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Cancer survivors bust a move after a lap around the Interlake Relay for Life course last Saturday in Winnipeg Beach. The 12-hour fundraiser for the Canadian Cancer Society honoured cancer survivors and those who died from the disease.

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PR 224 to Peguis, Fisher River and Kinonjeoshtegon First Nations a disgrace

By Patricia Barrett

With the continued crumbling of Provincial Road 224, which has become deplorably dangerous, the chief of Fisher River Cree Nation said he and other First Nation communities will be lobbying the province to fix it.

"I just met a representative from Peguis and we're working on a joint letter with the three First Nation communities to the province," said Chief David Crate last Thursday. "We're a forgotten area of the province with this road, even though populationwise our catchment area is bigger than other municipalities."

The province is supposed to maintain the road, which runs to and through Peguis, Fisher River and Kinonjeoshtegon, as well as through non-Indigenous communities such as Dallas and the Bay River cottage development along Lake Winnipeg.

It's now mid-June and the highway is virtually un-drivable in many spots, and certainly not at the maximum posted speed of 90 km/h. Its condition can't help but raise the question as to whether provincial highways through non-Indigenous communities would be allowed to degrade to the state in which PR 224 currently is.

After the *Express* first reported on the terrible state of the highway in its

May 17 edition, provincial highway crews were spotted daubing asphalt into holes here and there along the road's 35-kilometre stretch from the turnoff at PR 325 to Fisher River. But the superficial repairs didn't last long. The highway now has deep gouges bored all the way through to its base. And piles of fresh asphalt have accumulated along its narrow verges.

A visit to Fisher River June 14 revealed no improvement in road conditions; it's worse, in fact, and continues to pose a danger to both human life and vehicle integrity as the depth of holes, craters and heaving sections of highway can't be accurately judged from a moving vehicle. Passing motorists can also have their windshields sprayed by loose debris.

Horrifically bad areas, where the roadway has disintegrated into hundreds of pieces and given rise to long, deep craters (north of the Peguis Recreation Centre and at the Fisher River boundary), have seemingly gone unattended. Driving the road at night would pose an even greater hazard for those unfamiliar with these spots.

"There's been a number of fatalities on the road already over the years with pedestrians," said Crate. "If you drive through Peguis, the shoulders are basically non-existent. They don't



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Loose asphalt was dumped in a hole near the Fisher River band office.



The approach to Peguis First Nation, heading south.

meet provincial regulations. It improves as you come into Dallas, and in our community you notice a wider shoulder and room for pedestrians to walk."

Crate said the province applied a seal coat about six or seven years ago, but it didn't last and it doesn't prevent problems in the spring. "The province hasn't invested any money in the highway, and it's been deteriorating over the years."

Asphalt that highway crews plonked into some holes a few weeks ago has spewed up like erupting volcanoes, leaving debris trails across the highway. And just south of the Fisher River band office, a pile of loose asphalt, with a few pylons tossed on top, was dumped in a long hole bisecting the highway. Vehicle tires have done the work of tamping it down at the edges and creating a flat surface, but they've also caused asphalt to spread fanwise across the road.

"I can't explain why they did that," said Crate.

The First Nation communities also notice the poor quality of road maintenance in the winter, said the chief. Snow and ice clearing is much better in the RM of Fisher and along PR 325 in Hodgson, which leads to the communities, but black ice and poorly cleared sections on PR 224 are common.

The highway may deter burgeoning business and tourism developments in Fisher River. The First Nation's Bay River cottage development is situated in a stunning landscape, bordered by thick forest and sandy beaches of Lake Winnipeg.

Neither Manitoba Infrastructure nor Interlake MLA Derek Johnson, whose riding covers the First Nations, responded to the *Express'* request for comment on the horrible state of the highway.



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Gimli Mayor first in the pool on opening day of aquatic centre

By Patricia Barrett

You could not keep Gimli Mayor Randy Woroniuk out of the pool Monday morning when the town's Aquatic Centre threw open its doors to the public. First through the gate at 10:58 a.m., Woroniuk took to the

blue racing slide, then did it all over again before splashing in the vortex and naughtily spraying folks with a Mickey Mouse-like water spout.

"I'm really excited about this," said

towering yellow twisty slide, then the



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From left: Lynn Kolba (pool supervisor), Brenna Philp (recreation programmer), Mayor Randy Woroniuk, Braden Penner (pool maintenance), Brittany Isfeld (economic development and tourism clerk) and Mikaela Barkman (lifeguard).



Gimli Mayor Randy Woroniuk (left) races CJ107's Adam Tarnowski.

Gimli."

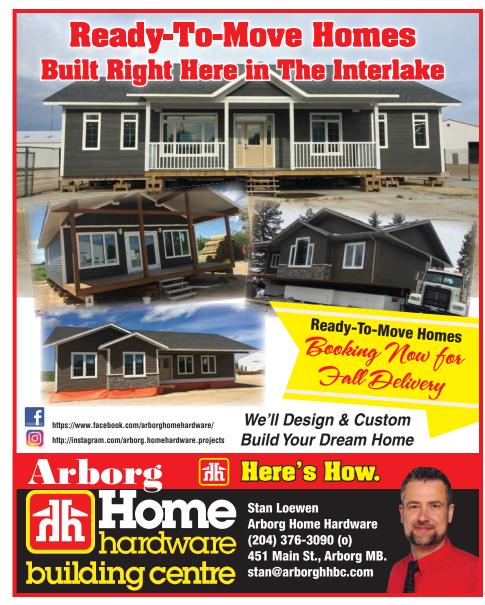
The RM's economic development and tourism clerk Brittany Isfeld, who stopped by to check out the pool, said she was pleased to see it come together after all the hard work that went into its development. "I can't wait to get my bathing suit on, pay my dues and come on down!"

When CI107's Adam Tarnowski showed up, the mayor challenged him to a slide race — and won! At one point, a lifeguard "advised" them

about pool rules.

In addition to the big slides, the centre features a six-lane pool with a deep and shallow end, a kid's pool with a smaller slide, waterspouts and sloped-beach entrance, and change rooms and washrooms. A grand opening celebration will take place July 1 after the town parade.

For information about pool hours, admission fees and swimming lessons, call the Recreation Centre at 204-642-6670.





Police search for missing Winnipegger in Arborg winds down

By Patricia Barrett

A search by Winnipeg Police in the Arborg area for Winnipeg resident Eduardo Balaquit was scaled back last Friday after a couple of days of intensive ground searches, but officers will still be in the area investigating his disappearance.

"We've wound down our ground search," said Winnipeg Police Const. Rob Carver by phone last Friday. "It's not to suggest that we're not going to see officers in the area of Arborg, but the manpower intensive search has been scaled back."

Balaquit went missing in Winnipeg on the evening of June 4. His vehicle was found parked near his workplace at Westcon Equipment and Rentals, 380 Keewatin St. A window in his vehicle had been smashed, but his cell phone was reported as being inside. He was last seen wearing a black sweater, black trousers and black shoes. He is about five foot four, 155 pounds and has black hair and brown eyes.

Arborg RCMP and fire department staff helped police search the area last Wednesday, combing fields and searching farms and outbuildings south of town. They also checked ponds and sand hills for the missing 59-year-old father from Winnipeg's



Police say they believe Eduardo Balaquit's disappearance may be a homicide.

Filipino community.

Carver said the service has no new information to release to the public at this point. Last week, police told city media they believe Balaquit's disappearance "may be a homicide" but haven't as yet been able to definitively label it as such.

Carver wasn't able to say what led the homicide unit to the Arborg area



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Investigators were seen checking sand piles, such as this one along Highway 7 just south of Arborg, after Winnipeg man Eduardo Balaquit went missing June 4.

other than "it's connected to his disappearance."

According to resident Beverley Magaway, Balaquit is not known to the Filipino community in Arborg.

"I know all the Filipinos here in the community," said Magaway, who operates a business in town with her husband and employs several local residents. "In the Filipino group that lives here, nobody knows him and we were actually surprised as to why they are searching for him here."

Chief George Chyzy of the Arborg-Bifrost Fire & Emergency Department said firefighters were asked by Winnipeg Police Search and Rescue unit to assist them on Wednesday in order to cover more ground.

"We covered the whole territory, anywhere from Highway 68 south and from Highway 7 east," said Chyzy last Friday. "We went all the way to Meleb. It's a huge area they're covering."

Chyzy said the Winnipeg team also searched the area on Thursday, and that Arborg and area residents are encouraged to check their properties.

Balaquit's family and friends have carried out their own ground searches in Winnipeg and in the Arborg area. Balaquit's son Edward is keeping people up to date via Facebook. He posted June 15 that a rumour his dad had been found is untrue."We are still looking for him. When he is found I will update this post."

Anyone who saw something unusual/suspicious is asked to call the Winnipeg Police Service Homicide Unit at 204-986-6508 or Crime Stoppers at 204-786-8477. Area residents can also contact their local RCMP.



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The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) has applied to the Public Utilities Board (Board) for a 2.2 per cent increase to Basic Autopac vehicle insurance rates and premiums, effective on March 1, 2019.

Further details are available at the MPI website, **www.mpi.mb.ca** or the Board's website at **www.pubmanitoba.ca**.

A public hearing on the proposed increases will be held on:

Monday, October 15, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
Public Utilities Board Hearing Room
4th Floor, 330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3C 0C4

If you are interested in learning about this rate increase, you are encouraged to attend the hearing, observe the hearing via live streaming, or provide your perspective through the Board's on-line comment tool.

If you wish to speak at the hearing or make a written submission, please contact the Board Secretary at 204-945-2638 or toll free 1-866-854-3698, no later than **September 1, 2018.**

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Summer camps designed for kids to have fun while being fit

By Jeff Ward

Youth from the Interlake will take part in activities through fun summer camp programs created by the Lakeshore Recreation Commission beginning next month.

There are four week-long themed camps planned to keep kids busy. A science-based camp will have participants engaging in fun activities creating a volcano, uncovering fossils and making bridges. A drama camp will have kids acting and producing a small play that they will perform at the end of the week.

Food preparation from different

cultures around the world with art specific to those cultures will keep kids busy during the World Explorers camp. And the All Star sports camp has kids playing basketball, volleyball, baseball, hockey and competing in an inflatable olympics.

Camps are located in Lundar, Eriksdale, Ashern and Fisher Branch and rotate so each camp will be in each community. Each camp runs Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and has been designed to be very engaging while encouraging physical fitness and wellness.

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Young pen pals meet in person at Boonstra Farms

By Jennifer McFee

Local elementary school students learned appreciation for a form of communication that is becoming a lost art — writing a letter by hand and sending it by snail mail to a faraway friend.

This year, the Grade 4 class at Stony Mountain School teamed up with the Grade 2 class at Fisher Branch Early Years School to forge new friendships

Stony Mountain teacher Dana Robinson was pleased to watch the students' newfound enthusiasm for putting pen to paper.

"They were the most engaged in their writing whenever they got to write back to their pen pal because they were actually writing to a real person to read it instead of just a journal entry. They were all very excited about it and they had the chance to be writing mentors for the Grade 2s," she said.

"Whenever we got letters back, they were really excited too. My students are already asking if they could talk to their pen pals next year and I said that I would try to set that up for them."

Likewise, Fisher Branch teacher Megan Smith watched her students blossom as they communicated with their pen pals.

"They loved it. There's a little bit of an age gap, but Dana's class took our kids under their wings," she

"We got bookmarks from them and we sent them little candies and stickers too. The kids are always excited to receive their mail. It has been such a good

Adding to the excitement, the kids had the chance to meet their pen pals in person last week at a joint field trip to Boonstra Farms.

Robinson said that the students had been writing to their pen pals about the field trip and asking if they wanted to hang out.

"At one point during the field trip, one of my students was walking arm in arm with his pen pal buddy," she said. "It was really nice to see."

Similarly, Smith could also see the friendships that had formed through the letter writing process.

"They had so much fun on the field trip. On the hay ride, you could see the Grade 4s helping them do the big steps up. It was cute," she said. "They loved meeting their pen pals."



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Stony Mountain elementary students met their pen pal friends from Fisher Branch Early Years School at Boonstra Farms in Stonewall last week.





Many of the students were excited to meet their friends they had connected with through the letter writing process.

> SUMMER CAMPS, FROM PG. 4

Co-ordinator Charlene Bodnarchuk explained that more time has been spent this year working to deliver more targeted programming.

"We had camps running previously but we found there wasn't quite the draw to them and the attendance was varied," said Bodnarchuk.

"When I was growing up, I went to Mini U camp at the U of M and I'm going back to that experience to build these. I remember how exciting it was to go to camp and we're trying to replicate that experience here at a price that is more suitable for our demographics.

The science, sports and world explorers camp each cost \$100 for the week and the drama camp costs \$125. Bodnarchuk said that keeping the price affordable is something she was looking at when creating these new camps. Recreation, she explained, isn't going to work if people can't get involved. So by keeping costs low she hopes will open the door for anyone to participate.

Bodnarchuk said that the response so far has been really positive with over 40 kids registered and more getting in every day. She said that these programs are important for community wellness but also for bringing the community together for fun activities during the summer.

All registration for the camps can be done online at www. lakeshorerec.ca.





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Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin outlet channels funding announced

Manitoba and Ottawa to cost-share \$540-million projects

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The governments of Canada and Manitoba will cost share up to \$540 million in new flood management infrastructure for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin outlet channels, Premier Brian Pallister and Jim Carr, Minister of Natural Resources Canada, on behalf of the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, announced Monday.

Federal funding of \$247.5 million will be provided for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project, the first project to be funded under the recently launched Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund. Manitoba will provide matching funds in the amount of \$247.5 million, plus an additional \$45 million in order to complete the project.

"After 60 years of inaction, we are proud to stand today alongside our partners in the federal government to announce this vital project," said Pallister. "We are focused on completing this project in a timely fashion to better protect Manitobans who have sacrificed so much."

The governments of Canada and Manitoba identified the channels project as a major priority, due to severe flooding in the area in 2011 and 2014. These disasters resulted in extensive damage to homes, businesses and infrastructure in the province, as well as emergency evacuations, particularly for communities around Lake St. Martin.

"This funding shows that the Government of Canada is taking concrete

steps to protect the vulnerable communities around Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin from disasters like the 2011 and 2014 flooding," Carr said. "Mitigating the effects of natural hazards before they happen is critical to reducing the devastating social, personal and economic costs of recovering after the fact. With investments like these, we will make communities across Canada more resilient to climate change, and ensure residents and businesses can thrive for generations to come."

During times of flooding and highwater levels on Lake Manitoba, the new outlet channel will carry water directly from Lake Manitoba to Lake St. Martin. The Fairford River is the natural outlet to Lake St. Martin. The Lake St. Martin channel will move water directly to Lake Winnipeg. The Dauphin River is the natural outlet to Lake Winnipeg from Lake St. Martin.

The project consists of building two approximately 23-kilometre-long diversion channels: the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel will run north from Watchorn Bay on Lake Manitoba to Birch Bay on Lake St. Martin; the Lake St. Martin Outlet Channel will run northeast from Lake St. Martin to Lake Winnipeg south of Willow Point. The project also involves building two bridges and water control structures, a 24-kilovolt distribution line, and adjusting surrounding highway infrastructure.

The project will significantly reduce the flood damage experienced

by First Nations located along Lake St. Martin, complementing other regional flood protection infrastructure to ensure a more comprehensive provincial water control network that enables the province to effectively manage flows from the Assiniboine River and Lake Manitoba watersheds spanning Manitoba, southeast Saskatchewan and northeast North Dakota. Together, the channels will allow Manitoba to regulate lake levels and provide flood protection to individuals, businesses, communities and farmland around Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin. Once completed, this work will significantly enhance the region's ability to regulated water levels on both lakes and protect local Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities from flooding.

The new Lake Manitoba outlet channel is designed with a capacity of 7,500 cubic feet per second (cfs) and the Lake St. Martin channel will carry approximately 11,500 cfs at capacity. The current capacity of the Lake St. Martin Emergency Outlet Channel is approximately 4,000 cfs. The existing single Lake St. Martin emergency channel to Lake Winnipeg will be available on an emergency basis during construction. After the permanent channels are completed, the existing emergency channel will be modified for environmental support purposes, which are still being defined and developed.

The current proposed channel alignments are a result of evaluating several options for each channel. Construction of an access road to the Lake St. Martin construction area is underway. The remainder of construction could start as soon as fall 2019.

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Province provides fair say to municipalities for retail cannabis stores

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The Manitoba government is enabling municipalities to conduct plebiscites to prohibit cannabis retail stores, Municipal Relations Minister Jeff Wharton announced on June 18.

"We have consulted with municipalities throughout this process and some have indicated there may be a desire to prohibit retail cannabis sales within their communities," said Wharton. "By allowing municipalities to conduct plebiscites as soon as possible, we are providing everyone with a fair say in this process."

The province will be enacting several provisions for The Safe and Responsible Retailing of Cannabis Act, which will allow for plebiscites prohibiting cannabis retail stores. A plebiscite may be initiated by resolution of the municipal council or initiated by a petition signed by at least 20 per cent of the electors.

If a plebiscite to prohibit the sale of cannabis is held and approved, retail cannabis store licences may not be issued and any licences in effect are cancelled effective six months after the plebiscite.

Municipalities have a unique perspective to offer on the legal and regulatory framework for cannabis use. The Manitoba government wants to make sure municipalities have the tools to implement cannabis-related changes in ways that work best for their community and residents, said Wharton. The minister noted that in order to make a significant difference in reducing black market sales, the province has set a goal that within two years, 90 per cent of Manitobans should be able to access legal cannabis within a 30-minute drive or less.



Municipal Relations Minister and Gimli MLA Jeff Wharton

Summer Solstice concert at museum marks Indigenous Peoples Day

Canadian Museum for Human Rights

The summer solstice will be celebrated in the spirit of reconciliation at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights this Thursday on national Indigenous Peoples Day, with a free concert featuring Indian City, Kinnie Starr and Scott Nolan.

"One People, One Voice" has been

organized in partnership with Winnipeg artist Vince Fontaine, primary songwriter, guitarist and creative force behind the folk pop band Indian City, winner of the 2018 Indigenous Music Awards for Best Pop Album and 2018 Juno Award Nominee. Their powerful song "Through the Flood" was first performed live at the CMHR

last summer, sending a message of greater awareness for missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. Their 2017 album, Here & Now, was released during the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation, highlighting many of the past issues and relationship failures between Canada and Indigenous peoples.

"As long as the rivers run, the fire won't die," Fontaine said quoting a lyric from the album. "We'd like our music to create further awareness and help inspire action, support and education. It's not about pointing fingers, nor is it all doom and gloom. It's about moving forward into the next 150 years together."

Kinnie Starr is a celebrated hip hop and alternative rocker from Calgary who will release her new album Feed the Fire this fall. She was nominated for a Juno award for Best New Artist in 2004 and produced a 2010 Junoaward winning album for Digging Roots, which won Aboriginal Recording of the Year. Starr is an outspoken advocate for Indigenous rights and for people with diverse sexual orientations and gender identities.

Scott Nolan is one of Winnipeg's best-known folk singer-songwriters, a poet, producer and multi-instrumentalist. His 2017 Silverhill album, the ninth since 2003, has been called "a near-perfect match of song and player" by music reviewer Ink 19. He has been twice nominated for the Western Canadian Music Awards and regularly collaborates with Indian City alumni, including recent projects with Juno-award winning artist William Prince.

The evening will be emceed by David McLeod, general manager of NCI Radio, regarded as the "voice of Indigenous peoples" in Manitoba and broadcast across most of the province, including its northern communities and reserves. McLeod also manages sister station Now Country, which airs within Winnipeg, and oversees the Manitoba Aboriginal Music Hall of Fame.

The Summer Solstice concert will be held Thursday, June 21, 6 p.m. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.) at Bonnie & John Buhler Hall, CMHR, 85 Israel Asper Way.

To celebrate national Indigenous Peoples Day, the CMHR's Mikinak-Keya Spirit tour will also be offered for free on June 20 at 7 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and on June 21 at 3 p.m. This unique, 90-minute cultural experience invites participants to discover the powerful connection between First Nations' sacred knowledge and worldviews and the museum's architecture and human rights mandate.

Inspired by ceremony and living oral traditions of the Cree, Ojibway and Dakota peoples, the tour offers unique insight into the seven sacred teachings that call on each of us to take responsibility for how we live and treat each other. This special tour is the result of ongoing collaboration between the museum and a group of seven First Nations elders.

Exemplary service correction



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

In our story titled "Arborg-Bifrost fire department recognizes exemplary service" in the June 14 edition of the Express, we forgot to mention that volunteer firefighter Robert Hofer earned his Captain stripes in addition to earning a Top Training Attendance Award. Sorry for missing that and congratulations to Robert.

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One big carp is as good as a pickerel

Hi gang.

Something told me it was time to visit the anglers shore-fishing off the south rocky-sandy "flats" at Grand Marais last weekend. Once there, before me, a half-kilometre long line of anglers had forgotten about fishing as they watched, as I did, hundreds of giant carp erupting from the waves, rolling over each other in a frenzied spawning ritual. I stood with the others ankle deep in zebra mussel shells watching carp the size of big dogs heave themselves skyward and then belly flopping back underwater.

Later that day, I came upon a family group on the Red River bank by the old Selkirk bridge. "Did you catch anything yet?" I asked.

"We just got here," an averagedsized, quick-moving, quick-talking chap with a prominent chin and eyebrows said as he straightened his fishing line. "That's my wife Norma and I'm Patrick Paterson," he added.

While Pat busied himself with his gear, Norma, who grew up in Eriksdale, and I began recollecting fishing experiences when we were kids. She told this wonderful story about how in the spring her dad would take all the kids to a nearby Lake Manitoba channel where he would get into the water

and scoop suckers out with a pitchfork tossing them onto the grass. The kids would race about picking them up and putting them into the back of the truck. At home, mom would can them for winter and the ones that were left over (now remember, this was years ago when kids did home chores they might not do today) the kids got hatchets and cut the suckers up into little pieces for the chickens, dogs and cats to eat.

Now speaking of carp, downstream of Pat and Norma I came upon a chap by the name of Bill Grant who I had seen fishing on the river before. He was landing a big carp.

"Keep trying, Bill," I teased, taking a picture of him with the fish. "You'll get a pickerel sooner or later."

It was cool, calm and sunny last Friday on one of the most comfortable places to fish, the Hnausa pier, where I happened upon Dave and Tracy Unrau of Stonewall. Dave, a very aware guy with black straight hair and contrasting greying goatee, was a treasure trove of northern fishing stories.

One time, he and friends were boat fishing on Lac Brochet north of Lynn Lake and it was getting dark. Close by, a chap and his son were also boat fishing. In the still evening air, the men talked across the water and decided to camp together for the night. After making shore, starting a fire and laying out their gear, the father and son (sorry, their names are long forgotten) gave Dave's gang a lesson in camp cooking. Everyone cleaned enough fish and then the father speared them on sticks and set them on an angle over the fire, bellies open to the flame. They boiled water and then put coffee grounds in cups, poured hot water over it and drank it while they watched the skins of the cooking fish slowly curl up. When the skins were brown, holding buttered bread to the fish, they pulled the fillets right off them for sandwiches. Now that's camping.

While Dave was telling this story, a tall, thin fellow with white hair and beard across the pier caught a small pickerel. He brought it to Dave, saying, "We're leaving. You can have this fish if you want it." He introduced himself as Jim Kehler from Poplarfield.

"Sure, thanks," Dave said. He strung the fish, dropped it in the water and continued with another story.

A while back, he and Tracy, who I might mention was a cute lady with dark hair in a ponytail, were boat fishing on Echo Lake as they had for years



EXPRESS PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDLBill Grant with a big carp he caught from the Red River.

and were over what Dave called their "secret pickerel hole." He was playing with his underwater camera and was startled to see a four-foot-long jackfish streak into view and clamp its giant mouth completely over the head of a stringed pickerel they had previously caught. Dave was in no mood to have their fish stolen, so he took his oar and, using the camera to see underwater, he began smacking the jack on the snout with the oar's pointy end. After a few smacks, the jack got the message and left. I rose to leave, laughing, as Dave picked up his rod saying, "It's been a while, I better check my bait."

Reeling in, the rod began trembling fiercely and out from the water sprang a hooked 16-inch pickerel.

"With Jim's fish you guys have enough for supper," I kidded them as I got in my car.

See you next week. Bye.

Main Market Road Funding agreement streamlined, renewed

Ry Jeff Ward

Municipalities that received Main Market Road (MMR) funding from the province to cover the cost of road repairs will continue to see those dollars come in but in a more streamlined way.

The five-year agreement with 12 RMs in Manitoba, which includes Grahamdale, Armstrong and Fisher, ended March 31 of this year.

It was unknown at that time if the government

would renew the funding agreement. The agreement funded 100 per cent of the road maintenance costs for any road within an RM with the MMR designation, which are the most used roads within the municipality.

Grahamdale Reeve Clifford Halaburda said during an interview with the *Express* in 2016 that if the funding was not renewed, it would result in a tax hike for his residents. Grahamdale re-

ceived the second highest amount at \$350,000 of \$2.7 million. Fisher received \$180,000 and Armstrong \$230,000.

Beginning this year, the funding will be moved into each municipality's operating grant based on the share they received in 2017-18.

"The municipal operating grant is part of the Manitoba government's basket funding model, which was established in 2017, designed to provide municipalities with a fair say in how their funding can be invested, allowing them to invest in their own priority projects," a provincial spokesperson said.

Minister for Municipal Relations Jeff Wharton said that this change will streamline the funding process, while maintaining financial support and reducing uncertainty for these communities, allowing them to plan for future projects.

"Our government continues to review current processes to find ways to reduce red tape, while still providing a fair say for municipalities," said Wharton.

"We made a promise to provide municipalities with streamlined processes for accessing infrastructure dollars and we are continuing to deliver. After review and consultation with the 12 municipalities, we are changing the way this funding is delivered to provide greater certainty and flexibility for the communities."



Lundar grads purchase state-of-the art water fountain

A new water fountain equipped with a water bottle filling station at Lundar School will help keep bottles out of our landfills and hopefully encourage students to drink more water.

The fountain, which was made possible by the 2017 graduating class, encourages students to fill their reusable water bottles while reducing dependency on disposable plastic water bottles and providing energy savings and environment-friendly practices.

Lundar School success coach Carla Sweetland was on the 2017 grad committee. When she informed past students they had nearly \$1,600 left in their account from their fundraising efforts, they asked that the money be used to do something for the students still learning within the building.

"So when they decided to buy a water fountain, we asked the school, who said it was OK to use the money that way," said Sweetland.

"There were a few ideas that they threw around like a bench, but in the end, they decided to do a water fountain and a small plaque above it that says 'Generously donated by the class

Sweetland explained that the idea of

having a water bottle filling station in the school was one that the 2017 grads were excited about. The students wanted something that could act as their legacy and gives back to the students and staff, while also working to make the world a better place by reducing waste.

The fountain was installed on Earth Day, April 22, and its read-out of bottles saved from landfills is now over 2,000. The fountain is a state-of-theart design made by Elkay that delivers filtered water at a rate of 1.5 gallons per minute. Sweetland explained that there typically isn't this much money left over after grad as most of it gets spent but it's up to students how they spend their fundraised dollars. Sometimes they choose to do less decorations or less of something else that saves them money. In previous years, that remaining money would be rolled into what the following year's graduating class would use for fundraising. The grads had just enough money to buy the fountain, and the Lakeshore School Division covered the remaining taxes and cost of the install.

The fountain was installed in a central location in the school so that both early years and high school students



EXPRESS PHOTO BY CARLA SWEETLAND

Lundar Early year students Erik Johnson, left, and Carmen Thorgilsson, middle, fill up their bottles at their new water fountain. Money raised by Sydney Thorgilsson's, right, graduating class last year helped pay for the new fountain.

can use it freely.

"We've had a few grads come back this year and take a look at it and they're very proud of what they were able to do for the school," Sweetland

The 2017 graduating class's generosity will be felt for many years as the

water fountain is used by thirsty students. It's a nice memento, Sweetland said, that students decades from now will use. They can fill up their bottle, look up and see that it was the graduating class of 2017 who made this a reality.

Riverton crime-fighting group, RCMP to hold public meeting

By Patricia Barrett

Riverton is about to launch an initiative to deter rural crime after a spate of break-ins and other dubious activities have prompted the formation of a community crime-fighting group.

Calling itself the Bifrost-Riverton Community Involvement Group (CIG), the organization will be holding a public meeting June 25 at the Riverton Hall to inform the community about what's been happening and to get their feedback.

CIG stakeholders — which include citizens, business owners, RCMP officers and staff from the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority's health clinic — have been meeting regularly since May to come up with ideas for monitoring the town and helping the RCMP with its inquiries.

"There's been a string of break and enters, and the conversation in the community is that young people are involved," said former Riverton mayor Clif Evans, who's one of CIG's founding members and is helping organize the meeting."We have young kids out at night after 10 p.m. during the week and in the wee hours, as well as on weekends, defacing property and engaging in other activities."

A few weeks ago, youth broke into

a grocery store, and Evans said he believes the RCMP identified them. And as in any community, rural or urban, drugs have made inroads and could be playing a role in the commission of crimes. There have also been complaints of youth riding around on quads at all hours of the day and night.

Evans said townsfolk believe the majority of crimes are being committed by local vouth rather than kids from outside the community. And to that end, CIG hopes to engage parents and guardians, the high school and the Evergreen School Division in order to address the root causes of youth crime and come up with ways to engage them.

In the meantime, CIG is considering a number of initiatives to deter crime, including installing cameras around town and crime watch signs, implementing a youth curfew and forming a Citizens on Patrol Program (COPP).

There are over 60 COPP groups across the province, comprised of local of volunteers who are trained and supported by Manitoba Public Insurance, the RCMP and other law enforcement agencies.

"There are people willing to patrol Riverton at two in the morning," said

Bifrost-Riverton Community Involvement Group

Public Meeting June 25, 2018

7:00pm-9:00pm

Riverton Community Hall

PHOTO COURTESY OF BIFROST-RIVERTON COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GROUP CIG will be holding a public meeting June 25 at the Riverton Hall to gather feedback from the community about ways to deter crime.

Evans. "It's been done before."

CIG has already made presentations to local organizations, such as the Riverton Elks, in order to raise awareness of its intent, encourage people to attend the public meeting and become a member of CIG. It has also put up posters around town informing the public about the event.

RCMP Cpl. Dave Spakowski will be leading the June 25 meeting, which will include presentations from Manitoba COPP representative Bill Bracegirdle and other community groups.

The Canadian Red Cross, which has a number of youth initiatives, may also

"It will be open to the public from Riverton and the Bifrost municipality," said Evans. "We'll have an agenda, presentations and feedback sessions. We'll be saying, 'Here are the issues. What do you think?"

The meeting will be held Monday, June 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Riverton Community Hall, 175 Reggie

Interlake Relay for Life walk celebrates survivors

By Patricia Barrett

The Interlake Relay for Life event last Saturday in Winnipeg Beach honoured cancer survivors and those who died from the disease, drawing over 100 participants and nine teams.

The 12-hour fundraiser for the Canadian Cancer Society featured a survivors' victory lap, luminary ceremony at dusk, silent auction, poker derby and a Dunk the Mayors contest. The Gimli High School Jazz Orchestra and the Biivver Band provided musical entertainment.

Before survivors were saluted by an honour guard and invited to take the first lap around town centre and the seawall, organizers and guest speakers took to the bandstand stage.

Winnipeg Beach Mayor Tony Pimentel encouraged participants to enjoy every moment they have with loved ones.

"The most important thing with cancer are the friends and families that support us," he said. "I'm so proud of our communities — [Gimli], Winnipeg Beach and Dunnottar. We all stand together and support each other."

Gimli Mayor Randy Woroniuk, who has battled prostate cancer twice, told the crowd that cancer changed his outlook on life.

"I'm a pretty big guy. I grew up in the [Winnipeg] North End and walked the streets there, but nothing scares you more than the C word," said Woroniuk. "One thing [cancer] taught me is that I don't take life for granted anymore. And I've always said if I lose my sense of humour, it's time to get out. But even as a mayor, I haven't lost my sense of humour!"

True to his word, Woroniuk remained upbeat when he and Pimentel fell into a rather sharp debate about the Dunk the Mayor event, which contributes funds to the relay.

Last year Pimentel had secretly secured warm water for himself, leaving Woroniuk to endure icy blasts. Pimentel claimed he"wasn't told"there were rules about water temperature. This year, the water was equally cold for



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Selkirk Interlake Eastman MP James Bezan (left) got into the swing of things to dunk the mayors.



Interlake Relay for Life Chair Betty Loewen.

both mayors, who willingly endured buck after bucket dumped over their heads. Selkirk-Interlake Eastman MP James Bezan joined a long queue to get a few shots in at the mayors, who huddled together in fear.

Prostate cancer survivor Bill Martin, who's participated in five relays and has raised almost \$1,700 with his 234



Gimli MLA Jeff Wharton shared a story of cancer touching his family.

Road Warriors team, said survivors are the heart and soul of the relay.

"It doesn't matter if you were diagnosed 10 years ago or last week," he said. "We honour your strength and courage. You are an inspiration and everyone here can't wait to walk with you."

Survival rates have increased from



Winnipeg Beach Mayor Tony Pimentel and Gimli Mayor Randy Woroniuk endured multiple dunks to fundraise for cancer research.



Sharon Mulder and her husband Bill Martin, who's on the Interlake Relay for Life Committee, share a tender moment.

25 per cent in the 1940s to 60 per cent today, said Martin. "There's a reason to hope, and we're going to make it better."

Relay for Life events have raised over \$25 million to date, attracting more than 110,000 people who take part in one of the hundreds of relays across the country.

Interlake gearing up for a busy summer with new rec programmers

By Jeff Ward

The Lakeshore Recreation Commission will have four new programmers working this summer in each service centre to establish new recreation options for people of all ages.

Recreation and wellness co-ordinator Charlene Bodnarchuk explained that there will be a full-time staff member in Grahamdale, Fisher Branch, Eriksdale and Ashern. These programmers will be working to identify and understand the demographics of the community and build a plan for activities that people of all ages can enjoy. Recreation programmers are currently being interviewed and begin working at the end of June. They have summer contracts and will work until the end of August.

"We're a commission that serves four RMs but we have only one fulltime employee," said Bodnarchuk, referring to herself.

"It's a very big area to service and putting on programs in every single area is a difficult task — we're probably not doing enough. But what we're hoping to do with these positions is to build something new off of the pilot

program we did in Lundar last year."

That pilot program featured an array of fun public activities including geocaching, bike rodeos and a street hockey tournament. Bodnarchuk said she got great feedback from residents who took part and felt that this summer was the time to fan out and bring

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A challenging, immaculate 18-hole golf course awaits in Teulon

The par-72 Teulon Golf and Country Club is a course that plays well above its price point. Immaculate greens, carved fairways and a challenging layout are just some of the reasons to play this course.

The front nine will lull you into a false sense of security with some forgiving fairways and large greens, but make no mistake, errant tee shots are always punishing. Many greens are protected by bunkers and attacking the pin from anything but the perfect angle on some holes requires you to go up and over some tall trees.

Hole five is a 120yd par 3 that asks players to stare down a big pond on the right with a fountain in the middle. The tee shot does look intimidating but it's a hole that has a wow factor that really leaves an impression. The green is large and forgiving for players who stray a bit from their line, however the shelved nature of the green can make for some tough putts. It plays like a signature hole that any golf course would love to

For longer hitters the par 4 eighth is a chance for some risk/reward as it's only 275yds from the white tee box. The catch here is that the dogleg right has a tight fairway festooned with bunkers. To attack the green from the tee box requires a perfectly struck fade for right handed golfers to carve the ball left to right. A steep challenge for sure, but the reward of a possible eagle two is pretty entic-

The back nine is more difficult than the opening half with much more water in play and some very clever green-side bunkers. The par 3 12th is a straight away shot with two pot bunkers on the front edge of the green. The difficulty here is the yardage at 194 from the white tees, this hole will put your long irons or hybrid play to the test.

One of the more unique aspects to Teulon Golf and Country Club is the three-par fives on the back nine, and back to back par fives on the 13th and 14th holes. There are some good opportunities to get some strokes back on those holes, but a combination of pure distance and good accuracy is needed to thread the needle on some tough approach shots.

All in all, the course is a great time for golfers who are seasoned play-



ers or those just starting the game. The variety of holes and features the course offers means every hole plays wildly different and will test a new part of your game.

To book a tee time you can call the proshop at 204-886-

EXPRESS PHOTOS BY JEFF WARD

The par 3 fifth hole is a beautiful signature piece at Teulon Golf and Country Club. The 120yd hole has a large green with a very challenging shelf to it that makes for some tough putts.



of Teulon







Steep Rock camper committee helps assemble play structure

By Jeff Ward

A group of hard-working seasonal campers helped erect a new play structure for the kids two weeks ago at Steep Rock Beach Park in an effort to continue to improve the campground experience.

Campground manager Lana Gabbs explained that when the campers' committee formed last year, their main goal was to pitch in and help with smaller projects around the park. Last year campers helped make new picnic benches and organized a per-

ogy dinner fundraiser. The money raised from that fundraiser was used to purchase this new play structure.

Gabbs explained that 30 campers came out to help build the structure and that it only took three hours to complete.

"They started at 9 a.m. and there were kids playing on it after lunch," said Gabbs.

"The response we get for volunteers is always amazing, but this group is really incredible. Trevor had called me over the radio that day and said, 'You

better get over here and look at this.' When I got there, I was shocked at how many people were there. It took my breath away."

Gabbs said that even the children of the campers were out helping do what they could, like shovelling. She said it would've taken one staff member a few days to assemble the whole thing alone. To have so many campers come together made it, they could focus their attention on other places.

Gabbs said that the effort from the committee is heartening because

these are people that are paying to stay there. They're under no obligation to do things like this.

"We don't like to stress people out with stuff like this. People come here to decompress and that's totally fine. We want them to relax and have fun. But when we do things like this, it's such a great team and community building thing," she said.

Gabbs explained that the committee will work this weekend to build more picnic tables to add to the new ones they built last year.







EXPRESS PHOTOS BY LANA GABBS

Volunteers from the campers' committee worked hard to erect a new play structure at the Steep Rock Beach Park.







Peguis RCMP respond to fatal motor vehicle rollover

Staff

Peguis RCMP responded to a report of a single vehicle rollover on West Road in Peguis First Nation at approximately 2 a.m. on June 16.

The initial investigation has determined that the vehicle, with a total of six adult occupants, left the roadway and rolled. The driver, a 26-year-old female from Wabowden, was pronounced deceased on scene. All five of the passengers, ranging in ages from 25 to 52, were transported to hospital in stable condition with various injuries.

It does not appear as though seat belts were being used and alcohol is believed to be a factor.

The investigation is ongoing.

Whytewold Emporium, Interlake crêperie a hidden gem

By Melissa McIvor

There are few things this gal loves more than a warm, chewy crêpe and fresh, cheesy pizza, and Whytewold Emporium delivers on both.

Karen and Jan Coté are the minds behind the popular Dunnottar destination. The couple purchased the location at 190 Gimli Rd., back when it was still an old lumberyard, in 2004 and converted the space into a greenhouse in 2005 to share Karen's love of flowers with the community.

"The trouble is that in the Interlake it rains all the time so there wasn't enough revenue coming in off of that," explained Jan, who also works in marketing at Syngenta Canada.

"The greenhouse has a very short season too," added Karen, who has a seasonal position at Kletke Seed Farm near Teulon. "Normally I try to close after the July long weekend. So then the idea was coming up with something else we could do."

The ideas have been flowing steadily ever since.

Around 2006, with help from Keystone Masonry and Integrity Foods, they built a brick oven and started serving wood-fired pizza.

Five years ago, the Cotés constructed the current restaurant space that locals and other loyal patrons flock to from miles around.

Today, in addition to the greenhouse and creative wood-fired and ovenbaked pizzas, Whytewold Emporium offers an eclectic mix of antiques, leather goods by Hides in Hand, imported sterling silver jewelry and live evening entertainment. Between the restaurant and the adjoining older buildings, the Cotés employ up to



The Butterscotch Pecan Crêpe from the menu at Whtyewold Emporium.

32 part-time staff members, many of whom are students.

The second floor of the restaurant will soon house a parlour where visitors can purchase fudge made inhouse and gelato from Nucci's on Corydon Avenue in Winnipeg.

But what they're best known for is their Brittany-style crêpes.

"My mom's parents come from Brittany," explained Jan, though they did not give him the crêpe recipe he uses today.

"We did lots of searching and lots of trial and error but I think sour cream is our secret ingredient," he revealed.

Jan also believes the preparation of their crêpes sets them apart from the competition.

"There are different styles of crêpes," explained Jan. "I know one lady said she is used to a very, very paper thin kind of crêpe that gets rolled up and baked in the oven and has a sauce. That's totally different from what we do."

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Whytewold Emporium owners Jan and Karen Coté.



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New B&B offers beautiful retreat on Lake Winnipeg

By Melissa McIvor

With summer just around the corner and many Manitobans looking to lounge lakeside, one couple has opened the doors of what is sure to be a destination hotspot on Lake Winnipeg.

Aaron's on the Lake newly renovated bed and breakfast located at 311 Gimli Rd. in the community of Dunnottar, just five kilometres south of Winnipeg Beach off Highway 9 held a grand opening on June 9.

The business is owned and run by husband and wife duo Randy and Eleanore McMahon who purchased the lakeside property in 2015 and named it after their middle son.

"We used to have a little cottage a few blocks away that was 440 square feet. We always planned that we wanted to do a bed and breakfast so we were sort of thinking of building on that property," said Eleanore.

"Long story short, we ended up buying this property in September 2015 because it went up for sale and somebody said, 'You need to check that out that's a really cool property.' So we came to look at it and it was better than we could have expected because it has all these out buildings that we could turn into guest cottages. This way they have their privacy and we have our privacy."

The property was originally built in the 1920s by local brewer Patrick Shea, owner of Shea's Brewery.

"They eventually sold out to Labatt's but they built it as a summer retreat. Shea was actually really into the Clydesdale horses. They used to get their horses from Scotland and Ireland and put them in competitions and they'd win a lot of awards. The horses used to actually pull their beer wagons around," explained Eleanore.

"Eventually the owners of Anheuser-Busch actually caught wind of the fact that they were winning all of these awards so they ended up approaching Shea and bought all their Clydesdale horses. So now all the Clydesdales that you see in the Anheuser-Busch commercials are offspring of those horses. I'm sure they never had the horses out here [at the summer house] but it's just a bit of history."

Despite the success of their business, the personal lives of Shea and his wife Margaret Burns were plagued by loss.

"They had five children. Three of



EXPRESS PHOTO BY MELISSA MCIVOR

Aaron's on the Lake Bed & Breakfast owners Randy and Eleanore McMahon, in front of the newly restored bunkhouse.

them died in infancy, "Another died at the age of 13 and then the last one passed away when he was 33 and he died just a few months after his father in 1933," Eleanore said.

"There was a guy called John T. Boyd who actually somehow took over the property. We don't know if he bought it but he started as an office clerk at Shea's Brewery and he worked his way all his way up and when [Patrick] and his son passed away Margaret asked him to run the brewery. So somehow he managed to get this property along with it."

Remnants of the former tenants can still be seen around the lakeside property. The Shea's Irish heritage is on display in the shamrock designs cut into the exterior window shutters of the main house. A sign hangs in the kitchen that once helped staff identify ringing chamber bells and Boyd's name is legible on both sides of the screen by the fireplace.

Today, the main building serves as Randy and Eleanore's personal residence and a communal breakfast space for their guests. Visitors can choose from three self-contained guest suites, each with gleaming hardwood floors, comfortable queen-sized beds, gas or electric fireplaces, stately pieces of antique furniture, and stylishly modern, private bathrooms.

The aptly named Gardenview guesthouse sits behind the main house. The former maid quarters and laundry room is accessed through a private screened-in porch, complete with shabby-chic wicker furniture and a pleasing light colour palette.

Lakeview and Pierview rooms are located inside the lakeside bunkhouse, where the dark wood-panelled suites are separated by a communal kitchenette. Guests are welcome to use the screened-in gazebo that shares the bunkhouse deck, which offers a quiet spot to watch the waves.

Randy and Eleanore both grew up in Teulon and found work as civil servants. Eleanore enjoyed a 30-year career in the provincial court system and Randy worked with Manitoba Hydro for 33 years.

With help, Randy spent the majority of the last two years renovating the property to prepare it for their grand opening.

"We totally redid all of the landscaping," said Eleanore. "The outside buildings had to be all winterized so they were all lifted. We also moved the bunkhouse two feet. It's been pretty extensive stuff."

"We brought everything up to today's standard and today's code," added Randy. "We salvaged some of the siding from the building and put it back inside and painted it. I tried to reclaim and reuse a lot of stuff."

"Everything is recycled or upcycled," Eleanore continued. "We're trying to be very environmentally focused as much as we can."

The couple also grows their own produce to use in meals for their guests.

"I've got 19 different tomato varieties that I've planted," Eleanore said. "We're hoping for lots of herbs and things like that. We hope that in time as much of the breakfast will be from the garden as possible."

Guests with food allergies will also find that the McMahons are very accommodating hosts.

"Our very first guest was vegan-gluten free!" Eleanore said with a laugh. "They are the ones who have come



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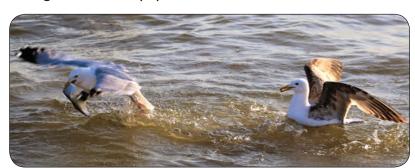
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Commercial harvest

EXPRESS PHOTOS BY PATRICIA BARRETT

The opening of the summer commercial fishery for Lake Winnipeg fisher Kris Isfeld means 12- to 14-hour work days. Isfeld takes to the lake twice a day to check his nets, accompanied by a flock of his biggest fans. Barely a minute out of Winnipeg Beach's marina and the scene takes on shades of Alfred Hitchcock's The Birds. For about three miles, a multitude of gulls and pelicans trail Isfeld's boat then come in for a landing as he hauls up the nets. Beaks inevitably clash as the birds battle for a piece of fish going spare. Removing netting from the fish is kind of like shucking corn. Once ashore, Isfeld spends several hours dressing (remove heads, gills and entrails), filleting and filling out loads of paperwork.















Amended Fish Marketing Regulation an attack on commercial fishers

By Patricia Barrett

Sustainable Development's amendments to its six-month-old Fish Marketing Regulation has undone a few safeguards that were part of the original and has critics saying it could lead to the further exploitation of Manitoba's commercial fishers.

The amended regulation, which took effect May 23, was obtained by NDP environment critic Rob Altemeyer, who's been monitoring the downward spiral of the Conservatives' open market experiment since its launch Dec. 1, 2017.

Sustainable Development expunged section 13(2), which stated fishers had to be paid no later than seven days after selling their fish. Provincially licensed fish dealers are now under no legal obligation to pay fishers. Even when it was law, Donald Salkeld, Manitoba's most famous fish dealer, failed to follow it

Altemeyer brought the "exponentially worse" regulation to question period June 6 and 7, but failed to get any answers from Premier Brian Pallister and SD Minister Rochelle Squires.

"The government just had to start enforcing [section 13(2)] and it would have been a step forward," said Altemeyer last week. "Instead the government has said, 'We don't care if fishers get paid anymore or when they get paid. We're taking that requirement out altogether.'"

The department also took whiteout to clauses requiring that fish price be recorded as well as a fisher's individual quota number.

"All fishers should be opposed to a weakening of the quota system because that's how we make sure the fishery is operating sustainably," said Altemeyer. "If the government is no longer tracking how much fish is being caught under which quota, how on earth do we really know what's going on?"

Sustainable Development added a clause that will, by all appearances, allow anyone — a plumber, an astronaut, a telemarketer — to purchase fish on behalf of a fish dealer as long as the department is informed.

Altemeyer said the changes signal the government's support of the middleman, who historically (before the advent of the Freshwater Fish Marketing Company) exploited fishers. But they also go against the government's ultimate goal, which is to encourage private enterprise.

"If fishers know they have zero protection from fish dealers, I think the odds of them signing with a new dealer have dropped even further."

Lake Manitoba fisher Frank Kenyon said he's grateful to the Tories for introducing the open market as it's prompted a rise in fish prices, but he's lost faith in them and their oft-repeated promises to watch fishers' backs.

"They've let us down completely [with this new regulation]. We don't trust the provincial Conservatives to help us anymore," he said. "They're bound



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT Kris Isfeld said Sustainable Development didn't consult fishers on the amended regulation,

consult fishers on the amended regulation, which took effect May 23.

to lose a lot of votes. I know that firm Conservative voters in Ashern said if they don't take the licence away from the buyers that cheated us, and we don't get our money, in the next election we won't vote for them."

Fishers that ventured into the no-man's land called Northern Walleye Inc., a place that exists only in the Companies Office registry under the name of Salkeld's wife, were gutted a few weeks after the open market took effect. Six months on, they're still about \$1 million out of pocket.

Squires religiously cites better fish prices whenever she's tasked by the opposition to account for the \$1 million that the Ashern, Eddystone, Waterhen and Dawson Bay fish sheds say Salkeld owes them, as well as for his alleged shipping of fish in filthy fertilizer containers and his magical ability to hang on to a valid fish dealer's licence.

And she can only be referring to one thing with the better-prices mantra: the Tories' 49-year-old arch-nemesis that goes by the name of Freshwater. She can't possibly mean Northern Walleye because Salkeld and his helpers — some of whom worked for him while he was president of Freshwater and were, incidentally, shown the door around the same time he was — vanished like a meteorite into the firmament, leaving behind a debris trail of hundreds of unpaid fishers and a trucking company demanding compensation for running fish down to Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Timbuktu.

The Promised Land has indeed arrived for Manitoba's commercial fishers, at least for the 99 per cent who've signed contracts with FFMC. The reason for the influx is that FFMC pays its fishers and, furthermore, pays them for whatever species they deliver. It also pays them a year-end bonus and provides EI benefits. And faced with the prospect of competi-

tion, it has been steadily hiking its fish prices.

Kenyon is the first to remind people that he once had nothing good to say about FFMC, but an attempted "let's dick the fishers" bribe that he said Salkeld and American processor Mike Schafer laid on him and his WMM Co-op last year, and the speedy siphoning of that \$1 million worth of fish, has brought home the importance of integrity and reliability.

"Last season I made \$5,000 more," said Kenyon, referring to FFMC's better prices. "That could mean two new Ski-Doos [for ice fishing]. And we expect some increase in the fall and a good final payment."

In addition to calling for their money, the revocation of Salkeld's licence and evidence the department is pursuing an investigation, fishers told Squires during meetings in Gimli and Eriksdale they wanted her to protect them by writing into the regulation a requirement that fish dealers be bonded. That didn't happen.

"If these dealers want to buy \$1 million worth of fish in one month, they have to have \$1 million in their bank account or the hell with them," said Kenyon. "Simple as that. We can't have any more of this."

When contacted about the amended regulation, Sustainable Development said fishers will have to manage their own affairs henceforward.

"Fishers ultimately will make a decision with respect to whom they sell their fish based on the terms of the written agreements that might be offered to them or negotiated by them, including payment schedules, and based on their and other fishers experiences with the payment history of specific fish dealers," said a spokesperson by email last Friday.

Despite the spokesperson's claim that fishers had been alerted to the new amendment via a news release (a May 23 release doesn't mention the changes noted above) and "significant media coverage" (CBC noted a lifting of the catfish ban), fishers from lakes Winnipeg and Manitoba — including Indigenous fishing communities — told the *Express* they had no idea to find it on the government's website.

When Altemeyer asked fisher and Lake Winnipeg Fishery Co-management Board representative Kris Isfeld if he knew about the amendments, Isfeld told him he hadn't.

Isfeld forwarded a missive to the government, which Altemeyer read into the legislative record: "It's just another example in a long line of actions and decisions made within the secretive closed doors of the Department of Sustainable Development that is designed to negatively impact commercial fishers," he wrote. "That is why they are repeatedly and ruthlessly attacking our industry, one that has proven itself sustainable and historically successful for generations."

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events like those to all the other service areas.

These events can even have cross promotion. Bodnarchuk offered the example of teams who are in a street hockey tournament battling it out to be the best in their area. Then when all areas have one winning team, they come together for a final tournament to establish a winner. "Play On in Winnipeg does this in their communities and I think it's something we could have a lot of fun with here," she said.

The programmers will be visible in the community and Bodnarchuk will make it a point to introduce them to members of council where they're stationed. She wants future councils to prioritize budgeting for these employees so that these activities can be year-round.

"We're hoping to grab the attention of some councillors. We want to grow our rec commission. We're huge in terms of service area but we're limited with what we can do because it's just me. The end goal is to create a happy, healthy community and I think councillors want that too," said Bodnarchuk.

Summer recreation events should start popping up soon, so keep your eyes peeled for new opportunities to get involved.

Lundar hosted successful MB Simmental Summer Show

The Manitoba Simmental Association's summer show was hosted in Lundar for the first time in nearly a decade during the Lundar Fair earlier this month with an extremely positive response.

The summer show is a judging competition where breeders compete and earn points towards larger shows like the National Simmental Show.

Association director and Lundar resident, Angela Thorgilsson said that after she was recently elected to the board the idea to host the annual show came up. Lundar Agricultural Society secretary/treasurer, Cynthia Wirgau brought the idea to Thorgilsson and then submitted her letter of request. Communities wanting to host the show have to submit a letter to be considered and directors vote on who they think will be the best host. Thorgilsson said that it's been about eight years since Lundar hosted the show. Once it was voted on for Lundar to host, Thorgilsson and the Ag Society worked hard to make sure they did Lundar proud.

"To me this was a big deal because it might be another eight to 10 years before the show comes back here," said Thorgilsson.

"I wanted to go big and make sure it was special for everyone involved. Lundar is kind of the hub for



EXPRESS PHOTO BY ANGELA THORGILSSON The Manitoba Simmental Association held their annual summer show during the Lundar Fair a few weeks ago. It was the first time in nearly a decade the show was here.

showing cattle in the Interlake and I think it played the perfect host for the show. The Lundar fair is fairly large too and it brings a lot of people out of the woodwork."

Thorgilsson said that they made a float for the parade complete with banners and the Manitoba Simmental logo. Thorgilsson said they don't know when the show will be back in Lundar so it was important to make it special and make people aware

During and following the show Thorgilsson got good feedback from other directors and participants in the contest. Association president Andrea Bertholet made the trip from Cartwright to take in the show and provided support for Thorgilsson.

"She told me she was blown away by the show and our community. Another mutual friend of ours who came down also said that Andrea was really blown away. This is our community on a big stage and I'm so glad people enjoyed our effort," said Thorgilsson.

Many of the people competing at the show will take their animals to the Young Canadian Simmental Association National Classic later this year in Olds, Alta.

"So they'll hopefully be talking about how good their experience was here in Lundar and it'll get our name out there even more,"Thorgilsson said.

The Manitoba Simmental Association does like to share the show around the province and likely won't double dip in Lundar anytime soon. But with how well the community performed a few weeks ago, the wait for another summer show might not be that long.

> B&B, FROM PG. 14

back twice and she's posted pictures and has just been so excited about the food. I like to cook but I also like to learn new things so it was really great for me to learn what I can cook. Vegan gluten-free is a lot easier than you would think. We made chickpea sausages for her and gluten-free carrot muffins. It was fun to explore."

Aaron's on the Lake is also only a short distance away from many activities for any season. Bikes and tennis rackets are available to borrow on-site with a tennis court only a few minutes away.

A natural rock staircase has also been added to the shoreline to allow guests easy access to the lake.

"There are beautiful places to walk around here," said Eleanore, "There's a walk that you can take all the way along the point and then as you turn along it there's this great big beach. It's a beautiful area that people just aren't familiar with."

The B&B is open-year round to offer its guests a cozy winter-retreat and opportunities to cross-country ski

"We are really hoping people will appreciate the value of a quick getaway in the winter," Eleanore continued. "This past winter we just loved it out here. Winter is so beautiful and you just don't appreciate it as much in the

Aaron's on the Lake will also host Rest. Restore. Renew., a wellness retreat offered by Marla Barr, Eleanore's niece and owner of Bliss Body Wellness. From Aug. 24 to 27, participants will stay at the B&B and enjoy three days of wellness group discussion, yoga, meditation, cooking classes and breath work.

Two spots remain at \$650 per person for a double occupancy room or \$825 per person based on a single occupancy room. The deadline to register is Aug. 1.

Rooms at Aaron's on the Lake are available for \$120 per night (plus taxes) or \$700 per week (plus taxes), based on double occupancy. To book your lakeside escape, and for more information on the upcoming wellness retreat, visit www.aaronsonthelake.ca, email aaronsonthelake@ gmail.com or call 204-223-1690.

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"We are very traditional. We are not using Teflon; we use cast iron grills that we imported from France and that they use over there. So we thought that was pretty traditional. And all that's on there as a coating is olive oil."

The resulting crêpe is spongy and perfectly moist with an even texture throughout. The butterscotch pecan dessert crêpe was out-ofthis-world delicious with just the right amount

"The crêpe batter is being made fresh all the time," Jan continued. "When [our staff] are cooking as fast as they do, they need to have it very consistent so we found a recipe that holds together well."

The menu at Whtyewold Emporium includes a selection of sweet and savoury crêpes with a variety of fillings. Savoury selections include fresh garden vegetables, home-grown herbs, cheese, locally made sausage and sweet and smoky marinated BBQ chicken. Sweet creations use ingredients like jam, Nutella and fresh, often local, fruit.

"Lemon is very traditional," said Jan. "It's just lemon and a little bit of sugar. But some of the creations we've come up with, like the Apple Jack, are actually ones the staff have created themselves. We look at the menu in the springtime and we revisit it. We've got some that we've had on there forever, especially on the savoury menu."

The menu's showstopper is the Decadent Crêpe, which features bananas, fresh berries and other exotic fruits, ice cream, whipped cream, maple syrup and chocolate sauce. Your choice of liqueur can also be added for an ad-

Gluten-free crêpes are not currently on the menu though oven-baked, seven-inch glutenfree pizzas are available. They also have a selection of gluten-free salad dressings. Breakfast and burgers are also on the menu and visitors are welcome to bring their own gluten-free bread, or to enjoy filler-free burgers wrapped in lettuce.

As of Father's Day weekend, Whytewold Emporium will also offer their barbecue menu for the season. After 5 p.m., visitors can enjoy rib meals and half chicken dinners made over a Trager wood pellet grill using mesquite and hickory.

'When it's smoking it draws people in from the highway," Jan remarked. Unseasoned roasted chickens can be requested ahead of time to accommodate gluten allergies.

Just as Whtyewold Emporium has continued to grow over the years, so too has its loyal fanbase.

"We have several customers that are here multiple times a week and are very loyal and have been for years," said Karen. "And we have people who used to live in the area that have moved away and still come back at least once a year just to see us and have some food. Then we have people who have heard about us through friends and they've come up from Winnipeg for the day. And even the odd time you'll get somebody from as close as Winnipeg Beach say, 'I didn't even know you were here!'

"It's funny because we get discovered just about every day in the summer," added Jan.

"We've had people from France that say our crêpes are just as good as the French ones," Karen continued. "Denmark, Germany, Africa; you get lots of tourists in the Interlake in the summer. It's always interesting."

Whytewold Emporium's seasonal hours vary from spring to fall and can be found on their website at www.wwemporium.com or by calling 204-389-4567. Upcoming entertainment schedules are also posted on their website. When planning your visit, note that wood-fired pizzas are only available after 4 p.m.

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Regular seasons wrapping up for Midget 'AA' teams

Staff

The Grosse Isle Jays defeated the Red River Pioneers 9-8 on June 13 in Midget "AA" baseball action.

On June 11, Grosse Isle crushed the Tuxedo Lightning 8-3.

With those two victories, the Jays improved their league record to 3-8. Grosse Isle started the season with four consecutive losses and is in seventh place in the eight-team league.

The Jays hosted the Bonivital Red Sox on Monday evening but no score was available at press time.

Grosse Isle will visit the Fort Garry

Giants Wednesday (6:30 p.m.) at Sandusky Park and then host the first-place North Winnipeg Marauders on Sunday (3 p.m.) at Atree Field.

The Stonewall Blue Jays, meanwhile, were 5-5 heading into this past Monday's road game against North Winnipeg.

The Blue Jays will host Red River on Wednesday (6:30 p.m.) at Stonewall's Quarry Park.

Stonewall will then play a double-header against Tuxedo on Sunday (noon and 3 p.m.) at Charleswood Park in Winnipeg.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Blue Jays' pitcher Cory Procter throws a strike to catcher Connor Bindle during their 9-8 win against the Red River Pioneers on June 13.

Lightning host successful Midget spring camp

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Lightning Midget boys' hockey program held its first spring camp last weekend.

And it was very well received.

"For something like 10 days notice, we managed to pull together about 30 skaters and we achieved what we were hoping to," said new Lightning Midget Provincial head coach Jamie Corbett Tuesday afternoon.

The numbers were pretty good considering many young athletes are playing outdoor summer sports right

now.

"For me, this is a new group of kids and it was a chance for me to know a little bit about 30 of them, anyway."

The camp was designed to introduce the players to Corbett - and his expectations - for the upcoming season.

"We want to try to dispel some of the myths and misconceptions of what this program should be," he said.

Corbett said the Lightning expect to hold a similar spring camp next season. He added they may also expand the camp to the Bantam age division

and have both play under the same roof during the same weekend.

"It's all about developing the brand, developing the program," Corbett said. "These kids have options and as a coach I want see our region's top players playing in our program.

"But that being said, the expectation can't be 'There's a program here so you should be here.'

"We have to give them a reason to want to be here and they have to see the value in our program and the credibility in our program. We have some hurdles to overcome after what's been done the last couple of years."

Both Interlake Midget teams struggled in the win column last season. Corbett wants to change the players' expectations regarding wins and losses rather quickly.

"People want to see their kids move on," said Corbett. "At the end of the day, my job is two-fold. I want to develop these kids to help them get them to where they want to go and we want to put a winning product in the ice."

Safiniuk heading west to play junior football

By Brian Bowman

The British Columbia Junior Football League has been a popular landing spot for Interlake Thunder players in recent years.

And it has attracted the attention of yet another Thunder Midget player.

Stonewall's Carter Safiniuk has decided to head west this summer to play for the Langley Rams.

Former Thunder player Alex France, a wide receiver from Selkirk, also plays with Langley.

"Langley seems like a really good opportunity to go play football," said Safiniuk, a defensive back, last week. "And it's a beautiful place out there, too."

Safiniuk had a great time attending the Rams' spring camp last month. The coaches, he said, were very knowledgeable about football.

Safiniuk, 17, emailed the organization some game film and he later received an invite to camp.

Since then, he has been working out in preparation for the season. Safiniuk also attended a football camp hosted by Mike Benson, who plays in the CFL for the B.C. Lions.

Benson, a Winnipegger, played university ball for Acadia.

The 5-foot-8, 175-pound Safiniuk will be taking a big step advancing

to junior football from his playing days in the Midget Football League of Manitoba.

The competition will be older - and whole lot better - in B.C.

"I'll have to be faster and I'll definitely have to play smart," Safiniuk said.

Safiniuk really enjoyed his time playing for the Thunder. He wanted to thank his coaches - Kris Johnston, Joel McDonald, and Mitch Obach - for all their help while he played for Interlake.

Obach, meanwhile, had high praise for Safiniuk's football talent.

"He's a highly-athletic player and

can be quite physical for his size," Obach noted. "That will be something that he continues to work on and it will be an asset for him."

Safiniuk has qualities that most coaches highly covet and is a great defender in man-to-man coverage.

"He has great on-field intensity and is always intense at practice," Obach said. "When he turns it on, it's full speed ahead. If their coaches work well with him to channel the tools that he has, he can turn into an effective junior football player."

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Thunder to clash with Nomads in junior girls' playoff game

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Thunder junior girls' football team played one of their best games of the season last Thursday.

Interlake was very, very good in an impressive 26-8 home win over the North Winnipeg Nomads.

"They played very well," said Thunder head coach John Montgomery. "We played the same Nomads' (team) the week before and lost 54-50 but I think this game was more reflective of the nature of both of the teams."

The game was a great defensive battle with the Thunder making a pair of stellar defensive plays that produced touchdowns.

It was a sharp contrast to the Thunder's defensive play from the previ-

"We capitalized on a couple of fumbles for touchdowns," Montgomery recalled."We worked with the girls on a couple of things and they realized that they have to do some things to make plays.

"They stood up and played a lot more aggressively in this game compared to the other game."

Carly Safiniuk, Skylar Funk and Zoe Oughton scored Interlake touchdowns, according to Montgomery.

Interlake's defence also produced a safety.

With the win, Interlake wrapped up its regular season with a 2-3-1 record to finish third in the four-team league.



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

Lexi Schmidt (61), Kayla Monkman (35) and Carly Safiniuk (5) take down a Nomads player, forcing a fumble in last Thursdays game.

The Thunder will battle the Nomads in north Winnipeg on Thursday at 6 p.m. in a semifinal game.

What's the winning formula to defeat North Winnipeg in the playoffs?

"We just have to play better than the Nomads," Montgomery said simply. "We have to make tackles and we have to contain them. On offence, we're going to adjust a little bit, but with any football game, the team that blocks and tackles the best wins the game."

In senior football action last Thursday, Interlake had its game against St. James cancelled at halftime with the Rods leading 26-16.

That score held up as St. James was awarded the victory.



Thunder's Skylar recovered the ball and returned it for a touchdown in their 26-8 win.

With that win, St. James finished the regular season with a 3-3 record to secure the fourth and final playoff spot.

The loss lowered the Thunder's record to 2-4 and dropped them down to fifth place in the seven-team league and out of the playoffs.

The top four teams advanced to the postseason.

Blue Jays split with Orioles

Bv Brian Bowman

The Interlake Blue Jays earned a split with the Pembina Valley Orioles in a daytime doubleheader on Sunday.

Interlake lost the first game 9-5 but rebounded to win Game 2 by a 5-4 score.

No box score from either game was posted on the league website at press time.

With the split, the Blue Jays are now 7-6 and in fifth place in the eight-team league. Interlake is six games back of the first-place St. James A's (15-2).

On June 15, the Blue Jays belted out 14 hits in a 9-6 home win over the Altona Bisons.

Interlake scored twice in the second inning, added six more in the third, and then one more

Altona replied with single runs in the second, third and seventh innings. They also scored three in the fourth.

Noach Cnockaert-Ducharme led Interlake with three hits while Brennan Cheasley and Quin Arsenault each had two apiece.

Arsenault also scored twice along with Wasilewski, who also had two RBI.

Cnockaert-Ducharme and Em-

erson Klimpke split the pitching duties for the Blue Jays.

Interlake was scheduled to host the Brandon Marlins in a doubleheader this past Tuesday but no scores were available at press

Those two games were originally scheduled to be played June 9.

Interlake will travel to Brandon on Thursday (7:30 p.m.) and then will host the St. Boniface Legionnaires in a twinbill this Sunday.

Games are slated to start at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Laxdal's Stars drop **Game 7 in AHL final**

Staff

The dream season for the Texas Stars came up one win short in an American Hockey League Game 7 loss in the championship series to the Toronto Marlies last Thursday.

Andreas Johnsson led Toronto with two goals in the 6-1 home win.

The Stars, coached by Stonewall's Derek Laxdal, forced a Game 7 after a 5-2 road victory on June 12.

Texas reached the final series after disposing of the Ontario Reign, Tucson Roadrunners, and Rockford IceHogs in three separate series.

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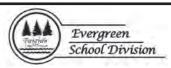
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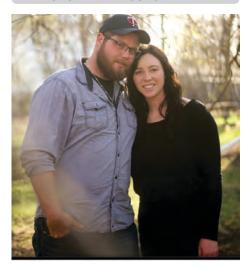
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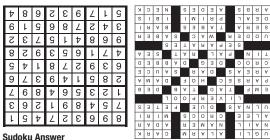
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- 40. Women from the Mayflow 41. Liquid served with food
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- (abbr.) 43. Angle (abbr.)
- 44. Touched lightly
- 45. Canniste
- 46. Crony 47. Tell on
- 48. Body of water 49. Sorts out
- 52. Mammary gland of female cattle 55. Collegiate athletic conference
- 56. Sword 60. Protein-rich liquids
- 61. Emaciation
- 63. Italian seaport
- 64. Agreement 65. Chinese ethnic group
- 66. University of Miami's mascot
- 67. People who buy and sell securities
- 68. Genus of mosquitos
- 69. Holds up your head CLUES DOWN
- 1. Two-toed sloth
- 2 Imnudent hehavior The right to take anoth
- 13. __ Kristofferson, actor
 21. Where buildings are built
 23. Chain attached to a watch 25. Holiday (informal) 26. Clod
 27. Synchronizes solar and lunar time

5. Mandela's party 6. Inserted strips of fat before

8. Responds to stimulation

7. Secret love affair

10. Desert mammal

12. Uncommon

11. A nearly horizontal passage from

- 28. Australian eucalyptus tree
- 29. Aerosol propellant 32. Coats with a sticky substance
- 33. Master of cerei 34. The venerable . British

- theologian 36. A baglike structure in a plant or
- 37. Witch
- 38. Strike with a light blow
- 40. The First State
- 41 Satisfies
- 43. A way to fish
- 44. Magnetic tape used to make recordings
- 46. For each
- 47. Flower cluster
- 49. Closes off
- 51. Type of vaccine

- 52. Approves food 53. Hoofed grazing a 54. Drearily dull
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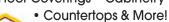
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