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# **Selkirk RCMP respond to reports** of a suspect with a firearm

Suspect was contained and no one was physically injured

#### Submitted by Manitoba RCMP

On March 27, at approximately 10:10 a.m., Selkirk RCMP received a report of a male leaning out a window of the Lord Selkirk Hotel in Selkirk with a long gun. Officers attended immediately and contained the area, blocking streets, clearing the hotel, and having adjacent businesses hold and secure. The RCMP also put out a public notice to avoid the area.

The 32-year-old male suspect made

his way to the roof of the building. Officers were able to make contact with the suspect. He came down from the roof and was arrested without incident. A search of the male's room at the hotel resulted in officers seizing a long barrel pellet gun.

RCMP Police Dog Services assisted with the incident. Nobody was physically injured.

Selkirk RCMP continue to investigate.



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### **4** *The Selkirk Record* Thursday, March 30, 2023 Social to raise money for family recently arrived from Ukraine

### Donations needed for prizes to support Ukrainian family new to area

#### By Kaitlin Vitt

The Ukrainian Home and Reading Society (East Selkirk Hall) is hosting a fundraiser in April to support a family who has recently arrived in the Selkirk area from Ukraine.

"The point of us doing this is to help them start a life in Manitoba here and welcome them to the community," said 26-year-old Cody Fox, president of the society.

The society, which is a non-profit organization, is putting on a family social with music, dancing and prizes on April 29 at East Selkirk Hall.

"After COVID, no one has gotten to know their neighbour," said 23-yearold Carson Fox, vice president of the society. "People need to get back into the groove of coming out to social events, coming and seeing who their neighbours are, and they'll meet

people that they might create a new [friendship with]."

Money raised will be given to the family, who left Ukraine due to the Russian invasion of their country which started last year. The family has two children, one in kindergartener and one in grade two.

"The thing we wanted to do the most was to do a Ukrainian fundraiser and for people to come to this to raise awareness," Carson said. "Let's get some money to go to help out families that are coming here due to the war."

Cody and Carson, who are brothers, have Ukrainian and Polish roots. They are fourth-generation members of the Ukrainian Home and Reading Society.

"We wanted to make sure we kept the tradition going," Carson said. Members named the society in mem-



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There will be a family social supporting a family who left Ukraine due to the Russian invasion.

ory of Ukrainian poet Ivan Franko. At its core, the organization, which was founded in 1920, is a community club to bring together Ukrainians in the area, Carson said. The society is currently collect-

ing donations and

donate, people can get in touch with events coordinator Jeannie Inkster at 204-793-2674 or jeanniesinkster@yahoo.ca. Tickets to the social are available

for \$10, and support tickets are \$5. To purchase tickets, contact Inkster or call the society at 204-482-4786.

gift baskets to be used as door prizes

or silent auction items at the social. To

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### *The Selkirk Record* Thursday, March 30, 2023 **5** Selkirk wants your opinions on proposed West End Park design

### City seeks feedback on future recreation

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

The City of Selkirk is making plans for their second regional park and wants residents to fill out a survey to let them know what they want to see there. The West End Regional Park will be located south of Manitoba Avenue behind the Walmart Supercentre and Selkirk GM dealer, east of Hwy. 9 and is part of Selkirk's plans to grow in the future.

Selkirk CAO Duane Nicol says that the city's recreation plan which was published in 2016 outlines the intent to have a park within 400 meters or a five minute walk of all residential places in Selkirk. Because plans for the area around the proposed park include residential development the city is starting with the very first phases of park plans.

"We know that the West End, west of the train tracks is underserved in that regard, [needing more] parks in the Woodland area. Then when we got into the concept plan of the West End, we'd purchased the land to the west of us there. [With that purchase] that was always part of the thinking in the concept plan, that had been approved by Council and locked in by a by-law, that assigns this area as parklands. So now, it's about identifying what the long term vision for that park is going to be. Then as the West End's developed, it will be the guiding document to allow us to develop that park for citizen use," said Nicol.

The other local regional park in the City of Selkirk is Selkirk Park and like that park, this one will be large with a proposed 90 acres of park space. However, unlike Selkirk Park, plans that have been created so far indicate that it will be a more naturalized space.

"Think of a provincial park where the majority of the space is left to more natural conditions or forested areas and grassland areas. [Think] very little human construction and the intention is for there to be some trails and some other amenities for folks, but it won't be turf grass, it won't be designed for playing soccer on or anything like that it will be left in a natural state," said Nicol.

He says that this makes sense for the city because of the huge increase in the use of trails at Selkirk Park since the pandemic. It will also allow different amenities to be in this new park attracting more people to the area and creating more natural spaces. This will allow for biodiversity, and achieving ecological services like stormwater retention, improved air quality and providing some wildlife corridors.

It also makes sense practically because there are areas of the park where buildings would not be able to be constructed.

Nicol says that the current project is at the very beginning stages so residents shouldn't expect work to start to take place quickly but that consulting residents early allows the city to amend the plan to suit residents.

"The survey questions are just asking for some feedback based on a preliminary concept plan that we put out there. We're asking for feedback from citizens, who could potentially be using the park to understand better what they're expecting, or hoping out of the park. And, where we can amend the current plan to better fit the needs of citizens, we're going to do that," he said.

The survey will take from five to eight minutes to fill out and has both open form questions which you can choose to leave short or longer answers to as well as shorter questions involving clicking options.

Nicol mentioned that this survey isn't just for City of Selkirk residents as the city invited residents from all over the region who might want to use the park to submit their feedback.

The next step of the process once residents have submitted their thoughts is the city will use them to develop a park management plan which will likely be completed by the end of the year.

From there, work will begin slowly as the timeline for this project current-

ly is planned for the next ten years, however, some aspects will likely be done first.

"As the West End is developing, there's lots of renaturalization that will have to occur and trees take time to grow. But the one feature that will probably start quite soon, in the next three to five years, will be the large retention pond," said Nicol.

This will provide some overflow capacity to address some of the stormwater issues that the city has experienced.

Nicol encourages residents to take the survey and participate in this unique opportunity to have a say in an important aspect of your community. "It's not very often that we get to build a regional park. In our 141 year history. This is only the second regional park being developed. So, it's a chance for people today to have their voice heard and make sure that this reflects the desires of our citizens and how they want their city to evolve," he said.

To learn more and find the survey, check out the City of Selkirk's website at https://www.myselkirk.ca/ blog/2023/03/22/west-end-regional-park-survey/.

The final date to complete and submit the survey is April 12.





### 6 The Selkirk Record Thursday, March 30, 2023 Richardson Foundation makes \$25,000 donation to East Selkirk Rec. Centre

### Donation to help recreation association fund new ice plant

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

As many residents in our region likely know, the East Selkirk Recreation Association (ESRA) has been hard at work fundraising to replace the components of their ice plant which is well past its life expectancy. Recently, these volunteers got a boost from the Richardson Foundation who donated \$25,000 to help the club on its way to purchasing the needed equipment.

"Essentially, we're a grain operator just out of Stony Mountain. We have a head office in Winnipeg, but the company is right across Canada with locations in the US and England," said Reg Lemoine, Grain Merchant at Richardson Pioneer South Lakes.

With employees who live in the East Selkirk community and a history of donating to community projects, this was a perfect fit which allowed Lemoine to work with the ESRA to put in the application to the Richardson Foundation.

The East Selkirk Recreation Centre is in a unique position because it's run by the non-profit ESRA and not a local municipality like other arenas in the area. When they determined that they would have to replace their whole ice plant at the end of the 2022 ice season that meant a lot of fundraising and grant applications to keep sticks on the ice.

Lemoine himself plays hockey at the East Selkirk Rec. Centre and knows how important this facility is for the community calling it his family's home rink.



**RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL** 

Clen Veenstra (Assistant Coach), Bill Mooney (Head Coach and Board member ESRA), Danielle Veenstra (Board Member ESRA), Reg Lemoine (Goalie Coach and Grain Merchant, at Richardson Pioneer South Lakes), Rick Forfar (Assistant Coach), and Steve Grewinski (Assistant Coach) with the Team U11A2 Fisherman Black.

"We don't live right in town in East Selkirk. We're across [the] 59 in the country but I play hockey there myself on Sunday nights and I have two boys in minor hockey. So, we frequent that arena," he said.

He says that the Richardson Foundation was specifically set up for projects like this so that they can support projects in the local communities where they do business and their employees live.

"They've done different donations like up in Arborg and Stony Mountain, Stonewall, and I think there was one in Grosse Isle as well. So, there were other projects that they have donated to, and I thought that it was a good time for East Selkirk to put in an application for it," he said.

He thinks arenas like these are important parts of our communities.

"For the recreation and for the kids just have somewhere to get together and use the facilities," said Lemoine.

Bryce Mowat, director of operations at Richardson Pioneer South Lakes says that it's all about being involved in the communities that they live in.

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Mowat encourages residents to get involved with their local community clubs like the East Selkirk Recreation Centre even if they can't give a large donation because every little bit helps.

"If you're involved in those community clubs, just continuing to be involved in those things. I think that's a struggle right now in a lot of small towns is getting that participation from everybody. But just going back to those simple things of playing a little rec. league hockey on a Sunday night or being involved in volunteering your time at your curling rink or something like that. Just keep it simple. It doesn't have to be big, and it all adds up in the big scheme of things," he said.

### *The Selkirk Record* Thursday, March 30, 2023 7 Manitoba government launches dedicated stretcher service in Selkirk

# Service frees up time for paramedics to focus on higher-acuity calls

#### Submitted by Manitoba government

A dedicated stretcher service is now providing transportation for low-acuity patients in three Manitoba communities while freeing up paramedics and ambulances to respond to emergencies and provide care for more sick patients, Health Minister Audrey Gordon announced on Monday.

"The Manitoba government is expanding the range of emergency response services in Brandon, Selkirk, and the Morden-Winkler area as part of our ongoing commitment to providing better care sooner," said Gordon. "Establishing a stretcher service in these communities to support stable patients going to appointments or between facilities will allow paramedics and ambulances to focus more efforts on providing life-saving care in the community."

While new to rural Manitoba, the low-acuity inter-facility transport (IFT) service is similar to a longstanding contracted service provided in Winnipeg that transports hospital inpatients and personal care home residents to medical appointments, diagnostic tests or treatment. Brandon-area services were added in January, Selkirk launched in early February and Morden-Winkler operations began on Monday. Patient Transport Services has been contracted to provide these services.

High-acuity (very sick or injured) patients will continue to be transported by ambulance in all situations where paramedic skills may be needed or a transfer to a more specialized centre is required.

Adding IFT services in these three communities has already saved ambulances more than 300 trips and is expected to save approximately 3,600 trips in total each year.

"Historically, ambulances staffed by highly skilled paramedics have been used to transport patients to routine medical appointments, diagnostic or laboratory tests, or for treatment. This often takes a crew out of a community for an extended period of time, requiring other crews to be re-positioned to provide coverage," said Dr. Rob Grierson, chief medical officer for emergency response services, Shared Health. "With the move to a dedicated inter-facility transport resource, these services no longer need to draw upon our staffed ambulances, keeping them in the communities that rely upon their specialized training and

### **WSP** sees wastewater investment

Submitted by The Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is investing more than \$15.3 million to support three key water and wastewater treatment projects to help facilitate future community growth in the Rural Municipalities (RMs) of Headingley, Macdonald and West St. Paul, Municipal Relations Minister Andrew Smith announced on Monday.

"Our government is proud to invest in water and wastewater treatment projects which improve the quality of life for local residents," said Smith. "By ensuring safe, secure drinking water, these projects also provide environmentally sound wastewater management for our communities. We are pleased to fund these important projects in our capital region to ensure our water management systems are healthy and sustainable for vears to come."

**Project investments include:** 

- Up to \$7.75 million for the expansion of the water treatment plant in the RM of Macdonald;
- Up to \$4 million to support the South East Reservoir project in the RM of Headingley; and
- Up to \$3.6 million for a sewage collection system in the RM of West St. Paul.

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skills in an emergency."

The new service supports health centres in larger communities within the service area as well as smaller sites in surrounding communities, which typically produce a higher ratio of patients needing transport for low-acuity needs.

Establishing more inter-facility transport service programs in Manitoba builds on the Manitoba government's commitment to invest in emergency services including:

• establishing a centralized team within Shared Health to co-ordinate provincial recruitment of emergency response services personnel;

• reducing ambulance fees by 50 per cent to make emergency care more accessible; and

• investing in new emergency medical service stations, including recently opened sites in Portage la Prairie, Selkirk and Crystal City.

The recently announced Virtual Emergency Care and Transfer Resource Service will soon offer health care providers in rural, northern and Winnipeg facilities improved access to specialist consultation for clinical advice on emergent and urgent patients, and support with prioritizing and arranging clinically complex referrals.

### HISTORIC HELP Safer Streets

To help Manitobans feel safer on their streets and in their communities, Budget 2023 dedicates more funding to help the homeless, expand shelters and build more housing units.

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talizations fell during the third week

of March, according to the provincial

government's respiratory surveil-

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There were 155 new infections de-

tected by PCR testing in Week 11, up

25 cases from the 130 new infections

reported in Week 10 and the 150 re-

COVID infection data in surveil-

lance reports are underestimates of

the true number of infections because

the government restricts access to

PCR testing and rapid antigen tests

Hospitalizations decreased in Week

11 with 49 new hospitalizations

which included six intensive care unit

admissions. There were 59 new hospi-

talizations in Week 10 with nine ICU

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By Patricia Barrett

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reported the previous week.

#### **OTHER HEALTH NEWS:**

- The COVID outbreak reported on March 13 at the Sunnywood Personal Care Home in Pine Falls continues, according to the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's outbreak webpage (viewed March 25).

**COVID** infections rise, province makes spring **COVID** vaccine booster available

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- The COVID-19 outbreak at Gimli's Johnson Memorial Hospital has concluded. General visitation and admission have resumed.

- Canada's National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), which provides immunization advice to the Public Health Agency of Canada, released new guidance March 3 on COVID booster doses for this spring.

NACI is recommending a booster for individuals at high risk of severe illness from COVID. That includes adults aged 65 years and older, adults living in long-term care homes, seniors in congregate living settings and immunocompromised people 18 years of age and older.

Canadian data looking at health care workers and non-institutionalized elderly populations suggest vaccine protection may reach a plateau for adults with hybrid immunity (vaccination and prior COVID infection) with "limited benefit demonstrated in receiving booster doses" of the original mRNA COVID vaccines against omicron subvariants, says NACI's update.

The duration of protection from bivalent vaccines, which target two different strains of the COVID virus, is unknown.

"Due to the short follow-up period to date, there are no estimates available regarding waning following bivalent booster doses against infection or severe disease," states the update.

The safety of bivalent vaccine boosters is "comparable" to the original COVID vaccine formula, says NACI's update, but there is a "possible association" between Pfizer-BioNTech's Comirnaty bivalent BA.4/5 booster and ischemic stroke in persons 65

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years of age and older, according to a U.S. vaccine surveillance system.

Following NACI recommendations, the Manitoba government made a COVID bivalent vaccine available last week for those "at the highest risk of serious COVID-19 outcomes," according to COVID-19 Bulletin #591.

Those eligible are adults aged 65 years of age and older, Indigenous people aged 45 and older, residents of long-term care or assisted living facilities and immunocompromised adults aged 18 and older.

It is recommended that people wait six months between booster doses and six months between a COVID infection and vaccination, states the province.

Manitoba Health is anticipating a fall 2023 COVID booster campaign and eligible people are advised to discuss the timing of spring boosters with a health-provider as it could "affect when an individual would be eligible to receive a booster dose in the fall."

As of March 4, about 20 per cent of Manitobans have received a dose of a bivalent vaccine.

- The provincial government is expanding access to the Manitoba Pain Care Program with an investment of nearly \$4 million, according to a March 23 news release.

The program includes a new paincare clinic at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre – it will be located at the outpatient clinic sometime this year – and will also add resources to the Health Sciences Centre and Pan Am Clinic in Winnipeg, the Brandon Regional Health Centre and a satellite clinic in Thompson.

- Seven of 13 nurses that made up the sexual assault nurse examiner program (SANE) in Winnipeg quit last week. According to the nurses' union, the nurses quit because they were overwhelmed.

The provincial opposition NDP said in a statement that SANE has been

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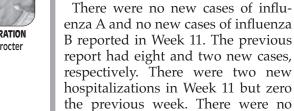
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page, and Canada's death toll now Brian Bowman stands at 51,800. The provincial government no longer lists in its surveillance reports the names of personal care homes and hospitals experiencing COVID outbreaks.

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same as in Week 10. There were no new respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) numbers provided for Week 11. There were 40 new cases

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### **The Selkirk Record** Thursday, March 30, 2023 **9** Selkirk Fire Department recognized for 125 years of exceptional service

#### Submitted by the City of Selkirk

The Selkirk Fire Department turned 125, and to recognize the achievements and outstanding service from 1897 to now, Selkirk Council presented current and past members with a bronze plaque at the March 15 fire practice.

The department has risen from humble beginnings, where all it took to become a member was to follow the responding unit to the smoke, hang around and eventually be handed a hose.

These days, the department is a top-notch unit, well trained and even

more well respected in the community. Mayor Larry Johannson says they deserve that respect and it's been earned many times over in the 125 years.

"I've said it before and I have no problem saying it again, the City of Selkirk has one of the best, if not the best, fire departments in the province," Johannson said.

"We've got a fantastic group of community volunteers who respond to whatever call comes in, and often put their own safety

and lives on the line. They're backed by their families who offer understanding for time taken away and we couldn't be more proud. They put in the hard work to make sure that Selkirk and its citizens are safe. What more could you ask for?"

Councillor Doug Poirier, who for 20 years hosted a firefighters' dinner at his restaurant that raised thousands of dollars for the Firefighters Burn Fund, knows the department and members well and he knows that residents of the city are in good hands.

"You couldn't find a more dedicated group and their contributions to the city are very important," Poirier said.

"They're visible in the community and well respected. People know their value, but in reality there's so much more that they do for Selkirk, under the radar, and I think people don't necessarily realize the extent of their contributions. They step up for everything they're asked for and on top of that they keep us all safe in emergency situations. The Selkirk Fire Department is an amazing group and a true asset to the community."

The department's website details its history and prior to the formalizing of a department, fire response was pretty much folks with buckets of water running to douse the flames.

These days, everyone has a cell phone and the city's department is well equipped to keep citizens and businesses safe.

Equipment is crucial to a successful department, but equally important are the people connected with it. In the Selkirk Fire Department's 125year history, it has had just nine fire chiefs, which speaks volumes about the commitment of the volunteers.

Ted Wozny was the Department's sixth Fire Chief from 1978 to 1998, and he's remained almost as committed to the department in his retirement as

he was while on active duty.

Wozny is a walking, talking encyclopedia of information of the city's fire history. He's got binders full of the department's life at his home, everything from newspaper clippings to photos and department logs.

He's working with the current Fire Chief to compile them so they'll live on and he's more than happy to share his experiences as a firefighter and chief, able to provide incredible detail about

fires from decades ago.

Danny Thorsteinson was Fire Chief No. 7. He served as the department's chief for 17 years from 1999 to 2016.

In 2000, Thorsteinson was at the helm when a carelessly tossed cigarette butt ignited the Kiwanis on the Red 2 fire and burned the under-construction new build to the ground.

"K2 was a busy day," Thorsteinson said.

"We've had big fires, but they're in the middle of the night. We go there, work for three or four hours and we're cleaning up when the sun comes up and nobody even knows we've been there.

"It just happened that day it was the daytime, hot and windy and it was just a spectator sport. The plume you could see from Winnipeg, so it attracted a lot of attention."

Firefighter Craig Fiebelkorn, who in 2016 would become Fire Chief No. 8, was at the fire hall that day doing paperwork.

"I was actually the first truck on scene," Fiebelkorn said.

"I remember the call came in as a garbage fire, so I jumped in the truck and pulled out of the hall and headed to K2 and as I turned the corner onto Eveline I'm going, 'Oh my god, this is



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Councillor Darlene Swiderski, Chief Dave Milner, Councillor Lorie Fiddler, Mayor Larry Johannson, Councillor Kelly Cook, Deputy Chief Corey Gagnewith the new plaque celebrating local firefighters.

not a garbage fire'. And I remember hearing Danny on the radio going, 'Bring everything'."

Dave Milner was a new recruit that year and hadn't even officially started with the department, but he and the other new guys were called into action anyway. "We just went to see it and kind of got dragged in," Milner laughed.

"Everybody that was available, either by doing traffic control or filling bottles up or helping out with the hoses, different things, we were all

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# 10 *The Selkirk Record* Thursday, March 30, 2023 **Minimum wage to increase twice in 2023**

Second increase at beginning of October to raise rate to \$15.30

#### Submitted by Manitoba government

This October, Manitoba minimum wage earners will be making \$3.35 per hour more than they were in September 2022 following iterative increases that position Manitoba as one of the top minimum wage provinces in Canada, Labour and Immigration Minister Jon Reyes announced.

"Recognizing the exceptional financial challenges facing Manitobans, our government passed legislative amendments to the Employment Standards Code that, in prescribed circumstances, allow minimum wage to be increased by an additional amount above the legislated inflation-tied formula," said Reyes. "To balance the financial realities of Manitoba workers and the economic challenges for small businesses, we implemented a phased-in approach that will help more Manitobans get ahead."

The increases started with a \$1.55 increase to \$13.50 on Oct. 1, 2022, to be followed by a 65 cent increase to \$14.15 on April 1 and now a further

\$1.15 annual increase on Oct. 1 to \$15.30. These increases project Manitoba to be top three in provincial minimum wages.

The minister noted the legislated inflation-tied formula ensures minimum wage is tied to economic indicators to maintain purchasing power, stability and predictability for businesses.

Following the Oct. 1, 2022, minimum wage increase, the Manitoba government implemented the Small Business Minimum Wage Adjustment Program to support small businesses. The program's eligibility has recently expanded to include seasonal (summer) employees, and the application and submission process has been streamlined to allow eligible small businesses to make a single online application to receive a one-time lump sum payment. The program is available until March 31, noted Reyes.

For more information on the Small Business Minimum Wage Adjustment Program, visit https://gov.mb.ca/ jec/busdev/financial/sbwa/index. html.

For more information on Manitoba's minimum wage and other employment standards, visit www.gov. mb.ca/labour/standards/.

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busy. That's how we started."

That was 23 years ago and Milner is now Fire Chief No. 9 for the Department.

New recruits showed up that day and Fiebelkorn said retired members helped out as well.

"One of the things I remember the most is that at the start of the fire, a bunch of retired firefighters came down to help. It was interesting to see how they remembered what to do, no matter how long they'd been off the department, and it was refreshing to see," he said.

The fire was historic for many reasons, including the fact it was likely the first time water bombers had been used in Canada in an urban setting.

The cost to use the water bombers was very high and this led to a change in provincial policy that as long as a need for the bombers could be established, there was no charge.

All four Chiefs agree that people are the reason for the Selkirk Fire Department's success.

"It's a people thing and it's a family thing," Thorsteinson says.

"We bring the whole family into things. It's a big commitment to join us. We have a lot of social functions, besides just practices and fires, and training, we have some social things." Fishelkorn saws family describes the

Fiebelkorn says family describes the Selkirk Fire Department perfectly,

and it has to be that way.

"There's an importance of having the family involved and understanding what you do, because of the times we're taken away from family stuff. You could ask any firefighter at any time, how many hockey games have you missed of your kids', how many birthday parties have you been called away from, stuff like that," he said.

"It's important to keep families in the loop and show them that they're appreciated and needed."

When your volunteer on-call position can put you in some dangerous situations, it's nice to know that the guys you're going into battle with have your back. Camaraderie isn't just a nice thing to build, it's a necessity.

"Within the fire department itself, we run it like a big family. All the guys know the families, even extended families to a point," Milner said.

"Let's be honest, what we do is not safe and without the crew looking after each other it would be a whole different aspect. Everyone does an amazing job. We've had some big fires. We talk, communicate, help each other out and when you do that everything goes so much easier on the emergency scenes.

"They all have confidence in each other and that's really big."

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### **Pesticide Control Program**

Public Notice is hereby given that the Province of Manitoba intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2023 within the province right of way.

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The Water Services Branch will provide project management services on behalf of the municipalities and the Manitoba Water Services Board for these projects, the minister noted.

"We commend the Manitoba government for investing more than \$15.3 million to support critical municipal water and wastewater projects," said Kam Blight, president, Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM). "As the AMM makes it a priority to tour across Manitoba to meet one on one with municipalities, it is clear that there is a great need for increased dollars to support water and wastewater infrastructure. Investments such as these are crucial to not only help support economic and residential growth but also ensure Manitobans have access to modern reliable water systems."

Support for these three municipal water and wastewater projects is being provided from Manitoba's Strategic Municipal Investment Fund, Manitoba's basket funding model and is incremental to the Manitoba Water Services Board's base budget.

## **IERHA** staff members participate in Philippines recruitment effort

#### By Jennifer McFee

Two Interlake-Eastern RHA nursing leaders have returned from the recent provincially led recruitment trip to the Philippines with positive feedback to share.

From Feb. 19 to 27, Tracy Abraham, clinical team manager for Pinawa District Hospital and cancer navigation, and Angelina Hartwell, clinical team manager for Sunnywood Manor in Pine Falls, embarked on the provincial initiative to recruit trained health care workers from the Philippines.

For three days, the Manitoba team interviewed candidates in Manila. Then they split up to conduct interviews in both Cebu City and Iloilo, which are both located on different islands.

"This was a great way to share the opportunity among different cities in the Philippines. The locals were very excited and pleased to have us in their beautiful country. The people are incredibly friendly, polite and eager to please," said Abraham, who was impressed with the hospitality.

"Overall, people were super excited to attend the interviews. We had people travel far and wide to attend. Some folks arrived by bus, boat or plane, and many had come directly after work or had to hang out in a local minimart until the venue opened. These people were very determined to get an interview."

In total, nearly 350 letters of intent were issued by the end of the trip for positions in Manitoba.

"The first question on the interview package was 'Why do you want to come work in Manitoba, Canada?' The answers were amazing — everything from the climate, nature, the stable economy, the growth and opportunity for family and careers, the pension, the health benefits, safety ... and to see aurora borealis," Abraham said.

"The opportunity to go and meet all of these wonderful people, who were so eager for an interview, was truly humbling. People were so excited to have the opportunity. They wanted selfie pictures and some would cry at the end of their interview, just so emotional to be given this opportunity. So many people thanked us for coming and would even give us well wishes to enjoy our stay in their country. We felt very fortunate to be a part of this experience."

Workers that were recruited will be working in facilities throughout the region where they are needed.

"These new team members are going to be instrumental in building capacity within our communities once again. If we can build health care teams with staff who live local, raise their families local and participate in the communities, this all leads to improving our economy and the strength of the community," Abraham said.

"Plans are in place to make decisions about where the new health care team members will work. We are hoping that the new recruits will join our region in the next three to six months."

While the health care workers adapt to their new jobs, Abraham hopes they'll also be warmly welcomed into their new communities.

"Having community supports in place is going to be crucial to support our new health care team members," she said.

"Having supportive team members is one thing, but it's also going to be super important to have neighbours or local community groups introduced to help get them settled with the new environment and show them around."

Learn more at https://healthcareersmanitoba.ca/buildyourfuturemb/.



Tracy Abraham and Angelina Hartwell.

### Manitoba Parks' Camping Reservations Begin April 3

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New this year: Manitoba launches a new reservation service system. There are now six opening reservation days.

Choose your accommodation or location as follows:

Day 1 - Monday April 3, 2023: Book cabins, yurts and group use areas in all parks.

**Day 2 - Wednesday, April 5, 2023:** Book a spot in western and northern provincial park campgrounds including Asessippi, Bakers Narrows, Clearwater, Duck Mountain, Manipogo, Paint Lake, Rainbow Beach, Rivers, Spruce Woods - Kiche Manitou, Turtle Mountain - Adam Lake, William Lake, and Wekusko Falls.

Day 3 - Tuesday, April 11, 2023: Book a spot for Birds Hill and Winnipeg Beach campgrounds

**Day 4 - Wednesday, April 12, 2023:** Book a spot at Caddy Lake, Falcon Beach, Falcon Lakeshore and West Hawk Lake campgrounds.

**Day 5 - Thursday, April 13, 2023:** Book a spot at Beresford Lake, Bird Lake, Black Lake, Tulabi Falls, Shoe Lake, Betula Lake, Big Whiteshell, Brereton Lake, Nutimik Lake, Opapiskaw, and White Lake campgrounds.

**Day 6 – Friday, April 14, 2023:** Book a spot at all remaining provincial park campgrounds including Camp Morton, Grand Beach, Hecla - Gull Harbour, Hnausa Beach, Lundar Beach, Moose Lake, St. Malo, Stephenfield, and Watchorn.

#### How to Reserve Your Spot

- Online and call centre reservations begin at 7 a.m. on opening days Go to **manitobaparks.com** 
  - Call 204-948-3333 in Winnipeg; 1-888-482-2267 toll free

For more information to help prepare you for making your reservation, visit **manitobaparks.com** 



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struggling to deliver services to sexual assault survivors for over a year because of the government's "health system mismanagement," and that nurses with the program had publicly raised concerns multiple times.

The program struggled to fill shifts, forcing nurses to ask those who'd been sexually assaulted to return later or the next day and to not wash or change their clothes, says the statement.

The NDP called on health minister Audrey Gordon to resign.

"If the Health Minister cannot take responsibility for our health care system it's time for her to resign. And if Minister Gordon won't do it herself, the Premier needs to show leadership and ask her Health Minister to step down," said NDP health care critic Uzoma Asagwara. "The Premier cannot allow her Minister to continue in this role. Manitobans expect a higher standard from their government and the Premier should demand better from her cabinet."

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# Celebrating the healing power of music

#### By Lorne Stelmach

Joel Klassen is obviously a firm believer in the transformative and healing power of music.

The Winkler resident who is now serving as the president of the Canadian Association of Music Therapists sees every day how music therapy can help in a wide variety of situations to promote health, well-being, and quality of life.

"Every day in my work, I work

with people who can't tell me their first name, but they can sing all the words to their favourite songs," said Klassen, who was helping to promote and raise awareness of the field with March serving as Music Therapy Awareness Month.

"It's used in a wide range of settings ... my experience is in long term care and at Eden Mental Health Centre, but many therapists work in school settings or in intensive care in hospi-

### NOTICE OF Annual General Meeting

#### April 25, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Members of Cambrian Credit Union will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm. This meeting will be held virtually, via webcast, with no physical meeting location. Cambrian's head office, located at 225 Broadway in Winnipeg, Manitoba, will be deemed the Annual General Meeting location for record-keeping purposes.

#### **Business of the Meeting**

- 1. Receive and consider the financial statements of Cambrian for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the report of the Directors, management and auditors thereon;
- 2. Receive a report of Cambrian's call for Director Nominations and announce the results of the Election of Directors;
- 3. Appoint the auditors of Cambrian for the 2023 year;
- 4. Consider and approve amendments to Cambrian's by-laws; and
- 5. Transact such other business as may properly come before the last meeting.

#### Accessing the Meeting

Access to the Annual General Meeting webcast will be open to each member of Cambrian entitled to vote at the meeting. In order to gain access, eligible voting members are required to pre-register. Pre-registration opened at 9:00 am Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> and closes Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at midnight. *To pre-register, and for more information about the virtual Annual General Meeting, members are encouraged to visit www.cambrian.mb.ca/2023AGM.* 

Dated at Winnipeg, Manitoba this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023. By order of the Board of Directors

Marilyn Brennan Corporate Secretary



tals or pediatric care or cancer wards and maternity wards."

Klassen believes it is a field that continues to gain more recognition, with about a thousand music therapists in Canada working in a variety of settings.

Music therapy has been proven to be help people improve skills, decrease stress, and feel strengthened during a transition or crisis by alleviating physical symptoms, supporting coping and well-being, and aiding people in processing their spiritual and existential concerns.

It often involves counselling coupled with intentional listening to live and/or recorded music while discussing the personal relevance of song lyrics as well as more active engagement in music experiences such as writing songs, singing or playing instruments.

Klassen traces his interest in the field back to music being a big part of his family life as a child.

"I grew up in a very musical household," he said, noting he learned not only to play a number of instruments but also sang in choirs.

"After high school I started working in homes with adults with disabilities," he said. "I started to just realize I love working with people, and I started bringing my guitar to that day program setting."

He then learned about music therapy as a career and knew quickly that was what he wanted to be doing.

Today, about 80 per cent of his job is working in dementia care, travelling to work with residents in long-term care homes across the region. Music therapy is also a full-time position at the Eden Mental Health Centre; he started there in 2005.

"It's the most consistently helpful intervention that many of the residents experience," Klassen suggested. "Many of the people hardly come out of their rooms except for meals, but they'll come out for music.

"Áctually, a lot of my training was with people with autism, so I would be sitting at a piano ... the child would be sitting with a drum or a cymbal," he recalled. "Maybe they're non-verbal or don't have language in the normal way, but they're banging on this drum, and I'm matching that at the piano."

Klassen welcomes any opportunity to spread the word about his field of work.

"Our lot in life as music therapists is to have kind of an elevator speech or a way of explaining what it is to people, and even that isn't all that easy to do," he said. "It's interesting to be in a profession where there's that need to explain yourself a lot.

"Music is a part of being human, and music therapy works for people in the same way that music works on all of us.. The qualities of music, the rhythm and the emotion, they work on our human systems in very specific ways, and so a music therapist harnesses those qualities of music to facilitate the relationship.

"It's really like any other therapy in the sense that you're forming a relationship between two people, but it's music that is the tool that's facilitating that relationship."

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Music therapist Joel Klassen loves bringing music into local personal care homes and health care centres.

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#### **By Ashleigh Viveiros**

The Alzheimer Society of Manitoba board of directors is looking for some new members.

Chair Ray Bisson explains they find themselves with three empty seats at the board table thanks to two members finishing their terms this spring and a third who had to step aside for personal reasons last year.

With their dementia-related educational and support programming being offered across Manitoba, they're casting a wide net in their search.

"What we want to have on our board is a gender balance, we want to have inclusivity, and we want to have diversity," Bisson says. "And we certainly want to have representation from the rural communities.

"We really want representation from

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A personal connection to Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia can also be a powerful motivator for a potential board member, Bisson says, but it's not a requirement, though an interest in giving back certainly is.

The successful candidate can be elected for a maximum of two consecutive three-year terms.

Bisson notes the board focuses its efforts on big-picture planning for the agency, creating policies that are enacted by the chief executive officer and her staff. The society has an annual operating budget of approximately \$3 million and a client base of 6,000.

The board meets six times a year in Winnipeg. Prior to the pandemic, board members would have to travel to the city to attend, but in the last few years remote attendance has become the norm as needed.

"So distance is not a barrier anymore, and it opens the door to have people from really anywhere in the province, which is exciting," says Bisson, who is himself from Roseau River.

That rural perspective is important, he stresses, since the society's client base extends well beyond Winnipeg. There are regional service offices located in the Interlake/Eastern, North Central, Parkland, South Central, South Eastman, and Westman regions of the province.

The deadline to apply is April 21. You can do so online at www.alzheimer.mb.ca.

### Where is the Indigenous Services of Canada?

Editor Re: Letter sent to Indigenous Services Canada

On Friday evening I was watching CTV News and saw what was happening to the people of Peguis First Nation. This is absolutely outrageous and unconscionable. I could not believe that these people are still being warehoused in hotels far from home and nothing has been done to get them back home. For almost a whole year the government has been spending vast amounts of money to feed and house these people instead of fixing the problem. A problem, let it be said, that a government of Canada created in the 1900s when they kicked these people off their own land and plunked them down on a flood plain. And now, to add insult to injury, it's likely to happen again this year. All Canadians should be appalled at the lack of action by this government. Please, get your priorities straight!

> - With righteous indignation, Betty Warkentin



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### The Selkirk Record Thursday, March 30, 2023 15 Eclectic Expressions comes to the Gwen Fox gallery this April

# Four artists coming together to showcase different mediums

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

This month at the Gwen Fox Gallery there is wood sculpting, fibre art, paintings and jewellery all on display for residents to check out made by local artists Iris Bidinosti, Courtney Jensen, Wanda Slawik, and Renay Taylor-Besant. Because of the variety of mediums that these artists use and the differences in their styles, they have decided to name their show Eclectic Expressions.

#### Iris Bidinosti

Bidinosti is a woodcarver that makes fantastical, creative and cozy sculp-tural pieces.

"It's all done out of cottonwood bark, except for my lovespoons, which are out of basswood," she said.

Though there are a variety of lovespoons at the gallery this month, she doesn't sell them because they are made for people she loves. Bidinosti's other pieces are whimsical wall hangings that are often in the shape of cozy homes influenced by the bark itself.

"It's all whimsical. It's houses, castles, and lighthouses. If an architect was to look at them, they would be horrified because my houses aren't architecturally true. But they're influenced by the pictures I have in my head," she said.

Bodinosti started her artistic pursuits in 2005 when she was inspired by her brother to pick up a creative outlet.

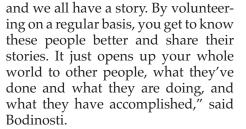
"He gave me a knife and he gave me a lesson and I carved a cowboy boot. And since then I've taken different classes. And that's where it all started," she said.

She encourages other carvers in the community whether they are new or old pros to join the local groups that we have in our communities.

"Belonging to a carving group where people are doing different types of carving. If you're a beginner, sooner or later you'll look at a piece someone else has made and say, 'That's what I would like to do'," said Bodinosti.

She welcomes residents in the community to check out the gallery for this month's show but also if you are a creative person to join a group with other creative people.

"It's wonderful. I've met so many interesting people because of belonging to the gallery. A lot of us are retired,



#### **Courtney Jensen**

Jensen is an artist that enjoys creating works that take you to another realm. Many of her mixed-media paintings are fantasy inspired and she also creates beautiful beadwork jewellery.

"It's a lot about fantasy creatures and characters. There are some abstract landscapes in there and pieces that have an under the sea theme with mermaids and stuff like that," she said.

The jewellery making is a newer art form for Jensen that she started doing as a way to keep her hands busy while attending online classes during the pandemic, however, she has been painting for much longer.

She says that her mixed media pieces are largely inspired by her imagination and that she started creating when as a teen, she used art as an escape from a difficult home situation.

"I was always on the creative side as a child. But, I think it finally clicked when I went into grade 11. My teacher, she was an art teacher, she is cool and funky and I still keep in touch with her. I just find her so cool. . . She asked me, because like she knew about, my childhood and what I was experiencing, she asked me, 'Have you ever tried painting?'," said Jensen.

From there Jensen bought an inexpensive canvas and paints and hasn't looked back.

She recommends that other people that are creative give making art a go. "Try it. If you like it, keep going.

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There's nothing you can't do. If keep trying and you like it, you'll get somewhere," said Jensen.

She invited residents to check out the show this month for themselves.

"The colours and the feelings it's different for each person. Everyone always gets something from art," said Jensen.

#### Wanda Slawik

Slawik is a multi-media artist who this month has brought paintings, pastel work, ink sketches and fibre tapestries to the gallery.

"My art, during the pandemic focused on Manitoba, the landscape of Manitoba, the people of Manitoba and also events in Manitoba. It seemed to me because I've been here for forty years, [it was the right time] to focus on the province," said Slawik.

The art she has created this month in the gallery includes many landscapes but also

sketches of old buildings, some of whom aren't even around anymore, as well as depictions of events like Folklorama in order to capture many of the amazing aspects of our Manitoba culture.

She says that she sometimes feels as if people don't recognize Manitoba as a unique place and she wants to showcase its beauty.

Slawik is originally from Poland and that's where she was educated in art, however, since coming to Canada she has continued to challenge herself and uses the mediums that she feels best suits the art she is trying to create.

"I'd rather just focus on the media that fits my need for that moment," she said.

She really feels that the Gwen Fox Gallery is a special art gallery in our province and encourages people to check it out.

"This is the best gallery in Manitoba and I love it. [There are wonderful people who are willing to chat] and create and share," said Slawik.

#### **Renay Taylor-Besant**

is

Taylor-Besant bringing colour and abstract brilliance to the gallery this month. She is an acrylic art-WONDERFUL PEOPLE ist that has helped to fill the gallery's walls with fluid paint pieces. "They're the brightly coloured wild and cra-CREATE AND SHARE,"

zy abstracts. That's my current focus is having some fun with fluid acrylics," she said.

She says that like many artists she feels that she's been making art for as long as she can remember but sees herself as more of a hobby artist because her art provides her with a creative escape.

"[My art is] very intuitive. I draw from things that inspire me and make me feel happy in the world. The other side of my world is, I work in social services and so, I use art as my way of



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Courtney Jensen.

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rejuvenating and destressing from the day. In our world, you give away little pieces of yourself all day long, and you need to find a way to fill those little holes back up and art has always done that for me," she said.

The type of pieces that she's showcasing in the gallery this month is a relatively new form for Taylor-Besant. She's only been working with fluid

### > GWEN FOX GALLERY APRIL SHOW, FROM PG. 16

acrylics for the past five years or so but previously has worked in watercolour and has created pencil crayon pieces in the past.

With fluid acrylics, she has a limited time to work with the fluid paint and manipulate its shapes to become what she wants. She uses different tools to move the paint around the horizontal canvas.

"It's like a little science experiment. You figure out how to layer the paints and how to move them in a way that you get the colours popping through," said Taylor-Besant.

Her advice for artists new to fluid acrylics is to not worry about perfection.

"I think you have to, literally go with the flow, in the case of fluid acrylics. You have to trust in the process and be willing to be intuitive and change as needed," she said

She also says that if things aren't what you want them to be that you can paint over them.

"You just have to put your fears aside and just go for it and be creative. That's the whole fun of it," said Taylor-Besant.

She encourages residents throughout the region to come to the gallery.

"I think art can brighten our day, literally and figuratively and give you both moments of happiness, but also introspection. Sometimes [it's nice to surround yourself with art on] the greyer days of spring where we don't have green quite yet, we have lots of colour and light to brighten people's day," said Taylor-Besant.

The Gwen Fox Gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.



Renay Taylor-Besant.

**RECORD PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER** 

# **Access Credit Union named Top Employer in Manitoba**

#### By Staff

For the ninth year in a row, Access Credit Union has been named one of Manitoba's top employers by the editors of Canada's Top 100 Employers.

The list, which has been compiled for 17 years in partnership with the Winnipeg Free Press, recognizes the Manitoba employers that lead their industries in offering exceptional places to work

"Top employers in Manitoba are raising the bar in their support of local community groups to guarantee maximum impact," says Richard Yerema, executive editor at the Canada's Top 100 Employers project. "Through programs like matching charitable donations by employees and providing paid time off to volunteer (often with no formal maximums), this year's winners offer staff the ability to take action and really make a difference."

Access Credit Union was singled out for its focus on community development.

"Access Credit Union established a special investment committee responsible to review donation requests from local charities," the project's editors said in a news release. "The company also provides paid time off to volunteer in the community and matches employee donations to charitable organizations."

For its part, Access CU says it works hard to be a workplace of choice in Manitoba. That includes creating a culture to maintain a healthy worklife balance.

"My job is to create an environment where people can excel. I find if people are empowered to excel, they will," says president and CEO Larry Davey. "We spend

a great deal of time on leadership training and getting the staff flow as frictionless as possible. I find that if staff empowered are and know they are trusted, they are that much more engaged."

Other benefits of working at Access, the financial institution shares,

include paid training and continuing education, flexible hours and work locations, matched pension plans, competitive salaries, tuition subsidies, a fully paid health plan and family coverage, and the opportunity to contribute to the community.

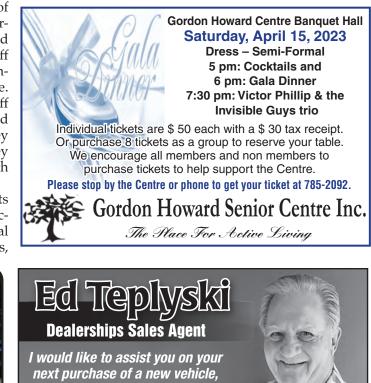
#### RECORD-BREAKING CASH BACK

Access CU also announced last week that it will be returning \$13.5 million to its members via its Member Rewards profit-sharing program.

It's a record-breaking amount for the

financial institution, which last summer merged with the Noventis and Sunova credit unions.

"We are proud to be in a position where we are able to pay Member Rewards as a way of saying thank you to our loyal members," board chair Kevin Beresford said. "This year marks the biggest payout in our history and fulfills our core commitment to strengthen our profit-sharing program."









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# Judo club raises funds for Habitat for Humanity





**RECORD PHOTOS BY BRETT MITCHELL** The Selkirk Judo Club held their annual Habitat For Humanity Selkirk Charity Fundraiser Tournament last week. This annual tournament helps to raise funds for our local Selkirk Habitat for Humanity chapter.







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# **Nominations open for Physician Emeritus Award**

#### Submitted by IERHA

This year, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority is launching a new Physician Emeritus Award.

Physicians who are retired or have reduced their practice in preparation for retirement are eligible for nomination if they have provided exemplary service and expertise to their communities.

The nomination can be submitted by either physician colleagues or by community members.

Nominations should have three signatures and a paragraph about why the physician should be considered for the award.

The regional Medical Advisory Committee will consider nominations and make the final decision about granting the designation based on the considerations listed above. The award will be presented at the annual physician dinner in April.

"As a medical professional, there is no higher honour than being recognized by the community you serve or the colleagues you work with daily,"

said Dr. Charles Penner, regional lead of medical services and chief medical officer, Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (RHA). "I look forward to reading the nominations of physicians in the region who go above and beyond every day for their patients.'

Have a physician in mind? Nominations should take into account the following factors:

1. Length of service (commitment to the community)

2. Scope of service:

 Recognition of exemplary skill by colleagues

• Recognition by the communitv

• Demonstration of the Interlake-Eastern RHA values in their practice (always with compassion, success in collaboration, accountability in everything we do, acting with integrity and respectful of each other) Please send nominations to Debbie Gregoire at dgregoire@ierha.ca by Friday, April 14.

# **Province upgrades Red River flood risk to "major"**

#### **By Staff**

So much for Mother Nature giving us a break this year.

Snow in recent weeks means we are now expecting at least some level of flooding along the Red River.

The Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure's Hydrologic Forecast Centre released a March spring flood outlook last week that has a bit of a darker outlook than the one released in February.

It is now predicting a major risk of flooding on the Red River and a low to moderate risk of flooding in most Manitoba basins.

"At this time, the centre advises that due to recent precipitation events south of the border in the United States, the flood risk has increased to major on the Red River," the province said in a news release. "The flood risk is low to moderate in the Interlake region along the Fisher and Icelandic rivers, and along the Assiniboine River. The risk of spring flooding is generally low along several other rivers, including the Souris, Roseau, Rat and Pembina rivers."

"There is also a low risk of flooding for most other Manitoba basins, including the Saskatchewan River, Whiteshell lakes area and northern Manitoba. With the exceptions of Dauphin Lake and Lake St. Martin, most Manitoba lakes, including Lake Winnipeg and Lake Manitoba, are projected to remain within operating ranges after the spring run-off."

On the plus side, the Red River's water levels are expected to remain below community and individual flood protection levels, the province said.

As always, weather conditions between now and spring melt could change the flooding forecast significantly in the weeks ahead.

If we get average weather conditions, we could be looking at flood levels akin to what was seen in 2019. If we see a lot of snow or rain in the next few weeks, it might be more like the flooding of 2020.

Neither of those years saw water levels crest above the ring dikes protecting communities such as Morris. Nor did Hwy. 75 have to be closed.

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### Auditor General disappointed 90% of recommendations to province not implemented

#### By Patricia Barrett

Auditor General of Manitoba Tyson Shtykalo said he's "disappointed" by a lack of action on most of the recommendations that were made to provincial government departments and agencies about four years ago.

Shtykalo released a report this month titled Follow-up of Previously Issued Recommendations, showing only 10 per cent of the total recommendations made had been implemented.

The follow-up outlines the status (as of Sept. 30, 2022) of 209 recommendations that were made between November 2019 and October 2020 regarding the management of foster homes, the oversight of commercial vehicles safety, the management of provincial tourism, the Vital Statistics agency, oversight of drinking water safety, oversight of postsecondary institutions and quarry rehabilitation.

"I recognize that things were exceptionally challenging for a couple of years due to the pandemic, and that this would have impacted entities' abilities to implement our recommendations," wrote Shtykalo in his report. "That said, I am disappointed by the low implementation rate of our recommendations. We found only 20 of 209 recommendations (10%) were implemented as od September 30, 2022."

Of the remaining recommendations, 13 (or six per cent) were reported as "action no longer required," seven (or three per cent) that won't be implemented and 169 (or 81 per cent) reported as in progress.

The Auditor General provides independent audits on government operations and financial statements to improve public sector performance. The public release of recommendations aims to promote government accountability and public administrations excellence, as well as help audited entities improve their practices. The reports are tabled in the legislature then referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to follow up on implementation of the recommendations.

Shtykalo said "reasonable progress" was made with respect to three reports, Oversight of Commercial Vehicle Safety (December 2019), Management of Provincial Tourism (January 2020) and Provincial Oversight of Drinking Water Safety (September 2020). The implementation rates were 29 per cent, 50 per cent, and 32 per cent respectively.

But none of the recommendations in two reports – Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation (May 2020) and Oversight of Post-Secondary Institutions (October 2020) – were implemented.



Report	Total	Implemented/ resolved	Action no longer required	Do not intend to implement	Work in progress
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Management of Foster Homes	112	4	13*	6	89
December 2019					
Oversight of Commercial Vehicle Safety	17	5	O	1	11
January 2020					
Management of Provincial Fourism	4	z	0	o	2
May 2020					
Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation	15	ō	0	0	15
September 2020					
Vital Statistics Agency	19	3	0	0	16
Provincial Oversight of Drinking Water Safety	19	6	ø	O	13
October 2020					
Oversight of Post-Secondary nstitutions	23	0	D	0	23
Grand total	209	20 (10%)	13 (6%) *	7 (3%)	169 (81%)

#### AUDITOR GENERAL OF MANITOBA

The table shows the status of the auditor general's recommendations to the province as of September 2022. None of the recommendations were implemented on quarry rehabilitation.

"For the reports with little to no progress in implementing our recommendations, I encourage the Public Accounts Committee to call those entities to Committee to discuss the lack of progress," wrote Shtykalo.

The auditor general had made 15 recommendations in May 2020 on the Quarry Rehabilitation Program Investigation, but zero have been implemented.

An investigation into the quarry program was sparked in March 2019 when the auditor general received an audit request from the then minister of finance to "conduct a forensic examination of the irregularities in the financial management of the Quarry Rehabilitation Program," states the followup report.

Fourteen of the recommendations that followed the investigation were for the then-department of agriculture and resource development, which over-

saw quarries. The department of economic development, investment and trade is now responsible for quarries.

The auditor general asked the department to prepare a risk analysis and risk-based criteria for different quarry project types, develop extended procedures (environmental assessments, increased monitoring, etc.) for high risk projects, create and maintain a provincial database of all quarry sites, including Crown quarries, assess and monitor quarry returns to ensure the department receives levies and royalties owed to it, ensure required tendering practices are followed, separate the administration of quarry inspection from quarry rehabilitation projects, develop a quality assurance process, use up-to-date technology to monitor rehabilitation projects, and review data on its inspection function and the rehab program in its annual report so that the public can "determine whether the objective of the Program is being met and how the funds entrusted to the Department are being used."

The one recommendation the auditor general made for the department of finance was to monitor funds paid out to ensure contracts over \$10,000 are listed on the government's proactive disclosure website.

A spokesperson for the province said there has been "significant progress" on the auditor general's recommendations.

"There are two components to the quarry rehabilitation program that are grouped under many of the auditor's recommendations (private pits and quarries and Crown pits and quarries)," he said. "A private pit and quarry rehabilitation program was delivered in 2020, 2021 and 2022 using an application-based intake process and a third-party consultant to provide technical oversight and inspections. The Crown program remains paused until further work is done on the overall program and staffing levels are resumed."

The department is also working with the Office of the Provincial Comptroller to inventory and assess Crown pits and quarries, said the spokesperson.

"A contract was issued to provide for an assessment of Crown pits and quarries and recommendations for a five-year rehabilitation plan," he said. "Mining, Oil and Gas awarded \$13.7 million through 133 funding agreements for quarry rehabilitation on private and municipal lands."

The auditor general's reports can be viewed on the Office of the Auditor General's website at www. oag.mb.ca

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# Pysanky workshop creates beautiful art at Heritage Centre





**RECORD PHOTOS BY KATELYN BOULANGER** 





The St. Andrews Heritage Centre hosted a pysanky making workshop last weekend. Pysanky also know as Ukrainian Easter eggs are made during spring time and are part of traditional Ukrainian culture. This workshop was taught by Loris Sargeant from Prairie Harvest Pysanky and due to the popularity of the workshop the Heritage Centre will be hosting another on April 8. Check out their website to learn how to sign up for this and other future workshops.





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# **MTYP** brings 'Frozen River' to local schools

#### By Lorne Stelmach

A Manitoba Theatre for Young People (MYTP) touring production that is coming to Warren next week offered a timely message for students.

Frozen River explores such ideas as broken promises, reconciliation, and connection through a story that spans centuries. It has performances scheduled for Warren and East Selkirk April 4, Teulon May 4 and Gypsumville May 19.

It offered Julia Davis-who is a Winnipeg Inuk singer, actress, and composer-a great opportunity to give back to to MTYP, where she started theatre classes at a young age and then as a teenager was in their musical theatre company.

"This is my first professional touring production with them, so it's pretty cool. It's a pretty cool full circle moment after being involved with them for so many years," said Davis. "It's been really cool to be going all over the province."

Davis recently completed her second year of study with the Village Conservatory for Music Theatre,

where she premiered her own piece, Aggag (Northern Lights), at the yearend showcase.

She also holds a Bachelor of Music in vocal performance from the Desautels Faculty of Music at the University of Manitoba and is actively involved in theatre performances, competitions, and film projects around Winnipeg.

Davis is now part of Frozen River as it undertakes a 12-week tour across Manitoba before heading to Young People's Theatre in Toronto and ending the tour in northern Manitoba.

Come May, the show will have been performed over 180 times across the country. It is a story that draws on history, cooperation, traditional knowledge, and reconciliation.

Grandmother Moon tells the story of two 11-year-olds born under the same blood moon but in different parts of the world.

The play follows their stories as they meet in a forest and that of their descendants who meet in the present day in what is known as Manitoba. A broken promise from the past can be righted when there is finally an openness to learn from those who have protected and honoured the waterwavs for centuries.

Davis likes how the story makes the connections between the different timelines.

"It's about these two girls and their friendship and how they interact, and it's told in a really exciting way. They use puppets, there's some beautiful music, and the set is just gorgeous," she said. "It's a beautiful story that I think is accessible for all ages.

"The idea is about understanding each other's cultures and making promises that are intended to be kept and the repercussions that can come from breaking those promises and the hurt that can come from not being able to try to understand a culture that is different from your own.

"It's told in a way that the kids can understand," Davis continued. "The reception has been great so far. We do a little question and answer at the

end, and it's been really neat to see what they've picked up from the play and the things that they remember and the messages that they received through the story..

"We do discuss the issues, such as the water on the reserves, how a lot of reserves today don't have access to clean water ... that's an important issue that arises in the play and in real life.

"I hope it can really inspire them to keep having these conversations," Davis said in concluding with her thought on what she hopes students take away from the show.

"I think that the most interesting part or the most unexpected part for me was how much the kids really pick up from the play and how they get it in a way you don't expect in kids that young ... they understand what goes wrong in the friendship and what could be done to fix the problems."



PHOTOS BY LORNE STELMACH Manitoba Theatre for Young People were at schools in Morden and Altona last week to perform Frozen River, a play highlighting Canadian history, traditional knowledge, and reconciliation.







Servings: 6-12 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream

- cheese 2 tablespoons caraway seeds
- 1 teaspoon poppy seeds
- 2 cloves garlic, minced, divided
- 1/4 cup parsley, chopped
- 2 teaspoons thyme leaves, chopped 1 teaspoon rosemary, chopped
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries, chopped
- 2 tablespoons pecans, chopped
- crackers (optional)

fruit (optional)



Serves: 12 1 package (10 ounces) frozen broccoli with cheese



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In small bowl, combine caraway seeds, poppy seeds and half the garlic.

In second small bowl, combine parsley, thyme, rosemary and remaining garlic. In third small bowl, combine cranber-

ries and pecans. Roll two cheese balls in seed mixture,

two in herb mixture and two in cranberry mixture.

Cut each ball in half and serve with crackers, fruit or vegetables, if desired.

### **Easy Brunch Quiche**

1/2 cup green onions, sliced 1 cup mushrooms, sliced

4 eggs

Happy Easter

1 cup milk

11/2 cups shredded cheese, divided 2 frozen deep dish pie shells (9 inches each) Heat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, add broccoli and cheese contents from package. Microwave 5 minutes, or until cheese is saucy. Set aside.

In skillet, cook chopped bacon 4 minutes. Add green onions; cook 2 minutes. Add mushrooms; cook 4 minutes, or until bacon is completely cooked and mushrooms are tender. Drain onto paper towel over plate. Set aside.

In medium bowl, whisk eggs and milk until combined. Add broccoli and cheese mixture. Add 1 cup cheese. Stir to combine. Set aside.

In pie shells, divide drained bacon mixture evenly. Divide broccoli mixture evenly and pour over bacon mixture. Sprinkle remaining cheese over both pies. Bake 40

minutes. Cool at least 12 minutes before serving. To keep Note: edges of crust from burning, place aluminum foil over pies for first 20 minutes of cook time.

Remove after 20

minutes and allow

to cook uncovered

### Ask the Money Lady

Dear Money Lady Readers: Why are so many Canadians still struggling with money when we have such a large banking industry that says it wants to help us?

Today Canada is dominated by five large banks, that now control 91% of the entire Canadian financial service industry, with approximately \$4 Trillion in assets. The Royal Bank's recent purchase of HSBC only amplifies this fact. Many may think that there are larger industries in Canada, however as of 2021 the financial sector is now the largest industry in terms of employment in Canada. There now is so much information out there, it's hard to know if someone is trying to truly help you or sell you something that is necessary for them to meet their sales quota. Because of this, I want to provide my readers with a basic financial plan strategy. One that every Canadian can fit into their life and we will break it into four stages. Use it as a guideline - something to work towards. Guaranteed, if done as presented, it will reduce the financial uncertainness that impact your life, and help you reach retirement debt free and wealthy.

Stage 1: In your 20's you will have debt – either consumer and / or school debt. This is the time to begin saving and establishing good credit so that you can borrow from the banks in the future. You don't want to pay higher lending rates simply because you continually overindulge or can't pay your bills on time. Open a taxfree savings account (TFSA) and have 15% of your paycheque taken out of your bank account the same day that you get paid (setup automatically with your bank). Once the TFSA is maxed, open a RSP account and do the same. TIP: Invest in ETF's (exchange traded funds) that follow an index such as the S&P 500 or the Nasdaq Composite. Don't have too much invested domestically. Historically, the US stock market has always outperformed all others.

Stage 2: Now in your 30's you will most likely be working fulltime and it is imperative that you continue your savings regime as in Stage 1. Always take 15% off the top of your paycheque to be first put in your TFSA and then into your RSP. If you are lucky enough to hit your maximum RSP contribution limit, any other sav-

ings should go into a non-registered investment account. In this decade you want to get into the real estate market. You may need to buy a home with friends or family or even take in boarders to help make ends meet. I know it will be a stretch for most young Canadians, but it is an absolute necessity to give you more options for the future. You should have a Will + two Power of Attorney (medical direction + assets) and review your insurance needs at this stage.

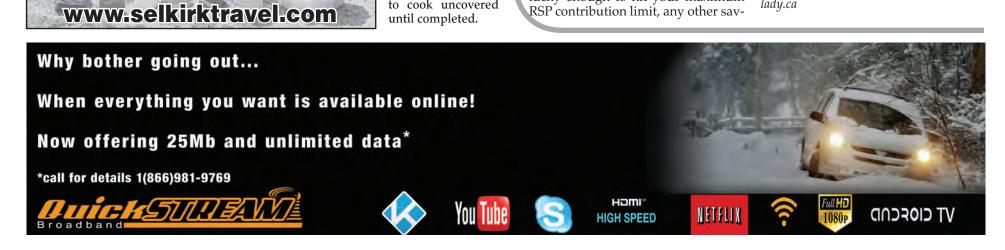
Stage 3: This is the phase that combines your 40's and 50's and it's most likely when you will have your maximum earning potential. Always keep building on the foundation that you created in Stage 1 (15% towards TFSA, RSP, non- registered accounts). At this point you now must work to eliminate debt. You may have upgraded your home, have a second home, started a business or be thinking of your children's education. All these added expenses will have a huge impact on your income - but never succumb to reducing your 15% savings routine. During your 50's you must work at eliminating all debt. Why not refinance into a new mortgage with the amortization set to the year you plan to retire. Setup this way – you're guaranteed to have zero debt at retirement.

Stage 4: This phase starts in your 60's and goes to your 90's. You will want to start simplifying your lifestyle and your commitments especially as you age. Stage 1 and 2 were all about building your life and acquiring "things" to make you happy. In this stage you must now start the "big purge," reduce the clutter, downsize or right-size your residence to eliminate any remaining debts, lower expenses and add more funds to your retirement savings. In your 60's it is a good idea to update your Will and POAs. In your 70's to 90's, make sure you have a plan to fill your days if you have stopped working and always work towards improving your health, plus keep active - both mentally and physically.

Good Luck & Best Wishes,

Christine Ibbotson

Written by Christine Ibbotson, National Radio Host, YouTuber, and Author of 3 finance books plus the Canadian Best-Selling Book "How to Retire Debt Free & Wealthy" www.askthemoneylady.ca or send a question to info@askthemoneyladu.ca



# Spontes and state a second individually match so, 2023

### Einarson captures bronze at 2023 LGT World Women's Curling Championship

#### By Curling Canada

Canada's Team Kerri Einarson is back-to-back bronze medal champions following a win on Sunday morning at the 2023 LGT World Women's Curling Championship, presented by New Holland.

Canada's Team Einarson of Gimli, defeated Sweden's Team Anna Hasselborg by a score of 8-5 to earn bronze at Goeransson Arena. It's the second time in a row the teams clashed for third place at a world championship.

"I feel pretty excited to come here and medal. I know it's not gold like we wanted, but at least it's a medal. To win bronze two years in a row is pretty special," skip Einarson said.

Ask any member of Team Canada - skip Einarson, vice-skip Val Sweeting, second Shannon Birchard, lead Briane Harris, alternate Krysten Karwacki, coach Reid Carruthers and national coach Renée Sonnenberg - to describe the week and they'll say it was an up-and-down event. Canada built momentum early in the week but couldn't string together wins in the latter part.

The team's 7-5 round-robin record was good to qualify for the third seed in the playoffs. However, a semifinal loss to Norway kept the Canadians short of the gold-medal game and they needed a solid performance to earn bronze. "It is very special. It was an up-anddown week, but we put ourselves in a good position yesterday and it was really hard to lose that semifinal again. But I'm super proud of how we came out today and getting up against the hometown team isn't easy either. We have a really good support crew here with our coaching and families and everything and it definitely helped us get through that," Sweeting said.

Sweden had the support of the hometown crowd, but it didn't deter Canada, which jumped out to an early three-point lead. Team Einarson found its footing when Canada had to make a pinpoint draw to the side of the button to score two in the first. Sweden had a chance to score in the second end but rolled out on a hit and gave Canada another point.

Canada forced Sweden to one in the third and repeated its deuce with hammer and steal combo in the fourth and fifth ends to take a five-point lead into the fifth-end break. In the fourth end, Canada was sitting five counters, but an excellent draw from Sweden forced Canada to play a long angle raise to score two. In the fifth, Sweden attempted a runback to score but left Canada sitting one.

Team Hasselborg was far from out of it in the second half of the game and hung on until the 10th end. The



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Team Canada's skip Kerri Einarson releases a stone during the bronze medal match between Canada and Sweden of the LGT World Women's Curling Championship at Goransson Arena in Sandviken, Sweden, Sunday, March 26, 2023.

teams traded deuces in the sixth and seventh ends, then Sweden scored a single with hammer in the eighth and stole a point in the ninth to get within three. Team Einarson ran Sweden out of stones to claim the win.

The bronze-medal win adds another piece of hardware to Team Einarson's mantel. While gold was the preferred colour to bring back to Canada, the team believes this will be another building block in long-term success. "The fact that we were able to still get the bronze with not our strongest performance this week is big for our team," Birchard said. "It's lit a fire under us. We want to come back and we want to challenge for the gold, obviously, we had hoped to do that this week but it wasn't in the cards, so we'll just look forward to next year." Switzerland's Team Silvana Tirinzoni defeated Norway's Team Marianne

Roervik to win the gold medal.

# **Boehmer fights back to win senior provincials**

#### By Ty Dilello

On Monday afternoon, the "Night Train" Dave Boehmer of Petersfield pulled off perhaps "The Great Escape" of his curling career when he stole the sixth, seventh, and eighth end to defeat La Salle's Randy Neufeld 6-5 in the final of the 2023 Manitoba Senior Men's Provincial Curling Championship in Dauphin.

Dave Boehmer and his Petersfield team of Dale Lott, Sean Bracken and George Hacking finished the roundrobin with a record of 6-1 that put them into the page playoffs. After losing to Neufeld in the 1v1 game, Boehmer rebounded to defeat Richard Muntain in the semi-final 8-6 on Monday morning. In the final game, Boehmer got behind 5-1 at the midway point of the contest. After scoring a deuce in the fifth end, Boehmer then miraculously stole points on the 6th, 7th and 8th ends to secure the 6-5 victory.

In the senior women's event, Charleswood's Joelle Brown was victorious after defeating Neepawa's Terry Ursel 6-5 in the provincial final. Stonewall's Laurie Deprez also competed in the event but narrowly missed the playoffs with a round-robin record of 3-4.

Boehmer and Brown will be heading to Vernon, British Columbia, to represent Manitoba at the 2023 Canadian Senior Curling Championships to be held from Dec. 4-10,2023.



**RECORD PHOTO BY CURLMANITOBA** 

Petersfield's Dave Boehmer, far left, and his team including Dale Lott, Sean Bracken and George Hacking defeated La Salle's Randy Neufeld 6-5 in the final of the 2023 Manitoba Senior Men's Provincial Curling Championship in Dauphin Monday afternoon.

### Lott's reach playoffs at Mixed Doubles Nationals

#### By Ty Dilello

Gimli's Colton and Kadriana Lott reached the playoffs last weekend at the 2023 Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Championship in Sudbury, Ontario.

Representing Manitoba in the 32-team event, Team Lott/Lott finished the round-robin with a 5-2 record, which was good enough to advance them to the 12-team playoff round.

Team Lott/Lott fell in the first game of the playoffs to Ontario's John Epping and Lisa Weagle by an 8-6 scoreline.

Jennifer Jones and Brent Laing ultimately won the event as they defeated Jocelyn Peterman and Brett Gallant 9-4 in Sunday afternoon's championship final. Team Jones/Laing will now head to the World Mixed Doubles Curling Championships, which will be held in Gangneung, South Korea, from Apr 22-29.

"We're always so excited to compete at another Nationals for Mixed Doubles," said Kadriana Lott.

"The event in Sudbury was amazing as it was well put together as always, and it is always fun seeing all the familiar faces of teams. Colton and I are proud of how well we've done. We had a tough pool to come out of, and we were able to come out of it and qualify for playoffs."

Team Lott/Lott had a quiet season compared to past years, as they only played in two events together. They would have likely played more had it not been for Colton's busy schedule playing men's curling for Team Matt Dunstone.

"We can't be upset with how well we played with so little time competing," said Lott. "But it's a thing we do together and enjoy it every time we go out and play."

Team Lott/Lott has plans to try and play some more mixed doubles events next season if the schedule allows them to play more. Colton will also still be throwing second stones for Team Dunstone, while Kadriana is undecided if she will play women's curling in the fall.



**RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED** 

Gimli's Colton and Kadriana Lott reached the playoffs last weekend at the 2023 Canadian Mixed Doubles Curling Championship in Sudbury, Ontario.

# Selkirk Bowlers win tournament

#### Staff

The Selkirk Bowling Team was crowned champions at the Youth Bowling Manitoba Combo Team Provincial Tournament held on March 19 at the St. James Lanes in Winnipeg. The team is made up of three dif-

ferent age groups, a bantam Parker Pelletier, a junior Alex Lloyd, and a senior Courtney Soltys. They each made the team by qualifying during their Saturday morning YBC league.

The team finished first at provincials by bowling 493 pins over their averages in four games. There were 12 teams in the tournament from Winnipeg, Carberry, Gimli, Minnedosa and Selkirk. In Soltys' last game, she bowled a 330 (143 pins over her average) helping the team to win provincials. This was her third 300-game this year.

Lloyd has gone to three tournaments this year and has finished first every time.

# Selkirk judokas win bronze



**RECORD PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER** Three members of the Selkirk Judo Club along with many other team members competed at the Balmoral Open held in Stonewall last Saturday. Pictured left to right: Koltin Chura, Hunder Kennedy and Jett Honke all won bronze medals in the U12 categories in their specific groups.



RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Selkirk Bowling Team of Parker Pelletier, Alex Lloyd, and Courtney Soltys was crowned champions at the Youth Bowling Manitoba Combo Team Provincial Tournament held on March 19 at the St. James Lanes in Winnipeg.

# Interlake Thunder team trains with world class players





RECORD PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER/JOEL MCDONALD

The Interlake Thunder female football program is well underway for the upcoming season. Last Sunday at the weekly indoor practice, four Manitoba Fearless football team members who play in the Western Women's Canadian Football League, Lisa Thomas, Andrea Buckland, Hallie Eggie and Julie Sprague spoke to the team and ran drills. The four Fearless players have competed at the highest level of female football in the International Federation of American Football championships. The Thunder will field a Junior girls team (11 - 14-year-olds) and a Varsity girls team (15-18-year-olds) in the Manitoba Cirls Football Association League that runs May and June. Pictured left, guest coach Craig Bachynski with the Fearless team runs a blocking drill for defenders. Middle, Julie Sprague and Andrea Buckland demonstrate offensive line footwork. Right, Interlake Thunder girls with guest coaches.

## **Selkirk Judo Club raises money for Habitat for Humanity**

#### Submitted

The Selkirk Judo Club held its 22nd "Fighting for Charity" fundraiser in support of Habitat for Humanity on March 21 at the Selkirk Community Church.

Members of the club participating in this event raised money by collecting pledges and competing in a judo team competition. All proceeds are donated to Habitat for Humanity projects in Selkirk.

Forty eight members of the club competed, while a number of other club members and parents volunteered as referees, technical officials and event organizers. Fighters were divided into twelve teams and the teams competed in a double knockout, judo team competition. The team of Max Jansen, Zoey Lewin, Sam Perras and Carter Stopa won the competition.

The club raised an event record \$4,850 for local Habitat projects. Since 2000, this event has raised approximately \$59,000 for Habitat projects. The top individual fundraiser this year was Zander Rice, who raised \$465.

"We are very pleased with the effort of all of our athletes and volunteers who assisted with this event and raised money for a very worthwhile cause," commented Brian Jones.

Meanwhile, 18 fighters from the Selkirk Judo Club competed in Stonewall on March 25. The tournament had over 140 entries from across Manitoba.

The Selkirk Club returned with three gold, seven silver and three bronze medals.

Winning gold were Kaya Leveille in U16 Female under 52 kg, Daniel Ekosky in U18 Male under 90 kg, and Justin Ekosky in Senior Men Advanced under 81 kg.



The Selkirk Judo Club held a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity last week. Pictured left, Mya Zamyrut while Mason Hemmerling and Max Jansen battle on the mat.

Silver medals were awarded to Max Jansen in U12 Male Middleweight, Kalib Walker in U14 Male under 46 kg, Carter Leveille in U14 Male under 55 kg, Carter Stopa in U16 Male under 73 kg, Paxton Walker in U16 Male over 73 kg, Dalin Kymanick in U18 Male over 90 kg, and Laura Ramirez in Senior Women under 57 kg

Bronze medals went to Hunter Kennedy in U12 Male Heavyweight, Zach Perras in U14 Male under 46 kg, Daniel Ekosky in Senior Men Advanced under 81 kg

"We had a number of competitors fighting in their first tournament in Stonewall. They gained some

valuable experience and everyone fought well," said Jones.

Selkirk Judo Club athletes - Justin, Sarah and Danny Ekosky, Dalin Kymanick, Beth Penner, McKenna Stewart, Kaya Leveille - competed at the Edmonton International) on March 11-12.

There were approximately 1,000 entries in the tournament. Sarah won gold in her U21 division and silver in Seniors under 63 kg. Danny won bronze in U18 under 81 kg and Stewart won bronze in U16 under 63 kg.

Also, the Selkirk Judo Club is celebrating its 55th anniversary this year.

# **Royals named KPAC all stars**

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Three Selkirk Royals basketball players were named KPAC all stars. Pictured, left to right, Aiden Dolenchuk (junior varsity girls), Milan Tomberli (varsity boys), and Lexi Rae-Everett (varsity girls).







### **Ogal impressive**



**RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED** Callie Ogal recently won her section in Juvenile U12 with a new personal best. She will also receive the Province of Manitoba and Sport Manitoba's Order of Excellence Award and will be awarded the Manitoba Grassroots Bursary Trust 2023 Award.

### Ingram scores in St. Cloud State loss to Minnesota

#### Staff

The No. 6 St. Cloud State men's hockey team (25-13-3, 12-9-3) fell to No. 1 Minnesota (28-9-1, 16-4-0) 4-1 in the NCAA Fargo Regional Championship game on Saturday night at SCHEELS Arena in Fargo.

The Huskies tied the score at 1-1 in the second with a powerplay goal from West St. Paul's Adam Ingram, a former Selkirk Steelers' forward, but the Gophers responded with a goal just a few minutes later and added two more in the third for the 4-1 win.

Ingram, a freshman, finished the season with eight goals and 23 points. He was a third-round pick (82nd overall) in the 2022 NHL Entry Draft by the Nashville Predators.



**RECORD PHOTO ST. CLOUD STATE** 

West St. Paul's Adam Ingram, a former Selkirk Steelers' forward, scored a powerplay goal in the St. Cloud State Huskies 4-1 loss to the Minnesota Golden Cophers in the NCAA Fargo Regional Championship game on Saturday.

### Locals achieving personal bests



#### **RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED**

Interlake Speed Skaters recently competed in long track Speed Skating at the Calgary oval in their final competition of the year. It was Olivia Krawchuk's first long track competition at the Calgary oval. She had four new personal best times after spending most of the season doing short track. It was Aaron Riehl's third long track competition at the Calgary oval this year and he achieved five personal bests. Violet Baschuk, pictured here, competed at the Canadian youth short track championships in Saskatoon. The Interlake Speedskating club' season is complete for the year, but they will be holding a couple of open houses in September with the hopes of getting a few new members. It was a very successful year for all of their members.

# Fish win city championship



#### **RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED**

The Selkirk Fishermen won the U15 A3 city championship on March 21. Pictured, back row, left to right, Nick Germain (head coach), Ryan Boyko (assistant coach), Nikosis Martyniw, Ethan Dewar, Kynan Barker, Matyas Kares, Nazar Khlyvniuk (top), Jenna Germain, Cadence Chorney, Rylan Kalyta, Sawyer Yarych, Trevor Donald (assistant coach), Antwan Courchene-Hope, Lucas Samagalski, and Amanda Williams (assistant coach). Front Row, left to right, Jordan Edmonds, Camp Kordalchuk, and Jaylah Peterson.

# Fishermen lead Warriors 2-1 in CRJHL final

#### By Brian Bowman

The Capital Region Junior Hockey League championship series between the Selkirk Fishermen and the St. Malo Warriors has been a great one so far.

It probably will get much, much better.

St. Malo scratched out a 3-2 win at the Recreation Complex on Sunday to get back into the series.

Selkirk leads the best-of-seven series 2-1 heading into this Friday's game (8 p.m.) in St. Malo.

"It's shaping up to be a dandy, that's for sure," said Fishermen head coach Chris Poponick. "Close games every game. One mistake on either side and then the other team capitalizes and takes advantage of it. Sometimes it's tough to battle back. (Sunday) was kind of surprising to me. I thought our guys would be a little bit more fired up after Friday's win. We came out flat and St. Malo never quit."

In Game 3, St. Malo's Brady Gregoire scored the game winner on the power play with 7:23 left on the clock in the third period.

Selkirk's Kasen Andrushko had tied the score at 2-2 just over four minutes earlier.

The Warriors' Kaden Rioux and the Fishermen's Peyton Moneyas traded first-period goals and then Ashton Dubois tallied to stake St. Malo to a 2-1 lead after 40 minutes.

Selkirk started the series with a 2-1 home win over St. Malo on March 21.

Xander De La Ronde scored the game winner with 5:52 remaining in the third period.

Selkirk's Seth De La Ronde opened the game's scoring in the first period and then St. Malo's Jeremie Collette answered with a second-period goal.

Owen Derewianchuk made 22 saves for the victory.

Last Friday, the Fishermen pulled out an ultra-exciting 4-3 triple overtime win in St. Malo.

"It was a really good win, that's why I was surprised with (Sunday's) result because I thought we could have fed off of that. Friday night's win was 16 playoff wins in a row for our organization," Poponick said. "It was a pretty good run, now it's time to reset, recalibrate."

Raymond Hefferman was the hero in OT, scoring the game winner.

Matt Wagner and Xander De La Ronde gave Selkirk a 2-0 lead before St. Malo's Ethan Doell tallied with just 23 seconds left in the opening period.

Hefferman and the Warriors' Teagan Fillion traded second-period goals before Fillion tied the score at 3-3 early



**RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL** 

The Selkirk Fishermen's Ryan Dupont carries the puck in the corner while being checked by a St. Malo Warriors' player during CRJHL Game 1 final action on March 21. Selkirk leads the best-of-seven series 2-1 heading into this Friday's Game 4 in St. Malo.

in the third.

Hefferman finished the game with two power-play goals.

Brendon Hocaluk stopped 38 St. Malo shots for the win. The Fishermen outshot the Warriors 62-42 in the game. Game 5 of the series will be played Saturday (7:30 p.m.) in Selkirk.

If necessary, Game 6 is set for April 7 at 7:30 p.m.

A series-deciding Game 7 would be played April 8 (7:30 p.m.) in Selkirk.

# Steelers hand out season-ending awards

#### Staff

The Selkirk Steelers handed out some well-deserved hardware last week.

Forward Lucas Brennan was named the team's most valuable player. He had a phenomenal season, finishing second in league goals scored (41) and was the MJHL leader in points (84).

Tyson Smith was selected as the team's most inspirational player. He was second on the Steelers in points with 70 (13 goals, 57 assists). Selkirk's Brandon Ambrozik was named the squad's unsung player of the year. In his final season of junior hockey, the Winnipeg product, who formerly played with the SJHL's Estevan Bruins, produced 18 goals and 28 points in 55 regular-season games.

Rookie Aidan Anderson was named the team's most improved player. He scored 10 goals and added 22 points.

Selkirk's rookie of the year went to Carter Cormier. The first-year player with the Steelers had a great season with 19 goals and 52 points





Forward Lucas Brennan was named the Selkirk Steelers' most valuable player for this past season.

to finish third in team scoring.

Meanwhile, Jacob Ziegler was selected as the Steelers' top defensive player while Ethan Brown was picked as the club's top defenceman.

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#### OBITUARY

Tracy Storozuk We are saddened to announce the passing of our dear sister Tracy on March 12, 2023 at the young age of 53 at the Rosedale

Hospice, Calgary, Alberta after a courageous battle with cancer. Tracy was predeceased by her parents John and Joyce.

Tracy is survived by the light of her life Maddie, Maddie's dad Jeff Stuart, brother Greg (Pat), sisters Leslie (Brad), Nichole and Jenna, Kim (Dave).

At a young age, Tracy left for Lake Louise, she loved the mountains and made Alberta her forever home. She also loved her cats Melvin and Chester.

In keeping with her wishes, cremation has taken place and no service will be held.

Rest in peace Tracy. Forever in our hearts, always in our thoughts.

#### OBITUARY

**Beverly Diane La Plante (Taylor)** June 18, 1958 - March 17, 2023

Peacefully at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre with her family at her side

Bev was born at Selkirk, Manitoba and grew up in Netley, Manitoba. She graduated from LSRCSS in 1976 and from St. Boniface School of Nursing in 1980.

Bev loved to travel, tend to her flowers, visit with family and friends and doing her arts and crafts.

Bev is survived by her husband. Denis: son Jonathan (Meaghan): grandchildren, Paige and Parker; mother, Elsie; sisters, Barbara (Aime), Brenda (Rick), Rhonda (Ron); sisters-in-law, Claudette, Sylvia (Paul); step father-in-law, Gord; aunt Laura; niece and nephews, cousins and many friends.

Bev was predeceased by her father, Bud; mother and father-inlaw, Carmel and Alf; brother-in-law, Wayne and her fur baby Wasabi.

Thank you to the hospital staff at Selkirk Regional Health Centre for the care Bev received. Celebration of Life will be held on April 1, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Voyage Funeral Home, 220 Hespler Avenue at Henderson Highway, Winnipeg, MB

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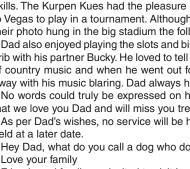
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Laurie James Clarke

September 1, 1942 to March 19, 2023 With great sadness, the family of Laurie James Clarke announce

Bobby Joe. Grandsons, Cody, Keenan and Athan. Siblings, Alec, Doug, Kay, Verna, great Aunt Clara Donald, and sister-in-law Gail Joyce and extended families. He was predeceased by his mother, Dorothy Doughie;

grandparents, Cynthia and James Clarke; Uncles Jimmy, Hector, Huey and Bert (Margie); siblings, Peggy, Richard, Ronnie, Dale, Dennis, David, Janice, Danny, and Hughie; and in-laws, Isabel and Luther Yates.

Dad was born in Selkirk, Manitoba and raised in East Lower Fort Garry by his grandparents. Dad grew up alongside his Auntie Clara, Uncles Jimmy and Hector, and cousins Robert and Robin on the Clarke property across the river from Lower Fort Garry.

OBITUARY

**Russell Charles Field** 

On March 18, 2023, Russell passed away at his residence in Lockport, MB. at the age of 72 years.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a celebration of his life will take place

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OBITUARY

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Dad was an upholsterer by trade, but having hurt his back he went back to school where he took accounting. He sold cars and eventually became a courier for many years before retiring at 69.

Dad was an avid golfer, playing at least 100 games a season during his retirement and getting two hole in ones at Selkirk Golf Course. He was quite the pool shark and known around the city for his skills. The Kurpen Kues had the pleasure of having Dad on their team and earned themselves a trip to Vegas to play in a tournament. Although, they didn't win the game, they won for Best Dressed and their photo hung in the big stadium the following year at the next tournament.

Dad also enjoyed playing the slots and bingo with Mom every now and then. He also enjoyed playing crib with his partner Bucky. He loved to tell a good joke, even if it was only him laughing. He had a love of country music and when he went out for a ride, you could always hear him coming back a block away with his music blaring. Dad always had a big smile and those blues eyes could charm anyone. No words could truly be expressed on how we are feeling at this time, but one thing is for sure, is

that we love you Dad and will miss you tremendously. Our memories will last a lifetime As per Dad's wishes, no service will be held. Cremation has taken place and a private burial will be

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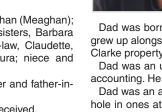
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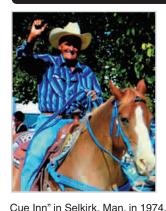


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#### Brian Matthew Armstrong

It is with the greatest sadness that the family of Brian Matthew Armstrong announce his passing on March 17, 2023. Brian was born on August 27, 1928 in Virden Manitoba.

He was predeceased by his wife, Liz in November 2022, and his brother Alvin in February 2023.

As a young man, Brian was very adventurous and at the age of 14, hopped on a freight train arriving in Calgary Alberta. There he was taken under the wing of a chef at the "Pallister Hotel". Brian started washing dishes and pots, then soon became a line cook and eventually a chef. Brian was also sent to a competition in Germany to chef and came home with a Silver Medal.

He then returned to Winnipeg where he met and married his first wife, Pauline and together they raised four daughters. He worked at a number of different restaurants before buying the "The Golden

Brian and Pauline, along with their four daughters made a very successful business for 25 years until he retired (for the first time in 2002).

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Brian and Pauline went their separate ways but remained very good friends throughout the years. Brian met and married his second wife, Elizabeth in 2005 where they bought the "Ranch". There they enjoyed the horses and having family BBQ's. You could always see Dad puttering in the garden with his flowers.

Brian leaves behind a legacy with his four daughters: Shannon (Tim), Linda (Rodney), Mindy (Serg), and Cindy; nine grandchildren, Katie, Candace, Timothy, Mellissa, Amanda, Tyler, Amy, Brandy and Buddy; 17 great-grandchildren and many, many great-great-grandchildren.

Brian also leaves behind his three step-children and their families as well as his very special longtime friends Stan Shewchuck and Bev Clayes, to name a few.

Brian was a social butterfly and will be missed by all who knew him.

Following Dad's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private family service will be held at a later date.

Friends and family are invited to visit Brian's memorial page at www.interlakecremation.ca, where memories and condolences may be shared.

Arrangements entrusted to: Interlake Cremation & Memorial Services 204.482.1040



#### Judith Susan Mayo (nee Fedorchuk) 1958 – 2023

#### We are saddened to announce the unexpected loss of our beautiful wife and mother, Judy, on March 19, 2023. Judy was predeceased by her father Wilmer Fedorchuk and golden retriever Buddy.

She is survived by her husband Patrick; daughters Chantel (Brent) and Carly (Jesse), and "little boy" Wally. Additionally, she is survived by her mother Mary Ellen (Murray); siblings Kerry (Dora) and Jacqueline (Don); and other family and friends too numerous to name.

Doodlebug was born in Selkirk and raised in Petersfield. She spent her time crafting and creating, reading books, and listening to her records. Judy began working right after high school. She was an incredibly dedicated

employee, rarely missing a day of work in her 44 years. She met Pat in her early twenties – it was love at first sight. Spending 42 years together, they had two daughters of whom they were so proud. As a mother, Judy was gentle and caring. She supported her daughters in whatever endeavours they chose to pursue across Canada, which often meant honing her skills as a FaceTime consultant and out-of-province traveller. All family members finally returned to Manitoba this past year and were able to make many new memories together. Seemingly a coincidence at the time, we now look back on the last year with immense gratitude.

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Anyone who was fortunate enough to know Judy will remember her bright smile, kind heart, and calm but powerful presence. Although she preferred not to be the centre of attention, her quiet demeanour was captivating. Judy left a lasting impression on everyone she met. She enjoyed tending to her plants and flowers, soaking in the sunshine, and exploring new shops and restaurants.

In spite of challenges that came her way, her unwavering strength and ability to remain resilient was exceptional. Judy had a remarkable ability to find happiness in the small things. The next time you are enjoying a cup of tea, exploring a beautiful garden, or feeling the warmth of the sun, please think of Judy.

A celebration of life will be held on April 5, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Gilbart Funeral Home in Selkirk, Manitoba. The family invites all to attend. The service will be livestreamed and the link will be available via her obituary on Gilbart's website.

Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.







