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# **Carman's One-Stop Shop in the Hall had it all**



**STANDARD PHOTOS BY DENNIS YOUNG** The Carman Family Resource Centre and the Carman Kinettes were excited with the crowd and the 60 vendors who attended the One-Stop Shop in the Hall last Saturday. Shoppers had a large selection of varied items, all hand-made. Cousins Avery Picton, Nova Huges and Addy Reimer (all seven years old) were looking at the signs while two-year old Walker McCullough and his mom looked for cards.

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## Altona area man on hand for King Charles coin unveiling

### By Ashleigh Viveiros

An Altona area man got the chance to see the first loonies bearing the face of King Charles III roll off the production line last week.

Callum Morrison was invited as one of three Monarchist League of Canada Manitoba reps to attend the unveiling at the Royal Canadian Mint in Winnipeg Nov. 14. The event coincided with the King's 75th birthday.

"Two of the others were the cochairs of the Manitoba Monarchist League," Morrison says. "I'm a life member, though I don't have an official role. But they asked me if I'd like to go because they knew I was very much into history and I've organized a few events in the past in Altona celebrating the Queen's jubilee and the King's coronation."

Morrison got to watch as Canadian artist Steven Rosati unveiled his official effigy of King Charles and as Mint president and CEO Marie Lemay struck the first Canadian circulation coin bearing the image.

"That was certainly exciting because they're just such huge, loud machines," Morrison says. "You see the first one come out and everyone wants to hold it ... and then a whole bunch more got pressed. It was more loonies then I've ever seen."

It was an honour to be there for such Continued on page 10

## **Milestone celebration for Carman's Carm Colvin**

#### By Ty Dilello

Notable Carman resident and Second World War veteran Carm Colvin is celebrating his 105th birthday on Nov. 30.

Colvin and two of his brothers fought for Canada in the Second World War and defended our country on various battlegrounds across Europe.

"There were three of us in the family, and my older brother and younger brother joined in early 1940," said Carm Colvin. "The older brother went into the air force, and the younger brother went to the army with the Winnipeg Grenadiers. I didn't join until early 1942."

Colvin's brother Fred was one of the Winnipeg Grenadiers that was taken as a POW during the Battle of Hong Kong and later died during the war while in Japanese custody. To commemorate Fred's sacrifice, the Manitoba government named Colvin Lake, located southwest of Nueltin Lake, in his honour in 1972.

From 1942 to 1945, Carm Colvin spent time overseas in England, Scotland, Belgium, France, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany. Over that time, he missed seeing or talking to his then-new wife, Vera. The letters sent from one another during the war were also very censored so that his location would not be given away.

After several years of fighting in Europe, Colvin was relieved to have sur-

vived the war when it finally ended in 1945.

"The day before the war was over, our captain was killed, and I was appointed to dig a grave for him and give him a proper burial," said Colvin. "That's what I was doing at 11 in the morning, taking charge of digging a grave for the captain. And while I was doing that, somebody came and told me that the war was over. This was on May 9, 1945, and I was in Germany at the time."

Returning home healthy after the war to his wife Vera in Carman, Colvin adjusted back to home life. They resided in town for a few years before relocating in 1952 to a property on the Carman west road, where they raised their family.

"It's a big change because you found out quickly that you have to fend for yourself. In the army, you don't think. Instead, you do as you're told, as everything's planned for you. When you get home, you're on your own, so it was a bit of an adjustment."

Two years ago, Colvin received the highest honour the nation of France can bestow on a civilian or military personnel when he was made a Knight of the French National Order of the Legion of Honour. Over the years, France has Knighted 1,600 Canadian soldiers for their bravery.

Colvin, who will be turning 105 on Nov. 30, has been a proud member of



STANDARD PHOTO BY DENNIS YOUNG

Carman's Carm Colvin celebrated his 105th birthday with family and friends at the Legion last Saturday. Pictured with Carm are his children Fred Colvin, Linda Michie and Elaine Ganske.

the Carman Legion for over 75 years. In terms of his out-of-this-world longevity, Colvin insists that he tries to keep himself busy and always likes to be doing something.

Colvin attended this year's Remembrance Day ceremony in Carman and received a long standing ovation from everybody in attendance. On Nov. 25, the Carman Legion held a birthday celebration for Colvin, while the Ladies Auxiliary provided the luncheon. Roughly 150 people were in attendance, and one of the musical groups that he regularly plays in performed at the party.

"Dad is doing okay but had some setbacks in October, with the flu and a fall," said Carm's son Fred Colvin. "He hasn't been playing music much as a result but is fighting his way back. He's just weak but still at home and as sharp as ever."

## **PVHS launches Santa Paws donation drive**

#### By Lorne Stelmach

The Pembina Valley Humane Society is once again running a Christmas campaign to help stock its shelves for the year ahead.

This is the third year of the Santa Paws initiative, which calls on supporters to donate such supplies as dog and cat food.

"The last two years have been incredibly successful, so of course we were going to bring it back," said Holly Thorne, PVHS marketing and public relations chairperson.

She said the main benefit of the campaign is it can take some of the cost burden off by providing some of these supplies for at least part of the year. They can then focus their funds on things like vet bills for injured animals as well as spay and neutering costs.

"We started it with the idea that if we could collect as many of the urgent and necessary supplies that we need for the animals in our care for throughout the year then we wouldn't have to worry about spending as much of the money on things like cat food, kitty litter or whatever else," said Thorne.

"We know we're not going to get all of the supplies for the entire year ... although that would be very nice ... we just need the basics like dog food, cat food, kitty litter," she said. "We would like to keep more of the money that donors give us for things like medical emergencies."

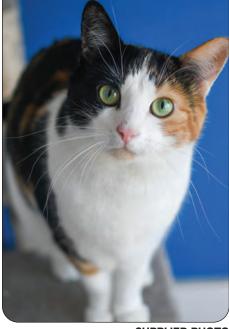
Their hope would be to get at least 300 cans each of wet cat and dog food along with kitten food, clumping cat litter, and laundry detergent.

"We're always washing bedding and toys and other things," said Thorne. "The amount of laundry that we do is surprising."

She sees the campaign as a great way for the community at large to support the humane society.

"The last two years have been great. It's a simple way for people to help,"





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Shelter animals like Buck, left, and Millie are hoping the community comes through for the Pembina Valley Humane Society this holiday season. The regional animal shelter has put a call out for donations of cat and dog food, cat litter, and laundry detergent.

By Cam Dahl, Manitoba Pork

What should farmers be asking of

governments? This is an especially

relevant question for producers in

Manitoba who are getting to know

the new government led by Premier

Kinew. Farmers and their representa-

tives need to get this question right,

because sometimes the "asks" can be

counterproductive both for the devel-

opment of a positive relationship with

governments and for the longer-term

fiscal sustainability of the sector. A

key starting point should be a focus

on the foundations of good long-term

policies and not just short-term crises.

will generate long-term growth and

help realize the opportunity agricul-

ture has to offer? The first, and ar-

guably most important, "ask" of our

governments is a recognition that ag-

riculture. Hog farming and pork pro-

cessing alone account for over 22,000

jobs, in rural areas, as well as Bran-

don, Neepawa, Winkler, Winnipeg,

and more of our urban centres. Agri-

culture cannot be an afterthought for

economic policies. Nor can potential

negative impacts from policy areas

outside of agriculture be ignored.

Supporting the growth of agricul-

ture, and the value-added businesses

attached to it, should be front and

centre for each cabinet minister. The

potential for investment and growth

is almost unlimited if this mindset is

Most farmers in Manitoba depend

upon international markets for sales

opportunities and price determina-

tion. Taking the hog industry as an

example, 90 percent of Manitoba's an-

nual production is destined for inter-

national markets. Concerningly, the

world is becoming more protectionist,

including the United States, our most

important trading partner. Both major

maintained.

What are the policy foundations that





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riculture is one of the most important sectors of the economy. Agriculture is a source of employment, investment, and income in both rural and urban areas, with over eight percent of Manitoba's GDP coming from ag-

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U.S. political parties are trending towards "America First" policies, and away from free trade. Examples of protectionist policies that threaten our exports include the revival of country-of-origin labelling and individual state legislation that is fragmenting the U.S. market (e.g., Proposition 12 in California).

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Government in an uncertain world

Preserving the market access of both farmers and processors needs to be a key priority for both our provincial and federal governments. Agriculture needs our governments to demand that our trading partners live up to the agreements that are in place, including the recognition of Canada's science-based food safety and animal welfare laws. Governments also need to be partners in communicating the benefits of free trade to consumers and policy makers on both sides of the border.

Sustainability is a top-of-mind issue for many of the voting public. This is why environmental sustainability is a cornerstone of many government initiatives. Farmers do not stand apart from the public when it comes to sustainability. Producers are striving to ensure that the land and water are healthy and productive for generations to come. This is why farmers are asking governments to recognize the continuous improvement in the sustainability of agricultural production in Manitoba. It will be far easier for policy makers to engage with farmers on their sustainability journey if there is recognition of how far we have come. For example, Manitoba's robust manure management policies treat manure as a valuable organic nutrient and limits the leaching of nutrients into surface water. Ninety percent of hog manure in Manitoba is injected below the soil surface or immediately incorporated into the soil to prevent runoff. Hog manure is only applied after soil nutrient levels are determined, manure nutrition is sampled, and is only applied to meet the demands of the intended crop.



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Cam Dahl, General Manager of Manitoba Pork

Directly related to recognition of the sustainability contribution of Manitoba's farmers is a request for governments to commit to advancing sustainability through a collaborative model, not a punitive regulatory approach. Regulations imposed without the collaboration of the agricultural community will meet resistance. This resistance comes because punitive regulations impose costs that make Manitoba's farmers less competitive. These extra costs cannot be offset or recovered because farmers' revenue is determined in international markets where our competitors do not face the same regulatory burden. Collaborating with farmers by encouraging innovation that will both improve fiscal and environmental sustainability is a more effective approach in both the short and long-run. For example, offsetting the risk taken on by early adopters for more energy efficient barns or increased nutrient utilization will be effective in advancing societal goals and make our industry more competitive.

Agriculture has the potential to further drive Manitoba's economy, bring investment to our province and develop our communities. The right approach to collaborative policy development, legislation, and regulations will help make the potential a reality.



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## **Boyne Regional Library receives new storage units**

### By Ty Dilello

The Boyne Regional Library in Carman has received two custom-built storage units this month that were generously funded by the Carman Area Foundation. The cabinets solved many problems the library had with storing and organizing products and resources for their drop-in Lego Club, Boyne Grows Seed Library, and other children's programs.

The Boyne Grows Seed Library is relatively new to the library and allows members to "check out" or "borrow" seeds from the seed library for free. Members then plant the seeds, grow the plants, and let some of those plants go to seed. Seeds are then collected, dried, cleaned, labelled and returned to the library for use by members the following year.

"The goal of the free seed lending library is to increase the capacity of our community to feed itself wholesome food by means of equitable access to seeds, and to provide education and programming that fosters community resilience, self-reliance and a culture of sharing," said Lynsey Hannah of the Boyne Regional Library. "It also works to increase community members' engagement with our food system and overall self-sufficiency. Through the Boyne Grows Seed Library, we aim to grow a robust local food system with increased food production and food security across Carman and the surrounding areas."

The seed library cart that the Carman Area Foundation funded provides much-needed solutions to organizing seeds and other gardening resources. There is a place to display information and a seed return drawer. The spacious drawers have custom and adjustable dividers that will meet the longterm needs of the seed library. "We can now also organize seeds to make the borrowing and storing much more efficient," said Hannah. Along with the library staff, a great volunteer group helps keep the seed library growing.

"We are so very thankful to everyone who has become members of the Boyne Grows Seed Library," she said.

In addition to the seed library cart, the Carman Area Foundation also funded a storage cabinet for children's programming, including the Lego Club. This cabinet is in the Children's Library and holds the library's Lego in organized bins and other programming items for children and youth.

"Prior to this cabinet, the Lego and other children's items used for programming were stored in the second-floor storage room," said Hannah. "The Lego was also stored in large deep bins, making access to the many pieces difficult for children. Having the cabinet within the Children's Library makes it easier for our staff to provide the program, and allows children much easier access to all the Lego that they want to build with. There is smaller, more shallow, storage bins inside the cabinet that increase access for children and families."

The Boyne Regional Library provides its dropin Lego Club on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dates can be found on the website or in the library. The library also provides programming that compliments the Boyne Grows Seed Library. It encourages everyone to follow its social media accounts and visit its website often to learn about what is offered.

"We are currently accepting donations of seeds and want to remind our community that we have grow kits and grow lights available to check out for free from the library with a membership."



STANDARD PHOTO BY LYNSEY HANNAH

The Boyne Regional Library in Carman now boasts a custom-built seed library cart that the Carman Area Foundation funded.

The Boyne Regional Library would like to thank the Carman Area Foundation for supporting the library by funding the Boyne Grows Seed Library cart and the Lego cabinet.

"We hope the community stops by to make use of them or just to admire them. They are beautiful and essential to our programming."

## Government introduces a gas tax holiday for six months

#### By Lana Meier

The Manitoba government is introducing amendments to the fuel tax act, which would temporarily pause the collection of the provincial tax on gasoline for at least six months starting next year, Finance Minister Adrien Sala announced last Thursday.

According to Sala, the current situation in Manitoba and throughout Canada is one of affordability crisis. Therefore, this proposed legislation aims to offer crucial assistance to Manitobans, specifically during these exceptional times of significant inflation. It would benefit various individuals, ranging from families with busy schedules to small business owners who heavily rely on their vehicles for work.

The proposed Bill 3, also known as the fuel tax amendment act or the fuel tax holiday, aims to provide a temporary reduction of the provincial fuel tax rate to zero cents per litre on gasoline, natural gas and diesel fuels for road use. This proposed tax pause is set to remain in effect for six months. As stated by the minister, this period will see the elimination of the current 14-cent fuel tax rates on gasoline and diesel used for operating motor vehicles.

According to Sala, this would offer immediate assistance to Manitoba families facing financial difficulties due to increasing expenses and is an essential part of our government's efforts to enhance affordability for all residents of Manitoba.

There is no provincial sales tax on the purchase of fuel. Fuel taxes would continue to be collected on aviation, locomotive and propane as these are not included in the fuel tax holiday, the minister added.

The average Manitoba family with two cars is expected to save approximately \$250 during the six-month fuel tax holiday, the minister noted.

## Truth and Reconciliation as provincial statutory holiday legislation introduced

### By Lana Meier

The Manitoba government has recently proposed a new legislation to declare a provincial statutory holiday in honor of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Premier Wab Kinew and Labour and Immigration Minister Malaya Marcelino announced the introduction of Bill 4, also known as the Employment Standards Code Amendment and Interpretation Amendment Act by the Manitoba government on Nov. 27. This legislation would officially recognize Sept. 30 as a provincial statutory holiday, specifically designated as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

"Manitobans from all walks of life are ready to embrace reconciliation whether it's participating in school events, wearing a WASAC jersey to a Jets game or talking to their kids about our history and the future we want," said Kinew. "Legislating Sept. 30 as a general holiday creates space for all Manitobans to come together in observation, reflection and commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools." The proposed legislation aims to make Sept. 30 a provincial statutory holiday in line with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action No. 80.

"Sept. 30 is a day of remembrance dedicated to honouring residential

school survivors, their families, and communities," said Marcelino. "This legislation would allow everyone, wherever they work, to have the opportunity to take part in commemorative events that promote education, understanding and healing." The proposed legislation was developed following significant consultations with Indigenous leaders, residential school survivors and stakeholders from all over the province.

## **Carman hosts successful Curl for Cancer fundraiser**

### By Ty Dilello

November 30 marked a momentous day for the Carman Golf and Curling Club as it played host to the 30th annual Carman Curl for Cancer event. This cancer fundraising bonspiel brought together curlers, spectators, and supporters alike to make a meaningful impact in the fight against cancer. And what an impact it has been!

Over the course of three decades, Curl for Cancer has proven its unwavering commitment by donating well over \$1 million towards cancer research and patient care. What started as a simple grassroots bonspiel in a small-town community has grown into something truly remarkable. It's incredible to see how this once modest event has grown into so much more.

There were 14 curling teams in the bonspiel, and approximately 200 people who attended the banquet this year. The final numbers of how much was raised won't be known until next week, but organizers note that it's looking like another successful year.

There was a Rainbow Auction along with a banquet dinner and Live Auction.

Similar to previous years, all fund-



The Carman Curl for Cancer event celebrated 30 years of raising funds for cancer resources, patients and research on Nov. 30.

raising dollars will go towards supporting South Central Cancer Resource, Cancer Care Manitoba and Carman Palliative Care.

"The event wouldn't be possible without the amazing support we receive from individuals and businesses who donate prizes, money and time towards the event," said Carman Curl for Cancer organizer Brady Mc-Gillivary.







Emcee Jack Phillips, left, speaking at the banquet and Marg Holliston reading a poem she wrote.



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Thorne said. "I think people find it very easy when they're at the grocery store, if they see cat food on sale, they can easily pick up a number of cans ... it doesn't cost a lot, but it can all make a huge impact for the day-to-day operation of the shelter."

There is a bin located outside the door of the shelter in Morden

for people to drop off supplies at any time. There are also drop-off locations elsewhere in Morden as well as in Winkler, Altona, and Carman. Head to pvhsociety.ca/ events-2/operation-santa-paws/ for a full listing of locations and needs.

The drive runs until Dec. 22.

## Local Type 1 diabetes warrior shows strength in Times Square

### By Becca Myskiw

An Elm Creek warrior recently showed her strength in Times Square.

Hayley Bovachek has Type 1 Diabetes. She received her diagnosis at just three years old, and since then, she and her mom have been nothing but advocates for all living with the incurable disease. Before getting the Dexcom G6, a continuous glucose monitor (CGM) that she inserts in her arm, Hayley was pricking her fingers numerous times daily to ensure her blood sugar levels were where they needed to be. With the CGM, Heidi Boyachek, Hayley's mom, gets blood sugar readings sent straight to her phone every few minutes, so life for them isn't as much of a guessing game anymore.

Heidi is largely known in the Type 1 Diabetes community. She's active online, sharing each part of Hayley's fight — the highs, the lows, and the low-lows. So, when they first got the Dexcom G6, Heidi shared that too, and every day since then, she's shared more and more, trying to spread awareness of her daughter's disease.

Earlier this year, Heidi got a call asking if Hayley would like to go to New York for a Dexcom photoshoot.

It would be for the release of the Dexcom G7 ahead of World Diabetes Day.

"I was like, 'Yeah, do I get to see the Statue of Liberty?" said Hayley.

So, come October, Hayley, her sister Taylor, and Heidi flew to the Big Apple to take part in a Dexcom Warriors photoshoot. The CGM company wanted to show the many faces of



Hayley Boyachek is one of Dexcom's Type 1 Diabetes warriors.

diabetes worldwide - Hayley was just one of two Canadians there.

This was Hayley's first photoshoot, something she'd always dreamed of doing. It was complete with a glam team, hair team, and stylist to make Hayley feel like a true star.

Model Bambi Northwood Blyth, a fellow Type 1 Diabetes warrior, was the shoot's creative director. When Hayley's turn in front of the camera came, she was right there with her, encouraging as the Barbie movie soundtrack played.

While she was up there, Hayley showed the many faces of diabetes — confusion, anger, happiness, frustration, and more. One of the family's favourite photos is one where Hayley has her fists up, showing her strength.

But the photoshoot was just part of it for Hayley. While there, she got to meet warriors from across the globe and keeps in contact with some of them through social media.

"I just felt like I was with the people who are like me," she said. "I just think it's fun to see people that are like me."

And they thought that was it. The three flew home and reminisced, having to keep most of their experience a secret until the new CGM device was released. But then Heidi got another call, inviting the entire fam-



**STANDARD PHOTOS BY FERNANDO SIPPEL** The Boyachek family in front of Hayley's photo in Times Square.

ily back to New York to see Hayley's photo displayed in Times Square on World Diabetes Day.

On the morning of Nov. 14, the Boyacheks were part of the Nasdaq bell-ringing ceremony, followed by the premier of the photos on a giant screen in the square.

"I can't believe I went through this," said Hayley. "I think this is so crazy, like I'm on Times Square."

A Dexcom representative told Heidi this was all from using her voice to advocate for those living with the disease.

"Look where we are now," Heidi said. "It's so cool to be small-town farmers watching their girl flash over and over on the big screen."

While in New York, the Dexcom warriors went to lunch together, each pulling out their pumps and needles at lunch and guessing how many carbs each person's food had. Hayley sat across from the Dexcom CEO at that lunch, sharing her likes and dislikes on the Dexcom G7 and her ideas for future pumps.

Dexcom also launched a new website on Nov. 14; on it are every warrior's portraits, Hayley's included. You can view them at www.seediabetes.com

Though the Boyacheks were out of town for World Diabetes Day, Elm Creek School students and teachers still wore blue to show their support for her, and some logged on to watch them be part of the bell-ringing ceremony.

"It refuels me to give me energy to keep fighting," said Heidi. "We want more people to learn about [Type 1 Diabetes] and about this technology. The hope is access for all."

Hayley and Heidi hope other children living with the disease will see Hayley's warrior photos and be proud to wear their CGM and be comfortable in their own skin too. Hayley has started sharing more of her story online now as well, hoping any piece of it will help someone like her.

"Dexcom has changed our life in many different ways," said Heidi. "For Hayley to get something positive because of her diabetes...she deals with a lot of not glamorous parts, so being rewarded for this was so fulfilling as a mom."



Hayley, left, Heidi, middle, and Taylor Boyachek got to be at the photoshoot together.

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Hanging Christmas stockings is just one of the many traditions that fill the days leading up to Christmas. One theory regarding the origins of stockings says the tradition began when a poor widower who had three daughters worried over having enough money for their wedding dowries to help secure the daughters' futures. The women, who had hung their stockings by the fireplace to dry, woke up to find solid gold spheres inside. This legend suggests kindly St. Nicholas visited the home in the night and left the presents, helping ensure the daughters could marry well, after all.

Christmas stockings were the first places where gifts were stowed, before under the boughs of Christmas trees became the primary spot for placing gifts. Then stockings were secondary vessels reserved for small trinkets. Today stockings are largely Christmas decorations rather than places to place gifts. Still, they're a key component of holiday magic.

When including stockings in holiday festivities, follow these tips for whimsy and more.

• Utilize stocking holders. Stocking holders are either metal or wooden devices that are placed on mantels. Hooks on the holders suspend the stockings. Just be sure the holders are sturdy enough to handle the weight of a stuffed stocking if you plan on filling it with goodies.

## SHOP LOCAL SHOP LATE WIN HOLIDAY HOOPLA IS BACK Thursday, December 7th

Shop at any of our participating retailers between Noon – 8pm and enter to WIN \$1000 in CHAMBER BUCKS!

## Friday, December 8th

Communities in Bloom Benefit Concert Red Moon Road 7:30pm -Carman United Church

## Saturday, December 9th

Christmas at the Museum Dufferin Historical Museum 4-7pm

> Follow, the Chamber's social media for details on exciting activities that will take place during this event!



• Determine your style. There are Christmas stockings that coordinate to just about any interior design style. From farmhouse to modern to traditional, choose one that fits with your aesthetic. That isn't to say you can't mix and match stockings if you prefer a more eclectic, homespun feel.

• Enhance your stocking look. If stockings are strictly decorative, enhance their look with a few tricks. First, use tissue paper or balled up shopping bags to stuff the stockings and give them shape. Fill a small baggie with sand or florist glass and place in the heel of the stocking to balance it out and prevent the stocking from blowing around in the breeze.

• No fireplace; no problem. Stockings are traditionally hung from the fireplace mantel, but if you don't have a fireplace there is no need to fret. Simply use ribbons to hang them from the bannister of a staircase, or hang stockings right on walls with removable hooks, or from sturdy shelves. You also can think creatively and hang larger stockings on a door like you might a wreath.

Whether they're decorative or functional, stockings can be an integral component of holiday decor in a home.



# Miami Christmas Market a true community effort

## Third annual sale and supper supported by businesses, locals

### By Lana Meier

The organizers behind the Miami Christmas Market are still smiling, more than a week after the annual fundraising sale and supper went off without a hitch.

"Once again, the market was a great success and was well-attended," volunteer Melissa Oakes wrote in an email to the *Standard*.

"We are looking forward to hosting this event again, as it's a great way to raise funds for our organization while bringing the community together and sparking the Christmas spirit."

The Miami Post-Secondary Educational Organization hosts the fundraising market, which took place at the Miami Community Centre on Nov. 17.

More than 35 vendors participated, and many local businesses and community members donated auction prizes, Oakes said.

Highlights from the event included an appearance from Santa Claus, who was a major hit with local children. Kristyn Hosaluk of Tobacco Creek Collective generously provided Santa photos free of charge.

The meal was also a success, with people enjoying servings of chili, buns and dessert.

"The meal seemed to be a hit and we are thankful for the generosity of Andre and Katie Steppler of Steppler Farms for donating the ground beef



The Miami 4-H members held a cookie walk with proceeds donated to local non-profit organizations.

and to the Miami Variety Store for donating buns. We also received generous donations toward our meal from The Station Bar & Grill, Garg's Groceries, and community members," Oakes said.

The committee of volunteers behind the post-secondary organization previously hosted the market in 2019 and 2022. Proceeds from the event are dedicated to bursaries and scholarships for Miami School graduates, helping them cover tuition and other costs associated with post-secondary education.

"We are very fortunate to have received many generous donations over the years and we have some great support from the community and surrounding areas. Many individuals, businesses and organizations fund the scholarships that we disburse," Oakes said.





STANDARD PHOTOS BY MELISSA OAKES

The Miami Christmas Market fundraiser included a wide variety of vendors, Santa photos, rainbow auction, lunch, cookie walk and Christmas puddings.

## **Country concert at GPAC**



STANDARD PHOTO BY NIGEL BART Manitoba artist Kevin Roy, who left his teaching career for a life on the road, performed at the Carman Active Living Centre last Friday. Roy and his 5-piece band have country and rock roots and is said to sound like old country coming through brand new speakers. The concert was hosted by the Golden Prairie Arts Council.



## **Glow in the Country returns to Winkler Bible Camp**

### By Lorne Stelmach

Winkler Bible Camp staff and volunteers have been busy preparing for the annual Christmas Glow in the Country fundraising display.

They are again expecting large crowds for the show, and executive director Dale Wiebe believes that is in part because it is more than just lots of lights.

"They're not just lights. They're scenes, so they're dinner tables, they're living room setups and all of these different things. There are stories here. So when they see the scenes, they see stories, they see settings ... they see things happening.

"We're always making it bigger. Right now, there's probably about 25 different exhibits that will fill up the spaces," he added. "And everything gets changed, so nothing is in the same spot; maybe no thing is the same colour, and things kind of get rearranged all the time. It's a different experience every year."

People have two options to enjoy with the Christmas Glow in the Country, which is set up along what is about a two kilometre route throughout the camp property on PTH. 3.

From Dec. 4-7, it is part of the drivethru meal nights where you receive your dinner to take home at the end. It goes from 5-6:30 p.m., and you pay by donation, though you do need to reserve in advance.

If you just want to enjoy the light displays, you can book a time between 5:30-8:30 p.m. from Dec. 8-17. That one is a set \$20 per vehicle, with reservations also required in advance.

"Last year we did this and it worked really, really well ... people could come in, and the traffic was always flowing," said Wiebe of the online booking system. "You pick a time slot ... that way it alleviates the traffic on the highway so we can get through bunches of people but not everybody shows up at the same time."

The meal nights especially require a lot of work, but it is well worth it.

"I think we're doing about 600 meals per night for four nights," Wiebe estimated.

The event seems to have really caught on and is something people plan on and look forward to as a new holiday tradition.

"It is definitely something people are talking to us about all throughout the year, and they are excited to come see it," Wiebe said. "It's busy, but it's a fantastic way for people to come to the camp and see the place with our people and our staff who are there on site. We get to say hi and thank people ... it's a fantastic connection time.

"It's tons of fun, and it is really en-



Winkler Bible Camp's Glow in the Country runs Dec. 4-7 as part of a by-donation drive-thru meal and Dec. 8-17 at \$20 per vehicle.

joyable to see the families coming in with the kids," he said. "Another thing that I tend to see is people driving with vehicles with grandma and grandpa or people from care homes or people from Buhler [Active Living Centre] ... we see more of that where people just don't get a chance to get out ... that's just fantastic.

"Our goal is that this year hopefully we will get probably 10,000 plus people through."

You can find more information and make your reservation online at christmasglowinthecountry.com.

### > KING CHARLES, FROM PG. 2



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Callum Morrison got to see the very first loonies roll off the press bearing the effigy of King Charles III on them. Left: Morrison (far right) with dignitaries at the Royal Canadian Mint in Winnipeg last week and the giant version of the coin, which was created by artist Steven Rosati.

an historic occasion, Morrison says, The late noting this is the first time a new monarch has been on the coin in 70 years. in 1953.

The late Queen Elizabeth II has graced Canadian coins since her coronation in 1953.



"When I was young, I was very interested in coins and I still have a massive collection," Morrison says. "I think it's an interesting reflection of society, what a country puts on their coins.

"And they last such a long time," he adds, pointing out you still occasionally see coins in circulating bearing the face of King George VI, Elizabeth's father. "These new coins, they will be in the pockets of people's grandchildren one day."

Morrison was impressed by Rosati's work—both the speed in which it was done (King Charles' coronation was in May, eight months after the death of the Queen) and the detail he was able to infuse in the likeness.

"I love the fact that they went with an image where he's incredibly human, in the sense that you can see his wrinkles, you can see he's a man of his age," he says. "And he's not wearing a crown. He's looks very personable. It's kind of a very caring, sort of sympathetic figure, which is nice to see."

The mint plans to begin circulating a small volume of King Charles coins in all circulating denominations by next month. Coins bearing the Queen's likeness remain legal tender.

King Charles' image will also eventually replace his mother's on the Canadian \$20 bill, though that process is still in the early stages.

## **Touchless automatic carwash set to open in January**

### By Ty Dilello

Get ready, Carman residents! There's an exciting new addition coming to town that will have you revving your engines with delight. Hometown Carwash is gearing up to open its doors in January, offering a convenient and efficient way for you to keep your vehicles sparkling clean.

The touchless automatic carwash is located at 169 Main Street South in Carman.

Hometown Carwash is owned by Dustin and Lisa (Kissick) Dreger. Lisa grew up in Carman, and Dustin has officially adopted it as his own hometown as well, hence the name choice for the business.

In December of 2021, the Dregers started brainstorming the idea of the carwash and potential interest in the property. They purchased the property in June of 2022, and construction began in July of 2023.

"We have two young girls in the community, and we really want to see Carman continue to thrive and felt this could be one of our contributions to it," said Lisa Dreger. "We're very excited to have it open and also hopeful it is well received by the community."

"As far as construction, everything's been going smoothly. It was important to us to keep as much of the build with as many local companies as possible, and we have been very happy with how things are coming together thus far."

The Dregers are hoping to be officially open and operating by early



January. However, the weather and other factors can potentially cause delays.

lays. "As far as a grand opening, we're planning on doing a soft opening when we're ready to officially open the doors, and a grand opening in the spring when it's a bit more tolerable to stand outside."

Hometown Carwash will have four wash packages, the base starting at \$12 (Bronze), \$14 (Silver), \$16 (Gold) and \$18 (Platinum). Payment will be cashless and made from your vehicle by tapping your debit or credit card at the self-serve teller outside the entry door.

One of the best parts of the whole experience is that you never need to leave your vehicle. Other features to mention include the rocker panel/ undercarriage spray as well as drying time will be offered on all washes. Other options throughout the packages include high-pressure wash passes, soaps and waxes, bug prep or rust inhibitor (seasonal).

"It's a touchless automatic carwash



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The Dreger family, consisting of Lisa and Dustin as owners along with their daughters Jenna and Katie, are putting the finishing touches on Hometown Carwash which is set to open its doors in January.

which for those who may be unfamiliar, touchless is wash equipment that does not come into contact with your vehicle at all throughout the wash, but rather relies on high-pressure blasts of water and eco-friendly soaps and waxes to clean your car," said Dreger. Hometown Carwash will be open seven days a week, from around 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The owners can be contacted via email at htwncarwash@ gmail.com or on Instagram @hometowncarwashcarman.

## Flashback...169 Main Street S. tradition continues

#### By Dennis Young

As far as most of us can recall, there was always a service station on the corner of Hwy. 3 and 13. The first was Park Service, run by Lee Porter (he lived on the same corner) from 1932-56, followed by Charlie Douglas's dealership until 1967. That old station (and home) with its wooden oil-soaked floors was torn down in 1967 to make way for what was a mainstay for 30-plus years. The next owners were Frank Thiessen (67-68), Joe Stewart (68-70), Bill Warner (70-84), Ron & Audrey Schmidt (84-87 as Texaco 87-93 as Esso) and Ray & Norma Van Wyck (93-02/03) who were the final operators. That Imperial Oil owned building was demolished in April 2004 and the lot remained empty until now when Dustin and Lisa Dreger erected Hometown Carwash.



**STANDARD PHOTO** SUBMITTED The Dreger family, consisting of Lisa Dustin as and owners along with their daughters Jenna and Katie, are putting the finishing touches Hometown on Carwash which is set to open its doors in January.

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# **NSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN Downward trend continues for the Carman Beavers**

### **By Ty Dilello**

Following a challenging 11-5 defeat at home against the Portage Islanders on Nov. 25, the Carman Beavers maintain their downward trajectory. As a result of this outcome, they now occupy the ninth spot in the SEMHL standings with a current record of one victory and five defeats.

During the game on Nov. 25, the Beavers never held the lead as Portage's high-flying offence outscored Carman. Scott Atkins scored a pair of goals for the Beavers, while Ben Dalke, Fraser Mirrlees and A.J. Nychuk had Carman's other tallies.

For Portage, it was a scoring frenzy

alt was a scoring frenzy for Portage, with Linden McCorrister netting a hat trick and Johl Swedio and Tanner Lesann each adding two goals. The remaining Islander's goals were scored by Darren Gistl, Chance Dickenson, Jayson Brooks, and Joey Sutherland.

Luke Zacharias and Rocky Van de Velde, Carman's goaltenders, split time in the goal and combined for a total of 43 saves in the defeat.

The Carman Beavers will be playing two games this week: one on Nov. 30 against the Morden Bombers at 8 p.m., and another on Dec. 2 at home against the Red River Wild at 7:30 p.m.



STANDARD PHOTO BY DENNIS YOUNG

Despite a strong performance from Fraser Mirrlees of the Carman Beavers, who scored a goal, they ultimately fell short in an 11-5 defeat to the Portage Islanders

#### By Lorne Stelmach

The male U18 Pembina Valley Hawks picked up three of a possible four points on their weekend road trip to Thompson.

They rebounded from a 5-4 shootout loss to Norman Saturday by defeating the Northstars 5-2 Sunday, and it keeps them in the middle of the pack in the

standings. Their 7-9-1-3 record has them in seventh place with 18 points.

Hawks split weekend games

In game one, the Hawks led 4-2 after 40 minutes but gave up two third period goals to take the game to overtime. In the shootout, the Hawks failed to connect while Norman's second shooter scored for the win.



Kam Thomas, Haiden Friesen, Lane Apperley, and Liam Goertzen scored for Pembina Valley while Ryler Gates made 43 saves as Norman held a 48-31 edge in shots on goal.

on Nov. 25.

Three unanswered goals within the final two minutes-including an empty net marker-provided the margin of victory for the Hawks in game two.

Thomas had a pair for Pembina Valley with the other goals coming from Friesen, Goertzen, and Acoyen Fehr.

Shots on goal were 37-36 in favour of Norman, and Bryson Yaschyshyn got the win in goal with 35 saves.

Pembina Valley sits four points back of the sixth-place Winnipeg Thrashers and is one point up on Parkland and two ahead of Eastman and Yellowhead.

The Hawks host the third-place Winnipeg Bruins Wednesday night before visiting the first-place Brandon Wheat Kings Friday and the Winnipeg Thrashers Saturday.

## Hawks fall to Avros 6-1 in weekend action

### By Lorne Stelmach

For 40 minutes, there appeared to be hope the female U18 Pembina Valley Hawks could snap their losing streak Sunday afternoon in Morden.

They only trailed the Winnipeg Avros 1-0 and 2-1 at the intermissions, but four unanswered third period goals led to a 6-1 loss that now has Pembina Valley mired in a nine-game slump.

Abigail Brigg scored the lone Hawks' goal in the second period, while Kasia

Rakowski made 33 saves as the Avros held a 39-19 edge in shots on goal.

It was the lone game of the week for Pembina Valley, which has slipped to seventh place at 3-9-0 for six points. That has them three points up on last place Central Plains and one point back of sixth place Interlake.

It sets up perhaps a key game this weekend as the Hawks welcome Interlake to Morden for their only game of the week Sunday afternoon.

## **Glennis Scott to be honoured by Baseball Hall of Fame**

### By Lorne Stelmach

A second Morden resident is among the list of inductees for the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame in 2024.

In addition to Joe Wiwchar receiving an honourary life membership (*Voice, Nov.* 19), the same honour is being bestowed on Glennis Scott.

Like Wiwchar, Scott is adding to an already lengthy list of honours and accomplishments that include him having been initially inducted into the hall in 1998 and having played a pivotal role with the organization over the years.

"I feel a little overwhelmed. Like any organization, such as the baseball hall of fame, I look at it as a team effort including other directors, volunteers and wives," said Scott last week.

"There's a lot of people who put a lot of time into the baseball hall of fame. I was supported by a lot of people," he continued. "It's quite an honour ... but I feel there are other people who are just as deserving ... maybe their time will come too."

It's not surprising that Scott would be honoured in such a way, since dedication to baseball ran in his family. His father Jim is also in the hall as is his brother Gladwyn.

"Gladwyn is really credited with starting the baseball hall of fame in Manitoba," he noted.

Scott's achievements include being selected for Manitoba's all-time dream team in 2016.

Honours came mostly because he was one of the best pitchers the province has ever produced, but he also became an outstanding coach and clinician.

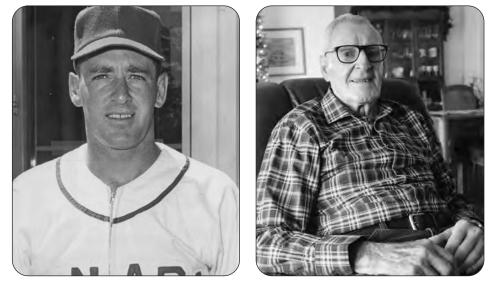
He competed for Canada in the 1967 Pan Am Games and won two games at Canada Games in Halifax in 1969.

He also pitched two games for Team Canada at Cartagena, Columbia in 1970 and was pitcher-manager in Cali, Columbia in 1971 and was also at world championships in 1972 at Managua, Nicaragua. He also was player-coach for Team Canada at an Intercontinental Cup in Bologna, Italy. Closer to home, Scott held various offices for Baseball Manitoba and Baseball Canada, and he is now being recognized for his contributions to the hall of fame. He was one of the original directors and banquet chairman for the first 23 years.

Given the family connection to baseball, it is not surprising that Scott very much grew up with the game.

"We grew up on a farm, so there was lots of chores to do, but there was also lots of time to play ball," he recalled.

"My dad was the manager of the baseball team in McConnell for years, and I think it was just natural for us



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Clennis Scott is receiving a life membership to the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame for his skills in his youth (right) as a pitcher.

to follow along," Scott continued. "He would spend hours on the farm after the chores were down hitting us fly balls ... I had four sisters too who were probably better ball players than we were."

He also remembers going to a lot of baseball tournaments, perhaps as many as three or four in a week at times.

He looks back fondly on a lot of great experiences including playing at the Pan-Am Games in Winnipeg and going to many international competitions.

"Amateur baseball provided me with a lot of trips I probably would have never had if I wasn't playing ball," said Scott.

"I have a lot of memories with baseball. The good part of it I guess is the people you meet and the friends you make ... that's amateur baseball," said Scott. "Baseball has been good to me."

The annual hall of fame induction banquet is set to take place June 15 at the Access Event Centre in Morden.

# **Twisters on three-game winning streak**

#### By Ty Dilello

After a slow start, the Pembina Valley Twisters have hit their stride and dominated this past week, sweeping all three games. As a result, the Twisters have climbed to seventh place in the MMJHL rankings, holding a solid 8-7-2 record.

On Nov. 21, the Twisters defeated the St. Vital Victorias by 5-2. Riley Goertzen (2), Derek Wiebe, Alex VanDeynze, and Max Collet scored the Twisters' goals. Logan Enns stopped 22 shots in net for the win.

A few nights later, on Nov. 24, the Twisters doubled the Charleswood Hawks 6-3. Goertzen had another pair of goals, while Merek Degraeve, Zander Carels, Jacob Carels and Ryan Orchard had the other goals for Pembina Valley. Enns was fantastic in the net, stopping 41 shots for the win.

In their most impressive victory of the week, the Twisters overcame a two-goal deficit in the third period to defeat the Fort Garry/Fort Rouge Twins 4-3 in overtime on Nov. 26. Scoring for the team were Degraeve, Wiebe, Mike Heppner and Slade Sotheran, with Enns recording an impressive 36 saves during the match.

"After losing three straight games, we knew we had put ourselves in a tough position," said Pembina Valley Twisters head coach Braeden Beernaerts. "We played this week like our backs were against the wall. And with battling a few injuries on some key guys, all the boys stepped up and got the job done. Moving forward we just want to keep the consistency and effort up every night."

Twisters' sniper Derek Wiebe is currently third in the MMJHL's scoring race with 29 points in 17 games, while Enns is currently fifth in the goalie rankings as he boasts a 3.42 goalsagainst average and a .903 save percentage.

The Twisters are gearing up for their next game on Dec. 1, when they face off against the River East Royal Knights at home. The puck will hit the ice at 8 p.m.



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Twisters' goaltender Logan Enns had a fantastic week in between the pipes winning all three of his games.

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