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Festival highlights

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 The Albert Thompson Memorial Square Dancers from Peguis performed lively jigs and received an award from the Lakeshore School Division at the Northern Lights Festival in Fisher Branch last Friday.

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Customers keeping Arborg's Watering Whole hopping

By Patricia Barrett

You could barely squeeze into Arborg's Watering Whole last Friday afternoon during its grand opening celebration as dozens of customers filed in to learn how easy it is to make their own beer and wine.

Beer- and wine-making kits, plus all the supplies associated with brewing, have been flying off the shelves since the shop's soft opening last year.

Susan Bauernhuber and her business partners Cory and Candace Koomen were right on the money, so to speak, when they recognized a need for a do-it-yourself beer and wine merchant in town.

"It has been non-stop," said Bauernhuber, stopping to catch her breath between customer orders. "We've done 75 wine since we opened and we've done about 65 beer. I thought in January and February it would be slow, but, it wasn't. All our fermenters were full then and they're all full now."

Do-it-yourself brewing offers a top-notch product that costs less in the long run than those available at liquor stores. Customers have the option of brewing their favourite libation at home or having Watering Whole owners brew it and bottle it for them in-store.

The shop stocks a wide variety of



Watering Whole co-owner Susan Bauernhuber uses a hydrometer to take a reading on a wine order.

wines, such as Merlot, Shiraz, Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Riesling and European Chardonnay, and beers such as Brown Ale, Pilsner, Cream Ale, Blond Lager, West Coast IPA (India Pale Ale), Red Ale and Double Oatmeal Stout. It also sells water, wa-



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY PATRICIA BARRETT

From left: customer Donna Gislason, Phil and Susan Bauernhuber, and Candace and Cory Koomen.

ter pumps and gourmet coffee.

The grand opening included a brewing primer when a customer ordered a Riesling. Bauernhuber's husband Phil poured the contents of the kit into a conical and the customer sprinkled in the yeast.

"The yeast gradually sinks in," said Phil. "It's different with the beer: we hydrate the yeast and mix it all in. Then we take different readings so we know where we're at."

Bauernhuber took a reading with a hydrometer, which measures specific gravity, alcohol content and sugar.

"We have to take the specific gravity when we begin. And over the course of making the wine, I have to take a number of specific gravity readings to find out when I can add different ad-

ditives," she said. "And I take it again before it's ready to bottle. You see right now how cloudy that is? Well, it's got to be really clear by the time it's ready. If I don't like the clarity and I don't like the reading, I won't send it out."

During the celebration, customers were treated to dainties, refreshments and a prize draw for a beer- or wine-making kit.

"I'm taking appointments now for people to brew their wine and beer," said Bauernhuber. "It's been very good."

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Ashern Central Students Act out during youth drama festival

By Jeff Ward

Members of the Drama Addicts from Ashern Central School took part in a full-day drama workshop that culminated in a live performance for other attending schools last week.

The group consisted of 14 students who spent the day at the Prairie Theatre Exchange in Winnipeg doing various morning workshops that dealt in improv, stage combat, musical theatre, auditioning and more before taking a quick lunch.

During the afternoon, students watched performances from participating schools before taking the stage to perform.

ACS teacher Jennifer Bjornson said that the students have been working on a play called *Oddballs* written by Lindsay Price. Students are still working on their performance, which will have its public showing on May 23 in Ashern, but used the opportunity to

get more practice and find out what's working and what's not.

"We're just off our scripts now, but the scenes ran really smoothly," said Bjornson.

"At the festival, we had a different audience and it's always good to get some practice in front of new people before we perform next month. There is nothing harder than performing in front of your peers."

The educational value of a trip like this, which was an overnighter for students as the festival began very early April 25, is through important life skills like public speaking. But the value of the experience goes beyond what can be measured, Bjornson said. She explained that she's seen confidence boosts in her students and there are important lessons in empathy, self-reflection and analysis.

"The kids didn't like one of the pieces they were going to perform be-

cause the audience was younger and thought it was a bit inappropriate. So they had to make some moral judgement calls."

Those moments are harder to teach in a classroom setting and are more about students reacting to what they believe are the right moves. Bjornson is an avid supporter of the arts and of the enrichment to life they can bring. For her students, having the opportunity to get instruction in a field they're interested in and then getting to use

those newly developed skills in the same day is extremely valuable.


"The reaction from the audience was positive. They laughed and clapped in the right places. We have three weeks until we perform for the community so this was a really fun day," said Bjornson.

Students will use what they learned as they practise for their performance later this month, which Bjornson said is one that family and friends won't want to miss.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JENNIFER BJORNSON

Ashern students performed *Oddballs* live in front of their peers during their trip to Winnipeg for the Manitoba Youth Drama Festival. Pictured from left: Faith Nickel, Sam Jones, Demitri Pereira and Brad Nickel.




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The North Interlake's got talent

By Patricia Barrett

The 4th Annual Northern Lights Festival of the Arts, which showcases the outstanding talents of young singers, musicians and dancers from across the northern Interlake, attracted more entrants this year and the festival committee had a hard time selecting performers for its Highlights Concert.

Youth from communities including Peguis First Nation, Fisher River Cree Nation, Ashern, Oakview, Moosehorn, Lundar, Hodgson and Fisher Branch competed in piano, guitar, violin, voice and dance over the course of one week and were judged by professional adjudicators before taking to the Highlights' stage last Friday evening.

"There's so many talented children out there and they were all winners," said festival chair Annette Holowka to about 200 people at the Fisher Branch Community Centre. "We really are the northern Interlake community of artists. And I'm really proud and happy to see such widespread representation because we have a lot of talent in our young people."

The region's cultural diversity was brought to life with

beautifully choreographed folk dances.

The Albert Thompson Memorial Square Dancers from Peguis performed lively jigs, and dance duo Jenifer Thomas and Irin Giju from Fisher Branch beguiled the audience with an East Indian folk dance.

Ukrainian dancers from Ashern's Holubka Dance Club and Fisher Branch's Chaika Dance Club performed the Bukovyna. Chaika's junior dancers displayed great dramatic flair with their Barnyard Characters dance, leaving the audience in stitches.

The musicians gave stellar performances on the piano, violin, mandolin, ukulele and guitar, and the singers demonstrated their considerable vocal range through jazz, country and contemporary musical selections.

All the performers were presented with an award sponsored by individuals and local and regional businesses.

Adjudicators recommended pianist Emily Mazur from Fisher Branch perform at the Provincial Music Festival, and violinist Faith Nickel from Moosehorn received a \$400 scholarship to attend the In-

ternational Peace Garden's Music Camp.

Holowka singled out festival committee members Lisa Mazur and Krishna Golas for their hard work, and volunteers Pauline and Kelly Barrett and Roberta Stutsky for supplying the awards certificates. She also thanked the festival's countless sponsors.

"I just can't say enough about Fisher Branch and the surrounding areas and how much you have supported our festival with donations and letting us have use of the church, halls and schools," said Holowka. "We couldn't do it without you. You've been overwhelmingly supportive."

Business sponsors/donors included the E Bar C Ranch, Country Harvest Inn, Crop Production Services, Stocki Trucking, Dave Chudy Electric, Fisher Repair, Interlake Forage Seeds, International Pollination, the Fisher Branch Women's Institute and the Poplarfield Community Centre. Individual sponsors included Karen Abas, Rosie and Roland Barrett, Joanne Smith, Robert and Natalia Wiens, Bernice Enstrom, Al Wiebe and the Mazur family.



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Clockwise from top: The Chaika dancers received an award from the Lakeshore School Division; Keara Barrett gave a stunning rendition of Etta James' At Last; violinist Faith Nickel received a \$400 scholarship to attend the International Peace Gardens 2018 Camp; Moosehorn's Warrick Gunther received an award for his playing of the waltz; Fisher Branch's Song Birds choir; The Holubka dancers from Ashern performed the Bukovinian; Fisher River Cree Nation guitarist Jordan Cochrane; Moosehorn's Casey Keeley performed My Wild Irish Rose; Oakview's Raket Sigfusson played Long, Long Ago; pianist Abbey Northcott from Ashern performed The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe; guitarist Olivia Mazur from Fisher Branch played Anna's Song and Conrad Sanderson from Fisher Branch received an award for his singing.

Manitoba honours nine outstanding educators with excellence awards

Evergreen principal receives Outstanding School Leader Award

The Manitoba government honoured nine outstanding educators through the annual Excellence in Education Awards, presented by Education and Training Minister Ian Wishart last Friday at the legislative building.

"These awards recognize a select few of Manitoba's gifted educators who are preparing the next generation for bright and successful futures," said Wishart. "These dedicated teachers not only inspire students to reach their full potential but use innovative teaching methods to improve their schools and give each student the best possible education and opportunity to excel."

Outstanding School Leader Award
Rosanna Cuthbert
 Sigurbjorg Stefansson Early School
 Evergreen School Division.

As principal of a kindergarten to Grade 4 school since 2010, Sigurbjorg Stefansson Early School principal Rosanna Cuthbert has been the catalyst

for creating a dynamic and exciting learning environment that fosters creativity, curiosity and collaboration among the whole school community.

Equipped with a passion and drive for excellence, with proven teaching strategies and up-to-date brain research, Cuthbert engages the teaching staff to discover and embrace the Reggio Emilia educational philosophy.

This student-centred and constructivist approach uses self-directed and experiential learning in relationship-driven environments.

Through Cuthbert's support and mentorship, teachers have been empowered to implement new strategies and ideas that honour the "hundred languages" of students in an inquiry-based setting. They removed their desks to create more purposeful and engaging learning spaces, purchased natural materials and created rich classroom libraries.

To further their professional development, teachers were given time in their schedules for co-teaching and collaborative discussion and planning. Cuthbert spearheads initiatives in music education, social justice, sustainability and outdoor learning. The school grounds currently include a greenhouse and vegetable garden, and will soon have a professionally built natural playground, designed in



Rosanna Cuthbert

collaboration with students.

The impact of her leadership on student learning and sustainability is clear, substantial and commendable. Her work has been praised by visiting educators from other school divisions and post-secondary institutions. The school community feels very fortunate to have Cuthbert, an exceptional educational leader, at its helm.

Wishart also handed out awards to educators in the following five categories:

Teaching Excellence

- Leslie Dickson, Elmwood High School, Winnipeg School Division;

- Bryan Williams, Balmoral Hall School; and
- David Zynoberg, Seven Oaks Met School, Seven Oaks School Division.

Outstanding new teacher

- Gabrielle Huggins, École Sacré-Cœur, Winnipeg School Division.

Outstanding team collaboration

- Rose Bird, Matthew Fabbri and Lindsay Harms, Nelson McIntyre Collegiate, Louis Riel School Division.

Premier's Award for Education Excellence

- Derek Acorn, École Marie-Anne-Gaboury and École Varennes, Louis Riel School Division.

The province selects award recipients from nominations submitted by parents, students, school trustees, fellow teachers and school or division administrators. All nominees must be educators who hold valid, permanent Manitoba teaching certificates and work directly with kindergarten to Grade 12 students on a daily basis. Nominees for the outstanding school leader award must be principals or vice-principals. Each award recipient receives \$500 and a framed certificate.

RCMP respond to fight at Fisher Branch Collegiate



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JEFF WARD

RCMP responded to a fight at Fisher Branch Collegiate on April 25.

By Jeff Ward

Fisher Branch RCMP responded to a physical altercation outside of Fisher Branch Collegiate between three male students last week.

Two members responded to the call, which came in shortly before 2 p.m. on April 25. RCMP spokesperson Tara Seel explained that there were no serious injuries as a result of the fight and that officers spoke with the three

students about their behaviour. She added that it was determined that no charges would be laid in the incident and the school would handle the matter internally.

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Dry, dusty conditions in the Interlake



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

With winds gusting up to 70 kilometres per hour on Sunday, visibility was reduced in open areas. According to Environment Canada, there is very little or no rain in the forecast for the next week. Fire bans have been put in place throughout the province due to the extremely dry conditions.

Heima Er Best begins fundraising for construction of second group home

By Patricia Barrett

The board of directors of the Heima Er Best group home in Gimli is launching a fundraising drive for the construction of a second home in the north end of town.

Heima Er Best, which is Icelandic for Home is Best or Home Sweet Home, was founded in 1984 to look after

adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities in a group home setting. It's run by a volunteer board of directors.

In its fundraising letter, Heima cites the need more space as a number of vulnerable young adults will soon require secure housing and supports to enable them to live in the community.

The new group home will be situated on land that's currently a grassy field west of the Sacred Heart Ukrainian Catholic Church.

RM Coun. Danny Luprypa, who sits on the organization's board, said the municipality had gifted the land to

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Government should enhance communication, not reduce it

On Sat., April 14, speaking at the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association's 99th annual dinner, provincial Sport, Culture and Heritage minister Cathy Cox assured publishers and staff of the province's 48 community newspapers that public notices required of provincial and municipal governments will remain in newspapers.

Cox said that — despite clauses in Bill 8 (The Government Notices Modernization Act) and Bill 19 (The Planning Amendment Act) which strike requirements that such notices be placed in newspapers — the Progressive Conservative government of Manitoba would pass the bills in their current form but would not "proclaim" into law the sections pertaining to public notices.

She repeated that position three days later at a meeting with MCNA's board of directors.

While Cox clearly meant well, her announcement simply doesn't go far enough. Leaving sections of these bills "unproclaimed" means that government could enact these provisions without warning or consultation.

The thought does not sit well. That a government will have legislation on the books that does away with requirements to publish government

and municipal notices in newspapers could make it difficult for Manitobans to actively participate in the democratic process.

The province's community newspapers, which publish more than 400,000 copies each week and which boast readership numbers of 80 per cent, are the surest way of informing the public of the activities and business of provincial and municipal governments. Making notices available only online, as proposed, not only assumes that people will actively seek them out, which is highly unlikely, it blatantly ignores those Manitobans with poor or no internet access.

The only proper way to deal with Bill 8 (sponsored by Minister Cox) and Bill 19 (sponsored by Municipal Relations Minister James Wharton) is to either amend the sections that deal with public notices or to withdraw the bills altogether.

Over the past week, MCNA directors have met with the NDP caucus, the Liberal caucus and independent MLA Steven Fletcher, all of whom fully support our positions on bills 8 and 19.

The NDP has gone so far as to ensure that Bill 8 will be held over until the fall session of legislature to allow for further debate.

That leaves Bill 19 to be dealt with in this, the spring session of the current legislature. When Minister Wharton called for second reading of Bill 19 in the Manitoba Legislative Assembly on April 19, he was asked by several opposition MLAs how the government would deal with the public notice requirement.

According to Hansard, he said: "The government will seek to amend the bill to ensure newspaper-notice requirements is preserved."

The MCNA intends to hold Minister Wharton to his word.

In the next week, a standing committee will be called to discuss Bill 19 and to hear from the public on the bill. Every Manitoban may appear before the committee to express concerns with the bill in the hope it will be amended.

The MCNA and its member papers will be in attendance to encourage the committee to propose an amendment to Section 25 of Bill 19 — the section removing the requirement to advertise public notices pertaining to the Municipal Planning Act. The government is proposing the requirement be changed to simply posting notice on a municipality's or planning department's website for 27 days prior to any public hearing.

The MCNA will request that Bill 19 maintain the current requirement to place public notices in newspapers and that it add a requirement to



John Kendle

also post them on a municipality's or planning department's website.

Such an amendment will truly enhance communication between government and the public — not reduce it, as Bill 19 does in its current form.

John Kendle is managing editor of Canstar Community News, which publishes six weekly community newspapers in Winnipeg and area. He is also a director of the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association.

Arsonist wanted

Dear Editor,

A big thank you to the Inwood fire department who got three arson fires under control Thursday April 26, before dawn in the Inwood area. The volunteers firefighters can never be thanked enough for giving up their sleep and time to keep us safe.

Arsonists who go setting grass/bush on fire in the middle of the night and don't give a thought to the houses and animals beyond need to think about the harm they cause. Because arsonists actually enjoy seeing terror-stricken cattle stampede and people lose all their possessions. They need to be found and receive treatment.

Any tips about the culprits would be appreciated. Call your local RCMP.

Commercial fishing nets cause mass destruction of spawning fish

I am writing about the concerns the Manitoba Metis Federation president Mr. Chartrand has about the future flood outlets for Lake Manitoba.

He is concerned about fish algae and invasive species between Manitoba lakes.

Fairford outlet has been there for years and we don't hear anything about that. He is also concerned about

the massive destruction of fish species.

He should be more concerned about the fish species leaving Lake Manitoba by Métis commercial fisherman leaving nets in the water after the commercial fishing season is closed. Last year there were nets left in the water for more than a week and this year there were many nets left in the

water for up to three weeks after the commercial season closed.

Now if this is not a massive destruction of spawning fish species, what is? There should be a law stating no nets in the water after commercial fishing is over until angling starts to protect our fish for spawning season.

- Alfred Nast

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Heima about six years ago and the architectural plans have been completed.

"We do have the plans, but we have to make a slight adjustment because [Manitoba] Family Services now wants more independent living suites," said Luprypa. "There's going to be a configuration between independent suites, which will have kitch-

ens and single resident rooms."

The plan is to build a 3,000-square-foot bi-level dwelling as soon as funding can be secured.

"Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$600,000 to do this," said Luprypa. "And there will be some volunteer work. We're hoping to proceed with the project in about two years."

The organization, which has chari-

table status and can issue tax receipts, has acquired the services of DD West LLP Barristers & Solicitors, and lawyer Israel A. Ludwig will be overseeing the project's trust fund.

For more information about the new group home and how to make a donation, contact executive director Jackie Sigurdur at 204-642-9707, or Danny Luprypa at 204-642-8899 (residence), 204-641-4415 (mobile) or by email at dluprypa@gmail.com.

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The kids have all the luck

Hi sisters and brothers.

I wish you could meet Janet Peterson. I was lucky enough to encounter this tiny, bright, joy-filled gal along with her family a month ago on the Red River ice upstream of Selkirk. When I pulled up to her family's shack, she was darting about with lightening speed between family members who were nursing fishing holes, her short brown hair tucked under a toque as she talked a mile a minute. Doug, her husband, a man of average height with a round face, dark eyebrows, a slightly graying beard and a low melodic voice that made you listen to everything he said, walked up to me and shook my hand. Janet's cousin, Kevin Fossay, a young, tall, brown-bearded lad, and his significant other Shanna Bilinski, a young thin lady with stately features, were part of the group.

The thing that got me about this delightful Winnipeg bunch was their unique "living history" game they played to record their fishing life.

The game was to give their catches a funny name and tally number signifying the last fish caught. Apparently the kids are really good at suggesting funny fish names. After taking a picture of a fish they caught, they would

release it, then later write its name and number on the picture and hang it on the ice shack wall. I hope I run into these wonderful vibrant folks again sometime.

About the same week that I met the Peterson family, I was out on the Lake Winnipeg south basin ice on an overcast quiet day and came across a couple of guys putting their fishing gear into the back of their truck. The tall, young, lanky chap with a three-day brown stubble growth on his face turned out to be Kevin Gregorchuk from Beausejour and his shorter salt-and-pepper-haired buddy sporting a handlebar moustache was Randy Bean from Winnipeg.

"How did you guys make out?" I asked through my open driver's window. Randy gave me a frail smile as he bent into the truck box pulling out a trophy sized walleye.

"When I saw the size of this thing coming out of the hole, I was just going to take a picture and then release it, but the pickerel swallowed the hook so deep there was no way to save it," he said with a regretful expression on his face.

"Well, your heart is in the right place anyway, Randy," I offered. "It's been

an oddball day," he reflected. "First my scoop slipped out of my hand when I was cleaning ice out of my hole and it sank in the water; then this fish."

"Too bad about the scoop," I said.

"Oh, I got it back," he declared. "I dropped a weighted jig to the bottom, and after a half an hour, I snagged it."

On the west side of Lake Winnipeg a week later, I was bouncing along the ice in Old Red feeling pretty good with the heat and radio on having a sandwich and coffee. Anglers were spread out everywhere as far as I could see. In time I pulled up to a couple of guys who were drilling an ice hole. I got out of the truck beside them just as the water gushed up from the finished hole. I told them who I was and asked if they had a fishing story for us. They looked at each other for a while, thinking, and then started chuckling.

The taller one, who had a commanding nature and called himself Ron White, said to his always grinning and always restless buddy Terry Roney, "How about the kids at the beach?"

"Yeah, tell that one," Terry encouraged. Ron started.

He and Terry were ice fishing east of Winnipeg Beach for the better part of a day catching nothing but air



EXPRESS PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL
Randy Bean, left, and Kevin Gregorchuk with Randy's catch on Lake Winnipeg.

when some local kids showed up. The men sat in their chairs like spectators watching them clear off a patch of ice and start playing scrub hockey. After a while one of the boys, having brought along a rod, got Rod to drill a hole for him. He dropped his line with a lure into the water then sat cross-legged on the ice and watched his buddies play hockey. It couldn't have been 10 minutes when the kid got a strike. He jumped up, reeling in his quivering line. Soon the head of a giant pickerel rose from the hole, splashing water out onto the ice as the kid landed it. It lay on the ice, its huge round two-foot-long body flapping intermittently.

"I can bring supper home," the lad cried triumphantly. Ron and Terry just sat back blank faced, deflated. Slowly Ron bent over and picked up their tub of minnows, toying aimlessly with it. He looked over at his friend and uttered, "Maybe we need better bait."

Drop in next week, won't you? Bye for now.

Unusually dry conditions spark burn bans across southern Manitoba

Staff

Dry conditions and strong winds in southeastern Manitoba have sparked several rural municipalities to implement burn bans after the arrival of spring temperatures and lack of moisture have created a risk for wildfires.

Fires of any kind, including but not limited to ditch burning, fire pits and manure burning, are not allowed.

Open fires are prohibited from April 1 to Nov. 15 annually, except under a burning permit or in enclosed approved fire pits such as grated campfire pits in provincial campsites.

Activities in wooded areas involving fireworks or sky lanterns may also require written authorization during this time period in certain areas.

Manitoba Sustainable Development advises that burning permits remain cancelled for the eastern and central regions of Manitoba due to dry, windy conditions and the high risk of fires.

The RMs of Coldwell, St. Laurent, Fisher, Bifrost-Riverton, Grahamdale,

Woodlands, Rockwood, St. Clements, Armstrong, West Interlake and West St. Paul, all issued burning bans last week and will not issue any burning permits until conditions improve.

Manitobans are encouraged to exercise caution when in or near forested areas. If using an ATV, stay on developed trails, stop frequently to check areas around the engine and exhaust for debris and carefully dispose of any debris found. A small shovel, axe and fire extinguisher should be carried with your ATV at all times.

Travel restrictions are also in place for much of southeast Manitoba, from Lake Winnipeg and the Wanipigow River south to the U.S. border, and from PR 302, PTH 12, PR 317, PTH 59 and PR 319 all the way to the Ontario border. Restrictions are also in place in the Mars Hill Wildlife Management Area. Back-country travel in these areas is only allowed between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Any essential required travel out-



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Manitoba Sustainable Development cancels burning permits for the eastern and central regions of Manitoba until conditions improve.

side of these hours will require a permit until further notice.

Burning permits are cancelled, but campfires in approved firepits are allowed, and propane or electric grills can be used for cooking.

For information on required authorization or permits, please contact your local municipality.

The ban will remain in place until further notice.

Grahamdale admin gains certificate for municipal administration

By Jeff Ward

Devan McCoubrey earned her certificate in Manitoba Municipal Administration last week, which has broadened her horizons in a field she is deeply passionate about.

McCoubrey explained that she has always wanted to work in politics in some form or another — not necessarily as an elected official but as someone who serves the public. McCoubrey has been working at the RM office in Moosehorn for five years and describes it as a dream job, providing support to council CAO Shelley Schwitek, assistant CAO Teresa Olson and the public.

Last week, McCoubrey's four years of courses culminated in earning her certificate, which she received at a graduation dinner at the Victoria Inn in Winnipeg on April 24. She said that the course has made her a better employee for the RM and also a better informant to the public.

"[This job] fits well for me. I've always wanted to pursue a career in politics to some degree," said McCoubrey, who graduated with distinction.

"I took six courses over the last four years as I worked full time. I think every one of them made me a better employee."

McCoubrey said that the post-secondary experience is drastically different for her second degree than it was the first time around. She joked that during her first degree in her early 20s when her parents were still paying her cell phone bill, graduating was far easier. Now it's a much more difficult affair, working a full-time job and trying to balance

a life and work responsibilities all while taking distance education courses.

She explained one of the benefits to the program is that the instructors are working professionals in the field. Her accounting instructor is the CAO of Portage la Prairie, for instance, and so they're plugged in to what those jobs are actually like. She added that the office staff at the RM were also great resources of information as well.

"Shelley has her CMAA too, so she was an invaluable resource for me. The program is great, but she has over a decade of experience in an RM office," said McCoubrey.

She encourages students who are graduating this year to think about municipal administration as a career path. It has great wages and benefits, and there is a significant need in the province for people in these roles.

"It's a great career and I think people should consider getting involved," she said.

Armed with her certificate and now a half-decade of municipal experience, the door is open for her to work anywhere in the province if she wanted. But Grahamdale is where she

wants to be. She said that she doesn't really have a long-term plan as to where her career might take her, but she is happy with her dream job at the RM right now only 15 minutes from her home.

"I plan to work for the RM until I retire. In what capacity that work is, I don't know, but I'm really happy here and I'm happy the RM invests in its employees like this," said McCoubrey.

"I TOOK SIX COURSES OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS AS I WORKED FULL TIME AND I THINK EVERY ONE OF THEM MADE ME A BETTER EMPLOYEE."



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Devan McCoubrey earned her certificate in Manitoba Municipal Administration on April 24 after four years of hard work. Pictured back row, left to right: Slavinka Osmanagic (U of A), Dr. Gary Hepburn (U of M dean of extended education), Honourable Jeff Wharton (Minister of Municipal Relations). Front row: Devan McCoubrey and Heather Ewasiuk (MMAA president).

Family of Kienan Roche thanks donors for overwhelming generosity

By Patricia Barrett

The family of Kienan Roche, who suffered critical injuries in a vehicle accident, said they're overwhelmed by the support they received from the community a few weeks ago during a benefit social to help raise funds for equipment not covered by Manitoba Health.

Kienan, who's in Grade 12 at Arborg Collegiate, was paralyzed from the chest down last winter after suffering neck and spinal cord injuries a vehicle rollover. He had been travelling with family members on a highway near Teulon when they swerved to avoid a deer.

The family had started a GoFundMe page with a goal to raise \$20,000 for Kienan's equipment.

"We almost reached the GoFundMe goal. We are graciously overwhelmed

by the support of our community," said Kienan's mom Tanya. "The generosity was beyond our expectations."

Businesses, individuals and community organizations from Arborg and neighbouring communities stepped up with monetary donations and prizes for a live and silent auction for the benefit, which was held April 21 at the Arborg Legion.

During the event, the Riverton Elks presented Kienan with a cheque for \$500, and the Arborg Ladies Auxiliary also provided \$500.

Town Coun. Susan Bauernhuber, who was incorrectly noted as running the legion in the April 26 *Express* story (Gail Mather has now taken over as Legion manager), helped Kienan's friends and family and co-workers with the benefit.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

A member of the Arborg Ladies Auxiliary presented Kienan with a cheque for \$500 during a benefit social held April 21 at the Arborg Legion.

Chicken Chef limiting use of plastic straws to protect the environment

By Jeff Ward

Ashern Chicken Chef announced it will have plastic straws available upon request for their customers as management moves away from the items over concerns for the environment and the waste generated by them.

Restaurant manager Tim Mulvena said that after he saw a news story last week about the ban of plastic straws in Britain, he turned to his staff to discuss doing it in Ashern.

He explained that his restaurant is purchasing 12,500 plastic straws every two months, and that in a year they will go through approximately 75,000 plastic straws.

Britain has also committed to a ban on single-use plastic items like drink stirrers and cotton swabs as well in an effort to reduce plastic waste. Mulvena said that he was surprised at the number of straws used in Britain — 8.5 billion annually — and said that cutting down at the restaurant will be good for the environment.

“It makes you think about if we really need them at all,” said Mulvena.

“We’re always concerned about the food we waste, but the news story really got me thinking about other things that we waste here as well and how we can do better. We give all of our customers straws, but sometimes they don’t get used and that goes in the garbage.”

For those sitting down in the restaurant now, your server will ask you if you would like a straw and that they’re making a choice to reduce as much of them going out as possible. Straws are available on request, but Mulvena said he’d like to see much fewer of them being used. He said the news has also made him think about other ways in which waste can be reduced. In take home kits, plastic cutlery and napkins are given, but if someone is taking their meal home, they may not need plastic cutlery.

Alternatively, for those using dipping sauces, the restaurant may give fewer than before.

“Once a customer has touched it, we can’t put it back with the rest, even if they don’t use it. So if they want an-

other sauce, we’re happy to give them one, but that could be another way we cut down on waste,” he said.

Mulvena explained that these new initiatives are all in a test phase right now and things will change as consumers react. But he wants to see the restaurant leave a smaller footprint when it comes to waste.

Mulvena’s sister runs a Freshii franchise in Winnipeg and says that restaurant is all about being eco-friendly with biodegradable napkins, utensils and more. Those initiatives are interesting to him and could be something they explore later.

For now, the effort on simply reducing the amount of plastic straws the business hands out has been positive.

“I think it makes people think more about where your waste goes and that’s a good thing,” said Mulvena.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JEFF WARD

Ashern Chicken Chef manager Tim Mulvena is hoping to phase out plastic straws at the restaurant this year, making them available on request only. He wants the restaurant to be more conscious of the plastic waste it creates.

Gimli budget highlights; lower property taxes

By Patricia Barrett

Gimli council’s 2018 budget will see lower municipal taxes for residential property owners living in the rural and urban districts.

Assistant CAO Kelly Cosgrove, who prepared the budget with Finance Chair and Deputy Mayor Peter Peiluck, provided budget highlights during council’s financial plan hearing April 23.

In the rural area in 2017, a residential dwelling assessed at \$200,000 paid \$1,315.80 in municipal taxes. Property taxes for 2018 will be reduced by \$5.76 for a total of \$1,310.04.

In the urban area in 2017, a residential dwelling assessed at \$200,000 paid \$1,383.39. In 2018 property taxes will decrease by \$6.84 for a total of \$1,376.55.

Deputy mayor Peter Peiluck said the municipal tax reduction is due to increased assessments. “Our assessment has gone up so more money comes in.”

Prior to 2003 when the Town of Gimli and RM were amalgamated, each area had incurred debt and are, therefore, subject to different mill rates until those debts are paid off, said Cosgrove.

Council will continue to fund its reserves and take advantage of grant opportunities from senior levels of government to minimize the use of borrowing for both current and long-term capital projects.

“We set aside funds each year for future use,” said Cosgrove, “and we budget with our four combined reserves.”

The RM will transfer \$560,666 into reserves in 2018. General reserves will receive \$90,000, road maintenance, \$50,000, equipment replacement, \$105,000 and the federal gas tax reserve, \$315,666.

The RM received a one-time federal gas tax

legacy payment for 2018 in the amount of \$3,500. Legacy payments were distributed among all municipalities.

Highlights of the 2017 fiscal year included the purchase of fire department breathing apparatuses, the fencing of the Arnes Waste Disposal site and purchase of a landfill packer, the construction of a public washroom on Gimli Beach, the purchase of a property beside the fire hall for its future expansion, and the completion of most of the work on the outdoor aquatic centre.

“We took some money from the gas tax reserve, and last year we didn’t fully spend that reserve,” said Cosgrove referring to the aquatic centre, which will cost \$2.4 million or less. Council anticipates it will cost about \$254,000 to operate the centre in 2018.

Resident Peter Holfeuer asked whether council has come up with projections to offset operating costs based on pool attendance.

“If the aquatic centre is open 120 days a year and you need to balance \$254,000, you’d have to earn over \$2,000 in revenue per day,” said Holfeuer. “I don’t know if that’s realistic.”

Cosgrove said the RM came up with its projection based on other communities with aquatic centres and outdoor pools. The Gimli pool will be able to accommodate 399 people.

“You realize that over half the people standing in line in Arbog [for its outdoor pool] are from Gimli,” said Mayor Randy Woroniuk.

In 2018, the RM plans to complete work on the aquatic centre using funds from the gas tax reserve, upgrade the exterior of the Gimli Recreation Centre given the fact that provincial and federal funding for the proposed Wellness

Notice of Environment Act Proposal

Manitoba Sustainable Development has received a proposal pursuant to The Environment Act regarding the following operation and invites public participation in the review process:

CANADIAN FISH GUYS – CFG FISH PROCESSING FACILITY – FILE: 5961.00

A proposal was filed on behalf of Canadian Fish Guys for the construction and operation of fish processing equipment in the company’s existing fish packaging facility at 390 Reggie Leach Drive in Riverton. The fish processing equipment would allow fish being delivered to the facility from commercial fishers to be filleted or minced, or for roe to be extracted. Filleting and roe extraction would not occur at the same time, and mincing would be occasional. The facility would have an annual capacity of 900 tonnes of fish. Byproducts with alternative uses such as animal food would be packaged and sold. Wastewater from the facility would be discharged to the Riverton wastewater treatment lagoon, and solid waste would be transported to the B.A.R. solid waste facility. It is anticipated that the facility would be operational by August 1, 2018.

Anyone likely to be affected by the above operation and who wishes to comment on the proposal should contact Bruce Webb, Environmental Engineer, in writing or by email at bruce.webb@gov.mb.ca or by telephone at 204-945-7021, not later than June 4, 2018. Further information is available from the Online Public Registry: www.manitoba.ca/sd/eal/registries/index.html

Information submitted in response to this proposal is considered public information and will be made available to the proponent and placed on the public registry established in accordance with Section 17 of The Environment Act.

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Eriksdale pie auction raises over 10K for Canadian Cancer Society

By Jeff Ward

Another year and another staggering total of funds were raised for the Canadian Cancer Society at the 8th annual Variety Show in Eriksdale.

This year's event brought in \$10,155.45, bringing the total raised to \$73,713.45 since the fundraiser began eight years ago.

Organizer Debbie Lundale said the fundraiser brings in nearly \$10,000 annually. The popular Man Pie auction saw some high totals and some interesting takes on the pie formula.

Jerry Saunders created a lemon pie made from old car parts welded together and built a handcrafted table to go along with it. His creation raised \$820. Keith Lundale made a Humboldt Pie, including hockey sticks of pie crust on the top wrapped with 16



Keith Lundale made a Humboldt pie that sold for \$500.



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Over 150 people attended the 8th Annual Variety Show fundraiser in Eriksdale and helped raise over \$10,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society.



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green ribbons, one for every person killed in the tragic bus accident a few weeks ago. Lundale's pie raised \$500. Gary Paulson made Miner's Pies, which were little meat pies made into pockets, and raised \$360.

Debbie Lundale said that an event like this is impossible to complete without the help of her fellow organizer Sandra Hogue and the many volunteers who work to serve food and make and donate pies.

"At the end of the day, you're contributing to a great cause and you can't tell me there are people who haven't been affected by cancer. It was a really good evening and I'm proud of what we raised," said Lundale.

In total, there were 68 pies donated to the event from members of the community.



Gary Paulson auctioned of his Miner's pie for \$360.

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Kiwanis Tag Day

Submitted

The Kiwanis Club of Gimli & District will be selling tags in front of several local businesses on Saturday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Proceeds from this year's Tag Day will go toward purchasing microscopes for Dr. George Johnson Middle Years School.

The Kiwanians will be assisted in selling tags by members of the Kiwanis Service Leadership Program.

This program is comprised of local children, youth and developmentally challenged individuals. Tag Day offers them a great opportunity to learn about community service.

The public has always responded generously on our Tag Days in the past. We ask for your continued support for a worthwhile community cause. Please consider buying a Tag when you see us out and about on May 19.

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Sustainable Development asks Gimli for public correction on drainage projects

By Patricia Barrett

The provincial department of Sustainable Development has asked Gimli Coun. Danny Luprypa to provide a correction to information he provided at a March 28 municipal council meeting where he displayed a spreadsheet showing 50 drainage projects awaiting provincial approval.

Luprypa said he received a call from Sustainable Development after the *Express* published a report on council's meeting in its April 5 edition.

"The error was that of the number quoted, many did not need a permit. And for others, we can't submit a permit until we get more information from MI [department of Manitoba Infrastructure]," said Luprypa last week. "I don't know the exact number, but there are very few."

Luprypa said the RM's public works department forwarded to him the spreadsheet showing the 50 outstanding projects.

"He [Sustainable Development staff person] said there aren't any, but I talked to our [public works staff member] and he said there has to be some," said Luprypa. "So the number is in question."

A spokesperson for Sustainable Development said its departmental staff member requested "greater accuracy in comments to the media" as they

were "exaggerated."

"At the current time, there is one outstanding licence awaiting a decision, but the province is currently waiting for the RM to supply further information before it can make a decision," said the spokesperson.

The province's single-window intake — a system whereby all facilities for a particular project are located in one place to streamline processes — has not been implemented for Sustainable Development. And some drainage projects may require co-ordination with Manitoba Infrastructure where highways and provincial roads are concerned. The government implemented a single-window system in 2017 for community development programs overseen by the department of Municipal Relations, according to that department's website.

"The province is always looking for ways to improve efficiency, and an expedited process is under development for low-risk applications, but at this time, that process is not ready to implement," said the spokesperson, referring a single-window system for Sustainable Development. "However, that process would have no impact on the approvals for the current applications because the province is waiting for the RM to provide further information."



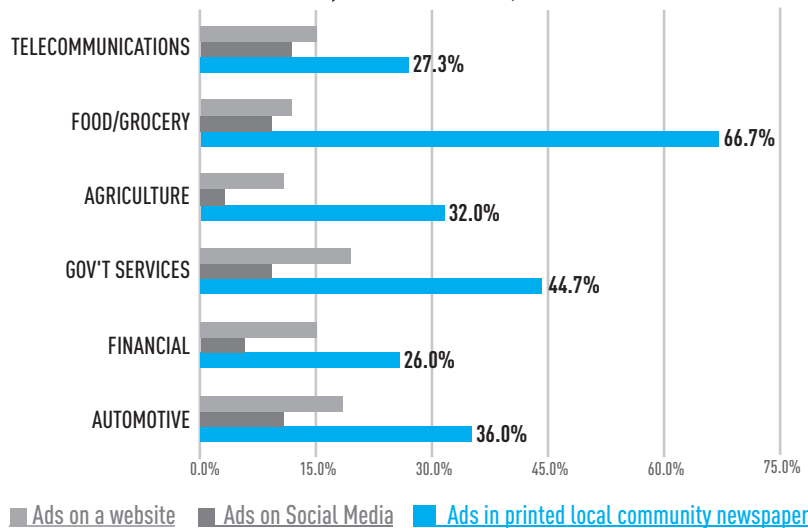
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Portage Diversion opened, flood risk low

Staff

The Hydrologic Forecast Centre of Manitoba Infrastructure sent out their first flood bulletin of 2018 last week and stated the Portage Diversion began operation.

At press time the diversion was operating at just under 2,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) and may not need to be operated at full capacity. Flows along the Assiniboine River just upstream of Portage la Prairie are likely

to reach between 8,500 and 13,500 cfs, the flood bulletin states.

The diversion has a maximum flow rate of 25,000 cfs. Water is currently leaving Lake Manitoba through the Fairford River Water Control Structure at 5,157 cfs and the level of Lake Manitoba is currently at 811.67 feet at Steep Rock. The forecasted level for Lake Manitoba is between 812.2 and 812.75 feet, which is more than a foot under flood stage of 814 feet.

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Talent, creativity collide at Interlake Juried Art Show

By Lindsey Enns

Sheer talent and creativity were on full display during the 39th annual Interlake Juried Art Show in Selkirk last weekend.

The three-day event hosted by the Gwen Fox Gallery, which kicked off with an artist's reception last Friday evening, featured 275 pieces of artwork from a total of 139 artists from across the Interlake.

Entries were organized into a total of 10 categories ranging from paintings, sculptures and photography to mixed media, experimental and fibre art. First place winners in each category will now go on to represent the Interlake at a northern and rural Manitoba juried art show taking place this September.

"We had a strong showing from youth as well as adults," said Joanie English, a member of the Gwen Fox Gallery and juried art show committee. "The working committee is made up of about 49 volunteers who come and help to support and put this all together and it's open to the public."

Those interested in browsing all of the art on display were invited to do so inside the Selkirk Rec Complex's banquet hall last Saturday and Sunday.

"It's one of the nicest ones I've seen so far," said Werner Batke, an avid painter and member of the juried art show's board, while browsing the pieces last Saturday. "We have tremendous talented artists, as you can see."

The 67-year-old from Arnes said he's been painting since he was a young boy.

"I paint over winter time when there's not much else to do," he said, adding his paintings are inspired by the Interlake's wildlife. "I like to tell a story with my paintings."

Batke said it's an exciting time to be an artist in the Interlake.

"Especially when you look around and see the quality of the art we have here. This is world class what we have here," he said. "But we have to educate the public, too, so that they see what we are capable of doing and what's available here."

"In an age where everything is mass produced, we come in with hand-crafted pieces."

Artists Kathy Freeman of St. Andrews and Linda McKenzie of Selkirk said the annual art show serves an inspiration for artists across the region.

"This year I've gone from quilter to artist. That's how I feel," said McKenzie, who took home a first place ribbon in the fibre art category. "It's an

honour.

"I love to hear the comments. Even the negative."

Freeman, who has won multiple first place ribbons for her sculptures, says she's always "surprised and grateful" to be recognized amongst such a talented group of artists.

"I'm just grateful for the entire experience," she said.

Over the years the art show's entries have continued to evolve, English said.

"I think it's becoming stronger," said English, who has been a member of the art show's committee since 2014. "I'm finding that people are expressing themselves more, being more creative and feel more free to be creative."

She added the annual art show is also a great opportunity for established and emerging artists of all ages to showcase their work.

"This allows artists to get to know each other in the Interlake as well as see what other artists are doing," she said. "The Interlake Juried Art Show's goal is to support and strengthen our community through art."

Volunteers are also making an effort to encourage more youth to get involved with the annual show, she said.

"We're trying to get a strong youth involvement to make them feel that art is a wonderful part of the world



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LINDSEY ENNS

Interlake Juried Art Show board member and painter Werner Betke, right, talks about his deer painting during the art show inside the Selkirk Rec Complex last Saturday.

and we'd like them to experience what is available to them," she said, adding those interested in getting involved, should visit their local art gallery or art club. "Across the Interlake, there are a lot of different groups that open their arms up to artists and help to

support all aspects of art."

English said she wanted to thank the City of Selkirk for their continued support. This year's art show also received financial assistance from the Province of Manitoba and the Manitoba Arts Council.

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Camp Stepping Stones receives \$13,450 for children's bereavement camp

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The Interlake-Eastern RHA's palliative care program celebrated the donation of \$13,450 from the Manitoba Nurses Union (MNU) in support of Camp Stepping Stones last Friday.

This generous donation will fund an entire weekend of a unique camping experience for children who have experienced the death of a loved one.

According to Tammie-Lee Rogowski, clinical team manager for Interlake-Eastern RHA's palliative care, this donation will make a big difference for children attending this year's camp.

"In the few years I have personally attended camp, I have seen children transform over the weekend and leave with tools to help them through their grief and build connec-

tions they will likely maintain for life. The children who attend camp never cease to amaze me in their strength and resilience. For many, this is the first opportunity they've had to grieve and say good-bye and actively create many memory keepsakes," said Rogowski.

The MNU's donation was initiated through fundraising efforts organized by the Interlake Eastern MNU chapter members who selected Camp Stepping Stones as the fundraiser recipient at their last annual general meeting.

"MNU's Interlake Eastern Nurses are pleased to support Camp Stepping Stones. As caregivers, we recognize this worthy cause that allows kids who

have suffered the loss of a significant loved one, to experience the benefits that this camp has to offer."

"IN THE FEW YEARS I HAVE PERSONALLY ATTENDED CAMP, I HAVE SEEN CHILDREN TRANSFORM OVER THE WEEKEND"



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JUSTIN LUSCHINSKI

Left to right, Sandra Milotte (Palliative Care volunteer co-ordinator/community liaison for the Interlake-Eastern RHA), Kathy Nicholson (president of the Interlake-Eastern Chapter – Manitoba Nurses Union), Joan Marr (secretary-treasurer of the Interlake-Eastern MNU – Stonewall) and Christine Boychuk (vice-president Interlake-Eastern MNU – Beausejour – East Gate Lodge).

This June, the Interlake Eastern RHA's Camp Stepping Stones will enter into its 15th year of providing a supportive camp experience for children who have suffered the recent loss of a loved one. Each year since 2004, approximately 50 kids have come to Camp Stepping Stones, a children's grief camp for ages 7 to 17, held the first weekend in June at Camp Arnes.

These young people have experienced the death of a parent, a sibling, a grandparent, a special relative or a good friend and may have endured multiple significant losses, their grief often isolating them from their families and friends. Camp creates the opportunity for these young folks to connect and spend the weekend with others who are also grieving. They learn that it's OK to laugh, have fun and just be a kid again while remembering their loved one(s).

The weekend-long camp program has changed very little over the last 14 years — a combination of memorial activities and traditional camp activities fill the weekend from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. What makes each year different is the campers' individual journeys that have brought them to camp. Last year, the average age of the campers was 10 years old. Out of the 52 who attended, 54 per cent of the kids had

experienced the death of an immediate family member and 40 of them resided within the Interlake-Eastern RHA catchment area.

If not given the opportunity to cope with their grief, kids can experience low self-esteem, depression, academic failure and deterioration in relationships with family and friends. If grieving children are to heal, it is important to provide them with a safe and accepting environment.

Camp Stepping Stones provides grieving kids and their families hope for the future. As one mom wrote: "It's amazing what a few days and the love and compassion and care of beautiful people can accomplish in such a profound way. Your program truly has made a huge difference to my son's and daughter's lives. Thank-you so much."

Camp promotes healthy lifestyles and helps children and adolescents to develop lifelong coping skills for dealing with loss and grief.

For more information or to find Camp Stepping Stones camper applications, visit the Interlake-Eastern RHA website at www.ierha.ca under Palliative Care/Additional Services in Communities or contact Camp Stepping Stones at 1-855-494-7369 or campsteppingstones@ierha.ca.



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Cavalía Odysseo horses enjoy a holiday

By Jennifer McFee

The four-legged stars of Cavalía Odysseo are enjoying a little time to horse around during their vacation at an equestrian facility in rural Manitoba.

For the second time since the show launched in 2011, Cavalía Odysseo will dazzle audiences under the white big top in Winnipeg, with shows scheduled from May 12 to June 10.

After performing two sold-out shows in Arizona, Cavalía Odysseo's 70 horses travelled to Manitoba in specially equipped trailers to enjoy a 10-day rest before they take their place in the spotlight once again.

A 20-person stable team works from 7 a.m. to midnight every day to care for and pamper the horses, which include 13 different breeds: Appaloosa, Arabian, Canadian Horse, Warmblood, Lusitano, Paint Horse, Percheron Hanoverian Cross, Quarter Horse, Selle Français, Thoroughbred, Spanish Purebred, Miniature Horse and Warlander.

On average, the horses are about nine years old, originally coming from as far as Spain, Portugal, France, Germany and Australia, as well as the

United States and Canada.

As part of their daily life, the horses participate in a program of stretching and gymnastics. They also have the chance to play and enjoy the weather outside in the paddocks. The horse-training philosophy focuses on understanding the needs, emotions and preferences of each animal, so the human-animal relationships centre on mutual respect, trust and kindness.

The idiom "hungry as a horse" rings true, since they eat eight meals per day, made up of five servings of hay and three servings of grain. On Sunday evenings, they indulge in special treats including apples and carrots.

In addition to the mesmerizing performance of the horses, the show also features talented riders, acrobats, aerialists, stilt walkers, dancers and musicians from around the world — including local teen Maria Aragon as a guest singer in Winnipeg.

"The show is so wonderful, and there are some new surprises," said Marc-Olivier Leprohon, Cavalía's artistic and equestrian operations director, who is in charge of the horses' transportation and vacation.

"Everybody can find something they



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY JENNIFER MCFEE

The horses from Cavalía Odysseo have the chance to relax before they start their Winnipeg performances.

love in the show."

This is the last chance to see Cavalía Odysseo in Manitoba, since the show will wrap up its tour of more than 1,500 performances after its final two stops in Winnipeg and Montreal.

Tickets to Cavalía Odysseo range from \$29.50 to \$149.50 plus applicable

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Early seeding: reward versus risk in Manitoba

Staff

Several farmers took advantage of the dry conditions last week to get their crops in before the hopeful rain comes.

Agriculture Manitoba has released some interesting facts regarding reward versus risk for seeding early in Manitoba.

An early spring invariably results in early seeding. But what is early? It is not unusual for farmers to seed in April when there is an early snow melt, minimal run-off and above normal temperatures. But early could also be the first week of May, if air and soil temperatures are still not reaching 10 C as daytime highs and below zero over night.

The rewards: increased yields and quality

Perhaps the biggest driver for early seeding is the potential for higher yields. The majority of seeding date research conducted in Western Canada, reports increased yields with early seeding. Farmer-reported data in Manitoba to Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC) also data shows earlier seeding dates normally translate into higher yields.

Reasons why we see increased yield potential as a result of earlier seeding: Several factors can contribute to this increase:

Moisture — will better utilize available soil moisture throughout the growing season.

Weed Competition — enables faster crop establishment and increased competition versus weeds.

Insect or disease damage — can be potentially reduced if crop is not at the susceptible stage when insects arrive or ideal weather conditions exist.

For example, wheat is only susceptible to attack by wheat midge between heading and flowering. Adult wheat midge typically emerges in late June or early July. With early seeding, the crop may head/flower before peak populations occur.

Heat damage at flowering onset — crop development is driven by accumulation of heat and moisture, if a crop can flower/head earlier than when peak high temperatures occur in mid-July, yield reductions can be avoided.

Better harvest conditions — early seeding usually translates into early maturity and harvest. In most years, weather conditions in August and into September are drier and more favourable for harvest, also fall frost could be avoided that can cause yield and quality reductions.

Reduced lodging — later planted crops tend to be taller (as a result of increased internode length) and therefore may be more prone to lodging.

The risks: cold soil temperatures and frost damage

One potential risk with early seeding is soil temperatures can be below the minimum needed for germination. This can result in delayed germination and uneven or inadequate emergence.

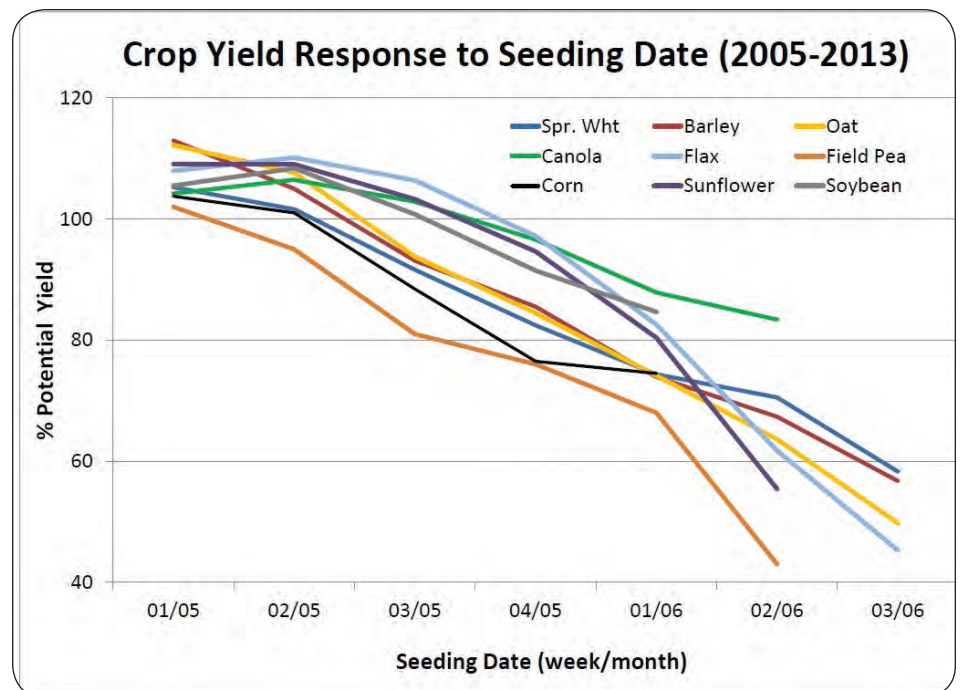
Another potential risk with early seeding is injury from spring frost. Impact of freezing temperatures will depend on temperature, length of time sub-zero temperatures occur, soil moisture levels, plant residue levels, the following daytime temperatures and the plant's growth stage. Different crops also have varying tolerance levels to freezing temperatures, usually dependent on crop stage.

For more detailed information on the basics of frost damage, crop tolerance to freezing temperatures, the hardening off process, etc.,



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Early seeding in Manitoba results in increased yields and quality but higher risks for frost damage.



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The figure above illustrates relative yield (expressed as a per cent) of various crops as seeding date moves from late April to mid-June.

please refer to Manitoba Agriculture's Spring Frost Damage Bulletin.

When presented with the opportunity, farmers will seize the chance to

get an early start to seeding. It is hard to argue knowing that early seeding favors higher yields, but remember early seeding does not always guarantee higher yields or seed quality at harvest. While important, seeding date is only one of many yield-influencing factors.

Critical to remember is to maximize yield potential is the seeding operation, regardless of seeding date. Mistakes made during the seeding operation are often irreversible so extra care should be taken, regardless of the calendar date.

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Fisher Branch students raise over \$500 for Humboldt Collegiate

By Jeff Ward

Fisher Branch Collegiate student Laine Vandersteen committed to raising \$300 for the Humboldt Collegiate Institute and ended up raising over \$500.

Grade 11 student Vandersteen said that she was confident in her ability to corral \$300 from students and staff, asking only \$1 from each, but was very surprised when the money kept rolling in.

She said the grand total of \$507.35 was something she didn't think was possible but was very happy to see her community come through.

Vandersteen got to work quickly after hearing of the tragic bus accident that took the lives of 16 people including many members of the Humboldt Broncos. She said she wanted to donate the money to the school to help with trauma relief for students and staff who are grieving.

"For a small school, that money raised is really heartwarming," said

Vandersteen on her fundraising total.

"People kept giving and I was very happy to see it come through. I think everyone knows how big of a tragedy this is and wanted to give what they could."

The money came from fellow students and staff, a number of families in the community and a \$100 donation from the Interlake Female AAA Bantam Hockey Team. The donations added up quickly.

Vandersteen mailed the cheque to the Humboldt Collegiate Institute last week accompanied by a letter explaining its origin.

"We want this money to go towards something everyone can enjoy or be a part of because celebration will eventually be a part of your healing."

Vandersteen hasn't been able to speak directly with the principal of the Humboldt school as their schedules haven't aligned properly to do so, but she plans to speak with him.

Vandersteen said that it felt good to



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JEFF WARD

Laine Vandersteen blew past her fundraising expectations of \$300 and raised over \$500 for the Humboldt Collegiate Institute. The donation and a letter were mailed to the school last week.

know that she was able to accomplish something so quickly and gather the support of the whole school for such an important cause.

More paramedic positions coming to the Interlake



EXPRESS PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL

Infrastructure Minister Ron Schuler announced 60 new full-time paramedic positions for the province at a news conference in West St. Paul this past Monday.

Staff

The provincial government is funding 60 new full-time paramedic positions, with more than two dozen of them situated close to home.

On Monday, April 30 Infrastructure Minister Ron Schuler made the announcement about the new paramedics on behalf of Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Kelvin Goertzen at the West St. Paul EMS Garage.

The new positions include 4.85 full-time equivalent positions in Teulon,

4.85 in Gimli and 9.7 in West St. Paul.

In addition, another 6.65 full-time equivalent positions in the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority will support flexible deployment across the entire region and help provide coverage for sick leave and vacation time.

"The addition of 26 new full-time paramedic positions for the Interlake-Eastman region will ensure highly skilled professionals are available at a moment's notice if and when they

need them," Schuler said in a press release.

"The new positions will be strategically placed throughout the region, ensuring residents have access to consistent, reliable health care no matter where they live."

On-call staff that currently works in the system will fill some of the new positions. Other positions will be posted soon, with paramedics expected to be hired later this year.

Lakeside MLA and Agriculture Minister Ralph Eichler said these new positions will provide services that are critical for ensuring health care is delivered in a timely and efficient manner.

"Of course, we know that health care is one of our most important issues we have as a government," Eichler said by phone. "So we want to make sure that we meet those response times that we've set."

In 2015-16, more than 98 per cent of EMS calls in rural and northern Manitoba were responded to within the provincial response time standard, with 62.14 per cent within nine minutes, 15.66 per cent within 15 minutes and 20.38 per cent within 30 minutes.

Ron Van Denakker, CEO of the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, noted that the funding will allow for a new model of EMS staffing that will increase the availability of coverage across the region.

For example, when Teulon staff are

off, ambulances from Stonewall, Selkirk and St. Laurent would be positioned to provide coverage for Teulon and area. When the new positions are filled, the Teulon station will be able to provide services 24 hours per day.

"After extensive consultation with our paramedics, we're introducing a temporary 12-hour shift rotation instead of on-call service to ensure appropriate rest periods for staff and improved access to care for residents," Van Denakker said in a press release.

Based on recommendations from the 2013 Manitoba EMS System Review, other changes include increasing paramedics' training, adding more ambulances and resources for inter-facility transports and restructuring station locations.

"Ensuring ambulances in Manitoba are staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week is necessary to ensure patients have access to emergency care and that the paramedics responding are properly rested," said Eric Glass, administrative director of the Paramedic Association of Manitoba, in a press release.

"This investment is an excellent step towards ending long on-call shifts and allows paramedics to deliver those services in a predictable, responsive and safe manner."

For more information on the transformation of Manitoba's health system transformation visit www.gov.mb.ca/rightcare/index.html.

Gilwell residents raise concern about PR 222 residential development

By Patricia Barrett

A new residential development that's underway along PR 222 in the RM of Gimli has residents of a condominium community worried about shoreline erosion along their Lake Winnipeg properties and the removal of trees from a former provincial road whose ownership is uncertain.

About 15 permanent and seasonable residents from the Gilwell Estates, just north of the Gimli Bible Camp, registered to speak at a public hearing that Gimli council held April 25 to consider the developer's subdivision application.

Allan Goodman wants to subdivide his 18.41-acre holding into 18 residential lots and have the land rezoned from agricultural to residential resort. The lots will be serviced by municipal sewer and individual wells and have a single access road off PR 222.

Gilwell residents made it clear they're not opposed to the establishment of new residences, but they're concerned about the ownership of old PR 222, which divides their estate from Goodman's land, and loss of erosion protection in the form of rip rap and tree cover.

PR 222 used to travel along the eastern boundary of Goodman's property until it was moved to its present site along the property's western edge. Over the years, grass and trees took root on the old road and it now forms part of a 99-foot public reserve. Goodman removed some trees from his land, but it's unclear whether those trees were situated on the public reserve.

Gilwell residents said they don't know where the old road ends and where Goodman's property begins, as well as where Gilwell's property intersects with the road.

"Since it's been excavated by the developer, it has come under question as to who actually owns that area. Is it part of old 222? Is it part of the common area of Gilwell Estates? Or is it

the Goodman's property?" said condo board president Liz Coffman. "It's a small area but we would like it clarified in terms of the width of old road 222 so we have some sense of where property lines lie and how the developer will create a buffer zone between the Gilwell Estates."

Residents had asked Goodman's surveyor to measure the area in question, said Coffman, but he declined and they're now looking to the RM to determine boundary lines and ownership.

"Our measurements indicated [tree removal] was well into the area that's been excavated for the lots," said Coffman. "So it really needs to be resolved because there's a lot of unknowns going on here, and as long as it stays that way we don't know who's responsible for what."

Coun. Richard Petrowski, who's the liaison for the area, said he was told by the province that the 99-foot reserve belongs to the RM but sent no documentation showing that's the case.

Gilwell resident Eldon Dyck said the loss of trees has affected residents' privacy.

"There's approximately 25 feet of trees in width by the length of that road allowance that's been removed, leaving maybe two feet of trees, which affects the view of the people to the north end," said Dyck. "They're going to be looking at these new homes as well as the highway. Someone said to me if there's a question of where your land begins and ends, you don't lead with a backhoe. And that's what's happened here."

Goodman said it was necessary to remove trees in order to build up his land. The province requires developments along Lake Winnipeg to sit at 722 feet or higher. He added that the trees he removed were on his property.

"We had to build up that land because if it had been left like that it



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

The treed area to the west of Demko Drive (shown here) in the Gilwell Estates may be part of old PR 222, which is a public reserve.

would be [too low]," he said. "And if you build up just around the trees, the trees die. We have a bunch of trees there that we do have to move and will be planting them back in that area."

A provincial Community and Regional Planning Branch report on Goodman's development includes a recommendation from Manitoba Infrastructure, which states that "existing tree and vegetation cover should be preserved to reduce erosion and maintain bank stability." Lots and roads also need to be set back from the shoreline embankment to allow sufficient distance for a stable slope plus 50 years of erosion.

Goodman removed concrete rip rap that used to line the shore, much of it dragged into the lake by wave action, and created a slope.

Gilwell residents argued that a concrete point acted as a barrier against storm surges and protected their properties from erosion.

"At the area where the old provincial truck highway ended, it created a little bit of a point to the northwest, and when storms come in, it creates a buffer zone and a protection for all the beaches on Gilwell Estates," said

resident Brian Ellis. "Today that point is gone. It's been excavated to be a slope rather than rip rap. There's no armour on that point."

Ellis added that the slope has the potential to send water behind Gilwell's erosion barrier, which consists of limestone. "If we're going to look at sloping, we're going to have to look at it for the whole area not just for one development."

Mayor Randy Woroniuk said if it turns out the point was part of the public reserve, and the RM actually owns it, the municipality will re-armour it. The Gilwell Estates has no land available to slope and must use limestone to protect its dwellings.

"If one person in your subdivision armours, it affects everybody north and south of you," said Woroniuk. "Either you armour everything or you don't armour."

Council approved the rezoning of the property into residential resort, but decided to delay Goodman's subdivision application.

"We need more information on who owns that piece of property," said the mayor. "I think we need a survey and we should hold this back."

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Centre has not transpired, improve the baseball field, construct a walking track in Vestureland Park, build a new landfill cell at the Arnes Disposal site, purchase several pieces of equipment for the public works department and purchase playground equipment for a public park in Sandy Hook.

Coun. Thora Palson said the Sandy Hook park between Second and Third avenues has a swing set that's "seen better days. We're shopping around right now. I'd like to see something

more than one person can play on. Maybe a merry-go-round."

Cosgrove said the RM's main challenges include managing existing debt servicing and minimizing taxation impacts while providing funding for capital projects. And some provincial funding cuts will pose a challenge to the RM.

"We've seen some cuts that have affected us," said Cosgrove. "Last year they took away the West Nile Program and they decreased the Dutch elm

[funding]."

The mayor said the \$6,000 the RM did receive for Dutch elm disease is not sufficient because of the costs associated with battling the disease and removing trees.

Woroniuk characterized the RM's 2018 budget as being "responsible towards taxpayers" and at the same time progressive for its focus on growth.

"It's a responsible budget and it takes into account the carbon tax showing up in the fall and an increase in Hydro rates," he said. "We're keeping expenditures manageable. But we need to

keep working towards growth. You can say our Rec Centre needs \$300,000 for cladding, but we can't let our buildings deteriorate. We're working towards a more vibrant Gimli every year. It will cost us some money, but it's money well spent and we're being responsible towards the taxpayers."

Coun. Palson said the large and small projects ahead are all "steps to invest in our community and our quality of life."

Coun. Danny Luprypa said he's a "happy camper" as far as the budget is concerned.

Free beaver trapping workshops taking place in Interlake

By Jeff Ward

Four free workshops that will focus on the trapping and skinning of beaver will take place in Inwood, Lundar, Woodlands and Ashern next month.

The workshops being presented by the West Interlake Watershed Conservation District (WIWCD) and the Manitoba Trappers Association are designed to give licensed trappers and those interested in trapping an in depth look at the species.

Neil Brandstrom and Kris Fjeldsted will take attendees through trapping and skinning demos, pelt preparations and learning about beavers and their habitat. Brandstrom said that beavers are a common problem in the Interlake and are responsible for a lot of overland flooding as their dams

cause streams and creeks to backup.

"This (workshop) is for someone who has a licence but also if you're interested in trapping you can come by," said Brandstrom.

The workshops are free and include a lunch as well. They are all day with an indoor and outdoor component showing participants how to properly trap.

The first of the four workshops will be held in Inwood at the municipal office on May 6 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The workshop in Lundar will be on May 12, Woodlands on May 18 and Ashern on May 19, all from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Those interested in attending are asked to register by calling 204-762-5850 or 204-280-0181 or through email at admin.wiwcd@mts.net.



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The West Interlake Watershed Conservation District is organizing four beaver trapping workshops during May.

ManitobaQuits Spring Break Challenge to quit smoking



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The Manitoba Lung Association is holding its annual quit smoking challenge from May 1 to 31.

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Smoking accounts for 85 per cent of all new cases of lung cancer in Canada.

The Manitoba Lung Association will be holding the annual ManitobaQuits Spring Break quit smoking challenge from May 1 to 31.

Manitobans can register today until April 30 for the chance to win great prizes throughout the month of May, including entry to win one of two grand prizes at the end of the month.

There is no cost to register and all registrants receive a Quit Kit and will have access to support throughout the month of May.

The Manitoba Lung Associations' tobacco programs co-ordinator Anjie Valgardon says, "There are 7,000 different chemicals in every burning cigarette. Why would you pay to poison yourself every day? With our ManitobaQuits program, you are more likely to achieve success with a strong support network. You might even win a prize. Best of all, it's free."

For more information on the ManitobaQuits program, visit <http://mb.lung.ca/programs/quit-smoking/manitoba-quits.html> or register directly to get started today at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/manitobaquits-spring-break-2018-tickets-45002031287>.

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The Government of Manitoba would like to end the practice of requiring municipal councils to provide public notice of proposed land, aggregate, water, highways and livestock use changes in newspapers.

It is proposing to change the requirement to simply post such information anywhere on a municipal or planning district website for 27 days prior to a public hearing.

Will you know when and where to look

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Lundar's Farthing and Gleich a smash hit in badminton

Staff

Lundar's pairing of Callie Farthing and Ryan Gleich were a smash hit at the Zone 5 badminton championship last week.

The duo won the mixed doubles division, finishing ahead of the Stonewall Collegiate Rams' Hunter Luprypa and Dante Lourenco. Riverton's Dalton Johnson and Denali Sigurdson were third.

The Rams' tandem of Justin Levesque and Ethan Lindsay won the boys' doubles division. Finishing second was Teulon's Austin Persoage and Ryan Hill while Warren's Matthew Fossay and Austin Holod placed third.

Stonewall's Chris Wiebe won the boys' singles event while Arborg's Connor Yarema was second and the Rams' Scott Yeo finished third.

The Rams also won the girls' doubles division as Sarah Fines and Lauren Proven teamed up to place first overall. They finished ahead of Warren's Grace Goodman and Alex Chester and Stonewall's Kyra Shewchuk and Shae Mulvihill.

Warren's Emalia Sinclair snapped Stonewall's dominance by winning the girls' singles event. She finished ahead of Gimli's Jayda Campbell and Arborg's Jessica Monkman.

Stonewall was the top school at the Zone 5 badminton championship, finishing with 58 points. That was ahead of Warren (34), Arborg (16), Gimli (15) and Teulon (15).

The MHSAA badminton provincials will take place this Friday and Saturday in Brandon.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY AMY TYCOLES

Lundar's Ryan Gleich and Callie Farthing won the Manitoba High Schools Athletic Association Zone 5 mixed doubles division in Stonewall.

MJBL ready to swing in another baseball season

Submitted by the MJBL

The Manitoba Junior Baseball League engine is ready to get started on another successful season in 2018.

While the original outlook pointed to growth with the addition of the Portage Phillies, the momentum quickly subsided when the Phillies needed one more year to assemble an MJBL-

calibre team.

We look forward to an MJBL with Portage and even more great baseball towns in the future.

The Canada Games silver-medal winning team was a boost for the entire baseball community and the MJBL will directly benefit from the infusion of young talent on rosters all over the league.

More players are committing to U.S. programs than ever before and the MJBL proudly boasts alumni playing Division 1 baseball at places like Virginia Tech, Creighton, Stetson and Cal St Northridge.

We are also celebrating more players playing and coaching

abroad in France, Italy, Australia, and the Netherlands.

Former Winnipeg South Chief Chris Shaw is still working his way up the ladder in the Baltimore Orioles' organization. Former Altona Bison Scott Peters was in the opening day lineup for the Toronto Blue Jays this season — as a Duke University graduate and assistant physical therapist with the Jays.

The MJBL is all over the baseball map this season.

The 2018 all-star game will be held July 7 in Morden, hosted by the Pembina Valley Orioles. The MJBL is looking to host a kids' clinic in conjunction with the game to reach out to future MJBL male and female players.

Season preview

Defending MJBL champions, the St James A's are in new territory this season trying to stay at the top of the heap. With some key additions added to a solid core of veterans the A's are in great shape to contend for this season and beyond while they rebuild

the once great program.

Led by MJBL MVP-Cole Armstrong, St. James will have five third-year players this year, Troy Martinuk, Armstrong, Jordan Turney, Wyatt Kemball and Brady Allan.

MJBL defensive player of the year Austin Pistawka is back to handle the pitching staff with Matt Johnson (Vancouver Island University) leading the way from the bump.

New additions for this season include Jordan Peck (Northwest Missouri State University/Canada Games Team MB), Brody Moffatt from Portage la Prairie and Tanner Bercier (Frank Phillips College in Texas).

Interlake

The majority of the Interlake Blue Jays' lineup returns for the 2018 season.

Interlake started eight rookies each and every game in 2017. Long-time MJBL coach Adam Kirk expects bigger things from his returning players

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Gimli Minor Hockey

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

May 8, 2018 at 7:00pm
Gimli Rec Centre
Everyone is welcome to attend



Cvar invited to POE Top-40 camp

Staff

Hockey Manitoba announced the rosters for the 2018 Male U16, Female U18 and Female U16 Program of Excellence last week.

The U18 female Top-40 camp features forward Olivia Cvar, who played prep hockey for Balmoral Hall this past season. Cvar is originally from Gimli but now resides in Stonewall.

The male U16 Top-40 camp will run from May 10-13 alongside the Female U16 Top-40 camp May 11-13. The Female U18 Top-40 camp will take place May 13-15 with all three operating out of Stride Place in Portage la Prairie.

This camp is the second phase of the Hockey Manitoba U16 Male, U16 Female and U18 Female Program of

Excellence which is the provincial high-performance development and selection program that leads to the formation of Male U16 Team Manitoba, Female U16 Team Manitoba and Female U18 Team Manitoba.

The final Male U16 Team Manitoba and Female U18 Team Manitoba rosters will compete at the 2019 Canada Winter Games from February 15 to March 3 in Red Deer.

The Male U16 POE Top-40 will see 44 players invited, comprised of 25 forwards, 16 defencemen and four

goalies.

The invite list also includes two under-age players born in 2004 who are invited for an exclusive development opportunity and as potentials to challenge for a final roster spot later this fall.

The Female POE Top-40 camp is designed to mirror the selection camps used by Hockey Canada at the U18, development and national team levels.

This camp combines on-ice practice/skills, team building and inter-squad games. Players are taught about the importance of preparation and recovery in a short-term competition environment.

This year's U18 Top-40 roster includes seven returning players from the 2017 U18 Team Manitoba (Camille Enns, Kate Gregoire, Makenzie McCallum, Cvar, Paige McArthur, Sarah Dennehy and Taylor Coward). They will be joined by 17 players from the inaugural 2017 Female U16 Team Manitoba and 24 other Manitobans hoping to earn a spot moving forward.

After a successful first year for the Female U16 Program of Excellence the Top-40 camp sees 15 players coming from the Rural AAA leagues and 20 players from the Winnipeg AA



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Olivia Cvar is included in Manitoba's 2018 Female U18 Top-40 roster for a third consecutive year.

League. The roster also includes five players who spent their past season playing for either a Prep School in Winnipeg or in the Midget AAA League.

The Female Program of Excellence is designed to provide high perfor-

mance female players with the opportunity to develop advanced skills as well as an introduction to the concepts needed to play at an elite level. Players from the Program of Excellence go on to play at the CIS, NCAA and international levels.

Blue Jays expect to be better this season

By Brian Bowman

As the Interlake Blue Jays get ready for their second season in the Manitoba Junior Baseball League, the club expects to be much more competitive.

And they should be.

The team is another year older and, they hope, will be much better after making a return to the MJBL last season.

Interlake got out on the diamond for the first time Monday evening.

"We had a pretty good turnout (for players)," said Blue Jays' head coach Adam Kirk. "We have some college guys, one guy coming from UBC and another from North Dakota State.

"We're looking to improve and getting ourselves deeper in the playoffs this season."

Last year's Blue Jays' roster included eight rookies, who never played in the MJBL before. With a year of experience under their belts, and with the additions of some Midget "AAA" players, Interlake should be competitive.

"We're looking pretty solid, I think, but we have to get everybody out on the field here and check it out," Kirk

said. "But we should be very competitive this year."

Bailey Proctor, Derek Petrasko, Emerson Klimpke, Jayden Allary and Ben Anderson are some of the key players that the Blue Jays will rely heavily on this season.

As for the league itself, there are plenty of good teams. St. James, the defending MJBL champions, are expected to be strong once again while the Elmwood Giants are also expected to be good.

St. Boniface should be better this season while Carillon will be right in the mix.

"A few teams will improve here and there but I think we'll be looking to get above .500 this year," Kirk said. "I think we'll make some noise. We have a good group by adding some young guys to the group we had last year. I think we're going to be solid."

Interlake will begin its regular season next Wednesday when it hosts the Carillon Sultans. The Blue Jays will then have the Elmwood Giants come to town on May 11.

First pitch for both home games is 7:30 p.m.

ANAVET Cup even at a win apiece

Staff

The Steinbach Pistons scored three third-period goals to defeat the Nipawin Hawks 3-1 in Game 2 of the best-of-seven ANAVET Cup final on Saturday in Steinbach.

Nipawin took a 1-0 first-period lead on a goal by Logan Casavant. Wayde Johannesson of Arnes assisted on the goal.

The score remained 1-0 until Steinbach's Austin Heidemann potted a

power-play goal at 4:06 of the third. Braden Purtill then scored two goals just 3:12 apart midway in the period.

Nipawin opened the series with a 4-3 win Friday evening in Steinbach.

Brandan Arnold scored the game winner at 18:56 of the third period.

Arnold scored twice in the first period to give the Hawks a 2-0 lead before Steinbach's Drew Worrard and Nipawin's Carter Doerksen traded goals.

The Pistons tied the score at 3-3 with a power-play goal from Heide-mann and an even-strength tally from Bradley Schoonbaert.

Game 3 of the series was played Tuesday while Game 4 was set for Wednesday in Nipawin. Game 5 is slated for Friday in Nipawin.

If necessary, Games 6 and 7 will be played in Steinbach on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

> MJBL, FROM PG. 18

this season.

Baily Proctor, Emerson Klimpke and Derek Petrasko, along with Ben Anderson (University of British Columbia) look to take the next step in the second year in the MJBL. Rookie Jeremy Wasilewski will add depth and experience on this young roster.

St. Boniface

The St. Boniface Legionaires are hoping to rebound from last season's finish near the bottom of the MJBL standings.

Having lost seven veteran players from their roster, they are in a rebuilding state as they move the program forward. New skipper Darryl Manchulenko will try to bring some alumni luck from his successful past in the organization to this year's squad.

Heading into this season, the blue and gold are looking for leadership from veterans Brad Warkentin, Jeremie Pantel and sophomore Nathan Agar. The Legionaires will be adding many first-year players to their roster, and are expecting some good things from many of them, including Adam

Senden (Mayville State University commit) and Rheel Letain.

Pembina Valley

The Pembina Valley Orioles are looking forward to a fresh reset this season with a new coaching staff consisting of head coach Jon Odium and assistant coaches Sheldon Bergman and Phil Hildebrand.

The Orioles have a good core of veterans featuring Mackenzie Hamm, Seth Staple, and Brenden Hatley (Midland College in Texas) returning that will make the Orioles competitive and fun to watch.

Carillon

With returning all stars Nik Kauenhofen, Liam Lenton, and Noah Vogt, the Carillon Sultans are looking to go deep into the playoffs this year. Led by veteran Cody Bartel, the Sultans will be joined by 2017 Team Manitoba players Yannik Nadeau and the Canada Games gold medal game starting pitcher, Zach Giesbrecht.

This team will be young, fast and exciting with a compete level second to none. Having made the switch from St. B to Carillon, coach Kevin Dunn will offer a great deal of baseball

knowledge to help propel the 2018 Carillon Juniors to great success.

Altona

The Altona Bisons will be a very young team as they graduated four players. They will be made up of first- and second-year juniors and will rely on the successful midget program that produces top-level talent year after year for them.

Don't sleep on the Bisons folks, their new field is about to get lights and remain one of the hottest tickets and toughest places to play in the league.

Brandon

The Brandon A&W Junior Marlins are preparing to defend their 2017 Western Canadian Championship and set their sights on the 2018 League Pennant.

They begin the regular season May 10 at Andrews Field versus St. James. Talk about a great start to the season.

The Marlins' lineup features seniors Ashton Anderson, Bradley Schoonbaert, Marshal Burgess (Jamestown University), Mitchell Lyall (University of Sioux Falls), and Jordan Robertson.

Joining the Marlins from Manitoba's silver medal Canada Summer Games

team are Noah Geekie (Barton CC commit), Reece Wilson, Jared McCorrister (Mayville State University commit) and John Patmore.

The Marlins will rely on a strong pitching staff led by Lyall (6-1 record and a 1.92 earned-run average) and Robertson (3-1 and a 2.80 ERA).

The offence will rely on two individuals who led the team in batting average, Riley Shamray (.333) and Schoonbaert (.282) who both return from the Manitoba Junior Hockey League.

Elmwood

The Elmwood Giants are never too far away from any conversation regarding the top of the standings. Ed Kulyk annually produces a tough lineup that no one wants to face come playoff time.

Brendyn Perron will lead the pitching staff along with Evan Funk (Merced College - California), and Jackson Dartnell (Thompson Rivers - BC).

Aiden Brook (Valley City State-North Dakota) will also provide that leadership gained under a few successful seasons with Kulyk and company.

take a break > GAMES

SUDOKU

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

5	2	3	9	8	7	1	4	6
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Sudoku Answer

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Crossword Answer

X CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. As fast as can be done
- 5. WC's
- 9. Religious retreat
- 11. Warfare
- 13. One you wouldn't expect
- 15. Disease-causing microorganisms
- 16. For each
- 17. Grammatical term
- 19. One point east of southeast
- 21. ___ Dern, actress
- 22. Popular HBO drama (abbr.)
- 23. Shampoo
- 25. Scale drawing of a structure
- 26. An enclosure for confining livestock
- 27. Goat-like mammal
- 29. Cigar
- 31. Appear
- 33. "Westworld" actress ___ Rachel Wood
- 34. Leaked through
- 36. The highest adult male singing voice
- 38. Musical group ___ Soundsystem
- 39. Aurochs
- 41. Crazy (Spanish)
- 43. Swiss river
- 44. Strains
- 46. Frock
- 48. Found in most body tissues
- 52. Cool!
- 53. Reasons behind
- 54. Christian recluse
- 56. Removes
- 57. Repents
- 58. Energy
- 59. Tailless amphibian

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CLUES DOWN

- 1. Not awake
- 2. Type of dessert
- 3. They ___
- 4. Retired Coast Guard admiral
- 5. Gene positions
- 6. Exclude
- 7. One who is bound
- 8. Where drinks are served
- 9. Small vipers
- 10. Blackbird
- 11. Adventurer
- 12. Shade
- 14. A way to gain
- 15. A salt or ester of boric acid
- 18. Monetary units
- 20. Removed
- 24. "My country, tis of ___"
- 26. Horses
- 28. Drives back by force
- 30. Bold, impudent behavior
- 32. Rates
- 34. Types of nerves in males
- 35. A ridge of sand created by the wind
- 37. Wind instrument
- 38. Pakistani city
- 40. Dry or withered
- 42. Delivered a speech
- 43. Peak
- 45. Small waterbird
- 47. Days falling in mid-month
- 49. Elvis' daughter
- 50. Flat and smooth
- 51. Dallas Cowboys great Leon
- 55. What cows say

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All quotes must be received by 12:00 pm Tuesday, May 22nd
Quotes must identify the equipment which you will be using.
Lowest tender not necessarily accepted.

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The Town of Arborg is now accepting applications for this **Full-Time** position. In addition to customer service and reception duties, the successful applicant will be responsible for general office duties such as receipt processing, cash handling & deposits, general accounting, word processing, filing, photocopying and other duties as assigned. Organization and communication proficiencies, as well as the ability to work cooperatively and independently, are necessary skills. Familiarity with Accounts Receivable / Payable and office experience would be an asset.

The Town of Arborg will offer a competitive salary, benefits and the opportunity to become a Certified Manitoba Municipal Administrator (CMMA) to the successful qualified candidate.

Interested persons are invited to submit a resume with **three** references on or before **Tuesday, May 15th, 2018**. Resumes may be mailed, emailed or delivered to the Town of Arborg Municipal Office, 337 River Road.

Lorraine Bardarson, CMMA
Chief Administrative Officer
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For more information or to schedule a visit to the site please call 204-378-2937.

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- Tender will not necessarily be awarded to lowest bidder
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New Iceland Heritage Museum

Summer Employment Opportunities:

- 1) Museum Assistant – 15 weeks – May 22nd - September 3rd, 2018 – 30hrs/week. Must be 15- 30 years of age and a full time student returning to school in the fall
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Please provide a resume and 3 references by 4:00pm - May 9th to:

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ANNOUNCEMENT

BIRTHDAY



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Call For Board of Directors

**The Interlake Consumers Co-operative Ltd.
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There are two (2) Director positions available

Nominees must meet the qualifications
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Details on the qualifications and requirements
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Nominations must be submitted in writing,
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**The Nominating Committee
Interlake Co-op
Box 40, Arborg, MB, R0C 0A0**



INTERLAKE

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

When: Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Meeting: 7:00pm

**Where: Arborg Community Hall
409 Recreation Centre**

Agenda Items to include:

- Minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting
- Audit/Financial Report
- FCL Delegate Report
- General Managers Report
- Board Report
- Appointment of Auditors for 2018
- Board Elections

Interlake Consumers Co-op Ltd
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Announcements



OBITUARY



Stefan Horvat
November 6, 1936 – April 25, 2018

With heavy hearts we announce that Stefan passed away with his family by his side on April 25, 2018.

He will be deeply missed by his wife Hannelore of 55 years; his three children Monika (David), Rose (Jim), and Steven (Tammy). His grandchildren Tim (Jackie), Ryan (Hannah), Brady (Kristine), Tara, Kris and his great-grandchildren Chayse and Kylie. His favourite nephew Ludvik (Julianna) and his son Frank (Lisa).

Steve enjoyed sitting on the deck admiring the wildlife and gardening with his wife during the summer months, he also enjoyed hunting and fishing with family and friends.

In keeping with his wishes cremation has taken place and a private family gathering will be held at a later date. Forever in our hearts.

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OBITUARY



Dorothy Anne Scott (nee Henderson)
December 27th, 1953 – April 24th, 2018

With her husband Alan and daughters Alana and Alexandria by her side with some of her favorite music playing Dorothy passed away at the Health Sciences Center.

Dorothy was predeceased by her father Jim and mother Ivona. She will be lovingly remembered by her husband Alan; daughters Alana (Jeff) and Alexandria; in-laws Mary and Walter; step grandsons Damien, Jeremy, Evan and Oscar along with many more extended family members.

Dorothy's flair for fashion and love of planning and hosting events over the years led to many great friendships. She enjoyed the last number of years living in Gimli and had a special place in her heart for her puppy Meme.

The family would like to extend their deepest thanks to the nursing staff and doctors at both the Johnson Memorial Hospital - Gimli and HSC. They would also like to thank the many ambulance attendants who caringly transported Dorothy on several occasions over the past year.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Dorothy's memory to Johnson Memorial Hospital - Gimli or any charity of choice.

Honouring her wishes there will be no formal service, family and friends are invited to attend a come and go remembrance of Dorothy's life on Sunday, May 6th between 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Lakeview Gimli Resort, 10 Centre Street, Gimli, MB.

Condolences, photos and videos may be left on Dorothy's tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com.

Gilbart Funeral Home, Gimli in care of arrangements.



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