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Left to right: Parker Pelletier, Nalia Wowchuk and Brady Bobrowich are three kids who made a big difference in their communities through their giving back. Learn more about these impressive young people on page 3.

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I worked at a lot of different markets.

So many of my friends and family

came to visit. I got to see my Grandma

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The kids giving back in our communities Facebook pages. I have some new were able to do/happened this year?

Celebrating three kids that made the choice to make a difference By Katelyn Boulanger kitchen. It's been bad becau

This year amid all of the difficulties that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused there are people all around us pushing through those obstacles to help others. Brady Bobrowich, Nalia Wowchuk, and Parker Pelletier are among them. These amazing kids have set a bar in our region for giving back, even when it's hard, and we wanted to celebrate that. With a little help answering from their parents, we asked each of them a few questions so that our readers could get to know these great kids.

Nalia Wowchuk, with her mom Lindsay, started the jewellery making business Prairie Princess Originals. She decided that with this opportunity she wanted to give back donating \$800 of proceeds to the Selkirk Food Bank and Daily Bread Soup Kitchen this year.

1. How has 2020 been for you?

Kind of good and kind of bad. Good because I got to do markets all summer and give money to the soup kitchen. It's been bad because of CO-VID. I can't do much like play with my friends.

2. What giving back activities have you been up to?

I did a couple of online markets and your just posting on my Instagram and thing



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL Nalia Wowchuck giving back to Selkirk's Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.

Facebook pages. I have some new things too.

3. Why do you feel it's so important for you to help in your community? Because I see a bunch of people who

don't have anything so I give some money so they can eat.

4. What was your favourite thing that you





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and Gigi and my cousins there too. 5. What do you have planned for next year?

I am going to go to markets as long as COVID goes away. I'm excited to see my friends at markets and make people hap-

Parker Pelletier is an all-around super-volunteer having raked up 40 hours helping community his this year which is actually down from last year's 60 hours due to CO-VID.

Friendship:

We're so grateful for each of our friends here, and for the

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1. How has 2020 been for you?

It has been kind of good but bad. Like this year was good because we get to still go to school and talk to our friends. Bad because we can't high five and stuff because we have to watch social distancing.

2. What giving back activities have you been up to?

I have been doing Biz Bucks Videos for Selkirk Biz and promoting the local businesses.

3. Why do you feel it's so important for you to help in your community?

Because some people can't do what they want to do and helping people makes me feel good.

4. What was your favourite thing that you were able to do/happened this year?

Doing the Biz Bucks Videos. I am happy because I like doing them for everyone.

5. What do you have planned for next year?

I don't know because we don't know if the coronavirus will still be around. If it's done next year, I would like to go

to the beach and still help the Selkirk Biz and people in the commu-

Brady Bobrowich is the 2020 Champion Child for the Children's Hospital Foundation.

1. How has 2020 been for you?

The beginning of the year was very exciting as we had the launch and introduction of myself as the 2020 Champion Child for the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. It was exciting to be looking forward to the many events I was going to be involved with as well as a trip to Florida to meet all the other Champion Children from across North America. As like most people this year, things changed drastically in March, when COVID hit Manitoba. Many of the inperson events had to be changed to virtual appearances.

Also this year, I had an urgent surgery on my spine in June during this pandemic. This surgery was 9 hours long and once again I benefitted greatly from the amazing care at the Children's Hospital. My surgery was my 4th in 4 years and this latest one was to remove the growing rods in my spine and fuse my back from T12 to L1.

2. What giving back activities have you been up to?



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL Parker Pelletier is ready to help local businesses in our community.

ent, I was still able to attend many of them this year. After the launch of my Champion Child in Jan. at Walmart, I attended many radio and TV interviews. After March, when COVID hit, many of my in-person appearances became virtual. I had zoom meet-

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ings with many of the sponsors of the Children's Hospital such as the Walmart staff, I attended in person to speak with The Brick staff, attended the Dairy Queen Miracle Treat day, attended two golf tournaments, accepted a cheque from the Winnipeg Police service and had a corn sale at my house in Sept., to raise funds for the Foundation. I have also made many videos, with my sister Brooke, for the Children's Hospital to send to many of their sponsors thanking them for their support. We have posted some of these on Facebook to help raise funds for my page - Goodbear. ca/brady.

3. Why do you feel it's so important

for you to help in your community? I feel it is important to give back to my community as I have been able to benefit greatly from the Children's Hospital Foundation and the funds they raise. This includes the spinal surgery equipment at the Children's Hospital, the MRI goggles and the Child Life programs to name a few. Many kids need these services and I think it is important to pay it forward.

4. What was your favourite thing that you were able to do/happened this year?

The biggest highlight for me was having Josh Morrisey and Paul Maurice from the Winnipeg Jets, contact me via FaceTime to wish me well while I was recovering from my surgery in June. They are both amazing people and it meant a lot to me to have them call, especially having just come through a difficult time in the hospital.

5. What do you have planned for next year?

For next year, I have been asked to continue as the Champion Child for one more year. The reason for this is that due to the COVID pandemic, we were unable to attend our Florida event which is where we meet all the Champion children across North America. The Children's Miracle Network thought because we were unable to enjoy all the benefits of this position, that they wanted to allow us another year to hopefully take in being the ambassador for the Children's

Hospital of Manitoba for 2021.

My goal was to raise \$50,000 this year for the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. This was a big goal and obviously, this year was difficult to achieve this due to many cancelled events. However, having a second year may help to achieve this goal. Should anyone wish to contribute to my fundraising page to help continue to raise funds for items which benefit all kids, including me, please visit, Goodbear.ca/brady.



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Brady Bobrowich (left) with Selkirk MLA Dr. Alan Lagimodiere who reognized him at the Manitoba Legislature for his perseverance and willingness to give back to his community.





The Comp celebrates community for Christmas

Online donation drive a success

By Nicole Buffie

A partnership between the Selkirk Food Bank and students at Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School has provided gifts for families in need this Christmas sea-

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son.

An online donation drive raised almost \$5,200 in just a few weeks for families struggling to put presents under the tree for their children and

loved ones. Caitlin Schick, a teacher at LSRC-SS, said that the annual charity drive, in which they usually collect food and items for families, pivoted to an online, monetary donation platform amid the COVID-19 pandemic went far better than she could have ever expected.

Instead of compiling items donated to the school and making hampers to donate to the food bank, she opted to collect cash from the community and go from there.

Schick sent out a few emails and set up an online donation platform on the school's website, not expecting to see much come of it. Week after week,

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Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School raised \$5,200 to buy Christmas gifts for nearly 300 children this year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL ... AND TO ONE A NEW DENTURE!

Brock Vandor Denturist

It was 2010, I was a fresh denture school graduate and had suddenly taken over my dads denture clinic due to health reasons. My only employee was my mom, who I convinced to come out of retirement (but, of course, if you ask her, it was her idea to come and be with her son).

Christmas was coming and Dennis, the local newspaper salesman came into the office and said, "Brock, your dad always liked to put some sort of Merry Christmas wish in the paper. Would you like to do that too?" "Of course, I would love to put something in the newspaper, but let me think about what", I replied, wanting my very first newspaper Christmas wish to be great.

Dennis, my mom, and I thought about it for a few minutes; and I couldn't help but think, 'I am a Denturist, I now own a denture clinic, wouldn't the best Christmas gift we could give be a denture? "I want to make someone smile for Christmas," I said. "We could do a Merry Chrismas denture



giveaway!"

"I love it, it's like the song 'All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth', Dennis laughed. So my mom and I posed for a picture, and Dennis' team edited some garland and bows around us, and the annual denture contest was born!

We used a Christmas story trivia question as the ballot, put all the entries into a box and when we picked the winner, it was a lady named Jean. When we called her to say she had won, she was in tears. She not only wanted (and needed) teeth for Christmas, but for many years. I still remember when she came in. She had a brilliant white coat that I had no idea how she kept it so white! We made her a beautiful white smile to match.

For going on 10 years now, even though the days of just my mom and I as the only employees are long gone, we continue the Christmas contest. What is amazing is that every year we have such an amazing winner. Spending time with them, sharing stories, giving gifts - it's what Christmas is all about! It's like we expand our families just a little bit more. We could never pick a winner, so we do a draw to make it fair. There are no strings attached, just a gift in honour of the greatest gift of all, Jesus. Which brings us to this years trivia question: see ballot.

How to enter:

- Call us at (204) 482-6698 with your answer.
- The deadline for entering the draw is December 21 @ 4pm

• The draw will be held on December 21 @ 5pm

BALLOT
Who was the prophet that foretold a virgin shall give birth to a son called Immanuel?
ANSWER:______

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Keeping safe on the ice

Ice fishing safety tips from Arnie Weidl

By Nicole Buffie

The weather has cooled across Manitoba, which means the water on the rivers and lakes is beginning to freeze over. With that, winter activities on the ice are starting to take place, including ice fishing.

While some brave individuals are already setting up tents and shacks on the fresh freeze, casting their lines in hopes of reeling in their next big catch to later release it or turn it into that night's dinner, safety should still remain top of mind for fishers, both amateurs and seasoned veterans alike.

The *Selkirk Record* caught up with the newspaper's fishing columnist, Arnie Weidl, for some tips on keeping safe during a day on the ice by going through what a typical day of ice fishing would be like for him.

It's a beautiful day on Balsam Bay, one of Weidl's go-to spots in the win-

ter. First thing's first: make sure someone knows you're going out on the ice for the day.

"When you are out on the ice, you have to realize that you're in a hazardous location," he said.

Going fishing with a friend is always preferred – and might make for a better day – but if you are to go alone sending a message to a friend or family member will work.

Next: know the conditions of the ice you plan to be on.

"Ice structure and conditions change almost daily; one thing you need to know is clear, blue ice is very strong, and opaque ice with a lot of air bubbles in it is very weak," Weidl said.

When it comes to driving on the ice, the general rule of thumb is the ice must be at least 40 centimetres for vehicles, 25 centimetres for a snowmobile and 5 centimetres if travelling by

lake region have had to pivot the

way they compile Christmas ham-

pers, with many opting to provide gift

cards or monetary hampers in lieu

of receiving physical items as a way

to maintain sanitization amid fears

of the novel coronavirus spreading

foot. In Weidl's case, driving out on his truck calls for at least 40 centimetres thick.

After making sure the ice is up to par for driving on, check the ice for snowdrifts or rocks near the shore, as they serve as insulation for the sun's heat and may thin the ice as a result.

With that in mind, slowly make your way out on the ice, being sure to have an escape plan in case your vehicle

hits a thin patch of ice. "Personally, I have a quick release buckle on my seat belt and I

always leave the driver's window open, that way you will be able to escape from the truck very quickly," Weidl said.

If all is going well and you suddenly hear a crack from under your vehicle, Weidl said to try and pinpoint where the noise is coming from and to do

your best to steer away from it. "If there's a dramatic shift in a tem-

perature up or down, you're going to

and stuffed animals is not lost on her.

"It brings so much joy, it was just so much fun to do some of the shopping," she said. "I'm excited to see the feedback from the food bank when they get them all out and hear responses from the families."

Schick said giving during the holiday season is important, and even more so in a year which has hit families and communities hard.

"There are so

get cracking so you've got to be wary of that," he said. "It doesn't hurt to pick up the phone and ask other people who are going out, or who have been out the day before what the conditions are like."

With these tips, you're set up for a successful day on the ice. However, bearing the COVID-19 pandemic in mind, a provincial spokesperson for Manitoba Conservation and Climate

said the rule of outdoor gathering sizes limited to five people still stands.

"It is strongly recommended that anyone using ice-fishing shelters or hunting blinds limit participation to people already living in their own household," the spokesperson said.

They encouraged limiting interactions with others, but if choosing to fish in a group to ensure

physical distancing, covering your cough, wearing a mask and frequent hand washing.

many people struggling but no one really [talks about it], you don't really hear about it as much," she said. "Maybe a stuffed animal might not go a long way but I hope that it will put a little smile on a little kid's face."

The wrapped gifts will be handed to the Selkirk Food Bank and hampers will be completed and ready for families in the coming days.

> COMP'S DONATIONS, FROM PG. 6

the donations came pouring in, many from familiar names and some not.

"It was insane," she said. "I've never seen so many people, I've never heard of these people, and they were just so generous with their donations."

Instead of giving the money raised directly to the food bank, Schick was directed to buy all of the gifts to add to the hampers made. The donations resulted in buying gifts for nearly 300 children.

"It's pretty overwhelming," she said of the donations. "And also, it's just so reassuring that there are people that are so generous at this time of year, so that was really, really cool."

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concern this year as many of you have taken to online shopping during this With home deliveries expected to hit

an all-time high this holiday season, thieves are taking advantage of the increasing numbers of parcels being dropped off at your doorstep. Packages left unattended make for easy targets for would-be thieves.

To help keep your packages safe this holiday season, the RCMP recommends:

- installing security cameras or a smart doorbell on your property to monitor & record any suspicious activity.

- choose an alternate delivery location for your package – a nearby Post Office or your place of employment.

er on your property.

- request a signature upon delivery. A good way to defend against this type of crime is working together with your neighbours: know who they are and talk to them to make arrangements to pick up your packages if you won't be home for an extended pe-

victim of theft or witnessed a porch theft, please contact the police immediately.

Send your letters to the editor or acts of kindness to news@selkirkrecord.ca. Please include your name, address, and

SELKIRK RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED Beware of porch pirates this holiday season.



RCMP remind operators of off-road vehicle laws Submitted by RCMP Every year, RCMP respond to numerous calls about snowmobiles, all-

terrain vehicles, dirt bikes and other off-road vehicles. Here are the laws that apply to anyone operating an offroad vehicle.

When operating an off-road vehicle on public land (ditches, Crown Land, roads, groomed snowmobile trails, etc.) the following laws apply:

The ORV must be registered;

Must be at least 14 years of age to operate an ORV without supervision;

12-13 year olds must only operate an ORV under the direct supervision (within direct sight) of a parent;

Must be at least 16 years of age and possess a valid driver's licence in order to operate across a roadway or shoulder;

Must not operate an ORV with more passengers than the ORV is designed to carry;

Everyone riding an ORV must wear an approved helmet, unless:

The ORV is equipped i. with occupant roll-over protection and seat belts, and the seat belts are being used, or

The ORV is being ii. used for farming, commercial fishing, hunting or trapping operations;

Must not operate on roadway or shoulder (see Section 34 of the Off-Road Vehicle Act for exceptions for agricultural purposes)

May only cross a roadway or shoulder at an intersection or designated ORV crossing such as a snowmobile trail crossing, and must hold a valid driver's licence (see Section 35 of the Off-Road Vehicle Act);

Must not carry open liquor or cannabis;

Must operate the ORV in a safe and prudent manner;

Must have headlights and tail lights on from 30 minutes prior to sunset until 30 minutes after sunrise.

When operating on private land (yards, farm land, pasture land, etc.): Ensure you have permission of

the land owner; While some provincial laws such as the Off-Road Vehicle Act do not apply to private property, the Criminal Code of Canada does. Therefore, operating an ORV while impaired or with a blood alcohol concentration or blood drug concentration over the legal limit is a criminal offence, as is operating an ORV in a dangerous manner.

"This past year, 50% of fatal ORV collisions involved alcohol and/or drugs," said Sergeant Mark Hume, Officer in Charge of Westman Traffic Services. "In 60% of the collisions reported to police, the operator was found to be driving too fast and either lost control or struck an object. Of those killed in collisions, 1 in 3 were not wearing a helmet. All of these deaths could have been prevented."

RCMP safety tips to protect your online deliveries







- consider the use of a delivery lock-

If you believe you may have been a



Province extends public health orders ahead of the holidays, with minor adjustments

By Manitoba government

The Manitoba government has extended public health orders from Dec. 12 until Jan. 8, 2021, as part of protecting Manitobans from COVID-19 during the holiday season, Premier Brian Pallister and Dr. Brent Roussin, Manitoba's chief provincial public health officer, announced last week.

"It is crucial that Manitobans continue to limit their close contacts and only gather with members of their immediate household in order to bend our COVID curve down and protect our most vulnerable friends, families and communities," said Pallister. "We recognize this holiday season will be difficult and lonely for most, but the best thing we can do for our loved ones right now is to stay safe at home so that we can gather together, in-person next year."

The existing Critical (red) level restrictions have been extended by public health order, with several modifications based on feedback from public, stakeholders and enforcement officials. Changes to the public health orders include:

• allowing thrift stores to open with some capacity limits, to allow access to second-hand clothing and other items;

• ensuring acupuncture and manual osteopathy practices are allowed to open to align with other health services;

• clarifying the operation of food banks and food hamper services;

• allowing private residences to allow legal services, landlord access and access for home businesses;

• encouraging safe outdoor physical activity for individuals and immediate households only by providing guidance to clarify that people not from the same household need to keep two metres of distance between them and that gathering sizes must not exceed five people;

• adding school supplies as an essential item under the restrictions to

retail services;

• allowing drive-in events as a temporary measure subject to compliance with the restrictions, and cars must contain members from one household only and no one may leave the car while at the event; and

• permitting the Winnipeg Jets to train in Manitoba in preparation for an eventual NHL decision on a 2021 playing season.

A seasonal change to the order will also be included to allow for the sale of holiday decorations such as garlands and ornaments, and religious items like menorahs and candles.

"Our modelling has shown the Critical level, or red, restrictions have helped us avoid even higher case numbers right now," said Roussin. "But our numbers are still too high and now is not the time to let up. That is why we're extending the public health orders with some adjustments to ensure Manitobans can access the goods and services they need, and have clear direction stay safe at home before and during the holiday season."

The updated orders and the list of items deemed essential are posted on the province's Pandemic Response System website at https://manitoba. ca/covid19/restartmb/prs/orders/index.html#current.

Manitoba has announced the Safe at Home Manitoba program to provide support to Manitobans staying home during this critical time. Organizations, businesses and artists can visit www.safeathomemb.ca for more information.

Manitobans can report compliance and enforcement issues by visiting www.manitoba.ca/COVID19 and completing the reporting form, or by calling 204-945-3744 or 1-866-626-4862 (toll-free) and pressing option three on the call menu.

For up-to-date information on CO-VID-19 in Manitoba, visit www.manitoba.ca/COVID19.

Numbers continue to rise for Northern Remote community

By Staff

Public health officials advise nine additional deaths in people with COVID-19 have been reported as of Monday, including:

• a male in his 40s from the Winnipeg health region;

• a male in his 50s from the Winnipeg health region;

• a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Park Manor Personal Care Home;

• a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg;

• a male in his 80s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Fred Douglas Lodge;

• a female in her 80s from the Winnipeg health region;

• a female in her 90s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg;

• a female in her 90s from the Winnipeg health region, linked to the outbreak at the Convalescent Home of Winnipeg; and

• a female in her 90s from the Southern Health– Santé Sud region, linked to the outbreak at the Rest Haven Nursing Home.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate, as of Dec. 14 is 13.6 per cent provincially and 13 per cent in Winnipeg. As of 9:30 a.m. on Monday, 241 new cases of the virus had been identified, bringing the total number of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba to 21,264.

Monday's COVID-19 data showed:

• 10 cases in the Interlake–Eastern health region;

• 23 cases in the Northern health region;

• 12 cases in the Prairie Mountain Health region; • 38 cases in the Southern Health–Santé Sud health region; and

• 158 cases in the Winnipeg health region. The data also showed:

• 5,791 active cases and 14,974 individuals who have recovered from COVID-19;

• there are 303 people in hospital with 39 people in intensive care due to COVID-19; and

• the total number of deaths due to COVID-19 is 499.

Laboratory testing numbers show 2,133 tests were completed yesterday, bringing the total number of lab tests completed since early February to 390,503. Case investigations continue and if a public health risk is identified, the public will be notified.

At this time, there is a very limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine. Only eligible front-line health providers will be immunized with the first 900 doses, which are expected this week. Members of the public have been calling for appointments, which means eligible health-care providers cannot get through. If you are not an eligible frontline health provider, do not call for an appointment. More information will be shared with the public about immunization clinics as the supply of vaccine increases.

The Interlake-Eastern total case breakdown by district as of Monday, is as follows: A total of 1,498 cases, up by 213 from last Monday: 400 active cases, 1,075 recovered, 18 currently in the hospital with six of those in ICU and 23 deaths.

Arborg/Riverton 5 active cases, 45 recovered; Beausejour 28 active cases, 41 recovered; Eriksdale/Ashern 27 active cases, 75 recovered and 8 deaths; Fisher/Peguis 36 active cases and 254 recovered, 2 deaths; Gimli 5 active cases, 21 recovered; Northern Remote 127 active cases, 80 recovered and 1 death; Pinawa/LacduBonnet 3 active cases, 34 recovered; Powerview/PineFalls 48 active case and 20 recovered; Selkirk 19 active cases and 49 recovered and 2 deaths; Springfield 34 active cases and 104 recovered and 3 deaths; St. Clements 26 active cases and 40 recovered; St. Laurent 4 active cases, 10 recovered; Stonewall/Teulon 8 active cases, 116 recovered and 4 deaths; Unknown District 18 active cases and 81 recovered, 1 death; Whiteshell 10 recovered and Winnipeg Beach/St. Andrews 12 active cases and 95 recovered and 1 death.

On Sunday, Dec. 6 a male in his 70s from the Interlake-Eastern health region, linked to an outbreak at Kin Place Personal Care Home in Oakbank passed away.

Manitoba's first COVID-19 immunization clinic

Manitoba's Premier Brian Pallister had the opportunity to tour Manitoba's first COVID-19 immunization clinic, which has been set up to begin administering the lifesaving immunization to protect the first group of high-risk health-care providers this week.

Pending the safe arrival of the first limited supply of immunizations in Manitoba as scheduled in the days ahead, the clinic is ready to tentatively start vaccinating the first priority group of health-care workers Wednesday morning. To date, 668 workers have booked appointments and appointments for 232 workers remain available.

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Selkirk Record takes home best in class at MCNAs

Local paper brings home provincial awards

By Staff

The Selkirk Record placed first in Best in Class, circulation 10,000 and over, first in Best Front page and first in Best Layout and Design at the 101st Annual Manitoba Community Newspaper Awards. Winners were announced in a virtual ceremony, in accordance with Manitoba's public health orders Dec. 11.

Individully, the Record's Brett Mitchell placed second in the province for Photographer of the Year while Katelyn Boulanger placed second in Best First Nations coverage for "Red ribbons tied to Lockport Bridge to remember MMIWG2S".

All of the articles and newspapers judged were for stories published in 2019.

In 2019 there were 46 member newspapers belonging to MCNA. Throughout history, newspapers have been relied upon to provide in-depth, trusted and important information in times of crisis. The current COVID-19 pandemic is no different. In fact, the need for vital information to be communicated uniformly and without prejudice is perhaps greater now than

it has ever been. Community newspapers are on the front lines, keeping citizens of their communities updated on the latest developments directly affecting the lives of individuals living outside of the large media hubs.

Big and Colourful Printing and Publishing is locally owned and operated, employing 24 full time staff, 20 part time and over 100 door to door paper carriers. The small independent chain is home to the Stonewall Teulon Tribune, Express Weekly News, Winkler Morden Voice, Carman Dufferin Standard and Selkirk Record.

The Stonewall Teulon Tribune earned first in Best in Class for their circulation of 3,600-9,999 during Manitoba's Better Newspaper Competition on Friday afternoon.

Sister publications the Stonewall Teulon Tribune, the Winkler Morden Voice and the Express Weekly News also received numerous awards.

The Tribune received a number of layout and design, writing and photography awards winning first place in Best Layout and Design, Best Front Page, Best in Class and second for Best Editorial Page.

first place in Best Arts and Culture for her article titled "Music from the Hart" and placed third for Reporter of the Year; reporter Evan Matthews received first place for his article"Interlake cattle farmers being forced to sell livestock" in Best Agriculture story, second in Best News Story for "Teulon council attempts to strip mayor of duties;" Lana Meier received second for her photo essay in "Skills from the past on display at threshing event:" Patricia Barrett received third for her Best Habitat Conservation article for "Researcher finds Lake Winnipeg commercial fishers portrayed as villains;", Nicole Kapusta won first for her Best in House ad promoting "National Newspaper Week" and the Tribune placed third in Best Special Section for "Teulon celebrating 100 Years".

The Express Weekly News placed second for Best Layout and Design, and third for Best Editorial Page in circulation 10,000 and over. Reporter Patricia Barrett was awarded first place for Best News Story for her ar-

Reporter Jennifer McFee received ticle "Lake Manitoba Narrows residents barbecue and share fuel in aftermath of storm"; First place for Best Habitat Conservation Story, "Siglavik wetland preservation group vows to fight destruction" and second for Best Environmental Story for "Riverdale Place offers recycling tips for environmentally conscious consumers." Evan Mathews received first in Best Health Story for his "I live with MS. That's why I ride", and first in Best Sports Story when Arborg native Jermaine Loewen scored his first AHL goal.

The Winkler Morden Voice placed second in Best in Class, circulation 10,000 and over, second in both Best Front Page and Best Editorial Page. Graphic designer Tara Gionet was awarded first in Best Advertisement for her well designed Pharmasave ad. Reporter Lorne Stelmach placed third in Best Tourism for "Museum brigs First World War to life", Ashleigh Viveiros placed third in Best Education for "Forging future leaders", Rick Hiebert received second for Best Feature photo while Peter Cantelon placed third in Best Columnist.

Safeway helping food bank



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Selkirk's Safeway is helping customers donate in a safe way to the Selkirk Food Bank this year. Customers are able to donate a loonie or toonie with their purchases which will be tallied up and donated in January or can puchase an eight dollar basket which is donated right away. Pictured: (left to right) Safeway's Assistant Manager Frank Giancola, the Selkirk Gnome, and store manager Harry Oppeneer with some the pre-made baskets for customers to donate.

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St. Andrews bridge sees first public meeting on replacement project

Residents given the opportunity to ask questions of people in charge

By Katelyn Boulanger

On Wed. Dec. 9 members of the Public Services and Procurement Canada team involved with the upcoming St. Andrews Lock and Dam replacement project that will limit travel over the bridge in Lockport came together digitally to discuss details of the project with residents.

"Our goal today is to make sure you have updated knowledge on the project and your concerns and comments are heard, recorded and addressed," said Tony Playter, facilitator for Fraser Strategy.

St. Andrews Lock and Dam was formally opened on July 14, 1910. It is the last remaining Camere-style dam in the world and is used to flood the Lister Rapids between May and October annually so that river travel between the City of Winnipeg and Lake Winnipeg is possible. Because the Lock and Dam is operated by PSPC, a division of the federal government, the bridge is considered to be in their jurisdiction.

In the Microsoft Teams meeting, a slide show with information about the project played and indicated that the current project, which is required due to the deterioration of the bridge over the years, started in January of 2019 with a consultant hiring process, from Sept. 2019 to June 2020 it entered its design phase and it is currently nearing the end of the preparing construction contract documents phase.

After discussing the reasons for the project's necessity at this time, which were mainly the result of natural deterioration due to age, the conversation turned to the planned improvements that will take place.

"First and foremost, we're widening the bridge deck from 6.7 meters to eight meters between curves. This is going to provide a four-meter lane in each direction, which will be much more comfortable for road users. And, we're also increasing the sidewalk with from the 1.4 meters I just showed you to 2.4 meters. Except where it's going to be constrained a little bit down the West approach," said Stephen Chiasson, project manager for Associated Engineering.

The new bridge will also have concrete barriers, access ramps instead of stair access, and will separate road traffic and pedestrians with a barrier.

Because of the historic value of the Lock and Dam as well as the bridge, the project had to undergo a review and this plan was approved. However, residents still had questions about what was being done to preserve the elements of the bridge.

Lockport resident Mike Faires asked if any of the railings on the bridge will remain after the construction is complete indicating that the stakeholders at the meeting view this element to be part of the heritage of the bridge.

Unfortunately, as the railing was not an original part of the structure it will not be reused in the new project, however, representatives from PSPC indicated that the new bridge will look similar to the old one.

Residents were also concerned about potential bridge closures that would affect both lanes at the same time and how that would be communicated to the public.

"Our intention is not to stop traffic. So I don't think it's really necessary to allocate a budget to making public announcements about when that bridge system is going to be available or closed or whatever, we don't envision that happening. If there are going to be shutdowns on this bridge, it will be for very specific reasons. It'll be for short, short durations. And it is our intent to make sure if there are shutdowns, it's done during non-peak rush hour times, or during evenings when traffic is less," said Malcolm Leong, Strategic Portfolio Adviser for PSPC.

He, however, mentioned later that Manitoba Infrastructure had offered them a link on their website where traffic announcements will be made.

The meeting then turned to what parts of the bridge will be accessible throughout the process. The current plan has three stages. In the first stage, they will remove and replace the existing sidewalk and a portion of the existing North lane with all traffic being accommodated in the South lane and pedestrians being given a corridor in the centre of the road. This will occur in the spring, summer, and fall of 2021. In the second stage, starting in the winter of 2021 the second stage will take place, which will see pedestrians using the new sidewalk and work move into the area which pedestrians used in stage 1. Vehicles will still be accommodated in the South lane. In stage three, pedestrians will still be on the new sidewalk but vehicular traffic will move to the new North lane while the South lane is redone. This construction is scheduled to be completed in October of 2022.

The traffic plan for the bridge was discussed next with a draft traffic plan being shown to residents. This plan





RECORD PHOTOS BY KATELYN BOULANGER The St. Andrews Lock and Dam construction project saw PSPC host it's first public meeting on Dec. 9. This project informed residents about the need for the project, construction plans, and traffic plans during construction. Top: The draft traffic plan slide shown at the meeting.

Above: An explanation of how the construction project will be enacted

shows alternate access to Gaffers Restaurant through the vacant lot next to it as well as lights that will be set up to control traffic. The area will also have a lowered speed limit during the con-

shown during the meeting

to COVID-19 and will affect traffic to businesses during the busy summer tourism seasons in 2021 and 2022 cannot be changed.

struction period. Currently, the traffic plan is still open to accommodation and traffic will be monitored through the project to ensure that safety can be maintained.

Residents were also told again that the timeline of the project which comes on the heels of shutdowns due

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Draft Traffic Accommodation Plan

Battling loneliness during the holidays

Care homes stepping up to ensure safety and happiness of residents

By Nicole Buffie

Amid fears of isolation and loneliness for the population's most vulnerable people, care homes across the province are stepping up to ensure no one feels alone during the holiday season.

Amid restrictions under the province's level red guideline, general visitation is not permitted in any personal care homes (PCH) unless designated as a caregiver for someone residing in a PCH. This means families will not be able to connect with loved ones in homes unless it is through a window, over the phone, or in some other way where they are not in the same spaces.

Angela Eyjolfson, CEO of Betel Home in Selkirk, said their team is working to accommodate to their residents' needs this season. "The residents of Betel are feeling much the same as the rest of us. It has been a difficult year and while many of our residents still communicate with their families on a daily basis, others may not have the ability to do that," she said in an emailed statement.

Eyjolfson said Betel received grants and community donations to install Wi-Fi in their buildings and provide cellphones and iPads to those wanting to connect with loved ones without the means to do so.

"It feels like the whole community is supporting us and our residents," she said.

Betel Home was also the recipient of two visitation shelters in the fall from the provincial government as an initiative to provide a space for visitation

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"We want to express our gratitude for those workers for stepping up to protect themselves, their patients and their fellow Manitobans as we begin our immunization campaign. We also want to thank everyone in the first priority group for their patience in making appointments and understanding that there are not enough vaccines for everyone in the initial shipment. We are constantly looking to improve our processes," said Pallister.

Manitoba is scheduled to receive enough doses of the Pfizer vaccine to immunize 900 people. Based on recommendations from the task force, the first vaccines, which are administered during two separate appoint-



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ments, will be reserved for higherrisk health-care workers who work in immunization clinics or critical, acute or long-term care facilities.

At this time, because of the extremely limited supply, Manitobans are being reminded that these first appointments are reserved for specific front-line health-care providers. A dedicated phone number to book an appointment has been shared internally within the health system for booking purposes. We ask only those eligible for an appointment to use that phone number at this time.

Pallister asks Manitobans for their patience and understanding at this crucial time as we gradually roll out our immunization program as more vaccines become available and arrive in Manitoba. that would reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 among other residents of the home. Currently, in the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, two outbreaks have been declared within PCH's, one at Kin Place in Oakbank and the other at Rosewood Lodge in Stonewall.

Ron Janzen, acting CEO of the IER-HA, said the province and regional health authority are working together to provide programming and activities to help residents feel more comfortable, including working with recreational staff to provide personalized activities for residents based on their interests, virtual visits with families, and a penpal program.

"This way, we can set up a little bit of engagement with the residents give them a little bit of human connection," Janzen said.

Janzen encourages anyone wanting to participate in the penpal program to email info@ierha.ca for more information.

For residents already corresponding with family and friends through other means of communication, Janzen said most care homes have designated drop off zones for gifts and packages that can be delivered to residents to help celebrate the holidays.

Back at Betel Home, Eyjolfson said staff have facilitated the purchase of a gift for each resident in care and will be gathering them in small groups in the week leading up to Christmas to open them while listening to Christmas carols and enjoying baking and hot chocolate. The home's courtyard has also been decorated with additional lights for residents to walk through with staff.

She also noted the integration of holiday activities into programming at the home, while also coordinating worship services in small groups to cater to the spiritual needs of residents during this time. With all of this, Eyjolfson hopes to make the holidays a little less lonely.

"While Christmas for almost everyone in the province will not be the same as we are all used to, we take the privilege of being able to care for elders in our community very seriously and will do our very best to ensure they are safe and that they find meaning and connection in this holiday season."



RECORD PHOTO BY NICOLE BUFFIE Businesses down Manitoba Ave. and Eveline St. have their buildings covered with lights for Holiday Alley's annual light festival. Above: the Riverside Grill gets festive with green and red lights draping their building.



Craftspeople finding ways to connect with customers

Find a Christmas present from a local maker this holiday season

By Katelyn Boulanger

Craftspeople, artisans, and makers in the region have had to make changes to the ways they connect with our community due to the COVID-19 restrictions but adapting is part of life now and they are not leaving residents without when it comes to purchasing beautiful handmade local products this holiday season.

"I've bought journals, candles, honey, soap bath bombs," said owner of the small business Barr Soap, Christina Barr.

"I know Wishme right now even have Canadian made birch-syrup. So there are all kinds of just amazing products you can find [from local crafters]."

In addition to being a small business owner who sells hand made soap at craft markets, Barr is also the co-host of the Bud & Bloom Markets in Selkirk with Tennille Frost. In a normal year, they would have a market in the spring or summer, along with a summer night market, and a Christmas market.

Normally at this time of year, Barr would be out at a different market every weekend, however, this year has been different for her both in selling her products and putting on markets as they can't run with current health guidelines but she's also seen the community come together to support them.

"Until October, it was really slow. Just finding a way to reach the customer was hard because normally you go to a market and you'd have 1000 or more people walking by your table. So, [we were] having to pivot and adjust how to reach the customer. Then, I'd say probably mid-October, we saw a definite boost where people are trying to support local and shop local. The last month has actually been incredible. I was just talking with another crafter today. And he said his sales for November are actually higher this year than they were last year because people are making just a concerted effort to shop local and keep the money here where it can help the community," said Barr.

She finds that she and other crafters who she talks to miss the social aspect of the markets but that in addition to branching out with online sales on their websites, Facebook and venturing into the realm of curbside pick up many artisans have found lots of support from the community in getting their products out there.

"The Wishme store in town here has been incredible. They like to bring in local artisans and they were so quick when the store shut down to get a website up and going. They have curbside pickup. You can even book a virtual shopping experience while they take you through the store and you can say, 'Yeah, I want this, this and this,' and then you just go pick it up at their door and it's completely like contact-free and safe," said Barr.

Her best advice for residents looking to find new local makers is to ask friends and family.

"Lots of people have crafters that they've been buying from for years,



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Christina Barr with her Barr Soap products before restrictions stopped craft markets from being able to happen this holiday season.

and they're happy to give a recommendation and then look on Facebook, we have so many great handmade pages, like Handmade Winnipeg, where it's such a great resource for local things. I would just encourage people, even after Christmas, please to keep buying local and there are lots of small businesses that just won't survive this

pandemic if people don't make the effort to buy local," said Barr.

The Wishme Makers' will be live online until Jan. 31, 2021, and can be found at holidayalley.ca/market and more makers can join by emailing market@holidayalley.ca.

To check out what Barr Soap has to offer visit barrsoap.com.

Care Plus caring for others



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL Care Plus presented a \$2000 cheque to the Big Hearts Hamper Drive helping to ensure that food got to those in need in our community this holiday season. Left to right: Big Hearts Hamper Drive's Kevin Christiansen, receives a cheque from Care Plus's John Brinkman, Sandeep Grewal and Brenda Bidinosti.



IERHA helping each other through grief this holiday season

Interlake-Eastern RHA launches Virtual Memory Tree; encourages phone calls and virtual connections

Submitted by IERHA

The holiday season can lift spirits and fill hearts with hope. For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, it can also bring feelings of sadness and despair. At the best of times, it is very challenging to grieve the loss of someone close to you. During the holiday season when so much focus is on family, and with pandemic restrictions keeping us apart from others, it can be overwhelming.

"Grief is a mostly unpredictable journey that's hard to navigate," says Jill Hodgson-McConnell, a clinical team manager who works in the area of mental health with Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority. "It can manifest itself in many ways, including sadness, shock, numbness, denial, anger, fear, mood swings, anxiety, panic and guilt. Any of these feelings are normal ways of coping. They key is to acknowledge and validate your feelings, and take care of yourself through activities like exercise or meditation, sleeping well and reaching out to others."

Hodgson-McConnell added that people who want to reach out to others shouldn't worry about what some might perceive as interfering with another's perfect holiday season. "The reality is that all of us are going through something; we all have ups and downs. Connecting with others even if it's only by phone or video calling - is extremely important."

Interlake-Eastern RHA is offering one way to help people trying to cope with loss this year. Normally, the pal-

liative care program places trees in facilities throughout the region that people can hang messages on to honour someone who has died. With pandemic restrictions in place, this year they are inviting everyone to honour loved ones by adding a public message to their Virtual Memory Tree. Simply visit www.is.gd/MemoryTree and fill in your message along with who it is for, and your note will appear on the page within 48 hours.

Hodgson-McConnell said that she hopes people can find some comfort in sharing their messages. Other ways people can mark the departure of a loved one include creating a virtual memory book, blog or web page so family and friends can honour the memory of your loved one and share stories. Another idea is to prepare your loved one's favorite meal or any other gesture that had significance and can remind you of them.

According to Hodgson-McConnell, it's not just those who have lost someone that need support.

"Because of isolation and the significant disruption to pre-COVID-19 routines, all of us are facing some sort of grief. Whether it be the loss of social contact, cancelled events, loss of a job or income, or the loss of anything that typically makes you happy, we are all dealing with strong emotions and grief. This year more than ever, stay in touch with each other and let your loved ones know they are not alone."

Anyone experiencing loss or grief or struggling with depression, loneliness or other personal issues is encouraged



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Above: A tree that would previously have been a location where residents could hang messages on to honour someone who has died. This year it will be done virtually. Below: A message hung on a tree.

to make use of the many resources interfering with your ability to funcavailable locally, which can be found at www.is.gd/mentalhealth1. If you notice that your symptoms of anxiety are causing you significant distress or

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Taking a walk down Holiday Alley



RECORD PHOTOS BY NICOLE BUFFIE Businesses and organizations decked out Christmas trees for Holiday Alley's Tree It Yourself event. Above: Handmade trees are displayed outside The Mighty Kiwi Juice Bar & Eatery, sponsored by the restaurant. Right: A DIY-Santa Claus displayed outside The Gypsy Traders, sponsored by the shop. -





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Turning raffle tickets into transit passes

Selkirk Age Friendly annual craft show pivots to 50/50 and raffle

By Nicole Buffie

What would usually be a craft show to showcase local makers and raise money for the Selkirk Age Friendly Committee to provide reduced transit passes for the young and old, will now be a Valentine's Day raffle and 50/50 draw for the community.

The annual Festival of Trees and craft sale raises anywhere from \$3,000 to \$6,000 to purchase 500 reduced transit passes for those in need in the community.

Charlene Dunning, manager of transportation services for the Selkirk Transit Authority, said the Selkirk Age Friendly Committee's goal is to provide programming and services to create an accessible community and

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"That's everybody's ultimate goal, to have an inclusive community and that's fully accessible," she said. "It's a lot of networking and recognizing what needs need to be filled in the community."

The committee, in its nearly 15 years of operation, focuses on providing programming and mental health services for those in the community who need it. Selkirk Age Friendly even works with other organizations to provide advice on how to provide more accessibility, such as the Gordan Howard Seniors Centre and the 55+ Summer Games.

"Age Friendly doesn't imply that it's older people, it's for all ages," said Bonnie Peloski, a committee member for Selkirk Age Friendly."It could be a young parent with a child and a carriage or a little [one] with training wheels or whatever it is, we always want to make things accessible for the entire community."

In lieu of the 5th annual craft show, the committee has been rounding up

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I-Spy the Library



RECORD PHOTOS BY KATELYN BOULANGER The Gaynor Family Library has done it again this time creating a holiday themed I-Spy game outside of it's front window for residents to participate in this holiday season. They are encouraging residents to come out and challenge themselves to see how fast they can find all the items including the elusive golden snowflake. They are also encouraging residents to find the library's secret holiday stories saying, "Sometimes there can be magic in what's missing. Like when you call the Library after hours, when everyone has gone home. You might find a Secret Story. (HINT: press 5)." The library's phone number is 204-482-3522.







Power of the PJs

May you have the gladness of Christmas which is hope, The spirit of Christmas which is peace, The heart of Christmas which is love.





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Nova House Power of the PJ's campaign was a great success collecting 152 pairs of pajamas, as well as financial donations for women and children leaving domestic violence situations in our communities. Packers Women's Fashion, Aaron's No Frills, Twice Over Thrift Store and Harry's Foods contributed to the overall campaign by accepting donations. Pictured: Laura Winters, Outreach Coordinator for Nova House accepting PJ's from Harry's Foods Store Manager, Shawn Vermette.



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Christmas Songs 2020

Last Christmas

Last Christmas I gave you my heart But the very next day you gave it away This year, to save me from tears I'll give it to someone special Last Christmas I gave you my heart But the very next day you gave it away (you gave it away) This year, to save me from tears

I'll give it to someone special (special) Once bitten and twice shy I keep my distance, but you still catch my eve

Tell me baby, do you recognize me? Well, it's been a year, it doesn't surprise me "Merry Christmas" I wrapped it up and sent it With a note saying "I love you", I meant it Now I know what a fool I've been But if you kissed me now, I know you'd fool me again

Last Christmas I gave you my heart But the very next day you gave it away (you gave it away)

This year, to save me from tears I'll give it to someone special (special)

Last Christmas I gave you my heart

But the very next day you gave it away

This year, to save me from tears I'll give it to someone special (special)

Ohh Oh, oh, baby

A crowded room, friends with tired eyes I'm hiding from you and your soul of ice My God, I thought you were someone to rely on

Me? I guess I was a shoulder to cry on A face on a lover with a fire in his heart A man under cover but you fore me apart Ooh, ooh, now l've found a real love You'll never fool me again Last Christmas I gave you my heart But the very next day you gave it away (you gave it away) This year, to save me from tears

I'll give it to someone special (special) Last Christmas I gave you my heart But the very next day you gave it away This year, to save me from tears I'll give it to someone special Special

A face on a lover with a fire in his heart (I gave you mine)

A man under cover but you tore him apart Maybe next year we'll give it to someone I'll give it to someone special Special So long...

Frosty the Snowman

Frosty the Snowman, was a jolly happy soul,

With a corn cob pipe and a button nose, and two eyes made of coal.

Frosty the Snowman, is a fairytale, they say. He was made of snow, but the children know he came to life one day.

There must have been some magic in that old silk hat they found, For when they placed it on his head, he

began to dance around!

Oh, Frosty, the Snowman, was alive as he

could be; and the children say he could laugh and play, just the same as you and me. Thumpety thump, thump, thumpety thump, thump, look at Frosty go

Thumpety thump, thump, thumpety thump, thump, over the hills of snow.

Frosty the Snowman, knew the sun was hot that day, so he said, "Let's run, and we'll have some fun now, before I melt away." Down to the village, with a broomstick in his hand, Running here and there, all around the square, sayin', "Catch me if you can." He led them down the streets of town, right to the traffic cop; and only paused a moment, when he heard him holler, "Stop!" For Frosty, the Snowman, had to hurry on his way, But he waved goodbye, sayin' "Don't cry, I'll be back again some day."

Have Yourself a Merry Little hristmas

Have yourself a merry little Christmas Let your heart be light From now on our troubles will be out of sight

Have yourself a merry little Christmas Make the Yule-tide gay From now on your troubles will be miles away

Here were are as in olden days happy golden days of yore Faithful friends who are dear to us to gather near to us once more

Through the years we all will be together If the Fates allow

Hang a shining star upon the highest bough And have yourself a merry little Christmas now.

Here Comes Santa Claus

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus

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Right down Santa Claus lane Vixen and Blitzen and all his reindeer Pullin' on the reins Bells are ringin', children singin' All is merry and bright Hang your stockings and say your prayers 'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight!

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus

Right down Santa Claus lane He's got a bag that's filled with toys For boys and girls again Hear those sleigh bells jingle jangle, Oh what a beautiful sight So jump in bed and cover your head 'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight!

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,

Right down Santa Claus lane He doesn't care if you're rich or poor He loves you just the same Santa Claus knows we're all Gods children That makes everything right So fill your hearts with Christmas cheer 'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight!

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,

Right down Santa Claus lane He'll come around when the chimes ring out That it's Christmas morn again Peace on earth will come to all If we just follow the light So lets give thanks to the lord above That Santa Claus comes toniaht!

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Christmas Songs 2020

Let it Snow

Oh the weather outside is frightful But the fire is so delightful And since we've no place to go Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

It doesn't show signs of stopping And I've bought some corn for popping The lights are turned way down low Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

When we finally kiss good night How I'll hate going out in the storm! But if you'll really hold me tight All the way home I'll be warm

The fire is slowly dying And, my dear, we're still goodbying But as long as you love me so Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas Ev'rywhere you go; Take a look in the five-and-ten, glistening once again With candy canes and silver lanes aglow. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, Toys in ev'ry store, But the prettiest sight to see is the holly that

On your own front door.

will be

A pair of hopalong boots and a pistol that shoots

Is the wish of Barney and Ben; Dolls that will talk and will go for a walk Is the hope of Janice and Jen; And Mom and Dad can hardly wait for school to start again.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas Ev'rywhere you go; There's a tree in the Grand Hotel, one in the park as well,

The sturdy kind that doesn't mind the snow.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas; Soon the bells will start, And the thing that will make them ring is the carol that you sing Right within your heart.

Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow On a one horse open sleigh O'er the fields we go, Laughing all the way Bells on bob tail ring, making spirits bright What fun it is to laugh and sing A sleighing song tonight



Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh

A day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride, And soon Miss Fanny Bright Was seated by my side; The horse was lean and lank Misfortune seemed his lot We got into a drifted bank, And then we got upsot.

Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh

Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way! Oh, What fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh. Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way! Oh, What fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh.

Now the ground is white Go it while you're young

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Take the girls tonight And sing this sleighing song Just get a bob tailed bay two-forty as his speed Hitch him to an open sleigh And crack! you'll take the lead

Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way! Oh, What fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh. Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way! Oh, What fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh.

Silent Night

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright. Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child. Holy infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight. Glories stream from heaven afar Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia, Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night! Son of God love's pure light. Radiant beams from Thy holy face With dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus Lord, at Thy birth Jesus Lord, at Thy birth

Christmas Songs 2020 **O Holy Night**

O Holy Night!

The stars are brightly shining It is the night of the dear Savior's birth! Long lay the world in sin and error pining Till he appear'd and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Fall on your knees Oh hear the angel voices Oh night divine Oh night when Christ was born Oh night divine Oh night divine

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming Here come the wise men from Orient land The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger In all our trials born to be our friend

Truly He taught us to love one another His law is love and His gospel is peace Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother

And in His name all oppression shall cease Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we

Let all within us praise His holy name

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree

Rocking around the Christmas Tree at the Christmas party hop Mistletoe hung where you can see Ev'ry couple tries to stop

You will get a sentimental feeling When you hear voices singing "Let's be jolly; Deck the halls with boughs of holly" Rocking around the Christmas Tree Have a happy holiday Everyone's dancing merrily In a new old fashioned way

Rocking around the Christmas Tree Let the Christmas Spirit ring Later we'll have some pumpkin pie and we'll do some caroling

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Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la la la la!

'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la la la la

Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la la la la la la!

Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa la la la la la la la!

See the blazing yule before us, Fa la la la la la la la! Strike the harp and join the chorus, Fa la la

la la la la la! Follow me in merry measure, Fa la la la la

la la la While I tell of Yuletide treasure, Fa la la la la la la la!

Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la la la la! Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa la la

la la la la la! Sing we joyous all together! Fa la la la la

la la la! Heedless of the wind and weather. Fa la la la la la la la!

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Said the night wind to the little lamb, do you see what I see Way up in the sky, little lamb, do you see what I see A star, a star, dancing in the night With a tail as big as a kite With a tail as big as a kite

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy, do vou hear what I hear Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy, do you hear what I hear A song, a song, high above the trees With a voice as big as the sea With a voice as big as the sea

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king, do you know what I know In your palace warm, mighty king, do vou know what I know A Child, a Child shivers in the cold Let us bring Him silver and gold Let us bring Him silver and gold

Said the king to the people everywhere, listen to what I say Pray for peace, people everywhere! listen to what I say The Child, the Child, sleeping in the night He will bring us goodness and light He will bring us goodness and light



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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R.M. of St. Andrews

Christmas Songs 2020

The First Noel

The First Noel the angel did say Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star Shining in the east beyond them far, And to the earth it gave great light, And so it continued both day and night.

And by the light of that same star Three wise men came from country far; To seek for a king was their intent, And to follow the star wherever it went.

This star drew nigh to the northwest, O'er Bethlehem it took it rest, And there it did both stop and stay Right over the place where Jesus lay.

Then entered in those wise men three Full reverently upon their knee, and offered there in his presence Their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense. Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord; That hath made heaven and earth of naught, And with his blood mankind hath bought

Joy to the World

Joy to The world! the Lord is come Let earth receive her King Let ev'ry heart prepare him room And heaven and nature sing And heaven and nature sing And heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns Let men their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy

No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found, Far as, far as, the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love And wonders of His love And wonder wonders of His love

A Holly Jolly Christmas

Have a holly, jolly Christmas; It's the best time of the year I don't know if there'll be snow but have a cup of cheer Have a holly, jolly Christmas; And when you walk down the street Say Hello to friends you know and everyone you meet

Oh ho the mistletoe hung where you can see; Somebody waits for you; Kiss her once for me Have a holly jolly Christmas and in case you didn't hear Oh by golly have a holly jolly Christmas this year

I'll Be Home for Christmas

I'll be home for Christmas You can plan on me Please have snow and mistletoe And presents on the tree Christmas Eve will find me Where the love light gleams I'll be home for Christmas If only in my dreams

I'll be home for Christmas You can plan on me Please have snow and mistletoe And presents on the tree

Christmas Eve will find me Where the love light gleams I'll be home for Christmas If only in my dreams If only in my dreams

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.

The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.

I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.

Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, And take us to heaven, to live with Thee there.



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Sirens spread holiday spirit in St. Andrews



RECORD PHOTO BY NICOLE BUFFIE The St. Andrews Fire Dept. took to the streets of Lockport and St. Andrews on Dec. 8 to help get residents in the holiday spirit with a drive-by parade. Many watched and waved from their vehicles as the calvary drove by.



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Visit the Holiday Yards of the Season



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Some of the homes decorated for the Holiday Yards of the Season tour. Over 35 houses in and around Selkirk are part of the socially distant tour that residents can take this holiday season. For more info visit redrivernorthtourism.com. Pictured clockwise from the top left: 10 River Springs Drive - RM of West St. Paul, 160 Lockport Road - RM of St. Andrews, and 608 Ferry Road - RM of St. Clements.



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Red River North Holiday Yards of the Season festive light display will run from December 19, 2020 to January 2, 2021



BLACK OUT your Bingo Card for a chance to win a Prize Pack! Visit participating locations on the <u>Red River North Holiday Yards of the Season Map of Homes</u> to view the festive decoration/light displays in each community and cover all the spaces on your card. Remember to include the addresses you visited! Deadline to enter your completed Bingo Card: <u>Monday January 4th, 2021</u>

To enter take a picture of your completed card and **EMAIL** it to <u>info@redrivernorthtourism.com</u> or **MAIL** your completed card to PO Box 10010 Selkirk Station S Selkirk, MB R1A 1R0

Name: _____ Phone

Email

We want to know what display <u>YOU</u> liked the best! VOTE for the *Red River North* Holiday Yards of the Season PEOPLE'S CHOICE award winner (please list address): 26 The Selkirk Record Thursday, December 17, 2020



Turning recipes into family holiday traditions

Recipes much more than baked goods

By Nicole Buffie

With Christmas around the corner, many bakers and cooks will pull out the old family recipe book, flipping through the worn pages to find a favourite meal or perhaps even one that they've never tried before.

Family recipes are usually held close to the chest, with only the chosen few let in on what makes that snickerdoodle so soft or that banana bread pair perfectly with a glass of eggnog. However, The *Selkirk Record*'s own Michelle Balharry set out to seek the recipes at risk of being lost through generations amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

What began as an idea stemming from the usual Black Friday sales that would cover the pages of the Record, Balharry decided to pivot the usual campaign to something a bit more family-oriented.

"Back in October, I realized that things were going to look very different for Christmas this year," she said. "Watching the news and seeing what was happening with people that are in the care homes, and the deaths that were happening with our elder population really scared me because so much of our history is going to be lost from all these grandparents passing away and not being able to pass on this knowledge. This is treasured history that we have with our elders, and we're losing them so quickly."

Balharry, responsible for sales and marketing for the newspaper, made the call-out for anyone to send in their favourite family holiday recipes passed down through the ages. The response was overwhelming.

"They all had a story attached to them, there was all this meaning behind the recipes," she said.

Along with emails, she received phone calls and handwritten mail from nanas, babas and omas across the province. After collecting recipes for five weeks, a special heritage section was created and sent out with that week's paper.

"It was one of the most heartwarming, rewarding projects that I've probably ever done in my life," Balharry said. "It was far beyond any Black Friday sale I could ever imagine."

After an outpouring of positive feedback and support for the project, Balharry decided to take it one step further and make videos to go along with the recipes published.

Available on the Record's Facebook page to watch, Balharry puts her knowledge of baking passed down to her from German and Polish grandmothers to the test.

"Always sift your dry ingredients for baking," she teases as a baking tip for those new to the craft.

For those who wish to get a copy of the family recipes section, email ads@ selkirkrecord.ca or call 204-485-1419 for a mailed copy.

Balharry hopes to make the section an annual tradition for the newspaper, while also encouraging families to copy some of the recipes into their own cookbooks.

"Our hope with this is that people will take the time over the holidays to sit with their family and recreate some of these recipes and establish their own new traditions," she said.

"Cook with love, put your heart into it. People will taste the difference."

RECORD PHOTO BY MICHELLE BALHARRY

Michelle Balharry took recipes submitted to the 'Selkirk Record' one step further by making videos preparing them for others to follow and try out themselves.

> RAFFLE TICKETS, FROM PG. 16

donations from local businesses in the area for a February raffle.

"It was very disappointing that we had to make the decision to not go forward and have that fundraiser," said Peloski."But the community has been very supportive, it's so wonderful to see."

Peloski said while the 40 tables filled with crafters and the thousands of people attending the event cannot happen this year, many of those who would participate in the event have already purchased tickets for the draws.

Donations such as an ice fishing shelter from Canadian Tire, Selkirk Biz Bucks, gift cards, and other donations still incoming have already been received by the committee for the raffle.

"We just want to say thank you to the community for all of their support," said Peloski.

Tickets for the 50/50 and Valentine's Day raffle draw are \$5 each and can be purchased by calling 204-485-7797. The 50/50 draw will take place on Dec. 21 and the Valentine's Day raffle will be drawn on February 10. Businesses wishing to donate a prize can also contact the committee to arrange a pickup or drop off.



Gaynor Library gives a big bang for the buck

By the City of Selkirk

Everyone knows that libraries are quiet places, where you can get comfy and delve into a good book or hunker down and ace that report for school.

But if you'll indulge us a little and let us make some noise about the Gaynor Family Regional Library, you'll see the value it has in this community and how, in the midst of a global pandemic, it has been the saving grace for many.

With the entire province mired in the Critical (Red) Response Level due to the COVID-19 virus, the Gaynor Family Regional Library continues to lend out approximately 250 books a day through its curbside service and eBooks. It's also offering Zoom programming.

Selkirk counsellor Lorie Fiddler, the city's representative on the library board, says she's always impressed with the wonderful work of the library staff and is applauding them even more during COVID-19.

"I love how they morphed to meet community needs and still keep people safe," Fiddler said.

"They've really thought things through and offered in the past curbside pickup when nobody was allowed in and of course now they're back to offering that again. They're ensuring people can still get books and materials from the library in a safe way. It's fantastic and really important at this time."

Fiddler praised the library's community spirit as well, pointing out the [I-Spy] display that people could view through the windows. "That community engagement piece, they keep it going and I love that," she said.

The library was like a port in a storm for students during the Restricted (Orange) Response Level, when a limited number of people were allowed inside.

"We were getting a lot more students than I expected," said Ken Kuryliw, Director of Library Services.

"We were getting students studying here because places for them to study are limited."

The fact so many books are still going out daily during a pandemic is a pretty powerful indication of the library's standing in the communities it serves.

But Kuryliw also points to its Return On Investment (ROI) as a more rock solid indication that folks in these parts have a deep connection to their library.

"It's quite amazing when you start looking at the numbers of each tax dollar and the return that we're getting," Kuryliw said.

"For example in 2019, the library ROI, just on the value of the items borrowed, not including children's programming or senior's services or all those things, was \$6.5 million, just on the items that we loaned. The entire library budget during that time is under \$800,000. For every dollar spent, the community gets \$7 in direct value just on the value of the items that we borrow."

When you factor in activities that take place in a typical year, like the children's programming Kuryliw



RECORD PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

The Gaynor Family Regional Library provides residents with a great return in the community's investment.

mentioned and the wildly popular senior's programming, the ROI jumps up significantly.

"If you were to include all the other things, there are some studies that show that libraries return about 10:1, you start looking at the factors like what's the value of educating young learners and the long term value of that in terms of literacy, improved marks over a lifetime of learning," he said.

The library is funded in three ways – 40 per cent from the Province of Manitoba, 45 per cent from the member municipalities (Selkirk, St. Andrews, St. Clements and Dunnottar) and the remaining 15 per cent is raised in the community.

If you live in one of those communities you can access the library for free. The Gaynor Family Regional Library also has a reciprocal agreement with the South Interlake Library, located in Stonewall, whereby residents of either library's communities can use the other for free.

Anyone who lives outside those areas can pay a yearly fee of \$75, and according to Kuryliw, there are those who do.

"There are people from Winnipeg that pay memberships to use our library because they like our library and they like the ability to get materials quicker."

Kuryliw said they will continue to run ZOOM programming over the winter while restrictions are in place and they've started at Storytime group for three to five-year-olds as well as virtual crafts, science and Lego challenges for the older kids. Members of the craft club pick up their supplies for their craft curbside at the library and participate through ZOOM.

For up to date information on services being offered throughout the pandemic, please visit www.gfrl.org

Giving to community programs in 2020

Donors support SDCF with more than \$80,000 during Giving Week

By the Selkirk and District Community Foundation

We don't have enough fingers and toes to count the ways 2020 was altered by COVID-19, but the Selkirk and District Community Foundation is thankful the pandemic didn't change the kindness and caring local people have every single year.

Lewis Wasel, founding president of the SDCF, isn't surprised.

"We have a lot of good people there who are very giving and will give in good times or tough times," Wasel said.

Wasel left Selkirk 20 years ago and

has called Alberta home since then. But that hasn't stopped him from donating to the Foundation and he was among the 175 smart and caring donors who gave during the Endow Manitoba Giving Challenge from Nov. 9-15.

Over the course of seven days at a total of \$82,696 was donated to the Foundation. The seven-day challenge replaced the traditional 24-hour giving challenge to allow people to donate in a safe way during COVID.

Aaron Martyniw, chair of the Foundation, said he's learned to never be surprised by the community support but he can't help but often be rendered near speechless by it.

"It's something that always amazes me, but at the same time, it doesn't. These are tough times that we're living in and yet our donors show up and support in such a fantastic way," Martyniw said.

"There aren't enough superlatives to express our gratitude."

Donors gave \$78,696 and the Province of Manitoba and The Winnipeg Foundation added \$4,000 stretching dollars.

Since 2014, when the 24-Hour Giving Challenge began, people have donated a total of \$385,473 on that day, and this year, during that week.

For Wasel, the Foundation will always be near and dear to his heart. He noted last month's passing of fellow founding member Elmer Kuber, and praised his friend for the role he played in getting the Foundation off the ground, calling Kuber "a tower of strength in the founding of the Foundation".

"I was the founding president for the first five years and that foundation meant a lot to me. I thought it was a really great community effort, people coming together to do something good for the whole community," he said.

"I look back fondly on the time I had in Selkirk and it's something that I'm proud of. The subsequent boards have taken the foundation to new heights and I'm really glad to see that too."

IERHA launches new way to thank health-care workers

New website launched to show

appreciation

By IERHA

Today Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority launched a new way to thank health-care workers in the region for their incredible efforts and contributions this past year and as we enter the holiday season.

In these challenging times, Interlake-Eastern RHA health-care teams

have risen to the occasion, providing exceptional care for patients and their families. The health-care professionals in our life could use some love and appreciation, now more than ever.

Now anyone can send messages of gratitude and well wishes for individuals or entire units by visiting www. is.gd/thankstaff. Simply enter your

message and who should be receiving it, and the message will be posted on the public page. It will also be passed along so health-care workers will know how much you care.

The public is also encouraged to share their messages on Twitter and tag Interlake-Eastern RHA at @IER-HA_MB, and the RHA will share the tweet with followers.

Interlake-Eastern RHA also reminds residents that they can receive community health-care stories and

information in their inbox periodically by signing up for the In Good Health Newsletter at www.is.gd/In-GoodHealth. The newsletter keeps subscribers up-to-date and informed about all things health-related in the region, including programs and services, health-care worker stories and achievements, and COVID-19 news. The next edition of the newsletter will be sent mid-December.

NORAD is Ready to Track Santa's Flight for the 65th Year

Tracking Santa goes digital in 2020 with Santa tracking app

By NORAD

The North American Aerospace Defense Command is celebrating the 65th anniversary of tracking Santa's yuletide journey around the globe! The NORAD Tracks Santa website, www.noradsanta.org, launching Dec. 1, features Santa's North Pole Village, which includes a holiday countdown, games, movie theatre, holiday music, web-store, and more. The website is available in eight languages: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, and Chinese.

The official NORAD Tracks Santa

app has been updated for 2020 and is also available in the Apple App and Google Play stores, so parents and children can count down the days until Santa's launch on their smartphones and tablets. Tracking opportunities are also offered through social media on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram, as well as on partner platforms Amazon Alexa and OnStar.

Starting at 4 a.m. EST on Dec. 24, website visitors can watch Santa make preparations for his flight. NORAD's "Santa Cams" will stream videos on the website as Santa makes his way

over various locations. Then, at 6 a.m. EST, trackers worldwide can call to inquire as to Santa's whereabouts by dialling the toll-free number 1-877-Hi-NORAD (1-877-446-6723) where they will either speak with a live phone operator or hear a recorded update. Due to COVID concerns, the NORAD Tracks Santa Operations Center will have fewer phone operators, so callers who do not reach a volunteer will hear a regularly updated recording as to Santa's current location. Anytime on Dec. 24, Amazon Alexa users can ask for Santa's location through the NORAD Tracks Santa skill for Amazon Alexa, and OnStar subscribers can press the OnStar button in their vehicles to locate Santa.

Tracking Santa has been a tradition

since 1955 when a local newspaper advertisement informed children they could call Santa directly - only the contact number was misprinted. Instead of reaching Santa, the phone rang through to the crew commander on duty, U.S. Air Force Colonel Harry Shoup, at the Continental Air Defense Command Operations Center, the predecessor to NORAD. Col. Shoup was quick to realize a mistake had been made and assured the child he was Santa. Shoup then assigned a duty officer to continue answering calls. Thus, a holiday tradition was born, which NORAD has carried on since it was created in 1958. Each year since NORAD has reported Santa's location on Dec. 24 to millions of children and families around the world.

Province proclaims legislation to eliminate Sunday and holiday shopping restrictions

Expedited legislation allows expanded retail business hours to provide businesses and customers more flexibility and protection during the pandemic

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government has expedited the proclamation of new legislation that allows retailers to stay open later on Sundays and holidays starting Saturday, Dec. 12, Finance Minster Scott Fielding announced recently.

"Given the current public health restrictions in place to protect Manitobans, we want to provide flexibility to businesses and customers and allow more opportunity for curbside pickup

and delivery options as well as longer in-person shopping hours to minimize crowds," said Fielding. "During this critical time for retailers across the province, we believe these updated laws will help many businesses with additional revenues as we head into the holiday season."

Bill 4 - The Retail Business Hours of Operation Act (Various Acts Amended or Repealed) eliminates retail shopping hour restrictions so businesses are no longer required to close after 6 p.m. on Sundays and certain holidays. It will give all businesses in Manitoba the choice to remain open later on Sundays and during statutory holidays. However, it gives municipalities the authority to pass bylaws, should they prefer to keep some restrictions in place.

Fielding noted the province expedited the passage and proclamation of this legislation over the past month, which was recommended from the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB), Manitoba Chambers of Commerce, Retail Council of Canada and the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce. In mid-November, an open letter to government on behalf

recommendation to expedite the implementation and passage of the bill.

"Given the current Critical level (red) restrictions facing all retailers across the province, it is important that we pass Bill 4 in time for the for the holiday season," said the organizations in the joint letter. "It is our belief that this will help many retailers with additional revenues during this important time of year.

Importantly, this change will also provide additional opportunities and or extended times for customers to shop in-store or pickup curbside orders in order to minimize how close we are

when outside our residences."

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"A majority of Manitoba's business owners support these changes, of those organizations made a shared and we want to give all businesses in

> Manitoba the choice to remain open later on Sundays and statutory holidays," said Fielding. "Manitoba was the only Western Canadian province to restrict retail business hours on Sundays and holidays and our government has been committed to modernizing our outdated and complicated shopping laws."

province will The maintain its current retail hour restrictions on Remembrance Day.

Public education materials will be prepared to help employers and the public understand the changes.





Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 15 minutes Yield: 20 brownies Nonstick cooking spray 1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter, melted 1 tablespoon pecan or canola oil 1 cup, plus 2 tablespoons, granulated sugar

- 2 large eggs 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon espresso powder (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 20 raw pecan halves, cut in half
- 40 candy eyeballs
- 20 red chocolate candies
- 1/4 cup chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 350 F. Spray mini muffin tin with nonstick cooking spray.



Total time: 1 hour Servings: 12 Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote: 1/2 cup California Walnuts 2 cups cranberries 1/2 cup orange juice 1/2 cup maple syrup 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger 1orange, zest only

Overnight Walnut French Toast:

8 slices Texas Toast or 1-inch thick slices French bread

1/4 cup butter, melted, plus additional for baking dish, divided

- 2 1/2 cups milk or walnut milk
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 6 eggs

To make Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote: Preheat oven to 350 F. Place



Reindeer Pecan Brownies

In large bowl, whisk melted butter, oil and sugar until well combined. Add eggs and vanilla extract; beat until mixture is thick and pale in color, about 1 minute.

Sift in flour and cocoa powder. Add espresso powder, if desired, and salt. Using rubber spatula, fold dry ingredients into butter mixture until just combined. Batter should be thick.

Using 1-tablespoon cookie scoop, transfer batter to prepared mini muffin tin. Bake 13-15 minutes until toothpick inserted in center comes out mostly clean, with some lingering crumbs.

Add chocolate chips to heat-proof bowl; microwave until smooth and melted. Pour melted chocolate into sandwich bag and cut off small portion of one corner to use as tip. Use melted chocolate to "glue" on pecan antlers, candy eyeballs and red candy noses to brownies.

Allow chocolate to set before transferring brownies to airtight container.

Note: Brownies will stay fresh for up to three days.

Overnight Walnut French Toast with Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote

walnuts on baking sheet and toast 8 minutes. Remove from heat and chop coarsely.

In medium pot over medium heat, combine toasted walnuts, cranberries, orange juice, syrup, ginger and orange zest. Bring to boil and stir frequently 12-15 minutes until cranberries pop and liquid starts to reduce.

Transfer to container and refrigerate once cooled.

To make Overnight Walnut French Toast: Preheat oven to 350 F.

Place bread on baking sheet and bake 5 minutes, or until lightly toasted on outside but still soft on inside. Butter 13-by-9-inch baking dish.

In large bowl, whisk milk, sugar, 1/4 cup butter, vanilla extract, cinnamon and eggs. Dip each bread slice in mixture and let soak about 15 seconds on each side. Place in prepared baking dish, overlapping slices slightly, if necessary.

Cover and refrigerate a few hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Bake 50-60 minutes, or until golden brown and somewhat firm to touch. Serve immediately topped with Cranberry Walnut Ginger Compote.

Expert patient here to help!

By Susie Schwartz

First off, Merry Christmas! Some of my tips will touch on some funny stuff but today I'll stick to a serious strategy that has saved me much confusion:

Ask about timelines and repeat back the action plan before leaving.

Ever depart from an appointment head spinning and realise you have no idea what happens next? Been. There.

While seeing the doctor, I always ask questions like, when do you expect the results to come through? How long do you expect for me to get the MRI? Will the specialist call me or do I call them to make an appointment? What should I do if the symptom doesn't go away or comes back? Should I book a follow-up?

Maybe the antibiotics for your nasty skin infection won't kick in for 3 days. Great! No need to panic just yet.

Knowing when test results are due back, or how long before you can see a surgeon can do wonders for managing expectations and alleviating worry. It also gives an idea of when it's appropriate to check in if you haven't heard back. (The system is far from perfect and you don't want to fall through the cracks!)

Also at the end of every appointment, I then repeat the whole plan as I understand it."So to be sure I understand, you will contact the specialist and I will receive a phone call with the appointment for the MRI? And you'll send my prescription through today?" This not only solidifies the plan for me, but sometimes the doctor will realise they hadn't made a note of one of the actions, and respond with, "Oh right.Yes, I will put that prescription through now," and then sends it

Prep time: 5 minutes

Cook time: 40 minutes

Yield: 2 cups (6 servings)

1 large egg white, beaten

2 cups raw pecan halves

1 pinch salt

tablespoons granulated sugar

2 tablespoons light brown sugar

2 teaspoons gingerbread spice blend

Preheat oven to 300 F. Line baking

In large bowl, use fork to whisk beaten

egg until frothy. Add pecans and stir

until coated. Sprinkle pecans with gran-

ulated sugar, brown sugar, gingerbread

sheet with parchment paper; set aside.



Susie Schwartz

via computer while I'm still there. (As a complicated medical case, I often need more than one action taken, and particulars can get lost in the conversation, which is pretty human, I'd say.)

Whether it is a complex plan with many parts, or one simple action that needs taking, confirming even a single step shows that you've been listening, are taking your health seriously, and will be responsible to do your part. Not only will there be less chance of the plan going awry, but the doctor will gain respect for you. They'll also learn fast that you hold high expectations for care.

So try to get clear on the details. Self-advocacy is imperative for better health.

What to give yourself for Christmas this strange year?

Less health stress, yes?

A published author and motivational speaker, Susie currently lives in the UK. She welcomes feedback and questions. Find her on FB @medicalmissstress, Instagram @medicalmiss_stress and her website lesshealthstress.com

Gingerbread Pecans

spice and salt. Stir to coat evenly. Spread pecans in even layer on prepared baking sheet.

Bake pecans 40 minutes, stirring halfway through. Allow pecans to cool completely.

Note: Pecans can be stored in airtight container for up to four days.





Scrivens' brothers officiating careers impressive

By Brian Bowman

Stonewall has produced a lot of very good hockey players over the years.

It has also produced some outstanding hockey officials.

Two of those talented men in stripes are the Scrivens' brothers, Kyle, 35, and Byron, 32.

Kyle has a very impressive hockey officiating resume.

He was the lone official selected to represent Manitoba at the 2017 World Junior"A" Challenge.

"That was an awesome experience," Kyle said last week. "Seeing those kids, like the USA team was really good."

A level VI official, Kyle has experience officiating in Midget AAA, KJHL, MMJHL, MJHL, WHL, USPORTS and the SEMHL. Kyle has over 20-plus years of officiating experience and has numerous accomplishments throughout his career.

He has officiated at the RBC Cup (2011 and 2015), World U17 Hockey Challenge (bronze-medal game in 2011), Western Canada Cup (2014) and at the Allan Cup (gold-medal game in 2016).

"I had some opportunities when I was younger to go to some national camps that were (invitation) only," Kyle explained. "Right after I graduated high school in (2003), I went to Calgary for a camp in the summer. It was for the best officials in western Canada and I would have been 17 at the time. I had a guy in my corner that was really pushing me along, Dave Underwood Sr., he was the assistant referee in chief with Hockey Manitoba for a while and he did stuff for Winnipeg AAA so I always got games. It was like, keep doing what you're doing, and before you know it, you'll be working in the Western Hockey League."

Getting the call to work WHL games was awesome, said Kyle. This year would have been his 10th season working in western Canada's top junior league.

It's a slow progression getting games in the WHL for Manitoba officials. Kyle said.

"I always wanted to work the best hockey possible and that's kind of where I ended up," he said

Kyle got his start as an official when he was just eight years old working Byron's squirt games.

"You're always on the ice when you're eight years old to get better," Kyle explained."And I would get a hot chocolate and a hot dog (after working a game). It just kind of progressed from there...and then when I was 12 and could sign up for a reffing clinic, I did it. It was fun, I liked it, and I got paid."

Byron, meanwhile, got into officiating hockey when he was around 12 but he got away from it when he played Midget AAA. He returned to officiate when he was 21.

Byron has worked in the MWJHL, KJHL, MMJHL, and the MJHL. He estimated that he has worked "hundreds of junior games" with Kyle.

"We always have fun out on the ice and we try to keep it light and have a good time," said Byron, noting he retired from officiating last year.

Both Scrivens played in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League with the Stonewall Jets. Byron then played in the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League with the Stonewall Flyers. Byron certainly knew his way to the



Byron Scrivens

penalty box, racking up 131, 187, and 121 minutes in each season with the Jets.

That style of play gave Byron some good insight as to what players may be thinking - or doing - behind the play while he was a linesman.

"I knew where to be looking behind the play so certain things would have been done that I would have done back in the day, chopping someone in the back of the leg or whatever," he said, noting he reached his goal of officiating in an MJHL final.

"That's one of the reasons why I didn't have to go back to reffing minor hockey when I was 21 when I started back up. I knew the game and I wasn't just some fresh official that was learning. It was a smooth progression."

Both Scrivens feel that more respect



Kyle Scrivens

should be shown towards hockey officials.

"There's still a long way to go in a lot of instances," Byron said. "Things have gotten better but there's a lot of room for growth, that's for sure, with the way some fans, coaches, think that they can treat officials."

Kyle agreed.

"You get some kids when you work the junior league that are delightful to work with," he noted. "They're good, they're respectful, they will back you up. It doesn't happen a ton but some players will say, 'I'll go talk to him, you're right.' But then there's some kids that have grown up with a silver spoon in their mouth...and they don't have to listen to you. There's definitely lots that need to change and I know when I first came into junior hockey it was a lot worse, a lot crazier."



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Prospects of a WHSHL season slipping away

DOPESSION UPSIDE DOWN

Staff

It's not looking promising for the Winnipeg High School Hockey League to ice a season due to COV-ID-19.

The provincial government announced on Dec. 6 that it would be extending Manitoba's state of emergency by another 30 days.

Manitoba first entered a state of emergency on March 20. Since then, the province has extended it eight times.

The WHSHL has not played a game this season as it's league was shut down on Nov. 12.

Last year, the league had 36 teams but just 12 - including the Selkirk Royals - had committed to playing in 2020-21. "Assuming that these restrictions are not going to change because I doubt that they will, then obviously that puts us into January with the high schools running remote learning for two weeks," WHSHL president Dana Gordon told the Winnipeg Free Press last week. "So we're not making any decisions as of yet but the writing's going to be pretty much on the wall. I mean, our season would end at the end of spring break, so an eight-week hockey season is kind of ridiculous."

Gordon expects to meet with the league executive to make a final decision soon.

Third-year Royals' player Nolan Milgaard admits it's been frustrating playing the waiting game. "It would be nice to be back playing and hopefully in the new year we'll play," he said Monday afternoon."But right now it's not looking too promising."

Milgaard really enjoyed his time playing high school hockey.

"It was a really good time," he said. "Lots of great people, the coaches helped out a lot. It was a good couple of seasons and this year looked to be the most promising until it all got shut down."

If the WHSHL does not go this season, many of the players will be left without a team. Some, though, do have a possible option of playing elsewhere.

Meanwhile, the Manitoba Junior

Hockey League also has been affected with the recent news from the province.

The MJHL's 12 teams have not seen action since code red restrictions were put in place on Nov. 12.

The league had hoped to resume league play in early January.

"It definitely affects us in the sense we set a tentative start date for Jan. 1 to hopefully allow players to return back to their communities," said MJHL commissioner Kevin Saurette. "Obviously, that'll be pushed back due to these restrictions. Internally, we're going through our schedule process and different timelines for when it is deemed safe to return to hockey activities."

2020 Manitoba Games cancelled

Submitted by Sport Manitoba

To keep Manitobans safe and reduce the spread of COVID-19, Sport Manitoba and the Dauphin Host Society are announcing the cancellation of the 2020 Manitoba Games powered

by Manitoba Hydro.

The decision was announced last Thursday.

Earlier this year, the decision to postpone the Games to July of 2021 was made first and foremost to en-



sure the health and safety of all the participants, volunteers, and spectators expected to attend the Games in Dauphin. The unknowns of the pandemic, including when it might end, impacted decision-making required by the Host Society and continued postponements to important planning was no longer possible.

Sport Manitoba and the Dauphin Host Society worked with the City of Dauphin and Provincial Sport Organizations to reach the collective decision to cancel the event and will work with all Games partners in the coming months to prepare for the new Games date.

The City of Dauphin will host the 2024 Manitoba Games powered by

Manitoba Hydro in the summer of 2024, which is the next Games available to host. The age categories, sports, and technical requirements for these Games are all still in the planning phase and will be confirmed and announced at a later date.

The Manitoba Games powered by Manitoba Hydro are staged every two years, alternate between summer and winter sporting events, and is the largest ongoing multi-sport event in the province. Each Games involves upwards of 3,000 athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers, and represents an opportunity for young athletes to compete and prepare to reach national and international sporting stages.

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Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, 2020 - No garbage collection

Monday, December 28, 2020

- Garbage collection for Friday and Monday New Year's Day, Friday, January 1, 2021

No garbage collection

Monday, January 4, 2021

-Garbage collection for Friday and Monday

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December 25 - January 1 - CLOSED

Essential municipal services will continue as required.

COUNCIL MEETING CANCELLATION The December 22, 2020 Council meeting is cancelled.

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> December 25 & 26 - CLOSED January 1 - CLOSED

All other days will be as regularly scheduled.

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OF ST. CLEMENTS St. Clements **PUBLIC NOTICE** The place to be PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Subsection 174(1) of The Municipal Act that the

Rural Municipality of St. Clements intends to present two (2) proposals to borrow at a Public Hearing in the Council Chambers of the R.M. of St. Clements, 1043 Kittson Road on Tuesday January 12th, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, persons wishing to register to attend the hearing via electronic means or whom wishes to provide a written submission are asked to contact the Municipal office via phone or email to info@rmofstclements.com.

Following the public hearing and 2nd reading, the two proposed borrowing by-laws will be forwarded to the Manitoba Municipal Board for approval. Such approval must be obtained under the Municipal Acts.176 prior to third reading and execution of the proposed by-laws.

REGARDING GENERAL BORROWING BY-LAW 12-2020

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. CLEMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR THE **EXPENDITURE AND BORROWING OF FUNDS TO UPGRADE & EXPAND THE FACILITIES AND** SERVICES OF THE EAST SELKIRK WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The total cost of the project is \$ 4,000,000 and is to be funded by the proposed borrowing of \$2,000,000.00 and grant funding obtained from the Manitoba Water Services Board in the amount of \$2,000,000.00. The project includes the implementation of a membrane water softener to reduce water softener salt volumes from the general lagoon, and thereby the watersheds of the municipality, as well as construction of a public use truck fill to provide potable water supply from the East Selkirk Water Treatment Plant.

The total cost of the proposed borrowing is to be repaid over 20 years at a rate estimated for the time being at 4.00 % per annum and subject in any event to the authorization of The Municipal Board. The annual repayment amount is estimated at \$147,163.50 and will be funded annually as part of the general levy at 50% with a total annual payment amount estimated at \$73,581.75, (based on the 2020 assessment, a mill rate of 0.096 will be required), and through the current East Selkirk Utility consumer rates at 50% with a total annual payment amount estimated at \$73,581.75 (no rate increase is being proposed).

REGARDING GENERAL BORROWING BY-LAW 13-2020

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ST. CLEMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE AND BORROWING OF FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT & ESTABLISH PHASE 1 OF THE SOUTH ST CLEMENTS UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$ 3,500,000 and includes works to establish utility trunk lines from the municipal boundary at the R.M. of East St. Paul through to the utility facilities at East Selkirk including a required lift station. The total cost of the proposed borrowing is to be repaid over 20 years at a rate estimated for the time being at 4.00 % per annum and subject in any event to the authorization of The Municipal Board. The annual repayment amount is estimated at \$257,536.13 and will be funded annually from part of the Gas Tax grant funds received.

Council will hear any person who wishes to make a representation, ask questions, or register an objection to the borrowing by-laws provided.

Any person who has questions, needs clarification or requires further information, either prior to or following the first reading of the by-law, is encouraged to contact Deepak Joshi, CAO at 204-482-3300

Copies of the proposals to borrow are available for review by phone, by email request to info@ rmofstclements.com, or through our website at www.rmofstclements.com

Dated this 8th day of December, 2020.

Deepak Joshi Chief Administrative Officer

ARY 2021 Dated at Medicine Hat, Alberta, this 13th Day of December 2020. R.J. Davisson 1008 College Dr. S.E. Medicine Hat. Alberta T1A 7,J1 "EXECUTOR"

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A huge thank you to Bruce, Jennifer and Rick, Jason, Jane and Jon, Kara and Brandon, Cole, Blake, Sophia, Jones and Sunny, siblings, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends for a surprise 75th Birthday car parade! To ALL who came, circle of friends, life long friends from McLean and Vaughan Ave, a thrill of a lifetime!! -God Bless, much love, Rae

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The family of Mary Bowser wishes to express

our heartfelt gratitude to our extended family, friends, and neighbours for reaching out to us following the loss of our dear mum, grandma, and great-grandma. Your phone calls, messages, cards, memories, virtual hugs, and flowers provided us with immense comfort. We are deeply grateful for your presence in

mum's life and ours. Many thanks to the healthcare workers at Sel-

kirk Regional Health Centre and the Selkirk Betel Home for their excellent care and compassion, and to the staff at Gilbart's Funeral Home for their kindness and respect during the funeral arrangements.

-Sincerely, Bryan and Diane, Brenda and Derek, Nancy and families

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-Sincerely, Kurt Petersen, Maureen and Harry Petersen, and the C2C team. Here's our prize winners: 1st prize (\$400 cash): Ryan Hildebrand; 2nd prize (\$200 food basket): Brenda McRae; 3rd prize (\$100 in gift

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IN MEMORIAM In Loving Memory Clifford "Adam" Fontaine December 14, 2002 No matter how life changes, No matter what we do; A special place within my heart, Is always kept for you. Love you always, Forgetting you never. -Nan Audrey

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In loving memory of **Olafur Bell** who passed away 40 years ago December 30, 1980 - December 30, 2020 Our Dear Husband, Dad, Afi & Great Afi We will always remember the way you looked, The way you walked and smiled; All the things you did for us, Will be with us all the while. You always did your best, Your heart was true and tender; You lived your life for those you loved, And those you loved will remember. -Lovingly remembered by wife Thelma, and daughters Kim, Barb, Marilyn and Maureen. and your grandchildren and great-grandchildren Always in our Hearts.



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Sayler Isabel Funk September 10, 2000 - December 19, 2006 Merry Christmas Sayler - My Star in Heaven Love you forever little angel. -Dad, Gram, Pa, Praznik family

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IN MEMORIAM



Hazel Rudolph 1931-2015 Don Rudolph 1927-2010 Close in Memory Mom and Dad We hold you close in memory, Even though we are apart; Your spirits will live forever, Within our broken hearts. Our hearts still ache in sadness. And secret tears will flow: For what it meant to lose you. No one will ever know. In heaven we shall meet again. Where farewell is never spoken; We shall clasp each other hand in hand. And the clasp shall never be broken. Love you always

-The family of Don and Hazel Rudolph



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CHRISTMAS IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam of Tim Loane who left us on August 16, 2020 A Christmas Wish Our first Christmas without you. As Christmas comes near, We cherish the good times we shared. Christmas was your favourite holiday. We remember the joy of the season, We feel you near us always, We still hang our heads and cry, We want to hold you like we used to. We will remember you always. You will never be forgotten. -Love Mom, Dad and son Chris,

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In loving memory of our mom Lucille Cook who passed December 23, 2015 We miss you everyday, your love and understanding is in our hearts forever. -Lovingly remembered by Marlene, Jane, Albert (Buddy), Linda

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Lesley and Daniel, sisters Marie, Linda and Robert, June and John, and brother Paul, all your grandchildren, great-grandchildren, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins

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CHRISTMAS IN MEMORIAM



Jason Orvis

Christmas Memories of a dear Son Thinking of you and missing you, More than words could ever say; For life seemed to change forever, On the day you went away. And this season's lost its sparkle, Now that you're no longer here; Gone is all the warmth and laughter, And those feelings of good cheer. But each night, there in the distance, Shines a brilliant Christmas star; Which is heaven's way of showing. Just exactly where you are. And on Christmas day, as always, And on each day yet to come; You'll be loved, missed and remembered. For you meant the world, dear Son, -Love Mom, Dad and brother Vince

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IN MEMORIAM

Gertrude Walker May 20, 1930 – December 27, 2018 A Mother's Love

As children, we can not comprehend, or fully realize the meaning of a mother's love, how wise and caring. Her patience and forgiveness, that were part of everyday. The unexpected little things she did in her own way. Years go by before we know the depth of her concern. The love in her protectiveness, it takes so long to learn. But, as we grow, we understand for we look back and see, through older eyes and wiser hearts, her love and loyalty. It is these, and many other things that make us miss her so. As she spends her Christmas in Heaven with many she loves, know how much we miss you and appreciate all you have done for us.

-Love you mom, your children, grandchildren

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Juliette Hope Wilkinson September 3, 2012 - December 16, 2013 There are no explanations, And we wonder every day; Just why the good Lord chose, To take our little one away. For though you meant the world to us, Your time on earth was brief; And now it seems there is no end, To all the pain and grief. But even though you came to us, For just a little while; The memories you left behind, So often make us smile. This Christmas just as always, Special thoughts will keep you near; And though we cry to think of you there, There's love in every tear. Merry Christmas sweet Juliette!

-Loving and missing you! Daddy, Nannie and Papa, Uncle Steve, Aunty Carrie, Kyra, Hunter, and Aunty Rachel



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William "Bill" Salter July 31, 1931 - December 21, 2018 Another year has come and gone, And I miss you just as much. Wishing with all my heart we could play A few games of crib, like we used to. Life goes on I know that's true, But it's not the same without you. You'll always be in my heart, Your memory is my keepsake.

-Love you forever, your wife Millie (Sal) XOXOXO





Harry Harbour December 24, 1936 - December 19, 2012

Dad What we'd give if we could say Hello, Dad, in the same old way. To hear your voice, see your smile, To sit with you and chat awhile. So you who have your Father Cherish him with care, For you'll never know the heartache, Till you see his vacant chair.

-Love from all your family

William (Bill) Peter Kolbuch

Peacefully on Friday, December 4th, 2020 our father, brother, uncle, grandfather, and friend, Bill Kolbuch, passed away at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre surrounded by the love of his children.

Left to cherish his memory are his children Cameron (Kate) and Aynsley (Mike); brothers, Joe and Raymond (Bernice); grandchildren Jessica, Malcolm, Nicole, and Alec as well as numerous nieces and extended family members. Dad was predeceased by his parents Stanley and Caroline, sister-in-law lvv, and nephew Duane.

Dad was born in Selkirk, Manitoba on July 30, 1941 and lived in the surrounding area for his entire life. He joined Manitoba Hydro at the Selkirk Generating Station in 1962 and completed his first class power engineering ticket, eventually working his way into the position of Charge Engineer. After a successful 38-year career

with Manitoba Hydro dad retired. Although never one to turn down an opportunity, he worked an additional two years as Chief Power Engineer for CN at Symington Yard in Winnipeg.

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Dad loved giving back to his community and it was evident from a young age when he joined Kinsmen. Over the years he was involved in many other volunteering initiatives including the East Selkirk Recreation Association, Bird's Hill Park, Seven Oaks and Concordia hospitals in Winnipeg, the Annual Terry Fox Run in Selkirk, and finally at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre where he was a dedicated volunteer for 12 years. SRHC became dad's second home, a place where he made many lasting friendships and loved having the opportunity to make a difference. Whenever someone asked dad what his duties included at the hospital he always replied, "everything but operate".

Over the course of dad's life he enjoyed many hobbies including making stained glass art, raising pheasants and peacocks, and building an impressive coin collection for his grandchildren to cherish. He also had numerous interests including cheering on his beloved Winnipeg Jets and Blue Bombers teams, being outdoors with wildlife, he was a car enthusiast and adored driving his Ford Mustang, he enjoyed going for a long walk at Bird's Hill Park and riding his bike, having a good meal at his favorite restaurants, trying his luck at the Club Regent Casino, shopping the sales at Canadian Tire, and he was an exceptional self taught handyman.

But despite dad's many hobbies and interests, what stands out most to us are his life achievements. And there is none greater than being a father. Thank you for never failing us, always supporting us, and loving us unconditionally dad. We will miss you so very much.

Dad will be remembered for his kindness, selflessness, and incredible sense of humor. He loved nothing more than to make people laugh and see people happy. His presence at family gatherings made them that much more memorable; and the stories and memories that followed will be cherished by our extended family and us for years to come.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the health care professionals that have assisted Dad over the years. We would also like to thank Dad's brothers Joe and Raymond, sister-in-law Bernice, Dr. Ken Iwaasa, Indy at Selkirk Pharmacy, nurse Josie at SRHC, and friends Kim and Alisha. Your kindness and support will never be forgotten.

Due to current restrictions and our desire for everyone to remain safe, the family will arrange a celebration of life at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Terry Fox Foundation, Hawerchuk Strong, or simply take a moment to reminisce about a favorite memory with dad and share in an act of kindness unto others. Rest easy dad.

"If there ever comes a day

when we can't be together,

keep me in your heart

I'll stay there forever"

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

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Heather Penelope (Penny)

November 9, 2020

On November 9, 2020 our

beautiful mother, grandmother,

great-grandmother, sister, auntie

and friend died at the Selkirk

Mom was born in St. Boniface Hospital to Mary (nee Palmer)

and Lawson Dillabough. She was

a beautiful baby with big brown

eyes and the most amazing head

of hair. She grew up in Selkirk and

hospital.

Pruden April 10, 1944 -

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Heather Doreen Boulette

Sadly, on Thursday, December 3rd, 2020, Heather Doreen Boulette, (spirit name) Standing Buffalo Woman, passed away at Selkirk Regional Health Centre at 54 years of age.

She leaves behind her pride and joy, her daughter Unique, whom she loved beyond measure; her brother Barry Boulette Jr. (Mary); nephew Bryar; grandson she called lil man that she loved very much. She also leaves to mourn many close cousins, Neil, Dianna, to mention a few; aunts and uncle; best friend Sharon whom she considered a sister; Barb who she thought of as a daughter and her son Dreighton that called her Grammie.

She was predeceased by her grandparents Joseph and Pauline Guimond of Sagkeeng, Hilda and Swamper Boulette of Manigotogan; mother and father, Emily Boulette (2016) and Barry Boulette Sr. (2011) of Selkirk.

Heather was born in Red Lake, Ontario in 1966 and lived there until she moved to Selkirk, Manitoba in 1993. She had many close friends throughout her life and cherished all of them. Heather had a big heart and loved family immensely. She had a very large family of aunts, uncles, cousins, 1st 2nd and 3rd and knew them all. It was amazing at how much she knew about everyone in the family.

Her sense of humour was one of her greatest gifts. She loved to laugh and tease and was so much fun to be around. You were sure to laugh and smile when you were around her.

Thank you to Dr. Demsas for all the care that was given to Heather over the years. Thank you to the wonderful and caring nursing staff at Selkirk Regional Health Centre, especially Jodie and Kelly. A small invite only service because of COVID was held at Gilbart Funeral Home on Friday, December

11. 2020 with interment at a later date in the Manigotogan Cemetery. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made for Unique in Trust to Dianna Parthenay at her email

dparthenay@gmail.com

We can all take solace knowing that Heather has been reunited with her parents, her son Alexander, her grandparents, aunts and uncles, and cousin Wayne. She loved everyone of them. She is again with family the way she loved to be in life.

Love you Heather, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunty, niece, cousin and friend. Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

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Jean Marie Theriault

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April 28, 1946 - December 8, 2020 Peacefully with family by her side on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at the Tudor House Personal Care

Home, Selkirk, MB, Jean Theriault, aged 74 years passed away.

Jean will be remembered as a kind and generous person.

The family would like to thank the staff at Tudor House for their care and compassion. Condolences may be left at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

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Carolyn Mabel Kreviazuk (nee Anderson) April 15, 1946 - December 6, 2020

In the evening of December 6th our precious Carolyn peacefully went to be with her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. She was a beloved wife, mother, Nana and friend to so many. Carolyn was raised on a farm in Stonewall, MB. In 1968 she married Dave, the love of her life. Together they farmed while raising their three children

She lived her life in the service of those she loved. Carolyn had a servant heart, she was a great listener, and deeply thoughtful. She was known for sending cards with an encouraging message, usually accompanied by a Bible verse and cheerful stickers. She would seek out the hurting and struggling and offer her love in the form of a well-timed phone call, card or prayer. She prayed

daily for the needs of her family, friends and neighbours and was a surrogate mom to many over the years. Given these characteristics, it is no surprise that she loved gatherings; she enjoyed attending showers, weddings, family gatherings, church, birthday parties and coffee visits. For decades she hosted and organized a weekly Bible study. She adored her children and grandkids and instilled values that will leave a legacy.

In the later years of her life she faced many health challenges and overcame many obstacles that were considered insurmountable. She never complained through her suffering and this was a testament to her strength and humility.

Carolyn is predeceased by her parents, Somie "John" and Mabel Anderson. She is survived by her husband Dave; children Jeffrey Kreviazuk (Elizabeth), Brenda Enns (Scott), and Rob (Jessica); grandchildren Elicia, Jaden, Logan, Jacob, Luke, Jack and Lilv; sisters Frances Lorentz (Earl) and Betty Anne Semler (Allen).

Deepest thanks to Dr. Phoebe Thiessen. She went above and beyond the call of duty to ensure mom's comfort and care, and for this the family is forever grateful. Also, thanks to the second floor hospital staff at the Selkirk Regional Health Center.

A memorial service will be held at a later date due to the current health restrictions

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it

Donation's in Carolyn's memory can be made to Child Evangelism Fellowship at https://www. cefmanitoba.org/

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spent the summers swimming in the slew and the winters skating on the rink she and her brothers made on Little Lake.

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Mom's father was killed in action during World War II when she was just a baby. Mom was sad that she grew up without her dad who she loved but never had the chance to know; she spoke of him often, always with love and pride.

Mom met our father Tom Pruden in 1961, and they were soon married (she was such a pretty young bride). Mom often reminisced about their first date when Tom picked her up and surprised her with a baby rabbit he had found. She said she fell in love him at that moment. His kindness and gentle nature immediately won her over. After getting married they started their life together in a small house in Clandeboye.

Dad became a correctional officer and proceeded to move the family to Stony Mountain where mom proved to be an amazing homemaker. She was a great cook, and took much pride in ensuring her family always had a neat and comfortable home. During their time in Stony Mountain, Mom and Dad made many friends and they loved going out together. Mom proved to be quite talented at bowling, curling, and darts (she even won the Manitoba Ladies Dart Championship in 1989 - a tremendous accomplishment!). The shelves in the house quickly filled up with the trophies Mom and Dad won she liked the recognition, but secretly hated the "tacky" trophies. Mom was also an avid reader, and this allowed her to hone her skills at Scrabble, Trivial Pursuit, and Jeopardy - she was truly a force to be reckoned with. She was also a gifted crossword solver.

It was so special to be able to have a full time mother - always there for us. Going home for lunch from school, supper on the table at 5 p.m. sharp, home made birthday cakes, and Christmas baking that will never be forgotten. She worked hard for her family and it was much appreciated. Over the years, the family took many camping trips, and they were great successes due to mom's fantastic planning skills. We knew it was time to get excited when she would start her exhaustive camping list she never forgot anything and we always ate well and had plenty of fun.

Eventually Mom and Dad moved the family to Winnipeg to provide better opportunities for the kids. Mom loved her "new" home, and eventually landed a job at Life Touch and then Jostens where she worked for many years. In 1995 Mom and Dad built their dream retirement home along Wavey Creek in Clandeboye where they lived for many years. They were so proud of their house and their beautiful yard. It was around this time that mom became "granny". Granny deeply loved all of her grandchildren, and she had a special place in her heart for her great-grandchild Light. The grandchildren were so very lucky to have such a devoted granny.

Mom will be dearly missed by her daughters Karyn (Pat) and Candy, son Tom (Sandra), brothers Dave (Brenda) and George (Jerri), grandchildren John, Stevie (Joel), David, Mike, James and Hannah, and her great-grandchild Light. Not to mention her many nieces and nephews that she loved to keep in touch with. Mom was also predeceased by her daughter Pamela who she grieved till the day she died. Mom also lost her best friend, our dad, in 2016 - and she missed him terribly

The family would like to thank everyone for their love and support through the many phone calls and texts. Thank you cousin Margaret - mom loved your phone calls. Neighbours Monty, Yvonne and Gianna - mom appreciated your friendship. Also, thanks to Dr. Pandy and all the other doctors and nurses that looked after mom during her stay at Selkirk Hospital. Good-bye mom.

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John Steven Joseph Suszko

Peacefully, on Friday, December 11, 2020 at his residence, John Suszko, aged 81 years, of Petersfield, Manitoba, beloved husband of Linda passed away. In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a service will be held at a later date.

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

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Leslie Allen Sawatzky

August 21, 1943 - December 8, 2020 Les was loving, kind, courageous, caring, giving, understanding, patient and my God spirit cherished friend. -Love Alice, friends and family

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



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Irene Marriott (Gibson)

November 6, 1939 - December 8, 2020 It is with profound sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Irene Elizabeth Marriott (Gibson), after a short battle with lung cancer.

She was predeceased by: her parents - Arthur and Eva Gibson, her brother Don, her brother Ray, her nephew David Palmer, and her sister-in-law Isabel Palmer (Marriott).

She leaves to cherish her memory: Harvey Marriott (husband), Sandra Marriott-Silver and Dave Silver (daughter and son-in-law), Jim and Karen Marriott (son and daughter-in-law); grandchildren - Graham (Amanda), Kaitlyn (Daniel), Brent, and Camille (Ty). She also leaves to mourn Reg Palmer (brother-in-law); Liz Palmer (Gary) (niece); Randy Palmer (Marianne) (nephew); Leona Palmer (late nephew's wife); and Margaret Bakker (Whitbread) and family

(cousins). She is also survived by many friends including: Elaine and Barry Dunlop, CR and Ron Edwards, Norm and Eunie Roberts, Bonnie and Don McFeetors, Marlene Dawson, Grace Buhr, Ray and Faith Pacholuk, Rev Dr Virginia Coleman (Ginny), her JUGS golf group, her book club group, her Bridge group, her friends at the Clandeboye United Church and so many other friends that I would fill a full page to list.

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Irene's life began in her father's car in the parking lot of the old Selkirk Hospital. She grew up in the Fort Rouge community in Winnipeg where she excelled as a pitcher on the Earl Grey team. She worked at Air Canada, where she met her husband, Harvey. She worked there until she became pregnant with her first child. She then returned to employment when her children were teenagers - starting at Silver Heights Medical Clinic and then moving on to secretarial jobs with Forestry at the Government of Manitoba. She and Harvey moved from St. James to their home on Medicine Creek after Harvey's retirement, to enjoy the country life.

Irene and Harvey thrived in their retirement years. They travelled all over the world and had many adventures with family trips, group friend trips, and couples trips. They loved to downhill ski, cross country ski, roller blade, and golf. Irene enjoyed all of these activities and continued golfing 2-3 rounds a week this past summer. She also passionately enjoyed duplicates bridge, where she was very successful and often finished at, or near the top.

Irene created long lasting friendships with people from all aspects of her life. She thrived on these friendships and strived to maintain contact throughout her life. She hosted and attended many social events with all of her friends, and was always planning the next dinner party.

Irene was also a leader. She volunteered and took on leadership roles in many organizations over the years. She put in many hours volunteering and contributing to the United Church in Clandeboye. She organized the Fowl Supper and Fish Fry for many years. Then she worked hard on a large project involving reorganization of the Clandeboye and Winnipeg Beach United Church.

Irene was also a wonderful mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother. Family was very important to her and she brought us together for numerous family dinners and celebrations over the years. She attended all of her grandchildren's events and always contributed to the various fundraisers the kids took part in. She would always volunteer to help with events, and was there for us whenever we needed her. She loved her family and we loved her dearly.

She was also a loving and devoted wife. After many years of marriage, her husband became ill with Alzheimer's. They talked openly with each other, family, and friends about the disease. She supported and cared for him for as long as she could. It was with a heavy heart that she finally placed him in a personal care home. They visited regularly until she became ill herself.

Irene lived a great life. She will be greatly missed, but has left a legacy of values, traditions, kindness, and a fun-loving approach to life that her family and friends will emulate throughout their lives.

We will think of you often, love you forever, and never forget the joy that you brought to the world. We would like to thank all the family and friends who supported Irene and our family over the last 8 weeks. We have been overwhelmed, and have appreciated every email, phone call, message, card, and gift.

In view of COVID-19 restrictions, in-person attendance at the funeral and interment will be by invitation only. A YouTube link for the funeral will be posted on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to: Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.



Announcements

OBITUARY

Bruce Morrison

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Herbert Bruce Morrison on Friday, December 4, 2020 at the St. Norbert Personal Care Home at the age of 70.

Bruce was born September 26, 1950 in Brandon to Norma and Herbert Morrison. Bruce was raised on the family farm south of Beresford with his three younger siblings Donald, Sandra and Craig. He attended school in Souris and then enrolled in a TV Electronics course at ACC.

Bruce was married to Janet (Stephenson) and they were blessed with two wonderful sons Jeff and Allan. He enjoyed spending time with his sons and grandsons. Bruce moved to Winnipeg and Birds Hill before settling in Lockport with Linda. Bruce always enjoyed tinkering around the farm this included having a stock car that he raced. When he was in Grade 12 he entered a draw at Wilton

Motors in Brandon and was the lucky winner of a 1968 Mercury Montego Cyclone GT. Bruce was a handyman always able to fix anything. He was always an outdoors person he enjoyed snowmobiling when the boys were young. He then continued to love the outdoors with his many walks and bike rides thru Birds Hill Park. Bruce enjoyed many camping trips with his Ford truck, tent, popup truck camper, and travel trailer to many different destinations. Bruce and Linda enjoyed many camping trips. At the young age of 68 he moved to St. Norbert PCH with Lewy Body Dementia.

Bruce worked for Atkinson's in Hartney repairing TV's. He then moved to Brandon, worked for Benmarks and took over the store in downtown Brandon. He then renamed the store Bruce's Sales and Service where he sold and repaired televisions and audio equipment. Bruce even won a trip for two to Hawaii from Hitachi when he owned his business. He then took a course to become an insurance agent and worked for Mutual Life for a few years. Bruce moved to Winnipeg and continued his career in sales at Eatons and Foto Video in TV and audio visual. He enjoyed his sales position at Canada One Trailer Sales for many years. He worked for Darrell Kupchik doing lawn maintenance and snow removal where he made many new acquaintances at the Mill, Hydro and private residences.

Bruce was predeceased by his parents Norma and Bert, numerous aunts and uncles. He is survived by Linda Joynt of Lockport; his two sons Jeff (Arlene) Morrison, Allan (Larissa) Morrison of Winnipeg, three grandsons Keagan, Tanner and Haddon. Bruce is also survived by his two brothers and sister, Donald (Sylvia), Sandra (Dave), Craig (Marilyn), numerous nieces, and nephews. He is also survived by Linda's parents Cliff and Wilma Joynt and brothers Brian (Sue), and Glenn (Rosemary).

Cremation has taken place and Interment to follow at a later date at the Souris Glenwood Cemetery, Souris, MB.



OBITUARY

Richard (Rick) Nordal March 19, 1946 – December 11, 2020

On Friday, December,11th, 2020, our much loved husband and dad was freed from his many physical challenges. He left this world peacefully, at Selkirk Regional Health Centre, at the age of 74 years.

He leaves behind his wife of 46 years Ruth; daughter Shaylene (Melanie); son Scott (Casey); the light of his life his granddaughter Jesika; and step-grandchildren Emily, Alexis and Maximus.

He is predeceased by his parents Walter and Sophie; his fatherin-law Metro and mother-in-law Helen.

Rick loved all sports, however hockey was his sport as he was a force to be reckoned with on the ice. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Rick had a 33 year career working for Air Canada. After retiring at

the age of 55, he volunteered at the Marine Museum, it was his heart and soul. He loved to be there cutting grass, helping with pancake breakfasts and Halloween Haunt, selling draw tickets or whatever was needed of him.

Dad will be remembered for his love of Tim Hortons, watching all sports, cruising in his many vehicles, snow blowing, cutting grass, fishing with Scott, helping Shay with yard work and a good Half Moon deluxe hotdog with a canned Pepsi.

When I cash in I would like to go Where the geese fly low and the bucks run slow Where the fishing is good Anytime of the year And you don't need all That expensive gear! Where the weather is nice The whole year round With about two months Where there is snow on the ground No vicious storms, no droughts, no tornadoes A good summer for growing tomatoes ~Author unknown

Our family would like to express our appreciation to Dr. Prematilake and the staff of Med1 at the Selkirk Regional Health Centre, who gave such love and devotion to our husband, father and grandfather and tremendous moral support to our family these past few weeks. You have made the transition easier and have made our lives richer.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place and no formal service will be held.

If you wish to honour Rick's memory, a donation can be made to the Marine Museum of Manitoba, P.O. Box 7, Selkirk, MB. R1A 2B1 Condolences can be left on his tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

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The Selkirk Record Thursday, December 17, 2020

