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# Carman family recognized as Outstanding Farm Family of the Year

By Becca Myskiw

A local family has been named Portage la Prairie and District Chamber's Outstanding Farm Family of the Year.

Ian and Michelle Lepp of MI Acres Ltd. of Elm Creek were one of two families to receive the award. Two families received the award this year due to the awards being cancelled in 2021.

The 2022 Evening of Excellence in Agriculture was on April 2. Nominees and their families along with the chamber got together that evening in gala fashion to celebrate the winners.

Along with the Lepp's, Jeffries Bros Vegetable Growers we're acknowledged as the 2022 Farm Family of the Year.

MNP, the Lepp's accounting firm, nominated the family; and Ian and Michelle had no idea.

"I think it was really nice to be recognized by them," said Michelle.

They run a grain and oilseed farm, farming 2,700 acres of mainly wheat, oats, soybeans, and canola. Ian started farming as a child with his parents but kept with it, starting his own farm in 2000, then incorporating it in 2009, two years after Ian and Michelle married.

"It's a good way to make a living,"

he said.

MI Acres Ltd. received the award but the couple farm alongside Ian's brother and parents and they have workers who help too. Though it's an award in their name, they said it's one for all of them as they all put in the farm work.

John J Lepp purchased 720 acres in 1939, including the home quarter where Michelle and Ian now live. He travelled back and forth to Purves to help on his father's farm. In the fall of 1940, John married Margaret Retzlaff and they moved to Elm Creek in the spring of 1941. Ian's father, Harry, the youngest of four children, started farming full time in 1976 after graduating with a degree in agriculture from the University of Manitoba and began working at the Morden Research Station. In 1978, he married Barbara McInnes. In 1985, Harry and Barb were named Outstanding Young Farmers for the mid-Canada region.

Ian is the oldest of three brothers, and having always helped on the farm, began his own farm operation at the age of 18.

On canola and soybean stubble, MI Acres Ltd. single-passes knife-in anhydrous for nitrogen supply as these crops are at high risk of wind erosion.



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MI Acres Ltd., owned by the Lepp family was named Outstanding Farm Family of the Year by the Portage la Prairie and District Chamber. Pictured with Michelle and Ian Lepp are their children Byron.

They also utilize no-till production, fall-seeded or perennial crops where appropriate for rotational and land management purposes. The farm does soil sampling to apply nutrient rates to match usage and needs. Given the heavy clay soil and lack of grade,

the farm also prioritizes spring run-off and heavy rainfall drainage. They operate a low-disturbance air drill to optimize seed placement, reduce erosion, and use the latest advancements

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# Golf season halted by weeks due to spring snowstorm

By Becca Myskiw

The Carman Golf and Curling Club is waiting on the weather to announce an official start day for the 2022 golf season.

On a usual year, the greens would open to golfers around April 21. It seemed the same for this season until the snowstorm came, pushing back the start date by maybe 10 days, said general manager Dean North.

"Before this storm, maybe 10 more days we could open but obviously it's going to slow it down," he said on Wednesday, April 13.

The club has to wait for all the snow to melt, the ground to dry up, and the frost to come out before getting the tarps off the greens. North has no estimation of when that will happen now, but he thinks they'll open in maybe two or three weeks.

This week, temperatures are expected to slightly climb into double digits, where the end of the month will see them steadily. He said that will help

the opening process. There might, however, also be rain, which would slow it down.

The 2022 golf season marks the first one in two years where clubs will likely be able to operate with no restrictions in place. For the Carman Golf and Curling Club, it will also be the start of a new tournament.

The International was a golf tournament where golfers would play one game in courses across southern Manitoba and a bit of the USA. That has since been discontinued, so Carman, Morden, and Winkler will be starting their version The International, without the international part.

It'll be a three-day tournament with a banquet for golfers of any skill level.

"It's not intended to be competitive," said North. "It's for anybody that wants to grab a club and hit a ball."

Though the pandemic is seeing its end, North is positive golf will still be a popular pastime. He said it got so



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The Carman Golf and Curling Club is waiting on the weather to open the greens.

much momentum over the last two years, he doubts that'll stop.

"It's the safest way to get out the

doors, get some exercise, have fun with your friends, and just enjoy life," he said.

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in farm technology.

One of the reasons for their farm's success is its business structure of separate family farming operations. They work together through shared employee resources, storage, and equipment to provide economies of

scale and efficiencies, lowering the farm's overall operating costs.

MI Acres Ltd. is also involved in Western Canadian Wheat Growers, Keystone Agricultural Producers, Manitoba Institute of Agrologists (Michelle), Manitoba Canola Growers Association, Manitoba Pulse Growers, Manitoba Crop Alliance, and the

Manitoba Oat Growers Association.

Michelle and Ian are active members in the community, coaching sports teams, working on the CHOICE field, volunteering with 4-H, and more.

"I'm not sure we would consider ourselves particularly outstanding," said Michelle. "[The award] causes you to pause and reflect and be proud.

We're proud of the business we have and the lifestyle it provides for our family."

The generations before them can transition into retirement easily and the generations after them can take over the farm if they want to.

# Carman council recognizes firefighters years of service

By Becca Myskiw

The April meeting of Carman council saw another update on Boyne Lodge construction, and all is going according to plan.

The monthly meeting was held on April 14. Tyler King, director of economic development for the town and rural municipality (RM) of Dufferin, said the original lodge's renovation

is still slated to finish in April of next year.

"It's looking good; I think the facility will have a different look and feel to it when people go into it," he said. "I think it will have a more formal feel instead of an institutional feel."

So far, the new roof has been put up on the west part of the existing building, part of the east roof has

been completed, drywall and framing are being completed in the west portion, and workers are almost done the penthouse.

King said it's mostly open spaces, and the finished product will take time, but it is coming along. As for the new personal care home and its small house model, he said residents and families seem to be enjoying it.

Other council news:

- The Storefront Improvement Program funded 11 out of 15 applications with available funds and supported all 15 with extra funds from Community Futures Heartland.

- Council will obtain costs to have the water tower moved to the community garden.

- There were a total of 10 emergency calls in February and March. The Carman Dufferin Fire Department's average response time was 14 minutes.

- Years of Service awards were given to 18 firefighters: seven for five years of service, five for 10 years of service, three for 15 years of service,

one for 20 years of service, one for 30 years of service, and one for 40 years of service.

- Work on the CDFD Regional Training Site is starting up again after the pandemic lull.

- Trip rates with the Carman Community Seniors Resource Council have been raised for \$75 for a trip to Winnipeg and \$40 for a trip to Morden or Winkler.

- The Pembina Manitou Archive site has been launched.

- Communities in Bloom will be hosting Yard of the Week in July.



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The Boyne Lodge renovation is on track to finish April 23.

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### Freezing bank accounts sets a dangerous precedent

Trudeau's Emergency Act was positively frightening regardless of how you view the freedom truck convoy. The freezing of bank accounts is the scariest part. What foreigner would want to invest in Canada when the government arbitrarily for political reasons passes laws to freeze your financial assets?

Trudeau bragged that he only talks or meets with those whose causes he supports. Trudeau states the trucker convoy had "unacceptable" views. In the future, what protests, what "unacceptable" views will result in the next group of citizens to be financially destroyed by being shut out of the banking system?

Apparently, there's a rumour that Bay Street panicked and told the feds

that there was a run on the banks that has not been seen since the 1930s and that led to the revoking of the Emergency Act. If that's true, I have zero sympathy for the banks. Not one bank had the courage to tell government that they refuse to comply without a court order or that they'll fight the government in court over the legality of the bank freeze of their clients' accounts.

The Attorney General's reason for freezing bank accounts was based on an affidavit by a police officer who based his testimony on what he read on the news, according to Montreal lawyer Keith Wilson. "It's ridiculous. We ran into this problem of circularity all the time, of media saying something, police than saying, well the news is saying it, then the media's saying, well the police said it." Courts never rely on third-party hearsay.

Now internment camps or jails aren't necessary. With financial intermediaries forced to do the gov-

ernment's bidding, rebellions can be put down at a click of a mouse, emails or text messages. Guns and prestige help in government power, but opponents can be best controlled through the realm of money, zeroing on their political opponent's financial opportunity of survival. Communist Chinese Social Credit System par excellence.

The freezing of accounts sets a dangerous precedent for future protests. Governments on both sides of the aisle can target protesters economically based on their political beliefs. Worse, when banks receive immunity from lawsuits by affected clients, they're more likely to be less careful and more arbitrary.

With this Emergency Act our legal system is not impartial but blatantly political, any opposition to "approved dogma" will be crushed, there is no security of person or property in Canada anymore and were no longer a liberal democracy.

- Stanley Reitsma, Carman

### Not so Good Friday

It is good Friday and I am trying to visit my grandfather in the Boyne lodge. Since I am not a primary caregiver I must call in to book my appointment each time I want to visit. Following the rules, I called five times on Thursday to schedule my visit however, no one was there to pickup and the messaging machines were off. Again, Friday morning came and I called another two times. I got no answer but I left a message

stating my intentions to visit. Insistent on seeing my grandfather for Easter, I went in at 4:00 to visit. I was immediately shut down by the screener at the doors. I explained to them that I called seven times in total. However they told me their phone was glitching that day. Because their phones were glitching I am not able to see my grandfather for Easter. Although this is extremely frustrating sadly this has happened on many occasions. There is absolutely no room

for compassion or common sense in this place. Put kindly, management in this place is atrocious. It feels like I'm trying to visit someone in prison.

I am doing my part and following management's rules, however they make it impossible to get a hold of anyone.

My grandfather now sits alone in his room on Easter weekend because management won't pick up their phone.

- Jena Krahn

### Earth Day - April 22

*For most of history, man has had to fight nature to survive: In this century he is beginning to realize that, in order to survive, he must protect it!*

-Jacques-Yves Cousteau

It is easier to deal with a catastrophic act of nature, then the harmful actions that are perpetrated by humans. As our planet faces the im-

pacts of global warming, food and water shortages, air and water pollution, concerns for the environment, and a continuing acceleration of health problems, we are witness that many, if not all of those challenges are the direct result of human input and human endeavours.

Repeatedly, we have been warned, that as humans, we are on a dangerous path. We subordinate ecological

concerns to the demand of economy, political and personal ambition. The planet can no longer sustain this relationship and needs to heal.

We can see that life is a cycling phenomenon which forms within a single system. Nothing stands alone; No individual species or community; for in a cycle each thing and each event in one way or another is con-

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# Local pharmacies participate in province's quit smoking program

By Becca Myskiw

Almost 220,000 people in Manitoba smoke cigarettes, and the provincial government is offering to give 4,500 of them the chance to quit — for free.

The Manitoba government launched its first health-related social impact bond, Quit Smoking with Your Manitoba Pharmacist, which was announced on April 1. Mental Health and Community Wellness Minister Sarah Guillemard said the costs of smoking to the smoker and the health-care system are significant. This social impact bond could help reduce those.

Quit Smoking with Your Manitoba Pharmacist is expected to enrol up to 4,500 people across the province over a three-year period. Essentially, smokers can go to their local pharmacy and tell the pharmacist they want to quit. The pharmacist will then act as a counsellor during the quitting process.

"Pharmacists are trained to do a lot more than they're doing," said Tanjit Nagra, CEO of Pharmacists Manito-

ba. "All of this is very positive if we can help combat that, but on a more internal facing note, it's a good way to show the community just how much more pharmacists can do. It opens more conversation."

More than 500 Manitoba pharmacies are signed up for the social impact bond, trained in smoking cessation tools and supports. A few of those pharmacies include Carman Pharmacy, Homestead Co-op Carman Pharmacy, Pharmasave Morden, Apothecary of Morden Inc, Shoppers Drug Mart Morden, Shoppers Drug Mart Winkler, Loblaw Pharmacy, Winkler Pharmacy, Pfahl's Drugs Ltd. The complete list of participating pharmacies can be found at <https://www.quitsmokingmb.ca/participatingpharmacies>.

The success of the social impact bond will be measured by the number of individuals who participate in an initial assessment with a trained pharmacist, quit smoking for at least 12 months and continue to abstain

from nicotine after 24 months.

Under the social impact bond model, Shoppers Drug Mart will invest \$2 million to fund these activities. If outcomes are met or exceeded, the company will receive up to \$2.12 million from the Manitoba government.

"Quitting smoking is difficult, and most people need to try more than once to be able to quit successfully," said health minister Audrey Gordon. "The goal of Quit Smoking with Your Manitoba Pharmacist is to increase the success rate of people who are ready to quit by making it convenient to access the right supports and resources at their local pharmacies."

Manitobans over 18 are eligible for

assistance and can approach participating pharmacies for an initial assessment. Follow-up counselling sessions and up to \$100 worth of prescribed medications and nicotine replacement therapies will be offered over one year to support individuals in their journey to quit.

"Pharmacists are the most accessible healthcare professionals in the province," said Nagra. "Smoking kills many people every year and leads to many other health issues. It's a good opportunity to quit and having your local pharmacist there and accessible will hopefully just increase their ability to quit."

## Chamber sees highest number of members yet in 2021

By Becca Myskiw

Last Tuesday, the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce held their annual general meeting (AGM), reporting on a record year for members.

The meeting started at noon on April 13, with greetings from MP Candace Bergen before Chamber president Marni Harrison gave her report.

She said 2021 was successful, though far from normal.

"The extra efforts by our business community did not go unnoticed," said Harrison. "And the adjustments many businesses made due to the pandemic resulted in a larger audience for their brand as social media became an important retail piece of business."

The Chamber had a record number of members in 2021 — 194. One hundred forty-five of them were returning, 20 were new, 11 were sponsored, and 18 were complimentary members. So far this year, membership sits at 191 returning members, three new ones, nine sponsored ones, and two complimentary members, making for a total 205.

"Twenty-twenty-one was a year of renewal," said Harrison. "For the Chamber and for the community. Things became more normal, and events were able to be held. We were very fortunate to receive many Chamber grants to spur local spending and support our storefronts. We were able to hold our golf tournaments, Poutine Week and Burger Week."

This year, the chamber is looking forward to gathering. They can hold in-person meetings and continue with Zoom as an option, they're looking forward to Poutine Week, and businesses are getting ready for Burger Week.

"We are in the works to hold a celebration of our female entrepreneurs this spring and have worked with the Collegiate to start an annual career fair," she said. "We have developed strong relationships with many local organizations, including the Boyne River Keepers, as well as the Town and RM to work together as our local business' success is our community's success."

As the golf tournaments, they were very profitable for the Chamber, and they'll be using funds for this year's events.

All positions on the Chamber board remained the same, except for one. Director Nancy Cooke stepped down and Carmen Fotheringham stepped in.

Other directors:

- Shannon Vaughan
- Cor Lodder'nancy Swain
- Marlin Metcalf
- Dale Reimer
- Mayghan McEachern
- Brian Maxwell

The executive board had no changes, leaving Marni Harrison as president, Scott Johnston as vice-president, Kelly Dyck as treasurer, and Dean North as secretary. Jodi Winkler is still the executive director.

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# COVID resurgence: boosters advised for adolescents

By Patricia Barrett

The Manitoba government announced last week that youth aged 12 to 17 can now get a COVID-19 vaccine booster, sometimes referred to as a third dose for those who already received a two-shot primary vaccine series.

In March the government lifted public health measures such as masking, capacity limits, social distancing and quarantine for infected individuals. Those measures helped prevent the spread of COVID among Manitobans. An omicron-driven wave of infections is now building across the province, prompting recommendations for COVID booster doses. Boosters also compensate for vaccines' waning effectiveness.

"Based on updated recommendations from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization, Manitoba Health is revising its guidance on booster doses of COVID-19 vaccine for young people age 12 to 17," said the government in an April 13 COVID-19 Bulletin.

The government is recommending that an mRNA vaccine be given to youth at least six months after their first two doses.

In addition to booster doses for adolescents, the government said all COVID testing sites across the province will close on April 15, with "several" having closed already – including Selkirk's – during the mid-week blizzard that started to roll in on April 12. PCR testing will become available only "through primary health-care providers for eligible individuals."

Canada's National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) updated vaccine guidelines for adolescents last week, strongly recommending a booster dose for this age

group to help reduce infections and severe disease.

It cited the lifting of public health measures across Canada that used to help protect the population, as well as the omicron variant's ability to partially evade vaccine-induced or natural immunity.

"With NACI's updated recommendations, a first booster dose may now be offered to everyone 12 years of age and over," said the Public Health Agency of Canada in an update titled "Updated guidance on a first booster dose of COVID-19 vaccines in Canada" published April 12. "Given the current resurgence in cases due to the increased transmissibility of the Omicron BA.2 sub-lineage and the lifting of public health measures, NACI's updated recommendations may help to further reduce infections and severe disease."

Pfizer-BioNTech's Comirnaty (30 mcg) booster is preferred to Moderna's Spikevax (50 mcg) booster "as there are currently no data on the use of Moderna Spikevax (50 mcg) booster dose in adolescents 12 to 17 years of age."

NACI said COVID surveillance data show there is a rise in infections across the country.

"The Omicron wave had been abating nationally in Canada, but there is now a rise in cases with an increasing proportion of infections being attributed to the Omicron sub-variant BA.2."

The variant and its even more infectious subvariant have the capability to repeatedly infect people.

The Manitoba government stopped releasing daily COVID infection numbers, hospitalizations and deaths. It instead releases a weekly Respiratory Surveillance Report containing data

from a week previous.

The April 3-9 report, released last Thursday, shows a jump in hospitalizations and almost 1,700 new COVID infections. It's unclear how the government will report new infections with no public testing centres.

"In Week 14, there were 1,694 laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases reported in Manitoba, an increase from 1,359 in the previous week," states the report. "Severe outcomes resulting from COVID-19 infection increased compared to previous weeks. There were 182 total severe outcomes, with 177 hospital admissions and 5 deaths. Of the 177 hospital admissions, 19 were ICU admissions."

The report also says city of Winnipeg wastewater surveillance data show an upwards trend in the virus.

The virus is continuing to evolve. Subvariants of omicron, as well as subvariant combinations, are being tracked by the World Health Organization.

The pandemic remains an international public health emergency, says the WHO. But the ability to monitor COVID variant trends has been "compromised" by countries/jurisdictions having cancelled their COVID testing

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# More snow



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Abigail Dyck made a snowman with her dogs Nova and Coco following the spring storm last Wednesday and Thursday.

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nected with everything else. We, all of us are but strands in the web of life and what we do to the web, we ultimately do to ourselves.

Once we accept this simple understanding and dedicate a commitment to improve our ways; there is always the hope that mankind will survive.

Otherwise, if we choose to continue on our present collision path with nature, we will perish in the holocaust that we, as humans, have created. Nature will survive without humans. Humans cannot survive without Nature.

And yet, even though Nature is as integral to life as breathing, politicians and corporations insist on viewing it as an object to be exploited, instead of a being, to be respected.

- John Fefchak, Virden

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# Truck raffle tickets on sale to raise funds for Carman Country Fair

By Becca Myskiw

Residents can get ready to partake once again in a normal as can be Carman Country Fair.

The Dufferin Agricultural Society (DAS) is planning the fair in a shorter period than they're used to, but they're excited to be doing it nonetheless. DAS president Deena Boklaschuk said they had to wait and make sure they could have the fair because it wasn't financially wise to start putting deposits down on things when they might not be able to use them.

"It's going to be a regular fair," she said. "It's going to be an event you're used to seeing, maybe on a different scale."

There will be the usual midway, truck pull, derby, and the third and possibly final Percheron Show.

"We're very excited because it's been a very disheartening two years trying to maintain momentum," she said. "We came out of the last fair we had in 2019 with so much momentum...the pandemic took the wind out of our sails. So, we're feeling excited but overwhelmed because we only have three months to do this."



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This year's Carman Country Fair will be back to normal. To raise funds, the DAS is hosting a truck raffle.

Before the fair on July 7 to 9, the DAS board needs many volunteers and funds. Boklaschuk said they're mindful that people may not be able to donate as they have in the past, but they still need dollars to put on a great fair.

So, as a new way of fundraising, DAS is hosting the 2022 Carman Country Fair Truck Raffle. For \$20 a ticket, people will have the chance to win a one-year lease on a 2022 Ford F-150 XLT, which comes to \$5,100 in value.

This year, Carman Ford donated the one-year lease as their sponsorship to the fair. Tickets will be sold until the fair when the winner is pulled at 4 p.m. on the Saturday. To buy tickets, email [carm-fair@mymts.net](mailto:carm-fair@mymts.net) or reach out to a board member if you know them personally.

Boklaschuk said DAS is also in dire need of volunteers. They need people to help with almost every aspect of the fair. To inquire about what positions may be needed, email [carmfair@mymts.net](mailto:carmfair@mymts.net) and sign-up forms will be sent out from that email.

There are also chances for youth to get involved with the fair and become junior directors. DAS is looking for fresh ideas and people to pass leadership on in the coming years. To inquire about a junior director position, email Boklaschuk at [deena.b@gmail.com](mailto:deena.b@gmail.com).

## > PUZZLE FUNDRAISER FOR UKRAINE, FROM PG. 6

programs or having scaled them back. "At present there are a number of omicron sub-lineages we're following closely, including BA.2, BA.4 and

BA.5 and another recombinant detected, made up of BA.1 and BA.2," said WHO director-general Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus in an April 13

United Nations news report.

The evolution of a new variant or a recombinant could result in a virus being able to completely evade immunity. The WHO recommends that people wear masks indoors.

Worldwide, 6.1 million people have died from COVID, according to the WHO data as of April 14.

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# Storefront Improvement Program funds more projects than ever

By Becca Myskiw

Thanks to additional funding this year, Carman's Storefront Improvement Program is supporting \$25,553 worth of projects.

The program has been running since 2019, and it grants out \$3,000 each year to local businesses wanting to spruce up their storefronts. In addition, community Futures Heartland added \$3,870 to the givable funds this year, allowing the program to support more projects.

To be eligible for program funding, businesses had to send a proposal outlining a project that would provide substantial value to the town. Their project has also to be a minimum of \$1,000. Half, \$500 of the business's money and \$500 grant. Approved applicants must complete their improvement by Dec. 1, 2022 to receive the funding.

Director of economic development for the Town of Carman and rural municipality (RM) of Dufferin, Tyler King, said they received 15 applications this year — the most they've ever gotten — and they were able to fund each one because of Community

Futures Heartland.

"They're all fairly different," he said. "Some are looking at signage, some beautification. There's a variety there with all of them."

The total funding given out this year was \$6,780. All the projects combined will add \$25,553 worth of work into the town's look. King said this program puts money and effort into how the businesses look, essentially how the town looks.

"The goal of the program is to have storefronts do work to entice people to come in, to have them look good," he said. "We want people to think of the community and businesses as inviting."

This year's approved businesses are:

- Bell Aura Bed, Breakfast and Bistro: new signage
- Carman Florists: updated signage and new shrubs
- Clean Water Pro: planters
- Dufferin Historical Society: mulch
- Golden Prairie Arts Council: exterior artwork and seating
- John Neustaedter (107 Main Street S): exterior renovation



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This year's Storefront Improvement program approved all 15 applicants thanks to an almost \$4K donation from Community Futures Heartland.

- Kingdom Health and Athletics: exterior improvements
- Knockabouts: awning and aesthetic improvements
- Oxbow Inn: new shrubs and trees
- Rempels Finishing (20 1st Avenue SW): multiple aesthetic improvements
- R-Tech Industries: signage
- TLC Centre: pergola and chairs
- Victorious Financial Services: exterior renovation
- WebMarkers: exterior painting
- Wee Care Child Center: fence improvements

## Flashback....The Leader Block at 69 Main St. S



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This Leader Block was built for J.W. Jameson in 1897 by Edmund Watson. The building was 2 halves now identified as 69A & 69B Main Street S:

69A: The Dufferin Leader was published there until moving in 1928. Mrs. Jameson also ran a Bon Marche stationary and millinery shop. MTS had an office 1911-58 then Norm Bissett Tailoring to 1965. The Melody Shop by Kathleen and Barry Laycock 1965-1970; missing years; Video One 1982-84 by Pat & Lana McCullough; missing years; Judy McKinnon's Hair Salon 1995-1996; The Riverwalk Café opened by Tina Hooker & Karen Templeton 1997-1999; The Riverwalk Café sold to Tanya Pritchard & Kara Nicolajsen in 1999-2004; Tanya alone 2004-2006; changed to The Bistro By The Boyne by Andrea Heembrook 2006-2009; Andrea again as The Boyne River Coffee House 2009-2010; Ben Lang and his Ciao Down moved in 2009-2014; followed by D21 2014-?; then Kin Sushi & BBQ ?-?; now an apartment.

69B: missing years; Braun family's Parkland Flooring 1969-73; missing years; Mutual Life Group/ Herman Voth 1979-95; Pat Harness Accounting 1988-2002; Dr. John Hewitt office from 1996 to now.

I would like to hear from anyone with missing year info!

## Back 40 set to return this summer

By Lorne Stelmach

The return to the stage after two years of pandemic shutdown will make an upcoming fundraising performance extra special for the Back 40 Folk Festival.

The 70s Show returns Saturday, April 23 at the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler as a prelude in support of the festival, which makes its comeback Sunday, June 5 in Morden Park.

"It's exciting. It's nice to be with the board members again; it's nice to interact with the musicians again, and it's nice to be putting on shows again," said festival chairperson Scott Bell.

"Everyone's been through two years of postponements and cancellations and carefully made plans that had to be put on hold, so we're glad to finally be creating some events for people and give musicians a chance to play for an audience again.

"It had been pretty lean times for musicians. Last summer, there were a few opportunities for musicians to play live ... but through the winter, there had been so few opportunities," Bell said. "I know the musicians are really excited to be playing again."

The 70s Show will feature the music of the Eagles, John Prine, David Bowie, John Lennon, Steve Miller, Junior Wells, and Gladys Knight performed

by Jenessa Kehler, Rob James and Silas Presley, Bill Dowling, JP Lepage, The Mood, Jayme Giesbrecht and the Soul Revue, and Link and the Moustaches.

"There's something for everyone in the show, and hopefully they enjoy the entire show," Bell said. "There's a rich depth of musicians, so every year we're trying to add ones that people maybe haven't seen in our tribute shows before. I think we've got a really strong lineup both in terms of the people performing and the artists they have chosen."

He emphasized that The 70s Show is really the one and only fundraiser in support of the festival.

"It's the main fundraising event of our whole year ... basically, it's the only other show aside from the festival that we actually charge admission for," he noted. "All of the coffeehouses we put on are free to the public.

"Also, the musicians participating in The 70s Show donate their performances, which is greatly appreciated."

Meanwhile, organizers are turning their attention toward pulling things together for the first festival since 2019.

"Hopefully people will want to get involved. It's not a big commitment,"

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# Your FARM



## Look closely for verticillium stripe in 2022

By Clint Jurke

Verticillium stripe caused yield loss in some canola fields in 2020 and 2021, and probably will again in 2022. The disease can be confused with blackleg, sclerotinia stem rot and lodging, and – unlike these other common problems – verticillium stripe tends to be worse in dry conditions.

Verticillium stripe, caused by the pathogen *Verticillium longisporum*, was first detected in canola Manitoba in 2014, and surveys in 2015 found the pathogen's DNA all across the Prairies. It seems to be getting worse – likely because it is still establishing itself. The bottom line: It's here and we want people to know about it. That is why SaskCanola held a verticillium workshop in February. A video recording of the workshop is posted at [www.youtube.com/canolacouncil](http://www.youtube.com/canolacouncil).

### Identification

Symptoms are easiest to see at harvest. Look for brittle stems with a peeling outer layer. Some stems may be lodged or broken. Tiny specks called microsclerotia form under the peeling skin.

Verticillium stripe, like blackleg, will cause discoloration inside the stem. Blackleg stem infection tends to be darker and moderate levels of infection cause distinct wedge shapes of

black. (Severe blackleg will leave the stem completely black and dead.) Verticillium stripe tends to cause grey discoloration throughout the stem cross section, getting continually darker as microsclerotia build up.

At the workshop, Yixiao Wang, a University of Alberta PhD student researching verticillium stripe, shared another way to distinguish blackleg from verticillium. Blackleg stem infection is concentrated in the crown – the point at ground level where root and stem meet. Verticillium darkening can extend well up the stem. Using a knife to split stems longitudinally, Wang discovered she could distinguish the two diseases based on how far the darkening extended up the stem.

### Management

We don't have a fungicide option, so management comes down to genetics and rotation. Unfortunately we don't have confirmed recommendations for either of those options.

All four presenters at the workshop are researching genetics, and they have found clear differences. Some canola breeding lines are quite resistant. Some are very susceptible. But we don't know the level of resistance in commercial cultivars in Canada, and we don't have an official method to rate this resistance.



CANOLA COUNCIL OF CANADA PHOTO

Verticillium stripe, like blackleg, will cause discoloration inside the stem. Blackleg infection (centre) tends to be darker with distinct wedge shapes. Verticillium stripe tends to cause grey discoloration throughout the stem cross section (left)

For rotation, anecdotal evidence suggests that longer breaks between canola crops may help to reduce disease severity. It certainly works for blackleg and clubroot. We need more research to tell us how long a break will provide an effective reduction in soil inoculum levels of the verticillium pathogen.

The good news is that research continues in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. These studies will help us learn more about the pathogen and the disease. The Canola Research

Hub at [canolaresearch.ca](http://canolaresearch.ca) has updates for ongoing and completed projects. Enter "verticillium" in the keyword search.

In the meantime, keep an eye out for verticillium stripe in your canola in 2022. For more images, identification tips and a lifecycle graphic, please see the verticillium stripe chapter in the Diseases section at [canolaencyclopedia.ca](http://canolaencyclopedia.ca).

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## Green Gold program tells farmers the optimum alfalfa cutting date

By Becca Myskiw

Manitoba alfalfa growers have the opportunity to find out their optimum cutting date to get the best quality off the crop again this year.

The Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association is again offering their Green Gold program. It's been running for 27 years now.

The program encourages growers to be strategic with their alfalfa hay crop harvest, helping them make cutting decisions based on their feed and market needs. During May and June, producers cut 10-inch samples of their alfalfa crops twice a week for a three or four-week period. They then

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# Carman skating surfaces...Part 3 ...60 years of upgrades

By Dennis Young

I apologize for the confusion regarding this Rink trilogy and its order of publishing. To bring this #3 up to speed: Since the rink on Main Street was demolished, DAS and the Town came to an agreement to build a new multi-use facility at the park.

The projected \$180,000 (\$1.7 million today) cost of the new complex would see the Town contribute \$60,000, the RM \$30,000 with another \$90,000 from grants. It would eventually total \$215,000 with another \$30,000 in provincial funds.

To delay the process MP George Muir stated the Gov't would not be responsible for more than 25% of the cost. The DAS was under the assumption it was a dollar for dollar basis. Threatening the cancellation of the entire project, the Feds agreed to a 3/8s share.

Construction by Maple Leaf began in 1961 and the DAS's modern day Coliseum received its official opening on July 12, 1962. M.C. and building committee spearhead Clarence Armstrong had the honor of unlocking the main door.

Carman now not only had a 1200 seating hockey/skating arena and 5 sheets of curling ice, it also sported ample space for a Fair office and during the summer 4H displays. The Kinsmen Cub would add a meeting room on the 2nd floor soon after opening.

The very first Arena Board was formed consisting of DAS reps Armstrong, Eldon McEachern and 1 member each from the RM, Town, Kin and Curling Clubs. This governing bodies had some financial and ownership decisions to make.

The D.A.S. felt the taxes they paid



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## Carman's Agriculture and Sports Arena.

on the building were unfair since they only used the facility 1 month a year. In fact in 1966 they only paid the local improvement taxes one day before the Arena would have had to be offered for tax sale.

From November 1968 to October '69 they negotiated the sale to the Town & RM for the nominal sum of \$1 with conditions. The Fair board could rent the facility as long as it remained active, they donate \$20,000 in grant funds to upkeep and the new joint owners paid all outstanding taxes.

Now to get cash coming in the doors, a Carman and Community Artificial Ice Committee was formed to plan fundraising. Step by step projects for the approximately \$60,000 required was put into place (the Curling Club had and paid for artificial ice since opening day).

The first projects began in 1970 with the replacing the earth with gravel, installing piping and cement then insulating all walls with a urethane material. Next March a concession was built that would serve both arena and curling rink simultaneously and provide funding.

A shock came in Feb/73 when a Fire Commissioner spot check found there were no fire extinguishers, no fire alarms and short 14 emergency doors! A huge \$15,000 bill. The good

news was the artificial ice was finally in use by March after 4 years. Recreation saw an increase in use over the next 3 weeks and talks began to entertain summer hockey schools.

Upkeep continued when the "chicken wire" was replaced by plexi-glass and the boards with plastic panels. Total renos were about \$5000 in 1975. Various improvements/changes were made for the next years but the largest was with grants/funds accumulated from hosting the 1990 Manitoba Winter Games.

The upgrading in the arena, which eventually totalled \$110,000 saw many touch ups but the major improvements were upstairs with much larger dressing rooms with showers, new flooring and storage lockers. Downstairs saw new boards and player boxes closed in.

At the same time, curlers parted company with skaters for the first time in 90 years. The former curling ice was retroed into a secondary skating rink in 1992 with boards, benches and access for Carman's 1st Zamboni to flood it. On the other side, those boards were replaced and player/penalty boxes improved. The lobby got new flooring in 1994 and a modern sound system was installed for \$6000 in 2001.

With the mounting repairs, a yearly

fund was set up in 2002 by the Town and the RM which sets money aside for upgrading recreational equipment. Well just in time because 2002 went bad to worse! Starting in June, the Grandstand fire and intense heat damaged the arena roof. August saw \$100,000 in grants/funds required to meet Health/Fire codes as well as ice plant repairs. Then in October \$66,500 was needed to replace the chiller and compressor before ice could be made.

In 2006 a Town Hall forum was held to discuss the possibility of a new arena (no more lipstick on a pig was the term used by some). It was decided that with the building itself being sound according to engineers, that a major facelift would be the answer. Both local Gov'ts contributed \$600,000 while another \$600,000 was raised through a fundraising campaign in 2009.

When the arena opened for the 2010 season, it sported new siding, roofing, insulation, plumbing, wiring, flooring, 2 more dressing rooms and so much more. Local organizations contributed to various aspects as well and Carman basically had their new arena. Not to mention one with 2 ice surfaces, which has proved beneficial.

That brings us up to 2021 when energy efficient lights on the ice surface were installed and the latest Zamboni purchased. But it never stops as upgrades and improvements are always popping up.

Quite sure I missed some expenditures/improvements, but with the support of our Councils, their staff and countless volunteers this ice surface has given 60 and counting rewarding years.

Carman's ice surfaces..... from river to roofed.

## > BACK 40, FROM PG. 8

said Bell, who acknowledged there may be some challenge to rebuild after two years away. "Whatever continuity we had was abruptly brought to a halt, so it in many ways feels like starting over again. A couple years is a long time to not be doing anything."

More details about the festival will

be announced at The 70s Show.

"We plan to announce the lineup for the Back 40 Festival at The 70s Show; that's sort of become the tradition," Bell said. "I can say it will be a nice balance of musicians from Winnipeg, from other areas of the province and then of course some southern Manito-

ba musicians. We always try to make sure the local area is represented well."

He looks forward to seeing all those musicians coming together again to perform and feed off of each other.

"We were talking about how a lot of the musical relationships in the area kind of grow out of these 70s Shows, where people meet backstage and lis-

ten to each other," Bell said. "Then as time moves on, maybe they collaborate or incorporate each other in each other's bands. That's kind of exciting when you see people joining acts and making connections."

The 70s Show tickets are available at the concert hall: winklerconcerthall.ca.

## > GREEN GOLD PROGRAM, FROM PG. 9

put the sample in a Ziploc bag, send it to The Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association, and send it off to be tested in Winnipeg.

The testing tells producers their optimum cutting date based on what they use their crop for. Next, it gives them the protein value and how many points it's dropping in relative feed value per day. Finally, it helps

producers know if they need supplements in their herds.

Lawrence Knockaert from Bruxelles uses the program to ensure his dairy cattle get the best feed he can give them.

"It gives you real-time reporting so that you're not guessing by what the actual results are off your field, which is a bonus," he said.

He said finding out the protein status of his crop ultimately optimizes his milk production and saves him on protein supplements.

"If you have a row of really good bales you've taken off high in feed value, you can use lower feed value bales and get the optimum blend for dairy cattle," said Knockaert.

The Green Gold program currently has 13 fields in the province taking part. Terra Bergen, Communications

Support & Green Gold Coordinator, said they'd prefer to have four or five fields in each region of the province at the bare minimum, but the more the better.

"It's important for knowing what the quality of your alfalfa feed is for those who need it for their protein status in either dairy or beef fields," she said. "Last year's drought made for a tougher year for feed quality so we'd like to figure out what we can."



# Teddy Bear Picnic to return

By Lorne Stelmach

A popular family event will return this year after having been keenly missed the past two summers.

The Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre and the Winkler Family Resource Centre, which now share an executive director, will be jointly hosting a Teddy Bear Picnic in June.

"Rather than doing one in each community, we're going to do one bigger one and work together on it, so I think it's pretty awesome," said executive director Cathy Savage.

"The Teddy Bear Picnic historically has been one of our biggest fundraisers," she added, noting that it brings in anywhere from \$7,000 to \$8,000 in support of the free early childhood programming the two centres offer local families. "So that's been a huge loss.

"And it's not even just the money.—it's just such a great community event," Savage added. "To have the support of the public health nurses and the clinics and have our teddy bear clinics. It's a great experience for the kids ... it's a great day for the community."

Set for June 18 at the Parkland stage in Winkler, the picnic will invite chil-

dren to bring their special stuffed toys to have a full checkup with a variety of health care professionals.

It is not only a way for kids to see professionals like doctors, dentists, and nurses in a non-scary environment, but is also an opportunity for families to be aware of the different services that are in the community for them.

More details about the picnic will be released in the coming weeks.

Meanwhile, the family resource centres are preparing to bid farewell to Savage, who has served as executive director in Winkler for the past six years. Stepping into the role will be Sara Peters.

"I'm am looking forward to taking on this position and to make both centres in Morden and Winkler continue to provide these important programs to families," said Peters.

"I enjoy seeing the happy faces come in each morning for the programs, and I'm looking forward to carrying on with it," she said. "It is important ... moms come in and say, 'This got us out of the house today' and you know that what we do is worthwhile."

Savage noted that she sees the two centres as being well positioned to



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Morden-Winkler's Teddy Bear Picnic is scheduled to return June 18.

carry on under the direction of Peters.

"Our programs have always been packed," she said, noting they currently have 97 children registered in their various programs. "And out of those 97, let's say we only know 20 of those families. Everybody else is brand new, so that's huge.

"In both Morden and Winkler now, we are in great locations that are larger and easily accessible," Savage said. Morden's programs recently relocated to the Alliance Church while Winkler is in the Emmanuel Mennonite Church. "Just being in Winkler Emmanuel Mennonite and being able

to open up five days a week has been huge; we can serve so many more people."

She believes Peters will find it as rewarding a role as she has.

"You meet so many different families from all walks of life ... and you even see the parents making friends," said Savage. "This has been the most rewarding job in my life. You see these little children come in as infants, and they are with you until they're five and they go off to school and it's oh my goodness ... I'm so happy that you're ready for school, but I'm going to miss you."

## How to show your appreciation for volunteers

National Volunteer Week takes place this year from April 24 to 30. This annual campaign promotes volunteerism and celebrates the contributions of millions of Canadians who donate their time and energy to making their communities better places to live. This year's theme is Empathy in Action, which highlights how volunteering helps develop strong connections among people with diverse backgrounds and fosters genuine care toward others.

Volunteers are often mobilized by empathy, but their efforts are best sustained by demonstrations of appreciation. When volunteers feel recognized, they're more likely to remain connected to your cause and continue to give back. Here are some ways your organization can say thank you to its volunteers.

- Create a video. Collect footage of your organization's volunteers at work with a smartphone or other device. Then, string the clips together and incorporate some music into the mix. Once the video is edited, you can share it on social media or on your website.

- Plan a social event. Consider bringing the volunteers in your organization together with a social event. You could host a movie night, put together a meal or throw a party. Social events help encourage your volunteers to connect with each other, the cause and the organization.

- Collect and share letters. Ask the people your organization serves to write letters of thanks explaining how your volunteers make a difference in their lives. Collect all the letters and share them with your volunteers.

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## Carman Collegiate alumni receive highest award at Providence

By Becca Myskiw

A Carman Collegiate graduate is making a name for himself at Providence University College after being named Pilot of the Year.

Waedon Dueck, 21, started at the post-secondary school in the fall of 2018 and has been involved in almost every aspect of the school since. Dueck went to study general biology but has since switched to studying health sciences and will graduate on April 23.

On April 6, the school held the Providence University College Athletic Banquet and Carman Collegiate alumni Dueck walked away with two awards, one of which is the most prestigious award an athlete can receive at the school — Pilot of the Year. He was also awarded the Men's Basketball Leadership Award and was recognized as a Scholar-Athlete and a Graduating Senior Scholar-Athlete.

Pilot of the Year looks at a student's community involvement within the school and athletics; it looks at academic performance and achievement, athletic performance, and leadership impact.

In the spring of 2018, Dueck was in talks with the Providence basketball team recruitment staff. He started attending workouts with the team, then got a spot playing on it as centre and power forward. For the past two seasons, he's been team captain

and the team's spiritual leader.

As spiritual leader, Dueck finds different ways to incorporate faith into the team. For example, he leads prayers before practices, reads bible verses before games, organizes team devotionals, and more.

Last year, Dueck was a resident advisor and worked with the student council. This year, he's student council president, sitting in meetings, meeting with the rest of the council, the student body, faculty members, and Providence University College president.

"It kind of helps me to develop my leadership skills outside of the basketball team," he said.

Along with all this, Dueck has been voted class Valedictorian and currently has a GPA of 3.8.

"You've just got to make time for everything," he said. "Figure out what your priority is for each day. You got to put more energy or effort into one thing than all things. Be conscious and aware of your time and where you're spending it."

Being given the school's highest honour feels good for Dueck. He said receiving that recognition and having people appreciate what he does is really cool.

"Rather than, 'hey look how good this guy is,' it's 'hey thanks for doing that,'" he said. "It's rewarding knowing a positive impact is being made."



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Carman Collegiate alumni Waedon Dueck was named Providence University College's Pilot of the Year.

## Top basketball players in Manitoba to gather

By Lorne Stelmach

A number of players from the south central region will be part of a Basketball Manitoba event bringing together some of the best young players in the province this weekend.

The Basketball Manitoba awards and all star games will be held this Saturday at Westgate Collegiate in Winnipeg after having been postponed last

week due to the winter storm that hit the province.

The day will feature four games featuring all star players from across the province including the boys and girls AAAA graduating all-star games and the boys and girls A-AA-AAA graduating all-star games.

The announcements of the Manitoba players of the year, All-Manitoba

teams, coaches of the year and other special or scholarship awards will be made online throughout the day.

The event will feature players and coaches at the Manitoba high school basketball level from this past year who had outstanding seasons.

Among them are players from the south central region including on the boys side Carson Park of Carman

Collegiate. On the girls side, there is Hannah Matuszewski of Garden Valley Collegiate, Samantha Bueckert of W.C. Miller School, Lexie Nelson of Carman Collegiate and Amber VandeVelde and Leah Janzen of Elm Creek School.

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

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## Twisters on the hunt for MMJHL title

By Voice staff

The Pembina Valley Twisters were looking to get back into their MMJHL championship series with the St. James Canucks this week.

The third-ranked Twisters fell to the top-ranked Canucks 5-4 April 10 to open the series before the next few games were delayed due to the recent Manitoba blizzard.

Game two took place Tuesday night at the Morris Multiplex with game three Thursday in Winnipeg and game 4 Saturday in Morris. If the series is extended, game five goes Mon. Apr. 25 at Bell MTS IcePlex then game six Thur. Apr. 28 in Morris and game seven Sat. Apr. 30 at Bell MTS IcePlex.

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A belated, but heartfelt thanks for the love and support given to us in memory of Husband/Dad, Menno Friesen, April 20, 1938 - September 1, 2021. Thanks to the Carman Hospital staff, Dr. Miller and the ICU staff at Boundary Trails Hospital and the 911 first responders. Thank you to Mark at Doyle's Funeral Home, Pastor Bob Pauls, the folks at the Carman Mennonite Church, and Dad's many friends. Thank you to our loving family and friends for their continued support.

-Shirley and Lori Friesen

## TOWN OF CARMAN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is given that the Council of the Town of Carman will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Memorial Hall, to consider a proposal to annex certain land from the Rural Municipality of Dufferin to the Town of Carman. The lot in question is Lot 11; Plan 1000-C and shown on the map below. The annexation proposal has been forwarded to The Municipal Board and is supported by both the Town of Carman and the RM of Dufferin. Any interested parties are invited to attend the Public Hearing to receive additional information regarding the proposal. Written submission will also be received by the Town of Carman until the time of the public hearing. Copies of the proposal are available for review at the Town of Carman office, 12-2nd Avenue SW, Carman.



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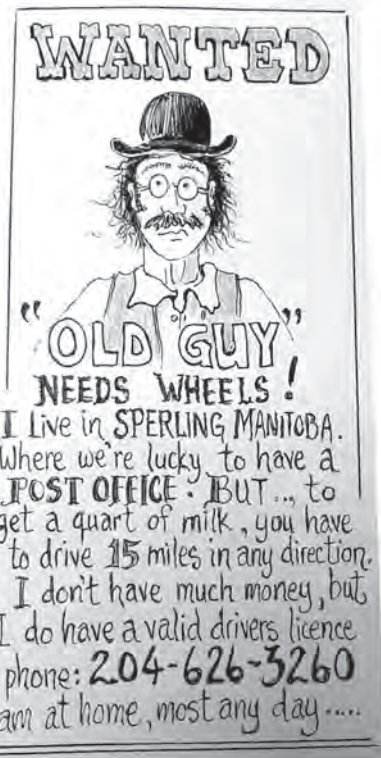
### CONDITIONS OF TENDER

1. Interested parties must rely on their own inspection and knowledge of the property.
2. Tenders may be placed and accepted on one or more of the above-described parcels of land. Offers to subdivide will be considered.
3. Tenders must be received on or before 2:00 p.m. on May 6, 2022. A deposit cheque in the amount of \$10,000.00, payable to "AVS Law LLP Trust", must accompany each tender. Deposit cheques accompanying unacceptable bids will be returned.
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### Sudoku Answer

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### Crossword Answer



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## OBITUARY



**Alice Iona Kerr**  
October 28, 1928 – April 8, 2022

It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother Alice Kerr. Alice passed away peacefully with family by her side.

She was predeceased by parents George and Agnes Howie, husband Alastair Kerr, infant daughter Julia Leanne Kerr, and twin brother James (Gladys) Howie.

She is survived by daughter Heather Giesbrecht and son-in-law Doug Giesbrecht; daughter Fern Kerr and son-in-law Raymond du Bourg; son Howie Kerr and daughter-in-law Tannis Kerr. Grandchildren Lori (Danny) Cooper, Leanne Giesbrecht (Ron Scherman), Brody (Jerrica) Kerr, Logan (Jessica) Kerr, and Jenel Kerr. Great-grandchildren Blake, Cole and Rhae Scherman.

The simple ask to join a curling league changed Alice's life forever. Uncle Charlie was looking for a few curlers to complete his curling team. Alice, along with another teammate, Alastair, agreed. From that moment on, Alice and Alastair were inseparable, marrying on December 6, 1952.

Family was incredibly important to Alice. She kept up on all her family's activities no matter where they were, or how far away. Alice's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were her pride and joy.

Alice loved to travel. As a family, there were many good memories created during summer camping adventures. Alice and Alastair visited Hawaii, Scotland, Mexico, Florida, and for several years into retirement spent a few weeks in Victoria to escape the cold Manitoba weather.

Alice loved life and the experiences it provided her. She loved socializing, going golfing and bowling, or even playing a good game of 500 or Sequence. Alice was very artistic. She would knit and crochet, as well as paint rocks and pictures, thus showcasing her natural talent.

As a family we want to thank Mom's neighbours at Riverview for your friendship and kindness. As well, we want to thank Doyle's for their professional support and guidance. We are especially grateful for the skilled staff at Carman Home Care for all their assistance throughout the years, enabling Mom and Dad to stay in their home. A special thank-you to Jacquie Paton for your kind and wonderful help to Mom on the day she passed away; knowing Mom had your support means so much to us as a family.

The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to their favorite charity in Alice's name.

Funeral service will be held on Friday, April 29, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Doyle's Funeral Home, Carman.

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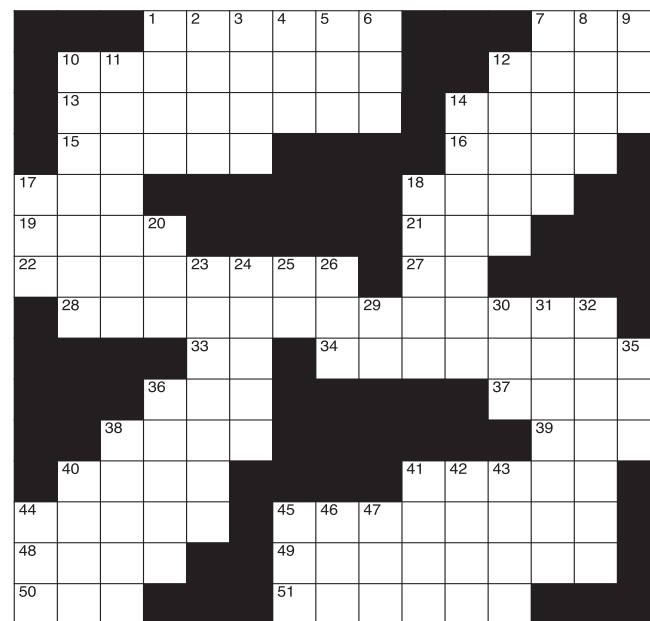
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### CLUES ACROSS

- A woman of refinement
- Body part
- One who imitates
- Tropical Asian starlings
- A type of delivery
- W. Australian capital
- Many wombs
- Wings
- Expression of amusement
- Brews
- Mild yellow Dutch cheese
- Mild expression
- Solitary
- Distance to top
- The rebirth of a soul in a new body
- Police who investigate police (abbr.)
- Begrudged
- Popular sports league
- Autonomous republic of Russia
- Double-headed drum
- Type of light bulb
- Czech River
- Male servants (Span.)
- Previously
- Minor
- Metrical foot
- Days that follow Mondays
- Small European viper
- News shows have one

### CLUES DOWN

- Inspiration
- Resembling wings
- Form of Persian
- Consumed



- Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- Sea eagle
- Jaguarundis
- Poker stake
- Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- South American nation
- A colorless, odorless gas
- Disturbance
- Artist's tool
- Polish peninsula
- Ottoman military leaders
- Bird-like dinosaur
- Drinking glass
- Central Florida city
- One's mother
- To do it is human
- Atomic #10
- Used to write
- The branch of medicine concerned with the ear
- Adversaries
- Have already done
- One of conspicuous wealth
- It flies over sporting events
- Geological times
- Net
- Musical phrase
- Chadic dialect
- Private Internet Access (abbr.)
- Lizard genus
- Woman of the church
- Having ten





## HOW EARTH DAY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONCIIOUSNESS HAVE EVOLVED

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about the reality of climate change and other risk factors. Public demand for environmental safeguards grew in the second half of the twentieth century, and those demands have grown stronger in recent years. Legislation is continually evolving to protect the air, land and water. Sustainability has joined the buzzwords of the movement, and most industries now have a vested interest in changes that can minimize risk to human health and the environment.

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