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An RCMP officer and a local cadet lay a wreath to commemorate the fallen during Gimli's Remembrance Day service on Nov. 11 at Gimli High School.

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Heritage Village driving membership, expanding

By Becca Myskiw

There's never been a better time to become a member of the Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Vil-

The local historical site is currently hosting its annual membership drive.

In the past, those who bought a membership for the year would also get a ticket to a fall supper, but now, members get tickets to dinner and a dance, along with free admission to the village all season.

This year's dinner and dance is on Nov. 19 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the community hall.

Membership with the village is \$20 for seniors (people aged 60 and up) and \$25 for adults (people aged 18 to

There is also a family pass for \$60 as long as all children in the family are under 18; a business membership for \$100, which gets four dinner and dance tickets; and a corporate membership for \$500, getting 10 dinner and dance tickets.

With more than 400 annual members, membership sales are the primary revenue source for the village. The income allows the village to add more buildings and attractions, and pays for site maintenance.

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Heritage Village started in 1999 when a group of people got together to turn bare land into a historical setting. In the years since, Pat Eyolfson has stayed on as head of the village and said February 2024 will mark its 25th anniversary.

The village started with five buildings for people to peruse and now has 21. Eyolfson said they've added a building to the 12.9-acre site almost every year since becoming incorpo-

In 2016, it was awarded the "star attraction" designation, making the village a first-class tourist attraction.

The heritage village is accurate to circa 1930. Upon entering, people will see a restaurant with booths from John's Diner in Riverton. They'll then come to a tribute to veterans, navy uniforms and local hero names on display.

There's also a pharmacy complete with then-popular herbal remedies, a general store that sells everything from flour and sugar to kitchen sinks, and the Sigvaldason House — which was once a priest home for the fathers of Saint Benedict's Convent and then became a home to a family of 18. While touring the house, people can

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The Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Village is hosting its annual membership drive. A membership gets you admission to the village all season and a ticket to the upcoming dinner and dance.



The heritage village sits on 12.9 acres of land.





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Smitty's marking down innovation and style during 4-day Black Friday event

Arborg's Smitty's Furniture & Appliances is about to deliver innovation, quality and style at discounted rates for its upcoming four-day Black Friday sales event.

Everything in the store will be discounted for the highly anticipated yearly sale, which attracts hundreds of people from across the Interlake.

Smitty's not only carries a wide selection of brand-name furniture, but it's also the exclusive and one-andonly showroom for Strictly Amish furniture, which Smitty's owners Larry and Darlene Kornelsen used to showcase in the city but moved up to Arborg in 2020 after they bought Smitty's.

Store manager Rene Sutyla, who has been with Smitty's for over 27 years, said customers will see discounts on power-reclining chairs priced as low as \$697, sofas starting off as low as \$597 and mattresses as low as \$399.

"We're discounting everything in the store. On all furniture, there's a minimum of 10 per cent off all the way up to 40 per cent off," said Sutyla. "And there are Black Friday discounts on all appliances."

Last year's sale had a really good turnout, he said, and this year they're



Smitty's store manager Rene Sutyla said staff are expecting to see hundreds of customers over the course of the Black Friday four-day sale starting Nov. 22 and running until Nov. 25.

increasing the number of invitations (8,000) that they send out to previous customers throughout the Interlake, including communities such as Teulon, Lundar, Oak Point, Gypsumville, Hecla, Pine Dock, Matheson Island, Winnipeg Beach, Gimli, Selkirk, Peguis and Fisher River, as well as customers from Winnipeg.

"We have a very large trading area. People like our central location in Arborg and we don't have commis-

sioned sales staff. Our success comes down to our sales staff, Kathy Melsted and Jamie Kornelsen, who are definite assets to the business, to our topnotch delivery staff, Dana Borgfjord and Zac Kornelsen, and to our bookkeeper and administrative person, Lorna Friesen, who is a friendly voice on the phone," said Sutyla. "Smitty's also offers competitive prices on a daily basis, and this Black Friday sale allows us to pass on additional savings from our suppliers."

Some pricing on furniture and appliances is decreasing compared to what it was during the pandemic, but there are some items that have higher price points because of innovations built into newer models, he said. Some of those newer innovations can be found in appliances such as ranges and fridges and in furniture including sofas.

"One of the newest features we have

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Homegrown heroes: Eriksdale family represents two generations of veterans

Arthur Robert Caldwell, a veteran of the First World War, risked everything for his country — inspiring his four sons to enlist and lay their lives on the line decades later.

Caldwell, who settled in Eriksdale sometime after the war, was among the 11,000 Canadian soldiers injured during the Second Battle of Arras between Aug. 26 and Sept. 3, 1918.

A member of the 8th Battalion Royal Winnipeg Rifles, Caldwell was 25 years old when found himself on the road leading from Arras to Cambrai in France. At the time, the Canadian Corps was tasked with seizing the Drocourt-Quéant Line, a major German defensive structure that included trenches, bunkers, machine gun posts and wire entanglements.

Historical records show that after days of heavy fighting, the final leg of the battle began at daybreak on Sept. 2, 1918, when Canadian forces launched an assault against the German line with support from Mark V tanks and intense artillery fire - beginning what would become one of their final objectives of the war.

The assault waged throughout the night, with the Germans ultimately forced to retreat to the far bank of the Canal du Nord.

With the enemy successfully routed, Allied soldiers were able to advance and liberate several embattled vil-

By the end of their offensive, Canadian soldiers controlled the territory west of the Canal du Nord, from the village of Sains-les-Marquion to the



Hugh John Caldwell

Sensée River.

Although the assault was successful, it came at a heavy cost. According to the Canadian government, more than 400 of the Canadians killed in the battle have no known graves.

Caldwell was struck by shrapnel amid the military action and fragments of shredded metal remained embedded in his body for the rest of

Regardless, he was able to settle on a farm near Eriksdale, where he raised four sons, one daughter and several Clydesdale horses.

When the Second World War broke out in 1939, all of his sons followed in his footsteps and joined the Allied war efforts.

Years later, one of his children, Hugh John Caldwell, would fondly recount how he hitchhiked from Eriksdale to Winnipeg to enlist, said niece Jeannette Wood.

Hugh remained with the military long after the war ended, becoming a



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Hugh John Caldwell was a member of Platoon #3 in Fort William, Ont., in July 1941.

career soldier and earning many medals, she said.

Caldwell died June 7, 1969, in Eriksdale at the age of 75. He is one of many soldiers to remember as Canadians enjoy the freedoms bought by





Hugh John Caldwell (left) followed in the footsteps of his father Arthur Robert Caldwell (right), enlisting with the Canadian military in the Second World War and

becoming a career soldier.

DRIVING MEMBERSHIP, FROM PG. 2

their lives.

Next is the St. Demetrius Ukrainian Catholic Church, which sat vacant for 20 years with bullet holes in it until the heritage village restored it. A traditional Cree-style teepee constructed of animal hide is another attraction.

Then, there's the Trausti Vigfusson House, the first building brought to the village, and an old Icelandic home.

The village goes on and on, with three more houses, an outhouse, a school, CP railway, a livery stable and blacksmith shop, as well as countless displays of photography, clay ovens, musical instruments, sports displays, Indigenous displays and more.

The Arborg & District Multicultural

learn all about the Sigvaldasons and Heritage Village not only offers history to the community — it offers fun. Outside of the village, it has built a 22-site campground with electricity, bathrooms, showers and, now, a wa-

> It also recently added a portable outdoor stage, nestled near the riverbank. With the slope of the land, people can sit on the hill and watch performances on the stage. The grand opening for the stage will be in the spring. Eyolfson said they'll be renting the stage out in the future for other community groups to use.

> To learn more about the Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Village or to get your membership, go to www.arborgheritagevillage.ca.



Local nurse volunteers on Mercy Ships

By Jennifer McFee

A local nurse took her skills to the seas to serve on board a hospital ship filled with volunteer medical professionals.

On Sept. 7, Sarah Gillon travelled to Freetown, Sierra Leone, to serve with Mercy Ships for four weeks as an operating room nurse.

Founded in 1978, Mercy Ships is a Christian organization with a mission to bring hope and healing to the world's forgotten poor and provide surgical care to people living in Africa who might not have access otherwise, she explained. At the same time, the organization focuses on strengthening the local health-care infrastructure.

"It was so exciting to learn from and be mentored by health-care professionals from around the world," said Gillon, a project lead for surgical services at Selkirk Regional Health Cen-

"I left Sierra Leone with a heart that was so full. I had experienced so much joy and purpose, and it truly reminded me of why I chose nursing in the first place. We have this beautiful privilege to help others through the raw, vulnerable human experiences of life, to offer compassion and support and to advocate for the best possible care."

As an operating room nurse, Gillon was a part of the maxillofacial, reconstructive plastics and general surgery teams that provided life-changing surgeries for many people.

"Access to safe, timely and affordable care is near impossible for many of these patients and, as a result, very treatable conditions lead to a devastating loss of function, disfigurement, community ostracization and even death," she said.

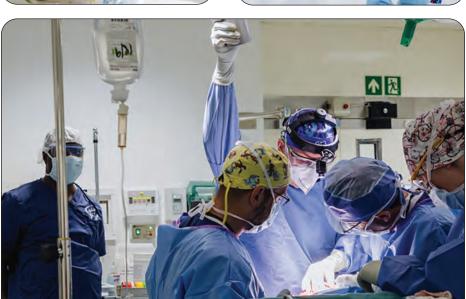
"These people were so grateful and showed such resiliency and strength. Despite complicated reconstructive surgeries, skin grafts, wires in their bones, being cooped up on a ship for weeks, taking time to heal both physically and emotionally, they were still laughing and smiling. Caring for these people truly served as a reminder of how much we have to be thankful for."



Sarah Gillon









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The ghosts we make

nce we had paranormal investigators occupy our house for a weekend.

It wasn't exactly Ghostbusters. It was a group that consisted of a friend of mine and since we had just bought a nearly 140-year-old stone house (with a well) in Morden he mentioned that it would be an ideal candidate.

I talked to my wife ... neither of us believe in the supernatural but we thought it would be fun to allow it under the auspices of "what harm could it possibly cause?"

This also gave us



By Peter Cantelon

an excuse for an impromptu weekend trip to Grand Forks shopping, enjoying the surroundings and sampling the restaurants and whatnot, as many Manitobans like to do.

"I wonder if we have ghosts?" I joked.

"It seems unlikely," responded wife dryly.

"I'm fine with ghosts as long as they're polite and keep the haunting as quiet as possible," I continued.

This is how the conversation went for some time, tongues solidly planted in cheeks.

After returning home we learned from our investigators that the house was officially "not haunted," which came as no surprise to either of us.

I have always had a complicated relationship with the unexplained and the supernatural. I am at a place in life where I solidly do not believe in the supernatural and of a mind that varying phenomenon that is reported as unexplained is just that: unexplained, which in my mind means yet-to-beexplained.

When I say "complicated relationship" I mean I was raised by a mum and an extended family who were/ are hardcore believers in every supernatural phenomenon you could shake a stick at: ghosts, aliens, demons, etc.

For the most part, I look out into the world and believe the best approach is the measurable and measured approach. I believe in what I can see, what can be observed, measured, proven, peer reviewed.

Some feel sad for this perspective as if it leaves nothing to the imagination and is in some ways impoverished. Personally, I am quite happy in this space and so there's no need to feel

One of the weird things I often run into sometimes when someone teases out what my perspectives on such subjects are is indignation. There are those who automatically assume that by holding a position opposite to their own I must therefore be judging them.

It is such an odd thing for people to preoccupy themselves with what others think and believe. It seems to me to be an enormous waste of time and mental energy.

I can say confidently I have never encountered any phenomenon that could not be explained. If I had and were relating such stories, I would advise the listener to not simply believe me because they know and trust me but rather wait for evidence. In the absence of evidence, file such stories away as yet-to-be-explained and

At the end of the day, I expect people will believe whatever they want and this is fine by me (because if it wasn't it really doesn't matter). I choose the path of healthy skepticism and the reality that I live in an unhaunted house.

In the meantime, should there be ghosts seeking a quiet, warm space, my house is available to be to be haunted. I would certainly welcome the roommates provided they are quiet and clean up after themselves. Applicants should scrawl their references on my fogged bathroom mirror whilst I shower.

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Low water on Lake Winnipeg at Gimli last Sunday morning made for a great photographic contrast as the water starts to freeze up. According to AccuWeather, the day began at -2 degrees C with a bit of freezing rain and snow and later warmed up to 6 degrees C. Help the Express record the weather of the week and send in your photos of friends or family enjoying the outdoors. Email: weather@expressweeklynews.ca.

RM of Fisher is requesting residents' co-operation in keeping roads clear

By Autumn Fehr

Winter is in full swing here in Manitoba, and the RM of Fisher wants to remind residents how to stay safe on mu-

Pushing and leaving snow from private property onto and across municipal roads creates a hazard to travellers using the roadways and interferes with routine snow removal op-

In the interest of public safety and to ensure timely snow removal, the RM of Fisher is asking residents to refrain from these practices.

"Pushing snow across roadways creates hazards such as reduced visibility to oncoming traffic, excessive drifting and creates a hardened snowbank that can be dangerous for the snowplow operator to hit," said Kelly Marykuca, CAO of the RM of Fisher.

It's important to note that not all municipal roads are snow-cleared.

The RM of Fisher has a snow clearing policy that states that "snow clearing will commence once visibility is more than 300 metres, all medical lists and bus routes will be priority. In the event of an emergency, snow plows can be called to assist emergency vehicles or hydro crews."

With 800 miles of road in the RM, it's a process to clear the roads once there is a snowfall, and residents are expected to remain patient instead of removing the snow themselves.

Marykuca encourages residents to plan their routes, as not all roads are cleared in the winter.

For assistance or any questions regarding snow clearing

on municipal roads, please get in touch with the municipal office or your ward councillor.

Notice of Environment Act Proposal

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change invites public comment on the following proposal:

7317434 MANITOBA LTD. – CRYSTAL SPRING COLONY NEW DEVELOPMENT - WASTEWATER **LAGOON - FILE: 6193.00**

Crystal Spring Colony New Development (7317434 Manitoba Ltd.) is proposing to construct a domestic wastewater lagoon in the Rural Municipality of Armstrong, located at SE 28-18-3 EPM. The lagoon will be designed to treat wastewater for the expected population of 250 people, an abattoir, and hold runoff from the residential weeping tile.

Anyone likely to be affected by the proposal and who wishes to comment should contact Housseini Coulibaly, Environmental Approvals Branch, in writing or by email at housseini.coulibaly@gov.mb.ca no later than November 30, 2023. Further information is available from the Public Registry: www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries

Information submitted in response to this proposal will be available to the proponent and placed on the public registry per Section 17 of The Environment Act.

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Correction

By Patricia Barrett

In the "LS Airways Flight Academy in Gimli has 2023 graduates taking off" article published in the Nov. 2 edition of the Express Weekly News the phone number included in the article was incorrect.

LS Airways Flight Academy is owned and operated by Noura Gharib and the number should have read 204-651-

Also in the same article, we published that LS Airways students are trained on a flight simulator and the school provides training in ratings such as instrument, night, multi-engine, instructor and float.

This information was copied from a previous graduation ceremony that we published and should not have been included.

The Express apologizes for the errors.



Province invites feedback on new colony's proposed lagoon in Armstrong

By Patricia Barrett

A new Hutterite colony in the RM of Armstrong is proposing to build a wastewater lagoon on the border of the RM of Gimli and has applied for a provincial environmental licence.

The public has until Nov. 27 to provide feedback to the government about the proposed project, which will be built by the Crystal Spring Hutterite Colony.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the colony had purchased land (Section 28-18-3E) on the west side of Road 15E, which forms the border between Armstrong and Gimli to establish a new colony.

Representatives from the colony had appeared at an Armstrong council meeting Feb. 11, 2020, saying the colony will have 97 people and that they intend to manufacture parts for hog barns and raise 15,000 chickens (see Feb. 20, 2020, online edition of the *Express*).

The government's notice of environment act proposal states the proposed lagoon will be designed to treat wastewater for an expected population of 250 people, an abattoir and runoff from residential weeping tile.

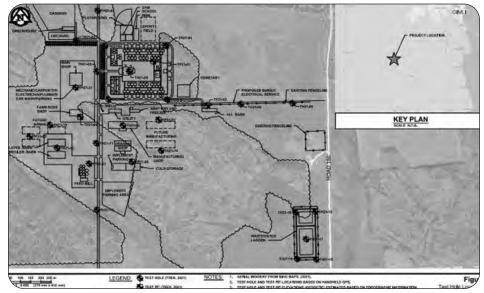
An RM of Armstrong resident, who lives in the vicinity of the colony and who asked not to be named, said he and other residents have a number of concerns regarding the proposed lagoon that will be — according to a site map provided in a technical document posted on the government's webpage — situated on the southeast corner of the colony's land, along Road 15E.

He said a colony with 250 people is like a "small town popping up in your backyard" and residents are really concerned about possible groundwater and surface water contamination.

Based on his own knowledge of lagoons, he said there's a potential for raw waste to leak into the environment, including during significant precipitation and flooding events, as well as to seep into the aquifer, which supplies farms and nearby communities with drinking water.

"Even though they try with lagoons to contain them and have some sort of a liner, there's eventual leakage and seepage into the groundwater aquifer," said the resident. "Everybody in the area gets their water from the same groundwater aquifer, which slowly moves from northwest to southeast in this area. It eventually moves towards Lake Winnipeg. With the potential for seepage into the aquifer, it's possible it could contaminate many people to the east and southeast, including Sandy Hook."

He said he thinks the colony's situat-



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Site plan of the new Hutterite colony in Trek Geotechnical's report titled "Crystal Springs [sic] Colony Community Development Geotechnical Report" shows the proposed wastewater lagoon in the southeast corner of the property, along Road 15E, which forms the boundary line between the municipalities of Armstrong and Gimli.

ing the lagoon on the southeast corner of their property is strategic to mitigate any potential seepage into the colony's own wells and to mitigate the smell of their fecal matter and other waste through prevailing winds from the northwest.

"In my mind, I find it unconscionable that the colony's proposed site for the lagoon is closer to their neighbours than it is to their own housing structures," he said. "There's no way that should be approved. It's like they're saying they don't want that stink by them, but it's OK if it's close to the neighbours. It's also right along a [school] bus route and a market road."

It's his understanding that lagoons have to be drained every so often and that the wastewater will likely — as it's the only place — be discharged into ditches that connect to nearby Willow Creek. The wastewater will eventually make its way into Lake Winnipeg, he said.

"Willow Creek is a spawning stream for pickerel and other aquatic species and this should be a big concern to commercial fishers on Lake Winnipeg," said the resident. "Willow Creek drains into the lake by Siglavik and Miklavik, subdivisions with homes and cottages. Those developments have water channels from the creek going right into their backyards so this isn't an insignificant thing. This is not just going to affect a few landowners nearby in Armstrong, it will also affect the water quality at all those homes."

Lake Winnipeg commercial fisher Robert T. Kristjanson, 89, who has been a longtime witness to the degradation of Lake Winnipeg from pollutants in wastewater, raw sewage and agricultural runoff, said he contacted the province's environment and climate change minister regarding the proposed lagoon and the current state of the lake.

"I phoned the environment minister, Tracy Schmidt, to tell her I want to have a meeting with her and I want to work with her on Lake Winnipeg. I don't want to be against her. We have to be able to sit down with our leaders and let them know about this issue," said Kristjanson, who earned the Order of Manitoba in 2018 for bringing attention to its frequent algal blooms. "So far, I haven't heard a word."

Kristjanson said he feels the proposed lagoon on the border of Gimli is too close to the watershed and the lake and could possibly contaminate it

"They're only about 12 feet from the groundwater aquifer," he said. "You put in a lagoon like that and it will leak into the watershed. This is swampy land back in there."

Kristjanson said he's not against the farming industry, but he is against practices that contribute to nutrient overloading in the lake and which in turn cause algal blooms, and a lack of laws or enforcement of the laws that are supposed to protect the environment.

"I want to thank our last government (Conservative) for doing nothing on what we went through on Lake Winnipeg over the past few months with the algal blooms. During the fall fishing season (September to November) we haven't seen algae like this in the south basin of the lake for a long

time now. It filled up all our harbours; the algae were so strong you couldn't believe it," he said. "I want to also thank them for the millions of gallons of waste being dumped from Winnipeg. Isn't it awful that we have to live with our lake being used as a lagoon."

Armstrong Reeve Kate Basford said the province will be the body that approves or denies the proposal for a wastewater lagoon, and that council has had discussions with colony representatives regarding concerns residents have brought to their attention.

"Council did have a meeting with the colony in regards to where the lagoon is to be located and the dynamics of it. We voiced our potential concerns on behalf of ratepayers and we're trying to work with the colony," said Basford. "Unfortunately, previous council, which approved the sale of the land, did not have a real dialogue with them nor a plan to go forward. Now the colony's here and we're kind of working behind the eight ball to get some things straightened out."

Current council was not in the loop with regard to the "planning stages" and was unaware the colony had Manitoba Hydro lay a gas line into the development along a municipal road that the RM will now no longer be able to upgrade because of where the line was laid. Council was also unaware — until residents told them about the province's advertisement taken out in a local newspaper — that the colony had asked the province for an environmental licence for the lagoon, said Basford.

Council is trying to establish a working relationship with the colony, she said, and is also trying to mitigate some of the residents' concerns because there has to be a "balance" when it comes to supporting all ratepayers, which includes the colony. She understands there are a "mix of views" among residents, with some people unhappy about their arrival and others in favour because of the benefits colonies can bring, including a good source of tax revenue.

"Once previous council sold the land to the colony, all of this was preordained. The problem is [previous] council didn't understand what it would mean to have a colony set up in the municipality. Our council didn't get an opportunity to consider this while previous council did," she said. "Our job now is not to take sides but to make sure that things are being done properly, that we're asking questions and are being assured that they're doing the right things, that

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they've got good engineered plans [for the lagoon]."

One thing the colony did tell current council is that there are no plans to raise hogs.

"As far as I know, there will be no hogs. I think there would be an environmental issue having hogs on that land because a provincial drain goes right to Willow Creek," said Basford. "They're going to be manufacturing hog barn equipment right off the hop and that will bring employment for people in the area. And they eventually plan on bringing in poultry. They've never mentioned any kind of livestock — cattle or hogs — when we asked them."

According to a 1999 report from Agriculture and Agri-food Canada, the majority of soils in the RM of Armstrong are classed as poorly to very poorly drained and can flood during heavy precipitation.

A hydrotechnical study was completed in 2022 by Trek Geotechnical to provide a drainage assessment of a portion of Willow Creek, north of the colony's development, as well as the South Malonton Drain (SMD), which borders the development to the south and east and joins Willow Creek, and an unnamed drain that is "backwatered" from the SMD.

The 640-acre colony property is comprised of a mixture of dense forest and open boggy areas with scattered bushes and grasses. Excessive precipitation in 2022 caused overland flooding of the development from Willow Creek in the north and from the SMD in the south and east, states the study, and the engineers recommend upgrades to the South Malonton Drain and the unnamed drain.

East Interlake Watershed District manager Armand Belanger said sometimes the government asks the EIWD to review proposals for potential environmental impacts, but the organization has not, to date, been asked to review the colony's proposed lagoon.

"We have, however, received a number of calls from people to see whether the proposed lagoon is in a flood zone and whether the lagoon would potentially be at risk from flooding," said Belanger. "You wouldn't want to have a lagoon in a flood-prone area."

When asked if the proposed lagoon will be situated in a flood-prone area, a spokesperson for the provincial department of environment and climate change said the lagoon "has been designed with berm elevations of 248.5 m to meet required flood protection levels specified by Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure."

The proposed lagoon will not hold a combination of human manure and animal waste.

"There will be no livestock manure in the proposed lagoon. The wastewater treatment lagoon is designed for domestic sewage and processing wastewater from the abattoir," he said.

There will be a scheduled discharge of the lagoon into Lake Winnipeg [frequency not provided] and the waste-

The Express Weekly News Thursday, November 16, 2023 9 water will be monitored.

"The treated wastewater will be monitored to ensure it meets Manitoba's water quality standards before being discharged to the drain that flows into Willow Creek and Lake Winnipeg," said the spokesperson. "The proposed lagoon is currently undergoing an environmental assessment under the Environment Act. The environmental assessment includes a robust review of all aspects of the proposed lagoon to ensure the lagoon, if licensed, is operated in a manner that protects public health and the environment."

The *Express* reached out to the RM of Gimli's mayor, councillors and CAOs for comment on the proposed lagoon but did not receive a response.

Comments on the proposed lagoon can be sent no later than Nov. 27 to Housseini Coulibaly at the province's Environmental Approvals Branch. Email housseini.coulibaly@gov.mb.ca Technical reports on the lagoon are available at www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/

Former Lightning coach faces litany of charges



EXPRESS PHOTO FROM FACEBOOK Former Interlake Lightning coach Madison Biluk, 28, is facing a litany of charges after having an inappropriate sexual relationship with a player who was under 16 years old at the time of the abuse.

By Brian Bowman

A former Interlake Lightning hockey coach is facing a litany of charges after police charged her last Thursday with sex offences involving a female player who was under the age of 16 at the time.

Madison Biluk, 28, of Winnipeg coached teams under Hockey Manitoba's authority between 2018 and 2023, Winnipeg police spokeswoman Const. Dani McKinnon said Friday.

At the time of the alleged abuse, which occurred between 2019 and 2021, Biluk "forged an inappropriate relationship by grooming and gaining

the trust of the survivor," said McKin-

McKinnon noted that the abuse continued after the teen stopped playing

"It was over a period of approximately two years ... so this wasn't just limited to a rink scenario, this was a relationship that extended after hours, over the course of this time, with solitary meetings between the two," said McKinnon.

Biluk's charges include:

Sexual interference.

Invitation to sexual touching.

Luring a person under 16.

Two counts of luring a person under

Two counts of transmitting, making available, distributing or selling sexually explicit material to a person under 16.

Two counts of transmitting, making available, distributing or selling sexually explicit material to a person under 18.

Making, printing, selling or possessing for the purpose of publishing child pornography.

Importing, distributing, selling or possessing for the purpose of distributing or selling child pornography.

Possessing child pornography.

Assault with a weapon.

Assault

McKinnon said that an individual at Hockey Manitoba received information in October about the alleged relationship between Biluk and a player and contacted sex crimes investiga-

Kyle Willis, the director of Interlake Minor Hockey, was unavailable for comment on Monday but he did tell CBC Manitoba that his organization

was first made aware about the situation from a social media post that contained allegations of abuse. Gov-

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Gimli pays its respects to veterans and Canadian Armed Forces

By Gloria Thomas

Nov. 11 is a day to remember and honour our fallen war veterans, those who served at their side and those who continue to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces to defend our country's democratic freedoms.

Gimli paid its respects to our service personnel during a Remembrance Day program held in the Gimli High School gymnasium last Saturday. Family and friends of the fallen were among those who attended.

The service was led by Gimli Lutheran Church lay pastoral assistant Mona Josephson, who provided the opening prayer, a scripture lesson and the closing prayer for the service.

"I feel honoured to be here today with all of you to share in this important day of reflection and remembrance," said Josephson. "This day holds deep, historically emotional significance. Today is a day that unites people, whatever their nationality, their politics, their religion or their beliefs. It is an honour to be asked to speak on such an important date."

Sergeant-at-arms M. V. Barteaux led the March of the Colours, with a colour party that included Major Kevin Winfield, Chris Stouhan, Steven Fedorchuk and Simon Chapnick. The Silver Cross Mother, which represents all mothers who've lost children who served in the forces, was honoured by Jan Fedorchuk. Brian Austfjord read In Flanders Fields and the Response to In Flanders Fields, and Josephson read the Prayer for Remembrance.

The program provided held the many names of the Honour Roll Veterans who served in the First World War, the Second World War and the Korean War, as well as those who served in the merchant navy and in peace-keeping operations.

Honorable mentions were provided to Gimli Legion president Victoria Kasupski, poppy chair Roslyn McLean, speaker Melissa Markusson and pianist Ginny Parent.

The legion held a light lunch following a wreath-laying ceremony at the Gimli Cenotaph on First Avenue.











EXPRESS PHOTOS BY RAYME THOMSON

Zumba Jan and class participants raise \$2,535 for CancerCare Foundation

By Patricia Barrett

Fitness instructor Jan Keryluk and participants in her Gimli and Selkirk Zumba classes raised over \$2,500 a few weeks ago to help support cancer patients and their families.

Keryluk, who is best known as Zumba Jan, organized an event called the Fitness Family Fundraiser in October and raised \$2,535 for the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation.

"The people in both my Gimli and Selkirk classes were so generous with donating money to this cause," said Keryluk. "It feels good that we were able to make these contributions and help people that are currently getting treatment, as well as help support the families that are going through really hard times."

This is the first year for the Family Fitness Fundraiser, but it's not the first time Keryluk has raised money to help support cancer patients and their families. She said she was involved with Pink at the Rink in Gimli and Relay for Life events. And the reality of cancer really hit home for her.

"The reason I did a fundraiser again this year is close to my heart; my mom has been receiving treatment for cancer," said Keryluk.

Over 6,000 Manitoban receive a cancer diagnosis each year and it's expected there will be a 50 per cent increase in the number of people diagnosed and living with cancer over the next decade, according to the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation's website. The foundation raises money to bridge gaps between programs and services that may not be eligible for provincial government funding.

A 2022 report on cancer prevalence

from the Canadian Cancer Society says the number of people with the disease continues to grow because of factors such as an aging population, better cancer detection methods, more effective treatments and increased survival rates.

Keryluk, who is a licensed Zumba instructor, is dedicated to helping people get active through her regular and aqua Zumba fitness classes. She has also offered free Zumba workouts in Gimli in the summertime near the harbour and at local schools. Zumba is a cardiovascular fitness program that incorporates Latin-inspired dance routines such as salsa and samba.

Because Keryluk's fundraiser took place at the end of October and the Barbie movie has been such a success, Keryluk said she combined those themes — "a Halloween goes Barbie pink" — to put more fun in the fundraiser. She dressed up as Weird Barbie, a supporting character from the movie.

To thank people for donating to the cause, the Lakeview Resort in Hecla donated a prize package and Keryluk herself donated a prize.

"I cannot believe how generous everybody was. The Hecla Lakeview Resort gave us a two-night stay in a king suite," she said. "I donated a Zumba prize pack consisting of a tote bag, some sweat towels, new Zumba beauty products and a water bottle."

Marlene Hrenchuk was the lucky winner of Lakeview's prize while Lorraine Sigurdson took home the Zumba prize package.

For more information about Zumba classes, visit Keryluk's Zumba Jan Facebook page.



EXPRESS PHOTOS COURTESY OF JAN KERYLUK

Zumba Jan (right) dressed as Weird Barbie with her Zumba Aqua Fitness participants from Selkirk.



Zumba participants in Jan Keryluk's classes helped raise \$2,535 for the CancerCare Manitoba Foundation.

> LIGHTNING COACH, FROM PG. 9

erning hockey bodies at the city and provincial level along with RCMP and Winnipeg police were promptly contacted, he said.

"We took it super serious. It's a child and a coach," he told CBC Manitoba. "The reaction was kind of shocking, but there wasn't really time for anyone to be shocked because we had to make sure that the survivor that put the post up was taken seriously and everything was going through the right channels, to the right people, and it did."

Sex crimes investigators have since interviewed the player.

"She's a phenomenal person this is a very brave action," McKinnon said. "She took some steps on her own to reach out to the

public, to some family members and eventually (spoke) with police and the report was formally carried on into the investigative

'Sport is supposed to be safe, so it's difficult for the entire community. It's difficult for me, who has teenagers playing sports, as a parent. It's a difficult, sensitive topic."

Biluk has no prior criminal convictions and is next due in court on Jan. 9. She was released from police custody under court-ordered conditions.

Police said that supports are available thorough WPS Victim Services at 204-986-6350 and the Klinic Sexual Assault Crisis Line at 204-786-8631.



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Shoppers in for a treat at Gimli's Moonlight Madness event

Gimli businesses are preparing to dole out the discounts for the town's

Moonlight Madness event in a week's time.

The Moonlight Madness Committee and the RM of Gimli are teaming up to host the annual event that brings visitors from across the Interlake and beyond to shop at the town's eclectic mix of shops and boutiques and enjoy some Christmas-themed festivities.

"Since the pandemic, we're seeing an increase in the number of businesses participating in Moonlight Mad-

ness and we're attracting lots of visitors to Gimli year over year," said the

Gimli Chamber of Commerce's Destination Brand committee chair Cheryl

> Buhler. "We're building on that success this year. Our dream is to see all Gimli businesses participating and continuing to make Gimli a Christmas destination of choice."

> Moonlight Madness is the equivalent of Black Friday, and the Gimli event stems back to the 1980s and 1990s when it was called Midnight Madness.

> Gimli stores will be staying open until 10 p.m. on Nov. 24 and offering specials and discounts on products. The

event entices people to shop locally and support the community's economy. Organizations such as the New Iceland Heritage Museum also take part in the holiday promotion event.

There will be a wide range of products on offer, from housewares and handmade crafts to clothing and food, as well as fun-filled activities to take part in.

Among the businesses and organizations participating this year are HP Tergesen & Sons general store (20 per cent off selected items), Johnson's Fashion and Footwear (specials every hour on the hour), the New Iceland Heritage Museum gift shop, Christmas Market and Christmas tree auction (free hot chocolate and cookies), the Hula Hut, Hidden Treasures Studio (decorate your own Christmas ornaments), Interlake Handmade Boutique, Sigvaldason Fine Art (15 per

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Shoppers can make their own Christmas tree decorations at Hidden Treasures Studio during Cimli's Moonlight Madness event on Nov. 24.

cent off Artwork in the Gallery), The Powder Princess, Sugar Me Cookie bakery, Robin's Donuts, Interlake Brewing, The Pier (hot and cold drink specials) and the Ship & Plough pub's Christmas Karaoke (drink specials 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.).

Santa will be popping by to help the municipality light its Christmas tree at the harbour.

"The Gimli Elves are also working

on bringing something magical to town for Moonlight Madness," said Buhler, who was sworn to secrecy. "And we'll be having light-decorating contests for residential homes and businesses."

Moonlight Madness takes place on Friday, Nov. 24. For more information, visit the Explore Gimli website at https://explore-gimli.com/moonlightmadness

Community Support Service

AA Meetings in Ashern Open Meeting Time: 6-7pm Fridays Starting Friday March 3rd. Location: #11 2nd Ave North -Pioneer Manor (beside the main door entrance of Pioneer Manor) Contact AAMBCO@mts.net

AA Eriksdale

Eriksdale United Church building #7 Main Street, Erikesdale (side door)

> **Meetings are Mondays** at 6:30 p.m.

AA Winnipeg Beach

Lady of the Lake RC Church Corner of Hwy. 9 and Lake Ave., Winnipeg Beach

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Induction cooktops, which generate a magnetic field that excites metal in pans, are increasing in demand with their ability to boil water in under 90 seconds, he said. Although they've been around for some time, they're now coming down in price. And in French-door fridges, one can now find a cooling deli drawer that keeps meat a lot colder.

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Existing customers should keep a close eye on their mailboxes for "early access" to the Black Friday sales event, said Sutvla.

For more information about Smitty's Furniture & Appliances, Strictly Amish Furniture, and deals and promotions, call the store at 204-376-5242 or visit www.smittysfurniture.net. Smitty's is located at 321 Main St. in Arborg.



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Smitty's Furniture & Appliances and Strictly Amish store owners Larry and Darlene Kornelsen.



Inspiration, Innovation and Inclusion

How you can help end the stigma around drug use

National Addictions Awareness Week (NAAW) takes place from November 19 to 25. This annual campaign aims to raise awareness about substance abuse and its consequences. This year's theme is Inspiration, Innovation and Inclusion, reinforcing the importance of reframing and destigmatizing the way you think about drugs and people who use them.

Here are a few ways you can contribute to a more inclusive society.

RECOGNIZE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO **USE SUBSTANCES ARE HUMAN** BEINGS

It's crucial not to define someone by their drug use but to understand that people who use substances are individuals with their own stories and experiences. By being respectful, compassionate and caring to those who use drugs, you can help foster empathy and reduce

ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER IS A MEDICAL CONDITION

Many people believe substance addiction is a choice and that people can stop using drugs whenever they want. In reality, substance use disorder is a complex medical condition influenced by various factors. With this understanding, you can help pave the way for appropriate and effective medical treatment and support.

USE INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE AROUND DRUG USE

Language plays a significant role in shaping perceptions and

attitudes around drugs and drug use. It's important to avoid using derogatory terms and labels like "addict" or "junkie." Instead, use person-first language that emphasizes the individual over their condition. For example, say "person who uses drugs"

This NAAW, share the facts with friends and family and challenge stereotypes to help end the stigma around drug use.



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Riverton honours Veterans at Remembrance Day service

By Lana Meier

The Riverton & District Friendship Centre held a Remembrance Day ceremony on Nov. 8 at the Riverton Community Hall to remember those who volunteered, sacrificed, served, fought and died for our freedom.

Following the ceremony, the Riverton & District Friendship Centre served a full-course turkey dinner for everyone in attendance.

On behalf of the Friendship Centre, Desarae Bilinski shared the message, "To all our veterans, we thank you and salute you as we salute those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We will never forget; we will always remember vou."

Gratitude to the First Nations, Inuit and Métis women and men who have served and are serving our country with pride and dedication was also expressed.

"We must never forget the accomplishments and sacrifices of Indigenous veterans, especially as we continue down the path toward reconciliation and healing and a renewed relationship between Canada and our Indigenous peoples," said Bilinski.



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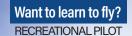












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Eriksdale Christmas market returns bigger, better

Annual Market with 54 vendors on Nov. 18

By Emma McGill

Just 35 years ago, Eriksdale saw the beginning of the community's annual Christmas craft market, first hosted in the Curling Club, small and unsuspecting of what was to be made of the event in the coming years.

Several years after the annual market began, the local legion auxiliary became the host, giving those shopping the opportunity to visit, and bringing the community together.

There was lunch provided, which grew to be a valued part of the market.

A while later, the connection fostered by this blooming tradition was held at the Eriksdale Creamery Museum, where various community organizations opted to take care of the lunch for people to enjoy on top of all the vendors.

As was the case with many gatherings, the COVID-19 pandemic hamstrung the annual event, but Lorette Kirby, who has been helping with the market since its beginning, graciously took the organizing

of the market over, and it is back for the second year since pandemic restrictions

This year, there are 54 vendor tables booked. There will be a silent auction with proceeds going to the Eriksdale community club, which will also receive the funds from table rentals.

The rodeo committee is arranging the meal and will benefit from the proceeds.

Among the 54 vendors, most of which sell high-quality, handmade products, there are wood carvings, candle makers, hand-woven fabrics, hand-dyed silk scarves, nail art, cabbage rolls and perogies, canvas art prints, crochet, macrame and hand-crafted mirrors. Also featured is the organizer's own business, Treats by Lorette, selling all sorts of Christmas baking, including fruit cake, vinarterta, fudge and shortbread cookies.

The market is a fantastic way to give back to local businesses and is a reflection of the pride and dedication of the com-

This year's market will be hosted at the Eriksdale Recreation Centre from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 18, with the vendors in the main area and the silent auction and lunch in the canteen area.



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Eriksdale Christmas Market has 54 vendors booked for Nov. 18.

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Arborg wins Zone 5 'A' varsity boys' volleyball title

Bv Brian Bowman

It had been several years since the Arborg Collegiate Athletics had won the Zone 5 "A" varsity boys' volley-ball title

In fact, the last time they won zones was back during the 2017-18 school year.

But that championship drought was erased on Nov. 7.

Arborg defeated the Fisher Branch Cougars 2-1 by scores of 25-15, 22-25, 15-8 in the championship game of the eight-team zones.

"(The players) were pretty pumped," said Athletics' head coach Scott Stadnek. "We played well in the first set against Fisher Branch and just had some mental mistakes in the second set. We probably should have won the second set but, not a panic, but we had a little bit of a breakdown and then they got it together in the third set."

Arborg played very well in that pressure-filled third set.

Stadnek said the Athletics improved a lot over the course of the season.

"To end by winning the banner was a nice way (to finish zones)," Stadnek

said. "They worked hard all year in practice ... and they are a very coachable team — they take direction well."

Arborg posted 2-0 playoff wins over the Lundar Kodiaks (26-24, 25-17) and the Morweena Raptors (25-20, 25-18).

All three of those teams have a lot of talent.

"The (first set) against Lundar could have gone either way but we came out on top and after that we didn't (take) the foot off the gas," Stadnek said.

In its four-team pool play, Arborg finished second with a 2-1 record.

The Athletics now move on to play in the regionals on Nov. 18.

"Regionals are always tough," Stadnek admitted. "I know the one year that we went to Treherne they were a good team. Even though they are smaller schools, southern Manitoba is always very strong. If we play our game, we'll be competitive and that's all you can really ask. If you go out there and play your best, that's all you can really do and if it works out, it works out. You won't have any regrets that you should have done something different. If you do all of the mental things right (you should



EXPRESS PHOTO SUBMITTED

The Arborg Athletics won the Zone 5 varsity boys 'A' volleyball banner after defeating the Fisher Branch Cougars 2-1 in the championship game. Pictured back row, left to right: Scott Stadnek, Matthew Barkman, Jaxon Loewen, Brandon Burak, Thomas Platt, Willian Calderia, Austin Loewen, Calvin Buehlmann and Ty Plett. Front row, from left: Noah Friesen and Johann Fridfinnson.

be OK). I always preach to them to lose the right way. If the other team is more skilled than you then you can't have any regrets ... at the end of the day, that's all you can really do."

The Fisher River Hawks will be competing at the MHSAA varsity boys' "A" provincials as the host team.

Lakers win Zone 5 'AA' varsity boys' volleyball banner

By Brian Bowman

The Gimli Lakers are the Zone 5 varsity boys' "AA" volleyball champions.

Gimli swept the Warren Collegiate Wildcats 2-0 by scores of 25-13 and 25-16 in the championship game of the five-team playoff on Nov. 6.

"It was really (great). We won last year as well so the boys were really excited hoping that they could go back to back," said Lakers' head coach Laura Fridfinnson. "We have a strong team this year and they kind of put it all together at zones. We've had a good year but some games were better than others. At zones, offensively they attacked, attacked and, defensively, they passed well. They put everything that we have been working on together and they played the best volleyball that they played, by a long shot at zones."

Gimli was outstanding in pool play, securing 2-0 sweeps over the Ashern Cobras (25-11, 25-18), Teulon Collegiate Saints (25-19, 26-24), Warren Collegiate (25-20, 25-23) and the Peguis Wolverines (25-11, 25-14).

With that perfect record, the Lakers

finished first overall at 4-0.

"Throughout the day, you could just feel that they were just pumped," Fridfinnson said. "Not losing a set, they just built on every (match) we played and going into the final, they were excited. That first set in the final, you could just feel the energy from them and the bench. I didn't have to do much, they were on it and (adhering) to the game plan, which was awesome."

The Lakers have seven Grade 12 players and they all bring fantastic leadership.

"They are great kids," Fridfinnson said. "They bring up the Grade 11s. They are all positive energy. It is a fantastic group to work with and I think that's a big part of their success."

Gimli now advances to the regional playoffs later this month with the hope of competing at the MHSAA "AA" provincials.

"That will be a challenge," Fridfinnson admitted. "There will be a lot of good teams, AA has a lot of strength all over the province. It will be a good challenge for our guys."



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LAURA FRIDFINNSON

The Gimli Lakers won the Zone 5 'AA' varsity boys' volleyball banner after defeating the Warren Collegiate Wildcats 2-0 (25-13, 25-16) in the championship game on Nov. 6. Pictured back row: Alex Watt, Jackson Tarnowski, Ryan Litwin, Haden Magnusson, Parker Johnson, Ethan Yablonski, Evan Larocque and Laura Fridfinnson. Front row: David Johnson, Tommy Borlase and Luke Robinson.

Thunder players nominated for RMFL awards

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Thunder Varsity football team has several players — and their head coach nominated for Rural Manitoba Football League awards.

Thunder personal nominees include:

Most outstanding player of-fence - Jessie Batenchuk, Most outstanding player offensive line - Jake Rogoski, Most outstanding player defence - Ian Gray, Most outstanding player defensive line - Carter Bomberak, Rookie of the Year - AJ Nadon and Most outstanding player special teams - Dylan MacLean.

Gray was also nominated for the Norris Aitken Memorial Award while Ethan Eberts is up for the Parker Guy Memorial Award.

Thunder head coach Christof Hasselfield is in the running for the league's coach of the year award.

Interlake quarterback Ben Cook was named one of the RMFL 14 "additional" all stars.







Carter Bomberak



Dylan Maclean





Christof Hasselfield







Jessie Batenchuk

By Brian Bowman

The Lundar Falcons continue to play some extremely great hockey. Lundar blasted the Beausejour Comets 5-1 in Capital Region Junior Hockey League action last Saturday at the Lundar Arena.

Kade Laughlin gave Lundar a 1-0 first-period lead and then, after a scoreless middle frame, Rilev Zdan (two), Troy Johannesson and Ryan Benson tallied in the third.

Zdan and Johannesson had three points apiece in the game.

Lundar's Nick Magwood chipped in with two assists.

Beausejour's goal was scored by Jarvis Ewasko.

Falcons' netminder Nigel Taylor was solid once again, making 29

On Friday, Lundar shut out the Warriors 5-0 in St. Malo.

Falcons' goals were scored by Logan Miller, Torger Bjornson,

Gavin Miller, Daniel Masters and Cody Procter.

Taylor made 26 saves for the shutout.

The Falcons, now 4-2 with an overtime win and an OT loss, played the North Winnipeg Satelites this past Tuesday in Warren but no score was available.

Lundar will host the Selkirk Fishermen on Saturday. Game time is 7 p.m.

The Arborg Ice Dawgs, meanwhile, were defeated 6-1 by the Beausejour Comets last Friday at the Sun Gro Centre.

Harris Dankochik scored a thirdperiod goal for Arborg while Ryan Miller, Carter Reid, Evan Leeson, Riley Tirschman, Nikolas Bear and Merrick Hurcut answered for the

Arborg (2-4-1) will host Beausejour this Friday at 8 p.m.

Falcons flying on the ice Lightning power



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JO-ANNE PROCTER

Lightning goaltender Nathan Meisner stopped 27 shots in his team's 7-1 loss to the Winnipeg Bruins last Friday in Warren. Interlake's Skylar Farrington (19).

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U18 AAA Lightning teams in action

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Lightning were defeated 3-1 by the Eastman Selects in Manitoba Female Hockey League U18 AAA action last Sunday in Niverville. Carleen Wong scored a third-period goal for Interlake, assisted by Emily

Gagne and Claire Hudson.

Ginger Fast, Sophia Heidinger and Danyel Heppner replied for Eastman. In Manitoba U18 AAA Hockey League action, the Interlake Lightning lost 3-1 to the Winnipeg Wild last Friday at the Hockey For All Centre. Morgan Wadell scored a third-period goal for Interlake while Hudson Kowalchuk (two) and William Marceus replied for the Wild.

The Lightning will play three home games this weekend, beginning with the Yellowhead Chiefs Friday (7:30

p.m.) at the Selkirk Recreation Centre, the Norman Northstars Saturday (7:30 p.m.) in Teulon, and the Brandon Wheat Kings Sunday (1:30 p.m.) in Teulon

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1 bag (1 pound, three 6-ounce portions) ASC-certified North Coast Seafoods Naked Norwegian Salmon

salt, to taste

pepper, to taste

Honey Mustard Glaze:

1/3 cup honey

1/4 cup whole-grain mustard

- 2 tablespoons smooth Dijon musard
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 2 teaspoons horseradish
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika Crunch:
- 3/4 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 2 tablespoons dried parsley

Honey Mustard Crunch Salmon

2 tablespoons olive oil

Thaw salmon and pat dry. Arrange on oiled baking tray. Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

To make glaze: In small bowl, combine honey, mustard, Dijon mustard, mayonnaise, horseradish and paprika; mix until well combined. Chill glaze until ready to use.

To make crunch: In bowl, combine breadcrumbs, parsley and oil; mix well. Reserve.

Preheat oven to 400 F.

Top each salmon portion with 1 tablespoon glaze and spread evenly over fish. Press crunch evenly onto glaze.

Bake 15-17 minutes until fish is cooked through.

Serve with drizzle of remaining glaze.



Servings: 8

6 Envy Apples

3/4 cup dark chocolate

1/2 cup chopped roasted hazelnuts

1 cup instant or rolled oats

1/2 cup dried coconut

2 tablespoons flour

1/3 cup butter

2 tablespoons brown sugar

maple syrup or honey, for serving

Core apples then score skin around apple a few times. Cut small slice from top and bottom to make apple more stable and give room for crum-

Baked Apples with Coconut and Crumble Topping

ble topping.

Finely chop chocolate and combine with hazelnuts.

Arrange apple slices in lined baking dish.

Fill center of each apple generously with chocolate and hazelnut mixture (reserve about 2 tablespoons for topping).

Preheat oven to 350 F.

Combine oats, coconut, flour, butter and brown sugar; mix well.

Top each apple generously with crumble mixture, creating small mound on top of each apple; sprinkle with reserved chocolate and hazelnut mixture.

Bake apples 20-25 minutes, or until crumble is golden and apples start to soften. Serve with drizzle of maple syrup or honey.



Yield: 16-20 rounds

2 medium sweet potatoes 2 teaspoons olive oil

salt, to taste

2 tablespoons butter

1 bunch fresh sage, stems removed

4 ounces goat cheese

8 slices Prosciutto di Parma, halved

Preheat oven to 425 F. Line baking sheet with foil or parchment paper. Peel and slice sweet potatoes into 1/2-inch rounds. In medium bowl, toss sweet potatoes with oil and lightly

Sweet Potato Rounds

season with salt, to taste. Arrange rounds in single layer on prepared pan; bake until sweet potatoes are lightly browned and tender, about 20 minutes, flipping halfway through.

In small skillet over medium heat, bring butter to simmer. Add half the sage leaves. Cook until crispy, 2-3 minutes. Remove to paper towel and season lightly with salt, to taste. Repeat with remaining sage leaves. Reserve 2 teaspoons butter. In small food processor, combine goat cheese and reserved butter; whirl until smooth.

To make rounds, remove goat cheese to plastic zip-top bag. Cut off one corner and pipe small dollops of cheese onto each round. Top with half slice prosciutto and one crispy sage leaf.

Immune-Boosting Green Grape Smoothie



Prep time: 5 minutes

Servings: 1

1 cup green Grapes from California, chilled

21/2 ounces baby spinach

1/3 cup plain low-fat Greek yogurt

1/4 cup fresh orange juice

1 cube (1/2 inch) peeled fresh ginger or 2 teaspoons prepared minced ginger

1 tablespoon walnut pieces

In blender, blend grapes, spinach, yogurt, orange juice, ginger and walnuts until smooth, scraping down sides as needed.

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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNI

Director of Recreation and Leisure Services

Position Summary:

The RM of Gimli is seeking a Director of Recreation and Leisure Services to join our Senior Management Team. The Director of Recreation and Leisure Services is responsible for overseeing the delivery of public recreation services to further the growth and development of community and individuals in the Municipality of Gimli. The Manager of Parks and Facilities, Programming, Recreation Admin and Aquatic Centre staff will report to this position.

The Director of Community Recreation Services will collaborate with staff, municipal partners, community organizations and volunteers to support sustainable and meaningful recreation development.

Qualifications and Abilities:

- · Strong financial and organizational management, research, and grant writing skills.
- · Demonstrated skills in working effectively with non-profit boards, community organizations, volunteers, and municipal government.
- · Experience in developing policies and best practices.
- Demonstrated skills in community/recreation development and building effective partnerships.
- Excellent verbal and written communication, public relations, and effective problem-solving skills.
- Experience in project, budget, and facility management. Excellent computer skills.
- · Effective interpersonal skills and ability to effectively interact and work collaboratively with staff (union and non-union), volunteers, administration, and general public.
- Demonstrated facilitation, leadership, supervisory and training skills.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision and in a team environment and maintain confidentiality.
- · Ability to maintain effective working relationships.
- · Ability to understand and interpret trends, demographics and community needs.
- · Ability to ensure the development of recreation services based on assessed needs.
- · Ability to manage multiple priorities and meet deadlines in a professional manner.

Education and Experience:

- · Post secondary degree from a recognized university or college, in Recreation or related degree.
- Minimum of five (5) years of experience as a professional working in Municipal recreation management.

This is a full-time management position. The RM provides an excellent comprehensive compensation and benefits package.

The position will remain open until filled. Applicants will be considered starting November 16, 2023.

Resumes and a cover letter can be sent to:

Kelly Cosgrove

CAO for the RM of Gimli

Email: kcosgrove@rmgimli.com

We thank all applicants for their interest in this position but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF WEST INTERLAKE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF LANDS FOR ARREARS OF TAXES MUNICIPALITY OF WEST INTERLAKE

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 14th day of December, 2023, at the hour of 02:00 PM, at MUNICIPALITY OF WEST INTERLAKE, ASHERN CENTENNIAL HALL, #1 PR 325 E, ASHERN, MB, 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
43400	ALL THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTH WEST QUARTER OF SECTION TEN IN THE TWENTY-THIRD TOWNSHIP AND NINTH RANGE WEST OF THE PRINCIPAL MERDIAN IN MANITOBA, WHICH LIES TO THE WEST OF THE WESTERN LIMIT OF THE LAND TAKEN FOR A PUBLIC ROAD AS SHEWN ON A PLAN THEREOF REGISTERED IN THE WINNIPEG LAND TITLES OFFICE, PORTAGE LA PRAIRE DIVISION AS NO. 532, EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL THAT PORTION TAKEN FOR A PUBLIC ROAD AS SHOWN BORDERED PINK ON A PLAN DEPOSITED IN THE SAID OFFICE AS NO. 7235. EXC SLY 300'S USIDECT TO THE RESERVATIONS AND PROVISOES AS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT FROM THE GROWN. DESC SW 10.23 W	L -58,500 B -50	\$3,992.86
301100	THE SW 1/4 OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION 1, THE N 1/2 AND THE SW 1/4 OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION 2, THE S 1/2 AND THE NW 1/4 OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION 7, THE SW 1/4 OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION 8 IN 3-21-4 WPM EXC ALL MINES AND MINERALS AND SPECIAL RESERVATIONS AS RESERVED IN THE GRANT FROM THE CROWN - DESC SE 3 21 4 W	L -\$6,000 B -\$0	\$3,476.27
449865	LOT 1 PLAN 49542 WLTO EXC ALL MINES AND MINERALS AS SET FORTH IN THE ORIGINAL GRANT FROM THE CROWN IN SW 1/4 4-22-5 WPM - 35 RAILWAY AVE	L -\$4,900 B -\$654,400	\$75,409.74

- The purchaser of the property will be responsible for any unpaid municipal utilities and any property taxes not
- 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 WEST INTERLAKE as follows:

 1 The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR

 ii) If the purchase price is if it s\$10,000 are less; OR

 iii) If e in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchaser 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.

Chief Administrative Officer MUNICIPALITY OF WEST INTERLAKE

- registration costs.

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Sudoku Answer

BASIC

Bifrost Agricultural Sustainability Initiative Co-op

ANNUAL MEETING

All Bifrost-Riverton Farmers are invited to attend!

Date: Wednesday, November 22nd, 2023

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: **Arborg Multicultural Heritage Village Hall**

- Presentation by Brad Magnusson, CEO Magnusson Consulting "Top 5 Considerations for your 2024 Marketing Plans"
- Presentation by Armand Belanger, Manager, EIWD -"Regenerative Ag Funding"

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EASTERN INTERLAKE PLANNING DISTRICT

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

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

THE EASTERN INTERLAKE PLANNING DISTRICT BY-LAW NO. 04-2023 Being an amendment to the

Eastern Interlake Planning District Development Plan By-law No. 01-2022

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HEARING LOCATION:

RM of Gimli Council Chambers 62 - 2nd Avenue, Gimli, MB

DATE & TIME:

December 7, 2023 5:30 pm

GENERAL INTENT:

To re-designate an area in the RM of Gimli from "Urban Residential Area" to "Commercial General Area" to accommodate the expansion of an existing

business

AREA AFFECTED:

Pt. 8-19-4 EPM, Being Lot 1, Plan 26092 and Lot 7, Plan 19469 WLTO, Gimli Park Rd.

Roll No. 111607 and 111700.

CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Officer

Eastern Interlake Planning District 62 2nd Avenue, P.O. Box 1758, Gimli, MB R0C 1B0 Phone: 204-642-5478 Fax: 204-642-4061

E-mail: eipd@mts.net Web: www.interlakeplanning.com

A copy of the proposal and supporting material may be provided upon request to the contact person mentioned above.

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HEARING LOCATION:

RM of Gimli Council Chambers 62 - 2nd Avenue, Gimli, MB

DATE &

December 7 2023 5:45 pm

GENERAL INTENT:

To re-designate an area in the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton from "Industrial Area" to "Commercial General Area" to accommodate a subdivision for a previously approved variance of a hotel.

AREA AFFECTED: Pt. of Lot 45 in 22-2 EPM, Being Pt. Lot 1, Plan 49365 WLTO PTH 68. Roll No. 54910 -

55800

CONTACT FOR

Nancy Thom, CAO/Development Office

Raticy Filolin, CAC/Development Officer Eastern Interlake Planning District 62 2nd Avenue, P.O. Box 1758, Gimli, MB R0C 1B0 Phone: 204-642-5478 Fax: 204-642-4061 E-mail: eipd@mts.net Web: www.interlakeplanning.com

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ALL claims against the above estate, duly verified by Statutory Declaration, must be filed with the undersigned at their offices, 72A Centre Street, P.O. Box 6500, Gimli, Manitoba, R0C 1B0, on or before the 15th day of December, 2023. DATED at Gimli, Manitoba, this 15th day of November, 2023. BAKER LAW CORPO-RATION SOLICITORS FOR THE **EXECUTORS** Attention: Grant D. Baker



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DATED this 15th day of November, 2023.

TAYLOR McCAFFREY LLP

Solicitor for the Executrix of the Estate

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI

MUNICIPAL NOTICE OF INTENT

TAKE NOTICE THAT on October 11, 2023, the Council of the Rural Municipality of Gimli gave first reading to By-law 23-0008 to designate as a municipal heritage building under The Heritage Resources Act, the premises commonly known as the Hollenberg Cottage, in the Rural Municipality of Gimli. The land is described in Certificate of Title No. 2848032 WLTO as follows:

LOTS 15/16, BLOCK 3, PLAN 891 WLTO, IN SW 1/4 AND FRAC SE 1/4 21-19-4EPM.

A copy of the proposed By-law can be inspected at the Rural Municipal of Gimli Office, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

A public hearing will be held at the Gimli Council Chambers. 62 2nd Ave, Gimli, Manitoba, ROC 1B0 at 5:05 P.M. on December 13, 2023.

At that time, any person may submit an objection or other representation on the proposal. If there is no objection, Council may resolve to adopt the proposed By-law, or not to proceed with it.

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Kelly Cosgrove Chief Administrative Officer Rural Municipality of Gimli



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RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ARMSTRONG

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Two Positions: One Full-time and One Casual Heavy **Equipment Operator – Municipal Motor Grader**

The Rural Municipality of Armstrong invites applications for one full-time and one casual Heavy Equipment Operator with emphasis on operation of a Municipal Motor Grader in all

The Operator will be reporting to the Public Works Coordinator and will be responsible for safe operation of a municipal motor grader with attachments, and operation of other equipment used in the day to day operations of the municipality.

For the Full-time position: From May 1 to October 31 hours of work would be 50 hours per week, Mondays to Fridays and from November 1 to April 30 hours of work would be 40 hours per week Mondays to Fridays; may be required to perform additional hours of work including weekends, evenings, and nights in emergency or weather-related occurrences with timebanking consideration by approval of supervisor. Areas of the RM worked in would vary as required.

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- Knowledge of safety procedures and safe operation of equipment and must be mechanically inclined to perform routine maintenance and minor repairs.
- Ability to take instructions and direction from supervisor and ability to represent the RM with integrity.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills; ability to provide detailed reports, logs, records.
- Willingness to participate in further education/safety courses as needed from time to time.

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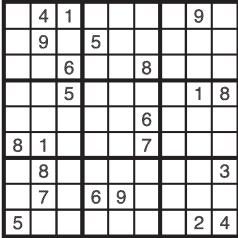
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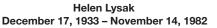
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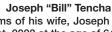


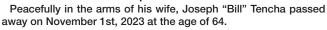
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OBITUARY





Bill leaves to mourn his life partner Collette and their dog Lizzy, daughter Lindsy (Nathan), his four grandchildren Brelynne (Jeremy), Brayden (Trinity), Shayna (Reilly) and Jhett; his seven sisters and four brothers and many nieces and nephews

Bill was predeceased by his mother Olive Tencha and father

Bill enjoyed the last years of his life living in Grindstone Provincial Park, fishing on the lake, enjoying the company of his family and friends. Bill loved barbecuing and was always known for his famous steak. Bill also enjoyed watching sports and playing his Nintendo games.

Bill worked at Griffin Steel for 30 years.

He will be forever missed by his wife, daughter and grandchildren and the rest of his family and friends.



OBITUARY

Carl Kaminski December 13, 1936 - November 5, 2023

It is with great sadness, that we announce the passing of Carl, loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and brother,

who peacefully passed away at the Arborg Hospital.

He leaves to mourn, his loving wife Elizabeth of 40 years; sons Dwayne (Gwen), Brad (Robyn), Chuck (Debi), Todd (Katrina); grandchildren Lauren, Blair, Amber, Micheal, Nikki, Brent, Bryan, Brittany, Tianna, Trevor, Trenton; and great grandchildren Kit, Nikhil, and Samir. Carl also leaves to mourn his sister Phyllis (Dave); sisters-in-law Anne and Jean; brothers-in-law Harry, Eddie, Roy and Alfred; as well as nieces and nephews Jacquie, Tracy, Margret, Maryanne, Marylyn, Darlene, Lorraine, Shelly, Sharon, Bernadee, Andrea, Elaina, Tina-Maria, Leanne, Cindy, Jennifer, Sherry, David, Vern, Edward, Clyde, Christopher, Richard, Anthony,

Gregory, Darcy, Randall, Jamie, Arthur, and John.

Carl was predeceased by his parents Ralph and Mary; brothers-in-law Wally, Steve, and Bill; sisters-in-law Joanne and Mary; and nephew Jeff.

Carl made many lifelong friends, his sense of humour would instantly put people at ease. He was always ready to lend a hand, cut some grass, create wood projects in the garage or just hang out at his sisters having coffee and chatting.

Funeral service took place on Friday, November 10 at Rembrandt Church, with interment following in the Parish Cemetery.

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OBITUARY



Peacefully, on Friday, November 10, 2023 at the Selkirk Betel Home, Lee Johnson, aged 64 years, passed away.

In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 18, 2023 in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Starbuck, MB at 11:30 a.m.

Tributes:www.gilbartfuneralhome.com



Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.

OBITUARY



Bob Thordarson

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of our beloved husband, dad and Afi. Bob Thordarson on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at HSC surrounded by his family.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 62 years, Carol and daughters Lori (Troy), Linda (Tracey), Susan (Les), and special cousin Art (Lisa). Beloved grandkids Nolan (Alora), Erin (Mason), Megan (Reid), Chase, Emma, Paige, Hanna (Chris). Sister Ade Marcotte, brothers Doug (Wendy) and Sam Thordarson, sisters-in-law Gloria Zacharias and Dolores Eyolfson and many nieces and nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Bob was predeceased by his parents, Margaret and Paul, mother and father-in-law Loa and Eyolfur, brother Ricky, sisters-in-law Jackie Ireland and Sharon Thordarson, brothers-in-law Ron Eyolfson and Jack Zacharias and nephew Todd Eyolfson.

Bob married Carol in 1961. They lived and raised three beautiful daughters in Gimli, with a short stint in Keewatin, ON.

Bob worked at Gimli Ford for 40 years as the Parts Manager, but on the side, he was "Jack of all Trades". If something needed fixing or a car boosted when it's 30 below, you just called Bob. Dad was an active member with the Masons and belonged to the Gimli Curling Club and Gimli Kinsmen Club for many years.

Bob's many loves in life were his wife, daughters, grandkids and family, and his infamous garden which gave him so much joy. The grandkids couldn't wait to pick and eat Afi's carrots. Dad also enjoyed many years camping at Hecla, fishing for hours while Mom sat and read her book, curling, which he still enjoyed playing up until last winter, going for long walks around town,

Playing cards and having a drink was also a favorite activity! The most memorable thing about Dad was the Annual "Ding Dong" Fish Fry, which, if Dad had his way, most of Gimli would have been invited. Family, friends, and neighbours always came first, if there was anything he could do to help, he did it.

hiking the trails at Hecla, tinkering in his garage, and snowmobiling, never sitting still for too long.

Not long ago, Dad was described as a man who always had a smile and a twinkle in his eye.

The family would like to thank all the nursing staff at the Gimli, Arborg and HSC hospitals and Dr. Oakley's office for all their kind, loving care.

Cremation has taken place and Dad will be laid to rest at the Gimli Cemetery at a private family gathering.

A come and go Celebration of Life will be held at the Gimli New Horizons 55+ Centre on November 18, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Canadian Diabetes or your charity of choice. Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com



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Anne Penziwol (nee Kaminski) July 25, 1929 - November 11, 2023

It is with heavy hearts we announce the peaceful passing of our dear wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother at the age of 94 on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at Gimli Betel Home.

Anne leaves behind her beloved husband of 72 years, Mike; her children Peggy, Barry (Susan), Karen (Tyrone), Ron (Janice); grandchildren Shannon, Lyle (Katy), Kimberly, Bradley (Vanessa), Caila (Stephen), Eric (Avery), Kyle, Derian (Alyssa); greatgrandchildren Logan, Eli, Rocco, Lily and Lawson (born November 10th). She is also survived by her sister Mary, sisters-in-law Eleanor and Joyce along with many nieces and nephews.

Anne was predeceased by her parents Frank and Petronella Kaminski; brothers Joe, Ralph, Jack, Walter and Ben; sisters Binnie and Carol. She was also predeceased by her parents-in-law

Adam and Lena Penziwol; plus numerous family members.

She was born and raised on the farm six miles west of Gimli. She was a devoted Catholic; sang in the choir at St. Cyril and Methodius Church and was on their executive. Anne joined St. Michael's R.C. Church in Gimli. She was a C.W.L. member for 40+ years and served as President one year. She also sang in the choir and performed many other church duties.

Anne was active in sports; women's baseball, bowling, curling and darts. She was involved with many volunteer organizations especially at Gimli Betel Home. She was well known for her laughter, jokes, her different Halloween costumes and funny dress-ups for family gatherings. She also enjoyed her Birthday Luncheon Group and her Chicken Chef Coffee Ladies; but most of all she loved when her family gathered at her table. We fondly talk of Mom's dills and homemade chicken soup along with all the traditional foods. Nobody left her place hungry.

The family would like to extend their sincere thanks to Dr. Adeniyi, the staff of Gimli Community Health Centre, the staff of Gimli Betel Home and the Homecare Girls for their kind and compassionate care.

As per her wishes, cremation has taken place. Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 18th at 10:00 a.m. in the St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. Coffee and luncheon to follow downstairs. Interment to take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made for a charity of your choice.

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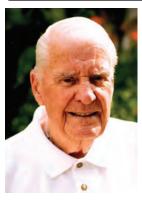
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OBITUARY





Earl Frederick Harris

On Sunday, November 5, 2023 after a short illness, Earl passed away at Grace Hospice. Earl was predeceased by his wife of 54 years, Gladys, in 2003.

Earl and Gladys are survived by daughters Louise Bloomfield (Les), Terry Harris (Ken Carnegie), grandchildren Jenna Anhill (Dave), Jeff Rempel, Marli Sakiyama (Kirk) and Kevin Sakiyama, great-grandchildren Darci, Parker, Kishio and Hiroko.

Earl was predeceased by his two brothers, Stan and Bill, and is

survived by his youngest brother, Ron.

Earl and Gladys had special and close relationships with many nieces and nephews. Earl's brother's children, were very close and loved, Kirk, Kevin, Kent, Shawna, and Gary and Gladys' nieces, Sylvia and Dorothy.

Earl was born on May 20, 1927 in Swan Lake, Manitoba where Earl's father, Everette, was a grain buyer. Earl attended school in Indian Springs, where his oldest brother Stan and him, travelled by dog sled to school in the winter. In approximately 1943, the family moved to St. James and took up residence on Ferry Road. In 1944 Earl joined the army to fight in WWII and was shipped to Saskatoon for training. Even though Earl didn't see action, he listened carefully to the shortwave radio to understand how the war was unfolding, and with his army training and discipline, was ready to cross the ocean. In 1945, when the war ended, he started vocational training as a machinist. As luck would have it. Earl met a gentleman at the St. James Hotel who was looking for young men to join his company, Standard Aero Engine. Earl started his lengthy career at Standard in the machine shop and then was chosen to join a field crew to be trained as a mechanic to service military aircraft on RCAF bases. He travelled for four years to many small towns in Western Canada and finally Gimli, where he met his beautiful wife to-be, Gladys. In June, 1949, they were married in Gimli.

The following years were filled with having a family, and spending many weekends, summers and every Christmas in Gimli visiting Gladys' many siblings and extended family. The Gimli family cottage, next door to Earl's brother and family, was home to many gatherings around the campfire and games table!

Over Earl's 39 years at Standard Aero Engine, holding many different positions, he saw the company grow from 23 employees to a worldwide company of many thousands of employees. Earl's career grew from mechanic to management and in 1984, Earl decided to retire to Gimli.

During the retirement years in Gimli, Earl was active in the Gimli community. He joined Rotary and accepted the position of President in 1991. He was busy with fundraising, delivering Christmas Hampers, fish cookouts for seniors, and volunteering at Evergreen Basic Needs. These were the years where he could perfect his favorite activity, golf. He joined Northern Air Golf Club and met up with three gentlemen who golfed together five days a week for many years.

At Dad's request there will not be a funeral service.

Donations can be made to Canadian Cancer Society and Grace Hospice.

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OBITUARY

Dwayne Scott Thiessen March 27, 1964 - November 12, 2023

After a brief battle with cancer, Dwayne passed away at the EM Crowe Memorial Hospital in Eriksdale, MB with his loving daughters Deseray and Lynsey by his side.

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OBITUARY

C. Gary McFarlane

Born April 1, 1941 in Winnipeg Manitoba. Died November 6, 2023 Married to J. Rae McFarlane (nee Malcolm) who passed away in

Gary has joined his wife Rae for drinks and dinner somewhere in

Gary worked for MTS for 30 plus years, he worked in Dauphin, The Pas, Brandon, Winnipeg, and Ottawa. He loved golf, fishing and driving around Gimli, eating sandwiches and drinking beer. He was extremely kind and always a gentleman. He was the best grandpa anyone could ask for.

Gary leaves behind his children, Doug (Linda), Don (Diane), Jannet (Oli) and Jackie (Greg); grandchildren Jack, Nicolas, and Signy.

Survived by his sister-in-law Shelia and some wonderful nephews.

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