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Fiddle fever

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The Wrigley Brothers brought their high-energy sound to the stage during the fifth annual ROGerKimLee Music Festival in Eriksdale on Aug. 15, where festivalgoers danced barefoot under prairie skies to performances by Manitoba musicians.

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What a small world: unexpected reunion between Iceland's president and Arborg resident

By Patricia Barrett

It's often said you never forget a face, and that sure rang true earlier this month when an Arborg resident got to meet Iceland's president, Halla Tómasdóttir, who was visiting Arborg, and thought she looked really familiar.

It turns out Corrine Einarsson, who grew up east of Arborg in the community of Geysir, worked with Tómasdóttir 40 years ago in the Búlanstindur fish factory in the town of Djúpvogur on the southeast coast of Iceland.

Their unexpected reunion occurred at the Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Village, which had asked Einarsson — an in-demand Interlake photographer — to take photos of the president's visit to the museum earlier this month.

"Halla and I started talking so much about Búlanstindur that it seemed there was no one else in the room," said Einarsson after she discovered why Iceland's second female president, who was elected in August 2024, looked so familiar.

When Tómasdóttir arrived at the Heritage Village and got out of her car, Einarsson said it instantly hit



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY BRETT MITCHELL
Corrine Einarsson of Arborg, middle, reunited with Iceland's president Halla Tómasdóttir and her husband Björn Skúlason during the president's visit to the Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Village earlier this year.

her that she knew her face but then thought that a lot of Icelanders have similar features and that she couldn't possibly know the president.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY CORRINE EINARSSON
Einarsson hiked up Búlanstindur Mountain overlooking the town of Djúpvogur in 2022.

As Einarsson followed the president's tour through the various historical buildings showcased at the museum, she got a chance to have a brief chat with Tómasdóttir's husband, Björn Skúlason, at the community hall, she said. He told her his mom was from Djúpvogur, the very place where Einarsson had lived and worked. When Einarsson told him she lived there for four years in the 1980s, Skúlason said what a small world it is as Halla lived there, too, in 1985.

"I knew it! Halla worked in the fish factory at the same time I did. She came with one of her girlfriends to work in the plant," said Einarsson. "There were a lot of people who came to work in Iceland's fish factories in the summer or throughout the year. They came and went."

Einarsson got to live and work in Iceland from 1982 to 1986. An Arborg family with ties to Djúpvogur facili-

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tated a visit for Einarsson's sister, a friend and a few other young people in 1981. When they returned to Arborg, they said working in Iceland had been such a great experience that they had to go again and bring more people with them.

"When we all went in 1982, there were 20 Canadians. We all got to work for a year. If we worked for a year, our tickets were paid," said Einarsson. "I ended up staying four years because it was way too much fun. We would speak half English and half Icelandic, and you made friends there. It was cool."

She and Tomasdottir compared notes about the Búlanstindur fish factory, and Einarsson asked her in Icelandic who her verkstjóri (supervisor) was. Sure enough, they had the same boss.

"We started talking about the same

people, and I was like, 'Oh my God, this is too crazy,'" said Einarsson. "I swear I have pictures of you from then."

They also told each other that they ate fresh shrimp right off the line.

"Halla said, 'We ate shrimp right off the conveyor belt' and I said, 'We did too! Maybe you were working at the end of the line with me,'" said Einarsson.

Einarsson shared a few old photos of the fish plant with the *Express*, and said she's going to dig up some old albums she's got stashed somewhere to see if there's anything she can share with the friends she made in Iceland 40 years ago and with whom she still keeps in touch.

Einarsson said she's planning a future visit to Iceland with her husband, who was born there.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY CORRINE EINARSSON

The Búlanstindur fish factory, which is in the town of Djúpivogur, was named after a nearby mountain that's shaped like a pyramid.

Man dead after boat capsizes on Lake Winnipeg

By Haley Cvar

A 77-year-old Winnipeg man is dead after his boat capsized on Lake Winnipeg near Balsam Harbour this week.

Selkirk RCMP said they received a report of an overturned boat at 3:40 p.m. on Aug. 20, about two kilometres northwest of the Balsam Harbour Marina.

Emergency crews launched a search of the area. The East Beaches Fire Department responded immedi-

ately with a boat, while additional resources, including the Canadian Coast Guard, RCMP Marine Services and the RCMP Underwater Recovery Team, were called in to assist.

At about 5:45 p.m., the fire department located the man's body a short distance from the capsized vessel. Police said he was wearing a life jacket at the time.

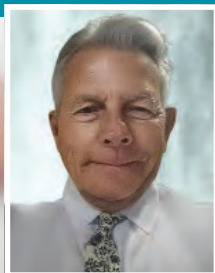
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Fisherton Horse Club sets Sept. 6 rodeo date

By Lana Meier

The Fisherton Horse Club Inc. is gearing up to host a last-minute ranch rodeo on Saturday, Sept. 6, featuring a full day of events for all ages.

Festivities kick off at 9 a.m. with a pancake breakfast and barrel racing and pole bending competitions starting at 10 a.m., capped at 15 entries each. The main ranch rodeo gets underway at 1 p.m., with teams entered at \$300 apiece. Order of events: Team sorting, Ranch doctoring, Kids calf scramble, Stray gathering and Break-fast race.

Adult admission is \$10 at the gate; children 6-12 years, \$5; while children under five and under are free.

A food truck alley and silent auction will be running throughout the afternoon. A calcutta will also be held to auction off rodeo teams, with buyers receiving a share of the prize money.

For younger visitors, kiddie activities are planned along with a calf scramble at intermission and a chicken scramble to close out the rodeo.

"We are going ahead with our ranch rodeo. It is last-minute for an event like this but we are going for it," said Horse Club secretary Amy Smith. "We would love to see people come down and enjoy the day."

For more information, contact Scott McKay at 1-587-280-0612.



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The Triple C Ranch team will be among the competitors at the Fisherton Horse Club Inc. Ranch Rodeo on Saturday, Sept. 6.

Emerging artist brings family trio to Gimli stage

By Lana Meier

A rising voice in old-time and original music will take the stage at the Ship & Plough later this month.

Mary Liv, an emerging performer known for her mix of traditional tunes and heartfelt originals, is set to perform in Gimli on Saturday, Aug. 30 from 8 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$17.50 and available online through the venue's website.

ue's website.


Liv, who blends fiddle-driven classics with personal songwriting, will be joined by her sister, Emmy Lou, and her mother, Jessica, for the Manitoba performance. Together, the family trio promises an evening that will move audiences from toe-tapping dance numbers to tender, story-laden ballads.

"Be ready to laugh and maybe cry while you listen to her sing you a truthful story or rip a fast fiddle tune," organizers noted, adding that the trio's dynamic energy ensures a show filled with both joy and honesty.

The concert continues a busy summer season of live music at the downtown Gimli venue.

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Lifetime of service: Alma Sigurdson marks 70 years with Minerva Ladies Aid

By Lana Meier

For more than 70 years, Alma Sigurdson has been a steadfast presence in her community, giving her time, talents and leadership to countless organizations while quietly shaping life in the Interlake.

Sigurdson, who first joined the Minerva Ladies Aid in 1955, is being honoured for her decades of volunteer service. From leading sewing clubs and Icelandic classes to organizing teas, curling bonspiels and fundraisers, she has lived by a simple philosophy: if there was a need, and she could help, she said yes.

"It just makes me feel good to be doing things to help other people," Sigurdson said with her characteristic modesty.

The Minerva Ladies Aid is celebrating a milestone this September as Sigurdson marks her 70th year with the organization.

She joined as a young woman shortly after her marriage and never looked back, taking on every role the group had to offer — often more than once. Her fellow members say her longevity and dedication are unmatched.

"Alma has given so generously of her time for seven decades," said Margaret Kernersted, a member of Minerva Ladies Aid. "We are so proud of her accomplishments and the example she sets for all of us."

The Ladies Aid has long been a cornerstone of rural life, offering help to families in need, providing food for funerals and supporting community events. Sigurdson played a central role in each of those traditions, from serving coffee and Icelandic specialties at the Islendingadagurinn pavilion to helping organize annual teas.

The meetings themselves were as much about fellowship as service, held in members' homes with each hostess trying to outdo the others' baking. Husbands would arrive later to collect their wives,

often staying for coffee themselves. For Sigurdson, it was all part of the rhythm of community life.

Born Alma Margaret Martin in Hnausa, she grew up in Vidir and began teaching school at just 17. After graduating from Normal School, she taught in Framnes and Gimli before marrying Raymond Sigurdson in 1954. Together, they raised six children at Bergstaðir, just south of Gimli, where service to family and community were deeply interwoven.

She followed her mother's example by joining the Ladies Aid. That willingness to step forward became a pattern throughout her life. If there was work to be done, Sigurdson was there.

Sigurdson's contributions stretched far beyond Minerva. She served on the Betel Home Foundation board for nearly 20 years, including as president from 1993 to 1995, a time of major growth with the building of the new Betel Home and the Waterfront Centre. She also spent countless hours volunteering directly with residents, leading knitting and gardening groups, serving coffee and helping at teas and craft tables.

She and her husband Ray, who served as reeve of Gimli, were at the forefront of centennial celebrations in 1987, helping organize historic re-enactments and fashion shows while hosting dignitaries. As a newly married couple, they founded the Minerva 4-H Club. Sigurdson went on to lead the sewing club for 25 years, shaping the skills of generations of young people.

Her impact extended into schools as well. She taught Icelandic language classes at Gimli Elementary and played a role in establishing the first band program at Gimli School.

Sigurdson also gave her time to Cornerstone Enterprises, the Association for the Mentally Challenged, the Evergreen Festival of the Arts, Gimli's semi-annual craft sales, and Manitoba Games competitions.

In sport, she curled for four decades and is now a lifetime member of the Gimli Curling Club, having served in executive positions and volunteered at provincial and national competitions.

Sigurdson's energy extended to health causes. For 16 summers, she cycled 150 kilometres annually as part of the Biking Vikings team in the MS Bike Tour, raising thousands of dollars as a consistent top fundraiser. She continued to support the Multiple Sclerosis Society by volunteering at golf tournaments each summer, running "Hit a Ball for MS" challenges to bring in more donations.

Deeply proud of her heritage, Sigurdson has also been central to Gimli's Icelandic cultural life. She taught language classes, prepared vinarterta and pönnukökur for festival kitchens, and, alongside her husband, hosted Icelandic flag-raising ceremonies for years at their homes in Camp Morton and later Willow Creek.

In 2008, she was chosen as the Fjallkona — the Icelandic Festival's Lady of the Mountain — a role recognizing her dignity, community leadership and lifelong devotion to her roots.

"She has the dignity and manner so symbolic of the Fjallkona," wrote her friend and fellow volunteer Johanna Wilson in her nomination letter. "She would bring to the position a graciousness and demeanour as befits the role."

The following year, she and her daughter Sandra created and donated a new cape and veil for the Fjallkona, a gesture that reflected both her Icelandic



Longtime volunteer Alma Sigurdson is being honoured for 70 years of service with the Minerva Ladies Aid and decades of community involvement in Gimli.

pride and her generosity.

From sewing curtains for Minerva Hall's stage to welcoming exchange students into her home, Sigurdson's volunteerism has always been hands-on. She rarely gave advice, her family recalls, preferring instead to lead quietly by example — offering her skills, her time and her warm hospitality wherever they were needed.

Her influence is stitched into the fabric of Gimli, in knitted Icelandic sweaters, in community halls still standing, and in generations of youth shaped by her leadership.

Today, Sigurdson and her husband Raymond reside at Stefanson Hus in Gimli, where she remains an active and engaged member of the community.

For friends, family and fellow volunteers, Sigurdson's legacy is defined not only by the length of her service but by the spirit in which she has given it.

"Alma's story is about commitment, compassion and community," Kernersted said. "She inspires us all to give back in whatever way we can."



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Alma and Raymond Sigurdson went all-in for the RM of Gimli's 1987 centennial, even commissioning authentic 1880s costumes — a reflection of Alma's dedication to every community endeavour.



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Eriksdale's 5th Annual ROGerKimLee Music Festival building momentum

By Patricia Barrett

While it may not rival famous green-field festivals such as Woodstock, Glastonbury or Coachella in terms of attendees, the ROGerKimLee Music Festival in Eriksdale is building momentum.

The three-day open-air music festival is in its fifth year. It kicked off on Friday, Aug. 15 under a sultry Prairie sky and on a mud-free expanse of plush undergrowth where people of all ages danced — some barefooted — as they enjoyed performances by a variety of Manitoba musicians.

Derrick McCandless, who runs the Eriksdale Music & Custom Frame Shop with his partner Dawn Mills, sits on the music festival's board and the shop is a major festival sponsor.

"We think it went great this year," said McCandless. "I think we're gaining attendees every year."

The lineup of musical talent included Sol James, The Wrigley Brothers, Maiji Kaartinen, Mark Reeves, Ryan Maier, Dog C Squirrel, the Brett Schulz Band, and Grape Raisin, made up of Eriksdale and St. Laurent high school students.

In addition to the musical performances, the festival offered attendees a Maker's Market showcasing hand-made crafts from Manitoba artisans, activities for kids, food and beverages, a beer garden and campsites.

Interlake-Gimli MLA Derek Johnson and Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan attended the festival on Friday night and congratulated McCandless and Mills for bringing the community together to celebrate music and pay tribute to their friends and musicians who inspired the festival — Roger Young, Kim Russell and Lee Oreniuk, all of whom have

passed away.

"This event celebrates the power of music to bring people together, showcase talent and strengthen the bonds of community," said Johnson. "Your dedication to creating a stage for creativity and connection enriches the cultural life of our region and inspires all who attend."

Johnson had recognized the couple in 2024 in a private member's statement in the Manitoba legislature where he said the festival's belief in music as a force for positive change can bridge geographical, ethnic and cultural differences.

McCandless said the success of this year's festival came down once again to the volunteers who ensured everything ran smoothly and to the support of festival sponsors.

"We have so many sponsors and volunteers and we'd like to give a shoutout to all of them," said McCandless. "And I want to thank our volunteer board and all the people who just showed up and were willing to help out."

The festival had over 25 sponsors, including the Manitoba Arts Council, the Eriksdale Métis Local, Access Credit Union, the Eriksdale and District Chamber of Commerce, Bone Yard General Repair, Eriksdale Interlake Co-op, the RM of West Interlake, BT & T Construction, Ashern Insurance Agencies, the Lundar Fish Shed, Grindstone General Store and Freedom West Insurance Solutions.

In addition to appreciating the support of all their sponsors, McCandless singled out Shirley Russell for being a "super volunteer" and the Eriksdale Meat Station for offering a meat draw.



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY CORRINE EINARSSON

The 5th Annual outdoor ROGerKimLee Music Festival in Eriksdale showcased Manitoba's wide variety of musical talent and brought families, friends and visitors together for three days of musical celebration and Prairie fun.



WAVE of inspiration hits Gimli beachcomber

By Emma McGill

Whether she's creating a custom piece in honour of a loved one's memory or making art for herself, Interlake artist Barbara Foreman lets her materials — all of which come from nature — guide her process.

Originally from Winnipeg, Foreman has lived in Gimli for about 30 years, enjoying the gardening, walking and beachcombing that the lakeside environment provides. About a decade ago, living in the Interlake inspired her to begin crafting heartfelt works of art with driftwood, stones and beach glass found along the Gimli shoreline.

"I'm inspired by the things that wash up and how nature creates them and how I can manipulate them into designs and create art with them," Foreman said. "I work with what is given to me and what I discover. I enjoy the challenge of using those pieces to create."

Foreman recently embraced a new challenge. After applying last fall and completing the jury process, she was accepted as a participant in the 2025 WAVE Interlake Artists' Studio Tour. The self-guided tour offers visitors an expansive art experience across 16 studios and runs over two weekends. The first one was June 7-8 and the second one is Aug. 30-31 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. WAVE has an app that can be downloaded to start planning your route.

Foreman's studio, Fossibilities, located at 249 Parkside Dr. in Gimli, welcomed more than 100 visitors during the June weekend.

"I was very nervous," she said. "You know, you're opening not only to a different group of people but you're also inviting them into your personal space. I was excited. I think a lot of people were surprised because our physical environment is quite different. I got to meet and chat with people at a really relaxed pace. It was a very positive experience."

In the past, Foreman showcased her work at markets, including the Arnes Farmers Market.

"They're like family, and I thoroughly enjoyed my time there. It was just time to step back a bit and slow down a bit," she said, adding that being a WAVE artist allows her to focus more on her art and welcome visitors into her home gallery.

Fossibilities is on the property where she and her husband, Charles Kirkpatrick, live.

"My husband is my right-hand man," she said. "All of our artwork is framed with wood that's been re-



Foreman believes honouring memories and events with an unusual medium makes the tribute all the more special.

claimed from the landfill. On every piece of art that I make, I can pretty much tell you where those stones come from or where the wood comes from. Some of them are like 100 years old."

Just as the pieces are connected to each other, Foreman said she, too, is deeply connected to her work. Her process often follows one of two paths.

She might begin with a drawn design based on an idea, sorting through her trays of materials — organized by shape and colour — to find the right fit. She revisits and refines the arrangement until she's satisfied with the result.

Other times, inspiration strikes during a walk on the beach.

"I come home with what I've found, I wash it all and separate it into categories, and sometimes, if I'm lucky, they come together in a way that I think is quite magical," said Foreman. "The stones tell that story."

While much of her work is rooted in the found materials, Foreman also creates custom and memorial pieces. In those cases, the story behind the artwork comes from families and loved ones. She gathers details through photographs and conversations to honour those relationships.

She recently completed two pieces for a customer seeking to commemorate families who had lost their pets.

"When I look back to the early pieces, I still love them but my work has grown by the detail and the intricacy of the way I do things," Foreman said. "I like to challenge myself, and often it's been through custom orders and customers where I have been the most challenged. One customer, she said to



EXPRESS PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Interlake artist Barbara Foreman welcomes visitors into her Gimli home gallery, Fossibilities, where she creates art from driftwood, beach glass and stones gathered along the Lake Winnipeg shoreline. She will open her studio again Aug. 30-31 during the WAVE Interlake Artists' Studio Tour.

me at one point, 'You know, this just doesn't bring me joy.' Now, I have to ask myself at the end of each piece, 'Does this bring me joy? Is this joyful?' If not, I have to go back and keep working at it."

Foreman plans to keep her Gimli gallery open throughout the summer so that locals and visitors can stop in outside of the WAVE weekends. She is open Saturdays and Sundays from 12 to 4 p.m. or by appointment. She hopes to create seasonal pieces and is exploring ideas for interactive activities, like scavenger hunts on the property.

"I really just look forward to continuing on with the work that I do and welcoming back customers and continually meeting new folks that are discovering WAVE for the first time and educating them on the way that my art works," she said.

"I'm proud to be a part of a collection of artists that are so incredibly talented on this tour. There are many of them that have been on this tour since the beginning. The Interlake just has a wealth of creativity and I think we are inspired by each other. I think, collectively, the tour is a great way to honour that."

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Manitoba ends state of emergency

By Haley Cvar

Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure's Emergency Management Organization says the provincewide state of emergency under the Emergency Measures Act expired at noon today and will not be extended.

The declaration was first made on July 10 and renewed Aug. 7 as wildfires across the province forced hundreds of residents from their homes and strained firefighting resources. It gave the province temporary pow-

ers to mobilize resources, co-ordinate evacuations and bring in extra support under sections 10(1) and 10(2) of the Act.

Officials say while the emergency order has ended, evacuation orders issued by local authorities remain in place until conditions are deemed safe for residents to return. Several communities in the north and Interlake remain displaced, with local councils continuing to monitor wildfire activity and air quality before lift-

ing restrictions.

The province is reminding Manitobans that wildfire risk remains high in many regions despite recent rainfall. Crews are still working to contain active fires, and fire restrictions and burn bans continue in several municipalities.

For updates on active wildfires, fire bans, evacuation notices and prevention tips, visit gov.mb.ca/wildfire.

Madeline's Closet to host inaugural health resource fair Sept. 3

By E. Antonio

Madeline's Closet is expanding its outreach with the launch of its first-ever health resource fair, to be held alongside its monthly community clothing day on Sept. 3.

The Inwood-based charity is dedicated to making life more affordable and accessible for women and children. On community days, individuals can choose three free pieces of clothing, but founder Shannon Dupont said the Sept. 3 event is designed to go a step further.

"We are a charity located right here

in the Interlake who strive to improve the lives of many," Dupont said. "We know there is a gap in services and we can see people are coming by who don't know what resources are in the area and how to access them — especially with the recent surge of fire evacuees. We want to give people an idea of what options they have and how to access them."

The community day will run from 4:30 to 8 p.m. at Madeline's Closet, located at 40 Main St. in Inwood. Health resource vendors will be available from 3 to 6 p.m. Ten organizations

have already signed on, including Service Canada, midwifery services and a public health nurse.

Dupont said additional groups are welcome to join. Anyone wishing to host a vendor table can email madelinesclosetinc@gmail.com or call 204-861-8336.

The organization is also collecting toiletry donations, which can be arranged by contacting Dupont directly. More information about Madeline's Closet is available through its Facebook page.

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Tracing Icelandic roots at Islendingadagurinn

Genealogy workshop draws interest during Gimli's Icelandic Festival

By Emma McGill

For many who gather each year at the Icelandic Festival of Manitoba, the August long weekend is about more than just celebrating heritage — it's about discovering it.

On the Sunday of this year's festival, members of the non-profit organization Icelandic Roots hosted a free genealogy workshop at the Lady of the Lake Theatre, helping participants trace family connections across generations and continents. The Aug. 3 session drew more than 50 attendees, all with access to the Icelandic Roots database, which, according to president Sunna Furstenau, "connects family members across the generations and across the ocean."

"For anyone who had an ancestor emigrate from Iceland, they will find the ships they came on, the ports they sailed from, passenger lists, the farms where they lived, census records and so much more," said Furstenau, whose family has branches in Iceland, Canada and North Dakota.

Furstenau recalled travelling often between northeast North Dakota and

Manitoba as a child to visit relatives in Glenboro, Brú and Winnipeg.

"I was the oldest grandchild and would often go back and forth across the Canadian border with my Amma," she said.

The workshop opened with Claudia Petursson discussing the Njal's Saga tapestry and its intricate storytelling through fibre art. Jason Doctor followed with a talk connecting Icelandic sagas to family trees. Furstenau and fellow volunteer Greg McNeill then worked with attendees to map out their own family histories.

Icelandic Roots has offered similar workshops at Islendingadagurinn for about five years. The organization shares an annual heritage grant — typically about US\$1,000 — with the New Iceland Heritage Museum in Gimli.

Museum executive director Julianna Roberts said the partnership aligns with the museum's mission to preserve settlement history between 1875 and 1930. The collection includes artifacts brought from Iceland, letters between new immigrants and their families back home, and a research library of history books.

Roberts noted genealogy is a deeply rooted cultural practice for Icelanders, with records meticulously kept for generations. She said the interest among descendants often emerges in their mid-20s or after starting a fam-



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Everyone at the workshop on Sunday had access to the Icelandic Roots database, which holds detailed records stretching back many generations.

ily.

"We often get visitors, phone calls or emails asking about the records," Roberts said. "Lots of people are tracing their family trees and they come here first, then I refer them to Icelandic Roots. When my mom did our family tree, it was all done before the inter-

net. It was writing letters, researching and phoning. It's really important to know where you come from."

The New Iceland Heritage Museum, located in Gimli's Waterfront Centre, is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Sept. 30.

Corrections

Staff

In the article "RM of West Interlake to close Eriksdale municipal office published in the Aug. 14 *Express Weekly News*, we misstated the name of Eriksdale taxpayer Caitlin Milljour. The *Express* apologizes for the error.

Also, in the story "Gimli resident hoping to get beloved pet turtles back after theft, offering \$6,000 reward" in the Aug. 21 edition of the *Express*, a copyrighted photo credit for one of the box turtles — by Ryan. M. Bolton / Environment Canada 2004 — was not included. We apologize for the oversight.

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John Deere dealers help grow 4-H leadership in Manitoba

Submitted by Ana-Julia Reis

4-H Canada is celebrating a landmark partnership with the John Deere Foundation of Canada and participating John Deere dealers across the country, aimed at developing youth to take on leadership roles in the agriculture industry and in communities nationwide.

The initiative brings a total of \$175,000 in funding, including \$100,000 from the John Deere Foundation of Canada and an additional \$75,000 from 11 regional dealers.

The investment will help reach an estimated 1,500 to 2,000 youth through national 4-H programs such as Citizenship Congress and Members' Forum, as well as local activities across seven provinces. Participants will gain skills in agricultural innovation, sustainability, leadership and well-being — experiences that contribute to a stronger future for Canadian agriculture.

The impact builds on evidence from 4-H Canada's recent alumni survey.

At least eight in 10 alumni reported 4-H helped them develop skills such as public speaking, leadership, teamwork, self-confidence, meeting management and responsibility. Seven in 10 also reported improvements in interpersonal skills, decision-making, self-esteem, positive values and record-keeping. On average, alumni identified 14 skills, attitudes and attributes gained through 4-H, with responsibility, positive values, teamwork, leadership and planning/decision-making ranking highest.

Notably, 44 per cent of 4-H alumni report working in agriculture today, compared to just one per cent of the general population — demonstrating the program's influence in building a talent pipeline for Canada's agricultural sector. Alumni also report a higher sense of confidence than the general public, and 75 per cent agree 4-H helped them master skills they continue to use both professionally and personally.

"This partnership is about investing

in young people who will drive the future of agriculture and rural communities in Canada," said Hugh Maynard, CEO of 4-H Canada. "By working together, we are giving youth the tools, networks and confidence to lead in a rapidly evolving sector."

"Supporting 4-H means supporting the next generation of innovators, entrepreneurs and community leaders," said Karen DeBrau, communications and CSR lead at John Deere Canada. "The John Deere Foundation of Canada is proud to stand behind this vision for a thriving agricultural sector."

In Manitoba, the investment is strengthened through the support of local John Deere dealers Enns Brothers, with nine locations across the province, and Greenvalley Equipment, with four. Their commitment ensures Manitoba 4-H Council Inc. can continue delivering relevant provincial programming that meets the needs of today's youth. From leadership workshops and judging competitions to career exploration initiatives

and community service projects, these programs empower 4-H members to build confidence, develop life skills and explore opportunities in agriculture and beyond.

The backing of Enns Brothers and Greenvalley Equipment directly supports the growth and development of young Manitobans, ensuring they are equipped with the knowledge, values and leadership skills to contribute meaningfully to their clubs, communities and the future of agriculture in the province.

The funding is part of the wider Tomorrow Needs 4-H campaign, an initiative led by the Canadian 4-H Foundation to raise funds to sustain and expand high-impact youth programs.

Beyond financial support, the partnership will create opportunities for mentorship, volunteering and stronger connections between local 4-H clubs and John Deere dealer communities — reinforcing shared values around rural prosperity and empowering youth.

GoFundMe launched to support boy battling rare cancer

By Lana Meier

A GoFundMe has been launched to support a young Teulon boy and his family as he begins treatment for a rare and aggressive form of cancer.

On Aug. 15, Kwin was diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma, a fast-growing type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. While the illness is considered rare and aggressive, doctors have told the family it typically responds well to treatment.

Kwin received his first dose of chemotherapy the following day and will remain in hospital as treatment continues. His mother, Kim, is staying with him throughout his

care.

Family friend Jody, who set up the fundraiser, said many people have asked how they can help.

"Kim has asked for prayers for her sweet little boy, and I'm asking for support with the extra expenses they'll face while Kwin is in the hospital," Jody wrote on the campaign page. "No donation is too small, and anything helps."

Funds raised will go directly to Kwin's family to cover costs while his mother is away from work.

Despite the difficult diagnosis, Jody said both Kim and Kwin remain in good spirits.

"I was able to visit them and they were both cracking jokes, the same Kim and Kwin we all know and love," she said. "I have no doubt little dude is going to kick lymphoma's ass."

Donations can be made through the GoFundMe page titled Help Kim and Kwin.



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Steep Rock Beach Park seeing surge in visitors unplugging and recharging, new facilities

By Patricia Barrett

Steep Rock Beach Park in the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale is best known for its spectacular limestone cliffs, walking trails through dense forest and stunning sunsets over Lake Manitoba.

With natural attractions like these on offer, the park doesn't need a whole lot of help enticing and entertaining visitors.

But to enhance the visitor experience, the park's board of directors have a number of upcoming developments underway, said park manager Diane Price.

"The park is actively working toward new public washrooms at the beach, outdoor rinse-off stations, change rooms and the installation of a brand-new playground — improvements that will further enhance the visitor experience and reinforce the park's reputation as a family-friendly destination," she said.

Steep Rock Beach Park attracts thousands of people on long weekends and hundreds of day-trippers during the week throughout the summer, she said. People flock to its shores from across the province, Canada and the U.S. The park recently had guests from the U.K. and Germany.

In addition to the beach, the cliffs, the pier and a 110-slip marina, the park has 282 seasonal campsites and 55 overnight sites.

"There are also four beachside rental rooms and one cozy cabin rental, offering alternative accommodations for guests looking for a more traditional lodging experience," said Price.

The park also has a fish shack that provides a clean space for anglers to prepare their catch.

For visitors who like to stay active and keep their kids occupied, the park has playgrounds, a driving range and a baseball diamond.

"Our enclosed Fun Zone, featuring five large inflatable bouncers and other outdoor games, runs seven days a week, offering fun and safe recreation for families," said Price.

Seasonal residents are provided access to a community garden.

The park has a general store which stocks everyday grocery items and locally made products, the Shoreline restaurant, which hosts live performances of Manitoba artists and karaoke nights, and Paddle & Play Outdoor Adventures, which provides kayaks, paddle boards, floating docks and fishing rods.

The Shoreline and Paddle & Play owner Samantha Hampton said she's seeing an upswing in local residents coming to the park as more and more people are deciding to hug their own shoreline rather than those beyond, as well as from those farther away wanting to explore everything the province has to offer.

As a piece of the "park's ecosystem," Hampton said her restaurant and outdoor adventures company have been running full tilt since the season opened. The Shoreline recently hosted a book reading with author Karen Emilson, who spends her summers in Steep Rock, and had about 40 people in attendance.

Hampton said she plans to feature more local talent and food and drink.

"The Shoreline offers live music every weekend for free, and we're launching our From



EXPRESS PHOTOS COURTESY OF SAMANTHA HAMPTON
Steep Rock Beach Park summer students painting colourful and creative murals on park infrastructure. The beautification initiative was sponsored by Moosehorn Co-op.

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Alec Baldwin's 18th annual Gimli Dog Party unleashes canine and human fun

By Patricia Barrett

Gimli resident Alec Baldwin hosted his 18th Annual Dog Party last Saturday to bring the community's dogs and dog owners together for an afternoon of impromptu romping, meet and greets, lolling about, agility challenges, treats and lots of doggone good fun.

Fifty-one people and 27 dogs enjoyed the party in the big field at the corner of Solvin Road and Highway 9 in the Vesturland neighbourhood.

Baldwin, who has autism, is well known for his love and knowledge of dogs and has competed professionally in dog shows. As an artist, Baldwin was commissioned by the National Dog Show in Philadelphia to paint a portrait of dogs for the cover of its brochures, posters and passes. Baldwin also painted a Dog Party mural on the Gimli Sea Wall.

When asked how he's made his dog party such a success over the years, Baldwin said it's simply a fantastic event and his parents have always worked with him to ensure everyone has a great time.

"The dog party was awesome. I enjoyed having it in Gimli. When I started having it in 2008 and now it is my 18th year when we have a fantastic celebration," said Baldwin. "And I certainly think my parents are good team-mates and picking up everything, and we got collections and organized and decorated it. Everything, including food supplies and equipment and toy prizes for the kids."

Some of the dogs are old acquaintances, having attended previous dog parties or having met at the Gimli Dog Park, while others were new to the scene but quickly became fast friends. The humans, too, shared laughs, memories and stories about their dogs.

In addition to helping dogs socialize and bringing



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The 18th Annual Gimli Dog Party attracted 51 people and 27 dogs. They were treated to an afternoon of agility challenges, treats and good fun.



Beagle puppy love. Copper (left) gets acquainted with Frida, who won the youngest dog award.

people together, Baldwin and his parents, Tanis Benson and Joel Baldwin,

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The three Lucys pose with their owners.

The new era of dentures is here and it's far superior in 5 big ways

By Brock Vantor - Denturist

It's been decades and generations since dentures have evolved. The most notable advancement was the development of acrylic resin, which became popular for denture fabrication in the 1940's and is still being used today, not surprisingly, due to the acrylics beauty and adaptability to match patients' gums, but there was always one major drawback...Acrylic always needed to be heated up and baked to fully cure, and when it cooled down it shrunk and distorted, losing the best fit! For example, when you bake a cake and take it out of the oven, it cools and pulls away from the pan. Well, dentures used to do the same thing, no matter how perfect we would take an impression, the denture would always warp when we cooked it, it was always a major drawback, until now!

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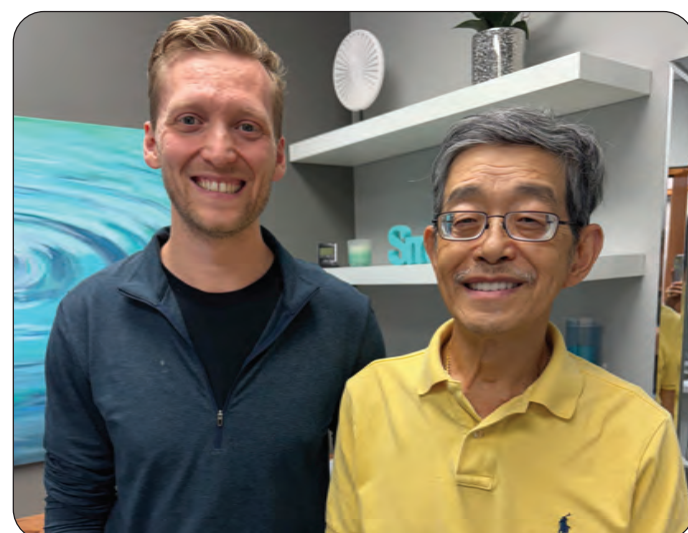
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Kids also got a prize for completing the dog agility course composed of tunnels, a ring jump, hurdles, weave poles, a teeter-totter and a ramp. Ruby, who attended the party with Lucy (a mini poodle shih tzu) and Linus (a bichon frise), won the "Guess the Breed" contest.



Linus and Daisy share strategy on how best to jump the hurdles.



Alec Baldwin teaching Krypto, an American foxhound, how to obey a command.



Dutch shows his owner how fast he can walk the ramp.



"No way, mom, I'm not getting on that ramp." Black Jack put his foot down when it came to trying out the agility course. But he was the mane attraction for his 1980s-inspired hairdo.



This young man shows his dog Linus, a bichon frise, how to crawl through a tunnel.



Daisy and her owner try out the ramp together.



Owners accompanied their dogs on the dog parade around the field.

> STEEP ROCK, FROM PG. 11

Here series, which will showcase local talent and products," she said.

The park itself provides employment to about 20 people, including summer students, who Price says are "vital" to the park's daily operation.

"With the generous sponsorship of the Moosehorn Co-op, our students led a beautification initiative this season by painting murals on garbage bins, which added colour and creativity to functional park infrastructure," said Price. "A Youth Leadership program initiative provided for a Mobimat to be installed at the beachfront

for added accessibility to the lake."

Price said the park creates a community atmosphere and is more than just a place to stay.

"This park is more than just a campground — it's a community," she said. "Whether you're here for a day or the entire season, our goal is to create a space where memories are made, traditions are built and everyone feels welcome."

Visit Steep Rock Beach Park online for its calendar of events, news and information about amenities.



Author Karen Emilson gave a book reading at the Shoreline Restaurant.



Samantha Hampton and her staff at the Shoreline Restaurant survived a very busy summer.

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Ashern Rodeo to return for a weekend of riding and racing

New safety features part of this year's event

By Emma McGill

Bucking broncs, barrel racing and bull riding will all return to the Ashern Rodeo as the community gears up for its 33rd edition from Aug. 29 to 31.

Showcasing all the major rodeo events, crowds will see competitors in bareback and saddle bronc riding, ladies' and junior barrel racing, bull riding, junior steer riding, as well as breakaway, tie-down and team roping. Women's breakaway roping was added to the schedule just last year.

With a seven-member board, organizers have put in countless volunteer hours to stage a weekend that celebrates agricultural tradition. Along with regular planning, they have focused on making the rodeo safer and more accessible.

They updated the strip chute to make it safer for animals and contestants, covered the beer gardens, and purchased an accessible porta-potty to ensure greater comfort for all attendees.

"I've been a part of the rodeo for the past 15 years and it means so much to me to be able to continue to bring a great show to my local community," said Rachel Vanderveen, president of the Ashern Rodeo Board.

On Friday night, the weekend opens with a street dance and fireworks. Saturday begins with a pancake breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. in Centennial Hall, followed by a parade at 11 a.m. The rodeo itself kicks off at 4 p.m. Lo-

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The Ashern Rodeo Board has worked hard to organize a weekend of family fun while celebrating agricultural tradition.



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cal vendors, food trucks, entertainers, bouncy houses and pony rides round out the day.

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One of the many competitors to watch is Whitney Hogue, an Eriksdale local who has been involved in rodeo for about 22 years. She has been riding since age six and is eager to compete close to home.

"I started out in the horse show world and actually did a lot of driving miniature ponies, and quickly fell in love with speed events and continued on into mostly barrel racing," said Hogue. "This season I started to haul a newer horse, mostly to Heartland rodeos, where we currently sit third for the year, lots of jackpot barrel races, and hitting some of the Manitoba rodeos sanctioned by the Canadian Cowboys Association."

This is Hogue's first year with a CCA membership, though she has long competed in the Heartland Rodeo Association and Manitoba Rodeo Cowboys Association circuits.

"My horses know the Interlake ground, and I've done well here in the past, so fingers crossed my horse can put a run together," she said. "I'm super proud of the horse I'm hauling this year. He's a nine-year-old bay gelding named Dually. It's his first full season of rodeo and he has tried so hard for me and far surpassed my expectations for him."

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Mama Bears Quilt Shoppe pops up in Gimli, upcoming open house in Carman

By Patricia Barrett

The family-owned Mama Bears Quilt Shoppe opened a pop-up shop at the Lakeview Resort in Gimli last Saturday to allow local quilters and sewers an opportunity to check out the store's stock. Pauline, Glen and Mikayla Noordenbos were on hand displaying an extensive range of fabrics and patterns.

With three locations in Manitoba — Ashern, Carman and Brandon — Mama Bears sells fabrics, quilt kits, notions and patterns.

Mama Bears will be holding an open house on Saturday, Sept. 6 at its Carman store at 82 Main St. South. Specials and door prizes will be on offer.

Visit the store online: www.mamabearsquiltshoppe.ca or call 204-768-2120 (Ashern), 204-750-8309 (Carman) or 204-725-5277 (Brandon).



A variety of patterns were on display for quilters and sewers to choose from.



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From left: Pauline, Mikayla and Glen Noordenbos display a fabric with a Winnipeg Blue Bombers design.

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Access Credit Union appoints Myrna Wiebe as new chief executive officer

By Lana Meier

After an extensive search process, the board of directors of Access Credit Union has announced the appointment of Myrna Wiebe as president and chief executive officer, effective Sept. 2, 2025.

Wiebe has more than 30 years of experience in financial services, having led departments including operations, marketing, people and culture, IT and security, corporate strategy, and governance. She holds a certificate in management from the University of Manitoba, a post-baccalaureate diploma in management, and an MBA from Athabasca University.

She also holds designations from the Institute of Corporate Directors and the Financial Planning Standards Council. She has completed the Canadian Securities Course credential from the Canadian Securities Institute and is recognized as a Fellow of the Credit Union Institute of Canada.

Beyond her business career, Wiebe is active in the community. She serves as a board member and investment committee chair with the Teachers' Retirement Allowances Fund Board and is a member of the Winnipeg Women's

Conference Committee. Within the credit union system, she sits on the Canadian Credit Union Association board and serves on the Democratic Control Review Committee at Credit Union Central of Manitoba.

"Myrna's long history and broad experience with the credit union is a strength that the board recognized as a valuable asset to the organization," said Curt Letkeman, chair of the board of Access Credit Union. "The existing relationships Myrna holds both inside and outside the organization are a testament to her ability to connect and inspire those around her to achieve great things. Our members and clients will continue to benefit from Myrna's enthusiasm, integrity and her continued focus on creating a credit union for all Manitobans."

Wiebe said she is excited about the next chapter, both for herself and for the credit union.

"I am honoured to take on the leadership of Access Credit Union, building upon the considerable achievements accomplished during Larry Davey's tenure," she said. "Drawing on the organization's strong foundation, I am committed to working collaboratively



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Myrna Wiebe has been appointed president and chief executive officer of Access Credit Union, effective Sept. 2, 2025. She succeeds Larry Davey, who is retiring at the end of August.

with our board and talented leadership team to drive member value, advance innovative initiatives and continue our strong community support. Together, we will continue to build a successful future for all members."

Wiebe replaces Larry Davey, who is retiring from Access Credit Union at the end of August.

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Gimli emergency measures coordinator continues to work on emergency relief facility

By Patricia Barrett

With Manitoba experiencing its worst wildfire season on record for the past 30 years, the Rural Municipality of Gimli's emergency measures coordinator is continuing to work with all levels of government to have the Gimli Recreation Centre upgraded so that it can be used as an emergency relief facility for the public in the event of hazardous air quality events or extreme temperatures.

Don Emes, who also works as the emergency coordinator for the Town of Winnipeg Beach and the RM of Armstrong, said the initiative to transform the Gimli Recreation Centre into building that can offer large numbers of people relief is "on track and progressing," with the municipality behind the project and the province and federal governments aware of the importance of having such a centre.

"The wildfire situation in Manitoba this year has been devastating with a tragic loss of life," said Emes. "This kind of disaster with smoke that can be toxic drives greater interest in having a relief centre."

Emes said the municipality is fully on board with the initiative to retrofit the recreation centre and is engaged with the provincial and federal governments.

The federal government has guidelines and standards for relief centres, and it's taking a bit of time to design

and engineer certain features for the Gimli Recreation Centre, which is decades old and does not meet today's standards, said Emes. Newer centres, such as sports complexes in Winnipeg that have been used as evacuation centres for northern residents, were built with those standards in place.

"If you live in an old house and try to sell it, and maybe the plumbing and electrical are not up to snuff, it won't sell," said Emes.

To help RM of Gimli residents obtain information on how toxic wildfire smoke can be on a given day, the RM installed a smoke sensor at the Gimli Airport, said Emes. And there are also smoke sensors in Winnipeg Beach, Arborg and Teulon, to name a few places.

"The public can gain access to this information," said Emes. "They can go online to obtain a smoke reading then make more informed decisions about their activities on smoky days."

The 2025 wildfire season is the "worst on record in the past 30 years," according to the provincial government.

Over 1.99 million hectares have burned in the province as of Aug. 18, with the Manitoba Wildfire Service continuing to respond to 153 active wildfires. There's been a total of 417 wildfires to date.

The provincewide state of emergency under the Emergency Measures



EXPRESS PHOTO BY PATRICIA BARRETT

The Gimli Recreation Centre is located west of Highway 9. It will be upgraded so that it can be used as an emergency relief centre for the public during smoky days, temperature extremes and other disasters.

Act expired on Aug. 22, according to a provincial news release, and the government is not extending it. The state of emergency was first declared on July 10 and extended on Aug. 7.

Wildfire smoke from fires burning in the Canada's northern territories, B.C. and across the Prairies has resulted in numerous air quality statements and warnings from Environment Canada

this year, and thick toxic smoke cancelled some outdoor events in Manitoba.

The RM of Gimli and council were contacted for comment about the upgrading of the recreation centre and the anticipated completion date of the project but did not respond.

Mrs. Roper inspires themed Zumba fun in Gimli



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Mrs. Ropers take over Gimli and Winnipeg Beach this week as Zumba instructor Jan Keryluk, centre, leads participants in themed "Roper Romp" fitness classes inspired by the 1970s sitcom *Three's Company*. Costumed participants joined Keryluk at Aqua Zumba sessions, breakfast at Chicken Chef and finished the week with a free Sunday class at the Winnipeg Beach bandstand.

M/V Namao marks 50 years of Lake Winnipeg service

By Lana Meier

With a brass ship's wheel polished and cake waiting on deck, community members and dignitaries gathered on Aug. 9 at Gimli Harbour to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the M/V Namao — a vessel that has become central to research and monitoring on Lake Winnipeg.

Built in Riverton in 1975 as a Canadian Coast Guard buoy tender, the ship was originally tasked with setting navigational buoys and aiding vessels in distress. Since 2005, when the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium (LWRC) assumed ownership, the Namao has been transformed into a floating laboratory that carries out three whole-lake surveys each year.

"It's been 50 years of service on this lake and to this great province of Manitoba," said Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman MP James Bezan. "When the Coast Guard made the decision to turn it over to the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium in 2005, that was a real pinnacle moment in time. The Namao epitomizes our passion for protecting Lake Winnipeg."

The open house featured tours of the vessel and highlighted its evolving role. Scientists and crew conduct spring, summer and fall surveys at 65 stations across the lake, monitoring fish stocks, water and soil quality, and, more recently, atmospheric conditions.

"This year we began atmospheric testing, which is something usually done in the Arctic or on oceans," said field coordinator Riley Bersluis. "Because we had been collecting samples long before zebra mussels arrived in the lake, we also have baseline data that helps researchers measure the impact of invasive species."

Maintaining the 33-metre vessel, which requires nine crew members to operate, is not without challenges. Every five years it must undergo a drydock refit, costing up to half a million dollars. The consortium relies on support from federal and provincial governments, Manitoba Hydro, the Manitoba Port Council, local foundations and public donations.

"The biggest challenge is sustainability," said LWRC board co-chair Kim Tynacity. "It's costly to operate, but the partnerships that support us make this work possible."

Provincial Environment and Climate Change Minister Derek Johnson said the ship's research has direct benefits for Manitobans.

"It's not just our tourist attraction. It also supports our fishermen, who rely on the data that comes from this vessel," Johnson said. "The Namao stands as a powerful symbol of



Terry Nicholson presents a \$2,500 cheque on behalf of the West Shore Foundation.

Manitoba's commitment to science, environmental stewardship and the strength of community working together for the greater good."

The anniversary also marked the unveiling of plaques recognizing the vessel's history and the contributions of the late Dr. Al Christofferson, who helped orchestrate the Namao's transition from Coast Guard service to research platform.

Donations were part of the celebration as well, with the West Shore Foundation presenting \$2,500 to the consortium.

"Our catchment area extends from Riverton down to Matlock, so the lake is very important to us," said foundation chair Terry Nicholson. "It's vital for tourism, commercial fisheries and for those of us who live along its shores. We're proud to support this milestone."

The LWRC also used the celebration to highlight its education programs, which bring students aboard the vessel to learn about freshwater science. Each summer, schools and youth groups can spend a half-day on the ship, collecting samples and engaging in hands-on science led by the consortium's education staff. The consortium also awards scholarships and supports science fairs to encourage the next generation of researchers.

For the LWRC, the golden anniversary underscored the ship's role in ensuring the long-term health of Manitoba's "inland sea."

"This isn't just about the vessel," Kim said. "It's about the people and partnerships that have made its mission possible, and the importance of carrying this work forward for the next 50 years."



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY KATIE WALLMUTH

The Motor Vessel Namao, Lake Winnipeg's only dedicated research ship, marked its 50th birthday with tours and family activities at Gimli Harbour on Aug. 9. The vessel, operated by the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium, continues to play a vital role in monitoring the health of one of Canada's largest freshwater lakes.



Visitors got a close-up look at the wheelhouse.



Provincial Environment and Climate Change Minister Derek Johnson, middle, presented a commemorative plaque to Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium staff.

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Storm FC facing tall task after recent loss

By Kieran Reimer

Dalen Penner scored his team-leading fifth goal of the season, but it wasn't enough for Storm FC to collect a much-needed victory Thursday night at Buhler Recreation Park.

Storm entered the matchup against Mecs FC in desperate need of points, sitting last in the Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 4 table but still within striking distance of the final playoff spot. Mecs, meanwhile, were among the teams directly in the mix for one of the six postseason berths, setting up an important clash for both sides.

Penner gave Storm early hope with the opening goal, but Mecs responded with three unanswered markers. Backed by a standout performance from their goalkeeper, they skated away with a 3-1 win that vaulted them into playoff position.

For Storm, the loss meant falling to 3-9-1 on the season and sliding five points behind the postseason cutline. With just three weeks remaining in the regular season, the club faces an uphill climb if it hopes to extend its



Storm FC's Rogan Dueck fights off a Mecs FC player in pursuit of a loose ball on Aug. 21 at Buhler Recreation Park. Storm currently sit five points back of a playoff spot with a 3-9-1 record.

campaign into the fall.

The challenge gets no easier. Storm's next opponent is the second-place St. James Spurs, who entered Friday with a 7-2-2 record. The two sides last met earlier this year, with St. James prevailing 3-1.

A reversal of fortunes Tuesday would not only tighten the gap in the standings, but also give Storm a much-needed confidence boost heading into the final stretch of the season. Kickoff against the Spurs is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at Buhler Recreation Park.



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Storm FC keeper Ormando Reimer makes a save against Mecs FC on Aug. 21 at Buhler Recreation Park. The Storm went on to lose the match 3-1.

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Storm FC regroup during second-half action in their Manitoba Major Soccer League Division 4 matchup against Mecs FC on Aug. 21 at Buhler Recreation Park.

Team McPherson to play in inaugural Jr. Grand Slam of Curling

By Kieran Reimer

Team McPherson have made it known they will be a big part of the future of Canadian curling.

Still a junior team, the Gimli-based quartet are collecting big wins at the provincial and national junior levels before any of Caitlyn McPherson, Jorja Buhr, Ivy Jensen or Julie Magnusson have celebrated their 18th birthday.

Now, after grinding it out locally, Team McPherson have earned their big break. On Aug. 8, they were named one of two Manitoban teams to play in the inaugural Jr. Grand Slam of Curling, which begins Oct. 16 at the Beaumont Curling Club in Beaumont, Alta.

"It's an honour to be one of the two Manitoba teams selected to play in it as well. It's really going to be a growing and learning experience for us," said skip Caitlyn McPherson on Wednesday.

The Jr. Grand Slam will feature U25 men's, U25 women's and a U15 division, with the finals moving to Silent Ice Center in Nisku, Alta., during the 2025 Tour Challenge on Oct. 19.

Team McPherson will compete with 15 other teams for the U25 women's title, including Team Hayward from Carman.

McPherson said it will be the biggest

tournament in the team's young history. Previous high-stakes competitions have included the Asham U18 Women's Provincial Championships, which they won last January, and the 2025 Canadian U18 Women's Curling Championships, where they reached the quarterfinals.

Their rise has been guided by none other than Kerri Einarson and Shawn Magnusson. Einarson is a four-time national champion as skip for Team Einarson, while Magnusson has translated his experience as one of the top curlers in the province into coaching with Team McPherson.

"We've had Shawn for the past few years now, and he's really just taught us to have fun out there," said McPherson. "It's a lot more fun and you're going to enjoy yourself more when you have fun out there. Even when you aren't playing your best, it's still important to have fun with your teammates because they really are your friends on and off the ice."

The team trains with Einarson in Gimli as often as they can. That training is set to ramp up now with just two months left before their trip to Beaumont.

"We've already started training and practising with Kerri and Shawn, and by ourselves as well," said McPherson.



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Gimli's Team McPherson is one of two Manitoba rinks selected to compete in the inaugural Jr. Grand Slam of Curling, set for Oct. 16 at the Beaumont Curling Club in Beaumont, Alta. The team is made up of skip Caitlyn McPherson, third Julie Magnusson, second Ivy Jensen and lead Jorja Buhr, and is coached by Shawn Magnusson. Left to right: Coach Shawn Magnusson, skip Caitlyn McPherson, third Julie Magnusson, second Ivy Jensen and lead Jorja Buhr.

son. "We're obviously super excited, a little bit nervous, just because there's only two months, but there are a few events before that we'll be competing in, so hopefully that'll prepare us."

With the future bright, McPherson

said the team is taking things one event at a time. This year they hope to try their hand in some women's tournaments outside their regular Manitoba Junior Curling Tour schedule, in preparation for the Jr. Grand Slam.

Arborg Ice Dawgs offering tryouts in Stony Mountain and Gimli

By Patricia Barrett

Hockey players who want to join the Arborg Ice Dawgs have a chance to try out next month during a series of fall camps being offered in Stony Mountain and Gimli.

Tom Chwaliboga, who sits on the Ice Dawgs board, said there are a handful of spots available on the team for players aged 16 to 20.

"We're looking for players not only from the Interlake but also from Winnipeg and elsewhere to help us round out a team for the upcoming season," he said. "Most of the kids will be returning from last year, apart from those who've aged out. But there are at least four or five spots available on the team that we're looking to fill."

Chwaliboga said the Ice Dawgs will probably be the youngest team in the league based on the age of most of the returning players, who are 17, 18 and 19 years old. Other teams in the league have a greater number of 19-, 20- and 21-year-old players.

"Our young players are really good hockey players, and we anticipate being very competitive with them this

year. We're really excited about what the future holds with these young players," said Chwaliboga. "What we're hoping is that over the next few years this group of players will grow and develop, and when they turn 19, 20 and 21, we'll have a really strong team competing for the league championship."

During the tryout camps, coaches will be assessing the overall skill of prospective players, their knowledge of the game and their on-ice abilities, said Chwaliboga. They'll also be talking to the players about the Ice Dawgs' history, team accomplishments and what the team's overall goals are for this season and in the future.

Ice Dawgs' general manager Lloyd Barylski said the tryouts are an opportunity for players to showcase their skating, stickhandling, and shooting and passing skills in their respective positions such as defence, forward and goal, as well as their decision-making and competitiveness, among other assets.

"We're looking for the most skilled players at tryouts, the ones we want

to build a strong, competitive team with — that's the biggest thing," said Barylski, who oversees the Ice Dawgs' daily operation including coaches and players. "We try to keep a lot of local players. But if we've got stronger players coming from the outside, some players will have to try out again the next year."

Chwaliboga said the Ice Dawgs emphasize the importance of their players attending school or work over hockey, and will work with the player and his family to ensure hockey isn't negatively impacting other important aspects of their lives.

"We want to provide an opportunity for each player to play some really good, competitive hockey. But in saying that, we understand the importance of our players going to school, whether it's high school, university or trades, or if he has work commitments. We will work with that player and his family to ensure that's priority No. 1. We'll look at the scheduling of practices and games and see where we can be flexible and work around the times when he has an exam or

other important commitment," said Chwaliboga. "Ours is a 30-game season; the commitment is not as great as other teams that might have 44 games or 50 games throughout the winter."

Holding the Ice Dawgs' fall camp in other communities will make it easier for aspiring players to try out for the team.

"We decided to move our camp to southern part of the Interlake and to be closer to Winnipeg so that it's easier for some of the players in those areas to attend our camp," he said.

The Ice Dawgs' camps in Stony Mountain are scheduled for Sept. 13 (3:30 to 5 p.m.) and Sept. 14 (2 to 3 p.m.). In Gimli the camps are scheduled for Sept. 17, Sept. 19 and Sept. 23, all from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

A registration fee of \$75 covers all five skates.

For more information, contact the Arborg Ice Dawgs' general manager Lloyd Barylski at 204-642-2949 or email the team at arborgdawgs@gmail.com.

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MUNICIPALITY OF BIFROST-RIVERTON

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

THE MUNICIPALITY OF BIFROST-RIVERTON BY-LAW NO. 09-2025

Being an amendment to the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton Zoning By-law No. 04-2024, as amended.

HEARING LOCATION: Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton Council Chambers
329 River Road, Arborg, MB

DATE & TIME: September 11, 2025
9:00 am

APPLICATION: MBR-25-04R

AFFECTED AREA: Pt. SE ¼ section 4-22-4 EPM
Roll 82200

GENERAL INTENT: To rezone an area in the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton from "AL" Agricultural Limited Zone to "RCR" Recreation Residential Zone as per condition of subdivision approval.

FOR INFO CONTACT: Eastern Interlake Planning District
Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Officer
62 - 2nd Avenue PO Box 1758 Gimli, MB R0C 1B0
Ph: 204-642-5478 Fax: 204-642-4061
Email: eipd@mymts.net Website: www.interlakeplanning.com



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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI BY-LAW NO. 25-0006

Being an amendment to the Gimli Zoning By-law No. 11-0013, as amended.

HEARING LOCATION: RM of Gimli Council Chambers
62 - 2nd Avenue
Gimli, Manitoba

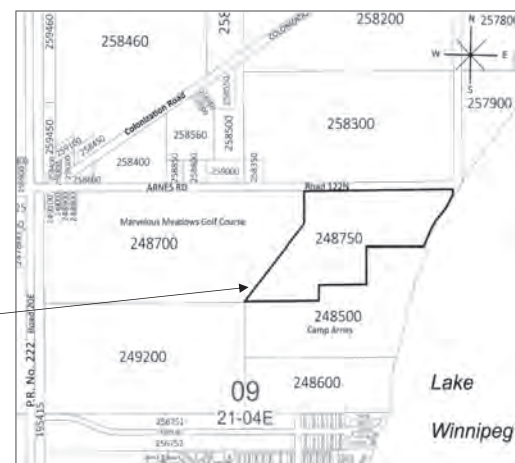
DATE & TIME: September 11, 2025
6:30 pm

APP NO.: RMG-25-05R

AFFECTED AREA: Pt. NE ¼ 9-21-4 EPM,
Being Parcels B & C,
Plan 55782 WLTO
Roll No. 248750

GENERAL INTENT: To rezone an area in the RM of Gimli from "O" Open Space Zone to "SRR" Residential Resort Zone, for the construction of a dwelling on the parcel.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Officer, Eastern Interlake Planning District
62 2nd Ave, Box 1758 Gimli MB R0C 1B0 - Ph: 204-642-5478 Fax: 204-642-4061
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF FISHER CUSTODIAN – PERMANENT/PART TIME POSITION HODGSON TRANSFER SITE - HODGSON

The Rural Municipality of Fisher invites applications for the position of Custodian (permanent/part time) for the Hodgson Transfer Site.

Requirements for this position are:

- Valid driver's license
- The applicant must be prepared to obtain legislated certification that is required for the position.

Job Description: The Custodian is required to direct waste disposal and recycling activities, and perform other duties relating to maintenance of the site as assigned. Coverage to other locations as required.

Days/Hours: The Transfer Site is open two (2) days a week - Tuesdays, and Saturdays. Summer hours (T) 3 pm-8pm and (S) 9 am -5 pm Winter (T) 12 pm-5 pm and (S) 9 am-5 pm

Pay will be \$15.80 per hour and \$16.56 after 6 months. Blue Cross available. Resume, cover letter and three work related references to be submitted in confidence. **Deadline for applications is September 2, 2025 4:00 pm.**

RM of Fisher "Custodian Position-Hodgson"
P.O. Box 280

Fisher Branch, MB. R0C 0Z0

Phone: (204) 372-6393 Fax: (204)372-8470

Email: fishercao@mymts.net

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Level: Intermediate

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In order to participate in the auction sale, you must pre-register at least 24 hours prior to the auction by contacting Sonia at 204-957-6437 or by email at sruppel@ltgic.ca.

The Vendor is informed that there is situated on the property a lake front residence of approximately 1,374 square feet with 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, living room, dining room, kitchen, gravel driveway and 4ft crawl space insulated piled on concrete grade beam.

TERMS: Deposit of \$20,000.00 by certified cheque, bank/credit union draft or solicitor's trust cheque to Levene Tadman Golub Law Corporation, or cash (the cash component of the deposit not to exceed \$7,500.00) to be provided within 24 hours of the date and time of auction and the balance in accordance with the conditions to be announced at sale.

The Property is sold subject to a RESERVE BID of \$236,266.56 plus such other additional and incidental costs which may be incurred by the Lender from the 18th day of August, 2025 to the date of auction and which costs will be announced prior to the commencement of the Sale.

Property Taxes are paid to December 31, 2025.

Purchaser to be responsible for payment of any outstanding water accounts owing by the Mortgagor.

Property is subject to Nil..

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Further information and copies of Conditions of Sale may be obtained from:

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Attention: Mara Koven-Lapointe/Sonia

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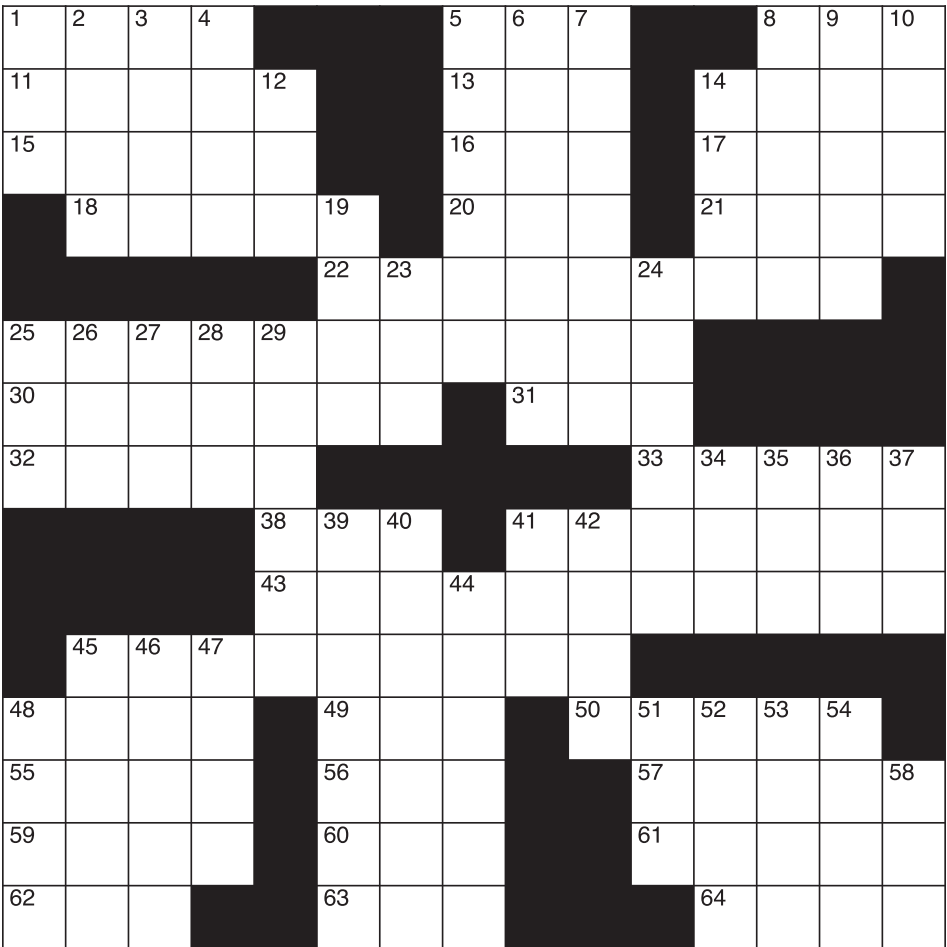
- 1. Taxis
- 5. Space Systems Command
- 8. Plant seed by scattering
- 11. Alliances
- 13. Fiddler crabs
- 14. Heroic tale
- 15. Yemen capital
- 16. Misleading gesture
- 17. Cain and ____
- 18. Simple shoe
- 20. Hundredweight
- 21. Children's toy in the snow
- 22. Gets rid of
- 25. Free of deceit
- 30. Performed a dance
- 31. Chinese philosophical principle
- 32. Exaggerated
- 33. Refrain from inflicting

CLUES DOWN

- 38. A doctrine
- 41. Can be subdued
- 43. A place to bathe
- 45. Land used for pasture
- 48. Curved piece of iron
- 49. Automobile
- 50. Fencing sword
- 55. Breezes through
- 56. Child
- 57. NBA legend Iverson
- 59. Horsley and Iacocca are two
- 60. Midway between northeast and east
- 61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 62. U.S. leader during much of WW2
- 63. Lair
- 64. Fibrous material


- 2. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 3. ____ fide: legitimate
- 4. Immune response
- 5. Assistance and support
- 6. Glared
- 7. Spanish saloon
- 8. Pitch black
- 9. S-shaped lines
- 10. Statistical test
- 12. ____ Paulo, city
- 14. Graduation garb
- 19. A way to record
- 23. Not good
- 24. Weather events
- 25. A pituitary hormone
- 26. Jamie Foxx film
- 27. Rocker's accessory
- 28. One point east (clockwise) of due north
- 29. One who obtains pleasure from

- another's pain
- 34. Consume
- 35. Licensed for Wall Street
- 36. Sick
- 37. Israeli city ____
- Aviv



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- 39. Removed the husk
- 40. Mass of rocks and sediment
- 41. Two-year-old sheep
- 42. Area units
- 44. Prison overseer
- 45. Walked
- 46. Wartime escort aircraft carrier
- 47. Tax
- 48. 50 percent
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Tattle
- 53. Actor Idris
- 54. Resist authority (slang)
- 58. Egg of a louse



Rural Municipality of
FISHER

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

UTILITY OPERATOR

The Rural Municipality of Fisher invites applications for the position of Utility Operator. This position demands a high level of accuracy and dependability. The normal hours of work are three (3) hours per day, Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Candidates must be willing and available to be on-call for emergent situations.


Applicants:

- **MUST** obtain certification in Small Systems Water Works Operator Certificate and Small Systems Wastewater Works Operator Certificate (can be done during training period).
- Must be 18 years of age or older, hold a valid driver's licence and have a vehicle, minimum grade 10 education.
- Strong mechanical skills a definite asset, aptitude for accuracy, and customer friendly attitude are desirable
- Willing to work as part of a team and may be called upon to help in other duties within the municipality.
- Friendly, team player, responsible, able to work unattended and a strong work ethic is expected.
- Blue Cross available

The Utility Operator will report to the Chief Administrative Officer and Public Works Supervisor.

Resume, cover letter and 3 references by the deadline of **September 2, 2025 4:00 p.m.**

Kelly Marykuca, CMMA
Rural Municipality of Fisher
Box 280 Fisher Branch, MB, R0C 0Z0
fishercao@mymts.net
Phone: (204) 372-6393



MUNICIPALITY OF BIFROST-RIVERTON
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Office Clerk

Applications are invited to fill the position of Office Clerk. This is a full-time position based at the Municipal Office of Bifrost-Riverton located at 329 River Road in Arborg, eligible for municipal benefits after 6 months.

Ideal Start Date: ASAP.

Job Summary:

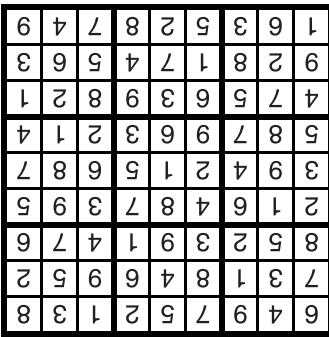
The Office Clerk is responsible for providing clerical and administrative support in order to ensure that municipal services are provided in an efficient and effective manner and ratepayers concerns are addressed in an accurate and timely manner.

The Office Clerk reports to the CAO and is responsible for providing reception services in the municipal office. As the first point of contact, the Office Clerk will provide an inviting and pleasant atmosphere to ratepayers/visitors and will direct inquiries to the appropriate personnel. The Office Clerk will issue receipts and permits, and collect payments at the reception desk utilizing the specialized municipal software in place. The Office Clerk will provide administrative support including correspondence, data entry, etc. as directed by administrative personnel. The Office Clerk will at all times maintain the confidentiality of the municipal office.

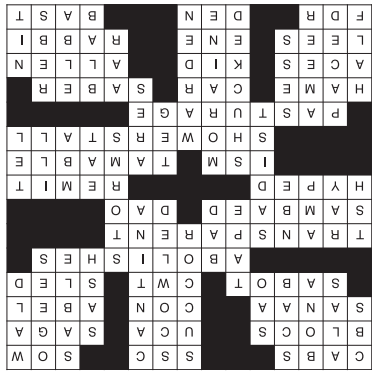
Working hours are 8:30 am-12 pm, 1 pm-4:30 pm, Monday to Friday.
Rate of pay is based on experience.
A detailed job description is available upon request.

Applications will be received until a suitable candidate is found.

Please submit your resume and cover letter in person or email to:
Ms. Larissa Love
Chief Administrative Officer
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Sudoku Answer



Crossword Answer

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PUBLIC NOTICE

R.M. of West Interlake

Regarding Local Improvement Plan 2-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to subsection 318 of *The Municipal Act* that the council of the RM of West Interlake has scheduled a public hearing at the Ashern Municipal Office on the 9th of September, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Council will hear any potential taxpayer who wishes to make a representation, ask questions, or register an objection to the following local improvement plan:

Purchase of a 2024 Pumper Fire Truck from Fort Garry Fire Trucks to be levied on all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties in the RM of West Interlake.

Total cost of project is Seven Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty dollars (\$767,360.00) of which the RM of West Interlake has secured funding from:

West Interlake Protective Services Reserve
in the amount of \$385,000.00

Ward 1 Fire Department Reserve in the amount of \$32,360.00

Borrowing from the Province of Manitoba
in the amount of \$350,000.00

The particulars of borrowing are for Three Hundred Fifty Thousand dollars (\$350,000.00) over a 5 year term at an interest rate of 4.5% per annum.

Potential taxpayers wishing to object to the local improvement plan may file a notice of objection, by mail or in person, with the Chief Administrative Officer, at Box 370, Ashern, MB, R0C 0E0 no later than 9th of September, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. A notice of objection must contain the name and address of the person filing the objection, identify the property in respect of which is filed and state the grounds of objection.

Copies of the Local Improvement Plan No. 2-2025 are available for review and may be examined by any potential taxpayer during the regular office hours of the municipal office at 38 Main Street, Ashern.

Gary Campbell
Chief Administrative Officer
RM of West Interlake
August 8, 2025

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> MEAL IDEAS



Cook time: 15 minutes

Servings: 10

1 pound ground beef

1 cup chopped onion

1 can (14 ounces) crushed tomatoes

1 tablespoon chili powder

1 teaspoon cumin

1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups elbow macaroni (8 ounces),
cooked and drained

1 package (2 cups) Borden Cheese
Thick Cut Four Cheese Mexican

Skillet Chili Mac

Shreds, divided

1 package (2 cups) Borden Cheese

Sharp Cheddar Shreds, divided

2 green onions, thinly sliced

2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

In large skillet over medium heat, cook ground beef and onion 5-7 minutes, or until meat is browned, stirring occasionally. Drain fat, if necessary.

Stir in tomatoes, chili powder, cumin and salt. Stir in cooked macaroni; reduce heat to medium-low.

Top with cheeses, saving some for topping; cover and cook until cheese is melted. Remove from heat; top with green onions and cilantro. Add final layer of reserved cheeses on top.

Strawberries and Cream Popcorn



Recipe courtesy of The Popcorn Board

Servings: 4-6

1/4 cup freeze-dried strawberries

6 cups popped popcorn

1 cup white chocolate chips, melted

In small food processor or spice grinder, pulse freeze-dried strawberries until finely ground. Place popped popcorn in large bowl. Drizzle melted chocolate over top; toss until well coated. Sprinkle evenly with ground freeze-dried strawberries; toss until well coated.

Scrape onto large parchment paper-lined baking sheet, spreading into even layer.

Let stand at room temperature 30-60 minutes, or until chocolate is set and hardened. To serve, break into pieces.

Tips: To melt chocolate, place chocolate chips in heatproof bowl set over saucepan of barely simmering water, stirring 3-5 minutes, or until smooth.

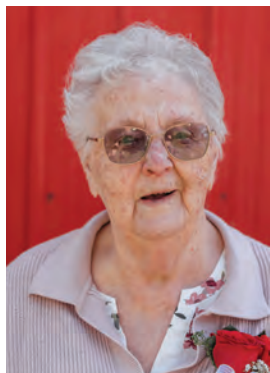
To melt chocolate in microwave, place chocolate chips in microwave-safe bowl or measuring cup. Microwave on medium, stirring every 30 seconds, for 1-2 minutes, or until smooth and melted.

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OBITUARY



Genevieve Brown

Genevieve Elsie Brown (nee Caux) was born May 12, 1932 and passed away peacefully on August 22, 2025 at Bayside Personal Care Home in Killarney, Manitoba.

She was predeceased by her husband David, infant son Darrell and great-grandson James.

Left to cherish her memory her children: Dwaine (Debra) and Dawn; grandchildren: Maxine (Jonathan), Dale (Cory), Dustin, Tamara and Noilah (Daniel); great-grandchildren: Dion (Maddie), Devyn (Andrea), Cameron, Gregory, Drew; and great-great grandchildren: Abel, Emmet and Emberly.

Genevieve taught in many schools across Manitoba including Pipestone, Sandy Lake, Transcona and Pine Dock. She found her forever teaching spot in Pine Dock where she spent half of her career. The little fishing village on the edge of Lake Winnipeg was

where she and her husband began a taxi business and convenience store. Her love of the North and people kept the couple stationed there until moving in 2003 to Killarney, Manitoba for family reasons.

She cared deeply for her students, her family and her faith.

Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at Sobering Funeral Chapel, 1035 Park Ave. E., Beausejour, MB with interment to follow in the Whitemouth Municipal Cemetery. A hot meal will be served at the Whitemouth Hall following the interment.

Donations in memory of Genevieve may be made to the Manitoba Variety Children's charity or to Denare Beach Adult and Teen Challenge.

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OBITUARY



Clint Dzuba

October 30, 1971- August 17, 2025

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of Clint Dzuba at the age of 53, surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, August 17, 2025.

Clint will be enormously missed by the love of his life and wife of 26 years, Angie; loving children Julie and Matthew; mother Anne; sister Nicole; numerous family and friends.

Clint was predeceased by his grandparents Matt and Agnes Dzuba, John and Mary Boitson; father Bill Dzuba; brother Wesley Dzuba.

Clint was born on October 30, 1971 and raised in the Komarno/Pleasant Home area. His early childhood education took place at Komarno School followed by Teulon Collegiate for his junior high and high school years where he graduated in 1990.

On August 20th, 1995 Clint and Angie had their first date, fell in love and he knew from that moment he would marry her one day. They married on July 3, 1999 and started their life together and raised two wonderful children who he was very proud of. On March 5, 2002 his baby girl Julie was born, then on July 13, 2005, during

the addition and big house renovation, his little man, Matthew came along.

Clint's work life consisted of his first job at Interlake Supply Center in Gunton during his teenage years, then he went off to Poplarfield and worked on a farm for Rocky Wallack. Clint took up driving and hauled pigs across Canada for Cotswold. He found that driving was his passion so he went on to get his Class 1 license. He worked for Dola Brothers for a brief period then finally Mark Brandt Trucking where he built many life long relationships. Clint drove for Mark for 10 years until the passing of his father when he then took over the family farm. Clint always said even though he is farming now, he'd always be a truck driver.

Clint had an amazing amount of friends and made countless memories - most of them involving speed, squealing tires, roaring engines, mud, music and of course alcohol. Clint was the hardest working person who would drop everything and give anything to help someone out. Clint was strong but so gentle, the biggest teddy bear and yet would do anything that needed to be done to protect his family.

We would like to express gratitude to the EMT's who responded to the 911 call and tried everything to bring Clint back to us and also to the huge support team of family and friends.

A funeral will be held at the Teulon Hall on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at 11:00 a.m., followed by interment at Pleasant Home Cemetery.

In honour of Clint's memory, we ask everyone to raise their glass to the greatest guy who touched so many lives.



204-886-0404

OBITUARY



Annie Kon (Chmil)

November 6th, 1936 to August 20th, 2025

Surrounded by her family, Annie passed away peacefully on August 20th at the Percy E Moore Hospital.

She is survived by her children, Joyce (Barry) Mankewich, Lucy (Henry) Bernier, daughter-in-law Linda Kon, Ronnie (Debbie), Karen Ciemny, Alan (Joanne), Debbie Mankewich, Elaine (Cliff) Russell; 18 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; siblings Olga, Pauline, Joe, Nellie, and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband Ted; son Kenny; son-in-law Douglas Mankewich; parents Mike and Elsie Chmil; brothers William, Peter, Michael and sister Mary.

She was born on the farm in Kilkenny and attended Willingdon School. In 1954 she married Ted Kon and resided in her home until 2023 before moving to Arborg Assisted Living till April 2025. After raising her family, she worked briefly for Homecare and custodian at the schools for about 20 years. She enjoyed family time with her children and grandchildren, gardening, especially her flowers, listening to Ukrainian music, dancing, playing cards, travelling and fishing, watching curling and in her younger years playing baseball.

Service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, August 29th, at the Immaculate Conception Church, Fisher Branch, MB.

Thank you to the staff at Arborg Assisted Living, Fisher Branch Personal Care Home and Percy E Moore Hospital for the care given to Mom.

In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.



204-886-0404

OBITUARY



Gudrun Finnsson (nee Gudmundson)

August 31, 1943 - August 10, 2025

It is with deep love and sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister-in-law, aunt and friend, Gudrun, who passed away peacefully on August 10, 2025 at the Arborg Personal Care Home, just weeks before her 82nd birthday.

Gudrun was born on August 31, 1943 to Simon and Pearl Gudmundson. She married the love of her life, Ronnie, and together they built a beautiful life over 50 years of marriage before his passing. Their love and partnership were an example to everyone who knew them.

Gudrun leaves behind her three cherished children: Kimberly (Reg), Kelvin (Gerrey) and Kelly (Kris); her treasured grandchildren: Amanda (Duncan), Melissa, Desiree (Tyler), Codey (Kendra), Morgan (Erik), Keely (Cam), Kylee, Kurt (Sara) and Kalen; her adored great-grandchildren: Henry, Eli, Stella, Emilee, Reid and Bodie. She will also be lovingly remembered by her brothers and sisters-in-law: Carol, Lolly, Leonard (Christine), Kris, Colin (Karen), Sherri (Terry) and Glenda, as well as many nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband Ronnie; her parents Simon and Pearl; her in-laws Asgeir and Ruth; brothers Jon and Brinki; in-laws Evelyn, Roger, Bernice and Linda; grand-daughter Jennalee; nephews Raymond and David and niece Michelle.

Gudrun faced the challenges of Multiple Sclerosis with incredible grace and positivity. She never

complained, often saying, "I may have it tough, but many have it worse!" She appreciated every act of kindness shown to her and had a special fondness for her home care workers, the staff at the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home, and those at the Arborg Personal Care Home, where she spent her final years. Her joyful exclamation, "Good God!", will echo lovingly in the hearts of those who knew her.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to all who cared for Gudrun over the years, and to MacKenzie Funeral Home for their kindness and compassion during this difficult time.

A celebration of Gudrun's life will be held on Thursday, September 4, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at the Vidir Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that donations be made to a charity of your choice.

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