, who announced in April 2023 his intention to retire at the end of the calendar year.

Derkatch has been with canterra seeds since 2001, and has served as the Director, Pedigreed Seed Business Unit for the past five years. Given his well-established career at the company, Derkatch will step into his new role immediately, as Hansen transitions to an advisory role until his departure in December.

"The board did a very robust search within the seed industry and beyond, and it became clear through the process who the next leader should be," says Lloyd Affleck, chairman of the board of directors and part of the selection committee. "While Brent's 20-plus-year tenure is a unique asset, he has proven to be a business leader with a vision for the future of the company."

Derkatch has been deeply involved in the company's growth, including the company's joint venture with France-based Limagrain in the Limagrain Cereals Research Canada (LCRC) breeding program in Saska-

toon, SK. He grew up on a family farm near Russell, MB, and today volunteers his time educating the next generations through Agriculture in the Classroom -- Manitoba.

With Derkatch's appointment, Hansen is confident the company is in good hands.

"Canterra Seeds' culture has allowed for considerable growth and I'm proud to have been a part of Brent's transition to CEO," says Hansen. "He has continually impressed me with his commitment to the Canadian seed industry and his personal drive for excellence. I couldn't be happier for him."

Both Hansen and the board believe that Derkatch's operational and communication skills, and experience, combined with his strong leadership abilities, will position the company for continued financial growth in the future.

"I have been very fortunate to have spent over 20 years with a company and leadership team that has supported and encouraged my career every step of the way and am looking forward to taking on the responsibilities and opportunities as CEO," says Derkatch. "I am excited for the next chapter to begin."

## Koats for Kids puts call out for donations

By Lorne Stelmach

United Way Pembina Valley is putting out a call for donations of winter clothing for its annual Koats for Kids campaign.

The donation drive began Oct. 16 and goes until Nov. 8 before the Nov. 9 distribution day, and organizers are anticipating there will be a significant need again this year.

"Last year the demand for winter coats and winter gear went up quite dramatically in both Winkler and Morden," said United Way board member Audrey Armstrong.

"It was kind of tough in that we

actually had fewer donations that year for, I think, a variety of reasons ... other programs and such ... we ended up feeling like we turned a lot of people away, which was really unfortunate."

The United Way is looking for all kinds of winter items for both kids and adults: jackets, snow pants, toques, mittens, scarves—anything that will help families in need stay warm in the months ahead. Both new and used items in good condi-

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# Kidney transplant gives father second chance at life

By Ty Dilello (

RM of Roland Reeve Jodi Gaultier is back in office after donating a kidney to her father earlier this year at the end of August.

Paul Gaultier of St. Claude was first diagnosed with kidney disease in 2019 due to his ongoing struggle with diabetes. Paul's doctors monitored his kidney function for the next few years, and in mid-2021, they decided he was a candidate for dialysis.

In October of 2021, he started Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis at home, and every four hours, he had to "change his oil," as he called it. Paul had to drain one type of fluid from his abdomen, add in another type, and repeat the process four hours later. After three months, he was eligible for automated peritoneal dialysis, which takes place overnight and uses a machine.

While definitely keeping a person alive, these forms of dialysis do not provide a good quality of life. And over time, the process became less and less effective for Gaultier. The average person at his stage of the disease can usually last about five years on dialysis before the disease becomes fatal.

The creatinine levels in your blood measure kidney function. Normal levels fluctuate from 70 to 130, but Gaultier's levels were 660 when he checked into the hospital for his kidney transplant.

"Shortly after switching to the peritoneal dialysis, I told my dad I wanted to be tested to see if I was a match," said Jodi Gaultier. "At first, he was reluctant to let me get tested as he didn't want me to put myself at risk. After some research, we dis-



Jodi Gaultier and her father Paul Gaultier are both getting stronger every day.

covered that if I was a match and was accepted as his donor, it would only be if I was healthy enough to not only survive the surgery but that I would have a high chance of full recovery."

With that, they started the testing process and soon discovered that Jodi was a 90 per cent match for her dad. Jodi was the first in the family to get tested, and because she was such a good match and in good shape, no one else in the family got tested.

However, that was just the beginning.

"I had to undergo numerous tests of all sorts to determine if I was indeed a good candidate to donate," said Gaultier. "I finally received clearance in January of 2023."

Gaultier now had to wait for her dad to be cleared by the medical team. "He is 74 with diabetes and other health issues as well," she said.

In June, Paul was cleared by his cardiologist, nephrologist, and oncologist (from a previous cancer diagnosis). The health care team finally set the date of Aug. 31 for the surgeries.

"The day of surgery came quick for me and maybe not quick enough for him. My main concern going in



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RM of Roland Reeve Jodi Gaultier donating one of her kidneys to her father Paul Gaultier.

was for my dad, and I would say he was probably for me."

Thankfully, Paul and Jodi came through the surgery at the Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg with flying colours.

"I was able to visit my dad the next day and was thrilled to see that his colour was better than before the surgery. His/my kidney was helping him almost immediately with his creatinine levels coming down to 460 within 18 hours of the transplant."

Jodi was released from the hospital just two days after being able to walk independently, eat solid foods, and manage the pain with oral medication.

"I was definitely not in great shape for the first week, but after that, I felt better and better each day. I needed lots of rest and was surrounded by love and support from my husband, my extended family, my friends and community members."

Paul was in the hospital for ten days following the surgery. Although he wasn't in much pain, Gaultier's blood sugar levels were all out of whack due to the steroids he required to keep his new kidney working well.

Since he has been back home, he has only improved each day. His creatinine levels are now at 140, which is considered in the normal range.

Paul's wife, Elaine, has been the pri-

mary caretaker since coming home. She drives him to his many follow-up appointments and figures out all the complex medications he has to take now. Jodi's brothers Ryan and Jeremy Gaultier have been harvesting the crop as Ryan, Jeremy and Paul all help each other in farming.

"That has probably been one of the hardest things for my dad in the years leading up to the surgery; he hasn't been able to participate on the farm like he wants to. And now, once he is healed enough, he will be able to continue doing the job he loves the most."

For Jodi, she had to take off work as Reeve of the RM of Roland for several weeks after the surgery. She was forced to miss a couple of council meetings, but her fellow council members were very understanding about her limitations, and now she is back in the office at full health.

Gaultier notes that the community has been wonderful, as they've received many messages, care packages, and prayers. On top of that, the Gaultier's are very grateful to the healthcare system for making this surgery happen as quickly as possible.

"We are both so thankful for the health care system and all the medical professionals that helped to make this possible. We will be forever grateful to them."

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# Your FARM



## Automated systems boost efficiency at Halarda Farms

By Jennifer McFee

Mooove over manual milking — this Manitoba dairy farm is run by robots.

It's all in the family at Halarda Farms in Elm Creek, which has been operated by the Borst clan for nearly 40 years.

The entrepreneurial enterprise began with Hans and Dini Borst, who moved to Manitoba from Holland in 1984. They bought an existing 80-cow operation and named it Halarda Farms, incorporating the first initials of the names of themselves and their children — Hans, Anton, Lucie, Alex, Ralph, Dini and Adrienne.

The business continued to grow, and by 2008 they had acquired more than 600 milking cows.

Ten years ago, Anton Borst and his wife Cheryl officially took over the operation from his parents. The couple has nine children and nine grandchildren — with more on the way.

"When our kids are 12 years old, that's when they're officially on the chore list and on the payroll," Anton said.

"All our kids have to go off the farm for at least a year and do something else. Then they can decide if they want to come back to the farm. And if they want to have a job on the farm, that's always possible. If they want to be involved in ownership or management, it takes a totally different level of commitment."

Last year, their son Michael and daughter-in-law Janique joined as partners, representing the third generation managing the family farm.

"I like working with animals and I don't mind working hard," said Michael, a father of three wee children with a fourth expected to arrive soon. "I liked growing up working with my family — and I want that for my kids too."

The bustling business also employs 17 full-time staff members as well as some part-time workers.

About 15 years ago, when Halarda Farms' manual milking parlour needed to be replaced, they set out to explore new options — and they discovered innovations in large robot barns that ended up transforming the future of the family farm.

They decided to build a new barn equipped with Lely Astronaut A3

robotic milking systems. Over time, they continued to add more robots while also increasing the size of their herd and in 2019 upgraded the robots to Lely A5s.

Today, Halarda Farms is home to nearly 3,000 Holsteins, including 1,300 milking cows that are milked an average of 2.8 times per day at 20 robotic stations.

The cows are separated into multiple groups depending on their age and stage of life. They all wear computerized collars that monitor everything from the cow's movement to how they chew their cud.

"The infrared collars can calculate a chance that she's sick. Any cow with a 70 per cent probability of being ill will automatically be put in a separate pen. If she's in a sort pen, it will tell you the reason she's there. It also indicates when she's in heat and needs to be bred," Anton says.

"The robotic system saves a lot of work. It gives the farmer a more flexible schedule, and robotic systems collect a lot of additional data on the cows that can be used for management decisions. With a herd this size, we're trying to do management by exception."

On any given day, about 20 cows are in the separate sort pen for treatment or recuperation.

"If we have to treat them with any



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Left to right: Jaclyn, Richard, Janique, Miranda, Michael, Alayah, Annika, Cheryl and Anton.

kind of antibiotic, then there is a set milk withdrawal after the antibiotic is used. The milk is not allowed to be shipped, and we take that very seriously," Anton said.

"We have a very close relationship with Morden Vet Clinic and they're here once a week on Tuesdays. They do pregnancy checking and we'll show them any cows that we're not 100 per cent sure about."

About 150 calves are born each month, with an average of five per day. The males are sent to Alberta while the females are raised on the



Six-year-old Richard represents the fourth generation on the family farm.

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farm for two to three lactation cycles. All the females undergo genetic testing so only the best are bred for replacement.

"Dairy cows are like high-end athletes," Anton said. "They're bred to give a lot of milk, so for them to be able to perform up to their potential, we need everything for their care to be right when it comes to nutrition and comfort."

Comfort is key for maximizing milk production, which averages 41 litres daily per milking cow. Each day, Halarda Farms ships out about 50,000 litres, and all the milk is sold through the non-profit Dairy Farmers of Manitoba, which also designates the destination. Most of the milk from Halarda Farms ends up being processed in Winnipeg or St. Claude.

The climate is closely monitored in the well-ventilated barns, which have plenty of natural light. Other comfort measures include an automated bedding system that deposits freshly chopped straw. In the main pens, cows enjoy lounging on waterbeds with a foam underlay.

The animals undergo automated hoof baths four days per week, and a professional hoof-trimmer visits the farm weekly. Automated brushes provide even more creature comfort for pregnant cows.

The Borsts also hire a nutritionist to determine the right ratio of ingredients to feed their cows to maximize



After they're milked in the robotic station, cows are routed through automated gates.

milk production with the best possible components. They grow their own crops on 5,000 acres of farmland and try to keep six months of feed in reserve. Healthy food is always within reach for the cows, thanks to the Lely Juno automatic feed pushers. Houle alley scrapers keep the barns clean by continually pushing manure to a channel under the floor. Eventually, the manure is used to fertilize their fields for a full-circle cycle.

Besides dealing with bovines, the dairy business involves many administrative aspects.

"On a farm our size, there is a lot of administration and data management, so there is a lot of office work. In addition, because there is some



The automated feed pushers ensure food is in close reach for the cows.

automation and equipment, there is also a lot of maintenance and repair work that needs to be done," Anton said.

"On top of that, all these animals need to eat so we plant and grow and harvest a lot of feed for the cows during the summer and fall. Personally, I spend most of the time working in the office during the week with an occasional trip to barn. On weekends, when some of the regular staff are off, I will work in the barn and with the cows for part of the day."

For Anton, the best part about being a dairy farmer is the opportunity to be his own boss.

"We enjoy the challenge and variety of the work. It takes a wide-ranging

skill set to be an effective dairy farmer. You need to be able to understand cropping, animals, people and business," says Anton, whose favourite dairy products are cheese and ice cream.

"We also enjoy seeing the industry evolve and change as technology evolves quickly in the dairy industry."

And after a decade of robotic dairy farming, Anton doesn't miss the manual method of milking.

"I have done it occasionally on a cow that was ill," he said, "but it is a very inefficient way of harvesting milk."

Looking ahead, the future is bright at Halarda Farms, which focuses on lean management to maximize efficiency.

"We are always looking for ways to become more efficient, be it by saving labour or saving costs," Anton said.

"As expenses and interest rates increase, we need to find ways to maintain our margins so we can be profitable."



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## MB Farm Women's Conference is in Winkler Nov. 21-23

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Manitoba Farm Women's Conference has been bringing women in agriculture together for three days of connection and education since 1986.

This year the conference takes over the Day's Inn Conference Centre in Winkler Nov. 21-23.

It's going to be a return to form for the event, notes spokesperson Cheryl Janzen, after a few years of scaled-down and virtual conferences thanks to the pandemic.

"We're trying to rebrand, be more relevant, reach new people," she says, stressing, however, that the conference's focus remains to educate, encourage, and empower women in agriculture.

"It's quite empowering to see these ladies in action," she noted of the event's organizing board, which includes members from across the province. "We're doing what we can to help women ... it's a little bit of fun, a little bit of learning, a bit of gaining pride in who we are as rural women in Manitoba.

"Sometimes, you're really alone on the farm. You have your little group, sure, but this gives you a feeling of being part of something bigger."

The conference kicks off on Tuesday, Nov. 21 with an evening of registration and social activities.

The meat of the event is on Wednesday, Nov. 22, and Thursday, Nov. 23, when participants will have their choice of guided visits to two local agriculture businesses (a combine clinic at Green Valley Equipment and a tour of Vanderveen Greenhouse), sessions on a variety of topics related to life on the farm (everything from stress management to farm safety to transition plans), and presentations from multiple guest speakers.

Cherilyn Nagel is the Wednesday keynote speaker. She was recently recognized as one of the top 50 most influential people in Canadian agriculture and will be talking about promoting the industry rather than defending it.

"She is a dynamic speaker that really talks about amplifying your farmer's voice," Janzen says, noting Nagel is also known for her 'So ... Your Client is a Farmer?' online training program that seeks to help people build better relationships with farmers and increase the overall level of knowledge about agriculture and food. "She's speaking not only to the farmers but also if you work with farmers ... just to understand that we need to build relationships."

Thursday's keynote address, entitled "No Place Like Home" will be provided by Kim Ulmer, RBC region-



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The Manitoba Farm Women's Conference is back with a full-sized, three-day event this year. It takes place at the Days Inn Conference Centre in Winkler Nov. 21-23.

al president for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Nunavut, and Western Ontario. Ulmer's presentation will share some of the life lessons she's learned as a rural Canadian.

"She's looking at, again, really celebrating who we are," says Janzen.

It's certainly going to be a busy couple of days, Janzen reflects, but she wouldn't have it any other way.

"This is an opportunity to meet,

bring your girlfriends, and go out to something that has some purpose."

For a full breakdown of the conference's sessions, head to [mfwc.ca](http://mfwc.ca). That's also the place to go to register for the event from now until Nov. 8. You can sign up for the entire conference (\$200) or individual days and select which sessions you want to take part in.

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## MB Egg Farmers support Ag. in the Classroom

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Agriculture in the Classroom-Manitoba (AITC-M) has received another critical multi-year funding commitment.

The program announced last week that Manitoba Egg Farmers (MEF) have pledged \$75,000 over three years to support AITC-M and its mission of agriculture education.

The funding will go toward expanding ag education programs in Manitoba and sending more learning resources to educators so K-12 students can understand where their food comes from and who produces it.

"I'm thrilled to welcome this in-

vestment from Manitoba Egg Farmers as it builds momentum for us as an organization," says Katharine Cherewyk, AITC-M executive director. "Our long-term vision is one where Manitoba students have the tools they need to know agriculture, think critically about agriculture, and feel connected to this important way of life for so many in our province. With the security of multi-year funding from partners like Manitoba Egg Farmers, we can spend more time building capacity, reducing educator waitlists, and ensuring more students will have the opportunity to



# Pembina Valley Kidney Walk



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The 10th annual Pembina Valley Kidney Walk set out from Morden Park Sunday afternoon in support of the Kidney Foundation of Canada. Funds raised support a variety of services offered by the foundation, such as offsetting household costs like groceries and gas so kidney patients don't need to choose between their basic needs. Right: Organizer Jackie Plett, who has lived with kidney disease for years and is currently on dialysis, had a selection of painted "kidney stones" for walkers to hide along the route.



## Dufferin Historical Museum to host 'Halloween at the Museum'

### Submitted

The summer season may be over at the Dufferin Historical Museum, but there are still lots of activities happening.

Halloween at the Museum" will take place on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 5 to 8 p.m. There will be a carnival of grisly games, bone-chilling activities and tantalizing treats with lots of prizes and giveaways. Be sure to come dressed in a costume for a special gift. We have had lots of fun planning and setting up and hope everyone has a "Spook-tacular" time.

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The museum's regular meeting is scheduled for Nov. 1, and the annual general meeting will be on Nov. 15. Everyone is wel-

come to join in the meetings, which are held at the museum at 7 p.m. We will be participating in the "One Stop Shop In The Hall" on Nov. 25, and we are starting to plan our "Christmas at the Museum" event, which will be held on Dec. 9.

Volunteers of the Dufferin Historical Museum would love to have more people involved to help ensure that local artifacts and history are preserved. There are all kinds of positions and jobs.

"You can participate in one event, on the board, or work with the exhibits. Let us know what your strengths or interests are and we will do our best to find something fit for you that you will enjoy," said Keith.

"We hope to see you at our activities. It is great to be a part of this community!"

## Burger week champion



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The Mexican Street Corn Burger from Chicken Chef is the 2023 winner of the Carman's Burger Week presented by the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce. Chicken Chef will be presented with a trophy at the upcoming Chamber Business Awards on Nov. 9. The Mexican Street Corn Burger consisted of a beef patty with creamy Mexican street corn sauce, cheese, pickled onions, and corn chips.



# arts & culture

## The Lost Expressionist on display at Morden gallery

By Lorne Stelmach

The exhibit and forthcoming book *The Lost Expressionist – Nick Yudell, A Photographer Discovered* very much became a labour of love for Celia Rabinovitch.

The exhibit on this month at the Pembina Hills Gallery in Morden offers a vivid glimpse into life in 1930s Manitoba through the young Jewish Canadian's photographs that include portraits, experimental photography, and images of play, place, and self.

Rabinovitch was moved to create the exhibit to recognize not only Yudell's artistic vision but also because it serves as a vital archive of life in the 1930s.

"I think the ultimate thing that the show conveys is that one person can have quite a vivid artistic vision, and if that vision is preserved, it conveys to others what his experience of his time was and that experience, from that, I think we can universalize it. How did people really experience the world then, and that was fully present in these photos," Rabinovitch said as the exhibit officially opened last Tuesday.

Morden plays a major role in the images as this was where Yudell spent most of his life.

Yudell was born in Winnipeg. His mother died soon after his birth and his father had a business and older children to manage, so Yudell was sent to live in Morden with his maternal aunt, who was Rabinovitch's grandmother.

Yudell grew up with seven other Rabinovitch children who were still at home, including Rabinovitch's father Milton, and she came to learn he was very much part of the family. Perhaps especially close to him was Milton, who went on to start a business on Railway Street before opening Rabinovitch Brothers on Stephen Street.

Yudell's journey to becoming a photographer started when he received a camera in 1928. He quickly started with taking photos of family and places around Morden.

Yudell attended school in Winnipeg around 1930 but then came back to

Morden a few years later. Later on, he studied portrait photography and set out to capture a wide array of people and locales in the community—everything from the nurses residence to the experimental farm and a popular local bakery.

The exhibit started with the discovery of the hidden cache of negatives shot before the Second World War by Yudell, who died in the war.

Rabinovitch spent years researching and developing the collection of work by Yudell, who at some point organized his images into an archive that was preserved by Milton.

"Once I got into it, it had its own momentum, so I just kept going, and I had encouragement from others too ... a number of people in Morden," said Rabinovitch.

"When someone presents you with a box of negatives that hasn't been opened since 1940 and it contains a mystery ... I thought, well, I would like to see what's in it. So once I was able to get them scanned, it was like this lost world unfolded that hadn't been seen for 70 or 80 years.

"Every image had a story to it, and all of the stories were linked because it's all of the same people in the pictures ... so it fleshed out the whole bigger story."

Rabinovitch observed it was remarkable that this collection was kept together and secure for so long.

"It's wonderful that it survived because a lot of people, if they didn't care about the history, would just toss it, but my father, when he first showed it to me in the early '70s ... he said to me, 'These were Nick's, so I couldn't bear to throw them out. Do you think you could do anything with them?'"

"Every image was a surprise. They got better and better, and they told these great stories," said Rabinovitch, recalling that after an article was published in the *Winnipeg Free Press* in 2011 that she heard from the nephew of Nick's co-pilot in the war. It helped her get the rest of Yudell's military history, as the co-pilot kept a diary.

"It all just kind of started to snow-



STANDARD PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH

Celia Rabinovitch with the work of her cousin, Nick Yudell, on display at the Pembina Hills Gallery in Morden this month.

ball," she said, recalling then that she was encouraged to develop this all into a book.

"What came home to me was that people living here on the prairies had a very idealistic view of the world. They really believed in truth and fairness and sharing, and they knew a little about what was going on in Europe but not to a full extent," she observed.

"Part of the show deals with what people did for leisure, so there was

music, photography, dress-up, driving out in the country ... they didn't have the same amount of distractions that we have now," Rabinovitch said. "I think that the photographs convey a very authentic way of living. If you look at Nick's self portraits, they're not posed like selfies. All of the people in the images seem to own themselves; they seem fully present."

You can find more information about the show online at [lostexpressionist.com](http://lostexpressionist.com).

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learn about agriculture in the years ahead."

The multi-year commitment will start during the 2023/24 financial year and extend until 2025/26, ensuring sustained support for AITC-M's mission.

"We fully support AITC-M's vision for agriculture education in the province and we're looking forward to working together to expand Manitoba students' knowledge base," said Catherine Kroeker-Klassen, chair of MEF. "Farmers are caregivers of the land and the animals that produce our food. AITC-M is a wonderful ambassador for agriculture and bridges the gap between farmers and children who want to learn about where their food comes from. We look forward to a mutual partnership."

As a foundational sponsor, MEF has played a critical role in the development of popular AITC-M offerings. Their expertise and critical eye helped create the Foundations of Manitoba Agriculture virtual resource hub, which includes ways for students from K-12 to learn about 18 foundational commodities in the province, including eggs. MEF also supported the creation of Eat Well: Exploring Canada's Food Guide, which allows Grade 5-8 students to take a deep dive into the new guide and explore healthy eating in fun, interactive ways.

To learn more about Agriculture in the Classroom-Manitoba and its transformative initiatives, visit [aitc.mb.ca](http://aitc.mb.ca). For additional information about MEF, head to [eggs.mb.ca](http://eggs.mb.ca).



# Building community

By Ashleigh Viveiros

As the new school year was getting underway last month, the Sixteen13 Ministry property south of Winkler played host to a special event aimed at our community's youngest Ukrainian newcomers.

The Christian ministry has been heavily involved in supporting the hundreds of Ukrainian refugees who have come to the Morden-Winkler area since the Russian invasion began early last year.

While the community has welcomed these newcomers with open arms, sometimes it can be hard for the kids to connect with others in their native language, shares Alex Magola, who moved to Canada from Ukraine nearly a decade ago.

"We wanted to do something for the kids," he says. "They have a lot of support from the Pembina Valley community, but at the same time, to speak English, especially for those kids who just came here a year ago or just recently, they don't really have enough English to communicate. So we wanted to do something for them to have fun, to have some good times with other kids."

A Vacation Bible School session was held Sept. 9 and welcomed nearly 40 children ranging in age from six to 12 years old.

They spent the day exploring the creation story from the Book of Genesis and assembling fragments of planet Earth at seven different stations featuring various intellectual and athletic games and challenges.

At day's end, parents joined their kids for a family barbecue.

"We had a blast with the barbecue," Magola says. "Everyone was talking and enjoying the evening."

Magola says they're also looking at starting up a more regular get-together—a sports club or activities night—for kids moving forward. This is on top of existing Bible study and social gatherings for families and adults already being hosted at the Sixteen13 property.

It's all about building community and helping newcomers adjust to life in Canada.

"The community is really nice, but for Ukrainians who were not really planning to come here, they were just escaping from the war" it can be a challenge, Magola says. "There's language barriers and you have different mentalities, different cultures. So you need to adjust."

"So if those moments when they can get together with others and just talk about it ... get some more information, it makes it better."

"Jesus' message in the Gospel is that we are created for good works," he

**"THE MORE GOOD WORKS WE WILL DO FOR THE COMMUNITY, THE BETTER THE COMMUNITY WILL BE."**



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A Saturday camp for Ukrainian kids at Sixteen13 Ministry's property last month gave newcomers the chance to hang out with others who speak their language.

adds. "So the more good works we will do for the community, the better the community will be."

Sixteen13 Ministry online at sixteen13ministry.ca or social media.

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# Southern MB Concerts begins its 50th season this week

By Lorne Stelmach

Southern Manitoba Concerts presented its first series 50 years ago with the goal of bringing inspiring performances to south-central Manitoba.

The entirely volunteer board behind it is excited to be back post-pandemic with a full slate of shows for the 2023-24 season.

"It is pretty special and exciting to be back," said volunteer board member Sharron Wiens, who was only aware of one other rural concert series that has gone as long as SMC, with a similar organization in Pinawa having reached the 50-year milestone.

Wiens said they are cautiously optimistic about returning and are encouraged by the initial response.

"Southern Manitoba Concerts is fortunate to have loyal subscribers who have already resubscribed for the new concert series," she said.

"We have to applaud the community minded people who started the series 50 years ago," Wiens added. "My understanding is that it was just a small group of people from Altona, Winkler, and Morden who met and said this was something we want as part of the lifestyle of our communities, so how can we make it happen?"

Having a varied lineup of performers continues to be a priority for the organization.

"This is not a chamber music society. It's meant to appeal to all ages ... and just present a variety of performances for people," Wiens said. "And there's also a bit of social mixing that goes on at these events as well."

Kicking off the season this Friday at the Access Event Centre in Morden is Canadian Brass. They're a fitting opener, as the original group performed as part of one of SMC's first seasons decades ago.

The *Washington Post* once commented "these are the men who put brass music on the map with their unbeatable blend of virtuosity, spontaneity and humanity."

In addition to performances, Canadian Brass has averaged two and a half full length recordings per year for each of its 52 years of existence. During the COVID era, the group created another award-winning recording called *Canadiana* that features music of Canadian superstars such as Joni Mitchell and Bruce Cockburn.

The second SMC show is The Nadeau Ensemble on Nov. 26 at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler.

The ensemble will present concertgoers with a captivating choice of music to celebrate the Christmas season, along with a group carol singalong.

The third show features Notas de 4 Jan. 28 at Buhler Hall in Gretna.

This Latin folk and jazz ensemble of musicians and dancers offers original compositions that are inspired from flamenco, Latin jazz, and traditional music from Cuba, Mexico, and Spain.

The series then concludes with a performance from pianist Sarah Hagan Feb. 24 at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler

The award-winning artist brings to



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Canadian Brass kicks off the Southern Manitoba Concert Series' 50th season this Friday at the Access Event Centre in Morden. SMC is offering subscribers four different shows from now until spring.

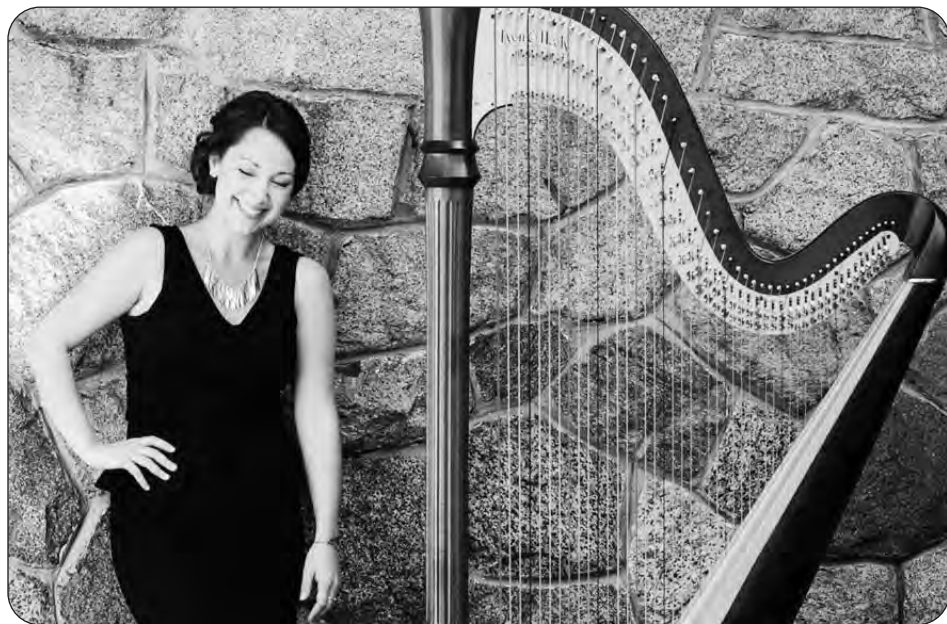
the stage her unique combination of piano and humour. Hagan's extensive touring has taken her across Canada to Sweden, France, Germany and Italy and twice to New York's Carnegie Hall.

There are a limited number of subscriptions available, taking into considering the capacity of the venues. Rush seating tickets will only be available for individual shows if space allows.

Subscriptions for adults are \$80 for returning patrons and \$100 for new ones. Seniors subscriptions are \$70 and \$80 while a family of four (two adults and two children) can subscribe for \$180 or \$200.

Tickets are available at The Flower Shop in Altona, Morklers in Morden, and Bloom Floral Creative in Winkler.

More information can be found online at [southernmanitobaconcerts.ca](http://southernmanitobaconcerts.ca).



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The Nadeau Ensemble is SMC's second show of the season. It takes place Nov. 26 at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler.

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tion are welcome.

Red donation bins will be in place at three locations this year: at the Morden fire hall (194 Thornhill St. by the shed at the back of the building), Winkler fire hall (290 Pembina Ave. at the front of the building), and Central Station Community Centre in Winkler.

This year's distribution night will be Thursday, Nov. 9 from 3-7 p.m. in Morden at the 500 Stephen Community Centre and in Winkler at the Central Station Community Centre. There is no charge for any of the clothing, so anyone who needs it is welcome to come pick something up. There will be items available for both children and adults.

"We are only having one distribution session. In past years we have had several distribution sessions over a couple of days,"

noted Armstrong. "We made the change following our experience last year of being almost out of coats by the end of the first session."

She said all indicators point to there being significant demand once again.

"This year, in talking with both of the community centres who are both well connected to the food banks, they're saying they've seen a consistent rise in numbers. Sometimes it settles then maybe goes up a bit again.

"I think there's an increase in people whose budgets are tight, and winter coats can be quite costly, especially if you're trying to get them for a whole family," Armstrong continued. "Because the economy's been a little



# sports & recreation

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## Carman cross country teams run away with titles at provincials

By Ty Dilello

The Carman Collegiate varsity girls returned home with the 2023 MHSAA Cross Country Championship banner from the Asessippi Ski Resort on Oct. 1.

Both the Carman Collegiate's boys and girls varsity teams qualified for the championship event, and sunny skies and expansive views of fall foliage in the valley were not the only highlights as both teams ended up on the podium.

Carman's varsity girls' team was hopeful going into the race as they had previously captured the Zone IV title in St. Malo. When the dust settled in Asessippi, the Carman girls were provincial champions.

Jessica Anderson led the team with her fifth-place finish overall, while Sara Gross, Hana Lysiuk, Milcah Ziso, and Megan Gross secured the necessary placements to capture gold.

The team was especially elated with the victory as it has been 32 years since the Carman varsity girls had brought home the Manitoba High School Provincial Cross Country title.

Carman's varsity boys' team was thrilled with their bronze medal finish, given that they travelled with only four athletes, which was the minimum number to qualify as a team. And that meant that every runner's score counted, and all must finish the race.



Carman Cougars' Nate Phillips won the bronze medal for the varsity boys.

ish the race.

Nate Phillips led the team with his third-place finish, followed by Nathan Dyck in sixth place.

"Looking around at the 900 competitors and coaches, there were many familiar faces for us Zone IV coaches," said Carman's cross country coach, Larisa Ens. "The steadfast commitment of those teacher-coaches over the years to their students and the sport shows as Zone 4 literally ran away with over half of the A-AAA



titles."

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The Carman Collegiate varsity girls' team are the MHSAA Provincial Cross Country Championship for 2023-2024. Pictured left to right, Hana Lysiuk, Jessica Anderson, Sara Gross, Megan Gross and Milcah Ziso.



The Carman varsity boys team won the bronze medals. Pictured, Griffin Carnelley, Nathan Dyck, Ahmad Aldarwish and Nate Phillips.

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# sports & recreation

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## Dufferin Christian Stingers golden at zones

By Ty Dilello

The Dufferin Christian School Stingers (DCS) captured the Zone IV (Tier II) soccer championship to cap off their undefeated season.

After going 5-0 in the regular season, Dufferin Christian entered the playoffs as the first seed and promptly dispatched the Shevchenko Sabres by a 6-2 scoreline in the semifinal.

"Shevchenko gave us a run for the money in the semifinal, as they kept us to one goal at halftime before we broke out in the second half," said Dufferin Christian's coach, Kevin Voorhorst.

In the finals, DCS outplayed the Carman Collegiate Cougars to win the championship by a 10-0 score.

"We did not expect to roll over top of Carman like that. We were missing two of our top players for the final," said Voorhorst. "I challenged the rest of the team to step up their play so that we could offset the loss, and boy, did they deliver."

Voorhorst is very proud of his DCS Stingers team, which has captured the Zone IV (Tier II) title for the second straight year.

"What a great group of kids. They are very easy to coach, and I have to thank them for taking me along for the ride this year. Go Stingers."



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The Dufferin Christian School Stingers won the Manitoba High School Athletics Association Zone IV Soccer championship banner on Wednesday, Oct. 4. The team, coached by Mr. Kevin Voorhorst and Mr. Dale DeWit, defeated the Carman Cougars 10-0.

## Female Hawks fall to Chiefs, Wildcats

By Lorne Stelmach

A three-game slide has the female U18 Pembina Valley Hawks sitting at .500 in the standings after having opened the season with three straight victories.

The Hawks were edged 1-0 by Yellowhead Saturday evening in Shoal Lake and then had another close loss in falling 5-4 to Westman Sunday afternoon in Hartney.

A first period goal was all the Chiefs needed for the win Saturday as Yellowhead goaltender Natalie Rampton stopped all 26 Pembina Valley shots for the shutout, while Kasia Rakowski made 35 saves to keep the Hawks in the game.

Westman had period leads of 2-0 and 4-1 before Pembina Valley made it a close game with three third period goals, including two goals within 17 seconds with about a minute remaining in the game.

Ava Dalebozik had a pair of goals for the Hawks while Abigail Briggs picked up four assists. Sophia Cox and Hayden Arkle also scored for Pembina Valley, while Rakowski made 39 saves with Westman holding a 44-42 edge in shots on goal.

The Hawks still sit in third place in the early going with six points. That has them even with the Winnipeg Ice while trailing Eastman at seven and Yellowhead at 10 points.

The Hawks take a break from league play this week as they head south of the border for a tournament in Minneapolis. It will include games Friday against San Diego and Dallas, Saturday against North Dakota, and Sunday versus Anaheim.

League play resumes the following weekend with home games against the Winnipeg Ice Oct. 28 and Winnipeg Avros Oct. 29.

## Hawks looking to break losing streak

By Lorne Stelmach

A rough week for the male U18 Pembina Valley Hawks has the team now in the midst of a four-game losing streak.

A 5-2 loss last Wednesday to the third place Thrashers in Winnipeg was followed by a pair of 4-1 defeats at the hands of the first place Brandon Wheat Kings.

It puts the Hawks in 11th place in the early going of the season with only one victory and a shootout loss through their first seven games.

Pembina Valley opened scoring against Winnipeg, but the Thrashers went on to take period leads of 2-1 and 4-1.

Acoyen Fehr scored both Hawks goals including a powerplay marker with just 25 seconds left in the game. Bryson Yaschyshyn made 31 saves as Winnipeg had a slim 36-35 edge in shots on net.

Game one in Brandon Friday again saw the Hawks open scoring on a goal by Jaxon Hildebrand just 13 seconds into the second period. Brandon however then took a 3-1 lead into the second intermission.

Yaschyshyn had a busy night in net with 45 saves, while the Hawks managed 27 shots on goal.

Pembina Valley kept it close in game two and only trailed 2-1 before giving up two empty-net goals in the final minute.

Fehr scored the lone Hawks goal, while Ryler Gates made 43 saves with Brandon holding a 47-24 edge in shots on goal including the two empty net markers.

The Hawks have a chance to get on track this weekend as they are at home in Morden to host a double-header against Yellowhead Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon.



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF THOMPSON

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of The Municipal Act, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 16th day of November, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 AM, at Rural Municipality of Thompson, 530 Norton Avenue, Miami MB, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
56650	LOT 16 BLOCK 3 SS PLAN 1887 MLTO EXC ALL MINES AND MINERALS VESTED IN THE CROWN (MANITOBA) BY THE REAL PROPERTY ACT IN SW 1/4 8-5-6 WPM - 46 LETAIN ST., MIAMI	L -\$9,300 B -\$282,600	\$10,062.70
56750	LOT 19 BLOCK 3 PLAN 1887 MLTO IN S 1/2 8-5-6 WPM - 54 LETAIN ST	L -\$11,100 B -\$7,700	\$3,635.98
57700	LOT 14 BLOCK 4 PLAN 1887 MLTO IN S 1/2 8-5-6 WPM - 54 BLIGHT ST	L -\$11,100 B -\$130,900	\$8,134.23

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

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in **cash, certified cheque or bank draft** to the Rural Municipality of Thompson as follows:
  - The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
  - If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
  - A fee in the amount \$498.75 (\$475 + GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 12th day of October, 2023.

Managed by:



Melissa Brunel  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer  
Rural Municipality of Thompson  
Phone: (204) 435-2114  
Fax: (204) 435-2067

## EMPLOYMENT CUSTODIAN

The Carman Active Living Centre is looking for a custodian.  
**Start date:**  
November 1st or sooner.  
For a list of duties and pay scale please contact Linda Revel  
at 204-745-3877

## NOTICE

Annual General Meeting of the  
Boyne Valley Hostel Corporation  
**Tuesday,**  
**October 24, 2023 • 2:00 pm**  
Boyne Towers Common Room  
Carman, Manitoba

## CARMAN GUN SHOW

**Date:**  
**Oct. 28, 2023**  
**Time:**  
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**Place:**  
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## FARM LAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

Sealed, written tenders for property in the RM of GREY described below will be received by:

McCULLOCH MOONEY JOHNSTON SELBY LLP  
BOX 1670  
CARMAN, MANITOBA R0G 0J0  
ATTN: SCOTT W. JOHNSTON

**PROPERTY** SW ¼ 27-9-6 WPM  
being approx. 161.50 Acres of which  
150 is cultivated acres

### CONDITIONS OF TENDER

1. Interested parties must rely on their own inspection and knowledge of the property.
2. Tenders must be received on or before 2:00 pm on November 3rd, 2023.
3. Tenders must be accompanied by a \$10,000.00 cheque payable to McCulloch Mooney Johnston Selby LLP in Trust as a deposit. Deposit cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned.
4. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The bidder whose tender is accepted will be required to complete an agreement covering terms and conditions of sale.
2. In addition to the deposit, the balance of the accepted tender must be paid on or before the date of closing which shall be December 1, 2023, or evidence provided that the purchase funds will be available under conditions acceptable to the Vendor. If the balance of the accepted tender is not paid within the set time limit the deposit may be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
3. Possession is not authorized until acceptable arrangements for full payment are made following acceptance of tender.
4. Successful bidder will be responsible for real property taxes commencing January 1, 2024.
5. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of GST or shall self-assess for GST.

For further information contact Scott W. Johnston at:

Ph: (204) 745-2546  
Fax: (204) 745-3963  
email: [scott@mmjlaw.com](mailto:scott@mmjlaw.com)

1	5	7	2	8	9	6	3	4
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9	2	8	5	3	4	9	7	1
7	9	1	4	5	3	8	2	6
5	8	6	7	2	1	4	9	3
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4	6	3	8	9	2	7	1	5
9	1	5	3	4	7	2	6	8
8	7	2	6	1	5	3	4	9

## Sudoku Answer



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  - Basic accounting functions
  - Be skilled in fund development, grant writing and fiscal management
- Qualified candidates should email a current resume and covering letter indicating interest in the position to Scott Johnston, Board President, at [scott@mmjlaw.com](mailto:scott@mmjlaw.com).  
Deadline for applications is November 8, 2023



## TOWN OF CARMAN PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVISION FOR 2024 ASSESSMENT ROLL

Public notice is hereby given that the 2024 assessment roll for the Town of Carman has been delivered to the Municipal Office 12 - 2nd Avenue SW, Carman, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. That any person, who believes that an assessment ought to be revised, may make application in accordance with section 42 and 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act.

### APPLICATION FOR REVISION

- "42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of The Real Property Act, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, the authorized agent of the person, mortgagee or occupier, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:
- a) liability to taxation;
  - b) amount of an assessed value;
  - c) classification of property; or
  - d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2).

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- "43(1) An application for revision must
- a) be made in writing;
  - b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
  - c) set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
  - d) be filed by

- i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
- ii) serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice."

The Board of Revision will sit on **Tuesday, December 5th, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.** in the Council Chambers of the Town of Carman 12 -2nd Avenue SW, Carman to hear applications. The final date on which the Secretary of the Board may receive applications is **Monday, November 20th, 2023.** Dated this 15th day of September 2023.

Susan Stein, Secretary  
Board of Revision  
Town of Carman  
Box 160, Carman MB R0G 0J0



# get inspired

> MEAL IDEAS



## Smoky Chipotle Pecan Burrito Bowls

2 chipotle peppers in adobo sauce  
1 cup vegan mayo  
3 cloves garlic, minced  
2 teaspoons vinegar  
2 tablespoons plant-based milk  
1 teaspoon agave  
1/2 teaspoon salt

To make pecan "meat:" In bowl of boiling water, soak pecans, covered, at least 30 minutes, or overnight in room temperature water for softer texture.

Drain pecans and place in food processor with mushrooms. Pulse mixture to texture resembling meat crumbles. Avoid over-pulsing.

In pan over medium heat, add pecan mixture, taco seasoning, tamari sauce, minced garlic, liquid smoke and vegan Worcestershire sauce. Cook 7-10 minutes then add chipotle in adobo. Cook 3 minutes.

To make pineapple salsa: Combine pineapple, tomatoes, jalapenos, cilantro, red onion, lime juice and salt, to taste.

To make chipotle crema: Combine chipotle peppers, vegan mayo, garlic, vinegar, milk, agave and salt.

To assemble bowls, place pecan mixture in bowl followed by pineapple salsa and chipotle crema.

Recipe courtesy of Dominique Williamson on behalf of the American Pecan Promotion Board  
Prep time: 40 minutes  
Cook time: 15 minutes  
Servings: 2-3  
Pecan "Meat:"  
2 1/2 cups water  
1 cup pecans  
1/2 cup portobello mushrooms  
2 tablespoons taco seasoning  
2 tablespoons tamari sauce or soy sauce  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1 tablespoon liquid smoke  
1 tablespoon vegan Worcestershire sauce  
1 tablespoon chipotle in adobo sauce  
Pineapple Salsa:  
1 pineapple, diced  
2 Roma tomatoes, diced  
1-2 jalapenos, diced  
1 cup cilantro, finely chopped  
1 red onion, diced  
1/4 cup lime juice  
salt, to taste  
Chipotle Crema:



## Vegan Pecan Al Pastor Tacos

flour or corn tortillas (6 inches each)  
cilantro  
diced onion  
lime  
pineapple

In bowl of boiling water, soak pecans, covered, at least 30 minutes, or overnight in room temperature water for softer texture.

Drain pecans. In food processor, pulse pecans to meat-like crumbles. Do not overprocess to pecan butter.

Finely chop onions, garlic and guajillo peppers.

In skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil and saute onions until transparent, 2-3 minutes. Add garlic and cook 1 minute. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, to taste, and stir to combine.

Add chipotle peppers in adobo and cook 1 minute. Add crumbled pecans and stir well to combine.

Remove from heat and serve on tortillas.

Serve with cilantro, onion, lime and pineapple.

Recipe courtesy of the American Pecan Promotion Board  
Prep time: 35 minutes  
Cook time: 10 minutes  
Servings: 4-6  
Water  
2 pounds chopped pecans  
1 cup onion  
8 cloves garlic, minced  
8 dried guajillo peppers  
2 tablespoons oil  
salt, to taste  
pepper, to taste  
7 ounces (1 can) chipotle pepper in adobo  
Toppings and Garnishes:

## Not feeling connected at work or home



By Gwen Randall

It's hard to admit we've made a mistake. The bigger the decision, and the more profound the consequences, the harder it is. If we've made a big investment in the square peg, and can't return it, then we may be tempted to try every possible way to get it into the round hole. Even if we are damaging the peg and the hole, we may still keep trying to force the situation. If we're in the wrong job, or working with people who frustrate us, or do not respect us, we may complain about the job, or try to change the people.

This can be very damaging to our self-esteem, self-confidence, and self-worth. The reason it can be damaging is because unless we are in a situation that is based on true cooperation, and in which our input is genuinely welcomed and appreciated, our efforts will have little impact. They may even meet with resistance, but either way we will feel negated, rejected or ignored. These are not healthy feelings. Either we accept the fact that we are not in a truly democratic environment, and live with the consequences of our choice, or we find somewhere else to be.

The third option is to be an agent of change, but this also must be a

conscious choice, because it is an extremely difficult path. It may or may not be an honorable path, depending on the situation, but for sure it will exact an emotional toll.

Now let's imagine the same scenario, but this time it's a marriage. Your spouse is just not acting the way you think a spouse should. He/she is not attentive, loving, interesting enough. He'd rather watch T.V. (always) than be with you. She'd rather be out with her girlfriends than to spend time with you. So you might rant and rage, nag, withdraw into silence, or distance emotionally. If this starts going on for years, any of the above responses may begin to become a way of life. You find yourself turning into a nag, or perhaps pulling back into your own little world.

At some point we have to ask ourselves how long we want to live our lives as the disgruntled employee, or the frustrated, alienated spouse. The problem is if we do it for too long, we lose the belief and confidence in ourselves, as well as the energy to do anything about it. And discouraging as it might seem, no one else can make it better. We must decide what we deserve and know that we are worth it. We can only make our needs and wishes known and see what the response is. If the pattern is that we don't count in the workplace, or in our own home, it may be time to count ourselves out.

*Gwen Randall-Young is an author and award-winning psychologist. For permission to reprint this article, or to obtain books, CDs or MP3s, visit [www.gwen.ca](http://www.gwen.ca). Follow Gwen on Facebook for inspiration.*



## Roasted Sweet Potatoes Brown Butter Pierogies

fresh thyme leaves, for serving  
Preheat oven to 400 F.

Toss sweet potato cubes in olive oil, salt and pepper, to taste, and spread in even layer on baking sheet. Roast 25-30 minutes, tossing about halfway through, until potatoes are fork tender.

In medium skillet over medium heat, brown butter 5-10 minutes. Avoid smoking or burning. Remove from heat. Allow to cool about 5 minutes then whisk in balsamic vinegar and lemon juice.

In large saucepan, bring water to boil. Cook pierogies according to package directions, about 3 minutes. Drain and toss in brown butter sauce.

Add roasted sweet potatoes and pecans to brown butter pierogies and toss gently to coat.

Top with fresh thyme leaves.

Prep time: 10 minutes  
Cook time: 30 minutes  
Servings: 4-5

1 bag (1.6 pounds) Mrs. T's Mini Classic Cheddar Pierogies

2 cups sweet potato cubes (approximately 1 large or 2 medium sweet potatoes, cut into 1/2-inch cubes)

1 tablespoon olive oil  
salt, to taste

pepper, to taste  
4 tablespoons salted butter

1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar  
2 tablespoons lemon juice

water  
1/2 cup pecans