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Park Ave. water main renewal bid approved

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- Beausejour CAO

Christine Hutlet

By Tony Zerucha

Work on the Park Avenue water main is scheduled to begin next spring as the busy Beausejour thoroughfare gets an extensive makeover, although it will cost more than originally ______planned.

Town of Beausejour CAO Christine Hutlet said the work should conclude by late summer. Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure's street renewal will begin soon after.

The water main work, which involves the replacement of valves, hydrants, service lines and curb stops, runs from the westernmost end of the water line at 100 Park Ave. to the new water treatment plant at 1000 Park Ave.

Originally budgeted to cost \$3 million, rising costs have increased the tab to \$4.33 million.

Southwood Ventures' was the lowest of a total of six bids and was awarded the contract.

"We had increased the budget for the project before tender to include additional

cost increases to \$3.5 million, but the tender award was \$4,334,517," Hutlet said. "The Manitoba Water Services Board pays 50 per cent of the costs up to \$2.5 million. Our bylaw is to borrow \$750,000 over 20 years with the remainder to be paid through reserve funds."

Hutlet said Beausejour will know the precise interest rate on the \$750,000 loan once the project is complete. It is dependent on the market rate at the time.

Homes and businesses from 100 Park Ave. to 951 Park Ave will see some impact. They should expect minor service disruptions, decreased parking and work in front of their properties. The existing equipment is between 55 and 69 years old and is near the end of its

service life.

A larger water main should mean fewer disruptions, less discoloured water and better water flow for firefighting crews. The modern materials will protect the water from frost, which can force some users to run water to prevent freeze-up. That reduces unnecessary consumption.

Season's Greetings



Photo by Avery Pearce

Four-month-old Sawyer Greschuk gets a close look at the tree as he prepares to celebrate his first Christmas.

Springfield considers lifting Dogwood Drive parking ban

By Tony Zerucha

Residents of Oakbank's Dogwood Drive and visitors may soon be able to park on the street after Springfield council expressed support for removing parking restrictions at its Dec. 10 meeting.

In a report to Council dated Dec. 6, CAO Colleen Draper said the RM of Springfield had received correspondence from some Dogwood Drive homeowners expressing concerns that vehicle parking is not currently allowed on either side of the street. She said the development and servicing agreement for Dogwood Drive, signed in 2021, states that no street parking is allowed because the road is narrower than a normal street. Draper said the narrower street is related to the size of the lots. Draper said it was the developer's responsibility to inform home buyers of the restrictions. However, many homeowners allege that did not happen.

"Residents have indicated that the parking restrictions were not disclosed by the builder, developer, or real estate agent, and that these restrictions are causing significant inconvenience for residents and visitors alike, as it is the only street in Oakbank with

such restrictions," Draper wrote in her report.

Draper said letters were sent to the 18 Dogwood Drive property owners on Nov. 4 asking their opinions on removing the restrictions. Of the 15 who replied, 14 expressed support, while one wanted them to remain. Three property owners did not respond.

Coun. Glen Fuhl said he has heard from Dogwood Drive residents concerned about the parking restrictions.

"I think it's pretty high," Fuhl said of the fact that 78 per cent of the homeowners want the restrictions removed. "I don't see a problem with having parking on one side of the street."

Because Dec. 10 was a Committee of the Whole meeting, no vote could be held. However, council unanimously agreed the restrictions should be added to a future agenda.





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Seeds sown at AM

By Tony Zerucha

Municipal leaders are happy with the work they put in at the recent Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) fall convention in Winnipeg.

"It was a good week," said RM of Brokenhead Reeve Brad Saluk, who was re-elected as one of two AMM vice presidents. "Lots of connections were made once again."

Saluk said little has changed since the spring convention, and it's time to start seeing some action from the provincial government. They have to figure out how to pay for their election promises.

Saluk said a common theme over the three days was that all municipalities want to get their roads in good shape. More needs to be done to keep unwanted truck traffic off municipal roads.

Municipalities don't have the personnel to enforce weight restrictions on them.

Empowering motor carrier enforcement officers to enforce restrictions on municipal roads would be a good start. Saluk said the Province of Manitoba needs to step up, as some of their regulations are driving heavy equipment onto the municipal roads.

'Signs are not enforceable, they're just a waste of taxpayer money," Saluk said. "They should know better than to hope people see the signs and stay off the roads.

"We can't handle any more damage in Brokenhead. If we have another year like last year, it'll chew up our

RM of Lac du Bonnet Reeve Loren Schinkel said the conference was a success, with an action-packed agenda and informative speakers. He believes many

"As eastern director, it was great to see so many representatives from across the Eastern District," Schinkel said. "One of the benefits is getting to meet ministers and others to discuss issues face-to-face so you can share concerns of your municipality and region."

In his role as an AMM director, Schinkel said he got to meet with Premier Wab Kinew and his entire cabinet team multiple times over the three days.

'Along with reviewing the platform and areas of concern the AMM is pushing for on behalf of all municipalities in Manitoba, there were also many sidebar discussions," Schinkel said. "I did speak with many of the ministers throughout the conference and gala evening. All of the discussions were very positive, and I believe that they were all sincere in all of the interactions that I had with them."



File photo

Lac du Bonnet Reeve Loren Schinkel said he met with Premier Wab Kinew and his entire cabinet team multiple times over the three days.

ERHA care options during the holidays

If you or a family member requires non-urgent health care services, the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) advises

that some doctors' offices and clinics in the region offer extended hours care and same day appointments.

If you are experiencing

a medical emergency, always call 911. In the event you need to visit an emergency department, visit www.ierha.ca and click on "Emergency Dept. Schedules" in the upper right hand corner to see emergency department status within

and Pine Falls facilities. the Beausejour, Pinawa

You can also call 1-886-267-5818 to select your community of choice and listen to a recorded message on emergency department Health Links-Info Santé

is staffed with registered nurses and nurse practitioners who are available 24 hours a day every day of the year. Depending on patients' described condition and community location in Manitoba, nurses can provide clinical guidance to contact a family physician or a walk-in clinic, present to an emergency

department or to an urgent care centre and they can provide advice on self-care treatments at home. Call toll-free 1-888-315-9257.

If you're caring for a sick child with a fever, visit www.ierha.ca and select "Patient Information", "Where to go" and "Kid Care". Helpful short videos featuring Dr. Andrea Wilkie-Gilmore, a pediatric emergency physician at Health Sciences Centre, will help to navigate questions about fever, symptoms, medicating and when to bring a child for emergency care.













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IERHA Memory Trees across the region



Memory trees are set up in many facilities and public places for people to mark the loss of a loved one.

This year, the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) will set up holiday memory trees in many facilities and public places for people to mark the loss of a loved one.

Barb Ramsay, IERHA palliative care volunteer coordinator, says this is a significant way for people to process their grief and help themselves through the holidays.

"Every year we try to make the grieving process a little easier with the palliative care memory trees. We have all experienced loss and grief to some degree," said Ramsay. "Support systems and ways to honour are an important part of the healing process.

This year, the IERHA's palliative care program has several places hosting memory trees to honour people who have passed away.

IERHA facilities and the two libraries have memory card ornaments available to place on any of the trees the communities, as well as any for patients, residents, families and employees in each area.

North Eastman memory trees have been set up along with the help of IERHA program staff and volunteers at the Beausejour Hospital, Beausejour Primary Health Care Centre and East Gate Lodge, at Kin Place Personal Care Home in Oakbank, at the Lac du Bonnet Primary Health Centre and Lac du Bonnet Personal Care Home, Pinawa Hospital and at the Pinawa Mall as well as the Whitemouth and District Health Centre. Everyone is invited to honour the memory of their loved ones and appreciate some time for reflection.

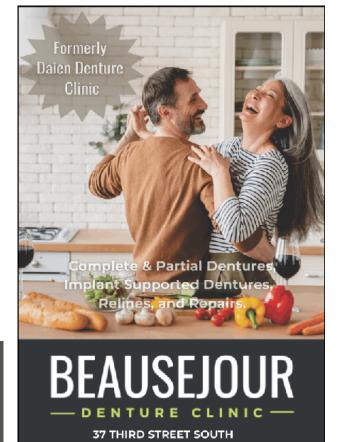
Ramsay goes on to say that during the holiday season when so much focus is on family, it can be difficult for people who are grieving to feel like celebrating.

"These are meaningful

gestures which are so important around any special day when our sorrow is heightened."

Public and facility trees are set up now, and card ornaments for all ages will be placed with each tree.

This holiday season, everyone can access online mental health support at anytime on www.ierha.ca/ programs-services/mentalhealth/ or call the 24-hour crisis line at 1-866-427-



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Brave patients share their stories to help others with dental anxiety

By Elisier Handar

When I first say dental implants to someome, they don't jump at the opportunity to 20 through a deutel procedure. Quite often, it's the reason some stray away from the hope of tighter deutures eltogether, but I'm here to give you some peace of mind from some who have been in your shoes, seen the other side and are here to share their stories.

When Brian came in to see us carlier this mouth, we were able to get the insider accopon how his dental implant appointment at the dentist went. He had 5 teeth removed and 4 dental implants placed just two weeks prior. Brock the Donaurist asks Brian what he's often asked, like does it hurt? Brian ears, "I only had freezing part in and I didn't feel a thing to be honest with you. I didn't know they were putting in the deutel implants until they were in. The whole process was about an hour and a balf and afterwards I went home. I was given prescription Tylenol from the

Dentist and took that for a week after, but it wasn't terribly terrible. So, if you're thinking about deutel implants, go for iti So far, it's been easy and that was the bardest part."

While Brien is still in the healing phase, the next patient we interviewed is now enjoying the full benefits of his new dental implent supported smile. Brock asked. him to share his expecience. Frank says, "I first came here for an appointment to discuss options with Brock, He was honest right from the beginming and guided me through every step. At first, dental implants is a scary thought, right? I came here with only 4 teeth left and had suffered for years. I didn't even want to go out and see people anymore. I had lost all my self-esteem, until I did something. The procedure changed my life 100%. A couple of weeks go by with the healing and you -dion out four it or beau tog ing but great after. To me, it feels good, if not better than when I had my real teeth. It's a long-term solution. Now 1

cam set, see my friends and family. People love my smile. This is the best decision I've made and the best place to get it done. I recommend it to emyone."

Both Brien and Frank have the same deutel implant solution! Their lower denture is held in by four dental implants, which clicks in and out, like how a button enege open and closed. In addition, if you recall the article a few weeks ago, we talked about how someone with dental implants can adjust the tightmoss of their denture with o-rings, well now both Brian. and Frank are able to do that. They use o-rings to adjust the tightness to just tight enough to chew that morning toast. but still easy to dip out or here it so tight they can eat that well-done steak

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Police are reminding North Eastman residents that when a school bus is stopped with its red lights activated and stop signs deployed, traffic in both lanes on a highway must come to a stop. The fine for failing to do is \$672.

LAC DU BONNET & AREA

The Lac du Bonnet detachment's main incident reporting line for non-emergencies is 204-345-8685. The administration office for general questions is 204-345-6311. For emergencies, always dial 911.

2024-12-11 Lac du Bonnet RCMP received a report of an abandoned vehicle on the side of the road in the RM of Lac du Bonnet. The registered owner was contacted and told to arrange a tow truck.

2024-12-12 Whitemouth RCMP were advised of a careless driver in Whitemouth in which a vehicle has been seen purposely drifting and fishtailing on a regular basis. Officers advise witnesses of traffic infractions to try and report at the time the incidents are occurring whenever possible. Additional patrols to be made in the area.

2024-12-15 Whitemouth RCMP were dispatched to a single vehicle collision in which poor road and weather conditions contributed to a vehicle sliding into the ditch. Both occupants were sober and no injuries were reported.

2024-12-15 While on patrol in Lac du Bonnet, officers noticed a vehicle stopped on the street. A traffic stop was initiated and it was found that the vehicle had a mechanical issue and the driver had gone to get a friend for assistance. The vehicle was moved off the street shortly after.

Additional traffic enforcement in the region over this period resulted in one ticket and one warning for speeding.

BEAUSEJOUR & AREA

The Beausejour RCMP administration office is open Monday to Friday

from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. To file a police report, please call 204-268-2612. If it's an emergency, call 911. For criminal record checks, you need two pieces of government ID (one has to be a photo ID) and \$10 cash. We have the forms that you need to fill out.

Police are reminding that due to the colder weather residents should check their heating systems, chimneys and heaters to prevent fires. Also at this time of year check out your outlets to make sure that they are not overloaded, which could also cause fires.

2024-12-08 A report of a single vehicle collision on Hwy 12N. A vehicle left the road and ended up in the ditch. Minor injuries sustained by driver.

2024-12-08 A report of a potential fraud in the Town of Beausejour. Police are currently investigating.

2024-12-08 Police were called to a residence in the Town of Beausejour where an elderly male subject had a large knife and was making threats. He was intoxicated and caused damage at the residence. EMS attended and cleared the male subject. He was arrested and lodged until sober.

2024-12-08 A report of a vehicle in the ditch along Hwy 44 near Road 48E and it was on fire. Fire department and EMS attended. Driver was out of vehicle and did not have injuries. Accident due to poor road and weather conditions.

2024-12-09 Police received a report of Breach of the Peace in the Town of Beauseiour.

2024-12-12 A report of a single vehicle accident on Third Street South in the Town of Beausejour. The vehicle hit a tree.

2024-12-13 A report of theft of packages from the front of a residence in Tyndall.

Citizens on Patrol is seeking volunteers for their program in the Town of Beausejour. Patrols are once a month or more often if you like. You will use your own vehicle and phone. Training documentation will be provided to successful applicants. If interested or have any questions please email beause jourcopp@gmail.com

OAKBANK & AREA

To make a report to the



Oakbank detachment, call the 24-hour dispatch line at 204-444-3391. The administration office for general questions is 204-444-3847. For emergencies, always dial 911.

No report submitted.

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www.antifraud centre.ca Phone: 1-888-495-8501 Emergency scams prey

on your fear of a loved one being hurt or in trouble. Scammers claim to be someone you know and tell you they need money immediately.

Scenarios they may use include:

- Needing bail money because they've been arrested;
- Being in a car accident or
- Trouble returning from a foreign country.

Reports are showing a new variation where fraudsters contact you via email or text message, claiming to be a loved one asking for a favour. For this favour, they'll ask you to send money or gift cards.

Fraudsters will:

- · Claim to be law enforcement officials, or lawyers or impersonate the grandchild/family member;
- · Use urgency and threats to convince you to take out money;
- Claim that there is a "gag order" preventing you

from speaking about the situation; or

• If you agree to pay the requested amount (cash or cryptocurrency), fraudsters will arrange to pick up the funds in person or will ask you to send cash in the

Broken Phone Scam

The CAFC is getting reports about a fraudulent emergency text or social media messages. The fraudster might claim to be a family member or loved one, saying that their cell phone is broken or has been dropped in water. The fraudster will then provide an alternate phone number to contact them at. They will proceed to ask for a favour by requesting funds from the victim to repair the broken phone or to pay

Grandparent Scams

A senior gets a phone call, typically on their home phone/landline, from a caller claiming to be their grandchild or calling on behalf of their grandchild. They say they need money as soon as possible, whether to pay bail, lawyer's fees, hospital fees, or ambulance fees. They will say the payment is needed immediately to avoid going to jail or to be released from jail.

Note: These types of scams can target anyone, not just seniors or grandparents.

How to protect yourself

- If you receive a phone call claiming to be from a family member in an emergency, hang up the phone and contact them directly using a phone number you already have - not one provided by the suspected fraudster.
- If the caller claims to be a law enforcement official, hang up and call your local police directly using a phone number from a reputable source – not one provided by the suspected fraudster.
- Be suspicious of telephone calls that require you to act immediately and request money for a family member in distress.





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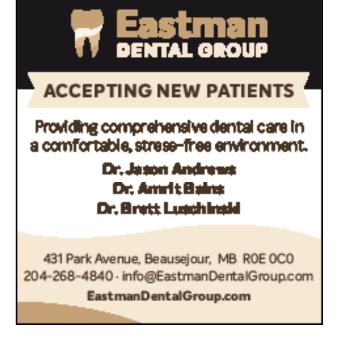


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Manitobans Can't Afford a New Year's Tax Hike

By Gabe Haubrich

If Premier Wab Kinew doesn't extend his gas tax cut before the end of the year, Manitobans could be waking up to a New Year's Day tax hike hangover.

Almost one year ago, Kinew cut the province's 14-cent-per-litre gas tax to ease the pain of inflation and lower costs for families. And it's been working.

Since the government cut the gas tax on Jan. 1, 2024, Manitoba has had the lowest fuel prices in the country and among the lowest inflation rates.

And it's meant big savings for families. A two-vehicle family with a minivan and a pick-up truck filling up once every two weeks will have saved about \$587 over the last year because of the cut. That's money that can be used for a couple of big trips to the grocery store instead of being sent to government coffers.

The cut is now scheduled to expire on Dec. 31, if the government doesn't extend it again.

Kinew hasn't yet said

what will happen to fuel prices on Jan. 1.

Here's some advice to the premier from taxpayers – extend the cut again.

The NDP election platform says that the gas tax will remain cut "while inflation remains high." The rate of the increase of prices may have slowed recently, but prices for essentials are higher than ever. Since 2020, the price of everything has increased by about 18 per cent. The price of food has increased by 25 per cent.

"We know Manitobans are still struggling with the impact of interest rates and grocery prices so we're going to continue to step up and save you 14 cents at the pump," Kinew said when announcing the last gas tax cut extension in September. It's basically guaranteed that families will still be struggling come January.

Families are paying 25 per cent more for food than they were four years ago, but the average Manitoban is only earning about 16 per cent more money. If the government hikes the gas tax back

up that only means more financial pain for Manitobans

If the government is serious about its commitment to affordability, that means it needs to keep the gas tax cut going and keep helping Manitobans deal with the high cost of everything.

And Manitobans are obviously still feeling the bite of inflation because a majority want the gas tax cut to continue. Recent polls show that 73 per cent of Manitobans want the government to extend the gas tax cut again. In fact, 70 per cent want the government to axe the gas tax permanently.

The numbers are even stronger when you take out those who are unsure. For Manitobans who are decided on the issue, 81 per cent want another cut extension and 78 per cent want to make the cut permanent.

And just a little spending restraint could make room in the budget for much-needed tax relief.

Families are pinching pennies to make their budget work, the least that

the government can do is the same.

The government recently announced a handout to a bus company in Winnipeg for \$23.4 million to build a new facility and increased handouts in the Manitoba Mineral Development Fund by \$2 million. The government also announced that it would be setting up a \$50 million so-called Strategic Innovation Fund to hand out more money to corporations in Budget 2024.

The fuel tax used bring in about \$340 million for the government, or about 1.4 per cent of the money the government spends every year. Just cancel-

ling those three corporate welfare programs would be enough to pay for the fuel tax for almost three more months. After that, the government only needs to find about one per cent more in savings to keep the gas tax cut around for another year.

The government promised time and time again to make life more affordable for Manitobans. Life is still expensive. Kinew needs to extend the gas tax cut and keep Manitobans saving.

– Gabe Haubrich is

the Prairie Director for the Canadian Taxpayers Federation

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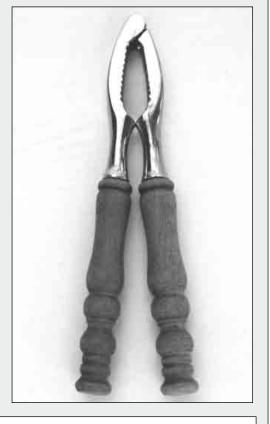
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Last week's What's It?

The What's It? object in the Dec. 12 edition of *The Clipper* was a CORN COOKER OR BREAD LOAF PAN. Congratulations to Russ Kubara of Beausejour for being one of the first people to provide the correct answer this

week; "This week's What's It? is a bread loaf pan with lid."

The Clipper wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.





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Open Doorways Orphanage 2024 Update

2024 has continued to be one of strife and struggle for those living in Haiti. Prices for all products have continued to skyrocket for those things that you can still purchase.

The costs to operate Open Doorways Orphanage have gone from an average of \$3,000 US per month in 2023 to about \$4,700 US

this year. For this reason, we have had to ask Gerald Augustin, our manager in Haiti, to make some hard decisions. We needed him to try and cut back about \$1,000 US per month as our funds are quickly depleting. We asked that he cut back on staffing as all of the children are now young adults and have been helping with

daily chores around the orphanage. Rather than laying off staff, Gerald has had to cut everyone back to half time as some employment is better than

As well, we suggested that they get chickens to supplement the rising cost of food. The children are involved with the care of the chickens and are benefitting from a good source of protein. We hope this will be enough to get back on track financially.

The school year in Haiti began on Oct. 1. Three of the children expect to graduate this year and hope to continue their education at a university next fall. This, of course, will depend on the political situation in

In late summer, we were surprised by a very brief meeting with Gerald in Beausejour. He had been invited to Winnipeg by Bethel Missions who supply lunches and Christian support to several schools in Haiti including the one our children attend.

A few past and present ODO board members met with Gerald and he gave them a brief overview of how things in Haiti were at the moment. He assured us that despite the terrible political situation that the children and orphanage are in a well protected area. Many local people have formed a police like organization and are successfully keeping the gangs out of the area. The hospital continues to operate and the people are able to get to and from work and school in relative safety. However, supplies are hard to get as very little



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gets into or out of the area. Gerald himself has had to flee to the U.S. earlier this year. As a successful business man and local minister at his church, he was a prime target for kidnapping by gangs. Gerald is in daily phone contact with the staff and children at the orphanage.

Meanwhile, in Canada, the board of directors for ODO have been busy trying to make ends meet as well. Della Markham held several watercolour painting classes for both adults and children in the spring and fall. So far this year, Della has donated

\$1,400 from painting class

In September, we held a Tribute to Patsy Cline concert with local performing artist Laurie Sutherland. This event raised \$1,610 and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Open Doorways is in need of continued support. We gladly accept one time and monthly donations. You can reach us by calling Sharon Dugard at 204-268-1530 or Della Markham at 204-266-1353 or go to our website at www. opendoorwaysorphanage. ca for more information.

\$162,843 received locally during Giving Challenge

North Eastman's community foundations received significant support during the Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge, from Nov. 12-17.

The Brokenhead River Community Foundation (BRCF), Lac du Bonnet and District Charitable Foundation and the Pinawa Foundation received a combined \$162,843 over the one week campaign.

The Giving Challenge is a major fundraiser for the local organizations as it encourages residents to make funding gifts. The interest generated is used to support local projects in their respective communities in perpetuity.

In addition, The Winnipeg Foundation and the Province of Manitoba are committed to the growth of community foundations across Manitoba, by providing a combined 5:2 stretch on the first \$10,000 raised. That means a \$10 donation could potentially be stretched to \$14.

During this year's Giving Challenge, Manitobans made 2,996 gifts to their

communities, totaling more than \$1.8 million. With the stretch grants from The Winnipeg Foundation and the Manitoba government, more than \$2 million was

The Pinawa Foundation raised the fourth most donations in the province this year as they received \$97,818 from 110 donors. With the maximum stretch donation, they received \$101,818.

Lac du Bonnet's Foundation saw 84 gifts of \$40,279 received. The maximum \$4,000 stretch pushed them to \$44,279.

In Beausejour, the BRCF received 40 gifts totalling \$12,746. With the \$4,000 stretch from the province and Endow Manitoba, \$16,746 was collected.

A total of 56 foundations participated in the Giving Challenge with 43 of those collecting the maximum stretch. Dauphin and District Community Foundation raised an amazing \$389,692 - the most ever collected by a single foundation during the Giving Challenge.



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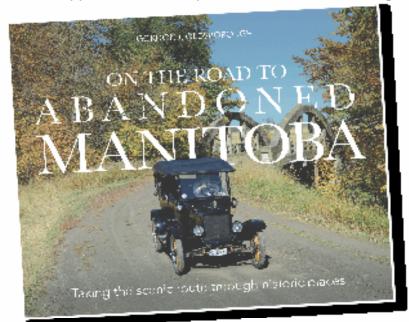
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Lou's PIN People, history and happenings

By Louise Daymond

It's a beautiful winter wonderland in Pinawa, thanks to the snowfall and beautiful light displays throughout town.

Head over to the Pinawa Club Dec. 21 for the Holiday Cheer Committee's Merry and Bright Mic Night. Happy Hour from 6-8 p.m. followed by an Open Mic Night. The Cheer committee will draw their 50/50 raffle winner at 11 p.m. All proceeds from this raffle go towards the holiday events this small but mighty group of women treat the community to each season.

Santa will be making his way around town Christmas Eve, courtesy of the Pinawa Fire Department. Dress warmly and come out to wish him well on his journey later. The tour gets underway at 5 p.m. Look for information online and at the mall for the route.

Dec. 20 is the deadline to sign up for the annual Pinawa Curling Club Boxing Day Spiel! Email pinawa.curling@outlook.

The LGD has posted their Christmas hours and the Garbage, Recycling and Landfill Holiday schedule online at pinawa.com. Schedules can be picked up at the town office during regular office hours.

The LGD Recreation and Culture Committee is seeking an interested volunteer to fill a vacancy. The committee meets quarterly to provide community perspective and input on Recreation and Culture. Contact the town office at 204-753-5100 for further information.

Pinawa Lions Club Hometown Bingo is on Christmas Break. The first bingo of 2025 will be Jan. 7.

The Pinawa Holiday Cheer Committee has been collecting registrations for the annual Street Light Competition. The fun thing about this competition is that friends and neighbours join in on the collective theme for their street, as op-

posed to one or two houses in a neighbourhood. The judging takes place Dec. 20 at 6 p.m.

Join with the Holiday Cheer Committee at the Pinawa Club for a fun evening of games and local talent Dec. 21. It's Holly Jolly Happy Hour from 6-8 p.m. followed by a Merry and Bright Mic Night at 8 p.m. There will be a 50/50 draw, snacks and table games.

Register your teams for the annual 4-on-4 Hockey Tournament hosted by Rick Backer by calling/texting 204-345-3262. The tournament takes place Dec. 21

the warmth of the holidays in the heart of a cold, snowy forest.

This will be the last StoryWalk free book draw at the Pinawa Library for 2024. A huge thank you to Bright Beginnings for providing us the ability to do a monthly book draw for the last two years. Also a huge thank you to our incredibly dedicated volunteers who brave the elements to install monthly stories for all to enjoy.

The Pinawa Library also welcomes your creativity and any words you may wish to share at their Poetry Slam on Jan. 21 at 7



race. And the human race is filled with passion. And medicine, law, business, engineering, these are noble pursuits and necessary to sustain life. But poetry, beauty, romance, love, these are what we stay alive for."



Pinawa Library

The Pinawa Library's StoryWalk is The Tree That's Meant to Be by Yuval Zommer.

from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Don't forget that Chase the Ace at Pinawa Club is paused until the New Year.

While it's a little cold and frosty for a stroll along the StoryWalk this week, the Pinawa Library wanted to make sure the next story was up before Christmas. The Tree That's Meant to Be by Yuval Zommer is a delightful Christmas story about the beauty of being perfect just as you are. A small, crooked fir tree is left all alone after the others near it in the forest are chosen by families as Christmas to bring home. But when the forest animals gather around the lonely little tree to cheer it up and celebrate the season, it finds

p.m. They will be accepting registrations early in January. In the words of Robin Williams who plays John Keating in The Dead Poet's Society, "We read and write poetry because we are members of the human

Let me know if you've got items to share in my column 204-753-2604 and leave a message.

Merry Christmas and all the very best for a happy, healthy New Year from our house to yours.



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Last Respects

Norman Plato 1940-2024

Join us during this holy time of

Christian fellowship and goodwill on

Tuesday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m.

at ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

(located at 730 Junes Ave in Bennejour)

Norman Plato, a longtime Lac du Bonnet volunteer, community leader and town councillor, passed away on Dec. 1 at Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg. He was 84.

Raised in the Thalberg area, Plato worked on the family farm and at various construction jobs until he was employed with Federation Co-op. He later worked with the Hudson's Bay Company and then the Whiteshell School District until his retirement in 1990. Following retirement, he worked part time at the Worona Brothers dealership and did odd jobs at various businesses and homes

around Lac du Bonnet.

Giving back to his community was very important to Plato. He was a Town of Lac du Bonnet councillor from 1992 to 2014 and served on many church boards and committees, including the Lac du Bonnet Arena, Community Centre, Curling Club, Historical Society, Municipal Heritage, Recreation Commission, Boy Scouts, New Directions, Community Futures, La Vérendrye Trail, the Health Board, Park Manor and Model Forest as well as with the United and Lutheran churches.

Lac du Bonnet Mayor Ken Lodge said he worked



Norm Plato

with Plato for several years when they were both town councillors. Lodge called his late colleague a friend and mentor that could be counted on to provide positive advice and sensible solutions to many issues.

"He had only the best interest of our community at heart and put great effort into making our home a better place to live," Lodge said. "That work continued until his passing."

He added Plato will be sorely missed for the friendship and care he demonstrated in his life.

"His commitment to family, Lac du Bonnet council and all of the various boards and committees he served on is a great example of dedication and service."

Plato is survived by his wife of 57 years, Iona, two sons, four grandchildren and three sisters as well as extended family and friends.

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Photo by Rick McGregor

Jessica Ginter (left), Fran Mir-Robertson and Daryl Woodbeck were wonderful in the Pinawa Players' latest production, which ran Dec. 5-7.

Pinawa Players hilarious

By Rick McGregor

Rack up another very successful run for the Pinawa Players as the troupe's rendition of The Fox on the Fairway was a rousing success last week.

Playwright Ken Ludwig's The Fox on the Fairway is a tribute to the British farces of decades gone by. Centred around the annual tournament to determine a champion between the Quail Valley Country Club and archrival, the Crouching Squirrel Golf and Racquet Club, the hilarious hi-jinx began with a less than honest high stakes bet between the two club presidents

and the hilarity did not end until the shockingly funny ending. The laughter from the audience was non-stop and the performers were rewarded with a standing ovation.

Featuring a number of veterans of previous performances, this year's play also showcased two newcomers to the Pinawa Players. Jessica Ginter as Louise, a server at the Quail Valley course, and Devon Hemmett as Justin, the young golfer thrust into the golf tournament as Quail Valley's best golfer were both outstanding in their debut as young lovers.

Veterans Wanda Woodbeck in the director role this time, along with assistant director Linda Tait provided a tight, well-acted comedy that moved along at a frenetic pace. Pete Lovering, Daryl Woodbeck, Fran

Mir-Robertson and Josephine Hall, all experienced hands with this group, were fantastic as always in their roles. Shawn Hewitt handled the announcer chores and put in a couple of cameo appearances.

The unsung heroes of most productions like this were also on their game. Karl Agnew and Rich Hamon on sound production and John Tait and Brian Budd on lighting were just as tight as the direction and acting and are to be commended for their work.

One audience member advised she and her husband have been coming to these performances for decades. She said this play was the funniest comedy the Pinawa Players have ever done, adding she had tears rolling down her cheeks from laughing so much during the first act.







The Royal Canadian Legion Beausejour Branch 132 Poppy Trust Fund Branch Report

2024 Poppy Campaign was held between October 25 and November 11. All donations to our Poppy Campaign are held in trust at our local branch level to allow our Legion to directly provide financial assistance and support to Veterans, and their families, who are in need, including Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP. Your donations provide educational bursaries to Veterans' children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren to further their education. Donations provide support to your local cadet unit. Website legion.ca will provide additional information on how Poppy Trust Fund donations can be used.

Please join as for our Cookies and Carols Service

on December 29 at 10:00 a.m.

On December 31,2023 the balance in the Beausejour Poppy Trust Fund was \$8,992.31. During the year we received generous donations of \$9,425.89 from dignitaries, business, schools and citizens of our communities. Expenses for the 2024 Poppy Campaign totaled \$4,659.43. Those expenses included bursaries to students, wreaths and poppies for Remembrance Day, prize monies for students, advertising, and meals for veterans and their escorts at the Gala celebrating veterans. On December 4, 2024, the balance in the Beausejour Poppy Trust Fund is \$13,758.77.

Opening Balance in Poppy Trust Fund Dec 31, 2023 - \$8992.31 Add Income from Campaign & other sources-\$9,425.89

Less expenses-\$2,139.43 Less gala meals \$2,520.00

Thank you to all the students from Sunrise School Division who

Closing Balance in Poppy Trust Fund Dec 31, 2024 \$13,758.77

submitted poems, essay and posters in remembrance of our Veteran services to our country, Canada. A total of \$465.00 was presented to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd prizes entries. We appreciate our youth's contribution in honouring veterans and remembering those who sacrificed for the freedoms we enjoy today.

Special thank you to our local 249 Air Cadet Squadron for collecting \$1300.00 and also to the Stead Community Centre that held a special event contributing all proceeds to our Poppy Campaign.

Thank you to all our volunteers, businesses, teachers, Sunrise School Division and our community that helped make this year's poppy campaign a success.

Submitted by Comrade Ian Havelock, Poppy Trust Fund Chairman.2024



SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, December 20, 2024 - 7:00 pm

"Celebrate the Season" - an evening of Christmas music and well-loved carols at OBUC, ending with the Christmas Cantata "Night of the Father's Love" by the OBUC Choir. Tickets are available at the door -\$20/adult, children & youth are free (or contact us for an online option). Refreshments will be served following the concert.

December 22, 2024 - 10:45 am

Worship service which will include the Choir singing the Cantata "Night of the Father's Love".

December 22, 2024 – 5:00 pm (at Dugald Estates)

Dugald United Church Christmas Eve Service.

Sunday, December 24th - Christmas Eve (Offerings will be in support of our Syrian Refugee Family) 4:00 pm Family Christmas Eve Service (for all ages)

10:00 pm Candlelight Communion Service

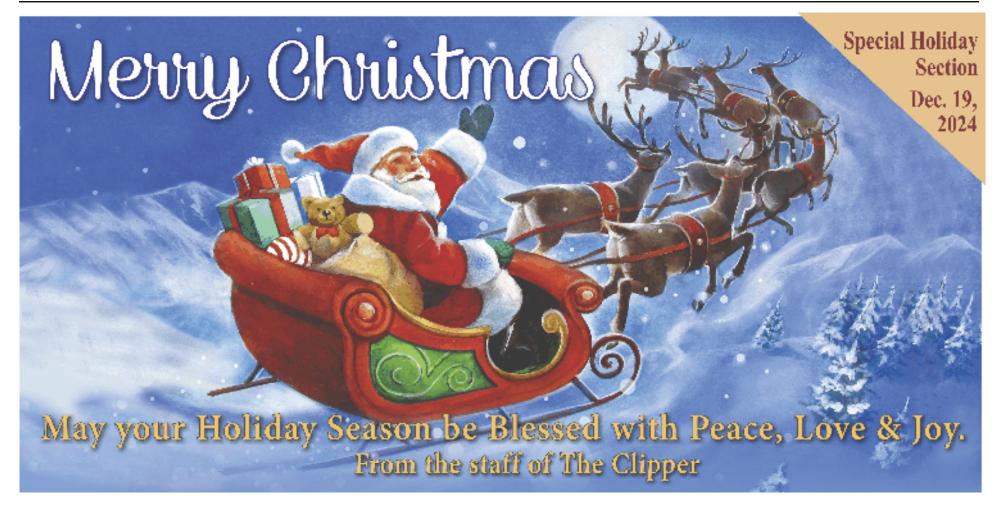
Sunday, December 29th - 10:45 am Casual worship service full of Carols.

Sunday, January 5, 2025 – 10:45 am (return to regular worship services)

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Seasonal Singers

Photo by Stu Iverson

A choir sang Christmas carols at the the Street Lighting Party in Pinawa Dec. 1.









Green Christmas

Photo by Val Laurie

RCMP Cpl. Pete Baxted (left) and Cst. Stephen Gomes put the policeman's grip on The Grinch in Beausejour at Christmas on Park.

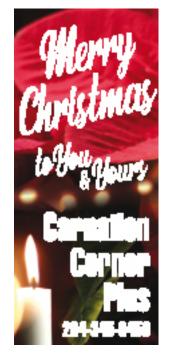






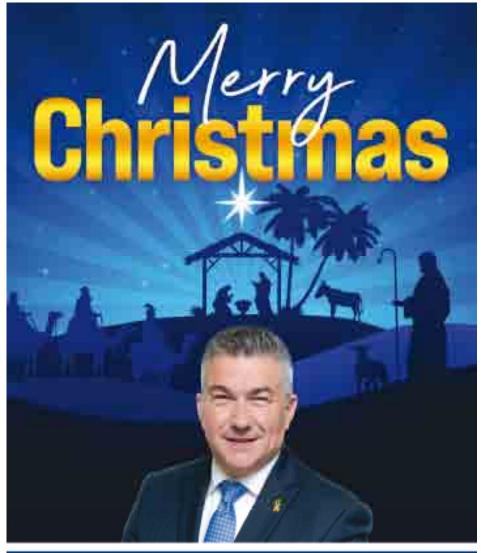


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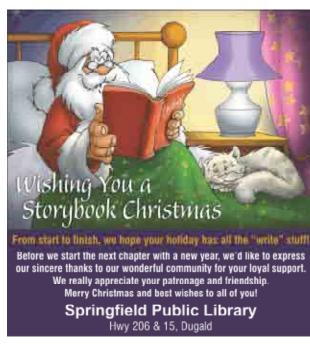












This Christmas, I am six years old This year, I have been... good all the time What I would like most this Christmas is... Bitzee and Trampoline

And I promise to leave cookies for you!

Merry Christmas Santa! Love Soren

P.S. Please Say "Hi" to Mrs. Santa Claus for me!

Dear Santa

My name is Faolain. I am nine years old. This year, I have been Naughty and Nice.

For Christmas this year, I would like... a couple of Switch games, (Mario Wonder, Smash Bros.), maybe some books (reading is fun).

I don't know, I don't have much to wish for, but I know if I let you choose something I could never think of, my eyes will glow at the sight of it.

> Merry Christmas Santa! Love Faolain

Dear Santa

Thank you for all the presents you give me! I really apreatiate it.

Thank you so much.

Make sure to keep giving presents except the people on the naugty list.

My Christmas list: I want books, a cat, to see a shooting star, and candy.

> Merry Christmas Santa! Love Emma













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- Improving the ability of organizations and individuals to help themselves over the long term.
- Fostering cooperative approaches to community issues that build upon shared visions and mutual responsibility.
- Recognizing and strengthening local leadership and traditions.

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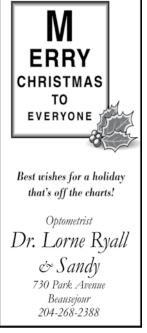




Frost & Fun

Photo by Cathy Juskow

Genevieve Gerardy (left) with sister Rosalie enjoy a sweet treat at the Frost and Fun event held at the RM of Springfield municipal office Dec. 6.



















Nail Down A Great Season!

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Yorkshire Pudding

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- 4 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt 7/8 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup whole milk
- 3/4 cup melted beef fat

Whisk eggs and salt together in a bowl until light and frothy. Whisk in flour and milk until smooth and lump-free; batter will be thin and barely coat the back of a spoon.

Transfer batter to a 4-cup measuring cup and chill in the refrigerator, at least 15 minutes.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Fill each cup of a 12-cup nonstick muffin tin with 1 tablespoon melted beef fat; use your finger to grease the sides and tops of the cups. Place the muffin tin on a baking sheet.

Heat in the preheated oven on the middle rack until fat is smoking hot, 10 to 15 minutes.

Remove from the oven and fill each muffin cup halfway full with batter.

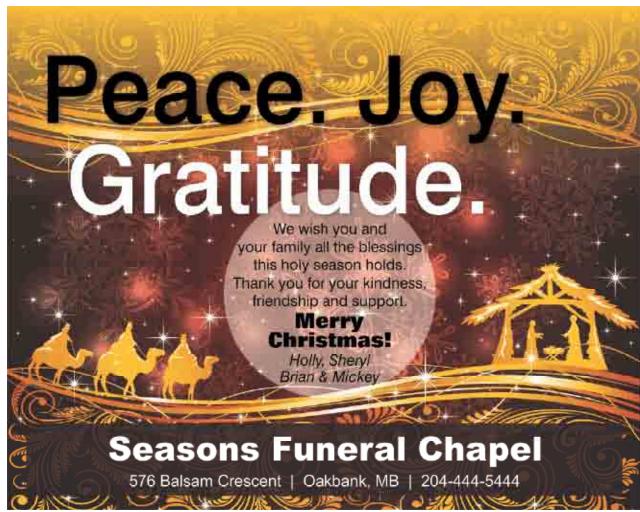
Bake pudding in the preheated oven until browned and fully puffed, about 25 minutes more. Remove from the oven and immediately poke a hole in the center of each to release steam. Serve hot, warm, or room-temperature.







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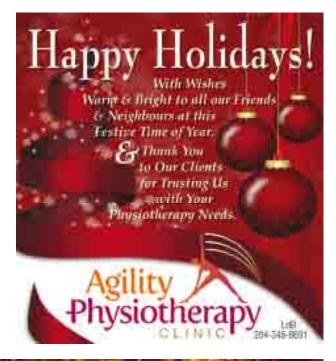






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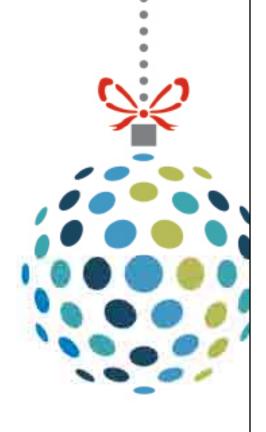






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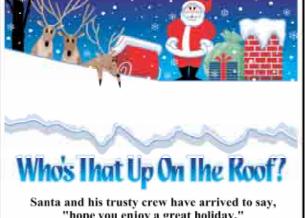
Happy Holidays.

Best wishes for a safe and prosperous new year.



Mark Blair, Whiteshell General Manager Canadian Nuclear Laboratories

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- 1 (18 pound) whole turkey, neck and giblets removed
- 2 cups kosher salt
- ½ cup butter, melted
- 2 large onions, peeled and chopped
- 4 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 4 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 cup dry white wine

Rub the turkey inside and out with the kosher salt. Place the bird in a large stock pot, and cover with cold water. Place in the refrigerator, and allow the turkey to soak in the salt and water mixture 12 hours, or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Thoroughly rinse the turkey, and discard the brine mixture.

Brush the turkey with 1/2 the melted butter. Place breast side down on a roasting rack in a shallow roasting pan. Stuff the turkey cavity with 1 onion, 1/2 the carrots, 1/2 the celery, 1 sprig of thyme, and the bay leaf. Scatter the remaining vegetables and thyme around the bottom



of the roasting pan, and cover with the white wine.

Roast uncovered 3 1/2 to 4 hours in the preheated oven, until the internal temperature of the thigh reaches 180 degrees. Carefully turn the turkey breast side up about 2/3 through the roasting time, and brush with the remaining butter. Allow the bird to stand about 30 minutes before carving.

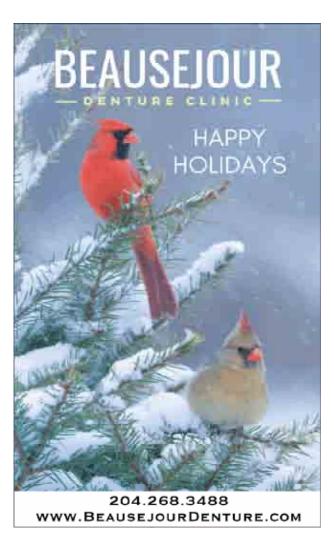




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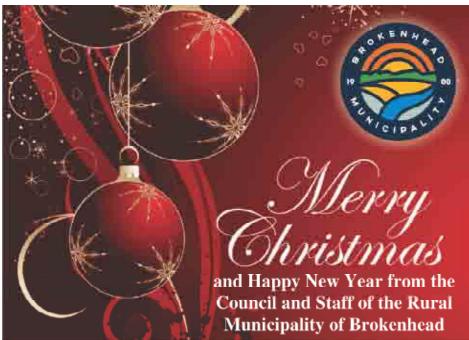


Snowflake Smiles

Volunteers Shirley Werner (left), Lucy Berthelette, Deb Lane, Linda Desrosiers, Heather Oakes, Pauline Einfeld, Paul Desrosiers and Mellissa Bourgeois at the Kids Snowflake Bazaar at the Great Falls Community Hall.















Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Wishing you a happy holiday filled with joy and cheer,

to last throughout the coming year, and many thanks to our customers for dropping in!



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Pumpkin Pie at Christmas

1 (15 ounce) car

1 (14 ounce) can sweetened condensed milk

2 large eggs large eggs 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

½ teaspoon ground ainger

½ teaspoon ground nutmeg

½ teaspoon salt 1 (9 inch) unbaked pie

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Whisk pumpkin, sweetened condensed milk, eggs, spices and salt in medium bowl until smooth. Pour into crust. Bake 15 minutes.

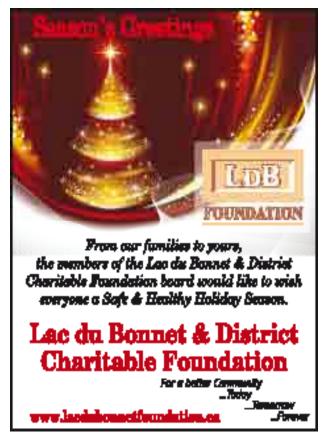
Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees and

continue baking 35 to 40 minutes or until knife inserted 1 inch from crust comes

out clean. Cool. Garnish as desired. Store leftovers covered in refrigerator.

















With three cheers to you, our customers and friends, for the very merriest holiday season!

From Cathy, Sandie, Brenden & Tanner!

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Special Holiday Section December 19, 2024 21 Holiday Turkey Wild Rice Soup

From the kitchen of Jann Perry

1 leek fanned, cleaned and chopped

½ onion chopped

3 large carrots grated

2-3 cups celery chopped,

*note: start cutting from leafy end of stalk, use the

3 garlic cloves, minced

2 cups sliced mushrooms

1/3 cup cornstarch/rice flour or regular flour

6-7 cups turkey broth

1-1/2 cups cream

2 cups chopped leftover turkey

2 cups cooked wild rice

2 TBSP (or more) lemon juice

1 tsp poultry seasoning

1 tsp thyme/sage/marjoram/rosemary

3 bay leaves

Sprigs of fresh thyme/rosemary if you have

1 tsp kosher or regular salt, 1 tsp black pepper

In a large stock pot, melt 1/2 cup butter over me-

Chop 3 cups celery. Instead of pulling off individual stalks, just start chopping the whole head from the leafed end, the leaves add great flavour!

Cut the leek down the middle, fan out the layers and clean thoroughly. Chop white and tender green part only, discard tough green ends

Add celery and leek and onion to the pot with the

Add 1 teaspoon kosher salt and 1 teaspoon poultry

Saute for 13-14 minutes on medium heat, stirring occasionally until the onions are translucent

Add minced garlic & thyme/sage/marjoram & rosemary, stir for about 1 minute, until fragrant

Sprinkle the vegetables with 1/3 cup cornstarch, rice flour or regular flour, stir for 1 more minute

SLOWLY add the turkey broth, stirring the whole time. You don't want lumps of flour so make sure to stir

Add sprigs of thyme and some fresh rosemary if you have and the bay leaves

Peel the carrots, grate in a food processor or on a

Add all the shredded carrots and turn the heat to high Cover with a lid and bring to a boil. Don't walk away and let it boil over!

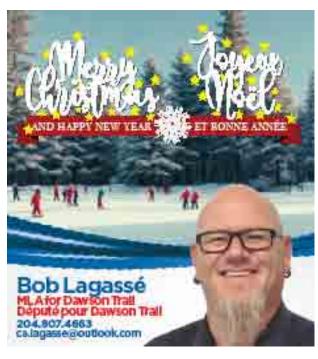
Lower the heat to a simmer, add the cooked wild rice Simmer for about 30 minutes, until the carrots are

Add the leftover chopped cooked turkey meat

Turn the heat all the way to low and stir in 1-1/2cups of cream.

Stir in 2 TBSP lemon juice, taste your soup. You can go up to 4 TBSP lemon juice according to taste!

*note: This gives the soup a bright and lemony flavor Add salt and pepper to taste (this step will depend on how salty your leftovers were!)











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CLIPPER SCOLIS Selects in the thick of the fight

By Tony Zerucha

In a season of parity, Eastman Selects coach Bruce Sirrell believes his team is in the thick of the fight.

As of Dec. 16, the Selects are in fifth place with 29 points. Four teams are within three points, and all have games in hand.

On Dec. 11, the Selects thrice came from behind as five different skaters scored in a 5-3 win over the Central Plains Capitals. The back-and-forth affair saw Noah Stott tie it at 1-1 in the first period, and Kellen Sichewski and Daniel DeGagne tied it at 2-2 and 3-3, respectively, in the second period. Kylan Olson scored the game-winner at 18:18 of the second, and Calyb Moore iced it with an empty-netter at 18:46 of the third.

The Selects outshot the Caps 37-21 to make a winner of Sam Fontaine.

Eastman gave the second-place Winnipeg Bruins a run for their money on Dec. 12 with a last-minute Bruins goal the difference in a 4-3 Winnipeg win.

Down 1-0 after 20 minutes, the Selects tied it 27 seconds into the middle frame on Lucas Laramee's 13th.

Winnipeg scored the next to grab a 3-1 lead 2:46 into the final frame, but

Kellen Sichewski tallied at 14:19 and Laramee at 18:45 to draw Eastman even. Winnipeg won it with a goal at 19:23. The Selects outshot Winnipeg 39-22. Wyatt Minsky took the loss.

The Selects dropped a 7-1 decision to the Brandon Wheat Kings on Dec. 14. Olson was their lone goal scorer. Minsky and Fontaine shared time between the pipes.

This week sees a Dec. 19 road game at Central Plains and home games against Pembina Valley on Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. and the Bruins on Dec. 22 at 1:30.

Sirrell said it's been a roller coaster of a season. It began with some big wins. As the season went on, there were some tough losses where the coach believes his squad gave away some crucial points.

However, Sirrell gave his squad a B grade so far. They've played the top teams to the limit. They're 1-1-1 against the Brandon Wheat Kings. That includes a shootout win in Brandon on Dec. 7 and a heartbreaking shootout loss to the Wheaties in Beausejour on Nov. 16, where Brandon tied it with three seconds left in regulation.

Sirrell said he has a good team that works hard, skates fast, and comes to the rink

every day believing they have a good chance of winning. That's an improvement over 2023-24, where there was a separation between the top squads and everyone else.

"We don't get that feeling this year, which is positive," Sirrell said. "We believe we're in the mix and trending in the right direction. Overall, it's been pretty positive so far."

The positives abound. The Selects play well against the top teams. They're in the bottom third in penalty minutes and have the second-best road points total. The goaltending is better than last year, though Sirrell said the whole team can make improvements to help the netminders.

"Last year, I felt at times there were certain saves they needed to make," Sirrell said. "I don't get that feeling this year.

As the mid-season break approaches, Sirrell wants to see improved special teams. Kasen Mateychuk's looming return from a foot injury should boost the power play. The penalty kill, a league-worst 72.3 per cent after 24 games, needs more attention.

"That's not going to get you far long term," Sirrell admitted.

The Selects opted for



File photo

Eastman Selects coach Bruce Sirrell said his team works hard, skates fast and comes to the rink every day believing they have a good chance of winning.

an aggressive penalty kill at the season's beginning. They'll change some personnel and revert to a more conservative, shot-blocking approach with more focus on protecting the house.

If the Selects accomplish those goals, they'll be right where Sirrell wants

them to be.

"We want to make sure that we qualify for the playoffs and then that we're in a place to be competitive."

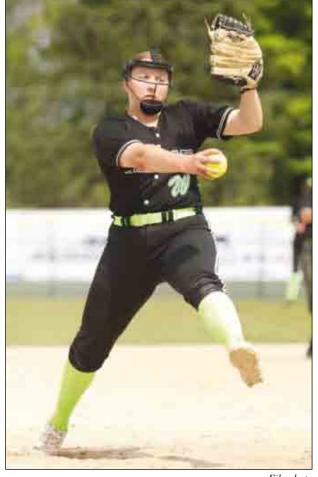
Franklin commits to SFU

By Tony Zerucha

Oakbank softball star Emma Franklin has committed to Simon Fraser University in British Columbia. She is excited to play in the NCAA while attending a Canadian university.

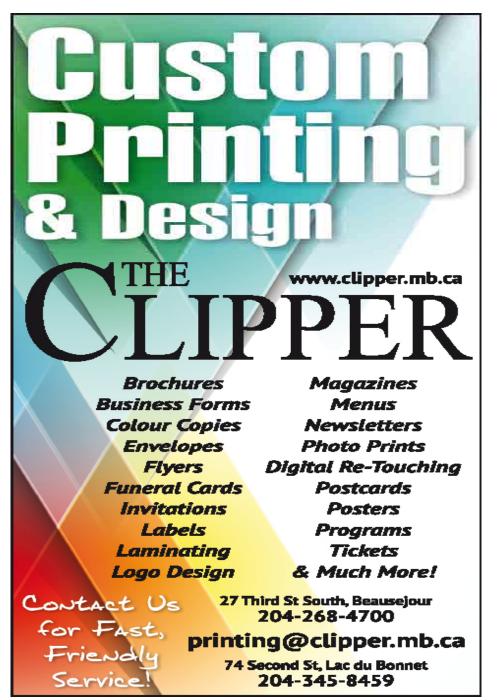
Franklin was a key part of an Eastman Wildcats U17 AAA squad that finished eighth out of 24 teams at the Canadian Fast Pitch Championships this past summer. She surrendered three earned runs over 17.2 innings with 30 strikeouts. With Team Manitoba this summer, she went 3-0 and led the squad in innings pitched.

In the 2024 provincial championships, Franklin hurled a complete game, a four-hit gem with five strikeouts to send the Eastman Wildcats to the championship game. During the season, Franklin hit .270 with a .419 on-base percentage. She had 14 extra-base hits, scored 24 runs and drove in 19. On the mound, she appeared in 22 games, striking out 98 in 82 innings, and had a 2.65 ERA.



File photo

Emma Franklin went 3-0 with Team Manitoba this past summer and led the squad in innings pitched.



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Sterne wins CPTC season opener

By Mark T. Buss

Once he got out in front, Gunnar Sterne was untouchable at the Canadian Power Toboggan Championships' season opener Sunday as he bested 12 other racers to take the Champ 440

In a duel heading into the first series of turns with No. 6 Gavin Peterson, the driver from West Chicago, IL broke free and showed incredible speed and consistency in holding his line as he extended his lead over the next 15 laps

Blaine Stephenson - who finished first in the USSA Pro Star Cup final Saturday – spent most of the race in second chasing Sterne but he had to pull off in the last lap. As a result, Justin Peterson of Campbellsport, WI finished second with Gavin Peterson third.

Travis MacDonald of Gonor, MB was one of the fastest racers on Saturday but had to sit out most of Sunday with the flu. He raced in the final, and pushed his way into second place for a time, be eventually fell back to fifth behind Tom Olson of Greenbush, MN in fourth.

Local racers did well. Stead racer Alyssa Gusta won the Pro Lite final while Beausejour's Kyle Omichinski won the Sportsman 600 seven-lap final.

In the IFS 340X final, Anola's Dylan Baran won with Whitemouth racer Joe Presta third.

The ATV Open Final had all local racers with Cory Jonsson of Garson first ahead of Beausejourites Ethan Clark, Cody Wojcik, Krysten Campbell and Nick Campbell, who finished second through fifth respectively.

In Ice Bike Open, Beausejour's Avery Carr was second.

Anola's Norm Chura finished third in PM 340 LC/SM 340 LC.

The 63rd edition of the Canadian Power Toboggan Championships hits the track at the Co-op Community Complex March 1 and 2, 2025. For more information on all the events, go to the CPTC website at www.cptcrac



Photo by R. Thomson Photography

Gunnar Sterne (220) of Illinois duelled early with Minnesotan Gavin Peterson (6) before pulling away in the Champ 440 final Sunday.

High School Hockey Round-U

MWHSHL Barons Fall to Barracudas

The École Edward Schreyer School Barons girls fell 5-2 to the Beliveau Barracudas on Dec. 13. Lauren Ingeberg's seventh goal opened the scoring at 8:02. The Barracudas

scored the next three to grab a 3-1 lead five minutes into the third period, but Kyla Pituley scored at the eight-minute mark to make it a one-goal game. Unfortunately, the Barons couldn't close the gap; the Barracudas scored two late markers to make the final

5-2. Skye Larkins made 34 saves and earned an assist.

This week, the Barons host Murdoch MacKay for Hockey Afternoon in Beausejour Dec. 19. Game time is 1:30 p.m.

The Barons open 2025 with a three-game homestand. Games on Jan. 9, 10 and 13 begin at 3:30 p.m.

Sabres in Second

Two-point afternoons from Gracie Anderson and Lily Hurley paced the Springfield Sabres to a 3-2 win over the Beliveau Barracudas on Dec. 12. The win gave the Sabres sole possession of second place in their division.

Hurley set up Anderson at 11:36 of the first period to open the scoring. Bella Magura doubled the lead unassisted one minute later to make it a 2-0 game heading into the second period.

Following a scoreless middle frame, Hurley scored from Anderson at 5:15 of the third. The Barracudas scored twice, the second with nine seconds remaining, but the Sabres held on.

Springfield bombarded Beliveau with 39 shots. Sabres goalie Lily Wassing

made 26 saves for the win. Springfield visits the Barons on Jan. 9.

WHSHL Busy Week for Sabres

On Dec. 11, the Springfield Sabres couldn't dig out of a 4-0 hole as they fell 5-2 to the Oak Park Raiders. Evan Suchar and Cam Sylvester scored thirdperiod goals for the herd. The Sabres were doubled in shots 46-23. Trey Robertson made 42 stops.

They recovered nicely 24 hours later, as two lastminute goals and 37 stops from Matt Lidgett keyed a 5-3 win over Vincent Massey. The Sabres were leading 3-1 midway through the third period on goals from Evan Suchar, Grady MacDonald and Ayden Turcotte before the Trojans tied it around the 15-minute mark. Queue, the heroics, as Cam Sylvester and Hayden Kochen scored goals and assisted on each other's for a 5-3 triumph.

The Sabres were outshot 40-20.

The Stonewall Rams stopped the Sabres 5-1 on Dec. 13. Evan Suchar scored their lone goal at 15:51 of the third period. The Sabres outshot the Rams 28-15.

Springfield visits Sturgeon Heights on Dec. 19

The Sabres begin 2025 with a road tilt on Jan. 8.

Wild Tamed by Lions

The Powerview-Sagkeeng Wild were doubled 4-2 by the Glenlawn Lions on Dec. 13. Sebastian Guimond and Preston Johnson gave the Wild a 2-1 lead after one period, but from there, it was all Lions, as they added three goals. The Wild are 6-4 on the season.

The wild begin 2025 with a Jan. 8 home game against Niverville. Puck drop is at 4:30 p.m.

Panthers Travel to Sagkeeng

The Pinawa Panthers travel to Sagkeeng on Dec. 19 where they take on the Poweview-Sagkeeng Wild

The Panthers begin 2025 with a Jan. 8 home game against Niverville. Puck drop is at 4:30 p.m.

Barons Host Lions

The École Edward Schreyer School's boys host the Glenlawn Lions for Hockey Afternoon in Beausejour on Dec. 19 at 3:30 p.m.

Their 2025 season begins with a game at Windsor Park on Jan 8



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Winterhawks, Aces live up to hype Overtime required to solve battle for first place in senior hockey league

By Tony Zerucha

The Springfield Winterhawks fell 5-4 in overtime to the Ste. Anne Aces on Dec. 14 in a match-up that lived up to the hype.

In what was a battle for first place, Ste. Anne's Jordan DePape opened the scoring at 14:23 of the first period. Connor Grunsten converted passes from the Barley boys at 19:42 to tie the game 1-1 heading into intermission

The Aces took a 2-1 lead 1:33 into fresh ice, but Owen Blocker tied it again only nine seconds later. That 2-2 score carried over into the third

DePape tallied again to give the Aces a 3-2 advantage at 3:28, but Yvan Pattyn's solo effort drew the Winterhawks even at 8:04. DePape assisted on Ste. Anne's go-ahead goal at 15:08, setting the stage for Blocker's heroics as his goal with four seconds left in regulation sent the game into overtime.

Free hockey didn't last long as the Aces scored 13 seconds in to claim the victory. Springfield won the shot derby 41-37. Steve Christie took the loss.

With the defeat, the Winterhawks drop into a three-way tie for second

Red River with 13 points, one behind the Aces. The trio are one point up on

fifth-place Notre Dame. Springfield has two games in hand on Red River and Winkler and three on Notre

Springfield visits Notre Dame on Dec. 21 at 8 p.m. The 2025 portion of their game road swing before Springfield hosts Ile des Chenes on Jan. 17 at 8 p.m.



Teddy Bear Toss

The second annual Beausejour Comets Teddy Bear Toss game held at the Beausejour Sportplex Dec. 13 resulted in 300 teddy bears and toys being collected during the contest with the help of the Beausejour Ringers.

Xtreme 15-0

The Springfield Xtreme's perfect Hanover Tache Junior Hockey League season continued with a pair of weekend wins to lift the club to a record of 15-0.

On Dec. 13, Springfield topped the East St. Paul Gators 7-1. The Gators nursed a 1-0 lead through 23 minutes before the Xtreme exploded for seven straight, two from Evan Jasper and singles from Eric Bartel, Conner Eggerman, Ben Chambers, Kai Tymchak and Aidan Osborne. The shots were 39-11 in favour of Springfield, giving Hayden Bartecki the easy win.

The Xtreme had to come from behind with a three-goal third period to top the Mitchell Mustangs 5-4 on Dec. 14. Springfield's Connor Toth opened the scoring 48 seconds into the middle period. The Mustangs responded with two goals to take a 2-1 lead before David Hazlitt tied the game 2-2 heading into the final frame.

They extended the lead to 4-2 with two goals 34 seconds apart early in the third period. Sam Sass made it 4-3 with an unassisted tally at 4:07 and set up Parker Fazio at 5:45 to tie the contest. Chambers scored the game-winner at 12:06.

Springfield was outshot 45-36. Josh Rach earned the win. Sass and Chambers had two points each.

The Xtreme conclude 2024 with road games in Steinbach on Dec. 20 and Ste. Anne on Dec. 28. They host Steinbach on Dec. 21 at 8 p.m.

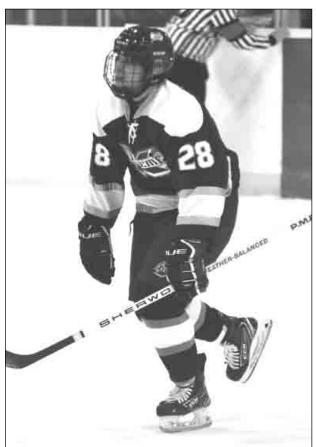


Photo by Mark T. Buss

Eric Bartel scored the game winning goal against the East St. Paul Gators on Dec. 13.



The Rural Municipality of Springfield

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the R.M of Springfield Administration Office, Planning, Public Works. Water and Waste, and Recreation Departments will be closed for the holicays from 12:00 p.m. on December 24th, 2024, reopening on January 2nd, 2025, undernormal operating hours.

Public Works & Water and Waste Department Operations Staff will be on call in the event of a snowstorm, water and wastewater emergencies or other issues requiring immediate attention. For Public Works Department related emergencies and issues please call 204-444-2241. For Water and Waste Department related emergencies and issues please call 204-444-4017. An Operations staff member on call will return your call as soon as time permits.

The Automated Curbside Waste and Recycling Program are modified this year on account of the dates. The Oakbank Zone 2 collection route will move from Wednesday, December 25th and Wednesday, January 1st to Monday, December 23rd and Monday, December 30th respectively. All other service dates will remain as is.

Please have your waste and recycling at the curb by 7:00 am on your scheduled pickup day.

WASTE TRANSFER STATION HOLIDAY HOURS

Regular business hours at both waste transfer stations will resume on Thursday, January 2nd, 2025.

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December 30........... Closed **Decamber 31......** 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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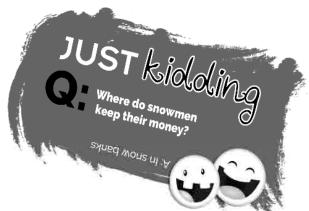
Council and staff from the R.M. of Springfield wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Colleen Draper, CMMA Chief Administrative Officer

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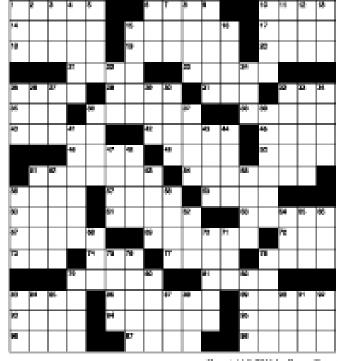
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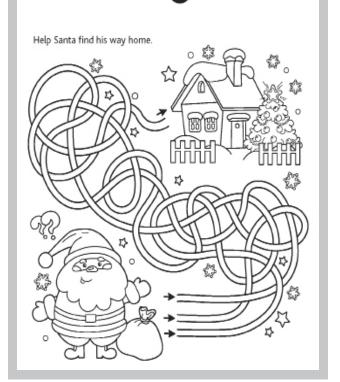
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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LAC DU BONNET



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A friendly support program, led by trained volunteers, where people can speak openly about their feelings. Four locations to choose from (Whitemouth, Seven Sisters, Lac du Bonnet, Pinawa). Everyone welcome. To register or for more info, please contact Sandra 204-348-4610 / whitemouthtworivers@gmail.com or Pat 204-345-1227 / ldbtworivers@gmail.com Free!

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LAC DU BONNET

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Every Thursday at 7pm, Lac du Bonnet Medical Centre, 75 Mcintosh St. East.

LDB MMF LOCAL

For citizenship & harvester applications contact SE Regional office 204-754-2721 or LdB Rep Ken 204-345-2212 or email: mmf.ldblocal@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER MUSICIANS LDB PCH

Local musicians needed to volunteer their time performing for the residents at the LdB Personal Care Home. For the weekly happy hour program each Thursday from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated. Contact Debra, Recreation Coordinator at 204-345-1210 or dbilawka@ierha.ca

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730 Park Avenue, Beausejour, MB. Phone 204-268-3600. Open Mondays & Thursdays from 10:00 - 11:45 am. Open Tuesdays after a long weekend.

SPRINGFIELD

ANOTHER TIME AROUND

530 Main St., Oakbank 204-444-3220 TIS" the season. The shop will be closed from Dec. 26 for the holidays. We will reopen Thursday Jan. 2. From all of us Volunteers - Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

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Open to residents of the RM of Springfield from 10am to 12 noon Saturdays. Operates out of the Anola United Church, behind the senior's residence on Weiser Cresc. For more info or to arrange alternate access hours, contact Gerry 204-866-2654 or Lorri 204-866-3403.

BEAUSEJOUR/

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If you are pregnant and feeling confused; if you want to talk to someone about your situation, please call 1-800-665-0570.

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Offers the opportunity for care partners to meet and share info of caring for a person living with dementia. Beausejour (in-person) East-Gate Lodge Personal Care Home, 646 James St. 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30–8pm. Register: dbourrier@alzheimer.mb.ca or call 1-431-323-5275.

SPRINGFIELD PLAYGROUP

Springfield Playgroup in Oakbank is a free drop-in playgroup for children 0-6 years with their caregivers. We meet Tuesdays 10am-12 noon at the United Church, Oakbank. For more information please call 204- 293-5534 or find us on Facebook.

PRAIRIE VOICES TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Meet with us to practice and improve our communication skills. 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6:45 p.m. at the OakBank United Church. Virtual option available. Contact Joelle at 204-698-2865.

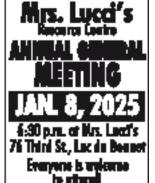
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Two Rivers Resource Council Inc. Lac du Bonnet, Pinawa, Whitemouth/Reynolds. Phone 204-345-1227, 204-348-4610, 204-753-2962.



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THANK YOU

The Whitemouth Lions Christmas 2024 Hampers would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to all the tireless volunteers and generous donors who made this Christmas merrier for families in our community.

THANK YOU

The family of the late Darrell Heckert wishes to express their deep gratitude for the acts of kindness, support, messages of sympathy, flowers, and comfort during this difficult time. Thank you to the family and friends who were able to attend Darrell's funeral. We would also like to thank Dr. David Dawe, Dr. Amitava Dutta Chowdhury and MB CancerCare staff; Darrell's Palliative Care team, Laura Klammer and Dr. Donna Puff; the Beausejour Hospital staff who cared for Darrell; Libby and staff of Sobering's Funeral Chapel for their excellent service; Pastor Terry Gudmundson for the beautiful funeral service; Dean Antymis, Lee Loeb, Rachel Hlady and Kristen Clackson for their contributions to the service; Bonnie Fuerst, Kathleen Smolinski and Kelby Picard for the lovely music at the service; Darren Heckert, Tyson Heckert, Clarence Heckert, Clayton Antymis, Jason Otto and Blaine Otto for their help as Pallbearers, Honorary Pallbearers Larissa Chezick, Shayla Mariash, Kristopher Mariash, Candyce Mroz, Kristen Clackson, Lorinda Tripp, Rachel Hlady, Mack Loeb and Alexis Loeb; and Warren Omichinski and staff of Green Gables Catering for the great lunch.



Parament to Section 194 of The Manicipal Act, notice is hereby given that the 2022 Audited Financial Statements for the Town of Lac da Bornet have been sectived. These statements are available for public impaction during seguinributions house at the Town Administrative Office, located at 82 Second Street, Lac du Bornet or on the town website at www.townofficelubormet.com.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BROKENHEAD

With the holidays approaching, the schedule for

curbside garbage and recycling pick-up in the Local

Monday, December 23rd, 2024

(originally Tuesday, December 24th)

Curbside collection for Tyndall, Garson and

Henryville Monday, December 30th, 2024

Urban District of Tyndall-Garson is as follows:

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When & Where to

SPRINGFIELD

ST. JOHN PAUL II ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OAKBANK

Mass is celebrated every Saturday at 5:00pm and all are welcome. We offer Catechism at 4:30pm before Mass. Please contact Michelle at 204-444-4313 to register. We are located at 27107 Oakwood Rd. Oakbank. For further information, please contact Fr. Omali at 204-268-9020 or visit our website at https://stjohn-paulii.org

ST. MICHAEL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH **COOKS CREEK**

Masses are celebrated Sunday at 11 AM. and Thursday at 10 AM. Sunday mass is live streamed. Please go to our website www.stmichaelsrc. com and click on the live stream icon. For further information please contact Fr. Sylvanus at 204-444-2248 or visit our website www.stmichaelsrc. com All are welcome to attend.

ANOLA FELLOWSHIP CHAPEL

58006 Monominto Rd. We are a congregation made up of a variety of age groups and backgrounds. Our goal is to build Christ centred families. Sunday indoor service at 10:00 am. Information and sermons available online at: www.anolachapel.com 204-866-3597.

WILLOWDALE **FELLOWSHIP**

Willowdale Fellowship is a non-denominational, Christ centred church that meets at the Cooks Creek Community Center at 10:30 Sunday Mornings for a service and light lunch. A Kids Church program coincides with the message part of the service. Further info: text/call Pastor Norm Neufeld 204-444-4779, willowdalefellowship@gmail. com or www.willowdalefel lowship.com Jesus said, "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28.

OAKBANK BAPTIST **CHURCH**

Join us Sunday mornings for Worship Services starting at 10:00am. Sunday School for all ages 11:30am. 26033 Springfield Rd., Oakbank, 204-444-3348 Visit www. oakbankbaptist.org to register. Christmas Eve Service will be held on December 24th, @ 6:00pm

OSTENFELD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship service with Pastor Kolleen Karlowsky-Clark at 11:30 a.m. on the first Sunday of the month. Call 204-866-3599, or see www.broken headshared.com for more information. You are welcome! Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held at 4:30 p.m. December 24th.

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE POARD OF REFERENCE - PROVINCE OF MANUTORA

THE SUNRISE SCHOOL DIVISION and THE RIVER EAST TRANSCONA SCHOOL DIVISION

As required by Section P of The Public School: Act (RSM 1987, c.P258), notice in hereby given that a public hearing of the Board of Relevence, appointed as provided under Section 5 of The Public School: Act, will be held as schools between its laser any person or any person on their lashed in the section of a request referred to The Board of Reference in accordance with Section 5 of The Public School: Acc.

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ther information with respect to the virtual bearing, including how to join the virtual hearing, may be obtained by contacting the officen the hours of 830 a.m. and 430 p.m., day Brough Riday.

Dated at Winnipeg, Marillohe, Departmer 83, 2024.

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DUGALD UNITED CHURCH

Christmas Eve Service will be held on Sunday, December 22, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the United Centre at Dugald Estates, 800 Jaffray Street, All are welcome.

OAK BANK UNITED CHURCH

All are invited to join Oak Bank United Church, 582 Balsam Crescent, for worship on Sundays at 10:45 am. Worship bags for youth engagement in the pews will be available on Sundays. Check our website at www.oakbankunitedchurch. com or call the office 204-444-2815 for more information.

PINAWA

PINAWA CHRISTIAN **FELLOWSHIP**

A congregation recognized by the Anglican, Mennonite, Presbyterian and United denominations. Join us for worship services Sunday mornings at 11:00 am at the Pinawa Lutheran Church, Massey @ Burrows. Please visit the church's website, www.pinawa.church for the latest information. Visitors are welcome.

PINAWA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pinawa Lutheran Church at 25 Massey Ave. Sunday Service at 9:15 am. For more information check Pinawa Lutheran Church's website at pinawalu theran.ca

BEAUSEJOUR/ BROKENHEAD

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

Join us during this holy time of Christian fellowship and goodwill on Tuesday, Dec. 24th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church (located at 730 James Avenue in Beausejour) for our CANDLELIGHT CHRIST-MAS EVE SERVICE! Please join us for our Cookies and Carols Service on December 29th at 10:00 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARY, **BEAUSEJOUR**

530 Atlantic Ave Beausejour. Masses with visiting priests - Saturday Evening 5:00 pm & Sunday 9:00 am. There are no weekday Masses but the church is usually open from 9:00 am to 9:30 am Tuesday to Friday for the Rosary and private prayer. Call the parish office for information if you need to speak with a priest: 204-268-2453 or use our new e-mail: info@stmarybeause iour.com Please ioin us for an Advent Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, December 18 with Fr Sylvanus Omali. For more information, visit our new website www.stmary beauseiour.com

ST. OUENS COUNTRY **CHURCH**

Come and fellowship with us at St. Ouens Country Church. We are 1/4 mile south of Hwy 44 on St. Ouens Rd. For further information, call Pastors Darrell & Maralee Wurch 204-268-1629 or wurchpastor@ gmail.com

Messages

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of DON KUBISH LESLIE TYPLISKI FRED & MARY OKOLITA NICK & ISABEL KUBISH

Another year has passed Since the day that God called each of you home. But you did not go alone, A part of me went with you, But in my heart, you will always remain. Until we are untied in eternal life again.

Lovingly remembered by wife, mother, daughter & daughter-in-law Virginia



IN MEMORIAM



In memory of MARIE ANNE WOJTOWICZ Born June 30, 1958 -Passed December 11, 2017

7 years have passed since you left us forever. Missed and loved by your family Stan, Amber, Gerrett, your "number one Felix" and George.

"All your life you did your best, now mama rest".

IN MEMORIAM





In loving memory of JOHN GÄRBOLINSKI

Thirty years since you left us Xmas eve 1994. Some may think you are forgotten, Though on earth you are no more, But in memory you are with us, As you always were before. Husband, Dad, Grandpa, Great-Grandpa. You forever had a smile to share, Time to give and time to care. Loving nature kind and true, It's the way we always remember you. Remembering you forever, Adele and family

BRAYDEN LACKMAN June 30, 2009 -December 29, 2011

IN MEMORIAM

There's a sadness deep within our hearts, We truly know you chose to part, We love and miss you more each day And only wish you could have stayed.

Deeply loved and missed. Gramma and Grampa Bukoski, Uncle Jeff, Auntie Shannon and Cousins Lucas, Dylan, Scarlett & Carlyn

IN MEMORIAM

BRAYDEN LACKMAN June 30, 2009 -December 29, 2011

No matter how life changes, No matter what we do; A special place within our hearts Is always kept for you.

Love always, Grandpa and Grandma Lackman, Uncle Jonathan, Auntie Debbie, Uncle Joel and cousins Ashtyn and Rosalia

IN MEMORIAM



BRAYDEN LACKMAN June 30, 2009 -December 29, 2011

How constantly we think of you, With hearts and eyes that fill. The love in life we had for you, In death grows stronger still. Let the winds of love blow softly And whisper for you to hear, We love and miss you sadly As it dawns another year.

Love always, Mom, Dad, Jase & Kole

GRACE LUTHERAN **CHURCH SERVICE**

418 Gertrude, Beausejour, MB. Call 204-268-2724 for more info. All Welcome!

ELIM BAPTIST CHURCH

We welcome you to join us for worship every Sunday at 10:30 am for music, teaching and fellowship. 645 James Ave. Beausejour.

PINE FALLS

PINE FALLS UNITED **CHURCH**

Please join us for Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. at Pine Falls United Church, 5 Walnut Street, Pine Falls.

NOTRE DAME DU LAUS

Our Mass times are every Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Notre Dame du Laus Catholic Church in Powerview-Pine Falls.

RIVER HILLS

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Regular 11:00 a.m. service. Following health guidelines

LAC DU BONNET

ABUNDANT LIFE **CHAPEL**

Located at 90-4th Street, Lac du Bonnet. For more info visit our website abundantlifechapel.ca or contact the office at 204-345-2934. Pastor James Schwab.

NOTRE DAME DU LAC **CATHOLIC PARISH**

(English Mass) Saturday at 5 Sunday at 11. All welcome.

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

253 McArthur Ave. LdB Worship service is every Sunday at 11 am. All are welcome. Contact us at luthldb@out look.com Call Pastor Kolleen Karlowsky-Clark at 204-272-

SEVEN SISTERS

WHITESHELL **BAPTIST CHURCH**

74158 PR 408, Seven Sisters Falls, MB. Visit: www. whiteshellbaptist.com for more info. 204-348-2536.

WHITEMOUTH

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Service starts at 9:30 A.M. Phone 204-348-2855.

FOUNDATION

Make a donation to the LdB Foundation in honour or memory of a loved one (Family will be notified) and make a difference in our community forever, plus receive an income tax credit.

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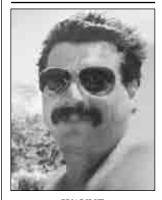


BONNIE BUKOSKI August 23, 1945 – December 31, 2012

The world changes from year to year, Our lives from day to day, But the love and memory of you, Shall never pass away.

Forever loved and always missed, Christine, David, Holly, Jordyn, Marilyn and Trevor, Cameron, Iness, Nicholas, Christopher, Monica, Meagan and Kaitlyn

IN MEMORIAM



WAYNE KULCZYCKI August 11, 1954 -December 20, 2020

"UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN"
We think about you always,
We talk about you still,
You will never be forgotten,
We hold you deep within our
hearts, and there you
will remain,
To walk and guide us
through our lives.
"UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN"

Bev, Lisa, Leah, Mark, Noah & Sierra

OBITUARY

DAVID SMYRSKI

1948 - 2024

David Smyrski passed away peacefully at Pinawa Hospital on Friday, December 13, 2024 at the

age of 76.

He was predeceased by his parents Anton and Bernice Smyrski, 15 of his siblings, and the light and joy of his life, his daughter Sherri-Lynn Smyrski who passed in 2020 which left an immeasurable void in his life.



He will be remembered by his sister Audrey Roy, brothers Norman (Joanne) and Brian (Laurie), sister-in-law Agnes Smyrski and Sherri-Lynn's mom Janice. In addition, he leaves numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

David enjoyed operating heavy equipment; he was employed by the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet and the Province of Manitoba where he ran the grater, drove trucks and other various equipment. He took pride in keeping the roads passable. He also did long-haul trucking across North America. He loved going to Auction Sales, finding treasures to tinker with in his shop.

As per David's request, cremation has taken place and no formal service will be held.

SOBERING FUNERAL CHAPEL & CREMATORIUM Beausejour, 268-3510 or MB Toll Free 1-877-776-2220 www.soberingfuneralchapel.com

IN MEMORIAM





OBRODOVICH

MICHAEL (MICK) December 30, 2003 Husband, Dad, Gedo DIANE COLLEN
December 6, 1970
Daughter, Sister, Aunt

Never more than a thought away, Quietly remembered every day. In our hearts your memory is kept, to love, to cherish, to never forget.

Forever remembered and loved, Vickie, daughter Cheryl and grandchildren Chris (Lorne), Kendra, Brooklynne; Edward (Dominique), Christopher; Pamela (Graham), Mya, Eli, Dillon; Barrett (Larissa) Keaton and Quinn.

OBITUARY

LINDY FRANCES INGLIS

October 3, 1973 - December 9, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that the family announces the passing of Lindy of Lac du Bonnet at the age of 51 years.

She will be forever missed by her daughter Willow, husband Joe, mother Susan (Graham), sisters Caroline and Lianne, brother Mark, nephew Joe and mother-inlaw Victoria, brother-in-law Jim, sister-in-law Julie and many family members.



She was predeceased by her father Joe and grandmother Frances.

Lindy was a beautiful person inside and out. She enjoyed the lake life, boating, just being near the water, gardening and baking. She had a fondness for cats and everything Disney. But above all else, she absolutely loved spending every moment with her precious daughter Willow.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 11:00am at Seasons Funeral Chapel 576 Balsam Crescent in OakBank.

Memories and condolences can be shared by visiting Lindy's memorial page at seasons funerals.ca



OBITUARY

ROXANA OLGA WAZNY

October 14, 1936 – December 13, 2024

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Roxana "Roxy" Olga Wazny on Friday, December 13, 2024, at the Pinawa Hospital. She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 58 years, Walter "Smiley", her daughter Jacqueline, her parents Annie and Dmytro, her parents-in-law Anna and Francizk, and her siblings Michael, Walter (Tina), Nellie (Mike), Orest (Francis), and Russell.



Roxy leaves behind her daughter Kathy (Brad), son Danny (Michelle), grandson Chris, grandchildren Melissa (Brad), Allison (Jonathan), Brent (Jordyn), Danielle (Jameson), Alex (Jack), as well as her cherished great-grandchildren Khloe, Kingstyn, Aria, and Riggs. She will be deeply missed by her many nieces, nephews, and friends, all of whom held a special place in her heart.

Roxy was born on October 14, 1936, and grew up in Pine River. She met Walter in 1955 while teaching at a school in Overwater. Their connection was immediate, and they became engaged in 1956, marrying on August 8, 1958. In 1959, they settled on their homestead in Lac du Bonnet, where Walter farmed and they raised their family.

A dedicated educator, Roxy taught in various northern communities and later worked as a substitute teacher in local schools. She was also a passionate advocate for justice, volunteering with the Lac du Bonnet Justice Committee, where she contributed to causes close to her heart.

Known for her warm hospitality, Roxy welcomed everyone with open arms, ensuring no one left her home hungry or without a drink in hand. Her legendary cabbage rolls and perogies were staples of family gatherings and will be dearly missed. She loved being surrounded by family, staying connected to local happenings, and sharing in the joys of life with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Dr. Clovechok and the wonderful nurses and support staff at the Pinawa Hospital. Their compassionate care brought great comfort to Roxy and eased our hearts during this difficult

A celebration of Roxy's life will be held at the Notre Dame du Lac Catholic Church, 63 McArthur Avenue, Lac du Bonnet, on December 19, 2024, at 1.00 p.m., with viewing taking place at 12:00 p.m. Interment to follow at the Lac du Bonnet cemetery. The family would like to thank the Sobering Funeral Chapel for the kind and compassionate

Roxy's kindness, strength, and love will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

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OBITUARY

AART VAN NIEUW AMERONGEN

January 23, 1933 ~ December 13, 2024

Aart Amerongen, aged 91 years, beloved husband to Kathy, of Whitemouth, Manitoba, passed away on Friday, December 13, 2024, at Beausejour Hospital.

Memorial Service will be held on Friday, December 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at the Whitemouth Hall in Whitemouth, Manitoba



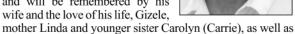
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OBITUARY

DALE NEDUZAK 1957 - 2024

It is with deep sadness and heavy hearts that we mourn the loss of our beloved husband and son, Dale Neduzak, aged 67 years old. Dale passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, after a short battle with cancer at Riverview Health Centre on Friday, December 6, 2024.

Dale was predeceased by his father Charles (Chuck) Neduzak and will be remembered by his wife and the love of his life, Gizele,



numerous aunts and cousins.

Dale was born in Thunder Bay, Ont. but grew up in

Beausejour, Man., which was in his opinion the best place a kid could grow up in.

Dale's interests in cars and snowmobiles began early and turned into a life long passion for all things mechanical. If it

Dale's interests in cars and snowmobiles began early and turned into a life-long passion for all things mechanical. If it had a motor, Dale could fix it! His knowledge of mechanics was sought out by many over the years.

Dale began his career in aviation soon after high-school and acquired his Aircraft Maintenance Engineer license in 1977. Over the years, Dale had the opportunity to work on many different types of aircrafts and spent the majority of his aviation career working for the province of Manitoba on the CL-215 water bombers, on various airliners for Air Canada, and restoring warbirds for Vintage Wings of Canada.

Folks who knew Dale of course knew DooWop: The 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible he lovingly restored back to butter-yellow glory in the 1980's. DooWop was his pride and joy, a winner of many awards over the years, and often featured in magazines and newspapers.

Dale was a lifelong learner and an avid reader of history and biographies, especially anything to do with Manitoba history, the Hudson's Bay Company or the development of the snowmobile industry in Beausejour.

He gave freely of his time to the community he loved, volunteering and serving as president of the Canadian Power Toboggan Championship races. He was also a co-founder of the Shades of the Past car show.

Dale loved meeting new people and was never shy about starting conversations with perfect strangers. He enjoyed exploring new places and was fortunate to travel to Africa, Australia, Hawaii, and across the U.S. and Canada.

Dale was a loving husband, devoted to his family and ready to help anyone in need. Any of Dale's friends can attest to his loyalty and great sense of humor; always ready with a joke or a funny story.

Many thanks go to the team at CancerCare Manitoba for their dedicated, professional care especially our oncology nurse Kim Paradoski. Additional thanks go to the doctors and nurses at Riverview Health Centre for their tender and compassionate care during Dale's final weeks.

A celebration of life will be held at Sobering Funeral Chapel, Beausejour, Manitoba on Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Brain Cancer Canada P.O. Box 30007 RPO Woodbine Heights, Toronto Ontario M4C 5J2 www.braincancercanada.ca

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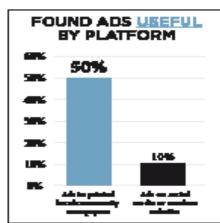


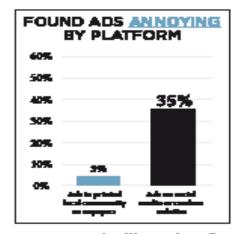


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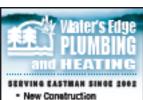
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