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## **Congratulations Teagan Purvis!**





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Local Swimmer Teagan Purvis, of Special Olympics Manitoba and Team Manitoba fame, won three gold medals at the 2025 Canada Summer Games in St. John's, Newfoundland. Her wins were in the 100 backstroke, 50m backstroke, and the 50m freestyle. She also set a new Canada Games record in the 50m freestyle race. This meant that there was a lot to recognize at the Aug. 25 celebration of her and fellow athlete Ben Purvis's accomplishments at the Selkirk waterfront.



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# Grey Cup to make a stop at the Selkirk Canoe & Kayak Club

By Katelyn Boulanger

The Selkirk Canoe & Kayak Club(SCKC) will be hosting an official Grey Cup appearance with the RCMP Honour Guard and Keeper of the Grey Cup on Sept. 20.

The event is taking place thanks to a unique local connection that an area resident has to the Grey Cup.

"Bonny's husband is the silversmith for the Grey Cup. And, of course, we've had some instances where we had to do some serious repairs, and we've also had to do some touchups. So, I mean, it's been a relationship that has gone on for a number of years, and, of course, it's gotten personal. Then we found out what Bonny and Robert are doing (with the SCKC), and it incited a large flame in all of us here at the Canadian Football Hall of Fame. We said, 'How can we help support this program that needs some funding'," said Jeff McWhinney, Keeper of the Grey Cup.

The SCKC is an organization that not only supports local paddlers of all sorts but also makes getting out on the water more accessible in our community.

"One thing very dear to our club is that we do have affordable paddling opportunities of all types of crafts, whether it's kayaking, canoeing, dragon boating, or paddle boarding available for people of all backgrounds and all abilities. So that's sort of been what we've been doing for the last few years, really heavy duty focused on that area," said Bonny Wynnobel, Director on the SCKC board.

In order to be able to fund these opportunities for all, which include summer camps for kids, an accessible dock, as well as four accessible kayaks, they used to have a very competitive team out of the club. There were some funding cuts that slowed down that opportunity but the SCKC are ready to fundraise to get back to that competitive level so that they can continue to offer programming for all in our community.

One of the major things that they are hoping to bring to Selkirk is to get top-notch coaching in place.

McWhinney said that the philosophy of coaching at the SCKC and the lessons that he learned from his father, Glenn McWhinney, who was



RECORD FILE PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

The Selkirk Canoe & Kayak Club is going to be hosting the Grey Cup on Sept. 20.

a Blue Bomber, are the same because coaching in all sports and at all levels is very important.

"When you have a great coach, you teach the right ways to do certain progressions, whether it's blocking, passing, running and tackling, we want to make sure it's injury free. Of course, we want to make sure we have the right coaches for the kayaking and canoeing program, because you could do certain things that could actually hurt yourself, and that's (true) with any sport. We need the right coaching, we need the right directive, so we become better, and so we meet that obligation of making this a better place. And as my dad said, 'We all belong, every one of us'," said McWhinney. But to get all of this coaching going,

But to get all of this coaching going, they need to fundraise, and so they hope that people will come out to see the Grey Cup. Photos with the Cup are going to be \$10, and tickets for a draw to get a 90-minute visit with the

Grey Cup in your home are going for \$2

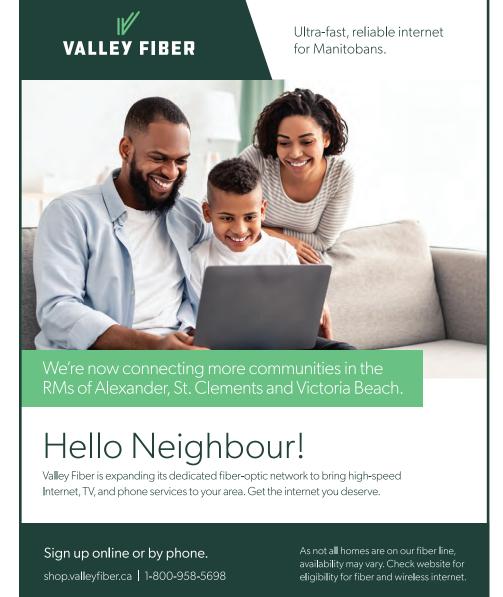
The event itself is going to not just be a fun time but also a chance for newcomers to check out the SCKC.

"It's going to be at our club, because that's one thing we want to do, we want to bring people to the club so they can see where we actually are located in Selkirk Park, because we find people (don't know where we are). So, we're highlighting the location. We're going to start off at nine o'clock, (and) the event is from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. We have to stay within that window, because that's when the cup is available and we're going to have some fundraising." said Wynnobel

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The SCKC is in a beautiful, but slightly hidden away part of the Selkirk Park that more people ought to know about, even if they aren't pad-

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# Youth for Christ Program now fundraising after a fire

### Program that helps youth have a safe place needs a little help from the community

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

Last year, a destructive electrical fire resulted in severe damage to the Youth for Christ building in Selkirk. Now, after the damage has been tallied, it is going to require some community fundraising to get the organization back into its own building, but they are ready to take on the challenge.

"Youth for Christ is an interdenominational ministry, and we work with the community and local churches to meet kids' needs," said Teresa Galashan, program director for Youth for Christ Selkirk.

Youth for Christ Selkirk is a is a satellite location of YFC Winnipeg and have helped out our community for the past few decades through a variety of programs that help youths in our community. For example, to combat food insecurity, they've teamed up with Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen to offer a free lunch program to junior high students. They also have a drop-in for grades 7 to 12 students, and they're helping grades 4 to 6 students with their after-school program.

"What we offer is free programming to Selkirk and area youth who might typically not be able to access extracurricular activities, and it's really a warm, welcoming spot that the community youth know they can come (to). A lot of the feedback that we get from youth is that it's a safe, inviting space that they can call their own. And so, whether we offer official programs or, years ago, we used to do canoe trips and field trips and outings. It's all intended to make sure that it's accessible and free and available for youth," said Ryan Galashan, former program director for Youth for Christ Selkirk.

All of that programming for our community's youth was thrown into a bit of chaos when an electrical fire started in their building last fall.

"On September 15, (2024), an electrical fire started in our building on a Sunday afternoon, and we just, we got a call and came in. The building was just engulfed in smoke, and we were told that, basically, we couldn't use the building anymore because of the damage," said Teresa.

Ryan said that watching the fire department do their best to put out the fire was devastating.

"We had just finished upgrading the kitchen and (we're) just always taking steps to make that space inside fresh, and (there were) new murals painted by a very talented young lady. Just watching this all unfold. That was devastating, because this was our space to offer the kids, their space really, and it was terrible to watch that,"

Teresa said that they posted on social media about what had happened letting people know that they were going to have to come up with a new plan to continue programming, and they received the help they needed to keep going quickly.

"The Friendship Center contacted me immediately and said that we could use their drop-in space that they weren't currently using," she said.

They said goodbye to their old space by having a campfire outside the previous location as a final drop-in event and then accepted the Selkirk Friendship Centre's generous offer, meaning that there was no pause in programming for our local youths.

"The biggest blessing is we've been able to continue to offer our programs to kids through this last year, and we haven't had to stop. So that's really wonderful. And we do miss having our own space, but we're thankful that we're still able to connect with kids despite that," said Teresa.

The weekly after-school programming for the grade 4-6 kids and the evening drop in program for the

grade 7 to 12 kids have continued, but the lunch program has been a bit difficult to continue in the way it was going before. Previously they picked up the food from the soup kitchen and brought it to their building, but now they are going to the Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen to be with the kids.

"It's still wonderful getting to connect with them, but it just looks different, and we're looking forward to beginning to host (lunches again) in particular and giving kids a space that is their own," said Teresa.

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Youth for Christ in Selkirk is rebuilding after a fire last year made their building unusable.



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To do that, they have had to make plans to demolish their building and rebuild, which are well on their way.

"We've had blueprints made. We've got the permits and variances from the City. We have arranged for somebody to do the demolition, and the

main thing that we're waiting on is (fundraising). The total project, including all contents, and landscaping, and everything, we need to raise \$1.8 million," said Teresa.

They luckily have already gotten a start on that with grant applications that they hope to hear back from, but they still have a long way to go before they hit their goal, and so, they are hoping that the community can help get them on their way.

Right now, they are planning some fundraisers, but the easiest way people can help them achieve their goal is to donate online at https://yfc.ca/selkirk/building-forthe-future/.

You can also keep up with their social media at https://www.instagram.com/yfcselkirk/ or https:// www.facebook.com/YFCSelkirk/ to find out about any future fundraising that the organization will be doing.

The Galashans feel that it's very important that they are able to continue to provide this space to kids in Selkirk.

"When a community provides helpful care and a sense of community and belonging, then teenagers thrive. What we've seen is that teenagers are resilient, but the existence of a drop-

> in, like the Youth for Christ drop-in Center, has made such an impact on their trajectory for life and their families. We've just seen that over and over and over again that a building like this is not just a building, it's a place where they know they're going to come and encounter adults who care about them, and lis-

ten to them, who see them. It extends beyond the relationships that happen right in the building; it's forging this sense of community through all of Selkirk," said Ryan.

If a financial donation isn't something that you are able to do, they are also asking people to tell their friends what's happening.

"What really could help is just people spreading the word on social media because everybody knows somebody. (We hope to) just be able to broaden

our network a little bit with resources and ideas of how to raise the funds," said Teresa.





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An electrical fire did a lot of damage to the Youth for Christ building but programming has continued thanks to help from the Selkirk Friendship Centre. Fundraising is underway to replace the damaged building.







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# Paws for a Cause Walk unleashed some fundraising





















The organizers, sponsors and participants in the Paws for a Cause Walk showed how much they care about cancer patients and their families in our community, as it was a jampacked walk this year. Many people and their furry pals took on the walk and helped to fundraise for the Never Alone Cancer Foundation, which helps cover the unexpected costs that come up when people are fighting cancer. If you would like to participate in another event that supports this cause, check out their Hope For the Holidays Social in Winnipeg on Sept. 27. Learn more at https://nacf.ca/event/hope-forthe-holidays-social/?event\_date=2025-09-27.



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# **Newcomers invited to bring their stories to Holiday Alley**

**Submitted by Holiday Alley** 

If you've moved to the region from another country, Holiday Alley wants to hear from you. In fact, the festival is inviting you to share the story of your journey with the community during the Newcomers' Storytelling Café at Holiday Alley in November.

"Newcomers, whether they arrived last year or 10 years ago, often have something in common," says Jamaican-born Patlee Creary, who came to Canada in 2010. Creary is the Co-Founder and Executive Director of The StoryBridge Network, a nonprofit dedicated to helping newcomers, seniors, and youth find inclusion and belonging through storytelling.

"The newcomer's journey was likely long and winding, challenging and rewarding all at the same time. And when we share it, we learn we all have something in common. That bonds us and creates a community."

Creary led two new immigrant storytelling events in Winnipeg in 2022 and 2024 and brought a portion of those events to Holiday Alley last year as a pilot project. The new Winnipeggers' stories were so well received that Holiday Alley has invited Creary to return to support new residents, now living in Selkirk, St. Andrews and St. Clements, to share their journey.

"We are looking for 8 to 10 individuals, ages 15 or older, who can come to three or four meetings and plan the story event together. We'll practice sharing our story and writing it so that we can present to a gathering at



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Citizens who are newcomers to Manitoba share stories and laughs at the Newcomers' Storytelling Café at Holiday Alley 2024.

Holiday Alley on Saturday morning, Nov. 22," Creary said.

Co-founder of Holiday Alley Shirley Muir said the turnout at the pilot Newcomers Storytelling Café last year drew a bigger crowd than she expected.

"We set up tables for 15 people and as more and more people kept arriving, we had to keep setting up more tables and chairs in the church hall," says Muir, whose company, The PRHouse, is co-funding the event along with a grant from the Manitoba Arts Council.

"For this to be an even bigger success, we need everyone's help. So, if you're a teacher in a school, a preacher

in a church or a leader in a workplace, you likely know a newcomer who has a great story to tell. Please encourage the newcomer in your world to contact us," said Muir.

"And if you are a good corporate citizen who is also excited about the growth in our region, please join The PRHouse in helping to fund this event," she added.

To join, contact Patlee Creary at info@thestorybridge.ca / 431-305-

See the Newcomers' Storytelling Café 2024 video at: https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=ziPeMFVaxDE&t=36s.

# Selkirk RCMP respond to fatal motorcycle crash

By Haley Cvar

A 19-year-old Winnipeg man has died following a motorcycle collision in the RM of St. Clements.

On Sept. 5 at 7:16 a.m., Selkirk RCMP

were called to Henderson Highway just north of Clarke Road after the driver lost control and went into the west ditch. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

A forensic collision reconstructionist and Selkirk RCMP continue to investigate.

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## **Expressions of Creativity on until the end of the month at the Gwen Fox Gallery**

Korey Asher, Judi Braid, Anita Schewe Drabyk, and Lian Zhou Jing Drabyk team up for a fun show to start off the fall season

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

The Gwen Fox Gallery always has amazing displays from local artists, but this month is one that no one is going to want to miss as Korey Asher, Judi Braid, Anita Schewe Drabyk and Lian Zhou Jing Drabyk each are exhibiting at the gallery for the first time.

They've named their exhibit Expressions of Creativity, and with sculpture, photography, painting, ink and more at the gallery this month there is plen-

If you are planning to check out the show, the Gwen Fox Gallery is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. and late on Thursdays until 8 p.m. Admission is free.

#### **Korey Asher**

Asher has recently moved to Selkirk and is also a recent addition to the Gwen Fox Gallery. His art is very bold and inspired by his graphic design background, as he has a Master's in Education and is currently teaching graphic design and animation.

"I would like to say (my art is) imaginative. I like to say something about society or an idea or myself. If I was to describe this style, it's a variety of line widths in ink. I achieve those by using brush or different millimetre pens. I like doing the washes with different kinds of ink," he said.

Though he is teaching now, Asher also spent years working as a graphic designer, and you can see that practice in his colourful pieces, which you find more depth in the more you look at.

He explained that his inspiration comes from really wanting to create a particular piece.

"If I feel strongly about something, if I have an emotional response to an idea or a picture, I have to put it down. I have to explore it," he said.

Asher's artistic journey began when he was very

"My older brother had a picture put up at the school, and I wasn't school age yet, so I remember going there at the age of four and seeing it up in the office wall. I said, 'I want to be like my older brother.' I think that's what I always strive for, to try to be as good as him at drawing. But then after that, I got into his comic book collection, and I started seeing other artists," he said.

After moving to Selkirk about a year ago, he decided to become a member of the Gwen Fox Gallery because he wanted to be part of a community.

He explained that he's benefitted from meeting new friends, seeing new artwork, and that he hopes to get better at his own skills.

"So far, I've talked to a couple of people, and they've given me tips on watercolours. I'm like, I've got to try that next time," said Asher.

As a teacher, his advice to people starting their artistic journey is not to be too hard on themselves.

"I view it as a skill. I hate when people say, 'Oh, you're so talented,' because it's a skill like anything else, and as long as you practice it, it will get better. You have to commit. You have to want to commit. It's like if you look at your signature when you're in grade two and how you printed it, to how you sign it just wonderfully and flowing for the bank draft nowadays. That's from years of practice as something that you just do because you have to. So, if you really love art, you just have to. You have to do it every day," said Asher.

He also encourages residents to check out the show this month.

Asher also wanted to thank his school art teacher, Gail Nep, who helped him on his way.

"She always saw me in the hallways of the school, just sitting by the locker. She's the one that opened up the room at lunch to help me, to ask me to come in and said, 'If you want to.' I always liked her for that. She also suggests that I go to take Red River's graphic design (program), and it's through her belief in my skills that I went to Red River," he said.

#### Judi Braid

Braid is a sculptor who makes flowing creations with Paverpol which is a medium that allows her to use upcycled materials in her art.

"It's 3D garden art made out of recycled materials. Anybody can do it. I do teach classes in it. So, if they're interested at all, I would encourage them to take a class. And it's a very healing art," said Braid.

She explained that she started doing Paverpol art after seeing a piece in a friend's garden.

"I did think about it for a few years after (I) came across it. When I retired, I thought I would give it a try. I fell in love with the medium, and it got me through a difficult period of time in my life. So that's why I call it the healing art," she said.

The inspiration for her art comes from what comes

"My inspiration is just random photos or things I see outside or just ideas that come to my head,"



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Korey Asher.



Judi Braid.

said Braid.

She explained that her art journey didn't really have a start, as she's always been an artist.

"I guess life took over, and I didn't have the time to really do a lot of the art. And then when COVID hitting is when I really needed something to do, as a lot of us probably did. So, I turned to my creative side, and as I said, it got me through a difficult time as well as through COVID. And I just love it. So, I wanted to share it with other people, so I decided to become certified to teach out of my home studio that I have in Stony Mountain," she said.

Her classes include a beginner class that anyone interested must take before taking her other classes, so that they have the background needed to try more advanced techniques. From there, she offers

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# Coin club prepares for fall show

The Manitoba Coin Club is set to host its Fall Coin, Stamp and Collectibles Show later this month, giving the public a chance to learn more about numismatics and connect with collectors.

The event takes place Sept. 27 and 28 at Access Credit Union in Stonewall. Organizer Larry Dalman said this year's show will feature more dealers, along with opportunities for attendees to learn about collecting, protecting investments and keeping up with trends.

The Royal Canadian Mint will attend both days from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., offering three new coin varieties — two toonies and one loonie. Each individual will be limited to purchasing five coins of each type.

Dalman said the club has grown considerably since COVID-19, thanks in part to its involvement in Mint exchanges and continued support from local media.

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make herons, some of which you can see in the gallery this month.

As a teacher, her best advice to people just starting out in art is to never be afraid to try.

"You don't know until you try what you can actually do. A lot of my students come in and say, 'I can't do this,' or 'I'm not artistic.' We all are. We've all been given crayons when we were kids. We all could colour within or outside the lines, but we're all creative. Sometimes we just need the inspiration to bring that out," said Braid.

She's also a recent addition to the Gwen Fox Gallery.

"(I like) being with like-minded people, and it's an opportunity to show my work, and just get to know people with the same type of interests," said Braid.

She hopes that residents take the time to stop by the Gwen Fox Gallery this month.

"I would invite them to come and check it out every month and see what the artists are doing. They're all incredible shows," said Braid.

#### Anita Schewe Drabyk

Schewe Drabyk says that her art is primarily nature and landscapes. She paints and also has some of her photography on display this month at the Gwen Fox Gallery.

She explained that her art is inspired by her background.

"I grew up on a farm. I took many courses on and I've got some degrees in biology, and particularly plants, and mammals and birds. Those are my areas that I know more about, and I really want to showcase them. The landscapes are farming things. I'm just finishing up one right now, a Hereford cow and a calf. But also, I spent

classes in specific topics like how to two years in China, and so I sort of got to know bits and pieces of there," she said.

> Though she has lived a very interesting life, her art journey started like many people's, in school.

> "I did art all the time in school, but my sister was the artist. She was a year younger than me, but I always did art, and we were always required to do cards for my grandparents," said Schewe Drabyk.

> From there, she has continued to create, especially after she picked up her first camera.

> She and her daughter, fellow exhibiting artist Lian Zhou Jing Drabyk, joined the gallery at the same time, less than a year ago.

> Schewe Drabyk explained that she wanted to join the Gwen Fox Gallery because a few artists at the gallery in Pinawa, which they were already a part of, encouraged them to try our gallery.

> Her advice for other artists is to start out with something you know.

> "Work with that first, because that way you will get your interest showing," she said.

> Schewe Drabyk hopes that residents will come to the gallery this month.

> "You get to see four different types of work," she said.

#### Lian Zhou Jing Drabyk

Drabyk is a photographer with a unique eye for pastoral scenes.

"You're not going to expect a lot of people in those photos," she said.

She said that she does most of her photography of animals and landscapes.

Drabyk explained that her inspiration comes from the places that her mother encourages her to explore.

"If there's a special bird, she says, grab your camera. There's something

special," Drabyk.

She explained that her art journev began after from school. From there, she decided to take art classes at college.





Lian Zhou Jing Drabyk's art.

"It was all photography, all the way to even film cameras and the dark room," said Drabyk.

Her advice for people who are just learning is that YouTube tutorials are your friend.

"Also, experiment. If you fail, then you know what you did, and you never know, it could look nice if you

put it through a nice Photoshop filter," said Drabyk.

She welcomes residents to check out the gallery this month.

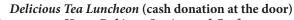
"We've got all different mediums, some you might like, some you might not like, but we've got a nice variety. It's like a little buffet," she said.

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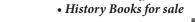
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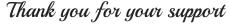
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dlers. To get to this event, you'll want to travel to Selkirk Park on Dyke Rd. behind the skate park. If the day is a rainy one, the event will be moved to the Agricultural Building in Selkirk

"We're hoping that we've made it affordable so that everyone can come," said Wynnobel.

She welcomes anyone interested in attending

to stop by this event.

"Come out. Check it out. Come in and enjoy (yourselves), come and see the club. And you know what? You may even want to go for a dragon boat paddle. We're going to have our dragon boat out there, too," she said.

Wynnobel also mentioned that there will be coffee and muffins there too.

# The Selkirk Record Thursday, September 11, 2025 11 School is in for the fall!











RECORD PHOTOS BY KATELYN BOULANGER School is back in session and the students at Ruth Hooker School sharpened their pencils, put on their best first day of school outfits and hopefully got a good nights rest in preparation for their first day on Sept. 4.







# Curriculum made easy with virtual teaching platform

By E. Antonio

Educator Liz Halina hopes every teacher in the province can enjoy a stress-free, organized and engaging school year.

Halina, who grew up in Selkirk, is a Nelson Educator and Classroom Success Specialist. She is passionate about supporting fellow teachers and sharing the benefits of Edwin — Nelson's online platform that offers curriculum-based lessons and resources designed for Canadian educators.

"I can't even begin to count how many resources there are," she said. "The possibilities are nearly endless."

In Manitoba, Edwin provides curriculum-aligned content for core subjects from grades 2 through 10, including newly developed material supporting the recently updated provincial science curriculum. Halina said the update was long overdue.

"Manitoba put in a lot of work and collaboration into creating this curriculum. The most important thing is that it encourages students to explore the world and themselves — questioning, experiencing and connecting with information, rather than just memorizing facts and figures," she said. "It allows students to engage with topics on a personal, social, political and economic level. It gives them a voice and helps develop agency, guiding their decisions both inside and outside the classroom."

While adapting to a new curriculum can be challenging, Edwin is designed to ease the transition by offering comprehensive lessons, interactive activities, videos, planning tools, assessment resources and learning supports. The content is cross-curricular, often bridging multiple subjects.

"Yes, it's about science," Halina explained, "but it's also about understanding different ways of life. Through communication, collaboration, critical thinking, creativity, citizenship and connecting to self — the six global competencies — students are able to live the good life, or Mino-Pimatisiwin."

Edwin's content is created by a team



Selkirk's Liz Halina is a Nelson Educator and Classroom Success Specialist who works with teachers across Canada promoting the Edwin program.

of education professionals who consult with local experts for insight and perspective. Content is added regularly, and the team incorporates user feedback when developing new material. Teachers can customize lessons to fit their students' needs, save notes, organize small-group activities and track progress.

In the 2024–25 school year, the most accessed collection was Toward Reconciliation, highlighting the platform's responsiveness to user requests.

"With Edwin, you no longer need to lug out that massive binder full of worksheets, answer keys and assessment pages. Everything is right on the website, and you can access your account whenever you are connected to the internet. Students just need a teacher's personalized link to join their dashboard — their class — and they are able to engage with the content."

Halina's favourite features include the "Self-Check" tool and a wide range of built-in resources such as graphing and scientific calculators, fraction tiles, digital whiteboards and number blocks.

"It's more than just a static page," she said. "It makes it easier for teachers who are overworked and overburdened — anything you can do to



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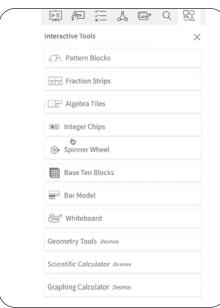
Edwin is a Nelson virtual platform with lessons, resources and activities for Canadian teachers.

make their lives easier is a win for us all. I really wish I had something like this when I was teaching full time in the classroom."

User feedback shows both teachers and students find Edwin easy to use and student-friendly. They also value lessons on current topics such as the spring wildfires and the upcoming National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

"These are things that are affecting students right now in their daily lives. It is important for teachers to address things that are currently happening, and it is important that they have access to these educational resources," Halina said. "We are giving students the chance to come up with creative solutions to the challenges we are facing right now. There are challenges rising on the horizon, and students are going to be the ones who come up with these solutions."

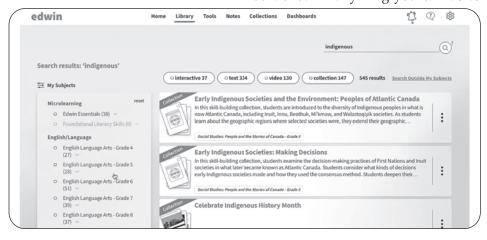
School divisions or individual schools can visit www.edwin.app to request a free demo and quote for full access. Once registered, educators may enrol in Edwin Academy, a self-directed learning program, or participate in one of Edwin's 20-minute professional development sessions.

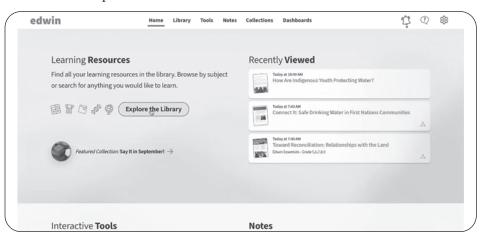


Interactive tools are built directly into the Edwin website.

Edwin also offers free virtual lessons for teachers across Canada on topics such as Terry Fox and Truth and Reconciliation in September. Teachers can register their classes for live events at www.edwin.app/edwin-academy-live

"Edwin is here to make lives easier, and we cannot wait for teachers to enrol," Halina added.





# Local family shares blooms of delight for Shriners Hospital

A local family opened their sunflower field on Aug. 30 for a one-night-only pick-your-own celebration.

Janine Duguid and her three children — Kiera, 17, Orla, 14, and Reid, 11 — have been diligently preparing their flowers in time for peak picking

"Our family has been growing flow-

ers for a few years now, and my kids are heavily involved in the process," said Duguid. "They've sold bouquets at local markets, but this year they decided they wanted to open up the field for a u-pick night. People love to see the flowers as they always put a smile on people's faces and we want to share that fun with others."

Together, the siblings seed, care for,

pick and sell the flowers grown in their Arnes field, introducing them to the business world. They offer a wide selection of blooms in different sizes and colours, giving visitors the chance to create their own bouquets.

Aside from the money, both Reid and Orla say meeting people is their favourite part.

"I love getting to share them with people. They are so pretty and we have so many to share and it just feels good to share," Orla said. "It helps with the pollinators too. We have a big pile of bees that come through, and they like it a lot obviously."

They feel a sense of pride each time they sell a bouquet, especially since they've done the bulk of the work.

"I'm happy that they're acknowledging how much work we've put into it," said Reid.

Janine said she is proud of her kids, but admitted it can be tiring helping out when she's able.

"It is so neat seeing them work together, learn and interact with others. They know how they grow, how to properly pick them, how to arrange them into nice bouquets. It's activities like these that help them gain confidence."

Reid and Orla's tips for success include being confident and advertis-

Try to advertise strongly," Reid said. "Let people know about your business and social media accounts so more people know where and how to find you.

After selling the bouquets, they split

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Orla, 14, Reid, 11, and their mom, Janine Duguid, welcomed visitors to their Arnes sunflower field Aug. 30 for a pick-your-own event. The family donated 50 per cent of proceeds to Shriners Hospital for Children Canada.

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# Community rallies behind local boy battling non-Hodgkin lymphoma

#### By Lana Meier

As local children returned to classrooms last week, 10-year-old Kwintyn "Kwin" remains in hospital, continuing treatment for Burkitt lymphoma, a rare and aggressive form of non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

Kwin was diagnosed on Aug. 15 and began chemotherapy the following day. He completed his first weeklong round of treatment on Aug. 29 and is now waiting out the rest of the cycle under close watch. His mother, Kim Dziedzic has been by his side throughout, and says he is responding well.

"Although it's hard watching friends head back to school, Kwin is doing well and responding positively to treatment," she said. "He's very much himself—cracking jokes and enjoying each day as it comes. I cannot believe one small man can go through so much and still remain himself in such a big way."

Kim described her son as a "smart-aleck, happy-go-lucky 10-year-old"

who still delivers fart jokes from his hospital bed. She said his spirit and humour have kept the family grounded as they navigate the diagnosis.

The family has faced added challenges since Kim lost her job in June. Her husband is working full-time while helping to care for their four other children at home. Extended family members have stepped in when needed, and Kim expressed deep gratitude for the hospital staff and community members who have offered support.

"Between everything—school starting, job changes, and hospital time—it can get a bit hairy, but we've been able to keep our heads, at least somewhat, straight," she said. "Our extended families have been amazing, and the hospital staff are absolutely fabulous. We want to thank everyone for their love, care and support. Please continue to pray—God has been working, and we ask for His healing works over Kwintyn."

A GoFundMe page, Help Kwin Kick

Lymphoma's Ass, has been set up to help cover expenses. Donations can be made at gofundme.com/f/help-kwin-kick-lymphomas-ass. Kim also

shares regular updates on the Facebook page "Beating Burkitt – Kwin's Cancer Journey" for those wishing to follow along.



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Visits from family and friends have lifted Kwin's spirits and helped him through his hospital stay.



Kwintyn "Kwin" made the most of a short hospital day pass on Aug. 23, heading to Thunder Rapids where he played mini golf and showed his sister who's King of the Road just before beginning his first round of chemotherapy treatment.





# Interlake Players to present horror-comedy musical

#### **By Jennifer McFee**

Mark your calendar for a contemporary cult-classic musical performance set to take the stage later this month.

On Sept. 25, 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m., the Interlake Players will present three shows of the horror-comedy musical called The Guy Who Didn't Like Musicals. All three shows will take place at Selkirk United Church, located at 202 McLean Ave.

"It's a profanity-laced zombie horror comedy. A meteor strikes the theatre in the town of Hatchetfield. Paul, a very average guy with a strong dislike for musicals, believes the town has become infected by an alien contagion causing people to sing and dance through life as though they are in a musical," said Mitch Obach, who founded the musical theatre company with Kendra Obach and Lindsey We-

"Along with his crush, the crabby barista Emma, and Paul's quirky coworkers, they try and stop the infestation before everyone is singing and dancing."

The music and vocals are all live, complete with a three-piece band. The show will also be licensed with a

Originally produced by Starkid Productions, The Guy Who Didn't Like Musicals was written by Nick and Matt Lang, with music and lyrics by Jeff Blim.

"The audience can look forward to a



lot of laughs, some great singing and complex choreography — some blood and guts, too, and lots of profanity but in an enjoyable and humorous way," Obach said.

"The show is geared towards an adult audience, has fun music and is an homage to old campy horror films of the past. Personally, I find the show hilarious and I believe audiences will too. Nothing is as much fun for us as making folks laugh. With nine actors, this is the largest production the Interlake Players have done yet."

Since 2016, the Interlake Players have put on four different productions in various Interlake communi-



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"The cast of The Guy Who Didn't Like Musicals wants you to join them, singing and dancing through life."

ties including Selkirk, Gimli, Stonewall, Ashern and Teulon.

"We donate our profits to local arts groups," Obach said. "This will be our fifth unique show and we have greatly mixed up the styles along the

Tickets are available through the

website https://interlake-players. yapsody.com/ where attendees can also see a map to select their seats. The cost is \$20 per ticket, and the proceeds will support local non-profit organizations.

For more information, contact Kendra Obach at klobach@gmail.com.

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the profits and save for personal projects. Kiera and Reid would like to buy a heifer for 4-H, while Orla is saving for an iPad.

This time, they wanted to share more than just flowers. Half of Saturday's earnings went to Shriners Hospital for Children Canada in Montreal, a facility with special meaning to the family.

Their cousin Elsa, 11, lives with osteogenesis imperfecta (OI), a rare genetic disorder that causes bones to break easily. She lives in Saskatchewan but travels to Montreal every six months for treatment and therapy at Shriners, the only hospital in Canada offering OI care.

"We all decided this would be a great way to give back to the hospital foundation, as they have given so much to my niece and her family," Duguid said.

Elsa's mom, Karlee Petruic, said while the diagnosis has affected their family, it hasn't defined them.

"When there is a challenge that you

are presented with, you can either feel sorry for yourself or you can rise up and meet it — and that's what we've chosen to do. The diagnosis is part of our family's story, but it is not all of our family's story. It's just what we make of it."

Elsa has been visiting Shriners since she was 14 months old, and Petruic is grateful for the care they've received.

"They are helping kids and adults with this condition live really great lives, and that is important to us," she said. "They are a well-oiled machine and they know what they are doing. While at Shriners you don't only meet the incredible team of physicians, you also meet other families who are going through the same diagnosis as you."

She said she is proud of the Duguids' effort.

"It's pretty cool to know that our family knows about this diagnosis and wants to support you. It's even neater seeing that their kids understand and want to help Elsa and other

kids like her."

The Duguids raised \$589 for Shriners and were thrilled with the response. The kids counted



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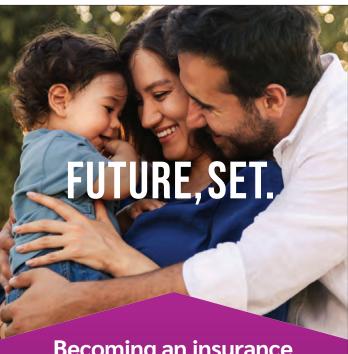
#### One of the family's beautiful sunflowers.

more than 120 visitors before losing track of numbers, surprising themselves since the event was advertised only a few days in advance.

"We'd like to thank everyone for coming out to support this event. We saw so many people and everyone had big smiles on their faces when they left the field with their arms filled with flowers," Duguid said. "The kids say they are proud to support Shriners Hospital and to be able to make such a generous donation. It feels good to give back to the hospital in a small but meaningful way."

They've set up Facebook and Instagram accounts under "Duguid Sunflowers" to share updates and sell blooms.

"The kids are already busy dreaming big about a u-pick event or two for next summer," Duguid said.



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### Province warns against text message phishing scams

By Haley Cvar

The Manitoba government is cautioning residents about fraudulent text messages circulating last week that falsely claim to involve provincial fine payments and tax credits.



Officials say the texts are part of a phishing scam. Some Manitobans have reported receiving messages appearing to be from Manitoba Justice, demanding payment for outstanding fines related to traffic violations. The department stressed it does not send payment requests or any official communication by text.

"Anyone with concerns about outstanding fines or questions about methods of communication should contact Manitoba Justice directly," the province said. Information is available online at www.gov.mb.ca/justice/tickets.

Other residents reported receiving texts urging them to finalize their Homeowners Affordability Tax Credit (HATC) by clicking a link. Manitoba Finance said it does not verify or finalize tax credits or benefits through text messages. Details about the HATC are posted at www.gov.mb.ca/finance/tao/hatc.html.

Authorities are reminding Manitobans not to respond, click links, or provide personal information if they receive such messages. Suspicious texts can be reported to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at antifraudcentrecentreantifraude.ca

# Selkirk Firefighters respond to fire on Manitoba Ave.









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There was a devastating fire on Manitoba Ave. last weekend in which a structure was damaged. The Selkirk Fire Department responded to the fire and multiple firefighters kept neighbouring buildings safe while battling the blaze.





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### Selkirk Steelers Game to bring FASD awareness on Sept. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

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Ioin the Steelers to recognize FASD Awareness Day, learn, and support members of our community

#### By Katelyn Boulanger

The message that all brains are beautiful is one that the Interlake FASD has been spreading in our community for years. This year, in recognition of International FASD Awareness Day, the FASC Committee is teaming up with the Selkirk Steelers to spread awareness at their Sept. 12 game against the Winnipeg Blues.

"The Interlake FASD committee is a group of like-minded individuals based out of Selkirk who have an interest in learning more about FASD and spreading awareness about FASD across the Interlake," said Sherrise Pickly Dear, Interlake FASD Coalition Co-Chair.

FASD or Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder is a condition that occurs when a developing fetus is exposed to alcohol. This results in a variety of brain differences that are unique to each individual with FASD.

Though International FASD Awareness Day takes place on Sept. 9, the Interlake FASD Committee wanted to do some-



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Interlake FASD Committee Co-Chairs Sherrise Pickly Dear (third from right) and Brett Suski with some Selkirk Steelers players. The team is teaming up with the Committee to spread FASD awareness at their Sept. 12 game.

thing a little different this year.

"We acknowledge International FASD Awareness Day, which is September 9, to signify the nine months of pregnancy. This year, we're doing it on the 12, because that's when the Steelers are having a pre-season game," said Pickly Dear.

She said that they decided that they wanted to focus on reaching a new group of Selkirk and area residents this year and thought that the Steelers could help them do just that.

"In the past, we've held events like FASD day in certain spots in the community, and have had the public come to us. This year, to try a different route, we thought we would come

to the public. Instead of having the people come to us, we're going to go to the people and we figured there'd be a lot of traffic here," she explained.

She explained that with the committee members being local hockey fans, and Selkirk being a hockey city, it seemed like a perfect fit.

Brett Suski, who is also a Co-Chair on the Interlake FASD Committee, has been planning this awareness event for several months now.

"We have pins and temporary tattoos to give away. We'll have a little True or False kind of board game where, if they participate, we'll give them a pin or a temporary tattoo, and

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there will be information and local resources about FASD," he said.

Pickly Dear added, "We're just chatting with people about (FASD) and what they may not know or they may have an idea of what it is. Having conversations with people who are in our field helps break down the barriers and the stigma. There's, unfortunately, a lot of stigma associated with FASD, and one of our goals with this committee is to reduce that stigma. People with FASD are just like you and me."

The goal of this event is to have people in our community learn more about FASD and understand more about the condition, which is way more complicated than people realize."

Suski explained that the stigma associated with FASD is not help-

"I think it's just reducing the stigma and just having people be comfortable with saying FASD without having to whisper it, or we can't talk about that unless we're in an office or behind a closed door where no one can hear it. It's a normal word," he said.

'People need to realize that people with FASD are like everybody else. They just have some different brain structures, really. We all have differences. Folks with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder may struggle in certain areas, but they may excel in others. And so, having conversations with the general public will help to dispel some of those myths and clarify what the diagnostic criteria is, what the process is for assessment, what sort of supports are available through the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority to help families and children, what the diagnostic standards, what the guidelines are for Canada and just general information," said Pickly Dear.

Some of the most important things that they both wish that people knew about FASD are that there are supports in our community for people with FASD.

"Some kids do struggle in school because of their learning differences. And the key worker program and the diagnostic coordinators employed by the Health Authority can help kids in schools and help the teachers and other professionals understand brain differences and then make the appropriate adaptations and accommodations so that (individuals with FASD) can have success in their school years. That's really important, to set up a child for success," said Pickly Dear.

Additionally, they both wish people understood more about the damage that stigmatizing FASD

"The stigma associated with drinking during pregnancy is so terrible that it makes it difficult for individuals who are pregnant to talk about that, because of the backlash from family or community, right? And then, they don't want to share that or disclose that information, and that makes it tricky to help support kids who might be struggling, right? So, we want to change the paradigm. We want to reframe how people are seen when they use substances. We want to make sure that they have support and nonjudgmental and a trauma-informed approach, so that they're able to

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share their story," said Pickly Dear. If you're interested in becoming more informed about FASD or just want to stop by and check out a good hockey game, stop by the Selkirk Recreation Complex on Sept. 12 for the Steelers game.

"We have candy. We have swag. Come see us at the table and have some fun. You're going to come to the game anyway," said Pickly Dear.

The government of Manitoba has some additional resources on FASD on their website at https:// www.gov.mb.ca/fs/fasd/resources.html. The Interlake FASD Committee is part of the Manitoba FASD Committee, which, like our local committee, seeks to provide awareness and support for people with FASD throughout our province. The Manitoba FASD Coalition also has additional learning resources at https://www.fasdcoalition.ca/resources/resourcelisting/.

Also, the Interlake FASD Committee welcomes anyone in the region, not just healthcare workers, who are interested in learning more about FASD to join their ranks. You can get in touch with Suski by emailing bsuski@ierha.ca.

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# **Betel Home Raffle Results**



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Betel Home held the draw for their 50/50 raffle in support of the Tub Rooms Project at Betel Personal Care Homes in Gimli and Selkirk. The big winner was Darlene Ferstl, who won \$7430, one-half of the \$14,860 pot. Betel Home would like to thank everyone who supported this project. Should you wish to support Betel's Warmth, Dignity and Bubbles fundraising endeavour, donations can be sent to: Betel Home Foundation, P.O. Box 10, Gimli, MB, ROC 1B0 and specify Tub Rooms donation. Tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$25.

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# **Unemployment rate rises to 7.1 per cent, economy sheds 66,000 jobs in August**

#### By Patricia Barrett

Employment declined by 66,000 jobs, or -0.3 per cent, in August, according to Statistics Canada's *Labour Force Survey* released Sept. 5, and the country's unemployment rate rose to 7.1 per cent.

This is the second consecutive month employment has fallen, with

July posting a loss of 41,000 jobs. The losses in August were fuelled by a decline in part-time work.

The unemployment rate of 7.1 per cent was the highest since May 2016 (excluding 2020 and 2021 during the COVID pandemic). From 2017 to 2019 Canada's average unemployment rate was 6.0 per cent.

"Those who were unemployed in July continued to face difficulties finding work in August," says the report. "Just 15.2 per cent of those who were unemployed in July had found work in August, lower than the corresponding proportion for the same months from 2017 to 2019 ...."

In August, employment fell for men 25-54 years old by 58,000 or -0.8 per cent and for women in the same age bracket by 35,000 or -0.5 per cent. There was little change in employment for youth aged 15-24 and people 55 years and older.

Statistics Canada said the employment decreases in August occurred in industries such as professional, scientific and technical services, transportation and warehousing, and manufacturing. The largest declines were in Ontario – which has faced an uncertain economic climate with the threat of and imposition of tariffs – British Columbia and Alberta.



# Planting the seeds of belonging with a community garden

Submitted by Selkirk & District Community **Foundation** 

Hearthstone Community When Group purchased a lot for its newest home, General Manager Lori Zdebiak says they decided to include space for a community garden.

"We decided to expand a bit out here so that we could have a little buffer between homes and also so we'd have an opportunity for people to interact with our people," Zdebiak said.

Hearthstone was founded in 1992 by a group of parents looking for op-

portunities for their intellectually challenged adult children to live vibrant and integrated lives.

They have several residential homes in Selkirk, but the West Vaughan home is the first with a community garden. They moved in last May and year one was a test year to see what direction they wanted the garden to take and what they wanted to grow.

The Selkirk & District Community Foundation provided a grant to assist with the garden.

"We're thankful to the Foundation for the grant and the support they provide," Zdebiak said.

The goal of the garden is to help integrate Hearthstone residents as well as people who attend their day programs into the neighbourhood. The goals also include a positive social presence, eco-benefits of organic produce, and greenspace and health and wellness in a reflective space.

"We've been very welcomed," Zdebiak said.

"We found that when we were developing this home, a lot of people would stop by to say hi and see who we were. This is going to be a great community for this type of integration."

Hearthstone was assisting the Province of Manitoba to find homes for some of the last people staying at the Manitoba Development Centre in Portage la Prairie, an institution that is now closed. Some of them now live at West Vaughan.

"We're very proud of that," Zdebiak

They formed a garden committee under the guidance of Mick Manfield, a member of the Master Gardeners Association of Manitoba, who worked on establishing the garden. All the plants were donated, and they grew tomatoes, zucchini, cucumbers and had an herb garden. They tried cauliflower, but "it didn't go," Zedebiak laughed.

She said in this test year, the bounty was intended for residents and their families.

"Kind of an interesting thing is we thought this year we'd grow for our own use, for our own houses or for staff that may be struggling, but some of our produce is disappearing," she smiled.

> think that's probably a good thing. If somebody needs something, should they just come take it. If somebody really needs a tomato that bad, take a tomato."

Hearthstone residents took care of the garden

and did a great job, she said.

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"We are finding our people come and they tend the plants, they mow the lawn. It was so cute, a little lady was coming out and watering everything. They love looking after it and walking through and touching things," Zdebiak said.

think makes us a little less scary in community."

garden The committee will meet again in the fall to set a goal for next spring that will include more community involvement.

The Selkirk & District Community Foundation is accepting grant applications until Oct. 1. For online applications and criteria guidelines, visit sdcf.



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Hearthstone residents at the West Vaughan Community Garden



# FALL & WINTER ACTIVITIES & registration section

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#### **Individual sports**



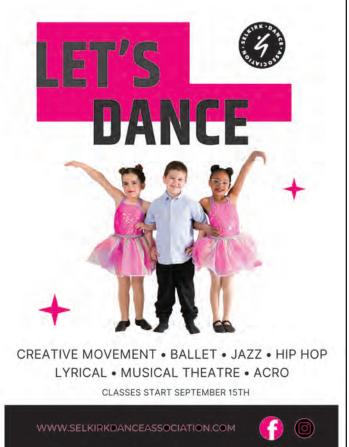






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gymnas-From tics and athletics to tennis, fencing or golf, individual sports help foster a sense of autonomy and responsibility. These activities allow your child to advance at their own pace. This type of sport also provides opportunities to engage with other children and coaches. particularly suitable if your little one has an independent nature.

The important thing to remember is that your child should find the sport interesting. After all, if you want them to stick with it and make physical activity an integral part of their lifestyle, they need to have fun. Don't hesitate to offer them several options and let them decide which activity most appeals to their tastes.



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# Terry Fox Run marks 45 years of funding cancer research

The 45th annual Terry Fox Run takes place Sept. 14, with thousands of Canadians expected to walk, run, roll or ride in communities across the country in support of cancer research.

Terry Fox began his Marathon of Hope in 1980, running more than 5,300 kilometres in 143 days before cancer forced him to stop near Thunder Bay, Ont. His determination sparked a movement that continues to raise millions each year.

"Together, we can finish it," is the theme of this year's campaign.

Two in five Canadians are expected to be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. Donations to the Terry Fox Run directly support cancer research, which has improved survival rates for many cancers to more than 80 per

Each year, participants who have

survived or are living with cancer are recognized as Terry's Team Members and wear red T-shirts to mark the progress of research. Their presence on run day is a living reminder of why the fundraising matters.

"I wouldn't be here without the research," said Winnipeg participant Susan Wenzlawski.

She was diagnosed with thyroid cancer in 2019 after discovering a lump in her throat. Following surgery, she did not require chemotherapy or radiation but continues to take thyroid medication.

"I am very grateful to say I have been six years cancer-free," she said. "The success rate for my kind of cancer is over 90 per cent and that is absolutely because of Terry's belief in needing cancer research."

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Susan Wenzlawski, a cancer survivor and proud Terry's Team Member, will take part in the Winnipeg Terry Fox Run on Sept. 14. Wenzlawski says she owes her six years of being cancer-free to advances in research made possible through the annual fundraiser.

nipeg run, Wenzlawski helps raise money to ensure others can share her outcome.

The Terry Fox Run is a non-competitive, family-friendly event open to everyone. Registration and fundraising information is available at terryfox.

Since 1981, the Terry Fox Foundation has raised more than \$950 million and funded over 1,300 cancer research projects nationwide.

According to the run.terryfox.ca website there are a number of runs that you can join throughout the Interlake this year, including, Stonewall, Selkirk Arborg.

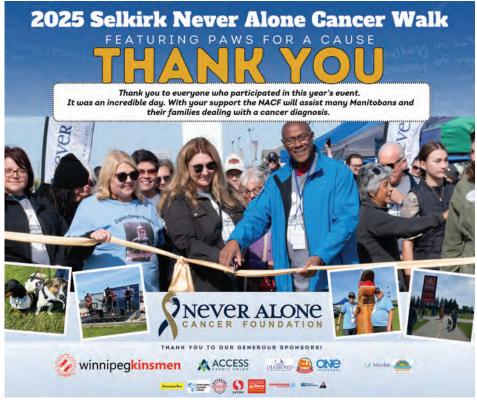


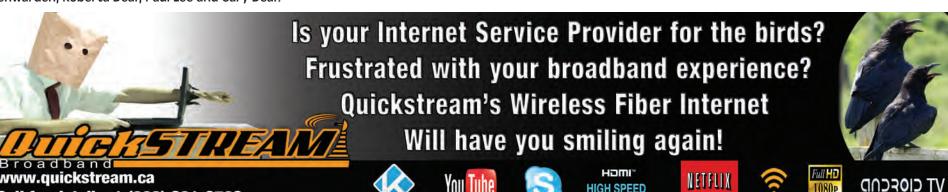
# Provincial champs



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Fossilized Anarchy captured the 55+ provincial championship for the third consecutive year. Local team members include, from left, Dennis Tuck, Ross Penwarden, Roberta Dear, Paul Lee and Gary Dear.





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# Varsity Thunder live up to hype in season-opening victory

By Kieran Reimer

The phrase "all in" is a common sports cliché to describe a team chasing nothing less than a championship.

This year's Varsity Interlake Thunder are hoping to fit that description, and they wasted no time showing they won't be cliché in their play this

On Sunday, the Thunder opened their season with a rematch of last year's Rural Manitoba Football League Urban Division championship game against the St. Vital Mus-

St. Vital beat Interlake in last year's final to complete a perfect season and capture a second straight title. This time, Interlake flipped the script with a 47-32 win at Stonewall Collegiate Field, ending the Mustangs' bid for another perfect run.

The Thunder victory was led by Grade 10 backup quarterback Colten Leger, who stepped in during the second quarter after starter Jessie Batenchuk left with an injury.

Leger leaned on running back AJ Nadon-one of Batenchuk's usual targets-and guided Interlake to his first career varsity win.

"He didn't even bat an eye when he realized, 'hey, Colten, you're going in and we're in the middle of a big game here, week one," said head coach Christof Hasselfield. "He didn't try to play outside himself. He told us what he was comfortable with, he just did what was asked of him. When we needed throws, he got them there. We leaned on AJ and that O-line a lot to support him, but he was cool, calm, collected... just unflappable, really giving that Eli Manning look where he's always the same no matter what's going on."

Nadon racked up 300 all-purpose



Interlake's Trevin Smith (44) celebrates with AJ Nadon (1) after Nadon scored a touchdown late in the second half.

yards and two touchdowns, while Jamie Dandeneau added 100 yards and a kick-return touchdown.

Leger's debut hinted at what could be a strong quarterback option for the future once Batenchuk graduates. On Monday, Hasselfield confirmed Batenchuk has been cleared to return and is expected back for Week 2 against the Southwest Sabres.

Avoiding a long-term injury is as big a boost as the win itself, since the Thunder offence has been built around Batenchuk's leadership the past two seasons. He is one of several Grade 12 players chasing a first championship under Hasselfield, now in his third season as head coach.

"We definitely see ourselves as championship contenders—we've



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Interlake Thunder quarterback Colten Leger of Gimli hands off to Jamie Dandeneau of Stonewall, who breaks through to score a third-quarter touchdown in a 47-32 victory over the Mustangs in Stonewall on Sept. 7.

been in the championship the last three years," Hasselfield said. "But this really feels like the year we're going to break through that glass ceiling. That's the goal. There's lots to work on—it is Week 1—but the expectation is we're winning the championship this year. The players are on board, and the coaching staff is telling them we've got more than enough talent. Now it's about putting in the work."

This season also brings a new look for the RMFL. The Thunder play in the eight-team Doug Steeves Division alongside Dauphin, Moosomin, Southwest, St. Vital, Swan Valley, Virden, and Winnipeg. The group represents the province's top varsity programs.

Each club plays a seven-game regular season, followed by semifinals featuring the top four teams. Interlake's Week 1 win has them right in that mix.

"It makes every game important for playoff seeding," Hasselfield said. "Even just to get a win against a contender like St. Vital—that's a great one to have in the bag if it comes down to tiebreakers."

The Thunder visit Souris on Sunday to face the Sabres. Kickoff is noon at Souris School.

# Strikeforce sitting pretty as Div. 3B playoffs near

By Kieran Reimer

The Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 3B playoff picture has become clearer with another week gone.

The Selkirk Strikeforce, who have held one of the six playoff spots all season, are sitting comfortably in fourth following last week's play.

Last Monday, Strikeforce benefited

from poor field conditions at Maple Grove Rugby Park, which gave them a forfeit victory over Wasps. The result goes down as a 3-0 Strikeforce

The win earned them a full three points, lifting them to 33 on the season ahead of last Thursday's clash

with second-ranked Maples FC at Maples Community Club Field.

Strikeforce struggled to keep up with the league's top offence. Devin Racicot spoiled Maples' shutout bid with a goal, but it wasn't enough as Strikeforce fell 4-1.

The loss dropped Selkirk to 10-6-3

through 19 regular-season matches. They now sit four points back of thirdranked TDS and three points ahead of fifth-place Thunder FC.

The club will be tested again in its next match, scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 16, against TDS. Kickoff is set for 8 p.m. at Shaughnessy Park Field.

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# St. Andrews slow pitch league crowns playoff champion

#### By Lana Meier

The St. Andrews Slow Pitch League wrapped up its season Saturday with playoffs at the St. Andrews Community Club, continuing a local tradition that began in 1986. Five teams took part in this summer's shortened sea-

Despite lower numbers in recent years, longtime organizer Larry Liebrecht said the commitment from players and volunteers showed why the league remains important to the community.

"I enjoy it, it keeps me active," said Liebrecht, 74, who is still playing nearly four decades after the league began. "There's not as many getting involved anymore — we've had as many as 18 teams in the league and now we are down to five."

Liebrecht plays with the Arc Angels, a team that has become a true family affair.

"With our team, we've been playing so long that now we have three generations on the field," he said. "I get to play with three of my daughters, a couple of sons-in-law and two of my grandkids. It's really awesome."

Teams battled through the one-day playoff format, with Loaded Bases emerging as champions for the second year in a row. Team member Breenin Wechnenko, who has been part of the league for more than 20 years, said the win was only part of what makes



Larry Liebrecht takes a swing during playoff action Saturday at the St. **Andrews Community Club** 

the season special.

"What keeps me coming back is the people, the location, and the fun," she said. "This league is easy-going. It's community-based — all our kids play together, it feels like a community. We've become friends with everyone on all the teams. It's the Cheers of baseball."

Wechnenko said this year's shortened playoff was "odd" and admitted it was disappointing not to have the full weekend format, but added the camaraderie and long-standing



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Loaded Bases repeated as champions of the St. Andrews Slow Pitch League, winning the 2025 playoff title Saturday at the St. Andrews Community Club.

friendships kept the event meaning-

Liebrecht said the future of the league will depend on finding ways to rebuild numbers. "We hope to get more teams involved next year and grow and continue the league," he said.

While COVID-19 had an impact on registration in recent years, organizers say the league's staying power is rooted in community spirit and the friendships built on the diamond.



Brenda Hallock sprints toward the catch during the St. Andrews Slow Pitch League playoffs.



Teams gathered at the St. Andrews Community Club on Saturday for the 2025 Slow Pitch League playoffs, continuing a community tradition that began in 1986. This summer's shortened season featured five squads, with Loaded Bases repeating as champions.

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# Interlake duo wins bronze at pickleball nationals

By Kieran Reimer

The Pickleball Canada National Championships were special this year not only because Winnipeg hosted for the first time, but also for the performance of a team of Interlake athletes.

Lisa Bergson of Matlock and Patti St. Godard of St. Andrews were among more than 700 participants at the 2025 Myoflex National Championship, presented by HearingLife, held Aug. 19–24 at Taylor Tennis Centre.

With 32 courts running each day, many teams were lost in the crowded field of competition. The Interlake duo, however, made their presence known on day one in the women's doubles 4.0-and-above, 60+ division.

They opened with three wins in four round-robin games to place second in Pool 1. That earned them a quarterfinal berth later that day, where they edged Charlene Bolen and Barbara Lawrie 17-15 to advance.

Their run ended in the semifinals with a 15-8 loss to Karen Kettenacker and Marjorie Blackwood, who went on to win gold.

But Bergson and St. Godard rebounded in the bronze-medal match, defeating Lyse Tremblay and Terry Aleksic 11-9, 11-9.

"You're playing the best of Canada in your category, so when you get to medal it's a really good feeling," Bergson said Friday.

Bergson also captured a second bronze at nationals as an alternate with Team Manitoba in the inaugural provincial team competition. Manitoba defeated Alberta 27-25 in the bronze-medal match, while B.C. beat

Ontario 32-21 for gold.

"It was great," Bergson said. "Me and Patti, and our group from Manitoba did really well. We brought in a lot of medals, and that's a good

Pickleball continues to grow in Manitoba, with smaller tournaments in Winnipeg, Brandon, Selkirk and rural communities throughout the year. The sport is considered the fastestgrowing worldwide, thanks in part to its accessibility.

At nationals, no qualification was required — players simply registered for divisions — which contributed to the large turnout.

"It was fantastic," said Bergson, who also helped officiate. "It's such an exciting thing to play players from all over Canada and challenge yourself that way. It's what you're doing the sport for. It's so social too, so you're meeting people from all over Canada and hearing their stories. It's just an amazing experience, for sure."



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(Third on the podium, Lisa on left and Patti on right): Interlake athletes Lisa Bergson of Matlock and Patti St. Godard of St. Andrews captured bronze in the women's doubles 4.0-and-above, 60+ division at the 2025 Myoflex National Championship, presented by HearingLife, held Aug. 19-24 at Taylor Tennis Centre in Winnipeg. More than 700 players from across Canada took part.



Team Manitoba earned bronze in the inaugural provincial team competition at the 2025 Myoflex National Championship, presented by HearingLife, held Aug. 19-24 at Taylor Tennis Centre in Winnipeg. Manitoba edged Alberta 27-25 in the bronze-medal match.

# **Eagles crowned champions**



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The Selkirk Strikers joined the Eastern Eagles in celebrating the Eagles victory over Shaheed Udham Singh in the Selkirk Champions Trophy Final. The tournament ran from Aug. 9-10 outside at Selkirk Recreation Complex, featuring 12 different cricket clubs.

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# Selkirk

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **2025 Property and Business Tax Bills** have been mailed

If you have not received your tax bill by Monday, September 8th please contact CitizenSupport at (204) 785-4900 or citizensupport@cityofselkirk.com.

The deadline for payment is Monday, September 29th.

#### Ways you can pay:

- · Online or telephone banking
- At your financial institution
- By mail
- 24-hour drop off box at civic office

In-person payments are available during business hours 10am - 4pm Monday through Friday at the civic office located at 200 Eaton Avenue.

Instead of paying one large lump-sum every July, budget with a **Payment Plan**. Sign up is free and easy to do. Here's how:

- Pay the current year's Property Tax Bill.
- Complete the Pre-Authorized Payment Plan Application Form at MySelkirk.ca/propertytax
- Submit the completed Pre-Authorized Payment Plan Application Form in person, by mail, or in our 24-hour drop off.
- Withdrawals will come out of your account every 5th day of the month.

Please note, payments made online, by telephone or at your financial institution can take up to 4 business days to process. To avoid late payments, we recommend you make your payments by September 22.

If full payment is not received by September 29, a penalty will be applied at the end of day, each month against the outstanding balance. Monthly penalties are calculated at the rate of 1.25 % per cent.

All property owners are reminded that they are responsible for payment of the 2025 property taxes WHETHER OR NOT they receive a tax notice.

If you have any questions regarding your tax bill, the municipal levy or payment options, call CitizenSupport at (204) 785-4900 or citizensupport@cityofselkirk.com.

Kevin Richter, CPA, CMA Director of Finance City of Selkirk

# Selkirk

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES **CITY OF SELKIRK**

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of The Municipal Act, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 2nd day of October, 2025, at the hour of 2:30 PM, at Selkirk Recreation Complex Banquet Hall, 180 Easton Drive, Selkirk MB, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
45600	WLY 44 FEET OF LOT 15 AND E 1/2 OF LOT 16 PLAN 6462 WLTO IN RL 39 TO 41 PARISH OF ST CLEMENTS - 96 DORCHESTER AVENUE, SELKIRK	L -\$80,800 B -\$193,900	\$19,201.91
92537	LOTS 1, 2 AND 3 BLOCK 2 PLAN 14803 WLTO IN RL 61 AND 62 PARISH OF SAINT CLEMENTS - 478 MAIN STREET, SELKIRK	L -\$127,500 B -\$342,600	\$50,287.43

#### The tax sale is subject to the following terms and conditions with respect to each property:

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft to the City of Selkirk as follows:
  - i) The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
  - ii) If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
  - iii) A fee in the amount \$500.85 (\$477 + GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2025.

Managed by:



Duane Nicol Chief Administrative Officer City of Selkirk Phone: (204) 785-4902 Fax: (204) 482-5448

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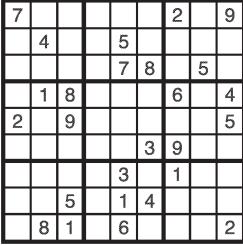
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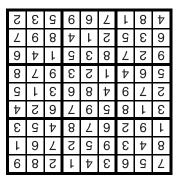


#### Fun By The Numbers

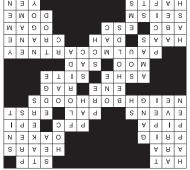
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Crossword Answer

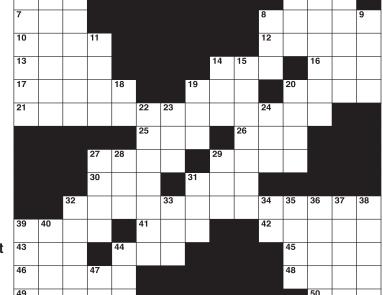
# CROSSWORI

#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Utilitarian fashion accessory
- 4. Engine additive
- 7. Macaws
- 8. Listens to
- 10. Self-righteously moralistic person
- 12. Made of wood
- 13. Chinese lute
- 14. Beginning military rank
- 16. Indicates near
- 17. Ties the score
- 19. Chum
- 20. Long ago
- 21. Localities
- 25. Midway between northeast and east
- 26. Make fun of
- 27. Tennis great Arthur
- 29. Construction location
- 30. Cow's noise
- 31. Blue
- 32. One of the Fab Four
- 39. Formula 1 team
- 41. Dash
- 42. Lifting device
- 43. Basics
- 44. Keyboard key
- 45. Old Irish alphabet
- 46. Shaking of the Earth's surface
- 48. Covered stadium
- 49. Sword handles
- 50. Longing or yearning
- 51. Creators' social network
- 52. Boxing's GOAT

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Occur
- 2. Show up
- 3. Capital of Taiwan



- 4. Ocean
- 5. Givers and
- 6. Gets ready
- 8. Ad
- 9. Fit of irritation
- 11. Criminal organization
- 14. Exclamation that denotes disgust
- 15. American state
- 18. Sensor hub
- 19. Before
- 20. The boundary of a surface
- 22. Witnesses
- 23. Singular
- 24. Type of meal
- 27. Music awards show
- 28. Former French coin of low value
- 29. A bag-like structure in an

#### animal

- 31. Schenectady County Airport
- 32. Calm down
- 33. Partner to cheese
- 34. Cola brand
- 35. Stepped on
- 36. Japanese city
- 37. Type of coating
- 38. A citizen of Yemen
- 39. Popular breakfast item corned beef
- 40. On a line at right angles to a ship's length
- 44. First responders
- 47. Short-term memory

# Announcements Selkink Regard

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### **CARD OF THANKS**

A great big thank you to our children and grandchildren for making our 55th wedding anniversary so wonderful. Thank you Sarah for taking time to fly from Kelowna, BC. Thanks Ed for insisting on having this celebration. Thank you to Babisky Catering and our great band Country Pride. Thanks to everyone for cards and gift cards.

-Love you all Ed and Viv Chrapchynski

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Your children, grand kids,
friends and family

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### IN MEMORIAM



Barbara Niebel (Campbell)
March 2, 1957 - September 11, 2018
Gone but never forgotten,
Your memory lives on.

-Your family

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### **IN MEMORIAM**



Jamie Shane Gerbrandt
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-Mom

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Lana Meier

Email: news@carmanstandard.ca



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#### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### IN MEMORIAM



#### Randy Babisky September 13, 2024

I've gotten used to the world without you in it, but that doesn't mean I've stopped missing you. It just means I've learned to hide it better. I still have moments where I pause, remembering something small about you - your voice, your laugh, the way you used to look at me - and it hurts in a way that's hard to explain. You mattered that much. You still do.

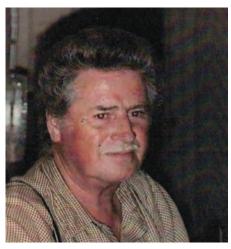
-Love Donna and Shasta

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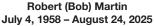
HARDWICK, Bud September 3, 2001

There's a special kind of feeling, When I think about you, Dad; It's a pleasure to remember, All the happy times we've had. There's a special kind of caring, That is meant for you alone; There's a place somewhere within my heart, That only you can own.

 Missing you always, Ingrid

KEN LOEHMER

#### **OBITUARY**



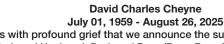
It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of Robert Martin, who left this world on August 24, 2025.

We take comfort in knowing that he is at peace, free from the burdens he carried for so long.

In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place. A private gathering will be held at a later date.

There is a link death cannot sever,
Love and remembrance last forever.

#### **OBITUARY**



It is with profound grief that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved Husband, Dad, and Papa/Papa Bear. Dave died where he wanted to be, working as the 4th generation on the Cheyne family farm outside of Teulon.

He is survived by the love of his life, Audrey; daughters Chelsey (Roman) and Ashley (Nick), step-daughters Denise and Janine; and the apples of his eye - his grandchildren Brandt, Violet, and Emilee. Also left to mourn him are his sisters, Val Dryden (Al), Joan Cheyne, and Leanne Lawrie and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by his parents Charlie and Elma Cheyne (Johnson) and son-in-law Grant.

Dave was born and raised in Teulon, MB, where he graduated from Teulon Collegiate. He went on to further his education at Red

River College in carpentry, where he carried on his father's passion for building - they were both very proud of their achievements in the community. Dave loved being a dad to his daughters, Chelsey and Ashley, and later a step-dad to Denise and Janine. Dave met Audrey in 1996 and were married on September 1, 2000 when they officially blended their families.

Dave had many past times, but his favourite times were spent with his grandchildren. He was an avid outdoorsman - hunting, fishing and anything to do with nature. He loved looking up at the night sky. Wallace Lake was always his second home - where he loved to work and play. Dave would often extend an invitation to go frolic in the lake, only for him to turn it into a splash battle.

In his younger years, there wasn't a sport he didn't play, be it hockey, baseball, golf, rugby, and even gymnastics. He was a natural born fixer and was often called upon by friends and family for pointers, and he loved to help people. Dave used these fixer skills at Charison's Turkey Hatchery where he was hired for a three week stint and ended up staying there for over 28 years! Dave loved to joke with various people at different times, and you never knew when you would be "punked". He had a knack for remembering history and places and would often set up bets with people. If you were confident enough to bet against him, you would soon find out he was always right. He had many hobbies, many included food and drink as long as mustard and tofu weren't involved. Dave had a charm about him and made many cherished friendships over the years.

Special thanks to emergency personnel, friends, and family who were able to attend on scene. Your efforts will not be forgotten.

With respect to Dave's expressed wishes, a private, immediate family only service is being planned.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Manitoba Mutts in his memory - where he adopted his beloved four-legged friend Ginger from. www.manitobamutts.org

Our dear "Canada Dave" and a "Dave to Remember".



#### Marlene Julia Sahulka (nee Marchenski)

Marlene Julia Sahulka (Marchenski), aged 86, of Selkirk, Manitoba, passed away September 1, 2025 at the Selkirk Transitional Care Unit after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born on February 5, 1939 to Lawrence and Pearl (Tina) Marchenski in Winnipegosis, Manitoba.

Marlene is predeceased by her husband Emil, parents Lawrence and Pearl, sister Lorraine and brother Murray.

She is survived by her children Lawrence, Nadine (Vince), Clinton (Jeanine), Jeff (Sultana) and Genevieve (Stacey), and her grandchildren Sara, Quinn, Eve, Raymond, Mason, Monica, Colin, Isaak, Lukas and Eliiah.

Marlene attended school in Winnipegosis, completing grade 11 at the Winnipegosis Collegiate in June 1956. She then moved to Winnipeg and attended St. Mary's Academy Catholic High

School to complete university pre-requisites. Marlene attended the University of Manitoba and graduated from the Pharmacy Program in 1962.

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Marlene married Emil on May 20, 1961 and began her career as a pharmacist at the Children's Hospital in Winnipeg in 1962. Two years later, she worked in retail pharmacy for the Bay in downtown Winnipeg. Emil accepted an automotive mechanic instructor's position at the Selkirk Comprehensive High School, and they moved to St. Andrews in 1973. In Selkirk, Marlene worked as a pharmacist at Western Drug Mart, and then Shopper's Drug Mart until her retirement in April 2000. She received a certificate and pin for the 50th anniversary of her continuous membership in the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association in April 2012. Retirement gave Marlene the opportunity to spend quality time visiting her children and grandchildren, living throughout Canada and the United States. She also had many memorable vacations to Mexico, eastern and western Canada and most of the United States. Marlene really enjoyed her casino trips with her friends.

As a widow, Marlene participated in the Manitoba Citizens on Patrol Program in St. Andrews, became a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 42 in Selkirk, and joined the Catholic Women's League. She moved to Selkirk in April 2011, which allowed her to be closer to friends made through her volunteering and community activities. Marlene received her 20-year pin from the Catholic Women's League in December 2023. She was an active member of Notre Dame Catholic Church from 1973 until her passing. Marlene eventually moved into the Cambridge House Retirement Residence, and loved the simplicity of a smaller setting freeing up even more time to participate in the activities she enjoyed in the town she loved.

With her excellent memory, Marlene was the family historian, keeping meticulous records of her immediate and extended family. This included birthdays, anniversaries and other special events. She especially enjoyed creating a variety of photo albums and scrapbooks. Marlene was always the organizer, labelling items and chronicling her life. She was wonderful at acknowledging birthdays of each member of the family, mailing gifts and cards no matter the distance or her situation. Marlene enjoyed sending thank you and gift cards to recognize the effort of others.

In keeping with her wishes, cremation has taken place and Memorial Mass will be held on Friday, September 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in the Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church, Selkirk, MB.

The family would like to send a special thanks to the Selkirk Hospital and the Transitional Care Unit for their wonderful care of their mother over the last several months. The family sends a special thanks to Dr. Margaret Speer for her exemplary communication with Marlene and family, respecting her dignity and wishes. It cannot be overstated how thankful they all were for her diligence over the years.

Marlene supported various charities, two of which included the Canadian Wildlife Federation and the Salvation Army. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Salvation Army, or charity of your choice.

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#### **OBITUARY**

#### **Brandur Curtis Wur (Gudbrandur Gudbrandsson)** February 7, 1983 - August 19, 2025

It is with profound sadness that the family of Brandur Curtis Wur (Gudbrandur Gudbrandsson) announces his sudden and tragic passing on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at the age of 42.

Brandur will be forever lovingly remembered by his three beloved children: Izzy, Solstice, and Raven; his parents, Jill and Rob; brother Brett (Vanessa) and nephew Kolsen; and his cherished Aunties and Uncles: Wendy and Murray Roscoe, Dean and Kim Goodbrandson (cousins Riley and Annika (Spencer)), and Mick and Pat Wur (cousins Teddy (Sasha) and Joey (Christine)). He will also be dearly missed by longtime friends Dean Gunnarson, Kevin Christiansen, Nelson Gerrard, and Sean Dornbush.

He was predeceased by his loving grandparents, Beverley and Brandur (Lefty) Goodbrandson, and Hildred Wur.

Born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Brandur most recently resided in Gimli, MB. Over the course of his life, he lived in Dawson Creek, BC; The Narrows; Winnipeg; and Laurier, MB. He was immensely proud of his Icelandic heritage as a second-generation Canadian, the great grandson of immigrants Elfrieder and Gudbrandur Gudbrandsson. Living in Gimli - a hub of Icelandic culture - brought him joy and connection to his roots.

A passionate athlete, Brandur was actively involved in sports throughout his life. His family celebrated his achievements with Selkirk Junior B Hockey, as well as Selkirk Royals Varsity Basketball and Volleyball, where he excelled both as a player and as an assistant coach alongside Marco Morelli, coaching his younger brother Brett.

In recent years, Brandur rekindled his love for golf, dedicating himself to the game with renewed focus and enthusiasm. He was immensely proud to qualify for the 3rd flight at the 2025 Tamarack Golf Tournament in Clear Lake, MB - a significant milestone shared with his brother Brett, Uncle Dean, Afi (Lefty) and Dad (Rob), all of whom had competed in the tournament as Cubs, Juniors, and in the Mens division. It was a tradition deeply cherished by the family.

Brandur also had a passion for the arts and drama, performing in the school play and fashion show during high school and later participating in Winnipeg's Fringe Festival. His love of magic, nurtured by mentor and close friend Dean Gunnarson, remained a joyful part of his life.

He found meaning and connection in his work, including time spent on Nelson's farm in Riverton, MB. An animal lover, Brandur had a deep bond with his dogs, Bear and Moose, his cats, fish, and bearded dragon.

Family time was at the heart of Brandur's life. He treasured moments spent at the Wur family cabin in Grand Beach and looked forward every year to the Wur Family Golf Tournament. Becoming an uncle to Kolsen brought him immense pride and joy - he was devoted to being the best friend and uncle possible.

Brandur worked for a time as an Educational Assistant in the Lord Selkirk School Division but soon discovered his true passion as an entrepreneur in home renovations and tiling. Brandur and his tiling skills were featured in an article in the TileLetter Magazine. His meticulous craftsmanship was admired by many - especially by his Auntie Wendy and Uncle Murray, who proudly showcased his work in their home.

Above all else, Brandur's deepest love and purpose in life was his children: Izarah Sage, Asta Solstice Beverley, and Gudbrandur Thunder Raven. Every moment spent with them - walking in nature, exploring festivals, fishing, golfing, watching movies, swimming, or simply being together - was precious to him. These were the moments he lived for.

Our family wishes to express heartfelt thanks to family and friends for their love and support during this difficult time. Special thanks goes out to the Tamarack Committee for their care, respect and professionalism. We would like to also recognize the courage of those fellow golfers who tried to save Brandur.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the GoFundMe page created by his friend and golf buddy, Douglas Stinchcombe, in support of Brandur's three children. https://gofund.me/9754a9173

Brandur - your time here was too short. You were deeply loved, and your memory will live on forever in the hearts of all who knew you.

Celebration of life will be held on Friday, September 19, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in the Selkirk Golf and Country Club.

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#### Barbara Karatchuk (nee Kirkness)

It is with deep heartache that we announce the peaceful passing of our beloved mom, Grannie, Coocoom (Kookum), and auntie, Barbara Karatchuk, on Thursday, July 31, 2025 at Selkirk Tudor House, at the

She leaves to mourn her passing and cherish her memory her sons Larry (Sharon), Brian, and Dennis; her grandchildren Glenn (Amy), Amanda (Justin), Patrick, Kelly (Jess), Taryn (Garett), and Keenon; and her nine

precious great-grandchildren: Braeden, Madison, Hailey, Jadyn, Owen, Navee, Axel, Tyson, and Lawson. She is also survived by numerous cherished nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mom is reunited with her loving husband of 73 years, Bill (William) Karatchuk, who passed on December 10, 2024. She was predeceased by her parents Myles and Sarah (nee Cochrane), her sisters Lorna (Jack) Zacharias and Verna (Lawson) Spence; sisters Alice and Agnes, and her brothers Lawson and Miles, who passed in infancy. She also joins her in-laws William (Wasyl) and Anna Karatchuk; brothers-in-law John (Mary) and Mike (Julie); sisters-in-law Nettie (Steve) Zabogruski and Mary (John) Obirek; and many beloved extended family members and friends.

Mom was born in Fisher River, MB, on September 25, 1927, the second oldest of seven children to Miles and Sarah. After meeting Dad, they spent many fishing seasons together at Georges Island, Stevenson Island, and Point Island (also known as Karatchuk Island), where Mom cooked for the fishermen. Mom and Dad were married on December 12, 1951.

In 1957, they purchased a farm in Washow Bay, and then in 1966 the family moved to Selkirk. On January 24, 1967, Mom began working as a cook at the Selkirk Mental Hospital. She eventually became head cook and worked there until her retirement on September 13, 1989.

Mom and Dad enjoyed many years camping and making memories with their children and grandchildren at Barney's Point, Hnausa, and Beaver Creek. In 1989, they purchased a cabin at Beaver Creek where they made many wonderful memories with family and friends.

Mom was an incredible cook and baker. Dad often said that nothing compared to her cooking. Whether at home or the cabin, she never kept idle hands - and you'd find her cooking, baking, or canning something for whoever might drop in for coffee and a visit.

She was also an avid knitter and crocheter, lovingly creating sweaters, blankets, and doll clothes that will be cherished for years to come.

Mom was a natural planner. Over the years, she organized countless milestone celebrations for her and Dad, from big anniversaries and birthday gatherings to simple family dinners. She also hosted many baby and bridal showers for loved ones, taking care of every detail - from labeled place settings to thoughtful touches. She will be fondly remembered by her family each time her china, bread basket, or punch bowl are used.

In their later years, Mom and Dad experienced more moves than in their entire married life. In 2013, they moved to House of Hope in Arborg before returning to Selkirk. In 2018, they once again embraced their Riverton roots, moving to the Icelandic River Lodge. As Mom's health declined, they returned to Arborg - she entered the PCH, while Dad stayed in assisted living. In late 2023, she moved to Tudor House and in early 2024, Dad moved to Woodland Courts in Selkirk; it meant the world to him to once again be in the same building as his beloved Barbara and walk down the hall to see her.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to all of Mom's caregivers over the years, especially the staff at Tudor House.

A celebration of Mom's life was held at Gilbart Funeral Home in Selkirk, MB, on Friday, August 8. 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Honorary pallbearers were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Active pallbearers were her grandsons Glenn, Patrick, Kelly, and Keenon, and great-grandsons Braeden and Jadyn.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mom's memory to the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba, 120 Donald St, Winnipeg, MB R3C 4G2.

Miyohkwâmi, Coo-coom (Kookum). Kisâkihitin, we will see you later. Xoxo

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#### Debbie Haney (nee Danchuk) February 4, 1956 – September 6, 2025

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the sudden passing of Debbie, our loving and devoted wife, mother, nana, sister and friend

She leaves to mourn her soulmate, her husband Donald; her daughter Kirby-Ann Hintz; son-in-law Wayne Hintz, and her grandson Shane Haney who was the light of her life. Being a wife, mother and nana to us was her greatest joy. Debbie also leaves her sisters Renee Danchuk and Pat Mitchell (Robert), and her brother Garth Danchuk (Cindy), as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Debbie was predeceased by her parents Gail Danchuk and Kenneth Cattermole, and Tom Danchuk.

As per Debbie's wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be no formal service.

In lieu of flowers the family would like you to make a donation to a charity of your choice. Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

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Your memory will live forever engraved within our hearts.

#### OBITUARY



#### Fred Ostermann

With great sadness we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother Fred. Frederick Joseph Ostermann passed away peacefully on September 2, 2025 at the age of 87 at his home, as he wished, in Little Britain, Manitoba. He was born on June 17, 1938 in Winnipeg to Maria and Joseph.

Fred was born and lived in Little Britain, near Lockport, on the family farm just off Ostermann Road. He was the eldest of seven busy children. He attended schools in Cloverdale and St. Paul's High School, where he left early to come home and work. His dedication helped grow the farm with his brothers Helmut and Norm, with dairy, beef, and grain crops. He spent many mornings with his brothers having coffee and toast and talking about events. He was pleased when his son, John, and nephew Clarke took over the farm. He loved hearing about what was going on each day.

Whenever possible, he would be there from sunrise to sundown, even when he was wanted at home. In addition to his dedication to the farm he drove a school bus for 22 years.

He met the love of his life at a dance at the German Club. Fred and Marianne married on October 16, 1969. Together they built a home in Lockport where they raised a family. They created a loving home and Fred's ability to grow things allowed the yard and garden to flourish. They enjoyed many summer days at the lake in Spruce Sands, and made wonderful memories on family vacations to Europe, Israel, Banff, Lake Louise, the Dakotas, Florida, Arizona, the Bahamas, and more.

Fred greatly enjoyed curling, playing cards, doing puzzles, and more recently becoming a Wordle expert. He spent countless hours working in his yard and caring for his trees which was a labour of love for him. He liked to make apple sauce, chop wood, feed the birds, and fix things in his garage. He had several pet dogs and a special bond with Rockford, who was always nearby and would ride in the passenger seat with his nose out the window as they drove. Fred attended Little Britain community events, such as Schützenfest, and was a devout member of St. Margaret's Catholic Church.

Fred will be deeply missed by family and friends including his wife of 55 years, Marianne; daughter, Jaclyn (Scott), Darian, Noah and Alina, sons, John (Kristina), Aiden, Jude, and Isabel and David (Sheri); siblings Hilda, Hubert (Carmen), Al (Thea), Margaret, Helmut, and in-laws, Diane, Bernie, Rena, John, Georgette and numerous nieces and nephews.

Fred was a loving and kind husband, father and grandfather. He was hard working and generous. He had a gentle but determined way. He handled health issues with strength and grace.

He is predeceased by his parents Maria and Joseph, nephew Kurt, in-laws Tina and Dieter, and recently his brother Norm.

We would like to sincerely thank the Selkirk Palliative-Home Care Team for their kindness, care and support, allowing Fred to remain in the comfort of his home.

Prayer service will be on September 12th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass will be on September 13th at 10:30 a.m. Both will be held at St. Margaret's Roman Catholic Church at 103 Little Britain Road.

In lieu of flowers, Prayer Intentions and donations to The Little Britain Community Foundation in Fred's memory are appreciated. Little Britain Community Foundation, 31 Cedar St. St. Andrew's, MB R1A 3G4.

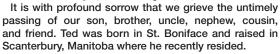
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#### **OBITUARY**

#### Ted Barry Longbottom May 2, 1963 – August, 28, 2025



Artistically gifted from a young age, he later realized a calling as a songwriter, performer, storyteller, and mentor. His artistic legacy resonates across communities in Manitoba, Canada and beyond. He inspired new generations of Indigenous artists through his work with school children, instilling cultural pride, history, and a sense of belonging.

Ted's work has been featured on CBC, The Discovery Channel, PBS, The History Channel, and APTN. He was a frequent performer at festivals across Turtle Island and collaborated with many renowned artistic contemporaries.

Ted was also a very gifted visual artist, dabbling in mediums such as pen and ink drawings, painting, comic art, and more recently AI creations. He gifted anyone who visited an original artwork often personalizing these to feature a family member or friend he recently was inspired to draw.

Ted became a friend for life to the many who had the privilege of knowing him. He was the focal point of any family gathering, as everyone gravitated to his jovial ambiance, which uplifted everyone in his orbit. He was a gracious and generous host whenever anyone came to visit, a true raconteur who always had an embellished story to relay of something he had heard or observed. Visits were always accompanied by a homemade meal or snack created with lots of love.

Ted is survived by his parents Ed and Clarice, his brother Tim (Colleen), sister Tracey, and was a kind and loving uncle to Will, Akomaye (Honoka), Ellie, Jordy, Lindsey, and Chad.

A celebration of life will be held at Gilbart Funeral Home in Selkirk on September 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations to Balsam Bay Cemetery Fund. Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

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#### **OBITUARY**

#### Arthur Ernest Ammeter



With great sadness we announce that our husband, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend, Arthur "Art" Ammeter, left us at the age of 82 to be with his Saviour and Lord on September 2, 2025 at the Portage District General Hospital.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Debbie Ammeter (Mostowy) of Elie, Manitoba; his children: Carly (Glen) Nowell of Bedford, NS and Rebecca (Mark) Corrigan of Saskatoon, SK; his grandchildren: Sylvia and James Nowell and Keziah, Nizanna and Biruk Corrigan.

Art was predeceased by his parents, Ernest and Margaret Ammeter, his only brother Laurence Ammeter and his in-laws John and Georgene Mostowy.

Art was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba and lived on the family farm in Starbuck, Manitoba until 1953 when the family moved to the Netley, Manitoba area and started a dairy operation. His early

education took place in Starbuck, Netley, Petersfield and finally Selkirk where he completed his High School. During his education he was influenced by several great teachers who inspired him to go into teaching. He attended the University of Manitoba where he obtained his Education Degree. Art taught school for 32 years at the High School, Junior High School and French Immersion Elementary levels. Of these, the elementary placement was his favourite.

Art first met his wife-to-be, Debbie, during his first year of teaching and then again through a 4-H Club where he was a leader. Their mutual love for animals sparked a relationship that resulted in 51 years of marriage.

Art had many interests and hobbies including target shooting along with the reloading of his own ammunition. He loved the precision required to get it just right. Along with Debbie, he enjoyed showing both their horses and their dogs. His passion, however, was reading and writing both prose and poetry. He successfully submitted many short stories and poems to local contests and wrote for the Lutheran publication "Eternity for Today" quite regularly. His proudest achievement was his placing in a Haiku contest sponsored by Japan Airlines where out of over 40,000 entrants he placed in the top 200.

A man of great faith, Art loved to be part of the lay leadership circle and especially enjoyed sharing his faith through his Sunday messages.

Funeral Service will be held on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at the St. Luke's Anglican Church in Oakville, MB. There will be a viewing prior to the service and burial will follow in the Starbuck Cemetery.

As expressions of sympathy, donations may be made in Art's memory to: St. Luke's Anglican Church, Box 255, Oakville, MB R0H 0Y0 or Winnipeg Pet Rescue Shelter, 2727 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3J 0R2.

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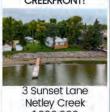




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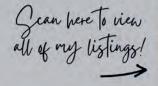
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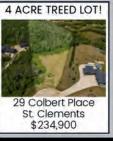


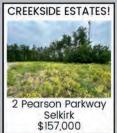
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