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Dan Defer is Altona's new chief of police

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Altona's new police chief is a familiar face in the community.

The Altona Police Board last week announced that Dan Defer, who has spent the summer as acting chief of police, will fill the role permanently moving forward.

"He's very much appreciated by the community, and we just felt that he brought the experience, the commitment, and the skills that we need to lead the Altona Police Service for the years to come," said board chair Audrey Schmidt, noting that being able to promote from within the department ensures a continuation of the quality of service already being provided in Altona and the LUD of Plum Coulee.

The police board is also working to ensure the department has the tools it requires to meeting the changing needs of the community as it grows, she noted.

"I think we are on track to doing that," Schmidt said.

Defer has been with the Altona department for 33 years, starting out as a constable and working his way up to sergeant and second in command.

In 2019, he received the Governor General's Police Exemplary Service Medal, which recognizes officers who have served in an exemplary manner, characterized by good conduct, industry, and efficiency.

Accolades and rank have never been a driving focus for Defer, who says he simply loves the job and has worked hard to do it well.

"I could have retired yesterday with the opinion that I had a full, successful career," he noted.

Still, part of what he enjoys most about being a police officer is the ongoing opportunities to learn, grow, and take on new challenges. The chief's position is the latest such opportunity for Defer.

"I've had so much variety in the jobs



SUPPLIED PHOTO

Dan Defer took on the chief mantle with the Altona Police Service last week.

that I've done," he reflected, looking back on his career thus far. "I'm fortunate enough that I was the only officer with the Altona Police Service that was actually seconded out to the RCMP. I did years with the integrated border enforcement team doing completely different work.

"It's different people, different situations all the time. It's not the same day every day," Defer said of the job. "There's always a challenge, there's always something new. That's been a good thing."

His time as a sergeant has already given him a taste of the administrative work that comes with a position of leadership, but he's not one to stay behind a desk for too long.

"Because of our size, there still may be times where I will have to go out and there may be times where I'm tired of looking at the computer and I'm going to go out," he said. "I'm not going to be putting myself on a regu-

lar shift at 3 o'clock in the morning, but I still want to go out, I still want to interact with the community."

As for the future of the department, Defer said he intends to build upon the work done by the chiefs before him.

"I just want to continue moving the department forward and building on this foundation," he said.

Defer steps in to replace Chief Perry Batchelor, who officially started his retirement on Sept. 1.

"I fully support the hiring committee's decision," Batchelor said in a statement last week. "Dan has a wealth of knowledge with respect to the police universe, our communities, and their needs.

"I have every confidence that all members of the Altona Police Service will continue to work as hard for Chief Defer as they did for me. I wish him all the best in the future."

Province commits to upgrading Altona's Main Street

By Lorne Stelmach

A long-sought upgrade for Main Street in Altona has finally received the go-ahead from the province.

The Manitoba government will cover the \$350,000 cost for resurfacing Main Street from Centre Ave. to 6th Ave.

"We're confident that it could move ahead now this fall ... we're enthused about that as well," said Mayor Al Friesen. "We have been working on it. I know it was important to this council and important to the previous council."

The approval came amidst a series of ongoing discussions with provin-

cial representatives about matters that included Highway 30 access issues and improvements to Centre Ave. The Main St. project also came up in a meeting with the deputy minister.

"Very quickly, things fell into place then," said Friesen.

"We have two streets that we have been pushing for resolution on," he noted. "One is Centre Ave. and the other is Main Street. Those are our two primary business streets."

There was no word yet on Centre Ave., which connects to PR 201 to the west and Highway 30 to the east, but Friesen said they are happy the provin-

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PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVISION THE MUNICIPALITY OF RHINELAND



PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the 2023 Assessment Roll for the Municipality of Rhineland has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 109 3rd Ave NE, ALTONA, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revisions may be made in accordance with Sections 42 & 43 of the Assessment Act.

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The Board of Revision for the Municipality of Rhineland will sit on Monday, the 17th day of October, 2022 at 10:00 am in the Council Chambers of The Municipality of Rhineland to hear the applications.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board of Revision is October 3rd, 2022

Dated at ALTONA in the Province of Manitoba this 31st day of August, 2022, A.D.

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get informed

Winkler Senior Centre kicking off fall programming

By Lorne Stelmach

The start of the fall season at the Winkler Senior Centre is always welcomed, but its arrival is extra special this year.

Having emerged from the pandemic restrictions, the centre is able to return to a more normal full slate of programs and activities.

"It's fantastic being open and having our doors open to everybody again. It's just amazing," director Nettie Dyck said last week as the centre kicked the season off with its annual summer fundraising barbecue.

"It's nice to see people are coming out again," said Dyck, who noted they have already seen a significant increase in use of some of the regular programs.

"The numbers for coffee group in the morning—that's the big one that we do over the summer—it's gone up to just over a thousand visits a month ... it's the highest that we have ever had, so that's exciting.

"With the meal program, the change we've seen there is probably with two years of decline in health and different reasons, we have a lot more deliveries," Dyck noted. "So our Meals on Wheels program is where we have a need because it's growing constantly with people needing to have meals delivered. The dine-in isn't quite where it was before."

Some of the recreational programs are put on hold over the summer due to them being all volunteer-run, but those will all be resuming now.

"We're expecting all of our programs

to be back ... it may look a little different how we're doing some of them," Dyck noted.

The regular schedule will include card and board games Mondays, line dancing Tuesdays and Thursdays, pickleball Wednesdays, floor curling Thursdays, and floor shuffling Fridays.

"And one Saturday a month we do a jam session. That's usually the third Saturday of the month, so we've been starting that again."

Dyck said the importance of this fellowship and recreation to the seniors community can't be overstated.

"With COVID, you understand why the isolation was necessary ... at the same time, it's been sad to see the other side of that coin, the cognitive decline and the physical decline that has come from that isolation. That was really tough," she observed.

"We definitely see the improvements now, even from a little bit of social interaction ... that's good to see."

As for the annual barbecue, Dyck said it was a good opportunity for them to connect with people again and get information out as well as raise some money.

"It's the only fundraiser that we plan on doing this year," she noted. "It usually raises anywhere between \$4,000 and \$5,000. It's pretty good. It helps us a lot with our operating costs, just the daily costs of the centre.

"So a big thank you to everyone who attends and for their generosity and to the volunteers who also make it happen."

"IT'S FANTASTIC BEING OPEN AND HAVING OUR DOORS OPEN TO EVERYBODY AGAIN."



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

The Winkler Senior Centre hosted its annual summer-end barbecue last week, which serves not only to raise funds for their programming but also give people a chance to register for upcoming activities.

The Voice What's *Your* story? Call 204-325-6888

Our mistake

A headline and cutline on Pg. 10 of the Sept. 1 edition of the *Voice* referred to a car parade that made its way through Morden-Winkler as the "Quitting the Chinese Community Party" movement.

It should have read "Quitting the Chinese Communist Party" movement, as it was correctly called in the article.

We apologize for the typo and any confusion it may have caused.

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Marlin Froese, Justin Falk, and Eric Fehr from the Falk Fehr Foundation and Myra Peters of the Winkler Community Foundation recently presented reps from the Winkler Family Resource Centre (above) and the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity (below) with cheques for \$30,000 for their work in the community. The foundation also supported the Winkler Day Care with a \$5,000 donation.



Falk Fehr Fdn. presents \$65K to local causes

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Falk Fehr Foundation reps have been making the rounds this summer presenting the proceeds from their annual Hockey Champions Charity Golf Tournament to local causes.

The June 24 event, held at the Winkler Centennial Golf Course, raised enough to put \$65,000 back into the community.

This year's recipients include the Winkler/Morden Chapter of Habitat for Humanity (\$30,000 for its housing projects), the Winkler Family Resource Centre (\$30,000 for its early childhood education programming), and the Winkler Day Care Centre (\$5,000 to help them complete their backyard bike path)

"We are once again beyond humbled by the support from our Winkler community this year," said the foundation's Justin Falk in a statement last week. "A big thank you to all the volunteers, the sponsors, supporters, participants, friends, family and everyone who had hand in making this fundraiser a tremendous success.

"We are so fortunate for the unbe-

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lievable generosity within the Winkler community, and continue to be amazed by the support."

"A big thank you also goes out to our strong partnership with the Winkler Community Foundation," added fellow foundation founder Eric Fehr. "Without Myra [Peters, executive director] and the team, none of this would be possible.

"It has been a pleasure to work with the folks from Habitat for Humanity-Winkler/Morden, the people from the Winkler Family Resource Centre as well as the Winkler Day Care Centre," Fehr added. "We know these funds are in good hands at those wonderful organizations."

Six-year-old killed in ATV collision near Pilot Mound

By Voice staff

A six-year old boy was killed in an accident near Pilot Mound last week.

On August 29 at 7:20 p.m., Pembina Valley RCMP officers received a report of a collision involving a child on a scooter on a private roadway 16 kilometres north of town.

Police investigation has determined

the boy came around a blind corner on his scooter and was struck by an ATV being driven by a 19-year-old man.

The child was taken to hospital in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries.

Pembina Valley RCMP continue to investigate.

Corrections

Our story last week on the Teddies for Tots program inadvertently included an old phone number for the organizer.

If you'd like to make a donation to the program, you can reach Sharon Hildebrand at 204-362-3713 or via email at sbhild@sdnet.ca.

Donations can also be sent to Box 955, Winkler, MB, R6W 4B1 or made

to the Teddies for Tots account at Access Credit Union.

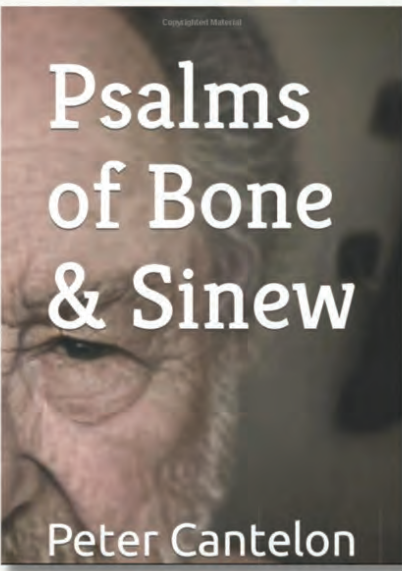
We were also provided with the wrong contact information for the organizer of the Winkler Heritage Society's crokinole tournament happening this Saturday at the museum in the Southland Mall. If you'd like to reach Randy Rietze to register in advance, call 204-325-2983.

LOCAL AUTHOR

#1 ON AMAZON'S HOT NEW RELEASES BESTSELLER LIST

Psalms of Bone & Sinew

Peter Cantelon




A poetry collection meant to develop the messy reality that is life evoking the idea of psalms as words lifted in praise and grief, horror and wonder. An provocative exploration of the sacred and profane.

MORE THAN THREE WEEKS ON AMAZON BEST SELLER LIST

Cantelon's poetry reflects his attention to meter, rhythm and structure. Most of his poems are free verse with a mix of rhyming and what he calls free-rhyme (a mix of free verse and rhyme in a single poem). Cantelon's influences have been many and diverse including but not limited to Margaret Atwood, Irving Layton, Sappho, Charles Bukowski, Edgar Allan Poe, John Donne, and more recently international poets such as Japanese poet Kenji Miyazawa and Persian poet Forough Farrokhzad.

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"We're working really hard to try to increase capacity"

By Lorne Stelmach

The new executive director of the Menzies Medical Centre came into the role in the midst of significant challenges in the health care sector.

The local clinic is no different than other medical centres, especially in dealing with staffing pressures, but it can perhaps be even more pronounced in a growing community like Morden.

"The biggest challenge for our community and our medical centre is the lack of family physicians and primary care providers," Nicole Walske said recently.

"That causes hardship for many people, not feeling that they have someone to see for regular appointments or connect with, which then leads them to our walk-in and urgent care centres in Morden and Winkler, so we're feeling a huge demand and reaching capacity on many, many days.

"We're working really hard to try to increase that capacity and be able to see more patients by having more pri-

mary care providers available," said Walske.

Born and raised in Morden, Walske is making the transition after having worked for many years in the dental field.

She came on board with the Menzies Medical Centre in June, and she not only welcomes the challenges but believes there are vital skills she can bring to the table.

"THE TARGET IS ALWAYS MORE [PHYSICIANS]."

"The challenge of it is the biggest appeal, and the family-centric community spirit that is here amongst the physicians that I interviewed with," said Walske.

"I hope I can contribute my management skills and try to make a difference and change in our community and improve some level of accessibility for our community," she continued. "The management aspect of this role isn't as much of a challenge as it is comfortable to me, but the government and health care side is a new situation for me, so that is a learning curve."

The biggest task clearly is to increase staffing to ease the workload that has the clinic stretched to the limits.

"The target is always more [physicians]," Walske said. "I don't think we would ever say no to a primary care physician if someone wanted to join our collective.

"There's a huge need in the province overall for family physicians, but in this area, it is especially so with some doctors exiting from Winkler."

The clinic is fortunate to have recently added two more physicians with the arrival of Cael Enns and Phil Fourie. Another is slated to come on board this fall. It puts the staffing currently at 24, with two short-term doctors also coming on for three-month and one-year terms.

Even with that though, it unfortunately doesn't change the fact that there are still shortages and high demands amongst the medical team.

"The walk-in clinic becomes the option for a lot of patients to seek any care," Walske acknowledged. "The goal of walk-in isn't to provide primary care, but it has become a primary care means because of patients not having a family doctor.



PHOTO BY LORNE STELMACH/VOICE

Nicole Walske is the new executive director of Menzies Medical Centre in Morden.

"We ideally would like to see our walk-in being used just for those one-off episodes."

It often means that some walk-in vis-

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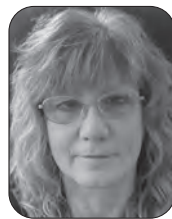
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Is your brain a body part?

I imagine going to the hospital with a concussion and being told “we’re sorry we don’t consider the brain part of the body. If you want treatment you will need to go to another facility and be prepared to possibly pay out of your own pocket.”

Pretty silly, eh? I mean the brain is obviously part of the body. One might even go so far as to say the brain is the most important part of the body. In fact, believe it or not, my brain is doing all of the work on this column right now.

It’s true—my brain is telling my ridiculous body what to do and how to do it. It pretty much runs things around here.

Sadly, every day millions of Canadians are put into a position of being made to feel as though their brain is not really part of their body when it comes to mental health. Canadians everywhere are told mental health care is something different than a broken bone or cancer.

Unlike treatment for the rest of our body, the mental health care system in Canada is a mishmash of private and public service providers of wildly different levels of qualifications and standards with an expectation that any coverage that may be provided for mental health will come through a recommendation from a physician. Numerous studies have concluded

that mental health funding in Canada is substantially lower than so-called physical health and the services and funding available reflect this. Heck, recently Eden Mental Health Centre had to evacuate its 25-bed in-patient psychiatric hospital because of widespread water damage and air quality concerns related to a recent rain storm.

Speaking of Eden, this psychiatric hospital is almost a quarter of the size of Boundary Trails Medical Centre and yet they serve the same size population. What message does this kind of health care inequity send about how much we value mental health care?

Each year 1 in 5 Canadians (7.4 million people) are impacted by a mental health issue. By the age of 40 half of all Canadians will have or have had a mental illness. That’s right. Between you and the person next to you there will be a mental illness by the age of 40. This is VERY significant.

If I break my arm I can walk into my local hospital with the expectation and reality of having it repaired and be sent on my way without ever having to worry about a bill or navigating a complex network of disconnected service providers and potential costs.

The inequities in how mental illness is treated in Canada mean that those who are more financially advantaged have substantially more access to mental health care than those who are less fortunate. It should come as no surprise to anyone that mental illness is prevalent amongst those who are unhoused.

It’s amazing how the possibility of allowing some private healthcare centers in Canada is immediately shouted down but when it comes to mental health care this is not a problem.

When did our brains become separate from the rest of our bodies? If my hand is cut off as a result of a farming accident no one says “Tough it up buddy, just think positive thoughts and it’ll just grow back.”

But we do this all the time when it comes to brain health which is where mental illness manifests and we have a system that reinforces this cavalier attitude.

If we want to truly be a nation that provides and is known for universal healthcare than we have a significant amount of work to do in the realm of mental health because right now our brains are clearly not considered an important part of the body when it comes to health care.



By Peter Cantelon

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Province unveils “Family Affordability Package”

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The provincial government unveiled an \$87-million “Family Affordability Package” last week it says will help Manitoba families make ends meet.

“This package will provide families with children, seniors living on a fixed income, and Manitobans who are hurting the most with benefits to ease the burden of rising costs,” Premier Heather Stefanson said Aug. 31.

Under the plan, families with children and a household income of less than \$175,000 in 2021 will receive a Family Affordability benefit cheque of \$250 for the first child and \$200 for each additional child.

This will impact an estimated 145,000 families and approximately 282,000 children, the province said.

In addition, seniors with less than \$40,000 in family income, who claimed an Education Property Tax Credit in 2021, will receive a benefit cheque of \$300.

Stefanson went on to explain this aid plan will also assist Manitobans receiving Employment and Income Assistance (EIA).

The basic needs rates will be increased permanently this fall. Starting in November, EIA general assistance clients without dependent children will receive an extra \$50 per adult each month and all EIA disability clients will receive an additional \$25 per household each month.

“This phase of the Family Affordability Package is our way of standing with Manitobans by providing immediate benefits and help for those who need it most,” said Stefanson.

The province has also committed to establishing a temporary grant program called the Food Security Fund to support food banks across Manitoba as they help struggling families.

The rebate cheques are slated to go out in late September. If you’ve moved since you filed your taxes, there will be an online government portal going up soon where you can update your mailing address.

‘FOCUSING ON AFFORDABILITY’

Finance Minister Cameron Friesen, who

serves as Morden-Winkler’s MLA, lauded his government’s plan to aid Manitobans during these challenging economic times.

“Our government has been really taking seriously for a long time the need for a focus on affordability for Manitobans,” he said. “We are one of the highest tax jurisdictions in all of Canada, and we’ve been working since 2016 on reducing that burden for Manitobans.”

Friesen echoed Stefanson in pointing out the Conservative government’s Budget 2022 included “historic tax relief measures” including expanding the child-care subsidy program, phasing out education property taxes, introducing a new residential renters tax credit, and providing rebate cheques to Manitoba Public Insurance ratepayers.

These varied rebates reached many of the Manitobans who are not eligible for the Family Affordability Package cheques, Friesen stressed, noting the package itself is meant specifically to bridge the gap for families who are most struggling right now.

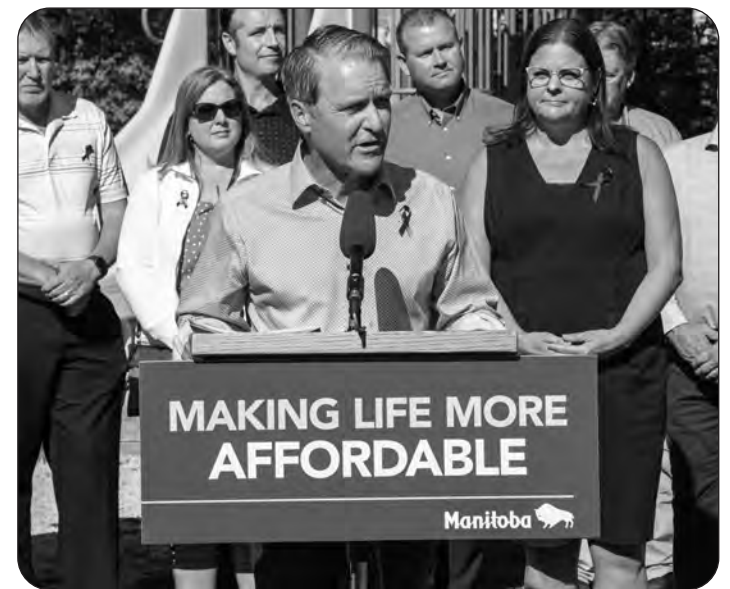
“We really believe that these payments to families with children is an important place to focus, because the burden on families is really significant right now, especially with back to school,” he said. “And also the focus on lower income seniors we believe is appropriate because we know that as goods and services go up in cost, people on a fixed income, at the low end, those impacts are even more significant.”

This plan will distribute 200,000 rebate cheques to “Manitobans who we believe are most in need,” Friesen said.

Meanwhile, Opposition and NDP Leader Wab Kinew voiced his criticism of the government’s plans.

“Families have been dealing with a cost of living crisis all summer,” he noted in a statement shortly after the aid package was announced. “Now, just like Brian Pallister, Premier Stefanson is trying to buy Manitobans’ support—with Manitobans’ own money. That’s after raising Hydro rates by hundreds of dollars.

“At the same time, families can’t get the surgeries they need and are waiting longer than ever at emergency rooms,” Kinew said. “Manitobans are looking for long-term help with the



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Finance Minister Cameron Friesen joined Premier Heather Stefanson in announcing plans to help ease the burden of rising costs of living on Manitoba families.

rising cost of living that will help them through the fall and winter.”

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its are more complex and take longer, which has contributed to the increased wait times.

The walk-in runs from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., with registration starting at 10 a.m. Patients are often given a time to come back later in the day, when necessary.

“It’s not an appointment; it’s still first-come first-served,” explained Walske. “It depends on what the concerns are of the people ahead of you ... sometimes it also depends on how many physicians we have working walk-in.

“Unfortunately, we do get to a point where if we have, say, 50 patients waiting, we have to mark it at capacity and unfortunately patients then are turned away,” she said. “We do un-

derstand patients get very frustrated, so we do see the angry frustration come out from some patients.”

Mondays are often the worst days, she noted. “Sometimes we reach our capacity by noon, which is a very full lineup from 10 to 12 with people registering,” she said, estimating their capacity would be 50 to 75 patients in a day.

“Our hope is to be educating people and making them understand that it’s not that we’re closed, it’s not that we’re not seeing patients; it’s just that we are at our limit. There’s just no time or resources to see any additional patients.”

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Work begins on new Morden cemetery

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Work got underway recently on construction of a new cemetery just south of Morden and Lake Minnewasta. The city had purchased the property of about 54 acres in 2019 with the need for more cemetery space in mind, but there is also some space in the area that can be put to other public use, butting up, as it does, beside the lake.

High-risk Manitobans eligible for new COVID-19 vaccine

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Manitoba Health has announced the first groups of people eligible to receive the new COVID-19 bivalent vaccine.

The Moderna vaccine, approved by Health Canada for people age 18 or older last Thursday, has been developed to provide protection against both the original strain of the virus and the newer, more prevalent omicron variation.

“We are moving quickly to make the vaccine available to Manitobans,” said Dr. Jazz Atwal, deputy chief provincial public health officer, at a press conference in Winnipeg Friday afternoon.

Eligible to get this new vaccine first in Manitoba are:

- adults aged 65 or older;
- Indigenous people aged 18 or older, regardless of where they live;
- adults of any age with higher-risk medical conditions, including people who are immunocompromised due to a health condition or medication;
- health-care workers aged 18 or older; and
- residents of personal care homes and other congregate living facilities including assisted living, group homes, shelters and correctional facilities.

Individuals must complete their primary series of COVID-19 vaccine (usually two doses) before they can receive the bivalent vaccine, Atwal noted.

It is recommended people wait six months from their last dose of vaccine

or COVID-19 infection. However, individuals who meet the criteria can receive the bivalent vaccine after a minimum of three months, if they feel they are at increased risk.

The bivalent vaccine can be given at the same time as other immunizations. This will include the seasonal flu vaccine, once it becomes available this fall.

Atwal said they expect to receive Manitoba’s first shipment of 27,650 doses of the bivalent vaccine this week and a second shipment of 77,600 doses next week. Appointments to receive them will be available across the province by mid-September.

“Based on supplies and initial uptake among eligible groups, we expect to be able to expand eligibility for the bivalent vaccine to all Manitobans aged 18 and older in the coming weeks,” Atwal said.

“We will also be expanding access for a fourth dose or a second booster [of the original monovalent vaccines] for all Manitobans age 12+ starting Sept. 12, but we encourage everyone to wait a few more weeks and get a dose of the bivalent vaccine when they become eligible,” he noted. “That’s because the bivalent vaccine is expected to provide additional protection from COVID-19, providing broader protection to two different COVID-19 strains and a greater overall defense for Manitobans.”

Eligible Manitobans can book their appointment by calling (toll-free) 1-844-626-8222. More information is also available online at <https://gov.mb.ca/covid19/vaccine/finder.html>.

arts & culture

'Johnny and June' tribute show in Winkler Sept. 23

By Ashleigh Viveiros

A show celebrating the heyday of the Man in Black comes to the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall in Winkler later this month.

A.R. Cash, the award-winning tribute show featuring Aaron Prociuk as Johnny Cash and Ashley Robertson as June Cash, takes the stage on Friday, Sept. 23.

"You can expect to hear a lot of the hits from the '50s and '60s of Johnny and June," says Prociuk of the show, which he's been performing since 2013 to rave reviews and accolades (including being named International Tribute Artist

of the Year at the Josie Music Awards in Nashville). "We take it back right from the very beginning and go through the years over the course of the show."

The 2005 biopic *Walk the Line* is what drew Prociuk into the world of music.

Then 15 years old, he taught himself to play guitar and began mastering

the work of Cash's guitarist Luther Perkins. He later came to realize he had a knack as well for singing Cash's songs.

"Both Ashley and I, we kind of grew up with the music," Prociuk says. As he explored his own musical talents, he came to appreciate Cash's work more and more. "I think it was the simplicity but also the message he was putting across ... the stories that he told.

"Every song that he wrote he told a story, and you could picture yourself in that story. He was a poet."

That's why A.R. Cash is about more than just the music—Prociuk and Robertson also

share historical tidbits and tales of Johnny and June's careers and life together in between the songs.

"We've spent a great deal of time with the Cash family and I've read pretty well every Johnny Cash book that you can read," Prociuk says. "We have a lot of stories about songs, we have a lot of personal stories from the

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Aaron Prociuk and Ashley Robertson are A.R. Cash, a tribute show featuring the music of Johnny Cash that performs in Winkler later this month.

family. We bring that all to the stage and share it."

Prociuk notes he's not necessarily trying to do *be* Johnny Cash on stage, but rather capture the spirit of his performances.

"I've watched countless hours of Johnny Cash footage from the '50s and '60s and I do bring some of that to the stage, but, in the end, it's paying tribute to Johnny's music."

The addition of Robertson several years ago as June Cash brought a welcome new element to the show.

"People look at the relationship be-

tween Johnny and June ... they look at it as being the perfect relationship," Prociuk says. "To have that chemistry on stage in front of people, it's a big draw.

"We do our duets. She has the spotlight, I have the spotlight. We play off each other and make it into a show you would have gotten back in the 1960s."

Ticket information is available online at winklerconcerthall.ca or at the ticket office in the Meridian Exhibition Centre.

SCRL branches launching Acorns to Oaks program this fall

By Lorne Stelmach

The South Central Regional Library kicks off a new program this fall that uses a different approach to help children develop the essential skills to prepare for Kindergarten.

Acorns to Oaks is for children aged three-and-a-half to five years old who are not currently in Kindergarten, and it will be available through each of the five branch libraries in Altona, Winkler, Morden, Miami, and Manitou.

"We liked the idea of a program where we would have elders, parents and children involved and make it an inter-generational program," said Raina Teigrob, Miami branch librarian and program coordinator.

Teigrob sees a lot of potential benefit for the children "especially with the involvement of the elders who have so much experience, and they probably have their own grandchildren and are good at teaching kids. That was an important part for us."

The library is aiming for 22 kids per branch. Each will have their own dates and times for the sessions, but the program across the board is slated to start the week of Sept. 12 and continue until the week of Dec. 4.

The program first focuses on helping the "Gardener" (parents/caregivers) model different skills to their children (the "Acorns").

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Music lovers came out to Gallery in the Park in Altona Sept. 1 to enjoy "Among the Statues: An Evening of Singing" in the gallery's patio area. Performing was tenor Nolan Kehler, soprano Karen Santos, and pianist Megan Dufprat.

Hitting the high notes



"We've seen great successes from all the communities"

Altona, Rhineland immigration project extended

By Lorne Stelmach

The extension of a pilot project to boost immigration to rural communities across Canada is welcomed by participating municipalities, including the Town of Altona and RM of Rhineland.

The Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) has had a positive impact on the region, and there is hope that the program will be continued even beyond 2024 when it is now set to come to an end.

"After the two years are over, I'm sure we will be working hard to continue to advocate to make this program permanent ... those are conversations we have already been having," said Stephanie Harris, economic development officer for Rhineland, Plum Coulee, Gretna, and Altona.

"We've seen great successes from all of the communities [involved in the program]," said Harris, who highlighted the positive outcomes from the pilot project in Altona and Rhineland.

It includes having over 50 positions filled through the initiative and resulting in an increase in population by over 160 individuals.

"We really see that as a positive economic boost, as well as we're just seeing a lot of momentum happening

with local employers who are looking towards the program and to utilize it to fill their current job vacancies that they have as well as the positions that are going to be needed to grow their business as well.

"We've got a combined unemployment rate here of 3.7 per cent, so that is significantly lower ... we can all agree that everywhere we drive or walk down the street, we're seeing signs that we are hiring," Harris continued. "There's a significantly low unemployment rate here in Altona-Rhineland, so we are definitely looking to the immigration pilot program to help us continue to fill those needs. It's key for our region; it's key for our province."

The RNIP involved 11 communities across the country, including Brandon and Altona/Rhineland in Manitoba. The federal government recently announced the expansion of the program with a number of new improvements this fall to support community

partners, employers, and candidates, including:

- Making it easier to fill labour market needs in the health care and trades sectors by expanding the range of job offers available to candidates with specific work experience.

- Helping community partners provide greater support to candidates and employers.

- Reducing the amount of settlement funds required of the participants.

- Strengthening program integrity.

As of June 30, over 1,100 newcomers have arrived in RNIP communities, helping address labour shortages in key sectors such as health care, hospitality and food services, retail, manufacturing and transportation.

It is estimated an average of 125 newcomers and their family members could be welcomed into each of the participating communities every year. There is a maximum of 2,750 principal applicants plus family members, whose applications can be

accepted for processing under RNIP, in any given year.

Rural communities employ over four million Canadians and account for almost 30 per cent of the GDP, noted Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Sean Fraser.

He sees expanding regional immigration as building on the ongoing work to strengthen Canada's immigration system and ensure that it works well for everyone but especially those in rural and remote regions of Canada.

"Rural and northern communities face unique economic and demographic challenges, and the expansion of RNIP announced today makes it that much easier for communities to fill their critical labour market needs," said Fraser. "They also expand community boundaries so that employers in remote areas can access the program, helping to support economic development and growth in smaller communities across the country."

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ince is stepping up to get Main Street done.

"For those businesses on Main Street that have continued to invest in their businesses, it's kind of a vote of confidence," he said. "The discussions have been positive ... and it's been a good working relationship recently to address the issue and how to make it all happen. Some of the details still need to be worked out ... but the main thing was a yes

to that particular project."

Meanwhile, more discussions will happen around Highway 30 and the province closing off several access points. For example, one access point was removed after the expansion of Sun Valley Co-op.

"These were all existing roads. Nothing has been added to Highway 30," Friesen noted. "There should be a discussion. If there are any changes, how are we involved

with that and can we be involved with that? And can we do it in a way which doesn't impact the community negatively?

"That's been an ongoing discussion in the last year," he said. "We would say that these access points have been there for a long time, and we would have opinions as to whether they should or should not be removed."

Sixteen13 Ministry has big dreams for its new home

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Sixteen13 Ministry settled into their new campus south of Winkler this summer.

It was a big move, but with it comes some very big dreams for the future of the Christian non-profit.

"We officially own the whole property. It's exciting and nerve-racking at the same time," said president Harold Espinosa during a tour of the site just east of Schanzenfeld last month.

"We wanted a home base," chipped in Tiffany Krahn, ministry vice-president. "Where we would be free to do all kinds of ministry ... four acres is a good amount of land and gives us the room to do so much more."

The property was formerly owned by Rob and Coral Fehr, who have been active in the ministry as volunteers and supporters for some time. They had previously sold 50 per cent ownership of their business, Pure Joy Naturals, to Sixteen13, giving it a stable source of funding for its work in the community.

"It's just one less thing to worry about; otherwise we're spending every weekend doing fundraisers to support the ministries," noted Krahn, who has been taking aromatherapy courses to learn the ins and outs of the business (you can learn more about what they all offer online at purejoynaturals.ca or by stopping by

Honeycomb Health Foods in Winkler, O'Naturelle in Altona, or Garden Valley Wellness in Morden).

Taking ownership of the Fehr property—which was also home base for Pure Joy Naturals—when they decided to move made a lot of sense, said Espinosa, and the ministry was fortunate enough to have supporters willing and able to not only help them out with a down payment but also commit to assisting with the monthly mortgage payment for the next few years.

"We would love get it all paid off so we can take on another project, pay that off, and take on another project," he said, adding, with a chuckle, that he's full of dreams but working hard to "stop dreaming for now and focus on what we have."

The site is now headquarters for the growing number of programs Sixteen13 oversees.

A big one is the food ministry, in which every week over 30 volunteer drivers head out across the region to deliver food hampers to families struggling to make ends meet.

Espinosa estimates they reach more than 100 families with this work, from all walks of life. Some need help long-term while for others it's a stopgap measure until they get back on their feet.

"We do things a little bit differently



PHOTO BY ASHLEIGH VIVEIROS/VOICE

Sixteen13 Ministry president Harold Espinosa and vice-president Tiffany Krahn at the non-profit's new property south of Winkler. It's four acres of space on which to grow their programming, Krahn says.

... what we do is we go visit the people in their homes," Espinosa explained. "We get to know them by name and really build a relationship with them ... we really try to walk with people."

They walk with people in countless other ways as well, including through their furniture ministry (offering gently used household items to those who need them), providing school supplies in the fall and gift packages at Christmas to less fortunate kids, and sending local produce to families on various Indigenous communities across the province, to name just a few initiatives on the go right now.

They also support numerous missionaries overseas, helping to get the word out about their work and connect them with local support.

Sixteen13 has also been heavily in-

involved in efforts to assist the dozens of Ukrainian families who fled to the Pembina Valley to escape the Russian invasion earlier this year.

Many arrived here with little more than a suitcase. The ministry was there to help them outfit their empty new homes with everything they might need, in addition to putting food on the table as they looked for work.

None of this would be possible without community support, of which there has been no shortage.

"It's amazing how a lot of people are walking with us to make all these things happen," Espinosa said, pointing to the many businesses who have donated food and in-kind services, the other ministries and churches

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A recent barbecue in which some of the Ukrainian refugee families Sixteen13 has helped were invited, alongside the volunteers for the ministry's many outreach programs.



Eva Unger is a regular face at the ministry, helping out with the food program every week.

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they partner with, and every single person who has made a donation of money, gently used household items, or time in support of the ministry. "I'm not surprised, because Winkler's always been a community to reach out to people."

Sixteen13 has been reaching out since it was founded in late 2020 at the height of the pandemic.

Since then they've seen a number of former recipients of the assistance they offer become helpers themselves, today serving as some of their most active volunteers.

"It's always nice when sometimes the people that receive care end up becoming the people who serve," said Krahn.

"They start as receivers and now they're doers," added Espinosa. "And it's just beautiful"

One of the ministry's dedicated volunteers is Eva Unger.

"I was in a really dark space," she shared of how she found herself involved with Sixteen13. "I started talking with Harold and he started praying with me and it changed my life. I accepted Jesus.

"Harold invited me to volunteer, and I did ... I appreciate the work they do here and wanted to help with it," Unger said, explaining she volunteers wherever she's needed but is most active in the food program, coming by regularly to help sort and prepare the care hampers.

Seeing the ministry settle into its new home has been a blessing, she added. "I'm excited to see how they grow."

Unger's involvement inspired her daughter, Sara, to step up as well. Like her mom, Sara helps out wher-

ever she can. Last month she was kept busy with the auction the ministry hosted as a fundraiser.

"There's a lot of people who struggle in the world, and through COVID and everything it really hit home that there was a ministry like this helping people in need," she said, urging others to reach out to see how they might put their skills and interests to good use with Sixteen13. "If they like helping people, this would be for them."

"We're just so grateful for all the volunteers who help. And we need more," noted Espinosa, explaining they have roles in all their programs and are open to hearing from people looking to carve out new volunteer roles as well. "However they would like to be part of this ministry.

"We're trying to reach out to all churches to be part of Sixteen13," he added, "where we can do things just to pour into our community and love our community."

As for the future, Espinosa shared a few of those dreams he mentioned earlier.

"Our hope is to expand it all," he said, noting, for example, they'd love to get local youth and care groups involved with selling Pure Joy Naturals products to raise funds for missionaries working near and far.

Also long-term are plans to start offering educational opportunities at the site.

"Our dream is to build a facility on this property that will help teach people how to do things like working on agricultural machinery, welding, carpentry," said Espinosa. "Where we pour into people to help educate them in a field that they maybe can't afford to go to a university. We'll have



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Volunteers at work sorting out blanket donations for distribution.

trained mentors that can do it here and equip them ... help them get their certification in a very economical way. That is our future dream that could happen whenever God permits it to be."

In the meantime, they're focusing on improving the campus—growing the community garden, installing a beach volleyball area, and working on plans to put in a smokehouse and also a chicken coop to supply fresh eggs to those in need.

Espinosa wants it to become a central gathering space for the community. It already hosts a variety of weekly get-togethers and has welcomed volunteers and recipients alike for several giant barbecues this summer.

"We're planning to fill this place up with people," he said. "We want to make this a place where people can come to relax, connect.

"People need each other more than ever. And that's what I think we're here for. God put us here at the right time, at the right place, and brought

people into our lives and hopefully will bring more people in our lives so that we can all walk together."

And while they do all this from a Christian perspective, sharing the gospel as they go and putting people in touch with local churches when asked to do so, Espinosa stressed that their aid is open to all, regardless of one's belief system.

"The whole intention is to build relationships with people and help people," he said. "Whether they choose to go to church or not ... that's their choice. We're just shining our light.

"Our whole thing is to see what we can do with what God has given us ... we are all about helping each other and showing compassion for all."

You can learn more about Sixteen13 on its website at sixteen13ministry.ca. You can also call 204-384-8954 to talk about volunteer opportunities or discuss making a donation to one of their programs (donations can also be made online).



Celebrating Indigenous culture

SUBMITTED PHOTOS BY DARCY HENRY

The Roseau River Anishinabe First Nation Pow Wow was a huge success last week. The event Aug. 31 to Sept. 1 saw over 50 dancers and a few hundred spectators come out to celebrate Indigenous culture through music, dance, and food. The pow wow was part of Roseau River's annual Treaty Days celebrations.





Life in the past lane



The Pembina Threshermen's Museum hosted its 54th annual Reunion Days celebration Sept. 2-3. Visitors got the chance to enjoy parades of vintage tractors and other vehicles, explore the museum's many heritage buildings, interact with costumed volunteers, get hands-on at education stations revolving around everyday pioneer tasks such as corn grinding, enjoy kids activities such as barrel train rides and a petting zoo, and watch threshing, sawmill, flour milling, spinning, and blacksmithing demonstrations. There was also live music from local artists and homemade food courtesy of the Valley Harvest Maids.

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Each module will include a code or link to an informational video that will feature "Oaks" (volunteer elders from the community) who will explain and demonstrate the skill, activities, and learning outcomes.

Each module has additional materials such as suggestions for activities and games as well as practice worksheets that can be photocopied and used over and over. Acorns to Oaks will have five modules on pencil, scis-

sors and glue, colours, shapes, numbers and letters.

With module one, parents will receive a backpack with supplies and a workbook that has a chapter on each topic and additional chapters on some social skills that help prepare children for school.

Each child will receive a 'growth' chart so they can track their progress and achievements at home. Before the next module is introduced, the kids

bring their homework project back to the library for a show-and-tell and in-person storytime with one of the Oaks.

At this event, the next module package will be given to the parents so the learning cycle can begin again.

These modules and the accompanying materials have been developed by library staff in consultation with early childhood educators.

"We planned it during the school season ... older siblings are going to school, and the younger children look

forward to being at home with mom or dad and doing their own little program on their own," said Teigrob.

"We really ultimately hope that they enjoy it. We want the program to be a lot of fun for parents and children, so our main goal is that children learn but are also having fun at the same time."

You can find more information online at scrl.mb.libraries.coop/acorns-to-oaks.

sports & recreation

Winkler Flyers host training camps

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The local junior hockey pre-season got off to a fine start last week in Winkler's Icon Arena.

The Winkler Flyers not only hosted their annual summer development camp for kids—helping, potentially, to train the next generation of players—but it also held its rookie camp Sept. 2-3 and then its main training camp Sept. 3-5.

Of the hockey school, which catered to the U13 crowd, Flyers coach and general manager Justin Falk said it was a fun-filled week.

"We capped it at 90 kids. We sold it right out," he said on the program's final day Thursday. "It was a really exciting week for our community and our organization.

"We had all of our returning players out there the whole week working with the youth, developing their game," Falk noted, adding they also worked with Rise Athletics and Wellness to provide off-ice training for the kids. "It was just a really good week as far as the next generation of players getting exposed to a great opportunity for training and development."

Hockey school in the books, the team got down to business with rookie camp, which saw around 40 of the youngest Flyers hopefuls hit the ice to try to show the coaching staff they have what it takes to wear the Orange and Black.

Some of those players made it to main camp to play alongside the 17 or so veteran and returning junior players also vying to play this fall.

It was, Falk said, a "highly competitive camp, with a lot of good players and prospects and everyone working hard to make the team."

Every player has to earn their spot, he noted. The training camp's various fitness tests and intersquad games provide an opportunity for the coaches to suss out which players have kept up the conditioning through the summer and are ready to return to the ice



PHOTOS BY RICK HIEBERT/VOICE
Around 40 Flyers hopefuls took to the ice Friday and Saturday for the junior hockey team's rookie camp to try to show coaches they have what it takes to wear the Orange and Black. The team also hosted its main camp Saturday to Monday, where another 17 veteran players suited up. The Flyers have a series of exhibition games against the Steinbach Pistons and the Selkirk Steelers this and next week ahead of the regular season's start Sept. 16.

in top shape.

"We're looking for players that are hungry and put in the work in the off-season to come out and make the team," Falk said.

This season will be Falk's second as head coach of the Flyers. He noted they've spent a lot of time over the past year working on setting a certain tone for the team. It's something they'll continue honing heading into the 2022-23 campaign.

"When you look at the standards that we held our players to last year, we hope that the returning players will remember that and the culture and the day-to-day and we'll be able



to pick up where we left off in a lot of areas," he said. "We're looking forward to the players that are hungry to get to work and want a great season."

Hot on the heels of training camp are four exhibition games against the Steinbach Pistons and the Selkirk Steelers this and next week.

The Flyers play in Steinbach

Wednesday and then host the Pistons Friday night. They then travel to play in Selkirk Saturday before hosting the Steelers Sunday afternoon.

The regular season then kicks off Sept. 16 against the Freeze in Winnipeg. The team's first home game is Saturday, Sept. 17 against the Winnipeg Blues.

Charity barrel race winners hail from all over

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The 2022 Rick Wiebe Memorial Charity Barrel Race saw competitors come from all over Manitoba to battle it out in the racing ring for a great cause.

The results of the Aug. 28 races (which were released after press last week) include:

- Open 1D: Whitney Hogue (Eriksdale) in first place, Shannon Mullin (Cartwright) in second, and Leanne Plett (Grunthal) in third place.

- Open 2D: Rusty Rae Woodward (Montmartre, SK) in first, Tanis Shackelford (Oakville) in second, and Faye Legault (Oakville) in third.

- Open 3D: Dusty van der Steen (Elm Creek) in first, Rebecca Falk (Crystal City) in second, and Chloe Anderson (MacGregor) in third.

- Open 4D: Evan Trimble (Portage la Prairie) in first, Emily Dyck-Arnold (Oxdrift, ON) in second, and Sheena Marks, (Stonewall) in third place.

- Youth 1D: Rylee Olafson (Morden) in first, Tamara Devos (Bruxelles) in

second place, and Morgan Turner (Miami) in third.

- Youth 2D: Chloe McElroy (Carman) in first, Jill Goff (Carman) in second, and Rylee Olafson (Morden) in third.

- Youth 3D: Chloe McElroy (Carman) in first place, Jaymee Krahn (Winkler) in second, and Jorgia Plett (Grunthal) in third.

- Pee Wee: Danica Hodgins (Dominion City) in first, Ari Selman (Carman) in second, and Raegan Friesen

(Altona) in third place.

When it came to collecting pledges in support of South Central Cancer Resource, Carman's Chloe McElroy led the charge, raising \$2,005 to become the top youth fundraiser.

Meanwhile, Altona's Mercedes McKay was the top open contestant pledge-earner with \$805 in donations.

"Of the total amount raised, \$25,450 was raised in pledges alone by our contestants," noted organizer Dusty van der Steen. In all, the day brought

in \$28,939 for SCCR.

"A huge thank you to all of the contestants for raising so much money, to everyone who donated money and bought silent auction tickets, to our sponsors for supporting our event, the Dufferin Agricultural Society for allowing us to quickly move in and set up shop last-minute, and all of the volunteers and folks who lent a hand to make everything run smoothly," van der Steen said.

Storm battle Flames to a 2-2 tie

By Ashleigh Viveiros

The Winkler Storm kicked off September by standing firm against the Bonivital Flames.

The team, which plays in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's Premier Division, headed into Winnipeg last week Thursday to square off against

the Flames, who had handed them a pair of losses the week before.

This time around, a pair of goals from Emil Rode gave Winkler a 2-2 tie to add to their record, which now stands at 3-11-2. The Storm are currently in second-last place in the division, ahead of only Luso Canadian CCS.

The Storm will go up against the third place ranked team, Lucania FC, next week Thursday, Sept. 15 in Winnipeg. They then close out the season with another road game Sept. 21, this time against first-place Hellas SC.

Registration opens for early childhood education programming

Sessions in Winkler, Morden, and Plum Coulee start later this month

By Ashleigh Viveiros

It's a sure sign of fall: the local early childhood education centres launch their new programming sessions in just a few weeks.

Registration for the Winkler Family Resource Centre and the Morden Parent and Child Resource Centre's September/October programs opens this week Wednesday, Sept. 7. The programs then start the week of Sept. 19.

"We're looking forward to it," said executive director Sarah Peters, noting they're especially looking forward to a full slate of in-person sessions once again now that pandemic restrictions have eased. "It's all going

to be in person, no more Zoom sessions. It's nice to get back to that."

The lineup includes Fall-time Fun Music Class Mondays in Winkler, Making Music With Mel Tuesdays in Morden, Growing up Green Tuesdays in Winkler, We're Going on a Treasure Hunt Tuesdays in Plum Coulee, Puppets in the Park Wednesdays in Winkler Park (a new program), and Kit and Kaboodle classes Wednesdays in Morden and Thursdays in Winkler.

"We've got a little bit of everything," said Peters, noting they were also intentional in making sure there were programs across their service area to make it accessible to as many families as possible.

The Morden programming takes place at the Alliance Church, Winkler's home base is in the Emmanuel Mennonite Church, and the Plum Coulee activities happen at The Centre on Main.

All of the programs run in the mornings and are designed for kids ages two to five years old, except the Win-

kler Kit and Kaboodle, which is 3-5.

Also back this year are the popular Stay and Play sessions, aimed at families with kids five and under.

These drop-in sessions run weekly on Thursdays in Morden and Fridays in Winkler, both from 9 a.m. to noon.

These sessions will not run on days when school is closed or cancelled in Garden Valley School Division.

The Winkler Stay and Play sessions will also be introducing Flyers Fridays this year, where junior hockey players will be coming to play mini-stick hockey and read with the kids.

All of these programs are free, Peters stressed, and they serve a vital role not just for kids but parents as well.

"These pre-school programs really benefit the whole family," she said. "We definitely focus on the parent and child interaction during the pro-

grams. And the kids learn also learn how to interact with others their own age, they meet new friends."

It's a great opportunity to get children used to the idea of being in a learning environment with other kids, Peters added.

"They're learning while having fun," she said.

As mentioned, registration begins this week. The limited spaces often fill up quickly. To register for a program, head to www.winklerfamilyresourcecentre.com.

Meanwhile, for older kids, the After School program is back in Winkler. Peters said they already have a number of kids signed up to spend a few hours at the resource centre after school until their parents get off work.

That program does have a daily fee. For more information, email wfrccaspcordinator@gmail.com.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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You are invited to the
Winkler Family Resource Centre
Annual General Meeting
Monday, September 19 at 6 p.m.
Emmanuel Mennonite Church
(750 15th Street., Winkler)
Everyone is welcome!

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
PEMBINA VALLEY WATER COOPERATIVE INC.
REVISED WATER RATES

September 1, 2022

The Pembina Valley Water Cooperative Inc. (PVWC) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for revised water rates as set out in the rate study submitted on June 28, 2022. Rates were last approved in 2018 in Board Order No. 172/18, with current rates coming into effect in January 1, 2022.

The current and proposed rates are as follows:

Year	Rate*
Current - 2022	\$9.53
2023	\$10.10
2024	\$10.70
2025	\$11.23
2026	\$11.79
2027	\$12.37

*per 1,000 gallons

The current customers for PVWC include:

Rural Municipality of Dufferin	Altona Rural Water Coop
Municipality of Emerson-Franklin	Town of Altona
Rural Municipality of Grey	Blumegart Colony
Rural Municipality of Montcalm	Town of Carman
Rural Municipality of Morris	Halbstadt Marais Water Co-op
Rural Municipality of Rhineland	Town of Morris
Rural Municipality of Roland	City of Morden
Rural Municipality of Stanley	City of Winkler
Rural Municipality of Thompson	Roseau River First Nation

Details of the PVWC's application are available for review at the PVWC office or the Board's office. Any questions concerning the application for revised rates, or the operation of the Utility, should be sent directly to the PVWC.

If you have concerns/comments regarding the PVWC's application for water rates please go to www.pubmanitoba.ca and provide your comment. Please note all comments will be forwarded to the PVWC.

Questions or comments should be sent on or before **October 1, 2022**.

The Public Utilities Board is the provincial regulatory agency that reviews and approves rates for water and wastewater utilities in Manitoba, with the exception of the City of Winnipeg. The Board's review process involves:

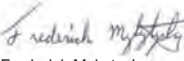
- the Utility filing a rate application to the Board,
- a public notification of proposed rate changes,
- the Board's review of the application through a public hearing or paper review process, and
- the issuance of an Order which outlines the Board's decision on the rate application and the rates to be charged.

The Manitoba Ombudsman has privacy guidelines for administrative tribunals. The Board is mindful of its obligations under those guidelines. Its decisions in respect of the application being considered will be sensitive to the guidelines. Personal information will not be disclosed unless it is appropriate and necessary to do so. However, the Board advises participants that these proceedings are public and that as a result, personal information protections are reduced.

The Board will then decide whether any further notice is required and whether to proceed with a public hearing or paper review process. All concerns received by the Board will be considered in the Board's decision on rates to be charged.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MAY OR MAY NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO DETERMINE RATES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE APPLIED FOR BY THE APPLICANT.

Note: All proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, which the Board may vary in order to constrain regulatory costs. The Rules are available at www.pubmanitoba.ca.


Frederick Mykytyshyn
Assistant Associate Secretary
Manitoba Public Utilities Board

EMPLOYMENT



Seasonal Soil Sampler - Term

Position: Seasonal Soil Sampler - Term
Location: Carman North/Winkler South

Employment:
F/T Term with possibility of extension
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Duties may include the following:

- Travel to assigned rural locations to take core soil samples from client's fields;
- Record sample data accurately;
- Database administration and maintenance;
- Safe operation of motorized vehicles.

Education and Experience

Valid driver's license;
Some agricultural experience would be an asset;
Ability to carry up to 20 kg.

Send your CV to: Troy Turner at troy@field2fieldag.com

Only the successful candidates chosen for an interview will be contacted.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Prairie Rose School Division

ANNUAL PUBLIC NOTICE

ADDITIONS TO THE VOTERS LIST AND/OR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION REQUESTS

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the VOTERS LIST may be revised at: **45 Main St. S., Carman, MB** between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

At this time the Senior Election Official (S.E.O) will be available to update the voters list by:

- adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;
- deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on the list;
- making such other corrections of errors to the list as required.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

A person is eligible to have his or her name added to the Voters List if they are:

- A Canadian citizen at least 18 years of age on election day; and
- A resident of the Division for at least 6 months prior to election day, OR a registered owner of land in the municipality for at least six months prior to election day.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION:

A voter may apply in writing to the S.E.O. (at the address/fax below) no later than **September 20, 2022**, to have their name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail, or fax, and must include your name, address, and include proof of identity.

All changes to the voters list must be completed on or before September 20, 2022.

Dated at Carman in the Province of Manitoba, on August 30, 2022

Prairie Rose School Division
Rhonda Smith
Senior Election Official (S.E.O.)
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Carman, MB R0G 0J0

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PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ROLAND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:
September 14, 15, 16, 19 and 20, 2022
between the hours of 8:30am – 4:30pm at the following location, RM of Roland office, 45 3rd St., Roland

I will receive nominations for the offices of Reeve and Councillor (4 seats) of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday September 20, 2022 at 4:30pm. Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority, but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.

Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by an agent, or by fax. To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the SEO at the telephone number listed below.

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Kristi Olson
Senior Election Official
Rural Municipality of Roland
204-343-2061
Dated at Roland on August 24, 2022

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PUBLIC NOTICE



UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any person(s) who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

THE TOWN OF ALTONA ZONING BY-LAW 1807/2022 Being an AMENDMENT to the TOWN OF ALTONA ZONING BY-LAW 1792/2021, AS AMENDED

HEARING: ALTONA CIVIC OFFICE
LOCATION: 111 CENTRE AVENUE EAST, ALTONA, MB
DATE & TIME: September 27th, 2022 at 6:00 PM
GENERAL INTENT: To re-zone from "AR" "AGRICULTURAL RESTRICTED ZONE" to "RR" "RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE" in the PT.NE 1/4 7-2-1W and to amend text regarding accessory buildings shipping containers and trailer parks.
AREA: PT. NE 1/4 7-2-1W

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Stein, General Manager
RPGA PLANNING DISTRICT
Box 270, Altona MB R0G 0B0
Phone: (204) 324-5357
manager@rpgamb.ca

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected at the location noted above during normal office hours, Monday to Friday. Copies may be made and extracts taken there from, upon request.



Schedule "A"
Attached to and forming part of
By-Law No. 1807/2022

Amending Schedule "A" of the
Town of Altona
Zoning By-Law No. 1792/2021

LEGEND:
[Hatched Box] Portion to be rezoned
[Solid Box] From:

"AR" Agriculture Reserve Zoned to "RR" Rural Residential Zone

Town of Altona

NE 1/4 7-2-1W

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES CITY OF MORDEN

Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of The Municipal Act, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the **29th** day of **September, 2022**, at the hour of **2:00 PM**, at City of Morden Council Chambers, 100-195 Stephen Street, Morden, MB, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
266500	PARCEL ONE SP LOT 4 PLAN 52446 MLTO IN E 1/2 12-3-6 WPM	L -\$4,600	\$3,682.64

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

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in **cash, certified cheque or bank draft** to the City of Morden as follows:
 - The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less;
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- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 7th day of September, 2022.

Managed by:



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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

BORDER LAND SCHOOL DIVISION

BORDER LAND SCHOOL DIVISION
Life Long Learning

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:

September 14th, 15th, 16th, 19th and 20th, 2022

between the hours of **9:00 am and 4:30 pm** at the following location:
Border Land School Division Office, 120 9th St NW, Altona MB

I or my Assistant S.E.O. will receive nominations for the office of **TRUSTEE FOR THE FOLLOWING WARDS:**

- Ward 1 – Sprague, Piney area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 2 – Vita, Stuartburn, Sundown area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 3 – Emerson, Ridgeville, Tolstoi area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 4 – Dominion City, Arnaud, Rosa Woodmore area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 5 – Rosenfeld, Horndean, Lettelier, St. Joseph area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 6 – Gretna, Rosetown, Halbstadt, Sommerfeld area – One (1) to be elected**
- Ward 7 – Altona, Gnadenfeld, Neuberghthal area – Three (3) to be elected**

of the aforesaid Local Authority.

The nomination deadline is Tuesday, September 20th at 4:30 pm.
Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.

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Nominations may be filed in person at the above locations, on the date and hours specified, by an official agent, or by fax. To **obtain a nomination paper, and/or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the S.E.O. at the telephone number listed below or at the Border Land School Division Office in Altona.**

Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.

Dated at Altona, Manitoba on August 24th, 2022.

Jake Bergen
Senior Election Official
Border Land School Division
Phone (204) 324-7693 or (204) 324-6491
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School Board Candidate Information Session

7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 15, 2022
Garden Valley School Division Office
750 Triple E Blvd, Winkler

Walk-ins are welcome but for planning purposes, it would be appreciated if those interested in attending would email us at election@gvsd.ca

PUBLIC NOTICE

Altona

PUBLIC NOTICE 2023 BOARD OF REVISION TOWN OF ALTONA

The 2023 Real Property, Personal Property and Business Property Assessment Rolls have been deposited in the Office of the Clerk at 111 Centre Avenue East (Town of Altona Civic Centre) and will be open for inspection by any person(s) during regular office hours.

The Board of Revision will sit at the Council Chambers of the Town of Altona located at 111 Centre Avenue East in Altona on Tuesday, **October 11th, 2022** at 6:00 P.M. for the purpose of revising the Assessment Rolls of the Town of Altona.

Complaints against any of the above noted assessments must be received by the Secretary of the Board by Monday, September 26th, 2022 and may be made as follows:

Application for revision

42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under subsection 114(1) of *The Real Property Act*, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to the following matters:

- liability to taxation;
- amount of an assessed value;
- classification of property;
- a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under subsection 13(2).

Application requirements

- 43(1) An application for revision must
- be made in writing;
 - set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
 - set out which of the matters referred to in subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
 - be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under subsection 41(2), or
 - serving it upon the secretary,

at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board (no later than **September 26th, 2022**) as indicated in the public notice.

Dated at Altona, in Manitoba, this 26th day of August, 2022, A.D.

Town of Altona
Box 1630
Altona, Manitoba
ROG OBO

Terry Fehr, Secretary
Board of Revision for the Town of Altona

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76 Loren Drive		85 Parkhill Dr.West		93 Elam @ Rampton	
Time:	Bus:	Time:	Bus:	Time:	Bus:
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77 Falcon Dr.NW		86 Parkhill@ Lvstn.Park		94 Northwd.@ Ppl. Path	
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8:27AM	10	4:11PM #	16	8:16AM *	13
4:01PM *	13	4:02PM *	14	8:36AM †	15
4:26PM †#	14	4:33PM †	16	4:40AM †	6
78 Meadowbrk@Buhler		87 Evergreen Dr.@Greenw.		95 Cochlan North	
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8:38AM †	14	8:13AM *	14	3:52PM *	13
4:06PM *	13	8:13AM †	16	4:27PM †	15
4:30PM †#	14	8:37AM †	16	8:44AM #	13
79 Conner Hill@Mint St		88 Conner Hill@ Hilcrest		96 Wardrop @ Westwood	
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4:38PM	15	4:26PM †	16	4:27PM #	13
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80 Mdwbrk@Beachside		89 Pembina@ Elks Park		97 Grant East of Southpk.	
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4:05PM *	13	4:36PM	15	4:43AM †	6
4:29PM †#	14	4:25PM#	13	4:08PM #	15
81 Fairway Dr. East		90 Minnewasta School		98 Appleton Apt.	
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82 Eagle Dr.@Falcon		91 Maple Leaf School		Water Tower Drive	
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83 Sunset Dr@Sunray		91 Transfer			
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8:50AM - Bus loop
8:54AM - Welding shop
8:59AM - Piping shop
9:19AM - Plum Coulee
9:38AM - Morden Welding and Piping shop

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14:21PM - Welding shop
14:24PM - Piping shop
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CT #3201624/4 154.15 acres
2. THE ELY 1320 FEET PERP OF THE
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1. Financing must be pre-approved.
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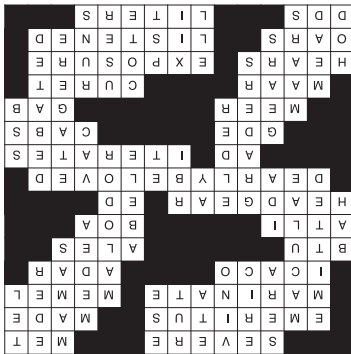
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Crossword Answer

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Ruth Nichol's family is sincerely and deeply thankful for all of the expressions of sympathy and the memories and appreciation of our Mum, Grandmother and Mother-in-law that were shared with us. We are so grateful for the food, flowers and offers of all kinds of assistance we received following her death. Thank you to all who attended her funeral. She was truly blessed to live in such a caring community.

We are thankful for the kind and dedicated staff who cared for Mum in Pilot Mound Personal Care Home and later in Tabor Home, for the lovely service by Reverend Carrie Martens, for the music of Faye Carruthers, Karen Ching, Shannon Holenski and Chris Flook. Thank you to ushers: Scott Nichol and Jim Wilson, and to pallbearers: Hal Ching, Gerald Farthing, Robert Morrow, Ken Nichol, Darren Seymour and Joe Tickner. Thank you to Wiebe's funeral home for the arrangements.

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OBITUARY



**Justina Suderman (nee Wiebe)
1951 – 2022**

On Friday, August 26, 2022 at Boundary Trails Health Centre, Justina Suderman, 71 of Winkler, MB. passed away. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Jacob; two daughters, Lisa (Jake Fehr), Anna (Pete) Wiebe; five sons, Frank (Sara), Jake (Nettie), Peter (Helen), John, Henry (Nancy); as well as 19 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. She is survived by two brothers and their families. She was predeceased by four brothers. Funeral service was held on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at Wiebe Funeral Home in Winkler with interment at Westridge Memorial Gardens.

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OBITUARY



**Mary Heide (nee Wolfe)
1933 – 2022**

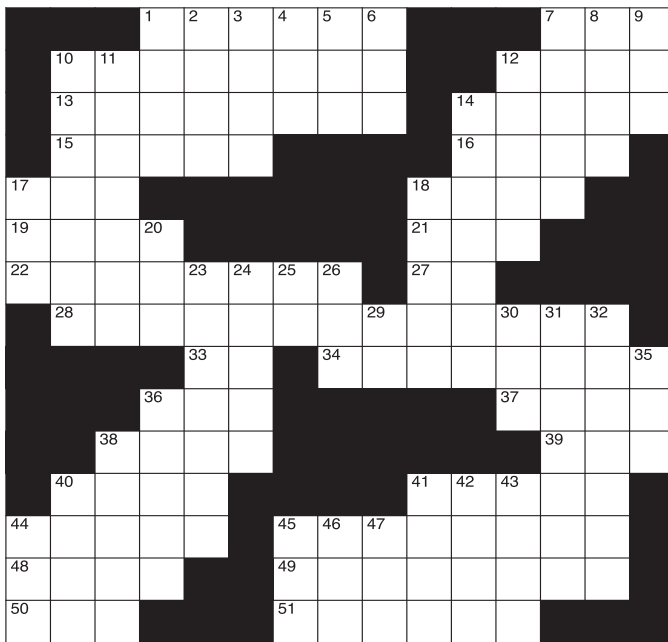
On Tuesday, August 30, 2022 our mom and grandma and great-grandma, Mary Heide, formerly of Hochfeld and Winkler passed away peacefully at West Park Manor in Winnipeg, MB. She reached the age of 89 years, three months and three days. Mom and Dad were blessed with two sons and one daughter, Jake (Merle), Aron (Barb) and Mary (John); 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Funeral service was held at the Chortitz Old Colony Mennonite Church with interment at the Hochfeld Cemetery. If friends so desire, donations may be made in Mary's memory to Union Gospel Mission.

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Grievous
- 7. Queens ballplayer
- 10. Honorable title
- 12. Created
- 13. Grillmasters do it
- 14. Wartime German cargo ship
- 15. Cocoplum
- 16. Hebrew calendar month
- 17. British thermal unit
- 18. Brews
- 19. One of Thor's names
- 21. Decorative scarf
- 22. Clothes
- 27. - __: denotes past
- 28. A way to address a lover
- 33. Commercial
- 34. Utters repeatedly
- 36. Google certification (abbr.)
- 37. Taxis
- 38. Belgian village in Antwerp
- 39. Talk excessively
- 40. Broad volcanic crater
- 41. Surgical instrument
- 44. Listens to
- 45. Revelation of a fact
- 48. Paddles
- 49. Heard
- 50. Tooth caregiver
- 51. Metric capacity units

- stuck in
- 6. Midway between east and southeast
- 7. Mothers
- 8. German river
- 9. Israeli city __ Aviv
- 10. Discharged
- 11. Areas near the retina
- 12. Greek mythological sorceress
- 14. Very unpleasant smell
- 17. " __ Humbug!"
- 18. White poplar
- 20. Journalist Tarbell
- 23. Teachers
- 24. One older than you
- 25. Long Russian river
- 26. Run batted in

- 29. Beloved Hollywood alien
- 30. Holiday (informal)
- 31. Furniture with open shelves
- 32. Argued
- 35. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 36. Cars have them
- 38. Volcanic craters
- 40. Made of fermented honey and water
- 41. Shelter for mammals or birds
- 42. One who utilizes
- 43. Moves swiftly on foot
- 44. Builder's trough
- 45. Architectural wing
- 46. 12
- 47. Pacific Standard Time

OBITUARY



**Marlene Grace Penno
(nee Boerchers)
1957 - 2022**

It is with heavy hearts but joyful celebration that we announce the passing of Marlene Grace Penno (nee Boerchers). She went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at the age of 65. Marlene was born on May 25, 1957 in Ste. Rose du Lac, Manitoba to Herman and Helen Boerchers. She grew up in Laurier on the Boerchers family farm and was one of six children. After graduating from high school, she pursued secretarial studies at Assiniboine Community College in Brandon where Howard Penno swept her off her feet. Howard and Marlene were married on October 8th, 1976 in McCreary at Herman and Helen's home. After living in Brandon for a brief time, they relocated to Yorkton, where Marlene worked in the Adult Education office in the Yorkton High School. On October 1st, 1979 they welcomed their first daughter, Carla Marie to their family. In 1982 they moved to Eden to open Penno's Machining and Manufacturing where Marlene was a full-time bookkeeper. On November 17th, 1982 they welcomed their second daughter, Rhonda Lynn. Soon after opening the shop, Marlene and Howard built the house of their dreams on a farm just outside of Eden where they continued to raise Carla and Rhonda. After 27 years of running Penno's Machining, Howard and Marlene sold the business and then in 2020 moved off the farm to Morden, MB to be with their girls and their families. The Boerchers family was always near and dear to Marlene's heart. She enjoyed spending time with her family during Sunday dinners, time at Clear Lake and at the Penno's cabin at Manipogo Beach. Marlene particularly enjoyed time with Beverly making appetizers, canning salsa, baking at least 20 loaves of bread to turn into 225 sandwiches for the boys in the field, all while keeping extra detailed and organized notes along the way. Marlene enjoyed her winter vacations down south in Mexico with her only sister, Ella and brother-in-law, Len. Marlene was very active in helping out at church and camp. She enjoyed cooking the Thanksgiving meal at McCreary Gospel Church and continued that tradition at the Neepawa Baptist Church. This was where she helped with the Mom's Morning Out program. Marlene also enjoyed helping out at Dauphin Bible Camp with camp clean up days and helping to cook in the kitchen. Dauphin Bible Camp held a special place in Marlene's heart. Grandchildren were treasured by Marlene. She carried on the tradition of her dad by always having a well-stocked pantry full of treats for when the grandkids were coming. Marlene had fun getting down on the floor with the grandkids to play games and listening to their giggles and stories they had to tell.

Marlene leaves to mourn her husband, Howard Penno; daughters, Carla Olusola and Rhonda Thomson; grandkids, Gabe, Kyra, Josie, Brielle and Micah; siblings, John (Michelle) Boerchers, Ella (Len) Mallette, Gordon (Lee) Boerchers, Jerry (Bev) Boerchers and numerous nieces and nephews. Marlene's presence was larger than life. If you knew her, you knew her welcoming spirit, sense of humor and love for teasing those she loved most. In honour of losing Marlene too early in life, we will continue to uphold her legacy through enjoying time at the lake, good meals shared together and lots of laughter and teasing. Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 3, 2022 at Wiebe Funeral Chapel in Morden with a family interment at McCreary Cemetery on Monday, September 5, 2022. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Marlene's memory to Dauphin Bible Camp. Please contact the camp at 204-638-5568.

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Smoked Chuck Beef Ribs

Combine salt and pepper. Rub beef ribs well on all sides and ends with seasoning, coating generously.

Place ribs in smoker and close lid. Cook 5-6 hours.

In spray bottle, combine cider vinegar and water. Lightly spritz ribs every 30 minutes for first 4 hours of cooking.

Ribs are ready when completely probe tender. If parts still feel tough, continue cooking.

Once completely tender, remove ribs from smoker then wrap tightly in butcher's paper and place in small cooler to rest 30 minutes.

To serve, slice ribs between bones.

Recipe courtesy of Jess Pryles on behalf of Beef Loving Texans

Cook time: 10 hours, 30 minutes

Servings: 8

1 slab beef chuck short ribs (about 4 pounds)

2 tablespoons kosher salt

2 tablespoons coarse black pepper

1/4 cup cider vinegar

1 cup water

Preheat smoker or pellet grill to 275 F.

Pat ribs dry with paper towel; remove moisture on surface.



Grilled Jalapeno Cheddar Meatballs

bowl. Add milk and allow chips to soften about 10 minutes.

After milk is absorbed, add beef, jalapeños, cheese, paprika, garlic and salt. Mix well to combine then scoop approximately 1/3-1/2 cup of mixture to form meatball; repeat with remaining mixture.

Place meatballs on plate or tray and refrigerate 30 minutes to firm.

Heat grill to medium for two zone cooking.

Place meatballs on indirect heat side of grill away from coals or lit burner; close lid. Grill 25-35 minutes, or until meatballs reach 165 F internal temperature on meat thermometer.

Remove meatballs from grill and cool slightly before serving.

Recipe courtesy of Jess Pryles on behalf of Beef Loving Texans

Cook time: 1 hour, 15 minutes

Servings: 15

1/2 cup tortilla chips, crushed

3/4 cup milk

2 pounds ground beef

3 fresh jalapeños, seeded and finely diced

1 block (8 ounces) cheddar cheese, finely diced

1 tablespoon paprika

2 teaspoons garlic powder

2 teaspoons kosher salt

Place crushed tortilla chips in large



Szechuan Skirt Steak with Crispy Rice

Recipe courtesy of Jess Pryles on behalf of Beef Loving Texans

Total time: 35 minutes

Servings: 2

2 teaspoons Szechuan peppercorns

1 teaspoon five spice powder

1 teaspoon kosher salt

1 skirt steak or bavette steak (about 1

Expert patient here to help!



Susie Schwartz

By Susie Schwartz

"Always pack snacks."

That was the best advice I've ever been given. I mean, my friend Beth should have known me better. I don't even go out to my back garden without snacks. Anyway, headed to Sweden, food prices were high. I appreciated the packing tip. And when travelling with health issues, tips can be helpful.

Pack smart.

I can't even imagine, but I've heard of people with diabetes putting insulin in their checked luggage. Can we say 'separation anxiety?' I did make a rookie mistake myself, though. In a rough patch with deadly low blood sugars, especially dangerous because my Gastroparesis was playing up and my stomach wouldn't do its job of digestion and getting sugar into my system, I hadn't brought my emergency injection kit in case I went unconscious onto a flight. As I sat and shook from both fear and hypoglycemia, all I could do was keep scanning my CGM and watch the straight down arrow take me into

the depths of the red zone. Unless someone had syrup or honey to put under my tongue, or my liver kicked in and kicked out sugar, if I went unconscious, it could mean death. Great. So I would be one of those dead people duct-taped to a seat and traumatized all the children until the plane landed? Oops. Anyway, I'd say, 'Clearly, I didn't die because I'm writing this,' but my editor wouldn't appreciate using extra words.

My carry-on always has my insulin, insulin pump supplies, glucose tabs, medication, batteries and food, leaving room only for a scarf and a pair of pants. (The British kind. That's underwear. Short for 'panties.' Okay, you get it.) So for all of you who say, "All you need is a couple of bikinis and a pair of flip-flops," when I am headed to Greece, you can flip-flop yourself out of my face.

The point is this: always stockpile food (Ooo...and toilet paper! You never know) and don't let those meds out of your grip, er, sight. Keep the essentials with you when you fly. Do you know how they announce over the intercom at the airport never to leave your bags unattended? That has nothing to do with drug trafficking or bombs. It's, so their on-site paramedics don't have their coffee go cold in case of a kneecap rash emergency. So always keep that medicated cream safe and accessible, people.

And snacks. Always pack snacks.

Less health stress, yes?

A published author and musician, Susie currently lives in the UK. Find her on FB @medicalmissstress, Instagram @susie.suschwa, and lesshealthstress.com

pound)

1/4 cup vegetable oil, divided

2 teaspoons milk or cream

2 cups cooked white rice

sesame seeds (optional)

scallions, thinly sliced (optional)

cucumber, sliced (optional)

cilantro leaves (optional)

In skillet over low heat, toast peppercorns until fragrant, swirling in pan to keep from burning, about 2 minutes. Allow peppercorns to cool slightly then add to spice grinder or mortar and pestle with five spice and salt. Crush until fine powder forms.

Pat skirt steak with paper towel to remove moisture then season well with Szechuan salt on both sides.

Place skillet over high heat then add 1 tablespoon oil. When skillet is hot, add skirt steak and cook 5 minutes per side for medium-rare or medium doneness

(135-150 F), turning occasionally. Remove steak from skillet then tent with foil to rest 3 minutes. Temperature will rise about 10-15 F to reach 145 F for medium-rare; 160 F for medium.

Lower heat to medium-high then add remaining oil and milk or cream. Add rice, pressing down gently with large spoon to form large, flat disc covering entire base of pan. Season with Szechuan salt, if desired, then lower heat to medium and cook 10 minutes until grains begin to turn brown and become crisp on bottom. Break up rice in pan to mix soft and crispy grains.

Slice skirt steak across grain.

To serve, place rice in two bowls. Layer with sliced skirt steak. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and chopped scallions then place cucumber and cilantro on top, if desired.

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Brian and his partners assume ownership pretty much 54 years to the day of West Park's formation in 1968.

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During those 54 years we have seen many changes. With the change in ownership this is an exciting time for all of us as we prepare for the next phase of West Park.

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