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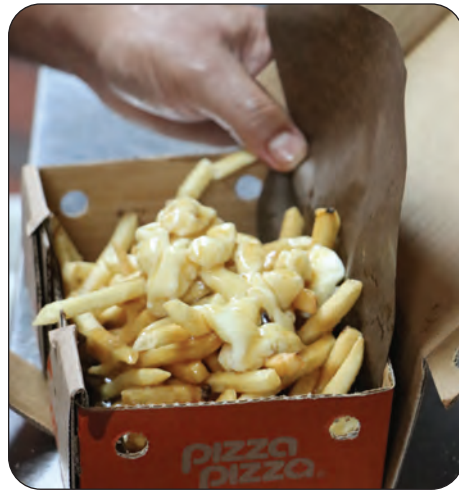
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Edible hedge gets growing at Gimli's Community Gardens

By Patricia Barrett

A hedge consisting of dozens of varieties of edible plants was sown last month at the Gimli Community Garden and has really taken off.

The hedge is an initiative of the Gimli Environmental Advisory Committee, which provides advice to the RM of Gimli on environmental issues and initiatives.

GEAC's intent with regard to the hedge is to enhance biodiversity in Gimli and provide locally grown food. When the plants are ready to harvest, members of the public are free to take what they need.

GEAC hired Zach Loeks of Edible Eco-system Design. He planted about 45 plants that will make up the approximately 40-foot-long hedge, which runs along Loni Beach Road.

Some of the edible greens include chives, wild bergamot, anise hyssop, catnip, currants, edible shady meadow and prairie sensation apple.

In addition to providing humans with food, hedgerows provide food and shelter to pollinating insects and birds, which help sustain the ecosystem.



Dozens of species were planted, including ostrich fern, edible shady meadow, downy yellow violet and chives.



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Gimli RCMP seize multiple firearms after separate firearm incidents

By Lana Meier

On the morning of June 20 at around 9:40 a.m., Gimli RCMP were informed about potential gunfire directed at a vehicle on Silverdale Avenue in Winnipeg Beach. No injuries were reported.

The RCMP was informed that a man, 62 years of age and residing at an address on Silverdale, had pointed a firearm at the victim and then returned inside the home.

Officers arrested the 62-year-old male and drafted up a search warrant to locate the firearm.

The search resulted in the seizure of both a shotgun and a pellet gun.

Perry Ducharme, 62, was remanded into custody on charges including discharge firearm with intent, uttering threats, point firearm and other firearms-related offences.

At approximately 2:10 a.m. on June 23, the Gimli RCMP headed to a rural property at the junction of Provincial Road 231 and Highway 7 in Fraserwood in response to a report of a suspicious individual.

RCMP were advised that an un-

known person was rummaging through toolboxes in several parked vehicles on the property.

Officers arrived and patrolled the area on foot but did not locate the suspicious person or vehicle.

As they prepared to leave, the officers were met with a sudden barrage of gunfire in close range. The officers suddenly heard a rapid succession of gunfire in very close proximity to their location. They exited their police vehicles and took cover behind them. It is believed between 40 and 50 shots were fired towards the officer's positions.

Once the shooting stopped, an SUV was observed approaching the officers and heading toward an exit gate. The officers approached the suspect vehicle, where both male occupants (48 and 20) were taken into custody without incident. A search of the vehicle did not locate any firearms.

The investigation into the shots being fired led to the execution of a search warrant at a nearby residence where the suspects resided.

As a result of the search, of-



icers seized multiple firearms, BB guns and ammunition.

Jordin Yablonski, 20, and Justin Yablonski, 48, have been charged with careless use of a firearm, discharge firearm with intent and possession of weapon for dangerous purpose. They are scheduled to appear in court on July 15 in Gimli.

The investigation by Gimli RCMP remains ongoing.



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Country singer rocking out at the Waterfront

By Kaitlin Vitt

Orvis and His Higher Guns brought the energy to the Selkirk Waterfront this Canada Day.

The country band is just one of bandleader Orvis Thomas's musical projects. He also performs under Orvis, a rock band.

The name of Orvis and His Guns came from a bit of misunderstanding.

"I worked with a singer previously. I think he wanted to be insulting, and he said, 'If you act like a higher gun, I'll pay like a higher gun.' And my first instinct was that he didn't realize that the term was hired gun, and it just kind of stuck with me, and I thought that would be a great name for a band."

Thomas's first love of music came from the band Collective Soul.

"Ed Roland from Collective Soul, he's a really prolific songwriter. He always wrote really great songs, and that was always my aspiration, was to be a songwriter first and a performer second."

When he was 10, he started playing guitar. This came shortly after discovering Collective Soul and his favourite bands, like Foo Fighters and Van Halen.

Thomas was born in Selkirk and was raised in Pimicikamak Cree Nation. After graduating, he returned to Selkirk and played in his first band.

"It was a really good kind of training ground to develop skills and kind of figure out where I wanted to go with music," Thomas said.

Thomas's approach to songwriting is relatively free-flowing; he doesn't force it. Maybe a song title will come to him that he'll write down and go back to later, or maybe he will start playing a melody and words happen with it.

"There's no real better feeling than when it all comes together, whether it's on a recording or on stage. It's a really kind of intense feeling where everything should be happening where it's happening, and it all flows seamlessly. I love songwriting, I love playing, I love performing."

Many of his songs focus on relationships, though he said that with the rock band project coming up, he thinks songs will focus more on social topics and philosophies.

In June, Orvis and His Higher Guns released a new single titled "Rich White Woman," which is available on Spotify and iTunes.

His relationship inspires it with his partner and their different cultural backgrounds.

"We have quite a few laughs and inside jokes about our differences, as well as we sometimes poke fun at each other over certain things."

Orvis is Cree and Ojibwa.

"My father lived in Selkirk when he was a child, as well as a young man. He was originally from Black Bear Island. Matheson Island would be the closest community, and his parents, himself, and his brothers moved to Selkirk when he was a young boy. He is Ojibwa, as well as some other



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY BRETT MITCHELL

Orvis Thomas's band Orvis and His Higher Guns has a number of performances coming up at Triple S Fair and Rodeo, South Beach Casino and Hill Top Resort.

things, like English, Irish, and French, but the majority of his background is Ojibwa," Thomas said. "My mother is Cree from Cross Lake and Norway House as well as Scottish."

He said his cultural background has shaped his philosophies, such as being kind to people and the Earth.

Thomas also has his record label, Broken Cloud Entertainment, named after his spirit name.

"It's a name I heard a lot when I was younger. It's supposed to be the name how I'll be identified in the spirit world later on," he said. "It's significant to me."

Under the label, he puts out his mu-

sic and produces his concerts.

Orvis and His Higher Guns will perform on July 6 at Hill Top Resort, July 13 at the Triple S Fair and Rodeo, and July 26 and 27 at South Beach Casino.

Thomas posts all upcoming concerts on his website (orvismusic.com).

Lundar RCMP respond to fatal collision

By Lana Meier

On June 13, Lundar RCMP received a report that a male youth had jumped out of a moving vehicle on Highway 6 near Road 168 North in the RM of Grahamdale. Officers responded immediately. The 15-year-old male from Pinaymootang First Nation had suffered severe injuries. Officers and civilians on scene provided first aid care until emergency medical services arrived on scene.

The male was in a vehicle with three other male youth when he reportedly opened the rear passenger door and jumped out. It appears the vehicle was travelling at high

speeds at the time of the occurrence. He was taken to a local hospital and later transferred to Winnipeg hospital, where he passed away due to his injuries.

The investigation continues.

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Help design Manitoba's new parks licence plate

By Lana Meier

Manitobans are being encouraged by Riding Mountain MLA Greg Nesbitt to share their designs for the upcoming Manitoba parks specialty licence plate.

"Manitoba is home to some of Canada's most beautiful parks and many incredible artists," said Nesbitt. "This is an exciting first step in a collaborative process to create what will surely be Canada's most beautiful licence plate."

The creation of specialty licence plates was made possible by Bill 211, which received royal assent in June and was sponsored by Nesbitt. These plates will help raise funds for Manitoba's Provincial Parks Endowment Funds, a program established in 2021 to encourage philanthropic donations and honor the desires of donors who wish to support the province's parks for generations to come.

Interlake-Gimli MLA Derek Johnson is hoping that some of the fantastic and talented artists in the constituency will submit a design.

"This is a great opportunity for our local artists," said Johnson.

Annually, these funds contribute up to \$1 million towards enhancing the visitor experience through various local projects. These projects may include improving trails, increasing accessibility, constructing new playgrounds, restoring habitats, preserving cultural sites and supporting other vital park infrastructure.

According to Nesbitt, a range of mediums can be used to create the artwork for the specialty plates. These options include photography, graphic design, paintings or a blend of styles.

Nesbitt says he is committed to working with Manitoba Public Insurance, stakeholders and the public to launch the new licence plates in time



Interlake-Gimli MLA
Derek Johnson

for the 2025 camping and summer tourism season.

Celebrating 24 Years of the Gimli International Film Festival

By Autumn Fehr

Looking for something to do this summer?

From July 24 to 28, visit Gimli and enjoy an array of local, national and international films, including narrative feature films, documentaries and shorts at the Gimli International Film Festival (GIFF).

"Now more than ever, it's crucial to support the arts, as many film institutions across Canada are facing challenges. We are truly on the verge of making Manitoba the epicentre of film for all of Canada. GIFF is a gem amongst Canadian festivals, and we're fortunate to have it here. Let's celebrate films together! I hope to see everyone at the festival," said Teya Zuzek, this year's executive director of GIFF.

This will be Zuzek's first time directing the international festival.

"I still have to pinch myself; I can't believe I'm leading such a phenomenal cultural institution. What excites me most is seeing my first GIFF come into fruition and celebrating this achievement with my incredible staff, board and programmers," she said.

This year, GIFF explores the concept of family, community and connectedness — all things that have naturally emerged throughout its program of films and poster design.

"We're so lucky to have incredible programmers every year."

New to GIFF this year is their GIFF Global Industry Summit. It's a free event this year and open to the public — pre-registration is encouraged. It's a great way for individuals to hear



about what is happening across the film sector and engage with established professionals from different areas.

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A blast of rain, hail and funnel clouds hit parts of the Interlake last Thursday afternoon. According to the Weather Network, the funnel cloud spotted over Lake Manitoba that was travelling south are generated by weak rotation under rapidly growing clouds or weak thunderstorms. These weak rotations typically are not a danger near the ground. If conditions become more favourable for the development of tornadoes, Environment Canada will issue watches and warnings. Help the Express record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: news@expressweeklynews.ca

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ALLANA SAWATZKY

RM of Gimli CAO steps down to assistant position; new interim CAO hired

By Patricia Barrett

Since the new iteration of council that was elected in 2022, the RM of Gimli has experienced some turnover with its top administrators and has hired an interim chief administrative officer (CAO) who will start this week.

The municipality lost Doreen Steg as assistant CAO in 2023 and Kristin Strachan as assistant CAO just a few months ago. Steg moved into the RM's finance department and Strachan decided to leave the RM altogether. Chief administrative officer Kelly Cosgrove stepped down from her position this week to assume the assistant CAO job.

The CAO is the manager of a municipality, directing daily administrative affairs, providing leadership and ad-

vice, managing staff and overseeing the budget, among a myriad of other duties, in accordance with the Manitoba Municipal Act. The assistant CAO provides high level support to the CAO and the municipality. CAOs are required to work closely with the position of mayor and provide support to council.

The Express reached out to the RM, asking if Mayor Kevin Chudd or other councillors would like to comment on the changes in administrative roles.

Coun. Thora Palson responded to the newspaper, paying

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EXPRESS FILE PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Kelly Cosgrove (left) is shown sharing a laugh with former Gimli mayor Lynn Greenberg during a 2019 council meeting. Cosgrove is stepping down from her role as CAO this week and assuming the assistant CAO position that was left vacant after Kristin Strachan resigned.

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Gimli CDC's AGM sheds no light on financial situation; governance issues

By Patricia Barrett

The Gimli Community Development Corporation (CDC) held an annual general meeting last week at which no financial details about the corporation's past spending and revenue were shared, as well as no details about what it will be budgeting for 2024.

The hour-and-a-half-long meeting, which was attended by six members of the public, took place on July 3 and shed no light on the corporation's overall financial position.

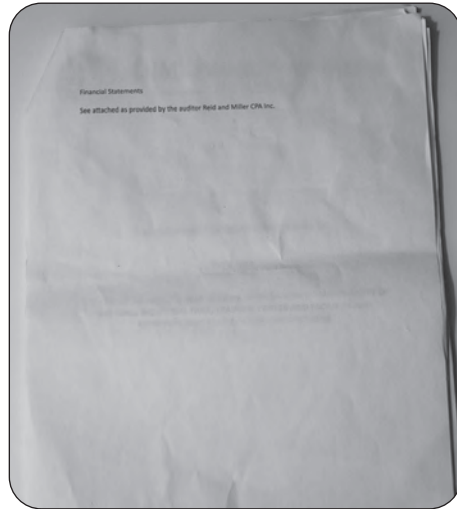
CDC secretary-treasurer Randy Swanson, who said he was appointed to the board "a little over a year ago" and just recently assumed the secretary-treasurer role, provided a verbal "financial report" of the CDC that contained no details about the corporation's revenue and expenses, no details about spending on projects or services and no details about any possible compensation that board members are entitled to under the corporation's bylaw of 2010.

Swanson spent a great deal of time talking about the history of community development corporations in municipalities and First Nation communities, previous iterations of the Gimli CDC, different levels of opinion that a financial auditor can provide, auditors' engagement and attestation letters, the idea of having an "onboarding process" for Gimli CDC board members, that "all six members of the board are actively involved in business," and difficulties that both he and the CDC's chartered accountant encountered trying to find documentation.

Swanson spoke about finding "gaps in things," "opening closet doors" and "getting our house in order" with regard to governance of the Gimli CDC.

He noted the corporation is late filing its return with the corporation's office, the board's 2024 AGM was late by a number of days, and that Canada Revenue Agency is assessing the corporation regarding GST returns that "had not been filed for a period of time" but now are.

"One thing that delayed calling the AGM was that we didn't get our au-



The board of the Gimli CDC provided no financial details and no 2024 budget during their annual general meeting on July 3.

dated financial statements until last week," said Swanson. "And one of the problems that the auditor had was that they had the same issues that the board members have in finding information."

Swanson said board members don't know what their jobs are and that he's recommending they ask Gimli council for a mandate letter to "understand what our job description" is, as well as to determine what assets the CDC should manage versus those the RM should manage.

"The fact of the matter is what we're missing, if I can use that term, is what I call a mandate letter. Here is your job description. Go for it. And I think it's an important thing," said Swanson. "If you look at the operating bylaws, one of the things it says in there is that board members are not entitled to any compensation at all or reimbursement for any expenses. So what does that tell you? It tells you a volunteer board for the most part. And so Larry, myself, Melanie, Dean we're not entitled to be reimbursed, and if we're purely volunteers then the question is 'OK, what do we want out of volunteer board members?' Hence the mandate letter. We're not going to be reimbursed in any way, shape or form, then how much time should we be spending? How much time should anyone expect of volunteer board members?"



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Gimli CDC members from left: Melanie Specula (vice-chair), Larry Dewar, Kurt Reichert, Kevin Chudd (chair) and Randy Swanson (secretary-treasurer). Missing from the photo is Dean Thorkelson.

After having admitted early in the meeting that he had read the CDC's bylaw [either part of it or all of it], Swanson voluntarily corrected himself later in the meeting by saying board members can in fact be reimbursed for CDC business that's conducted "outside" the municipality, such as for business trips. But he didn't share any details about whether or not any of the board members received compensation.

With regard to the CDC's record-keeping and management of records, Swanson said he could not find past minutes, doesn't know whether an AGM was held in 2022 and can't find documentation for certain things. By way of example, he said he can't find an invoice to show what refund is owed to an [unnamed] organization for a deposit it made in 2022.

"One of the challenges we have is finding the information. Unfortunately, if you asked me for certain things right now, I have to tell you, 'I can't give them to you. I don't know where they are, you know?' I can tell you the rest of the board members will tell you it's frustrating," he said.

Swanson then touched on the corporation's financial position at different unspecified periods in time.

"As the corporation went along, there was money in the corporation because they ran into a period of good luck where they had renters for

some of the assets and it built up the bank account," said Swanson. "But in terms of what the CDC was used for was up to the mayor and council at the time. And so what you've got is a period of time where the CDC lost a lot of money. It was losing money. It was losing money at a rate of about a quarter million dollars a year. And we had a period of time where it made a lot of money, too."

Vice-chair Melanie Specula shed some light on CDC finances by saying the dormitory — which currently houses Ukrainian and other newcomers and provides the CDC with some rent revenue — had sat empty for a number of years during the COVID pandemic but still required the disbursement of funds to operate it [heat, insurance, etc].

"That's where large chunks of the money went," said Specula. "But there was no money coming in [and] there was still all the bills to pay."

Swanson said when he joined the CDC board, the dormitory was "losing money at a rate of \$20,000-\$25,000 a month" and one of the things the board looked at was "how to stop the bleeding. There's all this money coming out of the corporation and it's not right. We have to stop it somehow."

They looked at expenses, new revenue streams, groups to whom they could rent the dorm and the idea of using it as transitional housing for Ukrainian refugees, he said.

"It's been a lot of hard work and particularly, Mel, I give you a lot of credit in terms of the things you've done in helping to drive that. But we're at the point now where we have more than 65 rooms rented out at \$375 and so our financial reporting now should show at least break even, if not profitable," said Swanson.

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> CDC'S AGM, FROM PG. 8

In his comments over the course of the meeting, CDC chair Kevin Chudd — who has now sat on the board for a year and a half — did not provide any detailed financial information about the CDC. He instead spoke about financial losses incurred by the Gimli airport, which does not fall under the management or the budget of the CDC. The airport is the municipality's responsibility.

He did, however, speak about the CDC's role in housing.

"When it comes to the role of the CDC, it was mentioned at a previous meeting the press was at, is until we get and maybe this is a lead role for the CDC to play assisting with the municipality as we get our land use development plan modernized for our community," said Chudd. "Previously, military and civilian had to be segregated. That's with CFB Gimli being an island on its own. For everything to be successful, we have to grow together. With the revenue sources that we have potentially from that will help offset a lot of expenses in the future, as well as make the industrial park that much more sustainable."

Swanson called for a motion to adopt the CDC's audited financial statement [from Reid & Miller Chartered Professional Accountants] and asked that it be accepted in "draft form" as there may be adjustments the auditor has to make. He also asked for approval of a special resolution regarding financial statements for the fiscal years ending Dec. 31, 2019, through to Dec. 31, 2023. Both motions were carried.

"I'm comfortable that we haven't held anything back. I'm comfortable that all purchases are in order," said Swanson. "By the way, the bylaws don't set out how we should be making our purchases and what form or format we should be using in order

to pay our bills. So, I guess it's kind of up to us or we need guidance from council if they want something different."

The board provided meeting attendees with an undated and unsigned document titled "Plan 2024, a plan for the CDC to help the RM of Gimli achieve profitability of the Gimli Industrial Park, training center [stet] and facilities and economic, social and community returns."

Plan 2024 sets out broad major goals and objectives: to establish a committee to attract enterprises to Gimli, to act as agent to the RM, to be seen as leaders in the use of technology and to stimulate population growth. It also notes "tasks to complete," which include governance protocols, a communication strategy and a marketing strategy. The board approved a motion to accept the plan.

With regard to a budget for 2024, the CDC board did not provide any details during its AGM as Swanson said "we are working on a budget."

The Plan 2024 document, however, states under the Finances section that "RM of Gimli to establish a budget for CDC to carry out its mandate."

The corporation's seven-page bylaw titled the "Gimli Community Development Corporation By-law No. 1 A," adopted April 16, 2010, states in Section 23 under Financial Administration that "the board of directors shall develop a budget for the operation of the Gimli Community Development Corporation" as well as a "new and existing project status report on an annual basis."

It's unclear who will be establishing the 2024 budget for the CDC.

A Gimli resident, who did not provide her name, asked CDC board members if they had signed a conflict-of-interest statement.

"No. Hence my comment earlier: you ask me for things, I cannot give them to you. I shouldn't say no: I

don't know if there is one. I know I didn't sign one," said Swanson, then segued into a discussion about motor-sports park contacts.

"You are business owners and work for the board, so is there conflict [of interest] at times?" asked the resident again.

"Nothing has ever been brought to the board's attention on conflict of interest of this board," said Chudd. "We do [self-manage]. That's the part we do. If there is something, we have our own protocols that we do. Same with council."

"It's basic for a board to have a conflict-of-interest document they sign. I think that's pretty common," said the woman again.

"No, it's not. I don't [think] that any of the boards in the community," said Chudd, who added a review of the Municipal Act should be done to look at conflict of interest and that federal and provincial governments have such a thing but "municipal is different."

The Gimli CDC's 2010 bylaw contains nearly a full page of conflict-of-interest policies and guidelines for directors and officers of the corporation.

The resident also asked how she "as a taxpayer" could access the CDC's financial statement, to which Swanson

said: "It's in our plan for this year that we got to come up with a communications strategy that is, in my view, far more effective than what we've been doing."

The Express asked board members several times whether there's a provision in what Swanson had earlier called the CDC's "draft" policies and procedures regarding the media attending and recording its meetings.

Chudd said the municipality requires 48 hours' notice to record. The Express pointed out that this is a CDC meeting, not a municipal council meeting.

Specula said: "To my knowledge, as far as that goes, no, we don't have a procedure."

Chudd quickly added: "For allowing it," thereby implying that the very absence of such a provision means it's not allowed.

"We don't have a procedure to allow it," Chudd continued. "That's what we're going to be working towards. We thought [what] we'd have today was livestreaming because our board supports livestreaming."

The Express requested a copy of the auditor's financial statement a few days after the CDC meeting, but it was not forthcoming.

> FILM FESTIVAL, FROM PG. 6

Emerging Filmmakers Pitch Competition, 48 Hour Challenge Screening and Winnipeg Indigenous Filmmakers Collective Screening are also coming back. GIFF's awards ceremony this year will be extra special, with Zacharias Kunuk receiving the Alda Award.

Zuzek is especially looking forward to a special screening of *Wilderness Trails*, a Manitoban film that hasn't been screened since the 1970s. The screening will open with a unique sound performance by a Winnipeg-based artist.

Returning this year are the famous RBC Sunset Beach Screenings, which will take place each night. Enjoy a

unique experience under the stars at the beach, and take in one or more of this year's beach films: *Barbie* (2023), *Summer Rental* (1985), *Thelma & Louise* (1991), *Theater Camp* (2023) and *Paddington 2* (2017).

To view the full schedule of this year's films and for more information, please visit <https://www.gimli-film.com/>.

"After the challenging times brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, it's heartening to see people talking about reconnecting," said Zuzek.

This year, attendees can look forward to an exceptional program that has something for everyone.

Public Utilities Board

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A public hearing on the proposed rate application will be held beginning:

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Please view the hearing via the PUB website link.

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If you wish to speak at the hearing or make a written submission, please contact the Board Secretary, Dr. Darren Christle at 204-945-2638 or toll free 1-866-854-3698, no later than **October 8, 2024**.

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EXPRESS PHOTOS BY PAT PAYJACK, WINNIPEG BEACHFIREFIGHTERS AND TOWN
Canada Day celebrations in Winnipeg Beach kicked off on June 30 with a lively Zumba session at the bandstand. The day was packed with activities including a road hockey tournament, a water fight organized by the local fire department and various family games hosted by the Lions Club. Non-stop entertainment kept everyone entertained until the grand finale of fireworks lit up the evening sky.

Ashern couple celebrates diamond wedding anniversary

By Jennifer McFee

Neil and Mabel Campbell recently celebrated their diamond anniversary, marking a 60-year milestone.

The couple met in December 1957 at a Christmas concert in St. Martin and began a seven-year courtship.

They were married on June 6, 1964, in Gypsumville United Church by John N. Evans. A reception was held on the Hillyer family farm in the Manitoba hamlet of Homebrook. Arnie Duseigne and his band The Country Kings provided the music for the dance.

In their younger years, they raced snowmobiles and always enjoyed the outdoors. Other hobbies included riding ATVs, boating, gardening and travelling. They have one

son, Dwight.

Neil and Mabel celebrated their 60th anniversary with festivities at Ashern

Personal Care Home, including afternoon entertainment by Tim Cameron. Everyone enjoyed the day.



Ashern Personal Care Home residents Mabel and Neil Campbell recently celebrated their 60th anniversary.



Pictured here with Mabel and Neil Campbell are Mabel's sister Carol and brother-in-law Dave, who were the maid of honour and best man at their wedding in 1964.

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Arborg pool celebrates 15th anniversary; Girls Only swimming

By Patricia Barrett

The Access Aquatic Centre in Arborg is inviting the public to take a plunge and help celebrate the pool's 15th successful year in operation.

The Arborg-Bifrost Parks and Recreation Commission is planning a celebratory weekend in August with an admission fee that will be rolled back in time, as well as fun activities for the whole family.

Recreation director Tom Chwaliboga said the commission is "most proud" of its staff who've served the aquatic centre over the past 15 years. They've helped bring in a whopping 10,000 kids for swimming lessons.

"The staff over the years have been excellent, especially when teaching swim lessons," said Chwaliboga. "We have always received positive feedback from parents about how great the instructors are with the kids, and this is probably why we've had almost 10,000 children enrolled in our programs over the years."

In addition to swimming lessons, the Arborg pool provides residents from the local area and residents in other municipalities — as well as visitors from away — with an opportunity to cool down with a recreational

swim, sink into a lounge on the pool deck and soak up the sun, enjoy a ride on one of the slides or dip under the spray pads. The pool also offers lessons for teenagers who want to become certified lifeguards. The facility can be rented by families, groups or organizations for private parties or other events.

"This has been extremely popular over the years, especially for birthday parties, as you get the whole pool to yourself," said Chwaliboga.

The commission is responsive to community needs with regard to swimming and offers different programs to meet those needs, including an Aquasize class and a Toonie Tuesday admission. This year, Chwaliboga said the pool will be offering a "Girls Only" swim time slot every Wednesday evening from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. starting on July 10.

"We're trying this for a couple of reasons: we have received feedback that girls and women would be more comfortable in this environment and, secondly, [to accommodate] the diversity of our community and the need to adapt," said Chwaliboga.

The public swim is scheduled every day (Monday to Sunday) from 1:30 to



EXPRESS FILE PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

Evan Magnusson, with the help of his mom, is one of the 10,000 children that have learned to swim at the Access Aquatic Centre.

6 p.m., and the staff are "looking forward to seeing you on the pool deck," said Chwaliboga.

The pool's 15th anniversary celebration is scheduled for the weekend of Aug. 9-11 with an admission rollback to what it was 15 years ago.

For more information about swimming and other recreational activities in Arborg, call the recreation commission at 204-376-5576. A schedule of the pool is available on the Town of Arborg's website at www.townofarborg.com

> CAO STEPS DOWN, FROM PG. 7

tribute on behalf of council to Cosgrove for her leadership and saying she'll remain a central part of the administration.

"Mayor and council would like to recognize the valued work of Kelly Cosgrove and appreciate her leadership in Gimli's administration," said Palson last Sunday. "As we look towards succession planning and moving forward with our modernization of governance, Kelly's new role will be as assistant CAO and she'll contin-

ue to be a central figure in our administrative organization."

Palson said the RM has entered into agreement with Jim Fenske, who will assume the top management position starting July 9.

Fenske will help the RM "move forward with our administrative management model," said Palson. "Mr. Fenske's role will be interim CAO and we look forward to working with him."

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Arborg resident with cancer struggling with travel costs for treatment

Donations welcome at Access Credit Union

By Patricia Barrett

An Arborg resident battling cancer is getting a helping hand from loved ones and friends who've set up an account into which community members can make a donation that will help him pay for transportation costs as he undergoes radiation and chemotherapy treatments.

Mark Patterson, who's originally from Stonewall where his mom Judy still resides, said he's grateful for the financial assistance as he has to drive to and from the city and then believes he'll be sent to the Gimli hospital to receive chemotherapy treatment.

"The donations will be used for driving from Arborg to the city for my treatments and to Gimli," said Patterson. "I'm doing radiation treatment right now. I'm not feeling sick from the radiation, but after this week, I take a week off then I have to go on chemo."

Patterson got a cancer diagnosis earlier this year. He's fighting small cell lung cancer, an aggressive type of cancer that has spread to his brain via the blood. The goal of radiation treatment is to try to shrink the tumour(s)

before he receives the chemotherapy drugs.

"[The doctors] said I had two years-plus [to live] then it was a year then it was six months. So I don't know how long I have," said Patterson. "They say that after the chemo, the average person lives about six months."

About 25 per cent of lung cancer patients experience brain metastases (brain tumours), according to American Lung Association. Brain metastases occur when cancer cells are carried by the blood from the original tumour site to the brain. There can be one tumour or many tumours in the brain.

As the tumours grow, they put pressure on the brain and change the function of surrounding brain tissue. They can cause symptoms such as slurred speech, blurry vision, weakness in the limbs, headaches, confusion, memory problems, a change in personality and seizures. The risk of lung cancer spreading to the brain is highest in small cell lung cancer.

"I'm not feeling too bad about [my cancer], but I do have my days," said Patterson when asked how he's coping with his illness. "I don't think about it much. I have my girlfriend and all my friends and my family to support me."

After Patterson finishes radiation,

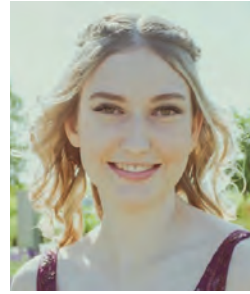
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Mark Patterson grew up in Stonewall and now lives in Arborg. He's battling small cell lung cancer that has spread to his brain and is facing mounting travel costs to and from Winnipeg for radiation treatment. He'll soon be having to drive to and from Gimli for chemotherapy.

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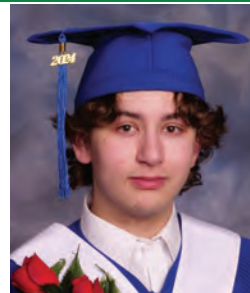


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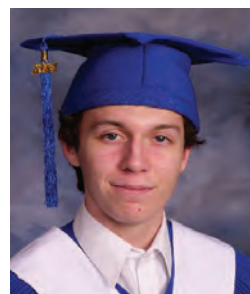


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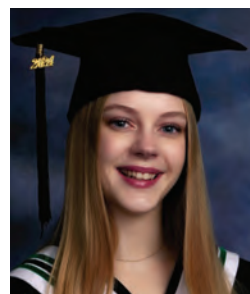
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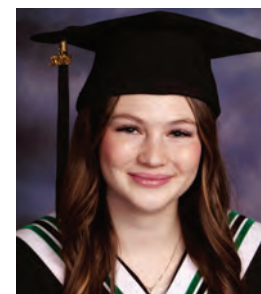
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EXPRESS PHOTOS BY RAYME THOMSON

Gimli decided to mark Canada Day with a community parade held one day in advance, strategically avoiding the heavy rain forecasted for July 1 in the Interlake region.





Bifrost-Riverton's draft zoning bylaw making provision for tiny home clusters

By Patricia Barrett

With the cost of housing beyond the reach of many Manitobans, municipalities are updating their by-laws to allow the development of tiny homes within their borders.

The Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton released a draft of its new zoning bylaw in June to combine two older bylaws that existed pre-amalgamation and to update and modernize land use in the municipality (see the June 27 edition of the *Express Weekly News* online).

The draft bylaw makes a provision for tiny homes, which must be built in a "cluster," somewhat akin to a trailer park with all site amenities in place such as roads, sewer and water.

"The municipality wanted our zoning by-law to address modern trends in property development, and interest in tiny homes has been on the rise," said Reeve Brian Johnson. "If the bylaw is passed as drafted, Section 8.35 will establish the requirements that a developer must meet if they wanted to address local housing needs by building a cluster of tiny homes on an appropriate site."

The municipality hired Landmark Planning & Design to oversee the combining and modernization of its two zoning bylaws (one for the former RM of Bifrost and one for the former Village of Riverton), and the land-use planning company is expected to present a final draft to council in the fall for approval. The planning company held an open house last month in Riverton to engage with stakeholders and the public on the process.

Landmark planner Jeff Pratte said the inclusion of tiny home clusters in the municipality's draft bylaw doesn't mean that they're going to be built anytime soon in Bifrost-Riverton. It just means that the municipality will have standards and guidance in place for developers who might be interested in pursuing such a development in future.

"Landmark has seen several municipalities incorporate rules for tiny home clusters to enable them to be built because they're a type of development that can't really be done without special permission in a zoning bylaw," said Pratte.

The City of Brandon and Winnipeg, for example, have made provisions for tiny home villages for particular

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Special Event Facility										C	C	C	P	C	8.33
Specialized Agriculture Storage Facility	P	P											P	P	P
Storage Facility, Self-Storage													P	P	P
Tiny Home Cluster						C		C	C						8.35
Transportation Terminal	P	P											C	C	P
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There are four zones in the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton in which tiny home clusters can be built, provided they are first approved by council.

groups of people such as the unhoused and veterans.

Pratte said he knows tiny home clusters have also been developed in Alberta for veterans, but he's not aware of the extent to which clusters exist across Manitoba.

And in terms of what tiny homes would cost and whether there would be monthly fees to pay is up to the developer of each cluster, he said. A zoning bylaw does not address these types of considerations.

"The zoning bylaw sets the framework for developments to follow in terms of standards. But in terms of whether [a tiny home] would be rented or owned, that would be up to the particular developer to work out," he said.

In Bifrost-Riverton's draft zoning bylaw, tiny homes have to meet all building code requirements and are intended to be permanent, all-season dwellings that cannot be less than 300 square feet and greater than 550 square feet. The minimum site area for a tiny home cluster is two acres, and only 10 homes maximum can be built on each acre to ensure "developers are not cramming dwellings elbow-to-elbow on a site," said Pratte. The site must also be serviced by water and waste systems, as well as parking, landscaping and incorporate certain aesthetic features.

Pratte said the draft zoning bylaw does not permit tiny home clusters on land designated agricultural. They can, however, be built — and this is only with a council's approval as they are a conditional use — in zones designated GD (general development), RM (multi-unit residential),

RCR (recreation residential) and REC (recreation).

Some of these areas include small rural centres such as Morweena, Framnes, Okno and Mennville, as well as residential and recreational areas along Lake Winnipeg, according to the municipality's land use designation map.

Bifrost-Riverton's draft zoning bylaw is posted on the municipality's website. For more information about the bylaw or to provide feedback or concerns, contact Landmark Planning & Design at 204-453-8008 or email the company at RSVP@landmarkplanning.ca with a subject line "Bifrost-Riverton Zoning Bylaw (ZBL)."

> DONATIONS, FROM PG. 13

he'll be having four chemotherapy treatments that will be spread out across a number of months.

As he's not able to work, he's facing some financial challenges that are common to many Interlakers who can't access specific medical treatments in some communities.

Patterson has out-of-pocket costs for his travel to and from Arborg and the city — as well as parking costs in the city. He'll soon have to drive between Arborg and Gimli. His girlfriend is driving him to and from his medical appointments.

"I'm not able to work now," said Patterson, who worked as a prep cook at the Arborg Chicken Chef, "and it's difficult paying for transportation."

People who want to help support Patterson with his travel costs can make a donation at the Access Credit Union in Arborg where a special account for him has been set up.

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Serious shellfish vibes

By Jo-Anne Procter

It only took 55 minutes for volunteers to serve a feast to over 700 people.

The 14th annual Lundar Lobsterfest hosted by the Grettir Cooperative on June 30 at the arena was a celebration of community spirit and generosity.

People came from near and far to enjoy fresh lobster from Nova Scotia flown in by Tangier Lobster and Northern Gold sirloin steak cooked by volunteers on site.

The popular fundraising event was once again a huge success thanks to community support and the many volunteers. From the initial planning stages to the final cleanup, every volunteer played a crucial role in making this popular event a success.

Monies raised will be channeled towards maintaining and enhancing the sportsplex building.



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Kim Krahn and Jeff Bloodworth enjoyed a delicious meal of fresh lobster at Lundar's annual Lobsterfest Dinner and Dance organized by the Grettir Cooperative.



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A wild ride in Eriksdale



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY HAYLEE RUSSELL

The annual Eriksdale Creamery Days Fair & Rodeo turned out to be a weekend jam-packed with fun for everyone. The weekend began Saturday morning with a free pancake breakfast followed by a parade, opening ceremonies, exhibits at the museum, the annual antique tractor pull and horse-drawn wagon rides. In the evening, the grandstands filled up to watch the Heartland Rodeo, and there was live entertainment by Lost in a Small Town band. Sunday afternoon, the tractor pull returned along with kids' activities, horse-drawn wagon rides and Heartland Rodeo with mutton busting during intermission. Carey Lee was the winner of the 50/50 draw, taking home \$1,000.



sports & recreation

INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

Burak takes award-winning jump in Grade 12

By Jeremiah Knight

June is already proving to be a busy month for Sydney Burak.

The Interlake teen recently wrapped up her final exams and is set to graduate from Arborg Collegiate later this month but not before she collects some parting gifts.

Already named co-varsity female athlete of the year at her school last week, Burak, 17, will be honoured as the Manitoba High School Athletic Association's female athlete of the year on June 25, capping a marvellous scholastic season in which she found success locally and earned experience internationally.

"I've done a lot of growth this year, for sure, and it's just been a breakthrough moment for me," Burak said recently.

Lofty expectations awaited the student-athlete on the field and in the classroom ahead of her Grade 12 year.

Burak, who was nominated for the Athletics Manitoba U18 outstanding female award, played badminton and volleyball but shone brightest in track and field.

Burak won the female high jump event at the Manitoba indoor provincial championships, then was later selected as one of four athletes from the province for the Simplot Games — one of the premier high school indoor track and field events in the U.S. — in Pocatello, Idaho. She recently capped her year at the MHSAA outdoor provincial championships with a second place finish in high jump, her signature event, and placing fifth in triple jump, all while holding a 90 per cent average in the classroom.

A fine year, indeed.

"Looking back on this year, it's definitely been a breakthrough year for me personally with all my sports and accomplishments," said Burak. "I feel

like I've worked really hard throughout my past four years in high school, not only on my sports but also attaining that academic record as well.

"I knew this year, going into my Grade 12 year, that I wanted it to definitely be the best and I worked really hard, and to be recognized for something this big is just really amazing."

Burak becomes the first athlete from the hamlet of Arborg to win Female Athlete of the Year. It's something she doesn't take lightly, and it has served as a shiny reminder that she belongs with some of the other top athletes from the province as she enters her first year with the University of Manitoba Bisons track and field program.

"It definitely gives me a lot of confidence and just reassurance going into university that I do deserve to be there and I can accomplish big things. But, also, I have been training with the Bisons a bit already so the familiarity with the space and the coaches and some of the team already has also definitely helped me feel more comfortable," she said.

Burak is the daughter of two track and field athletes and, naturally, they steered her toward athletics. As she grew older, high jumping captured her heart and she became more determined to excel in the discipline.

Last year, she joined the Winnipeg Optimist Club to hone her skills, driving three times a week to the James Daly Fieldhouse on the UM campus to train.

Haley Fisher, a track and field coach at Arborg Collegiate, has worked with Burak since middle school.

Burak's work ethic is something she's always had, and it has set her apart from many of her peers, Fisher said.

"She's honestly a remarkable young individual and she has put in so much



EXPRESS PHOTO BY HALEY FISHER

Sydney Burak received the MHSAA 2024 'A' Female Athlete of the Year on June 25th at the Manitoba Sport Hall of Fame as well as the MHSAA 2024 Scholar Athlete award on June 19. Pictured above, left to right: Sydney Burak, Anita Neville (lieutenant-governor of Manitoba at Government House) and Tim Klassen (Manitoba's Credit Unions).

work into her training," said Fisher, who high-jumped for the Bisons during her university career. "When you're doing your training, you have peaks and valleys and, for me, when I went to university, I didn't really start properly training for high jump until I was in university. So I was a lot older when I was jumping heights that she's doing now. She's going into her university at such a (high) level.

"She's very developed at her age as a high jumper. She's jumping 1.60 (metres) and that's very difficult to be getting, especially coming in. Like,

when I was working at it with others, that was something that we were trying to get when we were in university and she's achieved it before she's even started.

"I really think we're going to see great things from her moving forward."

Much of Burak's summer will revolve around preparing for her freshman season, and she will stay sharp in a competition setting too as she looks to qualify for the U23 Western Canadian Championship from July 19 to 23.

Storm snap three game slide with 5-3 win

By Kieran Reimer

The Storm FC got back into the win column on Friday with a 5-3 victory over HG Tulones FC.

Joseph Barkman, Carlos Barkman, Tyson Kornelson, Zach Kornelson and Adam Wieler scored goals for

Storm FC, surpassing their season record for goals in a game, which was previously three.

They snapped a three-game losing skid with the win and grabbed their first win since May 30.

Their record now stands at 2-4-2 in

the season, which puts them in seventh place in the Manitoba Major Soccer League's Division 5.

They face a familiar opponent next week in Mecs FC, who they drew 3-3 back on May 26.

With a win, Storm FC can move

ahead of Mecs FC in the standings, into sixth place.

Kick-off next Wednesday, July 17 from Buhler Recreation Park goes at 7:15 p.m.

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Three Gimli pickleball teams earn medals at Manitoba 55+ Games

By Patricia Barrett

Three pickleball teams from Gimli swung their way to glory and brought home medals after competing in the 2024 Manitoba 55+ Games in Brandon from June 18 to 20.

In the 65-69 age category, Ute Vann and Isabelle Tache earned a gold medal. In the 70-plus age category, Sharon Brandow and Dory Walker earned a bronze medal. And on the men's pickleball team, Edwin Reichert and Jack Reeb earned a gold medal in the 75-plus age category.

The Manitoba 55+ Games are hosted

by Active Aging in Manitoba (AAIM), a not-for-profit organization that promotes active aging opportunities to enhance older adults' health, mobility and participation in the community.

The games are the largest multi-sport event in the province for people aged 55 and older. In addition to pickleball, the event included 8-ball pool, lawn bowling, swimming, track, walking and wall darts, as well as "head games" such as cribbage and scrabble. The athletes also enjoyed plenty of socializing and entertainment.



Stonewall and Warren hosting Baseball Manitoba U15 Tier 2 Provincials

By Kieran Reimer

The fields in Stonewall and Warren are ready for the local ball club to host the Baseball Manitoba U15 Tier 2 Provincials this weekend.

Ten ball teams from around the province will meet in Stonewall and Warren this weekend, and they are focused on winning the provincial championship on Sunday night.

To get there, teams will play four round-robin games on Friday and Saturday, hoping to earn a spot in the playoff round on Sunday.

The U15 Stonewall Blue Jays will compete in

the event as the host of this year's provincials.

Their tournament will begin Friday at Stonewall's Quarry Park with an 11 a.m. matchup against Roblin Park, the Parkland representative. In the evening, they will take on Lundar, the other representative from Interlake, in a 6:30 p.m. showdown at Quarry Park.

Saturday, the action shifts to Warren for two more round-robin games at the Warren Diamond.

The first Saturday game is against the Carillon representatives from Landmark at 1:30 p.m. The

Blue Jays will then wrap up their round-robin schedule against Rock Lake from Pembina Hills at 6:30 p.m.

Playoff matchups will be announced Saturday night.

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Please provide quote for hourly Labour and Equipment only options and pricing for the requested work. Tenders must list in detail all works and materials along with costs.

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For additional details please contact Public Works Manager Joe Bergman or Town Foreman Tyler McPherson at 204-389-2863 or publicworks@winnipegbeach.ca

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Notice is hereby given, under Clause 8.4 of the Rural Municipality of Fisher Procedures By-Law No. 1133/10 that the Regular Committee Meeting scheduled on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 9:00 AM. has been **CANCELLED**.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on **September 4, 2024 at 9:00 AM**

Notice of Cancellation

Regular Committee Meeting

LOCAL URBAN DISTRICT OF FISHER BRANCH

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Committee Meeting schedule on **Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** has been **CANCELLED**.

The Next Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

Dated at Fisher Branch, Manitoba this 3rd day of July, 2024.

Kelly Marykuca, CMMA
Chief Administration Officer
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Una Rosalind Vigfusson
March 25, 1944 - June 30, 2024



It's with profound heartbreak, that we announce the passing of our loving mother, Amma, Aunt, Great-Aunt and friend, Rosalind Vigfusson (nee Palsson) on June 30, 2024. She was surrounded by family and close friends, while receiving care at the Arborg and District Health Centre. She managed to maintain a bright spirit to live life to the fullest in times of adversity. She fulfilled her wish get one more visit to Iceland over Christmas, and had one memorable 80th birthday party.

Rosalind is survived by her children: Eric (Jen) and their children, Nathan, Adam, and Henrik; and Kristian (Jenn) and their sons Kallum and Liam. She is also survived by nieces and nephew: Roxanne (Nordal) and Darcy Kozub, Greg (Pamela) Nordal, and Natalie (Nordal) and Mark Klym and their families. Also, nieces-in-law Paulette (Carl) Dingman, Pamela (Paul) LaPierre and Pat (Rick) Bonnett and their families.

Rosalind was predeceased by her beloved husband, Einar, parents, Johannes Palsson, Olga (Holm) and step-father, Thor Johannesson, siblings Baldur and Jona (Richard); parents in-law Emily and Johann Vigfusson, Pall (Bernice), Herman, and Baldvin Vigfusson.

Rosalind was born on March 25, 1944 in Geysir, Manitoba. She entered the world seven weeks prematurely, weighting just 4 lbs 4 oz, and quickly became a source of joy and inspiration to her family. While growing up on the family farm, Rosalind attended grade school in Geysir and high school in Arborg. Music filled the home, as her father, Johannes, was a gifted violinist. Rosalind studied piano from the age of six with her aunt, Lilja. At age 10, she began composing her own music, while having loving encouragement from Joe and Olga. Her interest in piano, eventually branched out to Glee Club, various musical productions, as well as an Icelandic Children's Choir, directed by her father. This support and encouragement carried with Rosalind through the years, and she continued to compose music such as the Arborg Waltz. In 1999, she followed in her father's footsteps by forming the New Iceland Youth Choir. She recorded the accompaniment ahead of time so she could also direct the choir. This choir performed mainly in Icelandic and had many opportunities to sing for Icelandic dignitaries in both Iceland and Canada, even performing for Queen Elizabeth II. In 2004, she established a second choir that also travelled to Iceland, and sang for dignitaries and sold out shows. Many positive and lasting memories were created, promoting Icelandic culture and heritage and leaving lasting impressions on their audiences.

Rosalind fondly reminisced of her time in the Winnipeg General Hospital School of Nursing. She graduated in 1965 and developed close lifelong friendships, which she cherished. Rosalind worked as a nurse for over 30 years both in Winnipeg and Arborg. So often, she would meet someone, who looked vaguely familiar, and would quickly discover, she delivered them in the Arborg Hospital!

The relationship between Rosalind and Einar was a true love story. Rosalind's sister, Jona who had a gift of predicting events, said you'll marry Einar Vigfusson! Rosalind met Einar while on duty at the Arborg hospital. Einar must have received great care, as he was discharged from the hospital soon after. He eventually got in touch with Rosalind and they never parted. Rosalind and Einar married on November 27, 1971. They had Eric a year later. Just when one would think they weren't able to have more children, they were blessed with another son, Kris....13 years later! Rosalind and Einar were a great team, whether it was parenting, supporting each other with their interests of Einar's carving or Rosalind's music, or even navigation skills in the car.... You often didn't hear one name without the other! Rosalind and Einar, Einar and Rosalind....! Einar loved Rosalind so much; he often remarked, 'I can always find her in a crowded room; light just surrounds her.'

In 2007, Rosalind graciously accepted the honour of being Fjallkona for the Islendingadagurinn. This was one of the highlights of her life! Rosalind was radiant, stunning and fulfilled the title well. She was proud of her Icelandic Canadian Heritage, and felt fortunate that she grew up speaking both Icelandic and English. She loved to have the opportunity to teach Icelandic, help with vocabulary, and to explain the country's history or connections. Rosalind and Einar even hosted bus tours for visitors from Iceland, to come to the farm, see his carvings, have coffee and an Icelandic sing-song with Rosalind on piano!

In 2012, Rosalind was awarded the Governor General of Manitoba Diamond Jubilee Medal for her countless hours of volunteering towards Kinettes, the Icelandic Community, as well as the New Iceland Youth Choir.

When her mother, Olga, moved into Betel, Rosalind began to play at Happy Hour every Friday. Rosalind and Einar always looked forward to Fridays in Gimli, as they would have supper and slip in a visit with their grandchildren before going to play for the residents at Betel. Playing for the residents brought just as much joy to her, as it did for her audience.

Spending time with the grandchildren meant the world to Rosalind. Long roads and winter storms were never a deterrent if the destination was a rink where her grandchildren played hockey. Years later when Kallum and Liam arrived, she was able to visit them often, as they lived in the same yard. Every day after school Kallum would run over to Amma's house to have a snack and tell her about his day.

Rosalind cherished her friendships. The coffee pot was always on, and somehow she would end up serving something with the coffee if a group arrived unannounced. She was always up for company, the more the merrier! Rosalind thrived on having parties at the cabin. She would sit at the piano for hours often with fellow musicians on accordion and guitar. They would play and sing often very late into the evening having the greatest time. Tables were set effortlessly with trays of finger food and dainties. Never a need to panic, as these were friends and family! As we got older, we got to know her friends, and understood the love she had for them. To the friends and family, - we can't thank you enough for the love and support you brought to her life.

What a wonderful legacy - kind, loving, giving spirit. Góða Nótt Elskan

The family would like to thank everyone who has been part of Rosalind's care. Very special thank you to Dr. Nazim and the wonderful staff at the Arborg and District Health Centre; your compassion and care was above and beyond! Thank you to the staff at the Gimli Community Health/Johnson Memorial Hospital for your guidance. A heartfelt thank you to Donna Wishnowski for your love, support, and direction. We are grateful to you all.

Funeral Service will be held at Ardal-Geysir Lutheran Church, 301 River Road, Arborg, Manitoba on Friday, July 19 at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Theo Robinson officiating, interment prior to the service at 1:00 p.m. at the Arborg Community Cemetery - west on River Road. All are welcome to attend. After the Church Service there will be a gathering at the Arborg Hall, an open mic and musical participation or sharing of stories is encouraged!

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ardal Geysir Lutheran Church, Box 160, Arborg, MB R0C 0A0; the Johannes Palsson Memorial Scholarship c/o Eric Vigfusson Box 635, Gimli, MB R0C 1B0; or the charity of your choice.

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OBITUARY



Kenneth Edwin Lindell
June 11, 1954 – July 3, 2024

Kenneth Edwin Lindell passed away peacefully on July 3, 2024 with his Edna (aka Dolly) by his side, after a 13 month battle with Glioblastoma. We were able to celebrate his 70th birthday.

He leaves behind his wife Dolly; daughters Erica (Jay), Lynnette (Jacob), Megan and Ashley (Will); special niece Candida (Stan); grandchildren Haylee, Jessica, Noah, Blake, Sophie, Sadie and Emmett; great-grandson Kenai and two grandchildren to arrive shortly who he will not meet in person. He also leaves behind brothers Les (Patti) and Reid (Sherr); brothers-in-law Andy (Janet) and John (Darlene); sisters-in-law Fran, Myrna (Randy) and Carol (Grant), along with numerous nephews, nieces, many "adopted" children and many cherished friends.

Ken was predeceased by his parents Eddy and Etta, brothers Terry and Dwight, brother-in-law Jimmy.

Ken went to school until Grade 10 and headed out west to work for McEwen Brothers for a couple of years (he even spent two years at Mount Royal College!). He then came back home to Eriksdale and worked for a couple of local builders before striking out on his own. He went on to build numerous homes and businesses in the area. He inherited his carpentry skill from his Dad and he had a natural talent that was evident in everything he built and created.

As an avid outdoorsman, Ken foraged, hunted, fished, trapped and put on miles with his skis. He passed down his love of the outdoors to his daughters and grandchildren. He was especially proud of his awards from the North American Fur Auction for Top Lot for the many furs he brought in.

In his later years, he went back to grain and hay farming. He had a love of using old equipment and was an expert at repairs.

Ken learned to appreciate dance in the years his wife ran the satellite program and his daughters were in the program. He was a willing volunteer at all of the dance recitals and used his skills to help bring the sets to life.

He was well-known and loved for his sense of humour and kindness and was always available to sit down for a cup of coffee and a little "crust of something".

Our heartfelt thanks goes out to everyone who assisted with the yard and house, anything that needed to be done. Your help and kindness has not gone unnoticed.

The family would like to thank Dr. Faragalla, Dr. Young and the wonderful nursing staff at Eriksdale Hospital for how they went above and beyond in the care they provided. They spoiled him and he loved every minute of it. Thank you to CancerCare for their care during his treatments.

A private family celebration will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ken's memory to the Eriksdale Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 434, Eriksdale, MB R0C 0W0.

"I'm a little busy right now!"

- Ken

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OBITUARY

Clifford Gudmundur Holm
November 13, 1944 – July 3, 2024



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Clifford Gudmundur Holm. Husband, Dad, Afi, Uncle, Great Uncle, Cousin and friend. Clifford departed in the early morning hours of July 3rd, 2024, surrounded by his loving family.

Clifford was born on November 13, 1944 in Gimli, Manitoba to Wilfred and Vilborg Holm (Magnusson). He was raised on the family farm in Vidir. He attended school in Vidir and later high school in Arborg where he met his future wife, Lilja Carol Mae Johnson.

After high school Clifford moved to Winnipeg where he was employed by Coca Cola and Mack Trucks. He developed several lifelong friendships during this time and this would be a pattern throughout his life, when Clifford made a friend, they often became friends for life. During this time he lived with many roommates at the infamous "Owl's Club" at 613 Jessie Avenue which also produced many lasting friendships.

Clifford and Lilja married on May 22, 1965 at the First Lutheran Church in Winnipeg. This was followed by a reception in Arborg in the home of Lilja's sister and brother-in-law, Hedy and Don Bjornson, which would later become Cliff and Lilja's home while Clifford was employed as grain buyer for Patersons.

They lived and worked in Winnipeg, but both had the desire to return to the country. Clifford and Lilja welcomed their first son, Blair Wesley in 1965 and in the winter of 1966, they moved back to the Holm farm in Vidir where they lived with Wilfred and Vibba for two years. Their second son, Paul Bryan was born in 1967 and daughter Susan Lee in 1969. They rented a farm nearby until 1971 when Clifford was offered a job as grain buyer for N.M. Paterson & Sons Ltd. in Arborg. The family moved to the Paterson company home on St. Peter's Street which was the scene of their wedding reception. They would live here for 15 years. During this time their children attended Arborg Elementary School and then Arborg Collegiate. In 1973, Lilja began working at the Arborg Medical Clinic and would work in health care for the next 30 years. In September 1986, Clifford decided to change his career and started working as a salesman for Drabik's Implements which he did for several years before partnering to open a new farm equipment dealership, Midlake Equipment. At this time, they moved from the company home to Mill Street in Arborg where they lived until the late 90's. He later worked in insurance sales and farm credit counselling. In semi-retirement he worked for Foster Ag Services although both he and the Fosters would say it was more about the camaraderie than the actual work.

In 1996, they bought land southeast of Arborg and created the special place they called "Jadri" where they farmed sheep, took in retired animals including horses, donkeys, mules and turkeys. Their home was a repurposed medical centre from Gimli. They took great delight that their bedroom door said "Senior Resource Centre". Jadri was a welcoming place where family and friends always felt comfortable.

Clifford was an avid reader of both English and Icelandic literature. He had a keen interest in his Icelandic heritage and maintained his proficiency in his first language his whole life.

Clifford enjoyed hunting and fishing trips with his buddies to various remote locations. For Clifford it was all about the social interactions whether it was attending an auction sale or community events.

Clifford was a founding member of the Arborg Flying Club (Hangar 1 belonged to him). He had a great interest in aviation and enjoyed attending air shows. He was a member of the Arborg Kinsmen Club, a Director of the Silver Community Centre, a volunteer at the Arborg Fair and a volunteer fire fighter with the Arborg-Bifrost Fire Department.

Clifford is survived by his loving wife of almost 60 years, Lilja, his children Blair (Andrew); Paul (Melanie Rose) and granddaughters Signy (David) and Raket (Alex); Susan (Brad) and granddaughter, April, Afi was a huge part of April's life and they maintained a very close bond. Brother Bruce Holm (Claudette); sister-in-law, Hedy Bjornson; nieces and nephews Darwin (Tanya); Darcy (Ken), Danial (Tammy), Don (Tanys), Darryl, Cindy (Randy), Peter (Joanne), Tracey (Elvis), Judy (Derek), Kelly (Ron), David, Jason (Shauna), Scott, Laura (Antonio), Sean, Joy; his first cousins Carol, Len, Alice, Roy, Henry, Dale and their families; many great nieces and nephews and many, many great friends.

Cliff is predeceased by his parents Wilfred and Vilborg Holm; aunts and uncles Freda and Dave Jenson, Jakobina (B) and Bill Henderson, Gudmundur and Phyllis Magnusson, Steinthor and Margie Holm, Ragnar Holm, Olga and Thor Johannesson and cousins Rosalind Vigfusson, Jona Nordal; father and mother-in-law, Jonas and Inga Johnson; brothers and sisters-in-law Kristin and Thor Bjornson; Donald Bjornson; Joan and George Hay; David Johnson, niece Debbie Deering (Johnson).

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, July 12th at 1 p.m. at the Silver Community Centre in Silver, MB, 4 miles South of Arborg.

The family would like to express our gratitude to our incredible extended family who sat with us at his bedside and with Mom as things unfolded for Clifford.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses and staff at the Health Sciences Centre Surgical ICU, Selkirk Regional Health Centre, Percy E. Moore Hospital as well as all medical staff that provided care throughout his various illnesses.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to one of Clifford's favourite charities: Silver Community Centre, PO Box 13, Silver, MB. R0C 2X0; Arborg & District Ladies Health Auxiliary, PO Box 301, Arborg, MB. R0C 0A0.

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OBITUARY



Metta Gudrun (Thorkelson) Johnson

Metta Gudrun (Thorkelson) Johnson died peacefully at Betel Personal Care Home, Friday, June 14th, 2024 aged 101. She was born at Fagranes, the family farm at Arnes, Mb, March 22nd, 1923.

She leaves to mourn, her children, Brenda (Richard) daughter Sula (Dave); Wendy, her children Kristen (Rob), Jon (Grace), Caitlin (Laurie), Conrad (Lauretta) their children Erika (Drew), Anders, Jona (Sam); Curtis (Gail-Ann) their children Kelsey (Mike), Trygve (Emily), Anya (Yigit); Brent (Marlene) his children Bryna (Tanner), Heida (Carter), Lindis (Troy). Great-grandchildren Asher, Mackenna, Leif, Sigg, Magnus, Bronwyn, Nora, Isabel, Theo and little Metta. Her brother Harold Thorkelson, nephew Phillip (Rosemary) Thorkelson, sisters-in-law Audrey (Earl) Clayton, Kathy Johnson and dear friend Denise Erlendson and god-daughter Steina. Coming from a family of seven children and marrying into a family of 13 children

she leaves many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph and son Christopher; parents Johanna and Sigridur Thorkelson and aunt Gunna; sisters, Freda, Goody, Jona, Emily and brother, Sam.

Growing up in Arnes, Mom was kept busy with the usual activities of a sheep and cattle farm. In the evenings, her mother Joa would often sing and read a book aloud. One of Mom's favourites was "Les Miserables" which was read in Icelandic. She attended the North Arnes School and later Riverton where she completed Grade 11. In 1939, she moved to Winnipeg and worked at the Wevil Café a well-known establishment among Winnipeg Icelanders.

A teaching opportunity came about in 1943 and she signed on as a permit teacher for a little one room school called Larkspur near Lake Ebb n Flow and Lonely Lake. She billeted with Steini and Margaret Johnson who had 13 children with nine of them still living at home. Mom fondly recalls arriving there and the not so warm reception she initially received from her future sisters-in-law Luella and Grace who didn't want to "talk to the damn teacher". In 1944, Mom said goodbye to Larkspur School and the Johnsons to attend "Normal School" in Teulon and later taught in Carberry and Arborg. Though she left the area, Joseph had pulled on her heart strings, starting a long-distance relationship which often involved him hauling cattle or sheep to the Union Stockyards and then travelling to Arnes to see his sweetheart. They were married at the Arnes Lutheran Church September 4th, 1948.

Metta then entered the whirlwind life of Eddystone where she and Joseph worked together to help build a thriving community. They ran a General Store, fish shed and the local telephone switchboard, maintained a garden and had six children over the next 10 years. Despite the hectic pace, a visit to their home was always warm and welcoming, accompanied with coffee, aroma of fresh baked Icelandic bread and discussions around community events, local news, and adventures to come. During this time, various family members lived and worked with them. Their nephew Steini came to stay for the summer and ended up living and working there for nine years. He liked it there so much he opened a garage next door with his new wife Denise.

Education was important to Mom which she instilled in her children and grandchildren. She also believed in giving them "roots to grow and wings to fly". Mom was also a person that others would reach out to for advice, she had firm beliefs and was able to handle delicate situations. She welcomed new community members helping them get involved in the many activities. Mom was a 4H leader, Ladies Auxillary and United Church member and was instrumental in the production of the local history book, "Patience, Pride and Progress". In her way, Mom managed to make what seemed an ordinary community an extraordinary place to live.

Joseph and Metta moved to Gimli Waterfront Center where Mom continued to be involved, volunteering at the museum, becoming the floor captain and organizing various events. This move also allowed them to be closer to their family, which they cherished. Mom made each grandchild feel special. She maintained her curiosity about people and life and had a fantastic memory, recalling everybody's birthday.

We wish to thank the Betel staff for their care and generous support they gave to Mom and our family.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the New Iceland Heritage Museum, Gimli.

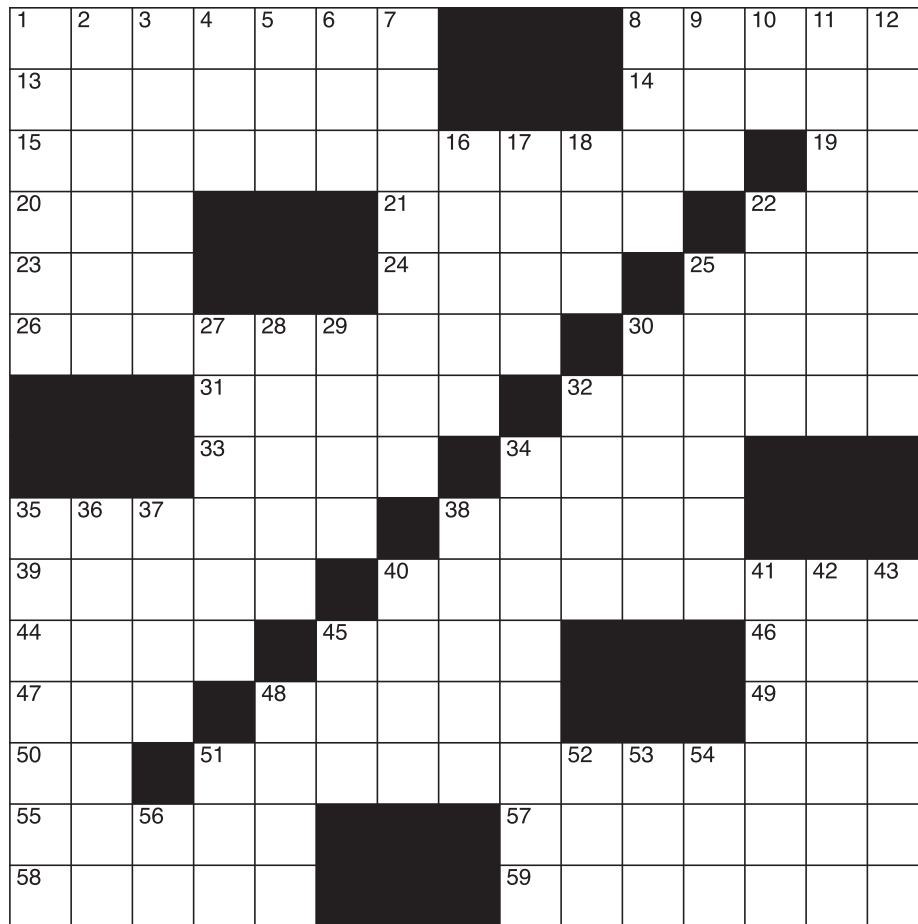
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A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, July 20th at 2 p.m. at the Arnes Community Hall, Arnes, MB.

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> GAME

X CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

1. Book size
8. Indonesian Island
13. "The Sopranos" character
14. Plants often found in stews
15. Stern
19. Atomic #52
20. Often seen after a company name
21. Silk garments
22. Inhibiting hormone (abbr.)
23. Type of beer
24. Margarine
25. Throw lightly
26. Explains again
30. Raccoon-like animal
31. Sneaker parts
32. Platforms
33. Scored perfectly
34. One's essence
35. Strikes with a firm blow
38. Makes tractors
39. Music term
40. Lack of energy
44. Vestments
45. ___ and feathers
46. Total

CLUES DOWN

1. About visual sense
2. Part of a horse's saddle
3. In a way, interchanged
4. Rocker's accessory
5. Very important person
6. It precedes two
7. Flavored
8. Musical notes
9. String instrument (slang)
10. Mister
11. Fine, light linen fabric
12. Absence of bacteria
16. Discounts
17. Area units
18. A description of

- one's life
22. Gazelles
25. Plumbing fixture
27. Makes especially happy
28. One side of something many-sided
29. Frosts
30. Defunct monetary unit of Guinea
32. Female animal species
34. School terms
35. Written law
36. Unpleasant aroma
37. Nuclear weapon
38. One who challenges
40. Opposite of first
41. Able to be utilized
42. Less interesting
43. Implants
45. Canister
48. Gestures
51. After B
52. Romanian monetary unit
53. Long-term memory
54. Cash machine
56. The Volunteer State

Sudoku Answer

8	5	7	2	3	9	6	1	4
9	4	3	8	6	1	2	5	7
1	6	2	4	7	5	9	3	8
7	1	4	9	5	6	3	8	2
5	3	6	1	8	2	4	7	9
2	8	9	7	4	3	5	6	1
6	7	8	5	2	4	1	9	3
4	9	5	3	1	7	8	2	6
3	2	1	6	9	8	7	4	5

Crossword Answer

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