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Evander, Sean and Anthony hoping to win the big prize. Arborg hosted the 3rd Annual Interlake Outdoors Show & Market showcasing a variety of outdoor activities such as camping, hiking, hunting and fishing, the latest in outdoor gear and plenty of expert advice on how to make the most of an outdoor adventure.



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First annual Gimli Métis Day celebration



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The Manitoba Métis Federation celebrated Métis culture and heritage at the first annual Gimli Métis Day on Saturday, Sept. 9 at Gimli Pavilion Park.

The fun-filled day included live entertainment by Métis Man in Black Eddie Fleury and the Michif Band with Mark Morriseau, dancing, games, food and a number of artisan displays.



PC MLA incumbent Derek Johnson addresses riding challenges

By Patricia Barrett

With the 43rd general election scheduled for Oct. 3, Derek Johnson, the Conservative MLA incumbent for the Interlake-Gimli riding, spoke about some of the challenges facing the riding and how his party plans to make Manitoba a "have province."

Johnson, who was appointed agriculture minister in addition to his MLA duties, said the party is committed to strengthening the provincial economy through business development, and that in turn will help generate revenue for vital services such as health care.

"It's important we keep attracting businesses because economic prosperity is really what pays for the services we come to expect and deserve as Manitobans. When we have a booming economy, the government has the money to make investments," said Johnson. "Our businesses, producers and entrepreneurs are the backbone

of the Interlake and of the Manitoba economy, so we need to continue attracting investment and driving economic growth in the Interlake."

The party is focused on "creating an environment" that will make Manitoba a "have province" rather than a "have-not province." It's already seeing encouraging signs that it's on the right track, said Johnson. Full-time employment, for example, is up 4.2 per cent in Manitoba, the highest among the provinces. Labour income, which "pays for our services," is up 7.3 per cent. Manufacturing sales are up 10.4 per cent. The province recently signed a memorandum of understanding with RCT Solutions to build a solar manufacturing plant in Manitoba and create 8,000 jobs. That will add to Manitoba's gross domestic product and fund services such as health and social welfare.



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Derek Johnson is the PC's candidate for the Interlake-Gimli riding.

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NDP MLA candidate Sarah Pinsent-Bardarson addresses major riding issues

By Patricia Barrett

Sarah Pinsent-Bardarson, the NDP's candidate for the Interlake-Gimli riding in Manitoba's 43rd election, addressed some of the major issues facing the riding, including the critical state of health-care, lack of sufficient funding for rural education, the government's alienation of commercial fishers, lack of maintenance on provincial drains and the persistent high cost of living.

Pinsent-Bardarson, who ran for the riding in 2019 and has spent the past four years hearing the concerns of residents and councils across the Interlake, said one of the biggest issues she hears from people on the doorstep is cuts to health care, which have resulted in delays in access to timely care and fears that emergency care won't be available when they need it.

Pinsent-Bardarson said the NDP's plan is to reverse the funding cuts that have degraded health-care services and staffing in the rural riding. The party promises to build a new

ER in Eriksdale to improve services for those who live along Highway 6 between Winnipeg and Thompson and also address a lack of health-care staffing and burnout with a \$500-million recruitment and retention program. The program will address shortages of physicians, paramedics, nurses, health-care aides and lab staff that arose as a result of "seven years of deep" cuts.

"There's been significant staffing shortages in recent years and an unwillingness by the PC government to fill vacant positions although there are qualified local professionals who are prepared to take on these roles," said Pinsent-Bardarson, who lives in Gimli, is a mental health therapist and owns Lean In Counselling & Consulting. "We have to recruit and train staff to fill all the health-care roles that are currently vacant ... and get all our facilities operating to full capacity."

In the Interlake, Pinsent-Bardarson said emergency calls have increased by 50 per cent since 2018, but the



EXPRESS PHOTO BY RAYME THOMPSON

Sarah Pinsent-Bardarson is the NDP's candidate for the Interlake-Gimli riding.

government closed EMS stations and failed to hire new paramedics. The government also failed to build the 1,200 new personal care home beds it promised in the 2019 election.

"Pallister and Stefanson failed to protect seniors during the pandemic and covered up years of abuse and neglect

in personal care homes," she said. "They failed to build the 1,200 PCH beds promised and we're in a net deficit; they've actually taken away beds instead of building additional ones. We'll be establishing PCH beds and increase the direct hours of care for seniors."

On the education front, Pinsent-Bardarson said she and party leader Wab Kinew have met with Interlake school divisions such as Lakeshore and Evergreen to understand how they're coping with funding deficits.

"Schools should be a place where all

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Teulon Pumpkinfest set for Sept. 16

By Jennifer McFee

Teulon Pumpkinfest offers a jam-packed day of entertainment — and this popular community event is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, the 30th annual Teulon Pumpkinfest will draw crowds to Teulon Hall at 14 Main St. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

“The Teulon Ag Society is proud to create a fun family event that has celebrated our harvest season and our rural roots for the past 30 years. We are celebrating 99 years of the Ag Society this year too,” said Darci Loehmer, chair of the Teulon Ag Society, which hosts the event.

“Pumpkinfest is the result of our amazing volunteers and sponsors that come together for the good of our community.”

Registration for the Ag Fair takes place from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. This year’s Ag Fair features 45 categories, including fall arrangements, vegetables, canning, photography, multiple pumpkin-related competitions and more. Judging will take place from 10 a.m. to noon, followed by public viewing.

Always popular, the largest pumpkin competition awards \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place and \$300 for third place. Pumpkin drop-off is from 8:30 to 10 a.m., and the weigh-off starts at 10 a.m. Last year’s winning pumpkin weighed an impressive 1,017 pounds.

The Lions’ pancake breakfast will take place from 9 to 10:30 a.m., and the Lions’ canteen will run throughout the day. While you dine, you can enjoy the Red River Co-op main stage

lineup, which starts at 9:30 a.m. with fiddle music by 16-year-old Morgan Grace of East Selkirk.

Manitoba Burrowing Owl Recovery will present a program at 10:30 a.m., followed by Drum Café and the cutest baby contest. Island Breeze Manitoba will take the stage at 1:30 p.m. and magician Ryan Price will wrap up the main stage show at 3 p.m.

“There’s a really interesting and fun lineup of entertainment,” Loehmer said.

“There will be lots going on the entire day.”

Meanwhile, the Access Credit Union activity tent, located in the Teulon Elementary School playground, will be a hub of activity with crafts, face painters and a balloon artist. Diamond Disc Dogs will entertain the crowd with shows at 10 a.m. and noon.

“We have the farmers’ market, petting zoo and carnival games,” Loehmer said.

“New this year, we also have axe-throwing. The pie-eating contest, which will be at 2 p.m., is always a riot to see. It’s so much fun.”

In addition, youngsters can enjoy more crafts and activities at the Teulon library from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wristbands cost \$5 per person or \$20 for a family to a maximum of six people for admission. Wee ones aged two and under are free. Fall family photos are available for \$10 each at a booth inside the hall.

For more information about Teulon Pumpkinfest, including a full schedule, visit www.teulonpumpkinfest.com or check out the Facebook page.

> PINSENT-BARDARSON, FROM PG. 6

our kids have the supports they need to succeed. Our team is committed to providing stable education funding that will keep up with inflation so that schools can plan with certainty for the future,” she said.

The Conservative government made “an attempt to strip local control from school divisions” with Bill 64, she said, but the NDP will protect decision-making autonomy at the local level so that divisions can address the unique needs of their students. The party will also reduce class sizes and hire more teachers and assistants.

On the provincial drainage infrastructure front, Pinsent-Bardarson said she’s met with municipalities to hear their concerns regarding the government’s lack of maintenance of its drainage infrastructure and how that continues to negatively impact agricultural producers.

Drainage is a concern in many municipalities including Fisher, Bifrost-Riverton, Armstrong and Coldwell, she said. The RM of Fisher, for instance, has had no maintenance done and the government hasn’t authorized any work to proceed on a project even though the RM has done its part.

“We know the government has downloaded the responsibility of drainage, infrastructure and wildlife management areas onto municipalities,” said Pinsent-Bardarson. “There’s lots of work to be done and an opportunity to meet needs that have been unaddressed over the past seven years.”

Given the commercial fishery is so important to Interlake communities that rely on it for their livelihoods and its contribution to Manitoba’s economy, Pinsent-Bardarson

said the NDP is committed to building a relationship with fishers by giving them a seat at the government’s decision-making table and sharing data about fish stocks.

“Commercial fishers deserve to see the stock data that has changed their livelihoods and created such a mess for their industry. We’re committed to an ongoing consultation with the fishers and to transparency. It’s a priority for the NDP to partner with fishers and restore that lost dignity and respect,” she said. “As stewards of the lake, fishers understand their quotas and which mesh sizes are necessary. They want to talk with the government about licensing and disciplinary processes. We’re committed to creating an advisory table that will consult with and rely on fishers for their knowledge and wisdom.”

As the cost of living and the housing crisis continue to stress Interlakers, Pinsent-Bardarson said the NDP will be introducing some immediate relief measures should it form government.

“We will drop gasoline prices by 14 cents a litre. That will help put money back in Manitobans pockets right away and we hope it will also have an effect on grocery prices, which grocers say are so expensive because of the costs related to transportation,” she said. “Secondly, we’re going to freeze Hydro rates for the first year so that Manitobans can better cope with the cost of inflation.”

That will especially benefit Interlakers who have to travel far distances to work, school or to the city for medical appointments.

Pinsent-Bardarson’s office is located at 33 Centre St. in Gimli and opens at 9 a.m. Contact her by phone at 204-960-8378 or email interlake-gimli@mbndp.ca Visit sarahbardarson.ca online.

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A provincial general election has been called: voting day Oct. 3

By Elections Manitoba

Manitoba's 43rd provincial general election has been called and will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 3. Advance voting runs for eight days from Saturday, Sept. 23 until Saturday, Sept. 30.

Voter information: www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Voting/MyVotingInfo

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To be eligible to vote, an individual must:

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Manitobans can still register at the poll when they vote.

Where to Vote

During all eight days of advance voting, Manitobans can vote at any advance poll in the province.

On election day, Manitobans can vote at any polling place in their electoral division.

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All voters require ID to vote, either one piece of government-issued photo ID or two other pieces. There are many options. A complete list of acceptable ID is available on the Elections Manitoba website.

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Candidate Nominations

As of today, candidates may officially be nominated. Candidates must file nomination papers with their local election office before 1 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 11.

Third Parties

Third party rules have been in effect since June 7. Third parties must register with Elections Manitoba after spending \$2,500 on election commu-



nication expenses, with an expense limit of \$25,000.

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Rogers cell tower will forever change the landscape

A proposed 60-metre-tall cell tower in close proximity to Whytefold in the Village of Dunnottar has evoked opposition and concern from many residents. Rogers has proposed this tower be located near Ponemah Road adjacent to the nature walk way and within 200 metres of residences. After submitting a petition signed by approximately 70 residents, MP James Bezan has supported those concerns in a letter to Minister Francois-Phillippe Champagne who is the final authority on approving cell towers.

In a response received from the public consultation process held about the first proposed site, Rogers decided to relocate the tower. However, to our disappointment, we received notification that it will be moved only 175 metres away, a token distance.

On June 21, residents received notice from Rogers that "in the Public Consultation with the Municipality of St. Andrews, the Red River Planning District has determined no public hearing process would be required for

the cell tower placement."

We posit that there should be a full public hearing process as the same concerns about the first proposal have not been met or eliminated with the second location.

We, therefore, call for a public hearing on this second proposal as it is of the utmost importance for understanding the rationale for this site and for transparency of the process.

The risk to permanent residents has not been evaluated or mitigated. We will be exposed to a Class 2B possible human carcinogen, as determined by the World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer. Radiofrequency radiation is now on the high priority list for re-evaluation because of recent findings of potential harm, including the \$30 million animal study by the USA National Toxicology Program, which found "clear evidence of carcinogenicity" from exposures.

We will lose enjoyment of an unobstructed view and instead see this unsightly tower from our yards and homes, and risk a devaluation of our property values. The placement of an additional cell tower will forever change the landscape of the beautiful recreational area of the Village of Dunnottar.

We ask Mayor Joy Sul and St. Andrews councillors to partner with us and Rogers to ensure a thorough process of location planning, safety evaluation and environmental impact of the proposed cell tower be completed. There is a viable alternative that we are currently discussing with a landowner. This would be further from homes and recreation space while satisfying the needs of the tower reception parameters. We simply require open communication.

We would appreciate any support in our request for a meeting with Mayor Sul and St. Andrews council in addition to a full and proper public hearing with due consideration of the alternate site we have identified.

Submitted by Sally Perchaluk
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and Graham Cox
Residents of Dunnottar

Fitting in: human parallels

On Sept. 7, I was driving on Highway 17 between Teulon and Inwood. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw a small herd of cattle sitting near the edge of the road. Right in the middle of them stood a large black horse. The majestic-looking creature seemed content in the centre of the circle. I was intrigued to observe that the cows seemed calm with their new herd member. My mind wandered, and I speculated that the horse was lonely. He may have wanted to make some new friends. Maybe he was tired of being with other horses and wanted a change of pace. The cows accepted their new buddy and seemed to enjoy his company. The horse stood with his head held high, looking proud. His role was to watch over the cows like he was their protector. I was moved by the interesting group of two species spending time together.

As I continued to drive, my thoughts focused on human interactions. Sometimes, when a new member with different characteristics joins a homogenous group, he is accepted. The group embraces the person and values their differences. They see that the new member enhances the group and may make it stronger or more efficient. Other times, a new member is rejected by the group. They see him as a threat and want to keep the status quo. The new person does not feel valued and may choose to leave the group since his needs are not being met. Unfortunately, the unique characteristics of

that person are not appreciated.

Therefore, just like the handsome horse in the cattle herd, we should embrace a person's differences and think about how he can make our group more powerful and special. Each person is unique and has value to a group. Let's work at recognizing that thought process in our daily interactions. Maybe that person will become our best friend or help our group make an amazing discovery that may improve the world. Keep an open mind.

- By Patricia Witzke



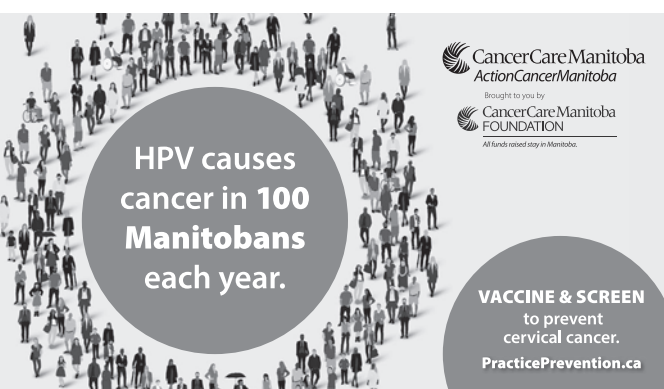
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Shop talk with Gimli businesses shows post-pandemic recovery

By Patricia Barrett

A number of business owners in Gimli said they've had a great summer season this year and continue to see economic growth after experiencing a few years of COVID-related slowdowns.

Rona Gimli's general manager Laura Dimitrakopoulos said Rona has had a great year and was able to hire Ukrainians who fled their country after the Russian invasion and chose to make Gimli home.

"Our greenhouse got an early start because of the fabulous weather and our summer was busy with both full-time Interlake residents as well as many cottagers. And we were able to employ a number of new Gimli residents from the Ukraine to assist in our greenhouse," said Dimitrakopoulos. "The great weather, coupled with popular events like the Gimli Film Festival and the Icelandic Festival, also brought many new customers to our store."

The home hardware/building store, which is located on Highway 9 at Lady of the Lake Drive, has its fall-related items ready to go for those who want to spruce up their yards. And the store's lumber yard is "fully stocked" and prepared to deliver, said Dimitrakopoulos.

"We're looking forward to a busy fall and anticipate lots of building projects," she said.

Carmen Kaegi, the owner of Diamond Beach Fine Jewelry & Giftware, a one-of-a-kind women's clothing, jewelry and floral boutique located on the ground floor of the Gimli Lakeview Resort, said this past summer was "very busy."

Even though the pandemic caused some economic disruption, people continued to support her store.

"Customers were so supportive during COVID. I'm really grateful and I appreciate it that people chose to shop locally and understand the importance of supporting our local economy," said Kaegi.

Kaegi will have the measure of you, so to speak, the moment you walk in. With years of fashion experience behind her, she'll pull out half a dozen pieces that will flatter or flaunt, depending on what you want to achieve and where you want to achieve it.

"When women walk in the door, I have the clothes picked out for them. It takes about 30 seconds," said Kaegi. "I look at what she's wearing and what she should be wearing. I look at her shape, her height, skin colouring and personality and I know what will be a suitable match for her."

Kaegi offers imports that embody



Diamond Beach owner Carmen Kaegi will have the measure of you the moment you walk in.

understated classic elegance or subdued pizzazz. Her clothes are made mostly from natural materials such as cotton and linen and come from countries such as Italy, Germany, France, Vietnam and Japan.

With a good selection of dresses, blouses and trousers (which include stylish "mom pants" with higher waists), Kaegi's imports are ideal for women of any age and come in a range of sizes. But for older women who tend to run a little on the hot side, they're practically a must. Natural fabrics allow the body to breathe whereas items made from synthetic materials (i.e., plastic), and which are typically found in brand-name fashion outlets or online, swaddle the body in steamy vapour akin to a sauna. And they don't always fit or flatter.

"Natural fabrics are better for global warming and for women in menopause. Synthetics are the equivalent



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY PATRICIA BARRETT

Rona Gimli's general manager Laura Dimitrakopoulos (third from left) with some of her friendly staff. The home hardware/building store is fully stocked and ready to help customers with all their fall seasonal needs.

of wearing a plastic shopping bag: you will sweat because you're encased in a bag," said Kaegi. "In terms of style, when women are over 50, society deems them over the hill: 'Here's your potato sack, go away.' For women over 50 in countries like Italy, the clothes are still cut to make you look like a woman. You're still allowed to look good after 50. That's where European styles are a little more advanced whereas American culture is all about youth."

In addition to clothes, Kaegi sells jewelry including Canadian dia-

monds — her jewelry catalogue is due for release after fall — decor that includes European porcelain and handblown glass, vintage Christmas ornaments from Europe that turn her shop into "Christmas central" every year and floral arrangements.

Down the street from Diamond Beach is Gimli's oldest general store, H.P. Tergesen & Sons. The family-run boutique is celebrating 124 years in business this year.

Open year-round, the store has just about everything for locals and day-

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Learn about all types of dementia at local event on Sept. 21

Gordon Howard Centre to play host to in-person Alzheimer's disease and dementia discussion

By Katelyn Boulanger

If you are someone on your Alzheimer's disease or dementia journey, have a family member who you are supporting or would like to learn more about these conditions, the Gordon Howard Centre will be hosting a "What's New in Dementia Research: Ask the Expert!" presentation and discussion on Sept. 21.

"This is an event that we hold annually to talk about news in the world of dementia. We've invited, for the past few years, world-renowned researcher and neurologist Dr. Donald Weaver to come. The past few years, it's been virtual, just with COVID, but this is the first year where we'll have him in person. The event takes place in person in Winnipeg at the Canadian Mennonite University, but we decided that we want this event to be as accessible as possible for Manitobans throughout the province. So we have set up live-streaming events in Selkirk, Winkler and Brandon for residents to come and view that session live as it's happening and have the opportunity to ask questions alongside the people that are in Winnipeg," said Samantha Holland, First Link regional team co-ordinator for the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

September is World Alzheimer's Month and Sept. 21 is specifically World Alzheimer's Day, which makes this discussion particularly relevant.

"The conversation is going to be quite open. We want to keep it as a live Q&A session. So whatever questions people have about what they've heard in the news, the new research surrounding dementia treatments or general medications, anything of that kind is on the table. So it really is just an open session to have your questions answered," said Holland.

Discussions will include many aspects of dementia research and how

dementia affects people. Often people associate Alzheimer's disease and dementia with forgetfulness but they actually affect many aspects of patients' lives.

"Dementia really is a collection of symptoms that affects the person as a whole. It can affect their ability to communicate with others, to remember important details of conversations or appointments and to problem solve like someone with an intact brain would. Whether it's at work, out in the community or just with your daily living situation, it really does impact every piece of the person. It's not just memory loss; there are over 100 different types of dementia. So, at the end of the day, it's so much more than forgetting little pieces of information," said Holland.

She says that with the work that has been done in dementia and Alzheimer's disease research, this discussion will benefit not just those who are new to their diagnoses but also those who may have outdated information and want to reconnect with our local supports.

"With COVID, we've seen a lot of isolation, not only with people that are directly impacted but the people that care for them as well, friends and family members. So this, coming back to a hybrid event, helps to get the word out about what we do offer. That's really the whole point of World Alzheimer's Month in September, in general, is to raise awareness about dementia but also how to help improve dementia support and services in Manitoba. We know that it's coming up to a provincial election, so it's also a good time for people to think about what kinds of conversations they want to have with their candidates when they start coming around," said Holland.

She says that with the stigma and



EXPRESS FILE PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

A crowd gathered at the Gordon Howard Centre for an Alzheimer's Awareness walk last June. This month, on Sept. 21, the centre will play host to a presentation hosted by the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba where people can ask questions about the latest in dementia research.

misinformation that surrounds these illnesses, it's important that everyone learn a bit more about them so that they can talk about dementia openly and comfortably.

"I talk with clients all the time that may be experiencing some of these changes, and they're scared to talk to their friends and their family members about what's happening because they're scared of how they're going to be perceived. So the more we talk about it, the more comfortable we can all be because people with dementia are just like you and me. They can participate in their communities. It doesn't mean that everything is lost all at once. They can still be active members," said Holland.

Residents are invited to meet at the Gordon Howard Centre at 384 Eveline St. in Selkirk. The event takes place on Sept. 21 starting at 6 p.m.

but the doors of the Gordon Howard Centre will open at 5:30 p.m. so that people have a chance to find a spot in advance.

This is a free event but residents are required to register in advance. To register, you can go to <https://alzheimer.mb.ca/event/whats-new-in-dementia-research-ask-the-expert/> or call 204-943-6622 or 1-800-378-6699.

Holland hopes that people will stop by this local opportunity to get the latest information as the Winnipeg event is already at the point of having a waitlist.

"It's just a really good opportunity, not only to learn about what's new but to engage with others that are on similar journeys or are working in similar fields. If you come and you take one thing away, we think that it's worth it and maybe you'll make some new connections as well," she said.

Narcisse WI to celebrate 100th anniversary with Fall Tea

Submitted

Narcisse Women's Institute will celebrate their 100th Anniversary with a Fall Tea this month.

The Narcisse WI has been instrumental in empowering women, their families and communities since receiving their charter on Dec. 22, 1923. True to the Manitoba Women's Institute (MWI) mandate, the Narcisse WI has been committed to providing ed-

ucation and skills, development opportunities for women, particularly those in rural and agricultural areas, and has advocated on behalf of rural families to safeguard the rural/agricultural way of life and make their communities better places in which to live. This may be our 100th year, but we plan to continue working for our community for many years to come.

The Narcisse WI welcomes all who would like to join in the celebration and all WI members past and present to attend the 100th Anniversary Tea on Saturday, Sept. 23. Doors open at 12 noon with greetings at 1 p.m. at the Inwood Community Hall. There will also be a Celebration of Life honouring members who have recently passed away.

Entertainment, a silver collection, Rainbow Auction and a 50/50 raffle are also included.

RSVP to the MWI office at 204-726-7135 or email mbwi@mymts.net with the names of your Celebration of Life past members and the number of people attending from your group.

The deadline to RSVP is Saturday, Sept. 16.

Gimli Rotarians to host open house welcoming new members

Submitted by David Connors

If you are curious about what Rotary can do for you, the Gimli club is holding an orientation and open house at the Lakeview Hotel on Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

"Our club has grown by 50 per cent in the past year," said Bob Munro, who serves on the club executive, "but we are always looking for more."

Lois Casper and Anders Kuusselka are two of the club's newest members.

"I decided I had to do something to get out of my pandemic funk," Casper said. "I also wanted to get into something safe and productive. I didn't want a job or any big responsibility. I just wanted to help. The leaders in the club understood that I wasn't committing to anything except what I felt capable of doing. They were accepting of that."

Casper, who retired from her administration job at Red River College in 2017, said she started taking "baby steps" with Rotary. During the club's annual Lobsterfest, she worked in the kitchen and wielded a spade for its tree-planting project.

"Once I got going on stuff, I found I wasn't so shy."

Kuusselka said he joined the club

because he believed a partnership with Rotary could be a great benefit to everyone. The recently retired teacher has been running youth programs in Gimli since 2010. The club executive saw his good work and invited him to work with the Rotary Interact Club, which is aimed at high school students.

It was the perfect opportunity. He had approached the municipality about operating the Snack Shack on Gimli beach as a fundraiser but was told he had to have insurance.

"We wanted to run the place as a youth fundraiser," he said. "We didn't want to spend the money we raised on insurance."

Rotary offered to pay the insurance as well as the insurance for his after-school projects.

About 40 Interact members at Gimli High School get their required volunteer hours helping the Rotary Club at Lobsterfest and Book Fair, supervising after-school WAVE programs at the middle school and many other club projects.

Kuusselka also runs music programs for Gimli youth — all supported by the Gimli Rotary Club — and the whole town benefits from that.



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Lois Casper, left, and Anders Kuusselka were at the Rotary barbecue this past Monday.

"Before we started our after-school drop-ins a few years ago, there was a lot of vandalism in Gimli. It wasn't long afterwards, an RCMP officer approached me and said 'Ever since you started the after-school programs, vandalism has stopped.' That encouraged me. For kids who feel they have no place to belong, we provide that place. A lot of them say 'This is our

second family.'"

So whether you, like Casper, want to test your capabilities or, like Kuusselka, you have many ideas for strengthening our community, Rotary might offer what you need.

There will be signs — and members — to guide you to the meeting room at Lakeview. And there will be coffee and doughnuts!

> JOHNSON, FROM PG. 5

"These are important stats to show we're on the right track. You can make all the [election] promises you want but how are you going to pay for them?" he said. "As a Conservative government, we believe that growing the economy is what pays for this. And we have the third-fastest growing economy in Canada, second only to Alberta and Saskatchewan."

With a shortage of physicians, nurses, lab techs and paramedics in the Interlake and frequent interruptions to hospital emergency rooms, Johnson said the government made a record funding investment of \$200 million to address the recruitment of new staff, training and retention across the province. In November the Conservatives launched a Health and Human Resources Action Plan that calls for the hiring of 2,000 health-care providers, increasing the number of health-care training seats and offering incentives to attract and retain medical staff.

The government provided monetary investments to encourage retired health-care staff to return to work, is recruiting overseas, offering weekend premiums and providing funding for cross-training of X-ray and lab techs to enable staff to have a better work-life balance, he said. The government has also provided funding to communities like Arborg, which invested

in building a training centre to train health-care staff and will be seeing its 40th nurse graduating from an LPN course.

"We saw the value in the Arborg training facility and we gave them a grant," he said. "When you can educate people right at home, they'll stay and be part of their community for a long, long time. Training nurses in Arborg will be essential for when the [new] personal care home opens."

The government also plans to lower income taxes for health-care professionals to make Manitoba a more attractive prospect.

"I know the NDP talks about increasing taxes in the higher income bracket, but doctors are at the higher end of the scale," said Johnson. "The more you tax, the less they'll want to put in additional hours and extra shifts here because it'll end up going to taxes. I think it's policies like that which may drive some of our professionals out of the province."

On the education front, Johnson said his government made record investments to support Manitoba's education system and built about 23 new schools.

"We're the leader in the country in investing in our students," he said. "We invest the most amount of money per pupil across the country to ensure our students succeed and have the education they need."

Inflationary pressures on school divisions in the Interlake are felt most acutely in busing students across long distances, and the subsidization of transportation comes out of divisions' education budget.

With the K-12 Commission review still in the works, Johnson said an idea about funding transportation separately may help divisions cope with inflation.

"At first blush it sounds like a good idea, but it would have to go through the process of the K-12 review," he said.

With regard to the province maintaining its third order drains in the Interlake — a bone of contention in a number of municipalities — Johnson said the government has "increased investments" and is "making headway," but the high cost of steel, concrete and the carbon tax on fuel have affected what the government was able to do over the past few years.

"All these escalating costs along with the excess moisture we had in 2022 washed out some drains. It takes a lot of investment just to get back to where we were," he said. "But that said, drainage is very important to our producers and our economy as whole, as well as our GDP as a province. It's important to increase our GDP so that we have that money to make investments in drainage."

Organizations such as Ducks Un-

limited Canada also have to "come to the table" to find a solution to the wetlands it has built — namely the Narcisse DUC project that's flooding producers — instead of "walking away from a project and leaving failed infrastructure on the shoulders of municipalities," he said.

As for Manitoba's commercial fishery, which encompasses dozens of communities in the riding, Johnson said the government's deputy minister of natural resources and northern development has signaled his commitment to getting fishers to the consultation table.

"We have a fairly good set-up in the agriculture sector where turkey, chicken, egg, pork, flax, canola producers and various other associations all fall under Keystone Agricultural Producer's umbrella," said Johnson. "They get together and come forward with one voice. And I think it would be very advantageous for the fishers in the south basin of Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipeg, the north basin, the channel fishers and the Indigenous fishers to form a single umbrella organization so that they have one voice. That would help the department of natural resources and northern development make decisions and know who to consult."

Johnson has a campaign office in Gimli at 68 First Ave. He can be reached at 204-671-3584.

Gimli Art Club members undertaking restoration of seawall murals

By Patricia Barrett

Members of the Gimli Art Club were kept busy over the course of the summer with the restoration of some of the murals that grace the Gimli Harbour seawall.

The murals depict the history and culture of Gimli and the Interlake and pay homage to the region's significant events.

It may be a Sisyphean task the artists have to undertake every year after water, wind-blown sand, snow and ice chip away at murals, but it's one they love.

Merryl-Lee Mercier, who is the club's seawall gallery chairperson, said there are a number of restorations in the queue, and they've made some headway this year given the availability of their sanctioned restorers, many of whom are seniors.

"Eight seawall artists, most of whom are senior citizens, have spent the last four months restoring their own murals, as well as other murals that needed restoration," said Mercier, who was on the seawall last weekend working on replacing her Indigenous-themed mural.

"Jackie Goodman, who is one of the artists and one of the original members who worked with the federal government to get permission to put the murals on the concrete breakwater, has six murals on the seawall and restores them every year. The original artists had no idea how much maintenance would be involved to keep the murals in good condition. The sun, waves and ice are very hard on them."

There are currently 69 murals running along the 977-foot-long concrete harbour that protects sailboats, commercial fishing boats and research and rescue craft that use the federal harbour. The art club started painting murals on the wall in 1997 to showcase the region's history. They include Aboriginal culture, farming, fish and wildlife, Icelandic settlement and

famous events such as the Gimli Glider.

Club president Erika Hanneson has several murals on the wall, including one depicting the Gimli Art Club, which is located across from the Lakeview Resort, and Alec Baldwin, who won gold medals at this year's Special Olympic Games in Germany, specializes in painting animals, including a mural of his well known Gimli Dog Party.

Mercier, who has a barn quilt mural on the wall, is working on replacing two Indigenous-themed murals that she had painted years ago based on photos another art club member [Raven] took at a powwow in Fisher River Cree Nation.

"The two depicting powwow dancing were originally put on in 2018 and were severely damaged by the high water and ice. They had to be removed," she said. "I found this devastating as each mural took a summer to complete. The intent has always been to restore them at their original place on the seawall as they depict one of the three original groups of people who co-operated to found Gimli."

The first mural shows two young girls following an adult powwow dancer.

"Raven took a picture of these two little girls at a powwow — she had permission — and I fell in love with them. What I love about them is they have blue jeans on and flip flops and it looks like grandma put the jingles on their dresses. It just spoke to me," said Mercier. "Then I went through all of Raven's pictures and I picked this male dancer to be part of the scene because I love the ribbons and the colours. He's so dynamic."

The second mural, which shows a male powwow dancer, will be replaced next summer.

In addition to restoring the murals, members



Ainslie Davis of the Gimli Art Club painted a mural depicting different species of fish in Lake Winnipeg.

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> **MURALS, FROM PG. 13**

of the art club's executive, potters

and seawall artists combined forces over the course of three weeks this summer to re-paint the white borders

around the murals. And the art club is trying out different mediums to see whether they can better withstand the damaging force of the elements.

The gallery is a real draw. As the artists work on the seawall murals, visi-

tors from near and far stop to chat and ask them about the scenes depicted and the artistic process, said Mercier.

"All the seawall artists particularly enjoy talking to the tourists who come from all over the world," she said.



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Artist Merry-Lee Mercier was on the Gimli Seawall last Friday working on an Indigenous mural depicting a powwow. Mercier, who chairs the Gimli seawall gallery, will be re-creating two Indigenous murals that were damaged by weather.



PHOTO BY MERRYL-LEE MERCIER

The original murals, seen here, were removed after they were damaged by weather. The art club's artists have to re-touch or re-do murals each year because water, wind, sand and snow chip away at the paint.

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H.P. Tergesen & Sons general store in Gimli is open year-round, offering a retail experience with old-country charm and unique items. Owner Lorna Tergesen and store manager Kyle Eyolfson will help you find what you need.

trippers alike who are looking for a unique one-stop-shopping retail experience. It offers a wide selection of chic men's and women's clothing, footwear, household goods and gift items. Its bookstore carries best-sellers and supports local and regional authors.

In addition to carrying a wide range of goods, the store itself possesses a days-of-yore charm with its pressed tin interior, hardwood floors and antique cash registers.

Owner Lorna Tergesen said the store did "very well" this summer thanks

to Gimli's considerable attractions and the post-pandemic supply chain recovery.

"What helped get things back to normal this year was suppliers fulfilling orders," she said. "That was a blessing."

In addition to Gimli's natural attractions such as the beach and the lake, its plethora of festivals and weekend events bring more foot traffic to town.

"We're blessed with being an hour from Winnipeg because that brings in the tourists in addition to our local shoppers," said Tergesen. "We're expecting it to slow down a little bit in the fall as it typically does for most businesses, but towards the Christmas season, our business goes right up again."

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Renowned lighthouse cabin gets a facelift

By Joshua Frey-Sam

It's been a summer project for Dana-Jo Burdett and Corey Eyolfson.

The Lundar couple can see the light at the end of the tunnel on their face-lift of the well-recognized lighthouse cabin in Sugar Point.

It's been a labour of love for Burdett and Eyolfson, who have spent every weekend and every other weekday evening at the distinguished property



Dana-Jo Burdett and Corey Eyolfson are the owners of the newly renovated lighthouse cabin in Sugar Point.

since the spring of 2023.

The couple bought the cabin on April 15, after selling its previous owner on their plans to renovate the 1,200-square-foot space, which was



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY DANA-JO BURDETT
An open house with live music and tours was hosted on Sept. 2.

unused for the most part and rarely maintained before they took over.
"It was pretty dormant," Burdett said.

"It was used for the last couple of years for recreational purposes. The investment that was needed wasn't put into it, and we had a vision to give it a new life, a new beginning."

Eyolfson added, "It's always been a

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> LIGHTHOUSE CABIN, FROM PG. 18

bit of a landmark out there.

“We actually reached out to the guy that owned it; it wasn’t even for sale. It looked like he wasn’t really using it; he had some people renting it, and it needed some maintenance — it wasn’t getting maintenance — we both like projects, and we’re both handy people, so we just thought it would be an awesome side-gig to buy out, reno it, use it and rent it.”

Eyolfson and Burdett have since poured \$20,000 and more than 500 hours of labour — outside of their day jobs — into their new property, redesigning the kitchen and giving the lone bathroom a makeover. New appliances and a new metal roof are on the way this fall. They hope to put the finishing touches on the cabin by the end of October, certainly before the snow begins to fly.

Once completed, the couple hopes to open the lighthouse as a prime destination for a short-term vacation rent-

al.
 “This is an extension of our home, so we’re putting in the same quality and effort that we’ve put into our own home and we’re excited to be able to share that with others,” Burdett said. “It’s not a slapped-together cabin.”

The picturesque lot rests 100 feet wide and 200 feet long, with 50 feet of beach. The lighthouse stands four storeys high and includes a look-out on the top level, cathedral ceilings, two bedrooms (and a loft) and one bathroom. The cabin is also just a stone’s throw away from Lundar Beach Provincial Park, which Burdett and Eyolfson hope is an attraction for prospective renters.

The lighthouse cabin was initially designed and built in 1988 by architect Gerald Korzeniowski and his wife Bonnie, along with her sister Dorene Petersen and husband Dick. The quartet owned the property until 2001. There have been three different



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owners since that time. Fortunately for Burdett and Eyolfson, the lighthouse is about a three-kilometre drive away, making it an ideal destination for keeping on top of maintenance and for their use from time to time.

“So far, we’ve used it as a bit of an extension of our backyard. We’ll go start a fire in the evening or we’ll hang out.

I like it more than I thought I would,” Eyolfson said.

“It has grown on us. It’s our little baby.”

The couple hosted an open house at the cabin on Sept. 2 to give those interested a preview of the newest version of the lighthouse. They said it’s something they may do annually for anyone interested in renting.

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Evergreen and Lakeshore students head back to class

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 Students in grades 1 to 8 at Winnipeg Beach School, along with their principal Crystal MacDonald (third from right) and vice-principal Katherine Zahariuk (right), were excited to head back to the classroom last week after summer break. The students are looking forward to all the new things they're going to learn and experience this school year, as well as the projects they'll be spearheading to help those less fortunate and make their community a better place.



Wedding Celebrations



The most popular honeymoon destinations

Couples have different ideas regarding what makes a great honeymoon destination. Some couples may want to spend their trips with toes in the sand as they relax on a secluded beach, while others might want to traverse rapids in a tandem kayak. There's simply no rules when it comes to choosing a honeymoon destination other than picking a place each person will enjoy. With that in mind, couples looking for inspiration can consider the 10 most popular honeymoon locales as determined by a recent survey from Expedia.com.

1. United Kingdom: This might come as a surprise, but the most common honeymoon destination in 2022 was actually multiple destinations across the United Kingdom. A



multi-city train trip through various parts of England and Scotland was the most popular honeymoon trip in 2022.

2. Dubai, United Arab Emirates: Honeymooners looking for something upscale can consider Dubai, which combines sun and sand with unrivaled luxury.

3. Paris, France: Little needs to be said about this Euro-

pean city considered one of the most romantic locales in the world.

4. Florida: Pristine beaches, awe-inspiring sunsets and seemingly endless sun and warmth made Florida the fourth most popular honeymoon destination in 2022.

5. Los Angeles: Los Angeles truly has it all, with sun-soaked beaches, world-renowned restaurants and, of course, Hollywood.

6. Madrid to Seville, Spain: Couples who want to make multiple stops can consider this popular option, which takes visitors from Spain's capital and most populous city to one of its most historic and unique destinations.

7. Rome, Naples and Amalfi Coast, Italy: A tour of three of Italy's most wondrous locales needs no introduction, which is undoubtedly why these three places were a must-visit for many honeymooning couples in 2022.

8. St. Lucia: An idyllic island country in the eastern Caribbean, St. Lucia was recently named as one of the best places to visit in 2023 by Tripadvisor.

9. Iceland: Iceland has experienced a tourism boom in recent years as more and more people have discovered the unique beauty and extraordinary culture of this island nation in the North Atlantic.

10. The Maldives: An archipelagic state in South Asia, The Maldives has the lowest elevation of any country in the world, which means its temperatures are always hot and humid, making this an ideal stop for honeymooners who can't wait to relax on a sunny, idyllic beach.

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GR8FUL to rock and roll: eight local musicians form band

By Becca Myskiw

They'd never met before, let alone strummed guitars together, but since the first time GR8FUL played, they've been in perfect harmony.

Eight local musicians recently united thanks to their love of music. Anders Kuusselka has dedicated his life to youth. Born in Finland, he first learned to play the accordion at age nine and continued to sing and play with his father even after his family moved to Canada in 1967.

Kuusselka graduated from the department of education at the University of Manitoba with a French and music degree. Upon graduation, he taught music in Arborg before being transferred to Gimli, where he started a garage band music program. From there, it evolved into an after-school rock band music program and students in the class began forming small bands together.

Several local musicians voluntarily teach in the program with Kuusselka, and even now that he's retired, he still keeps it going in the Gimli Lutheran Church and the Bayview Church.

"As we taught, it occurred to us that it would be fun to form an adult band," he said.

So he started asking the teachers in the program if they'd want to jam in his studio. It took a while to get going, but soon enough, eight fine musicians were together, taking turns singing, playing and creating their sound.

The band's first song together was "May You Stay Forever Young." Nicholson sang the words, and Kuusselka said it just clicked. From there, they started taking turns sharing what they each wanted



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Eight local musicians recently started playing together for fun but learned they click better than they expected.

to play, and the band soon had a set list.

Though they hadn't planned to actually perform together, the stars seemed to align and GR8FUL played their first show on Aug. 25 at the Red Dock. Over 100 people came to listen to the two-set show,

which included songs like "Have You Ever Seen the Rain," "Tennessee Whisky" and "Brown Eyed Girl."

The band continues to meet once a week, having

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Vote for Interlake musicians to win a country music award

By Jennifer McFee

Interlake musicians hope to hit a high note by garnering enough votes to win a music award.

The Manitoba Country Music Association released its list of nominees for this year's awards. Until Sept. 20, fans can vote online for their top picks in two categories — Fan's Choice and Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year.

In the Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year, local band Lost in a Small Town is in the running. The band features Trey King of Warren on lead vocals, Colton King of Warren on rhythm guitar and vocals, Garrett Kristjanson of Warren on rhythm guitar and vocals, Craig Keena of Marquette on bass and vocals, Garrett Rattai of Lockport on drums and Cameron Ducharme of St. Laurent on lead guitar, fiddle and vocals.

The band has been together for six years, and Trey King points to the passion they all share for playing music. Coming up, they'll be playing the End of Summer Outdoor Social, which will be put on by the Woodlands Rec Club on Sept. 23.

"When we play as a group, everything clicks. We never get upset if one guy misses a note or lyric. We always find a way to laugh and just enjoy the



Lachlan McLean of Stonewall is vying for the award in the category of All Star Band of the Year.

moment. We've become such a close group these past years and we're all proud to share the stage with each other," he said.

"As for our own music, we are in the works of starting to write some originals, but getting this nomination for Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year will make us want to taste some of those other award nominations."

He expressed gratitude towards everyone who has helped the band along the way, including Trevor King.

"He helps us out so much, whether



Ben Mak of Stony Mountain received a nomination in the category of All Star Band of the Year – Bass.

it be sound or giving us a break on the vocals or guitar," he said. "We truly couldn't do some shows without him."

The band members are also grateful for the help of Gage Millar and Brandin Johnston.

"These guys have helped us out so much this past year," he said. "They are also a part of making this happen for us. It truly takes a community effort to be nominated like this and the sacrifices guys make to play shows."

It's an honour to be nominated for the award, he added.

"We want to thank our fans and families for making this possible. Every guy in our band shows up with such a passion and drive for music and a glowing smile on their face, which makes it special to be recognized as



Two Crows for Comfort Erin Corbin and Cory Sulyma received a nomination in the category of Roots Artist, Duo or Group of the Year.

well. All the members are extremely talented, and seeing everyone improve musically and just watching the people everyone has become is truly amazing," he said.

"We are very grateful for being nominated. It truly takes a community to make stuff like this happen, and it's all the people that support us that make us want to thrive in it. We would also like to send our congratulations to everyone else that has been nominated in this category. Manitoba has a great field of musicians so now we've got to ask you the people to support."

Another Interlake musician vying for votes for the Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year award is

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In the Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year, local band Lost in a Small Town is in the running.

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16-year-old East Selkirk musician Morgan Grace, who has been playing the fiddle since the age of four. She will be performing at Teulon Pumpkinfest on Saturday, Sept. 16. She will also perform at Indigenous Tourism Manitoba's inaugural conference and gala on Sept. 19.

"I would say the best part about playing the fiddle or music in general is the people. The fans, the fellow musicians and all the people that do all the work in the background are all lots of fun," she said.

"Being nominated is very humbling. It has been a very busy and adventurous year."

In addition, Morgan Grace is nomi-

nated for the Emerging Artist award against Catie St. Germain, Chris Michael, Gary Gach, Mitchell Makoons and The Sean Taylor Band. She's also nominated in the Speciality Instrument category along with Blaine Badiuk, Brad Moggie, Chris Nakonechny, James Klassen and Michael Audette.

Craig Keena of Lost in a Small Town received a nomination in the category of All Star Band of the Year – Bass, up against Ben Mak of Stony Mountain, as well as Brennan McNabb, Evan Gach, Greg Dunstan and Jon Mushaluk.

"It's an honour to have someone with such talent as Craig in Lost In A Small Town. His passion for music is like none other. He's always had influences in music from a very young age — and it shows," bandmate Trey King said.

"His bass-playing skills are very impressive, and he's always working on improving his playing or singing. We all appreciate everything he brings to our band. We want to wish him all the best of luck in this award category and wish everyone else in his category good luck as well."

No stranger to the Manitoba Country Music Awards, Ben Mak has won the category three times already.

"It's an honour to be considered for this award," Mak said, "considering



East Selkirk musician Morgan Grace is vying for votes for the Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year award.

all the talent that's in Manitoba."

Lachlan McLean of Stonewall is vying for the award in the category of All Star Band of the Year – Guitar against Max Dupas, Rylan Knaggs, Sean Borton, Troy Flamand and Brad Moggie of St. Ambroise.

"I'm so appreciative of the opportunities I've had in recent years to work alongside and learn from some remarkable musicians," said McLean, who performed this year alongside

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A pretty sweet gig: Petersfield apiarian buzzes about bees



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Evan Laye from Petersfield owns Six North Apiaries, named after Highway 6, which his family used to travel north to Thompson every summer in his youth.

By Becca Myskiw

In a manner reminiscent of Winnie the Pooh, Evan Laye couldn't keep bears away from his honey when he started Six North Apiaries.

When the Petersfield beekeeper brought his first pair of beehives home, he had to move them multiple

times to avoid bear attacks — leading the business to a hairy start.

Fortunately, the problem has since subsided, and his bees began producing the honey he had hoped for.

Beekeeping has been in Laye's family for generations. His great-grandfather had bees, and his uncle recently got back into the family hobby, which brought Laye into it himself. With his background in environmental science and growing up on a mixed farm with a few hives, he's a lover of all things bees.

"The part I enjoy the most is actually being out with the bees and hearing them buzz," he said. "It's a nice activity to keep busy with and to be outside."

So, upon deciding to start his own honey farm, his uncle gifted him two beehives and the journey began. Though Laye's uncle has around 200 hives at a time, Laye has only around a dozen. Beekeeping is a side business for him right now, but one he hopes will continue to grow.

Every year once the snow melts, Laye takes his bees out of the barn they overwinter in and starts feeding them sugar water. Then, he starts setting them up in fields for the summer, their little space now complete

with an electric fence to ward off bears. Then, Laye spends time checking out his hives — if one is looking particularly strong, he'll split it to get another.

The first bit of nectar for the bees is marked when the dandelions bloom. By the time canola fields are in bloom, the honey is flowing. As the bees bring in more honey, they fill their hive boxes, so whenever Laye takes a full box of honey, he replaces it with an empty one. This ensures the bees have the space they need, and it prevents them from needing to swarm while maximizing the honey yield.

Over the summer, Laye continues to switch out boxes and monitor the health of his hives.

By the time the sunflowers bloom, Laye is taking away 50- to 70-pound boxes of honey, which he will extract and jar before the end of August in preparation for market season.

Six North Apiaries only sells raw honey. Laye sells some of it to the honey co-op, which typically pasteurizes it and retails it as Bee Maid honey. The rest Laye sells himself at various markets in the province — the most recent market he was at was Miss Millie's Flower Farm's five-year celebration event.

Raw honey comes straight from the hive and contains more nutrients than pasteurized honey, making it a hot commodity for some people. While pasteurizing honey removes any bacteria that may be there, it can also remove the accompanying antioxidants.

Come mid-September, Laye will begin feeding his bees sugar water so they can replenish their reserves for winter. Once it's close to snowfall time, the bees return to the barn, where they'll eat the honey stored in the hive and live in a tight cluster until spring. In that cluster, the bees will switch who's on the inside and outside, each of them getting the chance to be the warmest and coldest.

While the bees try to make it through the harsh winter months, the queen bee will lay eggs and prepare baby bees to start working in place of those that don't make it through the cold.

Six North Apiaries doesn't have any markets lined up for the year yet, but Laye said he's usually at Pine Ridge Hollow at least once and he'll be at other markets. To know when you can find him where, follow @SixNorthApiaries on Instagram.

> AWARDS, FROM PG. 24

Manitoba artists including Don Amero and Emma Peterson.

"This nomination means a lot to me, and I'm especially grateful to have had the good fortune to be commended for simply doing what I love. Music has been good to me."

Two Crows for Comfort is made up of Erin Corbin of Stonewall and Cory Sulyma of Stony Mountain. They also received a nomination in the category of Roots Artist, Duo or Group of the

Year, along Banned & Outlawed, Doc Walker, Jivetown, Petric and The Sean Taylor Band. In 2021, the local duo won in the Roots category.

"It's great to be nominated again," Corbin said. "It's always a wonderful surprise and a real treat to be mentioned among so many incredible musicians."

The duo hits the road on Thursday, Sept. 14 and will be touring and travelling until the spring.

"We'll be in and out of Canada a bunch over the next year or so — lots

of miles being put on the truck," Sulyma said.

"We're also going to be releasing new music real soon. We'll have a couple singles to put out while we're on the road and an album to follow, so we're really excited about that."

The Dauphin Countryfest Festival or Event of the Year nominees are Morden Corn and Apple Festival, Hannover Ag Fair, Manitoba Stampede & Exhibition, Niverville Fair, Steinbach Summer in the City and Summer Winds Festival.

Award winners will be announced on Nov. 4 at Club Regent Casino and Event Centre in Winnipeg.

Voting for the Cover/Tribute Artist, Duo or Group of the Year award is open until Sept. 20 at 11:59 p.m. on the Manitoba Country Music Award website at www.manitobacma.com, where you can also see the full list of nominees in all categories. One vote per IP address is allowed.

> GR8FUL, FROM PG. 22

nothing but fun when playing their music. Each member is incredibly grateful for the chance to have performed, and though they don't have any more shows scheduled, it's likely they'll be playing for the town again soon.

GR8FUL is comprised of eight members:

- Anders Kuusselka
- Rhonda Belland, who started singing in a rock band in Ontario. She's travelled all over North America singing everything from jazz and blues to country and rock. Belland has won a Manitoba Country Music Award for female vocalist five years in a row, along with recording artist and

song of the year a few times. Belland has also done a lot of narrating and singing in commercials but has since retired and now sings with GR8FUL, trying old favourites and new tunes.

- Ron Dirr, who plays a variety of instruments. He started playing music at just four years old. Dirr plays the accordion, guitar, banjo, keyboard, harmonica and drums, adding whatever the band may need at any time. He played with The Band Revival from 1988 to 1995 and then with Roy Mickey and the Downbeats from 1997 to 1999.

- Andrea Nicholson, who's been singing and songwriting since she was 14. Nicholson was in a specialized music school and named a

prodigy who then received a scholarship (one of 10 people in the world) to Berkeley School of Music when she was 17. Too scared to go, Nicholson sang in a few bands, then became a wedding singer.

- Sid Avis, who's played with various musicians in Winnipeg and has recorded on three albums. He's always loved playing four- or five-string bass thanks to idols like Geddy Lee from Rush and Chris Squire of Yes.

- Dave Merry, who's been playing the drums since he was a teen. Having joined the Navy at 17, he's played music all over the world. Merry also lived in Inuvik, N.W.T. and Churchill for a total of 30 years and

was in a Winnipeg band until a year ago when they broke up.

- Mitchell Klyne, who's been drumming since he was a child. He picked up a guitar when he was a teenager and after learning that, he's played in various bands over the years. Klyne currently performs as a solo artist under the name Mitchell Stewart and will be releasing his debut album in 2024.

- Edwin Janz, who's been playing music for 45 years in a number of bands. From churches to bars to festivals, he's played strings all across southern Manitoba, including lead guitar, mandolin, banjo and ukulele. Currently, he plays in several bands, one of which is GR8FUL.

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INSIDE > OUTSIDE > UPSIDE DOWN

Varsity Thunder edge Outlaws 19-18

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Thunder's bus ride home from Shoal Lake on Friday was a really fun one.

Interlake edged the Park West Outlaws 19-18 in a thriller to begin its Rural Manitoba Football League regular season.

"A win's a win is my first thought. It's better to win by one than lose by one," said Thunder head coach Christof Hasselfield. "This week I said our goal was to come out and play good fundamental football and watching the tape we had quite a few mental errors and alignment stuff but I was proud of the guys for gutting one out. I think ultimately with the youth that we have on our team hav-

ing a one-point win it was a wakeup call for the guys and getting the 'W' was the best result even though it probably shaved a few years off of my life."

Last year's matchup between these two teams resulted in a wild offensive shootout. It was a different story on Friday.

"The defence really kept us in the game. They were sort of the steadier side of the two," Hasselfield said. "The offence was sort of in spurts, start, stop, and then a big play. The defence kept us in there by being solid, steady throughout the game."

The Thunder couldn't ask for a more fun and competitive game to start their season.

"Hats off to Park West. It was a real tough game," Hasselfield said. "They switched up their offence from last year a little bit, leaning a bit more into the run game. They did a better job with motions, pre-snap, which really tested our young defence as far as staying aligned."

Some player highlights included Jesse Batenchuk hauling in six catches for 169 yards and a touchdown. Ethan Eberts, a senior, had a pair of touchdown receptions.

On defence, senior middle linebacker Ian Grey had a strong game along with Grade 10 safety Dylan MacLean.

The Thunder's next game is Saturday (3 p.m.) at the Falcons Football Club.

In PeeWee action, Interlake was doubled 40-20 by the St. Vital Mustangs last Saturday in Winnipeg.

On Aug. 26, the Thunder edged the Charleswood Broncos 56-55.

Interlake will visit the Ft. Garry Lions this Saturday. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

The Atom Thunder, meanwhile, lost 26-19 to the Charleswood Broncos on Saturday. It was a very well played football game and the result was decided in the final two minutes of the contest.

On Aug. 27, Interlake was defeated 32-7 by the Eastman Raiders.

The Thunder will visit the St. James Rods on Saturday at 10 a.m.

Impact shut out by Central Plains FC

Staff

The Interlake Impact was shut out 2-0 by Cen-

tral Plains FC in Manitoba Major Soccer League 4th Division action last Thursday at the Ralph Cantafio Soccer Complex.

Braden Nicoll and Brandon Weir scored for Central Plains.

Interlake, now 5-8-2 and in sixth place in the 10-team division with 17 points, played SCM Academy this past Monday but no score was available.

The Impact will then take on Southside FC Sept. 18 at the Ralph Cantafio Soccer Complex. Game time is 7 p.m.

Tournament champs



EXPRESS PHOTO SUBMITTED

Three Gimli teams won one gold and two silver in the 65+ and 55+ categories in the pickleball tournament held in Stonewall this past weekend. Pictured, left to right, 65+ Gold: Ute Vann and Isabelle Tache; 65+ Silver: Katherine Campbell and Sharon Brandow and 55+ Silver: Arlene Martin and Susie Stevenson.

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Reggie Leach Golf Tournament raises \$83,000 for Riverton

By Patricia Barrett

National Hockey League great Reggie Leach returned to his hometown of Riverton last week to present various community organizations with a share of the \$83,000 that was raised through his annual Reggie Leach Golf Classic, which was held in July.

The retired winger, who's affectionately known as the Riverton Rifle, raises money each year to help support social and economic development and community services.

Leach's wife Dawn Madahbee Leach said Reggie loves helping his hometown. They used to raise money for minor hockey before branching out to help fund other Riverton organizations.

"We realized there were quite a few other organizations in town that could benefit from some help so we started hosting golf tournaments," said Madahbee Leach, an Indigenous business leader who earned an Indspire Award in 2020 for helping further Indigenous economic development. "Reggie really loves helping out his hometown."

Reggie Leach, who's a member of Berens River First Nation, was one of most prolific goal-scorers in the NHL in the 1970s, winning the Stanley Cup with the Philadelphia Flyers in 1975.

He played for over a decade with teams including the Boston Bruins and the Detroit Red Wings. He was inducted into the Manitoba Hockey Hall of Fame and received the Order of Manitoba and Order of Canada.

This year's golf tournament raised \$83,000 and the proceeds will be split among a number of Riverton organizations.

"We gave one quarter [\$20,750] to the Riverton Fire Department, one quarter to Riverton Minor Hockey and one quarter to the Riverton Arena," said Madahbee Leach. "We also have a general account from which we can assist other Riverton organizations with the remaining \$20,750. For example, we just ordered a new pool table for the Riverton Seniors Centre and there are some other causes we're donating to. We receive lots of requests for assistance. Every penny goes back to Riverton organizations."

Last year the tournament funded the Manitoba Veterans monument in Riverton, said Madahbee Leach, and provided funding for children's dance classes, among other community supports.

For more information about the Reggie Leach Golf Tournament, visit its Facebook page.



EXPRESS PHOTO COURTESY OF DAWN MADAHBEE LEACH

From left: Dawn Madahbee Leach, Ross Cooper from the Riverton Minor Hockey Association, Riverton Fire Department chief Jason Comeau, Terrence Charrier from the Riverton Arena and retired NHL star Reggie Leach. Leach's eponymous golf tournament raised \$83,000 this year and will be split between the Riverton Fire Department, Riverton Minor Hockey, the Riverton Arena and other community organizations.

Arborg Athletics in varsity volleyball action



EXPRESS PHOTOS BY LANA MEIER

Left photo: the Arborg Collegiate Athletics' Sydney Burak spikes the ball while Emilee Danielson (12), Kiera Chwaliboga (28) and Kira Orbanski (22) follow the play. Arborg Collegiate's Brooke Barylski bumps the ball during tournament action. The Athletics finished fourth at the five-team Wildcats Invitational tournament in Warren after defeating the Morris School/Ecole Heritage Immersion Mavericks 2-1 by scores of 25-17, 23-25, 25-16 to wrap up play on Saturday.

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Town of Winnipeg Beach
PUBLIC NOTICE

Board of Revision

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2024 assessment rolls for the Town of Winnipeg Beach have been delivered to the Town Office at 29 Robinson Avenue, Winnipeg Beach, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 and 43 of the Assessment Act.

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

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

Application Requirements:
43(1) An application for revision must:

- a) be made in writing;
- b) set out the roll number and legal description of the property or business which a revision is sought;
- c) state the grounds on which the application is based (referred to in subsection 42(1))
- d) be filed by:
 - i. delivering by hand or electronically to the Town of Winnipeg Beach office.
 - ii. serving it upon the Secretary of Board of Revision, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date as indicated in the public notice.

The Board of Revision will sit on **Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers of the Town of Winnipeg Beach to hear applications.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

Dated this 6 Day of September 2023

Sharon Desiatnyk - Secretary
Board of Revision
Town of Winnipeg Beach
Box 160, 29 Robinson Avenue
Winnipeg Beach, MB R0C 3G0
Phone: 389-2698
Fax: 389-2019
Email: cao@winnipegbeach.ca



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Deadline for application is September 14th, 2023

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For further information regarding this position, please contact the Rural Municipality of Fisher at 204-372-6393.

Kelly Marykuca,
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Fisher
Box 280 Fisher Branch, Manitoba ROC OZO
fishercao@mymts.net
Tel: 204-372-6393



Rural Municipality of
FISHER

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Assessment Roll for the Rural Municipality of Fisher has been delivered to the Municipal Office at 30 Tache Street, Fisher Branch, Manitoba and is open for public inspection during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Applications for revision may be made in accordance with sections 42 and 43 of The Municipal Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

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

- Liability to taxation;
- Amount of an assessed value;
- Classification of property; or
- A refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under sub-section 13(2).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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- Be made in writing;
- Set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- State the grounds on which the application is based; and
- Be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office of the Rural Municipality of Fisher, 30 Tache Street, Fisher Branch, Manitoba or
 - serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated below.

The Board of Revision will sit on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the RM of Fisher Council Chambers 30 Tache Street, Fisher Branch, MB to hear applications to revise the 2024 Assessment roll and to revise 2023 assessment changes relating to Sections 300(6) and 326 of The Municipal Act.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is **Monday, September 25, 2023.**

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2023

Kelly Marykuca - Secretary
Board of Revision
Rural Municipality of Fisher
Box 280 Fisher Branch, MB ROC OZO
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Nomination Period is September 25 to October 1, 2023 during regular business hours, **excluding Statutory Holidays.** That means that on September 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 2023 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Coldwell Municipal Office, 35 Main Street, Lundar, Manitoba, I will receive nominations for the office of Councilor of the aforesaid Local Authority.

Due to the October 1, 2023 being a weekend and not considered regular work hours, **Nominations cannot be accepted after September 29, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.**

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

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

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Kaitlyn Christensen, SEO
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**The Local Urban District of Fisher Branch
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- Equipment required is grader, loader, and truck.
- Interested applicants must have own liability insurance coverage and must be registered with the Workers' Compensation Board of Manitoba.
- Equipment must be available upon request.

Snow clearing must be done in a timely fashion after snow accumulation. Priority routes to be completed first.

Sealed envelope to be marked "Snow Clearing Streets".

For further information, call the RM of Fisher Office at (204) 372-6393.

Deadline for proposals is 4:00 p.m. October 3, 2023.

Tenders to be dropped off at:
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**The Local Urban District of Fisher Branch
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The Local Urban District of Fisher Branch is inviting proposals for snow clearing sidewalks within the village of Fisher Branch. Snowblower is required. Equipment must be available upon request.

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For further information, call the RM of Fisher Office at (204) 372-6393.

Deadline for proposals is 4:00 p.m. October 3, 2023.

Tenders to be dropped off at:
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION
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Pursuant to subsection 367(7) of *The Municipal Act*, notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs in respect of the hereinafter described properties are paid in full to the Municipality prior to the commencement of the auction, the Municipality will on the 18th day of October, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 AM, at 329 River Road, Arborg, Manitoba, proceed to sell by public auction the following described properties:

Roll Number	Description	Assessed Value	Amount of Arrears & Costs for Which Property May be Offered for Sale
131700	THE NLY 466.69 FEET PERP OF THE SLY 680.69 FEET PERP OF THE WLY 466.69 FEET PERP OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 15-23-2 EPM SUBJECT TO THE RESERVATIONS AND PROVISOS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT FROM THE CROWN - 134015 ROAD 9 E	L - \$36,000 B - \$97,800	\$6,419.29
152000	LOT 1 PLAN 38499 WLTO SUBJECT TO THE RESERVATIONS AND PROVISOS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN NE 1/4 15-23-3 EPM - 15104 PR 329	L - \$44,600 B - \$125,400	\$8,800.35
166100	ALL THOSE PORTIONS OF LEGAL SUBDIVISIONS 9 AND 16 OF SECTION 8-23-4 EPM WHICH LIE TO THE WEST OF THE WESTERN LIMIT OF PUBLIC ROAD PLAN 3185 WLTO SUBJECT TO THE RESERVATIONS AND PROVISOS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT FROM THE CROWN - 133128 ROAD 20 E	L - \$51,000 B - \$133,800	\$7,214.08
410800	S 1/2 OF LOT 3 PLAN 2799 WLTO EXC. GREENWOOD AVE. PLAN 15218 WLTO IN LOT 5 WEST, OF 20-23-4 EPM. - 87 REGGIE LEACH DR	L - \$7,000 B - \$103,700	\$7,153.34
410900	S 1/2 OF LOT 4 PLAN 2799 WLTO EXC PUBLIC ROAD PLAN 15218 WLTO IN LOT 5 WEST IN 20-23-4 EPM - 95 REGGIE LEACH DR	L - \$7,000 B - \$19,700	\$5,601.38
425800	LOT 15 BLOCK 5 PLAN 17080 WLTO SUBJECT TO THE RESERVATIONS AND PROVISOS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN RL 6 WEST OF THE ICELANDIC RIVER OF SECS 20 AND 21-23-4 EPM AND OF GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE BETWEEN SAID SECTIONS - 23 KING ST	L - \$6,100 B - \$48,300	\$3,826.32

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

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not yet due.
- The Municipality may exercise its right to set a reserve bid in the amount of the arrears and costs.
- If the purchaser intends to bid by proxy, a letter of authorization form must be presented prior to the start of the auction.
- The Municipality makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the properties being sold.
- The successful purchaser must, at the time of the sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft to the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton as follows:
 - i) The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - ii) If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale; AND
 - iii) A fee in the amount \$498.75 (\$475 + GST) for preparation of the transfer of title documents. The purchaser will be responsible for registering the transfer of title documents in the land titles office, including the registration costs.
- The risk for the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.
- The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.
- If the property is non-residential property, the purchaser must pay GST to the Municipality or, if a GST registrant, provide a GST Declaration.

Dated this 21st day of September, 2023.
Managed by:
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ANNIVERSARY



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BIRTH/SHOWER ANNOUNCEMENT



Taylor Johnson and Colin Philippot
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BIRTHDAY

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the most amazing, loved, cherished, chic and classic woman that we know! Today, September 14, we will celebrate you Mom, Elaine Einarson, EME. You have aged to perfection! Thank you for your unconditional love, endless patience and incredible guidance. Today is your day! We love you!

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Resumes complete with a minimum of three references and a copy of related education transcripts will be received at the Municipal Office, 62 2nd Ave, until 4:00 pm on September 29th, 2023, or until the positions are filled.

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Public notice is hereby given that the 2024 assessment roll for the Rural Municipality of West Interlake has been delivered to the Municipal Offices at Eriksdale and Ashern, Manitoba and are open for public inspection during regular business hours. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with Sections 42 and 43 of the Municipal Assessment Act:

APPLICATION FOR REVISION

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

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

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

43(1) An application for revision must:

- be made in writing;
- set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- state the grounds on which the application is based; and
- be filed by
 - delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the offices of the Rural Municipality of West Interlake, 10 Main Street, Eriksdale or 38 Main Street, Ashern, Manitoba, or
 - serving it upon the secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the board as indicated in the public notice.

Application forms are available at the municipal offices or on our website www.rmofwestinterlake.com

The Board of Revision will sit on October 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Ashern Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of West Interlake – 38 Main Street, Ashern MB

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is Tuesday October 03, 2023 by 4:00pm.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2023

Davina Mason – Chief Financial Officer
Board of Revision
Rural Municipality of West Interlake

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ANNIVERSARY



Happy 60th Anniversary Gordon and Valerie Watt on September 11.
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OBITUARY



Lynda Ann McMURACHY (née Makara)

Lynda Ann McMURACHY (née Makara), of Riverton passed away peacefully on August 23rd, 2023, surrounded by her family and loved ones. Lynda will be dearly missed and always remembered, she was just 77 years old. Her life would seem too short to many, but those of us who were blessed to be touched by her understand that her existence and the imprint she left on our hearts exceed the quantity of time that she stayed here.

Lynda was predeceased by her late husband Irvin Turkitch; parents James and Elsie Makara (née Bruce); brothers Kenneth, Alan, Chuck; her granddaughter Cassandra; and her beloved dog Patches.

She is survived by her husband Brendon (Ben) McMURACHY; brother Steve Makara (Patricia); children Darryl Turkitch, Michelle Turkitch, Crystal Martin, Jewel McMURACHY (Chad), Robin Benu;

13 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

To sum up Lynda's life in only a few paragraphs would be an impossible task – but one we're still willing to try.

Lynda was born in Gimli on June 12th, 1946, the second youngest of five children. She often complained about the teasing that four brothers brought, and didn't like doing the "women's work" but helped her mom being the only girl of the family.

She married Irvin Turkitch, with whom she had her first two children, Darryl and Michelle. Lynda lovingly cared for Irvin in the final stages of his life. Out dancing one night, Lynda met the next love of her life, Ben McMURACHY – Lynda and Ben danced their life away attending every old time dance they could for months, they were married in Selkirk on June 23rd, 2012. With Ben, Lynda also gained her beloved pup, Patches. After getting married, they travelled extensively after packing up the house and moving into a 5th wheel trailer, eventually finding their second home in Mission, Texas and coming home to Manitoba every summer. After COVID closed the border behind them in the spring of 2020, this led them to buy their home in Lynda's home town of Riverton, Manitoba in the fall of 2020. In three short years she has won the hearts of most friends, relatives, and the community of Riverton. Lynda loved her flowers, her garden (as small as it is), along with the very happy birds who enjoyed her bird seed and nectar.

Lynda's presence and smile lit up any room she entered, and it will be sorely missed.

A celebration of life will be held in her honour at Riverton Fellowship Circle (Riverton, Manitoba) on September 23rd, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY



Nellie Kuryk (nee Semotiuk)

Nellie Kuryk (nee Semotiuk), at the age of 95, passed away on August 22, 2023 at the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home in Fisher Branch, MB.

Nellie was born on November 2, 1927 in Fisher Branch and attended Laval and Rus Schools. In 1946 she married William (Willy) Kuryk of Fisher Branch. They lived for a time with Willy's mother, on her farm, later moving into the town of Fisher Branch, where Nellie worked at Rene's Store.

Nellie was dedicated to her family and friends and was an active member in the service of the community. She had a few high-spirited tales of being a flirty girl and young bride who loved dancing and parties, and later in life she enjoyed travelling, choir singing, and showering those around her with treats. She dove into hard work with the same enthusiasm as she did the prospect of a social event. Her passing surely severs a thread to our connection to a world that is fading.

Nellie was predeceased by her beloved husband Willy, in 1964; father John Semotiuk in 1976; mother Mary Semotiuk (nee Korbutiak) in 1994; brother George in 1993; sister Anne (Alex) Rudyk in 2005; sister Dorothy (Grant) Linton in 2011; and nephews Dennis (Jane) Linton in 2023 and Ed (Linda) Trachuk in 2020.

She is survived by her sister Helen (Morris) Matieshin; brothers Peter (Alma) Semotiuk, Andrew Semotiuk; nephews David (Evelyn), Linton, John (Donna) Rudyk; nieces Margaret Rusak, Sandra (Douglas) Becker, Iris (Ron) Carlisle, Linda Trachuk and grand-nephews and nieces Alissa, June, Kim, Charles, Sherril, Laurin, Kristen, Chad, Julia, Shannon, John, Glen, Dawn, Heather and several great grand-nephews and nieces.

Graveside Service will be held at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Cemetery in Fisher Branch, Manitoba on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Father Roy George officiating. Pallbearers will be Aime Gaudry and Tyson Sinclair.

FISHER FUNERAL HOME INC.
Entrusted with arrangements.
204-372-6271 or 204-372-6803

OBITUARY



Lillian May Lee (nee Lawrence)

September 29, 1932 – August 23, 2023

Lillian Lee passed away on August 23, 2023 with her daughters by her side at the age of 90 years.

She leaves to mourn her children, Shirley, Marilyn (John), Melvel, Donny (Joy), Carolyn (Craig), Brenda (Terry), Linda (Darryl), also her siblings Treina (Stephen), Rick (Shirley), 14 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Lillian was predeceased by her parents, David and Edith, her husband Norman, siblings Bob and Doreen and son-in-law Jim.

Lillian was born on September 29, 1932 in Eriksdale, Manitoba. She married Norman Lee in 1969 and they farmed together for many years into the 1990's.

Lillian enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, playing cards, bingo, watching *The Young and the Restless* and many game shows. She was a long standing member of the Clydebank Ladies Club.

We would like to thank the staff at the Lunder Personal Care Home for their care and support of Mom. Also, to John and Karen Gray from the Arnason Funeral Home for their compassion.

A graveside service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2023 in the St. Cuthbert's Cemetery (Lily Bay) with a lunch to follow. (Feel free to bring your own lawn chair).

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OBITUARY



Norman Louis Fox

December 9, 1937 – August 20, 2023

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Norman Fox.

Norm will be lovingly remembered by his wife Judy, daughter Shannon (Wade), son Greg (Shellie), and three grandsons Liam, Fynnigan and Rowan.

Norm's life will be celebrated on October 7, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in Johnson Hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations to CancerCare Manitoba would be appreciated.

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OBITUARY



Erna Reimer
November 10, 1971 – September 1, 2023

Erna Reimer was born in Belize City to Harvey and Marie Reimer (nee Barkman). She was the oldest of four sisters and one brother who died shortly after birth.

Erna was raised on the family farm, where she milked cows and helped her mom with cleaning and cooking. Following completion of Grade 7 she worked full-time as a housekeeper in the Spanish Lookout community. In 1996 Erna moved with her family to Manitoba and they settled in the community of Okno. She found work once again as a housekeeper while continuing to manage a large garden for her family. She was particularly known for growing strawberries and saskatoons.

Erna was a support to her mom after Harvey passed away in 2015 and the two remained close. Even as Erna's health later prevented her from obtaining full-time employment, she continued to work hard around the home until very shortly before she passed away from cancer. Erna professed faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and sought to honor Him through her life.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7, 2023 at Interlake Mennonite Fellowship Church, Aborg, MB. Interment at Interlake Mennonite Fellowship Church Cemetery.



In care of arrangements

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OBITUARY



Nellie Dubowits (Chikousky)

It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of Nellie Dubowits (Chikousky), age 83, of Fisher Branch, MB on August 20, 2023 at the Percy E. Moore Hospital in Hodgson, MB.

She leaves to mourn her son Murray (Elaine), grandson Conrad, daughter Lisa, granddaughter Alanna, sister Leda (Len) Horodecki, sister-in-law Margaret Chikousky, brother-in-law Herb (Julie) Dubowits, sisters-in-law Eleanor Baron and Linda Baldes, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband Thomas, son Ronald, her parents Pete and Rose Chikousky, sister Elizabeth (Joe) Boitson, brother John Chikousky, brother-in-law Johnny Baron, and her in-laws Mike and Sophie Dubowits.

Nellie was born at her grandparents' homestead located west of Fisher Branch on August 10, 1940. She attended Wellington School in the Kilkenny District and finished her schooling in Fisher Branch. Nellie married Tom Dubowits on November 7, 1959. Together they raised their family in Fisher Branch. Nellie was employed at the Fisher Branch Ukrainian Farmers' Co-op as a cashier for 25 years until she retired in 2003. She and Tom enjoyed retirement until Tom's passing in 2009. Nellie continued living in her home in Fisher Branch until June of 2021, when failing health forced her to move to the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home until her passing.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, September 22, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church in Fisher Branch, MB. Interment of ashes will follow at the St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery (Box 130, Fisher Branch, MB, R0C 0Z0) will be graciously accepted.

The family would like to thank the doctors and nursing staff at Percy E. Moore Hospital and all the staff at the Fisher Branch Personal Care Home for their care and dedication.

VICHNAYA PAM'YAT

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- Le site fournira des services Internet haute vitesse et téléphoniques plus rapides et fiables dans la zone générale de Eriksdale, au Manitoba.

En ce qui concerne cette question, le public est invité à fournir des commentaires par écrit d'ici le **14 octobre 2023** à l'adresse indiquée ci-dessous. Veuillez inclure une adresse de retour ou vos coordonnées pour vous joindre.

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