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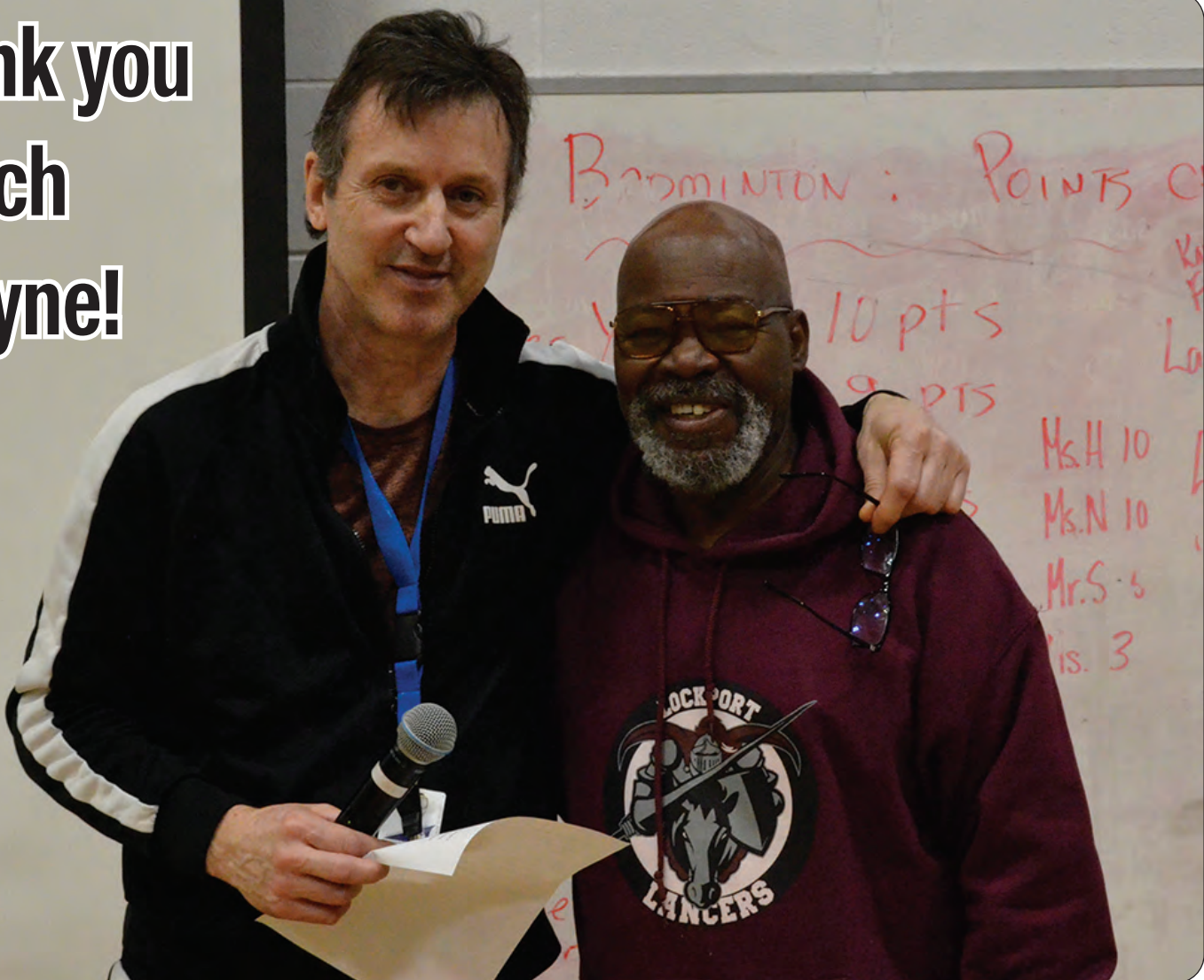
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Thank you Coach Alleyne!



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Lockport School thanked basketball Coach Randy Alleyne, Sr. for his many years of volunteerism as he's officially retiring from the job after 38 years in the Lord Selkirk School Division. Alleyne (right) is pictured above with Lockport School teacher Marco Morelli at the assembly where his retirement was announced. Learn more inside.

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Basketball Coach Randy Alleyne, Sr. officially hangs up his whistle

After 38 years of coaching in the LSSD students say farewell to Coach Alleyne

By Katelyn Boulanger

On April 7, the students at Lockport School heard the official announcement that basketball Coach Randy Alleyne, Sr. is retiring from his volunteer coaching role now that this year's season has come to an end. Coach Alleyne has volunteered for the Lord Selkirk School Division as a basketball coach for 38 years and has taken on the role at Lockport School for the past 35 years.

"The first year was actually coaching the Grade 7 boys team. My oldest lad, Randy (Jr.) joined. He was in Grade 7 and he was instrumental in getting me in the door because they

were looking for a coach for Grade 7. He piped up and said, 'My dad knows basketball,' and so here I am. From that day on I started coaching the boys. I took them from Grade 7 through Grade 9 and then after their Grade 9 year I came back and started with Grade 7 again," said Alleyne.

He had a total of three sons who played basketball and enjoyed coaching all three.

In his first year as a basketball coach he said that the students started out pretty new to the sport but did well.

"They didn't know much about bas-

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Coach Randy Alleyne, Sr. has coached basketball teams in the Lord Selkirk School Division for 38 years.

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ketball, but they sure learned fast. I wouldn't say that the teams that I've had were difficult to coach. They were all interested. They wanted to learn. I wanted to make sure that the fundamentals were there, their skills were there, and they knew what the game was all about," said Alleyne.

Even when his sons had made their way through their middle school year's basketball teams, Alleyne decided to remain on as a coach for the love of it.

"(It was) just the joy of coaching basketball and wanting to make sure that the kids, as they came along through the system, knew what the game was all about and again, to improve their skills, know the fundamentals of the game and to, you know, just go there and put their best foot forward," explained Alleyne.

He said that his philosophy of coaching meant that he never asked his student-athletes to go in and win a game but he did ask them to make sure that they had fun playing.

Some of his highlights of coaching during his 35 years in Lockport were coaching students that he also coached in the summer as a soccer coach.

"(There was a) Grade 9 girls team. They were fun. Because I coached soccer at the same time during the summer, some of the girls were on the team for basketball, but they were used to playing soccer, and they were, let's say, rough and tough. You would get some shoulder checking and pushing. There were a couple of them, but one in particular stood out, and (Mr. Marco Morelli, a teacher at Lockport School and Alleyne's co-coach) would look at her and say, 'You can't push. You're not playing soccer. You're were playing basketball. That's not part of the game,' but it was fun. We enjoyed coaching and they turned out to be very good, very good basketball players in the end," he said.

Alleyne also spoke about a tournament in the early 2000s where he was very proud of his students as a group of five Grade 9 boys were the only ones to make it out to a tournament and ended up winning the entire thing. This feat was actually repeated again quite recently with another team ending up in the same situation.

Alleyne says that every year was a great year of coaching.

"They were all great years. The fact that the boys (came in) not really

knowing what to expect, but being told that this is what I want to have from you by the end of the season. I always said, You know nothing about basketball. You're here to learn and what I want you to do is to listen. I don't want you to go to win a game, but what I would like to see is the things that you learn in practice, you put into play and as you go along, you will develop. You're going to win some, you're going to lose some, but it's all about improving your skills, sticking to the fundamentals and having fun. If you're having fun, the winning will come," he explained.

School sports are naturally not just about learning to dribble a ball or even for physical activity. School sports help students learn about the fundamental skills that they need to get by as adults. Alleyne hopes that his students learned not just how to play basketball but respect for themselves and others as they played on his team.

"I have a secretary here who said, I always know the kids that were in your team, because they turn out to be ladies and gentlemen. It's respect yourself, respect your opponents, respect the coaches, respect the refs, and you and I'll get along fine," he said.

As for himself, Alleyne says that he learned that every student in unique and will surprise you.

"They're all different, that is for sure, each and every player has the ability to do something and surprise you in the end," he said.

After 38 years, Alleyne has coached a whole generation of young athletes in our region.

"I've had 38 wonderful years coaching boys and girls teams, and if I had to, I would do it all over again," he said.

Morelli at the assembly announcing Alleyne's retirement had some great things to say about the long-time coach.

"I've had a blast working with him over the years. We did some math, averaging out, say, 12 players in 38 years that's just under 500 athletes he's coached over the years, over 35 years here and 38 years he's coached in the division, not including the WNBA, one of the Winnipeg minor teams that he sometimes coached as well. His players learned life skills as well as court skills. He got started, as I said, coaching his boys here, but the passion for coaching never left and at 77 years he's still going strong. He will be retiring from coaching after this year, and we wanted to thank him for all his years of service and volunteerism and your excellent coaching," said Morelli.



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Selkirk & District Arts Festival returns to show off artistic talents of our community

Competition brings together many artists

By Katelyn Boulanger

After a brief hiatus thanks to the pandemic, the Selkirk and District Arts Festival returned expanding into an event where artists from our region gather to showcase their work at a vibrant celebration of our community's diverse talents. This year, the event is back again as a multi-disciplinary celebration of all things local art and residents won't want to miss the show.

"We're a festival that's trying to promote artists of all ages in our community, from vocal art to dance to piano to band and, of course, visual art," said Jessica Bullen, Selkirk & District Arts Festival Chair.

Bullen explained that before the

pandemic there was a piano festival in Selkirk. COVID made it so that the original piano festival took a break but when it was time to bring it back they decided that they wanted to bring it back like never before.

"We wanted to expand it to include all arts because we know that we have more than just pianists in our area," she said.

For people who haven't attended before, this festival is five days of performances that take place at Selkirk's United Church at 202 McLean Ave.

"We have a total of 158 performances happening. It's going to be choirs, bands, pianists, vocal, artists and

dancers, and they're going to be adjudicated. They have the opportunity

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Photos from last year's Selkirk & District Arts Festival.



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to win awards and scholarships and then we will be having our gala night on April 25," said Bullen.

She said that it's important that people from our community have these opportunities to get in on the competition.

"It's important for our rural population to have the opportunity to perform and for us to see what's out there because there's so much more to Selkirk and area than what we know of and we want to really showcase that," she said.

Bullen said that currently they are still open to submissions of visual arts but all of the performances are already on the books. If you are a visual artist you have until April 13 to get your submission paperwork in.

As for filling five days with acts, they will have no trouble making the most of their time. Of the 158 performances, there are 88 people or groups signed up which means a little over 100 people will likely perform since some of the groups are choral performances with larger groups of people.

Bullen's favourite part of the festival is seeing the children perform.

"It's so fun to see them get up on stage. See them kind of overcome their nerves and really put on a good performance," she said.

Residents in our region will be

happy to know that it's also free to attend the festival.

"Entry is free, but we are a volunteer-run organization, so we do have a silver collection available. If anyone is looking to donate. We are always looking for sponsors as well, and we will be offering prizes to our performers and our visual artists. So, we're hoping to expand our sponsorship, if possible, in the community," said Bullen.

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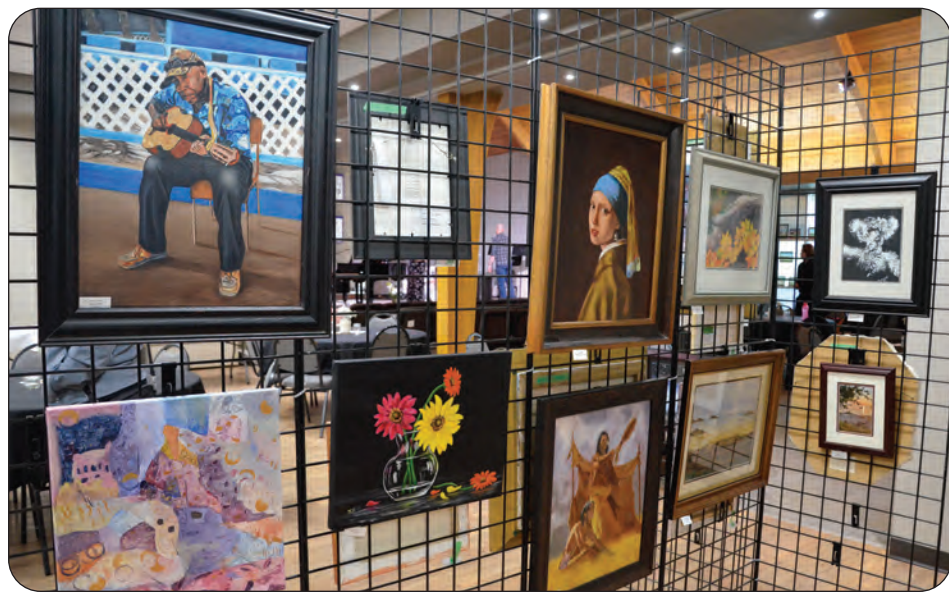
Residents who want to see the vast array of artistic talent in our region, should make a plan to stop by the Selkirk & District Arts Festival. It takes place between April 22 and 25 and more information is available online at <https://www.selkirkartsfest.com/>.

"It's a really great time. Come explore the visual arts, listen to some performances from people of all ages, and enjoy our gala night. We're showcasing the performances from the week for select performers. And, it's going to be licensed this year. We'll have 50/50s, and then, of course, there will be some desserts and some snacks available," said Bullen.



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Last year's Selkirk & District Arts Festival celebrated all types of art.



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Donations needed for Easter Baskets for Community Kids MB

Kids in shelters around Manitoba including Nova House to get a little treat this Easter

By Katelyn Boulanger

Local Discovery Toys Play Advisors are teaming up for the 11th year to bring Easter baskets to kids staying at Ronald McDonald House Charities Manitoba, Villa Rosa Inc., Dignity House Inc. and the province's ten women's shelters which includes Nova House, the local domestic violence shelter in Selkirk. To keep up with the demand for baskets, they are hoping that residents in our community with a little extra to give will donate to help kids who don't have much get a little treat this spring.

"This year we're expecting to do about 325 baskets. We've been getting numbers from the shelters, and several of them are up this year, which is sad, but we do hope to bring some cheer and blessings to these kids in the next couple of weeks. So, we want to try to help as many children as we can," said Tanya Pilat, Discovery Toys Play Advisor.

The project started through Discovery Toys and the representatives from the company continue to keep it going in our communities. The Manitoba initiative specifically started with representatives wanting to help out the ten women's shelters in the province and over the years they've expanded to also give to other organizations.

"Once we started to fill that need, and the fundraising exceeded the need for the shelters, we started to include other charities. So, it's been great that we've been able to increase the number of charities that we support through this initiative," explained Pilat.

Some of the items in the baskets are an educational toy, a book, sweet treats, toiletries like toothbrushes and lip balm, colouring books and crayons, bubble wands and other age-appropriate items for the younger and older recipients.

Residents will probably realize that this is a bit of an unusual time to host a basket drive as most take place around the winter holiday

season but this is exactly why they are fundraising right now.

"We felt that there's always a need throughout the year. Children that are in these shelters or in a hospital or in one of these locations, they're often thought of at Christmas. But, there are other times of the year that children get to celebrate and receive special gifts at home. And so, if they're not at home or their families don't have the funds or the resources to provide that, whether they're in a hospital or a shelter, we want to be able to allow children to be kids at this time of year too," said Pilat.

She continued, "My children get to do Easter egg hunts and get the gifts and stuff through the Easter and spring season. These kids might not and we want them to still experience the joy of receiving an Easter basket, getting that chocolate bunny, and having some special gifts."

The plan is to give every child from infants to teenagers a basket so that they can experience that joy.

Baskets can be sponsored for \$30 each. Individuals or businesses who contribute will receive special recognition in a public thank you and donations valued at \$100 or more will have their name/logo posted online.

They are also accepting donations of toiletries, treats, or other items that would fit the bill. Pilat encourages residents to reach out to find out if their donation is something that they are looking for.

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Pilat delivering previous year's baskets to organizations that help people in need.




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Submitted by Manitoba RCMP

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As a result of the information received and the subsequent ongoing investigation, RCMP officers from the Selkirk GIS unit executed a search warrant on April 3 at a residence located on Lincoln Avenue in Winnipeg.

As a result of the search, officers recovered 26 deep-cycle batteries, along with 11 commercial solar panels, with an estimated value of approximately \$25,000. The batteries from this theft were recovered along with others from previously reported incidents.

A 35-year-old male, from the RM of Springfield, was arrested on scene and later released for a court appearance scheduled for May 23, 2025, in Selkirk, where he will face charges of Possession of Property obtained by Crime and Trafficking in Property Obtained by Crime.

Selkirk RCMP continue to investigate.



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Photos submitted from the investigation.



Get to know your federal election candidates

By Jennifer McFee

The 45th federal general election is fast approaching on Monday, April 28. Do you know who your candidates are?

As of Monday, April 7, five candidates are in the running in the Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman riding: incumbent James Bezan for the Conservative

Party of Canada, Byron Gryba for the People's Party of Canada, Wayne James of the Green Party of Canada, Rhonda Nickel for the Liberal Party of Canada and Chris Riddell for the United Party of Canada.

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"We just want to make sure that no child is left out this Easter, and the

more donations and sponsorship that we get, the more kids we can help. We're definitely wanting to make sure that nobody in our current shelters and locations is left out, and if we do end up with a surplus, we definitely search out other children that we can reach out to. As well, every shelter also needs some backups in case they have emergency intake. So, we do provide each of them with additional baskets in case they have someone who wasn't accounted for in the original donation. So (donating) just helps us to reach as many kids as possible," she said.

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Manitoba Hydro has applied to the Public Utilities Board for a 3.5 per cent average increase effective January 1, 2026, 3.5 per cent average increase effective January 1, 2027, and a further 3.5 per cent average increase effective January 1, 2028. Manitoba Hydro is requesting increases to obtain the revenue needed to run the electric system, perform maintenance, and rebuild and expand the system as needed to continue to provide reliable, safe and effective service to customers.

For a residential customer without electric heat (using an average of 1,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) per month), the average impact of the proposed increase is approximately \$3.70 per month after January 1, 2026, an additional \$3.80 per month after January 1, 2027, and an additional \$3.95 per month after January 1, 2028.

For a residential customer with electric heat (using an average of 2,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) per month), the average impact of the proposed increase is approximately \$7.05 per month after January 1, 2026, an additional \$7.30 per month after January 1, 2027, and an additional \$7.55 per month after January 1, 2028.

Further details of Manitoba Hydro's Application are available at: www.pubmanitoba.ca. You can share your views on the proposed rate increases with the Public Utilities Board in three ways:

- **As a Presenter** — If you want to make a virtual or in-person formal presentation to the Public Utilities Board on this matter and are willing to respond to questions about your presentation, please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and apply to become an approved Presenter. Presentations are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes.
- **Written comment** — If you would like to comment in writing on the rate increase, please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your written comment.
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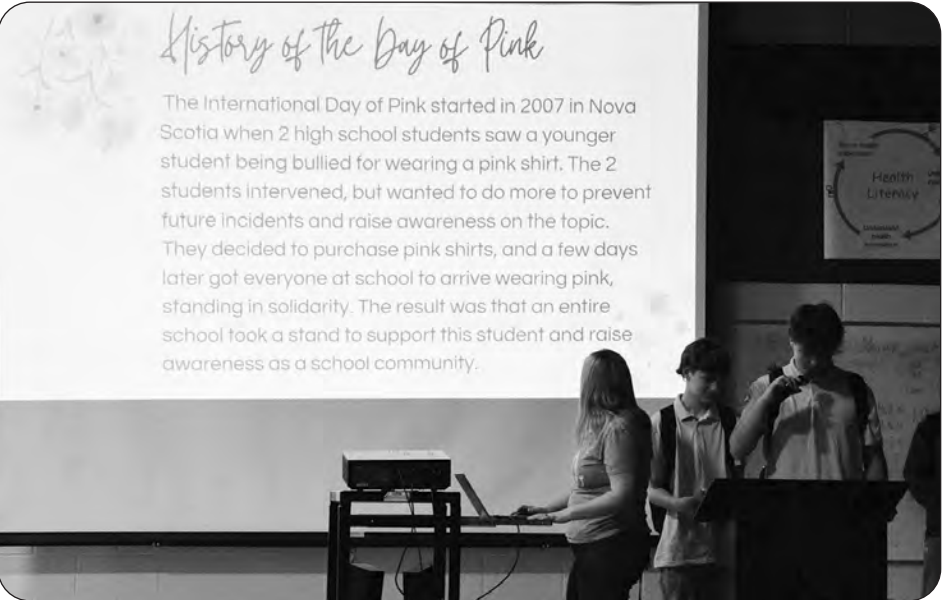
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Items that were packed into previous year's baskets.

Int. Day of Pink



RECORD PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

Lockport School students sent the message that, "Everyone Belongs, Everyone is Welcome Here" with their International Day of Pink presentation at the school's assembly earlier this week. International Day of Pink takes place every April 9 and everyone is encouraged to wear pink and to make their stance known that bullying isn't ok in our schools or communities. The presenters encouraged their fellow students to take time to speak up if they see a bad situation take place or to tell others when actions aren't ok. The students also asked their classmates to reflect on their own actions so that their school is a place that welcomes everyone.

Diamond repeatedly 'stolen' at St. Andrews Heritage Centre over spring break

By E Antonio

A string of diamond thefts unfolded at the St. Andrews Heritage Centre over spring break — but this wasn't your typical crime spree.

The Red River Diamond, a fictional jewel on display at the museum, was repeatedly "stolen" as part of a family-friendly escape room experience hosted by museum staff.

Throughout the week, teams of would-be criminals took part in the Diamond Heist Escape Room. The activity invited groups of two to six people to take on the role of criminals attempting to outwit security and nab the diamond before a 45-minute timer ran out.

The immersive experience was part of the centre's slate of spring break activities and proved a hit with visitors of all ages.

"We have had outstanding turnouts for all of our escape rooms," said Emily Airey, manager of the St. Andrews Heritage Centre. She added that each weekend they've hosted an event, all time slots have been reserved.

The escape room format was first introduced in March, after a summer 2024 intern pitched it as a way to boost engagement. Since then, the museum has offered a number of themed rooms, including one featuring clues from a ghost gardener and another requiring players to flee a fur trapper's cabin.



RECORD PHOTO BY E ANTONIO

The Red River Diamond vanished from its exhibit at the St. Andrews Heritage Centre again and again over spring break — but the culprits were anything but dangerous.

Each escape room gives participants 45 minutes to crack puzzles and unlock the final challenge. The Diamond Heist includes brain teasers like word scrambles, colour-matching, and even decoding hidden messages with a blacklight. Every solved puzzle unlocks a clue to the next step, all building toward the grand finale: stealing the Red River Diamond.

"We want everyone to be able to enjoy the escape room," said Airey. "Some of the puzzles are a little challenging, so we recommend participants be eight years or older."

If the puzzles do pose a challenge, a museum staff member will be in the room to lend a tip or two.

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seum staff stay in the room during the heist to offer hints if needed.

The Diamond Heist will return on April 26. Tickets cost \$30 per team, and each group can include between two and six people. Everyone who

successfully escapes with the diamond wins a free museum tour and a bag of popcorn to celebrate their victory.

Time slots can be reserved online at www.standrewsrectory.ca/events..

Lights, camera, action! Lallemand announces fourth year of Hometown Roots Photo Contest

Notice of Environment Act Proposal

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change invites public comment on the following proposal:

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD – WELL FIELD EXPANSION – FILE: 6013.10

The municipality seeks to construct three new raw water wells to support a new water treatment plant with a capacity of treating 120 litres per second. The wells will be constructed in two phases. The first phase will include constructing two new wells south of the existing Dugald Well Field on SW 29-10-6 EPM. The existing and two new wells will increase the plant capacity to 80 litres per second. The plant will divert a maximum of 1,200 cubic decimetres of groundwater per year. A third well is not proposed to be built at this time. The membrane concentrate and backwash water will be seasonally discharged to Cooks Creek Diversion. The department advertised the water treatment plant proposal (File No. 6219.00) in the past and received public comments.

Anyone likely to be affected by the proposal to construct new wells and who wishes to comment on the additional well information only, should contact Jay Mak, Senior Environmental Engineer, in writing or by email at Jay.Mak@gov.mb.ca no later than May 12, 2025. Further information is available from the Public Registry: www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries

Information submitted in response to this proposal will be available to the proponent and placed on the public registry per Section 17 of The Environment Act.

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Celebrating agriculture and rural communities

By Staff

Lallemand Plant Care is excited to announce the details of the 2025 Hometown Roots Photo Contest. This year, participants can now enter by sharing a photo or a 30-second video, offering even more creative ways to support your community with a \$5,000 donation from Lallemand.

"At Lallemand Plant Care, supporting our communities is at the heart of what we do," says Anne Favre, Strategic

Marketing Director – USA & Canada, Lallemand Plant Care. "We're excited to bring this contest back and look forward to seeing how participants showcase the spirit of agriculture and rural life."

To enter, take a photo or a 30-second video (maximum) that you feel best celebrates agriculture and your rural community. Upload it at www.lallemandhometownroots.com and include a brief description of how the photo or video repre-

sents what makes your community or farm special. You can submit one photo or video per week, for a maximum of 10 entries. No purchase is necessary to enter or win.

The contest will run from Jan. 13, 2025, to Aug. 15, 2025. There are three prizes available, each consisting of a \$5,000 cheque payable to a local community organization or charity of the winner's choice. There will be one CAD \$5,000 prize each for Alberta, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan.

Since its inception in 2021, the Hometown Roots Photo Contest has enabled Lallemand to award 20 participants with a connection to agriculture in Canada and the U.S. and donated \$100,000 to their local communities.

For more information and full contest rules, visit www.lallemandhometownroots.com.

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RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED BY SEHAJ SINGH
Sehaj Singh captured the beautiful northern lights as they danced over Selkirk on April 4. These wonderful photos were taken on Manitoba Ave. near Crossroads Church.

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4-H members heading to provincial competition

By Jo-Anne Procter

Young speakers from across the South Interlake region took centre stage at the area's 4-H communications competition, hosted by the Teulon 4-H Club on March 23.

Thirty members from six clubs — Teulon, Argyle, Balmoral, Minerva, East Selkirk and the Selkirk Silver Spurs — competed in speech and visual presentation categories, showcasing creativity, poise and public speaking skills in front of nine judges and about 80 spectators.

Top finishers in each category earned the opportunity to advance to the Provincial 4-H Communications event, set for April 26 in Winnipeg.

Results:

- Cloverbud Speech: 1. Maddox Marohn (Balmoral), 2. Annika Marohn (Balmoral)
- Junior Speech: 1. Kyle Kirschman (Balmoral), 2. Henry Martens (Balmoral)

- Intermediate Speech: 1. Allie Mauthe (Argyle), 2. Brock Marohn (Balmoral)
- Senior Speech: 1. Colton Kachur (Balmoral)
- Adult Speech: 1. Sarah Seniuk (East Selkirk)
- One-Person Visual, Cloverbud: 1. Bailey Bernard (East Selkirk), 2. Molly Wlock (Selkirk Silver Spurs)
- One-Person Visual, Junior: 1. Peyton Marohn (Balmoral), 2. Eva Mushaluk (Balmoral)
- One-Person Visual, Intermediate: 1. Dominic Bernard (East Selkirk), 2. Claire Kirschman (Balmoral)
- Two-Person Visual, Junior: 1. Jaxson Tronrud and Bentley Hein (Teulon)
- Two-Person Visual, Intermediate: 1. Lyla Kroeker and Olena Saramaga (Selkirk Silver Spurs), 2. Allison Mushaluk and Melodie Verseval (Balmoral)



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First- and second-place winners from the South Interlake 4-H Area Communications competition, held March 23 in Teulon. Left to right — back row: Sarah Seniuk, Colton Kachur, Allie Mauthe, Allison Mushaluk, Melodie Verseval; middle row: Olena Saramaga, Lyla Kroeker, Brock Marohn, Henry Martens, Jaxson Tronrud, Bentley Hein, Peyton Marohn, Dominic Bernard; front row: Claire Kirschman, Bailey Bernard, Kyle Kirschman, Annika Marohn, Maddox Marohn, Molly Wlock, Eva Mushaluk.

Allied health workers represented by MAHCP union ratify new collective agreements

By Patricia Barrett

Allied health workers represented by the Manitoba Association of Health Care Professionals (MAHCP) ratified new four-year collective agreements with the provincial government and public health-care employers last month after going nearly a year without contracts.

Tentative agreements were reached a few weeks ago, and allied health workers voted on those agreements over the course of two days last week.

In January MAHCP members had voted 96 per cent in favour of a strike mandate.

"This contract was achieved through the resolve of frontline allied health professionals and their bargaining committee, who were willing to go on strike to demand change," said MAHCP president Jason Linklater in a news release. "It is my hope that the new contract represents the first step in finally addressing chronic shortages of specialized staff and improving health care for Manitobans."

The new agreements are with employers provincial Shared Health, the Winnipeg-Churchill health region and the Northern health region.

Workers will re-

ceive a general wage increase of 12.25 per cent over four years, retroactive to 2024 with a 2.5 per cent increase. They'll subsequently see wages rise this year by 2.75 per cent, 3.0 per cent in 2026 and 3.0 per cent in 2027, plus a 1.0 per cent market adjustment.

The wage increases are "consistent with other recent health-care agreements, along with several improvements intended to enhance work-life balance and address workload and health and safety concerns," says MAHCP.

The contract also includes a \$3 per hour step adjustment for most classifications, new rural and northern wage differentials, and wage parity for MAHCP paramedics with the City of Winnipeg paramedic services.

MAHCP says retention is a top priority as there are over 1,000 vacant allied health positions, and most positions require years of training because of their high degree of specialization.

Manitoba experienced a net loss of allied health staff represented by MAHCP in both January and February 2025 in Shared Health and the Winnipeg-Churchill and the northern health regions, says the news release. And this was the first "two-month streak of net loss since August 2023, under the previous government."

Although the contract doesn't address "significant issues" affecting retention and recruitment, it nevertheless is expected to help stem the loss of allied health workers from Manitoba and provide potential recruits with information about wages and working conditions — information allied health professionals assess when looking for a job.

"The new contract is the starting point to stop the bleed and keep more allied health professionals on the job while Manitoba trains and recruits more to fill the thousand vacancies that have built up in recent years," said Linklater. "Employers must prioritize implementing the contract as quickly as possible before Manitoba loses more specialized allied health staff."

The Manitoba Association of Health Care Professionals represents over 7,000 allied health members working 45-plus disciplines. Some MAHCP members are employed by Shared Health and work in the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority.

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Selkirk seminar teaches the art of growing giant gourds

By E Antonio

Aspiring giant pumpkin growers learned the secrets to cultivating record-breaking gourds at the Giant Pumpkin Growers Seminar on April 5, hosted by the Manitoba Giant Growers Association.

The event featured giant pumpkin connoisseur Milan Lukes, who shared his expertise on how to grow pumpkins to their full potential at the Canalta Hotel in Selkirk.

A two-time Roland Pumpkin Fair winner, Lukes has grown pumpkins reaching 1,369.5 pounds.

He began his pumpkin-growing career in his parents' backyard garden in Winnipeg, and started winning fair competitions in 2013, when he was just 11 years old.

"You can be a young person from the city, and pull this off and grow a pumpkin over 1,000 pounds," he said.

Lukes shared tips and tricks for growing the massive gourds. He talked about protecting them from inclement weather, choosing the right fertilizers and maintaining proper

soil conditions.

His biggest suggestion was to use Atlantic giant pumpkin variety seeds. If farmers want to maximize their pumpkin growth, they're encouraged to use these seeds — Atlantic giants can grow to more than 2,000 pounds, which is more than enough to earn a first-place ribbon at fairs.

The current Manitoba pumpkin record was set in 2019 by Winkler farmer Cornie Banman, who grew a 1,660.5-pound pumpkin. The current world record is 2,471 pounds and was grown by Minnesota farmer Travis Gienger.

Lukes said anyone is capable of growing a giant, as long as they maintain the proper growing conditions and tend to the pumpkin's needs.

"Growing up as a kid, the gift that I wanted was manure."

When he first started, Lukes devoted his spare time to caring for his pumpkin, ensuring proper soil, water and temperature conditions were met.

He added that pumpkin growing can feel like a full-time job, especially



From seed to supersized: Ella Maclean, 9, shows off some of the pumpkin seeds offered to seminar attendees. She grew her first pumpkin in 2024 and is hoping to grow an even bigger one this year.



between the end of April and early October — the prime growing season.

Selkirk's Ella Maclean is a nine-year-old aspiring pumpkin farmer who attended Saturday's seminar. She grew her first large pumpkin in 2024 but didn't know how to weigh it. With the tips she picked up at the seminar, she hopes to grow an even bigger pumpkin this year.

"We will have to water it a lot, and we might have to find another place to grow it," she said. "If we grew two seeds it would take up half our garden."

Ella can get a head start this year, as everyone who attended the seminar took home free pumpkin seeds — including some from the Atlantic giant variety.



RECORD PHOTOS BY E ANTONIO

The Manitoba Giant Growers Association hosted a Giant Pumpkin Growers Seminar on April 5 at the Canalta Hotel in Selkirk. Two-time Roland Pumpkin Fair winner Milan Lukes addressed the key components to growing the humongous gourds.



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Red River North Tourism launches Sovereignty Gardens

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Gardening season is just around the corner and Red River North Tourism Inc. (RRNT) wants everyone to show their pride in Canada this spring by planting a basket, bed, or border, in red and white flowers; launching the Sovereignty Gardens program.

In a continuing effort to encourage businesses and homeowners to beautify their properties, Red River North Tourism is offering the program in partnership with the Selkirk and District Horticultural Society, and the area chapter of Communities in Bloom.

“A hundred years ago, people were encouraged to plant a Victory Garden in response to food shortages caused by the wars,” explained Lois Wales, RRNT President. “At that time, the intent was to ensure your own family had nutritious food to eat and those returning from duty overseas would also be fed”, she continued, “During the pandemic, there was a surge of interest in home gardening and we thought we could combine those two ideas to show support for our community and our country in these pivotal



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Photo L to R: Red River North Tourism President Lois Wales, President of the Selkirk & District Horticultural Society Lynne Moldwon, and Taylor Gyselinck, for Communities in Bloom, show they are ready to grow their Manitoba proud Sovereignty Gardens this spring.

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Lynne Moldwon, Chair of the Horticultural Society, indicated that civic offices and other public facilities will be participating. “Many of the gardens maintained by the Society’s volunteers for the City of Selkirk will include red and white plantings,” said Moldwon.

Local Communities in Bloom spokesperson, Taylor Gyselinck, stated “This is the summer equivalent to the cooperative Holiday Yards of the Season program in December. We are pleased to be involved in any program that encourages property owners to beautify and take pride in their yards and storefronts.”

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Manitoba earmarks \$4.5M for tourism, with boost for Indigenous sector

By Annaliese Meier

The Manitoba government is investing \$4.5 million in Travel Manitoba to promote the province as a tourism destination and spur economic growth, Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism Minister Nellie Kennedy said Monday.

Ten per cent of the funding will go directly to Indigenous Tourism Manitoba.

"Tourism is a key part of what makes Manitoba such a dynamic place to live, work and visit," Kennedy said at an event at Qaumajuq at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. "With this significant investment, our government recognizes the importance of tourism and the role it plays in the economic well-being of our beautiful province."

Tourism generates \$373 million annually in provincial tax revenue, Kennedy said, which supports infrastructure, health care and education. The sector employs more than 25,000 Manitobans.

Colin Ferguson, president and CEO

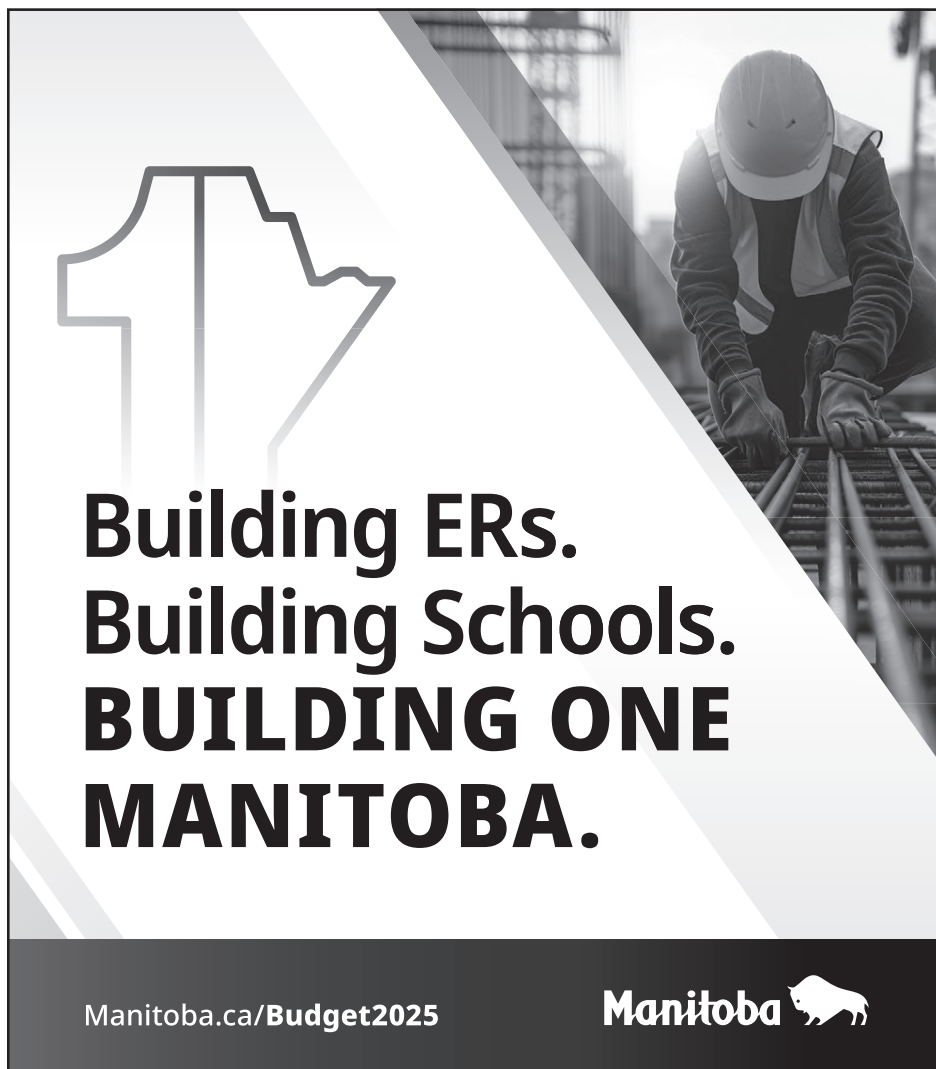
of Travel Manitoba, called the funding an investment in the province's people.

"Manitoba is home to incredible, heart-stirring tourism experiences that attract travellers from across the country and around the world," Ferguson said. "Travel not only creates unforgettable memories but also supports businesses, jobs and investment in communities throughout Manitoba."

The province welcomed 10.4 million visitors in 2023, who spent a combined \$1.82 billion.


Kennedy said tourism offers more than economic benefit. Festivals, cultural experiences and outdoor recreation help residents connect with their communities and appreciate Manitoba's heritage and natural beauty, she said.

The minister presented Travel Manitoba and Indigenous Tourism Manitoba with an official proclamation to mark the start of National Tourism Week.



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Dean Pruden talks about his experience this Parkinson's Awareness Month

Raising awareness for what is become a more commonly diagnosed disease

By Katelyn Boulanger

According to the Parkinson Canada website, Parkinson's is currently the fastest-growing neurological condition in the world. Because of that, it's very important that everyone knows about Parkinson's Disease. Since April is Parkinson's Awareness Month, Dean Pruden decided to share his experience with the disease to bring awareness not only to the illness but also so more people know about a local event that he and his wife, Lorri, put on to raise funds for Parkinson's research.

Pruden's story with Parkinson's disease goes back 15 years to his diagnosis in 2010.

"A co-worker noticed that I was walking with a limp and he asked what was wrong with my leg and I said, 'Nothing'. I didn't realize that anything was wrong. Later the same co-worker saw that something was wrong with my arm and he asked what was wrong with my arm. I said, 'Nothing. I don't know what you're talking about.' Again, I didn't notice it but it affected my one side. I had a little bit of leg drag and no arm swing. I finally went to my doctor and he said I think it might be Parkinson's," said Pruden.

After going to a couple of specialists to confirm, the doctors made the official diagnosis of Parkinson's disease and explained that he'd probably had it for a little while but didn't

notice until his symptoms became more obvious.

Pruden said that, at the time of his official diagnosis, he was expecting it but it was still a bit of a shock.

"It's a life-changing diagnosis, right? It's obviously progressive, and there's no cure for it. I was worried about the people around me too. It didn't just affect me but my whole family," said Pruden.

Parkinson's is a disease that presents differently for different people. Some people experience tremors or stiffness while others might experience issues with speech or walking. Symptoms that aren't always acknowledged with Parkinson's disease are that it can affect mental and emotional health as well.

Pruden didn't let this diagnosis stop him from doing the things that he's enjoyed and he's kept active the past 15 years.

"Exercise is probably the best thing for it. Exercise slows the progression they say," said Pruden.

He explained that at one point he joined a fitness group for people with Parkinson's and he's always worked out with weights and kept that up. Additionally, he continued to play hockey for many years. And, though he's slowed down some because we've had some less-than-snowy winters, he also was a snowmobiler for many years. Right now, he says that he and his wife enjoy



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Dean Pruden on the Parkinson's SuperWalk.

biking and hiking so that's their main way to keep active.

Something that Pruden has done for a long time now to bring awareness to Parkinson's disease as well as help to raise funds for Parkinson Canada is to take part in and organize the local Parkinson Canada SuperWalk.

"Every year there's one walk in Winnipeg and there used to be a Walk in Gimli. A group of my friends got together and formed a

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group to raise money for Parkinson's and take part in this walk. We named our team the Opop Shakers," said Pruden.

Since then, he and Lorri have moved and now they co-ordinate the local Parkinson Canada SuperWalk annually in East Selkirk.

The walk takes place in the fall. This year it's planned for the beginning of September.

Pruden explained that it's not just about raising funds but about maintaining connections.

"You want to keep your relationships going. It's for a cause that I'm interested in and my friends wanted to do something to show support for me and to raise money at the same time," he explained.

He's been coordinating the walk for ten years and with an average fundraising of over \$5,000 a year, this walk definitely is a success both in bringing people together and fundraising for Parkinson's.

Pruden encourages resi-



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The Opop Shakers at the Parkinson's SuperWalk.

dents to keep an eye out for the walk in the fall and to join if they want to support Parkinson's research.

His advice for people in our community who may have been recently diagnosed with Parkinson's is that it's not a death sentence.

"Just live your life and don't give up. There's lots of breakthroughs coming along all the time for Parkinson's,"

said Pruden.

He also recommends connecting with U-Turn Parkinson's if you want to learn more about exercise classes for people with Parkinson's. They are online at <https://uturnparkinsons.org/>. You can learn more about Parkinson's disease at the Parkinson Canada website at <https://www.parkinson.ca/>.

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Spring markets springing into action



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Easter Bread

Family Favorite Recipes

Prep Time 25minutes mins

Cook Time 30minutes mins

Rising Time 2hours hrs 30minutes mins

Total Time 3hours hrs 25minutes mins

Servings 12

Equipment Stand mixer with dough hook

Ingredients

- 1 1/4 cup milk (2% or Whole milk)
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 2 1/4 teaspoon active dry yeast
- 4 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs room temperature
- 1/2 cup butter room temperature
- 3 white eggs for coloring
- 3 cspw warm water
- 3 tablespoons white vinegar
- gel food colors pink, blue and purple
- Sprinkles optional

Instructions

Step 1 - Heat milk and 1 teaspoon of sugar in a small bowl (microwave safe) for 1 minute. The milk should be between 110 to 120°F. Do not heat the milk above 130°F. Add yeast and stir. Set aside for 10 minutes to allow the yeast to activate and get frothy.

Step 2 - In the bowl of a stand mixer, add flour, 1/2 cup of sugar and salt. Mix together.

Step 3 - Lightly beat 2 eggs, then add to the mixing bowl along with the frothy yeast.

Step 4 - Using a hook attachment, set on low speed and knead for 5 minutes. Keep an eye on the dough and pull it down from the hook as needed.

Step 5 - Add room temperature butter



1 tablespoon at a time while the dough is kneading on low. Once all the butter has been added, continue to knead on low for 10-15 minutes. You will need to pull down the dough from the hook as it bunches up.

Step 6 - The dough will feel sticky and stretchy, but it should not stick to your fingers. If it tears easily while pulling, knead a little longer.

Step 7 - Grease a large bowl. Place dough in the greased bowl, cover with damp towel or plastic wrap and allow it to rise in a warm place for 1-1 1/2 hours until it's doubled.

Step 8 - Dye white RAW eggs in Easter colors. Place 1 cup of warm water in a bowl with 2 tablespoons of white vinegar. Add a generous amount of gel food coloring and mix. Place white egg in the bowl for about 3 minutes until it reaches the desired color. Place on a paper towel and let it completely dry.

Step 9 - Punch down the dough, place on a lightly floured working surface and divide into 6 equal parts.

Step 10 - Take two pieces of dough and create two 1 inch ropes that are 14 inches long.

Step 11 - Pinch together one end and twist the two ropes together. Create a circle by pinching the two ends together. Place on a baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining dough.

Step 12 - Place a colored egg in the center of each loaf. Do not push the egg down, it will sink while it bakes.

Step 13 - Cover Easter Bread loaves with a kitchen towel and allow dough to rest for 30 minutes. Whisk 1 egg and 1 teaspoon of water together. Brush the dough with the egg wash being careful not to brush too close to the colored egg because it will bleed into the dough.

Step 14 - Sprinkle with nonpareils or any kind of sprinkles you want.

Step 15 - Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes until it's a nice golden brown. Immediately place on a wire rack to cool.

Notes

This recipe makes three 7 inch Easter Bread Loaves.

The dough will be stretchy and sticky to the touch, but it won't stick to your hands. Keep kneading the dough if it is breaks while stretching or if it's too sticky.

It is important to add the butter 1 tablespoon at a time to help it incorporate into the dough. It has a tendency to collect at the bottom of the mixing bowl so just let it incorporate slowly.

Because of the eggs, store in the refrigerator in an air tight container.

If it gets a little stale after a day or two, slice it up and make into a delicious French Toast.

Ask the money lady

Dear Money Lady,

Are we going into a recession now that US President Trump is planning to enforce all his tariffs and make us become part of the US. Jim

Dear Jim - well, isn't that a loaded question.

If we are not in a recession now, we are definitely in an economic downturn. I do not believe we will be swallowed up by the United States, however this media stir has done a good job in bringing us all together. Some of the things that are now on the table for change (such as military spending, provincial trade restrictions and the future of our oil, gas and precious metals) all needed to be better managed. Change rarely comes about on its own. It needs a little pain to be enforced before people actually make a plan to change things. Just like we all should do with our own financial plans for the future, right?

How are your finances right now?

Are you saving, just getting by, or racked in debt?

Do you like your job, hate your job, or wishing you could pack it in for good?

Many of us can see the changes we all need to make as a united country. We can also see the changes for others around us and we are more than happy to dish out the advice. But when it comes to ourselves, we let our fears hold us back, never really taking the advice that we give out so freely. We all suffer with this at some stage of our lives - we love to preach it, but we sometimes have difficulty practicing what we preach.

By the time you reach your mid-fifties you have probably suffered greatly with either personal, financial or career challenges. Have you ever noticed how we can see the problems, or more importantly the solutions for others, due to our own life experiences; but often cannot recognize it for ourselves? Perhaps it is our own personal or perceived insecurities about how to address difficult decisions that many Canadians today are selling themselves short, especially when it comes to saving for retirement.

Yes, I know that life is expensive and there are a lot of demands on your wallet, especially now. However, to become debt-free and



Christine Ibbotson

wealthy the solution is very simple: set a goal, make a plan, work your plan, reassess your outcome and have the courage to make the necessary changes to achieve your goal. Consistent determination is the only way people have improved their lives and become financially successful. It really doesn't matter what is going on in the world around you and using that as a reason to be overwhelmed or to not try to overcome your own hardships; well, that's like giving up before you've even got started.

Remember - money is emotional. To save for retirement you can either make all the excuses of why not to, or you can find a way to make life changes and sacrifices to ensure your independence and security as you age. Your true success is not measured by the material things that you have purchased but instead should be defined by what you have overcome in your life. It is about how many times you got back up after you've been knocked down and never stopped trying to succeed to accomplish the things that other people said you could never do. We all must take back our inner power and control. Refuse to settle for less and make sure you secure your financial future the way you want it.

Good Luck and Best Wishes,
Money Lady

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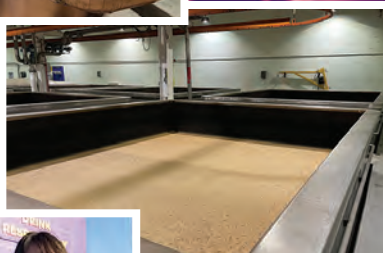
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Crown Royal Celebrates Canadian Roots

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Crown Royal's iconic purple rig rolled through Manitoba from March 25 to 27 as part of a three-day tour celebrating the whisky brand's Canadian heritage and long-standing connection to Gimli. The 18-wheeler, styled like a whisky barrel, made stops in Winnipeg and Gimli, offering visitors complimentary cocktails, music, giveaways and opportunities to support Harvest Manitoba. The tour launched with a Winnipeg Jets tailgate viewing party at True North Square, followed by a visit to the Crown Royal distillery in Gimli, which has produced the whisky since 1968. It wrapped up with a pre-concert tailgate for country artist Kane Brown, an official Crown Royal partner. The Gimli facility employs about 80 workers and crafts over two million barrels of whisky each year.



Intergenerational gesture honours family's Ukrainian roots

By Jennifer McFee

A duo of dancing sisters honoured their family's Ukrainian heritage while also paying tribute to the memory of their much-loved Baba.

Alexa and Ella Loehmer have been Ukrainian dancing since they were three years old. Now Alexa is 14 and Ella is 16, and they dance with Junior Rusalka and Tsvit dance ensembles in Winnipeg.

They recently competed in the 12th Annual Manitoba Ukrainian Dance Festival in Winnipeg, which is organized by Troyanda Ukrainian Dance Ensemble. More than 300 dancers from Manitoba and Saskatchewan participated.

In years past, their mom, Darci, danced with the Teulon Veselka dancers and Orlan in Winnipeg. She enjoyed ample opportunities to travel, including to Ukraine with her sister Dana in 1992, right after Ukraine's independence.

"The girls' Gigi (grandfather) is of Ukrainian decent and our culture has always been important to us," Darci said. "My grandparents immigrated to Canada, settling like many other families in the Polson area, raising a family of 23 children."

In 1988, Darci and Dana's mom, Diane Dziedzic, took them to a Ukrainian dance camp in Edmonton. While there, Diane learned how to sew the traditional Hutzel vest worn during the dance of the same name.

"Ukraine is the largest country in Europe with 24 regions. The Hutzel region is in the Carpathia mountains, so the clothing is layered, and footwork has high jumps," Darci explained.



Ella Loehmer, left, and Alexa Loehmer, both dance with the Jr Rusalka.

plained.

"It took my mom a year to complete all the handwork. Unfortunately, Dana and I never had the opportunity to perform in it."

However, the beautiful vest has now graced the stage with the family's next generation of dancers.

"My mom passed away three years ago. Alexa asked to perform in the vest this year. It was a powerful performance; she was 12 years old when she lost her Baba and the war in Ukraine began," Darci said.

"She danced to celebrate both her Baba's memory and to celebrate our culture and those that are fighting for Ukrainian's continued independence."



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Darci Loehmer, left, Alexa, middle, and Dana Stewart, show off the traditional Hutzel vest sewn by Diane Dziedzic.

To top off the meaningful moment, Alexa took home a gold medal for efforts.

"It is hard to describe how emotional it was to watch this performance," said Darci with pride for her dancing daughters.

"It wasn't about the score but what

dance represents — that the people of Ukraine are supported by Canadians and not forgotten."

At the same time, the memory of the girls' Baba shines on through the family's shared heritage and their treasured Hutzel vest.

Federal Carbon Charge on natural gas customers ends after March

Submitted by Manitoba Hydro

Manitoba Hydro natural gas customers will soon see a significant change on their bills.

There will be no Federal Carbon Charge on natural gas used by Manitoba Hydro customers on or after April 1.

The federal government announced

the change earlier this month. The Public Utilities Board later authorized removing the charge from Manitoba Hydro customers' gas use.

The Federal Carbon Charge was levied by the federal government starting in 2019 and increased in increments. The amounts were set by the federal government and collected

on its behalf by Manitoba Hydro. In 2024, a typical Manitoba household paid about \$338 in Federal Carbon Charge on natural gas for the year.

Federal Carbon Charges still apply to any gas customers use before April 1 and will show up during the next billing cycle.

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ers may receive our Energy Matters Newsletter that details the Federal Carbon Charge increase that was scheduled for April 1. This is outdated information and should be disregarded.

Manitoba Hydro has about 298,000 natural gas customers.

Camp Stepping Stones seeks volunteers and campers for 2025 session

By Annaliese Meier

Camp Stepping Stones will return in person from May 30 to June 1, 2025, and organizers are currently accepting applications for both campers and volunteers.

The camp is designed for children and youth aged seven to 17 who have recently experienced the loss of

a parent or someone close to them. It provides a supportive environment where participants can connect with peers who are also grieving.

"Volunteers are welcome to come for the weekend or for a few hours," said Barb Ramsay, palliative care volunteer co-ordinator. "We are looking

for volunteers to come to camp to help the campers with craft activities on Saturday and Sunday morning."

There are a variety of volunteer roles available, including cabin leaders and activity support. Those interested are asked to fill out an application form.

Camper applications are also being

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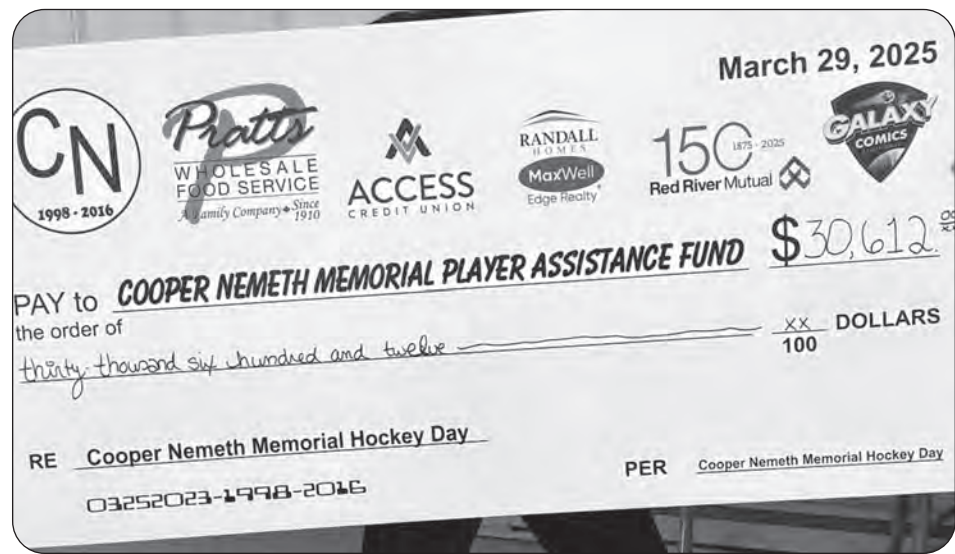
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Memorial hockey event raises thousands for youth sport



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Rachelle Schott, Scout the police dog, and Tracy Schmidt take part in a ceremonial puck drop during the sixth annual Cooper Nemeth Memorial Hockey Day at Gateway Recreation Centre on March 29. The event, which raised \$30,612 for the Cooper Nemeth Memorial Player Assistance Fund, featured four hockey games, a 50/50 draw, silent auctions, mini stick rinks, face painting and a visit from Winnipeg Jets mascot Mick E. Moose. The fund helps families cover the costs of putting their children through AA Hockey Winnipeg and honours Cooper Nemeth, a former River East Marauders player who was murdered in 2016 at age 17.

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Predators edge Eastman in OT thriller to clinch third straight U18 AA title

By Lana Meier

The Northeast Predators capped off a dominant season with a dramatic 3-2 overtime win over the Eastman Sharks in Game 5 of the Hockey Winnipeg U18 AA girls hockey final, claiming their third consecutive championship.

The Lord Selkirk Minor Hockey Association/REMHA squad finished first overall in the regular season with a 23-4 record, earning 47 points over 28 games — the third year in a row they've topped the standings.

The playoffs, held at Selkirk Recreation Complex, followed a round-robin format. The Predators went undefeated to secure the No. 1 seed, then swept the Stonewall Blues in the semifinal with decisive 4-0 and 6-1 victories.

The championship series against Eastman lived up to its billing, going the full five games for a third straight year.

The Predators took the opener 4-2 before Eastman responded with a 1-0 overtime win in Game 2. Northeast bounced back with a 4-0 shutout in Game 3, highlighted by a Michigan-style goal from Ella Honkonen Makkonen that brought the crowd to its feet. The Sharks forced a winner-take-all finale with a tight 2-1 win in Game 4.

In the decisive fifth game, the Predators prevailed 3-2 in overtime to seal the 2024-25 title. The game-winner was a highlight-reel passing play: Airiana Kordalchuk set up Honkonen Makkonen, who fed Kate Rabichuk for the finish.

All series long, goaltending was outstanding on both sides. The netminders stood on their heads, keeping the scores close and the tension high.

Many players on the championship squad hail



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The Northeast Predators won the Hockey Winnipeg U18 AA Female banner last week. Pictured left to right, top row, Hailey Page, Allison Penner, Danika Van Leeuwen; middle row, Bowen Barret, Carly Chartrand, Greg Van Leeuwen, Elara Nazimek, Ella Honkonen-Makkonen, Mikayla Clarkson, Kate Rabichuk, Isabel Ostermann, Serena Reeb, Adalia Boge, Rob Rabichuk, Jayme Edmonds; bottom row, Sara Holmstrom, Kyra Skrabek, Cadence Mcauley, Madigan Czarnecki, Halle Hodkinson, Airiana Kordalchuk and Ashley Posthumus.

from Selkirk and River East, and several also suited up for the Selkirk Royals high school team, which reached the Winnipeg Women's High School Hockey League final this season.

Among them were Mikayla Clarkson, Serena Reeb, Jayme Edmonds, Elara Nazimek, Airiana Kordalchuk and Madigan Czarnecki.

The U18 AA teams are part of Hockey Winnipeg and include the Northeast Predators, Eastman Sharks, Stonewall Blues, Rangers and Titans.

With three straight titles and three straight five-game finals, the Predators have firmly established themselves as a dynasty in Manitoba girls hockey.

Girls hockey is alive and well in Selkirk.

Selkirk judoka compete in province's largest tournament of the season



RECORD PHOTOS BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Members of the Selkirk Judo Club took part in the Balmoral Judo Club's largest tournament to date at Stonewall Collegiate on March 29. The event drew 144 athletes of all ages from Manitoba and northwestern Ontario, showcasing skill, sportsmanship and the spirit of judo. Left photo: Jake Friesen-Joss, left, defeats teammate Beauregard Jansen in a U12 male category match; Right photo: Braxton Lightfoot, left, and Darren Drabiuk grapple for submission in the U12 category.

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11. Gratitude
14. Domestic sheep
15. Simpler
18. Cavities containing liquid
19. Large fish-eating bird
21. Ocular protection index
23. Phil __, former CIA
24. Icelandic poems
28. Pop
29. Device
30. Actor Rudd
32. A pituitary hormone
33. Focus on an object
35. Corpuscle count (abbr.)
36. Young women's association
39. Not shallow
41. Doctor
42. Furniture
44. Hindu male religious teacher
46. Highly spiced stew
47. A way to communicate
49. Almost last
52. Astronomer Carl
56. Small horses
58. A slender tower with balconies
60. A disrespectful quality
62. Fully shaded inner regions
63. Short convulsive intake of breath

CLUES DOWN

1. Popular Sunday dinner option
2. Oil cartel
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8. Consumed
9. Chinese dynasty
10. NFL great Randy
12. Within
13. Palm trees
16. Fungal disease
17. Tall, slender-leaved plants
20. Affirmative! (slang)
22. A passport is one
25. Two outs in baseball (abbr.)
26. Swiss river
27. Deferential
29. Where a bachelor lives
31. Portable computer screen material
34. A crying noise of a bird

36. Sticky, amorphous substance
37. Starchy dish of dried tubers
38. Type of acid
40. Partner to "Ma"
43. 16 ounces
45. The Bay State
48. A well-defined track or path
50. Substitution
51. Defined period
53. Group of toughs
54. Region
55. Famed Scottish Loch
57. Blood relation
58. Not around
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PERSONAL

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. CLEMENTS

PRE-BUDGET CONSULTATION

OPEN HOUSE *St. Clements*
The place to be

The Council of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements has scheduled a Pre-Budget Consultation Open House at the Municipal Office Council Chambers to allow informal conversation with members of Council and staff about the 2025 fiscal year and current projects.

Location: RM of St. Clements Municipal Office.
1043 Kittson Road, East Selkirk

Date: Monday, April 28, 2025

Time: 7:00 pm

Any person who has questions, needs clarification or requires further information, either prior to or following the open house, is encouraged to contact the:

Chief Administrative Officer
Deepak Joshi, by phone at 204-482-3300 or by email at cao@rmofstclements.com

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. CLEMENTS

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

REGARDING THE 2025 FINANCIAL PLAN *St. Clements*
The place to be

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Subsection 162(2) of *The Municipal Act*; that the Council of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements intends to present its Financial Plan for the fiscal year 2025 at a Public Hearing in the Council Chambers of the R.M. of St. Clements on **Tuesday May 6th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**

Council will hear any person who wishes to make a representation, ask questions, or register an objection to the Financial Plan as provided.

The public hearing will be live streamed with interactive chat. A link to the hearing will be made available on our website.

If you wish to do one of the above, please submit in writing prior to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 2nd, 2025. Your written submissions can either be emailed to info@rmofstclements.com, dropped off at our office or mailed to our office if time permits.

Any person who has questions, needs clarification or requires further information, either prior to or following the hearing, is encouraged to contact Shannon Plischke, Finance Officer at 204-482-3300.

Copies of the 2025 Financial Plan will be available for review after April 25, 2025 at the Municipal Office located at 1043 Kittson Road, East Selkirk or on our website at www.rmofstclements.com

Dated this 1st day of April, 2025
Deepak Joshi
Chief Administrative Officer

Alexander MUNICIPALITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Seasonal Position - Public Works

The Rural Municipality of Alexander Public Works Department is accepting applications for a:

Seasonal part-time mower operator

This is a unionized position. Applicant must have the following:

- Valid Class 5 License
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- Strong work ethic and the ability to work alone
- Willing to work overtime hours and capable of heavy manual labour
- Perform other duties as assigned

Please submit a letter of application and resume to:
Public Works Manager
R.M. of Alexander
1 Bouvier Trail
PO Box 100, St. Georges MB R0E 1V0
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We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only those considered for an interview will be contacted.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MELVIN JOHNSON SIPLEY, late of the Town of Selkirk, in the Province of Manitoba, deceased. All claims against the above estate, duly verified by statutory declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at Box 1150, Beausejour, Manitoba, R0E 0C0, on or before May 19, 2025. DATED at Beausejour, Manitoba, this 1st day of April, 2025 MIDDLETON & MIDDLETON ATTENTION: RICHARD J. MIDDLETON SOLICITOR FOR THE EXECUTOR

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RM OF WEST ST. PAUL PUBLIC NOTICE

REGARDING THE 2025 FINANCIAL PLAN

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to subsection 162(2) of *The Municipal Act* that the Council of the RM of West St. Paul intends to present its financial plan for the fiscal year 2025 at a public hearing at the Municipal Office, 3550 Main Street in the RM of West St. Paul on **Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 6:00pm.**

Persons wishing to view the Municipality's financial plan may view the documents during the regular office hours of the municipal office at 3550 Main Street, West St. Paul, Manitoba or on the municipal website at www.weststpaul.com

Dated this 10th day of April, 2025.

Crystal Shuhyta, CPA, CGA, B.Comm(Hons)
Director of Finance
RM of West St. Paul



RM OF WEST ST. PAUL PUBLIC NOTICE

Additions to the Voters List and/or Personal Security Protection Requests

In accordance with Section 36 of *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act* (MCSBEA), the RM of West St. Paul Voters List is open for changes or revisions.

- Any person who is eligible to vote in municipal elections in the Local Authority of the RM of West St. Paul can have his or her name added to the Voters List or have any information about the voter on the Voters List corrected.
- Any person can request to have his or her name and address obscured from the Voters List.

A person whose name has been obscured will receive a Personal Security Certificate and identification number. In a civic election, that person may only vote by Sealed Envelope Ballot and cannot vote in person at the regular or advance voting places.

To implement the above, a written request must be submitted to the Municipal Office, in person, by email, fax or mail to:

RM of West St. Paul
3550 Main Street
West St. Paul, MB R4A 5A3
Phone: 204-338-0306
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E-mail: info@weststpaul.com

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SELKIRK WEED CONTROL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the Selkirk Weed Control District, which includes the City of Selkirk, Town of Winnipeg Beach, R.M. of St. Andrews, and R.M. of St. Clements, intends to conduct the following pesticide control programs during 2025 as necessary, subject to provincial and federal pesticide and weed control laws.

1. To control noxious weeds and unwanted vegetation where necessary on municipal/town/city/crown property including parking lots, landfills, public works yards, ROWs, ditches, boulevards, parks, trails, cemeteries, and other public property using one or more of the following: 2,4-D Amine, glyphosate, Finalsan Pro, Mungers, Milestone, Navius Flex, Trillion, Civitas WEEDfree, Clearview, Detail, Esplanade, Garlon and/or Aspect.
2. To control aquatic vegetation/algae in and around retention ponds, drains, and lagoons using Reward or Habitat Aqua.

The following adjuvants may be added to improve pesticide effectiveness: Gateway, Hasten, ammonium sulphate, or LI700.

The projected dates of application will be from May 12 to October 15, 2025. Requests for property buffers must be registered annually. The public may send written submissions within 15 days of this publication of this notice to:

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Winnipeg MB R3Y 0L6



Pesticide Application Program PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Grand Pines Golf Course

intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Program during 2025 from May 20th to November 1st.

1. To control weeds, the Herbicides used will include:
Round-Up and Trillium.
2. To control diseases of turf, Fungicides will include:
Disarm, Segway, Instrata, Dedicate, Secure, Signature, Pendant and Affirm.
3. To control insects and pests, This will include:
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SELKIRK TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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Annual General Meeting

April 22nd, 2025

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REZONING AMENDMENT APPLICATION

Rural Municipality of West St. Paul

Under authority of The Planning Act, the municipal Council will hold a public hearing at the time and location listed below to hear from those who wish to speak in support or objection, or to ask questions. For more info on how to register for the public hearing please contact the municipality at 204 338-0306.

**Thursday
April 24th, 2025
6:00pm**

**Council Chambers
3550 Main Street
RM of West St. Paul, MB**

Note: property owners are responsible for notifying "tenants"

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Application File: ZBA 2025-03 "P"
Applicant: RM of West St. Paul
Property Location: N/A

Application Purpose:

The municipality is proposing to make changes to their Zoning By-law by undertaking a variety of amendments. The proposed amendments include the topics of:

- Building projections;
- Including new zones;
- Bulk regulations; and
- Public hearing requirements

The proposed amendments do not involve rezoning any property.

A copy of the above-noted proposal and supporting material is available on the Red River Planning District website at <https://www.redriverplanning.com/hearings.php> or by contacting the Red River Planning District in person during normal business hours Monday to Friday at 2978 Birds Hill Road, East St. Paul, by phone at 204 669-8880, or by email at info@rrpd.ca



ANNOUNCEMENT

IN MEMORIAM



**In Loving Memory
of Tosh Clarke Plouffe
January 14, 1995 - April 9, 2022**

Three years have come and gone,
The seasons change every year,
But April 9th remains the same.
That is the day God gave you your angel wings.

Tosh, we know you are watching over us in heaven.

-Missed and loved by
the Plouffe and Clarke families
and Bosco

ANNOUNCEMENT

IN MEMORIAM



**Patricia Smolinski
April 16, 2020**

As times goes by without you,
And days turn into years;
They hold a thousand memories,
And a thousand silent tears.
To us you were so special,
What more is there to say;
Except to wish with all our hearts,
That you were here today.

-Love and miss you always,
your family Jen, James, Kas and Adam

ANNOUNCEMENT

IN MEMORIAM

**Jeff Nazimek
September 23, 1975 - April 6, 2013**
Jeff, the years have passed but the memories of our friendship will forever remain. It seems like yesterday we joked and we laughed, miss ya Naz

-Darren and Cheryl

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ANNOUNCEMENT

IN MEMORIAM



**In loving memory of
Christina Bowman**

December 7, 1931 - April 11, 2024

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Please pick a bunch for me;
Place them in my mother's arms,
And tell her they're from me.
Tell her I love and miss her,
And when she turns to smile;
Place a kiss upon her cheek,
And hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
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OBITUARY



Stanley Russell
October 4, 1932 - April 3, 2025

It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of Stanley Russell, aged 92 of Belair, Manitoba. Quietly in the early morning hours of April 3, after a lengthy battle with cancer he passed away at home with his son Steve by his side.

Born in Northern Ireland, he came to Canada with his wife and two sons in 1965. Ending up in Belair, Manitoba from 1987.

Stanley was predeceased by his parents Robert and Margaret, and his loving wife Jane who passed away in July of 2011. They were married on April 4, 1953.

He is survived by his brother Rodney, sons Stephen and Christopher (Connie), grandchildren Tarra (Jon), and Ryan, plus many other nieces, nephews, and cousins in Ireland.

I wish to thank the doctors and nurses of Pine Falls, Selkirk, and Grace hospitals. Thank you also goes out to everyone at palliative care services.

A special thank you must go out to my dear friend Tracey Green, who helped me get through this sad time. I could not have done this alone.

You will be missed Dad.

Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY



Lawrence Melvin Loutit
October 22, 1942- April 2, 2025

With great sadness the family of Melvin (Bud) Loutit announces his passing at the St. Boniface Hospital. He was a lifelong resident of Lockport.

Melvin was predeceased by his son Glen, his wife Nancy, brother Carl, sister Evelyn and brother-in-law Rick.

He is survived by his sisters Lorraine and Karen, nephews Chris (Melissa), Scott (Shauna), Patrick and niece Kerry (Johan), great niece Paige, great nephews Mason, Arlo and Ronan. Lastly, his faithful dog and companion Mya.

Melvin also enjoyed many years of hunting with his two good friends Terry and David.

Funeral service will be held on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the Gilbart Funeral Chapel, Selkirk.

Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY



Stella Marie Robinson (nee Gaudet)
April 30, 1931 - April 1, 2025

It is with heavy hearts we sadly announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and aunt; after a short illness at St. Boniface Hospital.

Mom was predeceased by her dear husband and our father Robbie in August 2021, and her parents Joseph and Oselie Gaudet (nee Landry) and her five siblings Armand, Ernest, Mary, Leona and Laurie.

Mom is survived by daughters Patricia (Randy Papuschak) and Susan (Andreas Rodewald) and sons Thomas (Diane) and Paul. She was a very proud Grammy to her grandchildren Kathryn ((Matthew Kymanick) and Hayley Papuschuk (Jason Shumilak); Rebecca (Dennis Jordan), Tyler Robinson (Leshai) and Cody Robinson and great-grandchildren Jacob and Charlie

Kymanick, Xavier Shumilak, Ashley Morphy and Henry Westman. Also, much loved nieces and nephews in Canada and the United States.

Mom lived a long happy life and thoroughly enjoyed the company of her family and her many friends from Mapleton Lanes and Woodland Courts. She enjoyed watching her Winnipeg Jets, Toronto Blue Jays and was a huge fan of curling especially Brad Gushue! She also loved bingo, card games with family and her casino trips. Her independence meant so much to her...she was so fortunate to be able to drive herself around right up until her illness. We would like to thank Joanne from Mapleton for taking Mom on those little play dates at South Beach... She enjoyed those days so much!

Our family wishes to extend heartfelt thanks and gratefulness to the kind doctors, nurses and aides at Selkirk Hospital and St. Boniface Hospital...you are all truly angels on earth!

Funeral service will be held at Gilbart Funeral Home on Thursday, April 10th at 11:30 a.m. with lunch to follow.

Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY



Ron Sitka
June 7, 1940 - March 30, 2025

Peacefully on March 30th, 2025 at the age of 84 years young, Ron passed away at Selkirk Regional Health Centre after a brief illness surrounded by family.

He is survived by his loving wife Vi of 63 years, children Debbie (Burt) and Terry (Lydia), five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

He was born and raised in Selkirk and employed at Varta Batteries and Black Cat Blades. He loved country music, golfing, fishing, butterfly crafts, camping, garage sales and Rumoli. Although he faced many health challenges later in life, he never gave up. He eventually traded in his Red Rocket for his red scooter so he could scoot around town to find deals while garage saling, or to pick up a coffee at McDonald's.

A very special thanks to all who visited in hospital and sent their prayers. Also, the home care workers and all the medical professionals who assisted in his care.

A service will be held at Gilbart Funeral Chapel, Selkirk on Saturday, April 12, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. followed by a interment at the Holy Eucharist Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Kinsmen Club of Winnipeg.

Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY

Lawrence Moore

Lawrence Moore passed away peacefully on April 4, 2025 at the Arborg Hospital at the age of 94.

Lawrence was born and raised in Matlock on July 26, 1930. Everyone that knew him called him Dully, which was a nickname given to him by his grade 6 teacher. Dully was a self employed carpenter into his mid 70's and built many homes around the area. As a young boy he played hockey and later got into the game of curling and enjoyed very much. He also enjoyed his country music, especially the fiddle which both his older brothers played. Up until recent the highlight of his week was to go every Saturday to the city to watch his favourite country band. He had many friends both young and old, who will deeply miss him.

He was the best dad ever always there for you and will be dearly missed by his children, Jilldene, Colleen (Rob), Kyle (Mel) Tyrone (Shelly) and Tara; stepson Grant (Val) and many grand and great-grandchildren.

The family would like to thank Dr. Wilson, the Selkirk Hospital as well as the Arborg Hospital for their compassion and care.

Cremation has taken place and a private service will be held at a later date.

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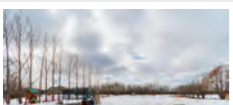
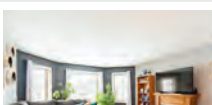
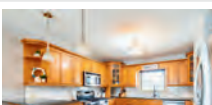

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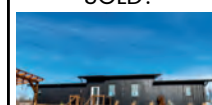
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