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## Numerous acts of vandalism in Lanigan

■ Daniel Bushman

After substantial damage was done throughout the community of Lanigan over the past several weeks, the Town of Lanigan is encouraging anyone who may have information about the recent acts of vandalism to come forward.

After reporting the incidents to RCMP, speaking on behalf of the Town of Lanigan, Karen Greve said some of the vandalism includes damage to traffic signs within town limits. "Besides being costly to replace, damage to signs can endanger public safety when they are damaged or removed."

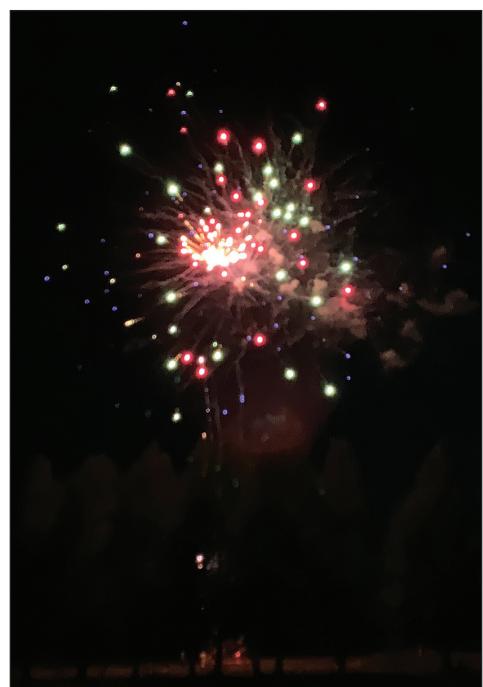
Other vandalism also occurred at the sports grounds in Lanigan as damage was done by a vehicle to a water manifold. Because of that, Greve said the damage resulted in the Town of Lanigan's water reservoir being depleted to a dangerously low level. "At this low level, the ability to fight a fire within town limits is jeopardized."

Because of the damage done, the Town of Lanigan made the decision to turn off the water at the sports grounds for the remainder of the season. There will also be no public washrooms available for people to use at the sports grounds.

In addition to that, damage was spotted at the concession booth at the sports grounds. Greve shared that people gained access to the building and caused structural damage to it.

"The Town of Lanigan is extremely disappointed that individuals would do these acts. Having people going out and vandalizing town property and traffic signs is not only considered a crime but can be unsafe and costly."

The Town of Lanigan is asking that if anyone has information regarding any of the above instances or becomes a witness to any further vandalism to please contact the Town of Lanigan Office at 306-365-2809 or the Lanigan RCMP Detachment.



Marking Canada Day, a flotilla parade was held at Little Manitou Lake where people headed past the shoreline decked out in their red and white. - photos by Daniel Bushman

With a previously recorded video showing a flag raising, a time of respect and reflection and the singing of O Canada at the Jansen sports grounds, the following day, on July 1, fireworks were held as part of Jansen Lites Up The Nite. Committee member Bruce Elke said everything went very well for the event and people were well aware of the need to follow the COVID protocols. "I think most were ready for an 'outing' and a signal toward normal again while also respecting the recent residential school developments. We tried to celebrate while being mindful

and respectful to the families of those buried at the sites." Now with the province fully reopening, Elke said come 2022 the hope is to celebrate with a full day of activities.

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# FCL-Blair's joint venture receives regulatory approval

## ■ media release

The joint venture between Federated Co-operatives Limited (FCL) and Blair's Family of Companies (Blair's) has received regulatory approval to move forward. The Competition Bureau will not challenge the joint venture, first announced in February, provided that certain actions are taken pursuant to a consent agreement filed with the Competition Tribunal.

The joint venture will acquire seven Saskatchewan ag retail locations, providing crop input, and animal-nutrition products, as well as agronomic services to farm customers near Lanigan, Liberty, Lipton, McLean, Nokomis, Rosthern and Watrous. As a condition of regulatory approval and in accordance with the consent agreement – in which both parties agree to implement actions to address the potential effects of a proposed transaction – the joint venture will sell its interest in the Lipton location and anhydrous ammonia assets

in Lipton and Balcarres after closing.

"Both Co-op and Blair's have such deep roots in our communities and we are very excited with the opportunity to continue serving our valued farm customers through this new joint venture partnership in the years ahead," said Ron Healey, FCL's Vice-President of Ag and Consumer Business. "Blair's farm customers will still work with the same experienced and knowledgeable teams they have trusted for years and will now have access to industry-leading services and a broad portfolio, including high-quality products exclusively manufactured or distributed by Co-op."

Blair's staff will continue to manage the day-to-day operations of the retail locations under the Blair's banner. The Blair's management team will report to the joint venture's board of directors. While the sale process takes place, the Lipton location will be operated independently of the joint venture by certain members of the



With a number of ag retail locations including Lanigan (above) and Watrous, earlier this year Blair's Family of Companies agreed to enter into a joint venture with Federated Co-operatives Ltd. This past week, the joint venture received regulatory ap-

roval to move forward. The Competition Bureau will not challenge the joint venture provided that certain actions are taken pursuant to a consent agreement filed with the Competition Tribunal.

- photo courtesy Blair's Family of Companies

Blair's management team. Eight Capital acted as financial advisors to Blair's in connection with the joint venture and will act as financial advisor to the joint venture for the sale of the Lipton location.

"For over 73 years, our business has been committed to providing innovative solutions to advance the business of our farm customers. We are excited to be working with FCL as part of the new joint venture as they share our core

values and commitment to our customers, employees and communities," stated Kevin Blair, CEO, Blair's Family of Companies.

With this regulatory approval, the joint venture will begin operations effective July 31, 2021.

Blair's Family of Companies began near Drake in 1948, when founders, Sandy and Lindsay Blair, brought the first rail car of fertilizer into Saskatchewan. For over 72 years, Blair's has remained com-

mitted to providing leading edge agriculture solutions to its customers and to investing in our local communities. Blair's dedicated and knowledgeable team of professionals are passionate about the business of agriculture and ensuring our customers' success. Blair's seven ag retail locations are located in the communities of Lanigan, Nokomis, Watrous, Liberty, McLean, Lipton and Rosthern. For more information, visit [www.blairs.ag](http://www.blairs.ag).



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# Extreme heat wave takes area by storm

■ **Daniel Bushman**

A sizzling heat wave creating dry conditions not only had people in Saskatchewan seeking cooler shelter but also those in other parts of Western Canada. With heat records shattered at the end of June and early July, the threat of further drought and forest fires remained at the forefront as people and producers waited for moisture.

Conducting interviews with media outlets from across the globe about the incredible heat dome that began in B.C., Environment and Climate Change Canada's David Phillips said at its peak, the temperature registered in Lytton, B.C. was hotter than values recorded in Las Vegas and Phoenix and surpassed numbers from Europe and South America. "It is only in Africa and parts of Asia that have been warmer than what we have seen in Lytton."

In fact, it got so hot in British Columbia at the end of June that Phillips said it was not just the tiny community of Lytton that would have broken the all-time Canadian record. Phillips estimated 10 communities would have beaten the Yellowgrass and Midale record of 45°C set back on July 5, 1937. "There were places like Kamloops and Kelowna that would have had the Canadian record if Lytton didn't exist."

Lytton first snagged the record June 27 reaching 46.6°C and then bested it a day later, hitting 47.9°C. That was followed up with 49.6°C June 29. Devastation then hit the community the next day as a fire, which according to reports was human-caused, tore through the community. The fire reportedly resulted in two deaths and it was estimated that 90 percent of the village was destroyed.

As the temperatures remained high, the B.C. Coroners Service also reported 719 sudden deaths, three times more than what would normally occur in the province during the same period (June 25 through July 1). Lisa Lapointe, chief coroner said, "We are releasing this information as it is believed likely the extreme weather B.C. has experienced in the past week is a significant contributing factor to the increased number of deaths."

As the coroners service began to see a downward trend from the number of deaths reported and with the heat dome leaving B.C. and inching its way east through Alberta to Saskatchewan, Phillips kept a close eye on the heat warnings. "On July 2, Saskatchewan had 32 heat warnings out, the next day 26 and then two July 4 and zero July 5. It was very short lived in Saskatchewan compared to what it was in British Columbia."

However, despite the shorter impact in Saskatchewan compared to B.C., Phillips said the heat dome was still powerful on the Prairies. With a warmer than normal summer in the forecast, he said, "You already had two days above 30°C in May, six days above 30°C in June and three days in July (as of July 5). That is a total of 11 while normally by this time of year you would have five. The yearly total is 10 or 11 so you have already matched your yearly total of hot days and you still have the dog days of summer to come which is typically at the end of July and the beginning of August."

Phillips said what was so unusual about the recent heat dome is it came about a month earlier than when it typically could. Arriving as the hours of sunlight remained the longest, Phillips felt that was one of the contributing factors to the extreme and prolonged heat. "It occurred at the time of the year when the length of sunlight is around 17 hours compared to seven hours of darkness. Those temperatures during the day could just not cool off in those seven hours so it was easy to get back up to those elevated temperatures."

Locally, Phillips noted the area reached at least 35.9°C on

July 2 which was one of a few records. "You had three days in a row in July that were records and you had two days in June that were all-time records."

And those numbers were more likely even higher according to Phillips who explained the recorded values are generally taken in shaded areas. "If you go out in the sun you can add another six, seven or eight degrees. If you go over an urban area where there is asphalt and building material it is almost inhumane to have to deal with those kind of temperatures. No wonder it was dangerous to go outside in places."

While the warmer weather has certainly made its presence felt throughout the local area, precipitation has not. "You did get some rains in May and they were helpful but in June you got about 27 mm of rain. It is normally the wettest month with about 85 mm so you are down and that is a concern."

With the heat taking a lot of the remaining moisture right out of the ground, Phillips said rain is much needed. "Any kind of rain is helpful and you need it because if the temperatures stay warm there will be much more demand for them."

Even without rain, the threat of lightning strikes remains as Phillips said they can still occur. "We have seen an incredible amount of lightning strikes out west. Some have been from nature's thunderstorms but others have been created by dry heat because of the incredible warm temperatures. It is almost like a vicious cycle because one feeds off the other. Sometimes the rain can snuff out the fire but other times it can create an ignition."

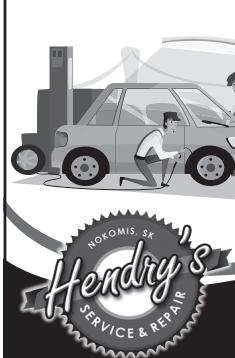
Currently Phillips said there are about 200 fires burning in British Columbia and about 60 percent of them have been lightning induced either through the fire itself creating the lightning or from thunderstorms. "Saskatchewan is dry too so there is concern that the forest fire season could come on."

Due to the overwhelming heat and dry conditions covering most of the province, on July 2, the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) issued a provincial fire ban for Crown lands, provincial parks and the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District.

While many municipalities already had fire bans in place heading into the first weekend of July, the SPSA encouraged all municipalities to examine the fire risk in their area. The SPSA's fire ban included any open fires, controlled burns and fireworks.

According to the SPSA, there were 18 wildfires burning in the province as of July 2 and overall, Saskatchewan already had 202 wildfires, which is slightly over the five-year average of 195.

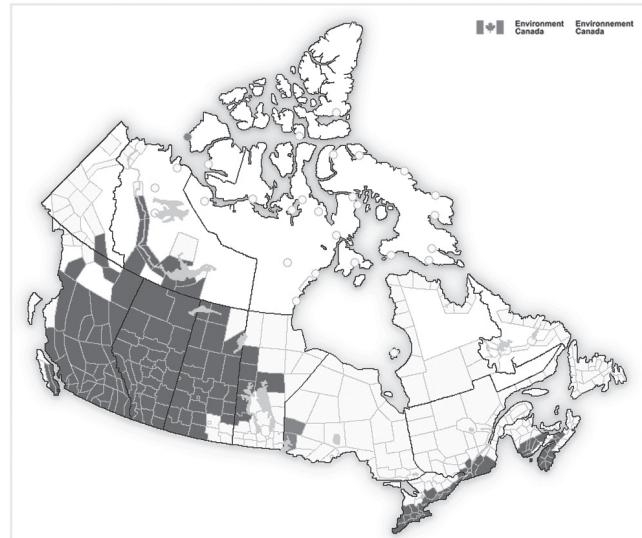
With recent weather conditions being as extreme as they were, Phillips explained the connection to climate change, sharing that no factor creates the weather rather there is a multitude of factors that come together. "It is still our grandparent's heat wave but they can have a different character and personality or a different nature because of the human input to it."



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With a heat wave sweeping across Western Canada earlier this month, the image above indicates just how hot it got July 1. The shaded areas are heat warnings with essentially all of B.C., Alta. and Sask. falling under the warning.

- image from Environment and Climate Change Canada's website

Since weather conditions are different, Phillips said they can sometimes arrive earlier or later than usual, can be more extreme, more intense, out of place, or even out of season. "Generally what we see, we've already seen it but it has a different personality to it. I think if people begin to understand that, they will begin to say, 'See how climate change does affect these extremes.' It is not the trigger but it is a contributor. It could be that 30 or 40 percent of it would have been made worse because of the human component. I think if people understand that they will realize it is not a debate anymore but it is a discussion of what to do about it. We know the signature or the human DNA are very much part of these kind of extremes that we are seeing."

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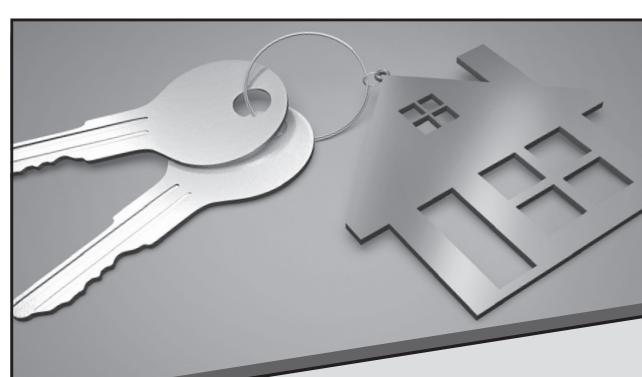
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## Solutions and Substitutions



— tips from Reena Nerbas

Dear Reena,  
Can you recommend an eyeglass cleaner and type of cloth to use? Thanks, Arnie

Dear Arnie,

Here is a wonderful eyeglass cleaner recommended to me by an optician: fill a spray bottle three-quarter full of rubbing alcohol and one-quarter with water. Add a few drops of dish soap. Shake to mix. Spray lenses and gently wipe with a soft cloth (not paper towels, toilet paper or tissues these will scratch your lenses).

Hello Reena,

I have been reading your column for a while now and often find the advice to be great. One thing I have been struggling to get rid of is scratches on my front window. I had a decal pasted on and when I took it off it left a gummy substance that I tried to remove and ended up scraping the glass. Now it is scratched and I do not know how to get it off. Can you help? Jo-Anne

Dear Jo-Anne,

If you run your fingernail over the scratch and your nail catches on the scratch, it is probably too deep to repair. However, if you are only dealing with a surface scratch, the most popular solution is to purchase cerium oxide from your local Home Hardware retailer. You will need: a bowl, a three inch felt polishing wheel that will attach to your drill, water, soft clothes and cerium oxide. In the bowl, make a paste with one tablespoon of cerium oxide and enough water to create the consistency of heavy cream. Attach the felt polishing wheel to your drill. Dip the felt into the cerium oxide solution. Gently buff the scratch, using a circular motion. You will notice a dried film begin to form; be cautious at this point as you do not want the glass to crack. Wipe the area. If the scratches remain, repeat the process.

### Feedback from wise contributors

Re: scratches on a porcelain sink

Hello Reena,

We had a porcelain bathroom sink installed many years ago by a professional. However, during the process, some small scratches formed in the sink. We fixed the porcelain by gently rubbing the area with a damp, pumice stone. It sounds counter intuitive to rub a scratch with something "scratchy", but we were pleased with the results as they disappeared and the pumice stones only cost a few dollars.

Regards, Cindy

*Note: Every user assumes all risks of injury or damage resulting from the implementation of any suggestions in this column. Test all products on an inconspicuous area first.*

Reena Nerbas is a popular motivational presenter for large and small groups; check out her website: [reena.ca](http://reena.ca). Ask a question or share a tip at [reena.ca](http://reena.ca)

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## uncompliCATED - *If God had wanted to be a big secret, He would not have created babbling brooks and whispering pines. ~ Robert Brault*



■ by Arlene Martin

It was a business conversation and only the second time I had spoken to Laurie. At the end of the phone chat, I wished her a nice day, one that unravels gentle and kind. I often say this and I mean it. She surprised me nicely when she replied, "Thank you. It is shaping up to be wonderful. I saw God today." Not sure how to respond, after my mini silence she explained, "I look for him every day and I saw him

this morning, outside my kitchen window. He sparkled in the beautiful sunshine." I thought, how true. On the other side of our window the view was a picture perfect blue sky day. Laurie continued, "Sometimes I see God in the face of a stranger, or even in the eyes of my little dog. He can be in the smile of a child. God is always in my day, I just have to look for him and I do every day."

Her words lingered and I did not have to look hard or long after because I felt God's love in an email from a friend. That was also how I felt many years ago when my favourite birds, a pair of Sand Hill cranes flew overhead then landed almost in front of me and meandered around our yard. It was a moment only Heaven could have arranged. I watched almost breathlessly as their five foot frames together walked the perimeter of our farm yard.

I also found myself remembering a warm blue-sky July morning when we were returning home from a beautiful vacation, our last one in recent memory. Parked at a truck stop somewhere in Ontario, we found ourselves parked beside a couple from Alberta. They were moving to Kenora, Ontario. Enthusiastic and bubbly, the young woman struck up a conversation. She said she didn't know how life would turn out for them with their move, but she wasn't worried. With confidence she added that life always sorts itself out. Her eyes sparkling, she wished us a safe trip home and – a good life. There we were, two strangers, both on a journey that somehow intersected. Laurie would tell me I had seen God that day. Remembering the warmth and sparkle in those young blue friendly eyes, indeed - it was a special encounter.

Laurie, there is so much truth – I only have to look, sometimes through the eyes of my heart but God never hides. Nothing uncompliCATED about it!

I enjoy going back in my computer picture albums and reliving and remembering all those special moments behind each snapshot. I wrote the following on a picture I'd taken of a lone tall pine tree, dark angry storm clouds swirling in the massive threatening prairie sky: "Confused, I stand in the storm and question why Human Nature can be so evil. Nature answers with a soothing, stunning paramount showcase."

I have always thought God is everything evil is not. Today, as words fill this page, I also believe that God will read these words through the eyes of someone amazing I may never meet. Whoever YOU are - I hope this summer day falls around you soft and gentle and you will find your own beautiful God-sighting and moment.

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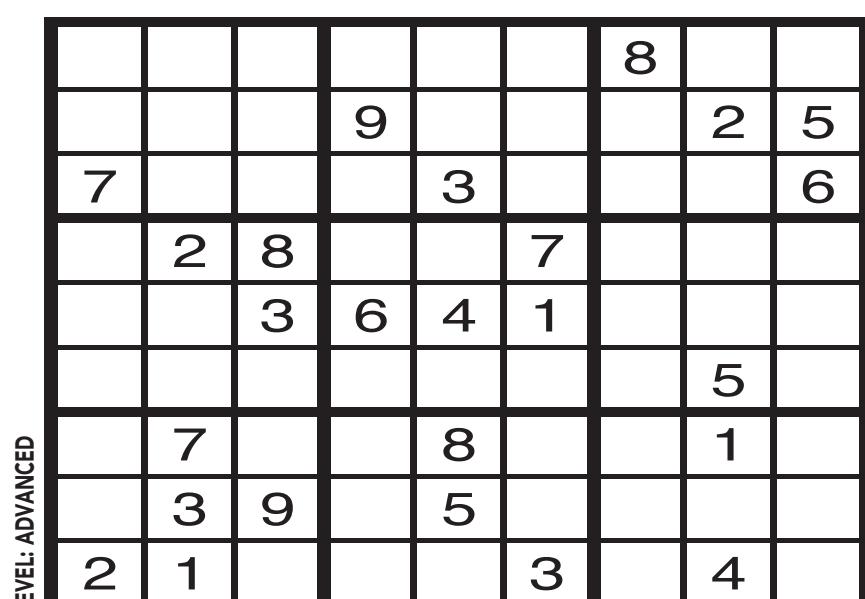
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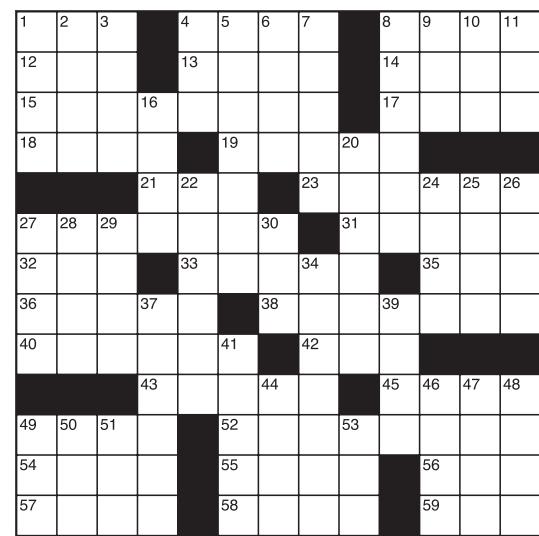


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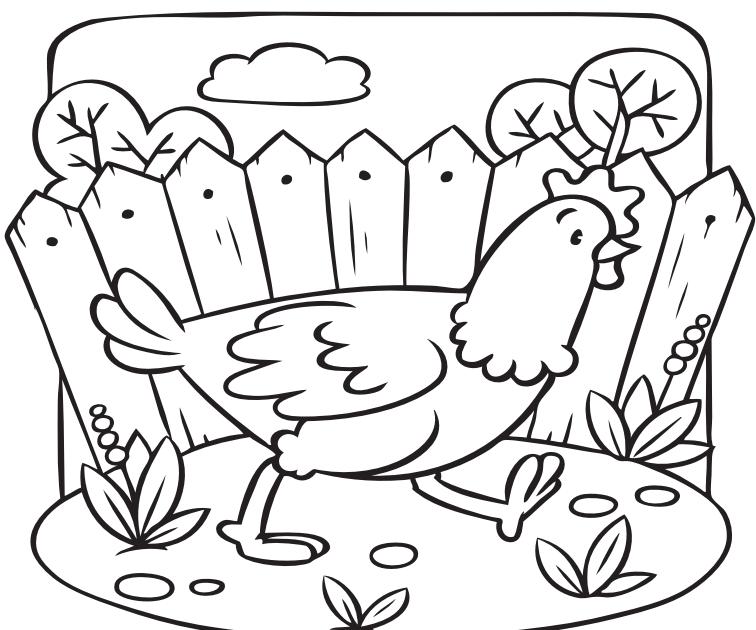
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**“Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky”**

## Western Omelet on Toast

### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup finely chopped green pepper
- 1 tbsp. butter
- 1 cup fully cooked finely chopped ham
- 1 tbsp. chopped parsley
- 4 eggs
- 1 to 2 tbsp. cream
- salt and pepper to taste
- 4 slices of toast

### Directions:

In a large skillet sauté onion and green pepper in butter until tender. Add ham and parsley. Beat eggs and cream, pour into skillet. As eggs set, lift the edges of the omelet letting the uncooked eggs run under the cooked portion. When eggs are completely set, cut into wedges and serve on hot buttered toast.

# Jansen

Louise Shannon

Condolences to the family of Norman Block who passed away in LeRoy. He was born and raised north of Jansen but farmed near LeRoy. Left to survive him are his wife Eldene and sons Alan and Gary, daughter Twila and their families.

Congratulations to Austin Krieger for winning prizes for his heifers at various livestock shows.

We finally got a little rain, maybe there is still some hope for the garden. The potatoes are good this year.

Happy 60th belated birthday to Pastor Glenn Shore and his twin brother. Happy 70th birthday to Linda Liebrecht and happy birthday to Elmer Kinzel and Roxanne Schindel.

I will be glad to see the end of these masks!

# Viscount

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Well, as I write the Viscount news, the weather is considerably cooler than it has been. Yesterday I finally saw the orioles eating. I did not notice any around when it was sooooo hot outside. Thank goodness they are back, they are such a beauti-

ful bird. I just started to notice the yellow finches again.

I am looking forward to the 20th annual golf fundraiser in July put on by the Viscount Recreation Board. Then in August we are looking forward to the 31st annual street dance put on by the

Viscount Recreation Board. Plus we are looking forward to one of our granddaughter's wedding as well. It will be nice to start getting back into doing things as long as we can all stay healthy. Thank you to all who helped make this week's Viscount news possible. Have a good week, stay safe and enjoy the outdoors as much as you possibly can.

## RCMP Report

### Rollover near Last Mountain Regional Park

Shortly after 9 p.m. Friday, July 2, Southey and Watrous RCMP responded to a report of a single vehicle rollover approximately 2.5 kilometres west of Hwy. 20 on "Lake Road," the entrance road to Last Mountain Regional Park. Initial investigation indicated the vehicle was travelling westbound when it lost control and subsequently rolled into the ditch north of the road.

Nokomis Fire Department, EMS from Watrous and Lanigan and STARS Air Ambulance also responded to the collision.

The 18-year-old female driver of the vehicle passed away on scene. The four other occupants of the vehicle sustained injuries that were described as being non-serious in nature.

An RCMP Collision Reconstructionist was present to conduct an investigation which is continuing in conjunction with the Saskatchewan Coroners Service.

The scene was cleared in the early morning hours of Saturday, July 3.

### Collision near Qu'Appelle

At approximately 9:50 p.m. Friday, July 2, Indian Head RCMP responded to a call about a collision between a semi and a pickup truck that occurred along Hwy. 1 just east of Qu'Appelle. Qu'Appelle Fire Department and Indian Head

EMS also attended.

The 74-year-old male driver and sole occupant of the pickup truck passed away at the scene. No injuries were reported to have been sustained by the driver of the semi.

Initial investigation indicates the eastbound semi and northbound pickup collided, resulting in both vehicles leaving the roadway and coming to rest in the ditch south of Hwy. 1.

A portion of Hwy. 1 was closed and traffic diverted while officers, an RCMP Collision Reconstructionist and the Saskatchewan Coroners Service investigated. The highway was reopened and no charges are anticipated.

### Youth charged

On June 29, 2021 at approximately 5 p.m., Battleford RCMP responded to a report of two armed robberies at a business on Hwy. 4 on Poundmaker First Nation.

Investigation revealed that a male entered the business with a firearm and demanded vehicle keys but did not obtain any. The male then entered a neighbouring business demanded and took vehicle keys from an occupant then fled in that vehicle. The firearm was discharged during these incidents but no one was injured.

Investigation determined the stolen vehicle was at a residence on Mistawasis First Nation. Members from Ahtahkakoop Detachment, Big River Detachment, Blaine

Lake Detachment, the Prince Albert Crime Reduction Team, Police Dog Services, the North Battleford Provincial General Investigation Section and the Emergency Response Team assisted in containing the residence and arresting a male youth in connection to this investigation.

The youth, who cannot be identified as per the Youth Criminal Justice Act is charged with several offences including two counts discharge firearm with intent, and two counts robbery among others.

### RCMP investigating suspicious death

The Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crime Unit South, with assistance from the Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crime Unit North, Spiritwood and Big River RCMP, Prince Albert RCMP Forensic Identification Section and the Saskatchewan Coroners Service, are investigating a death near the Big River First Nation, Sask.

On June 30, 2021, at approximately 5:45 a.m., Spiritwood RCMP received a report of an alleged assault on two adult males. While investigating the incident, officers located one of the victims of the alleged assault deceased inside a vehicle just outside of Big River First Nation, along Hwy. 793.

The deceased has been identified and his family notified. RCMP will not be providing any further identification (see page eight: **RCMP**)

## Clark Dan Puckett would like to hear from you as he seeks the Conservative Party nomination in the federal riding of Moose Jaw-Lake Centre-Lanigan.



*"I have been an active supporter of our two conservative movements for over 22 years both with the Saskatchewan Party and the Conservative Party of Canada."*

### MY EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- 2000-2012 - Officially and Professionally employed by the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly as Constituency Assistant to retired Arm River MLA Greg Brkich. This entailed taking thousands of phone calls from constituents including farm families, working families, injured folks and many folks just needing help with government programs. I was, and remain, a careful and compassionate listener to everyone I meet.
- Served with retired Blackstrap MP Mrs. Lynne Yelich on Parliament Hill in Ottawa from September 1, 2001 until my research contract ended at the end of November, 2001. I learned a great deal about the Parliamentary processes back then as I served as Lynne's assistant as well in her duties on the Citizenship and Immigration Committee during the time that the twin towers in New York City fell, transforming our world forever. Later on, following the election of former Prime Minister Stephen Harper's government in the mid 2000's, Mrs. Yelich served in Mr. Harper's Cabinet for many years hence.
- I am a Certified Funeral Celebrant, legally qualified to assist families in designing a personal ecumenical funeral service for their loved one, then leading the actual service while providing pastoral care throughout the time of loss. I have done 250 funeral services over the past decade without a single hitch. My empathy for folks runs deeply in my heart and my speaking abilities are polished and very charismatic, I've been told scores of times. I think these skills would serve me well as MP.
- I am a life-long farmer with decades of experience in both the old farming methods of the late 20th century moving through the new farming technologies of the present era. I am and will always protect our farming community here and all food producers across Canada. I am proposing a rebate and/or exemption (on any carbon taxation or fees going forward) for all food producers across Canada.
- I have travelled to NE Brazil doing aid projects for the poor there through the NGO "Rainbow of Hope for Children", working many weeks repairing schools, assisting the poor where they live, and helping directly in churches and food assistance centers. Our team leader was none other than Mr. Alphonse Gerwing, Order of Canada. I learned so much about our world.
- I have served on the bedrock of our democracy serving on my local RM Council from 1989-97 and am presently serving on the Town of Davidson Council as Councillor, elected in late 2020. There are many new challenges as we emerge from Covid-19.
- I was the President of the Arm River Saskatchewan Party Association from 2000-2012, leading as a Campaign Manager for Mr. Brkich, never losing a single Saskatchewan general election in 1999, 2003, 2007 and 2011. I have knocked thousands of doors and visited on door steps with scores of families.
- I was retiring MP Tom Lukiwski's official Rural Campaign Manager in 2006. I canvassed every door in the rural part of what was then the old riding of Regina-Lumsden Lake Centre. Tom's rural support in the 2006 election campaign was enough to help Tom win the old riding as the folks in Regina were, back in those days, still leaning towards the Liberal/NDP side. In 2019, I again canvassed many rural communities for MP Tom Lukiwski, who won roughly 73% of the popular vote in 2019.

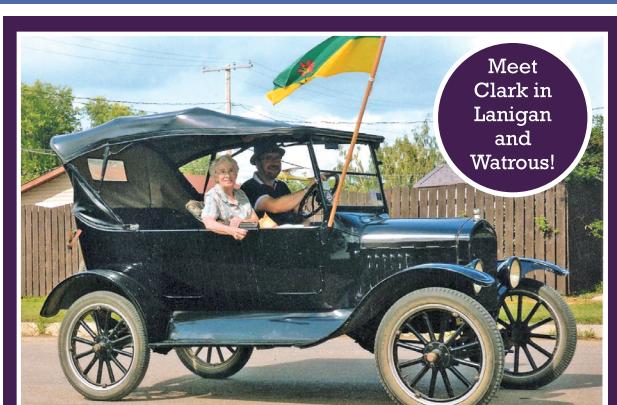
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- I am Pro-Choice
- I am supportive of the "Choice to pass away" federal legislation ONLY as it exists presently on the federal books.
- I believe that climate change is "a thing" but perhaps not "the thing" going forward. I advocate a compromise between "climate change engineers" and forward thinking and carefully listening to energy folks moving forward with a rapidly expanding cleaner approach to existing energy requirements as we transition to a zero emission country over the next twenty years.
- I fully support the new irrigation plans for the Lake Diefenbaker lake corridor moving forward.
- I am really listening to the voices of young people and young families across this constituency and across Canada.
- I believe many folks are very concerned about our country's future as we emerge from this pandemic. I will do everything I can to listen to the concerns of our Canadian families.
- The recent tragedy at Cowessess First Nation No. 73, under the compassionate leadership of Chief Cadmus Delorme, must be urgently met with action rather than words. The relationship with our Indigenous citizens and friends must be transformed.

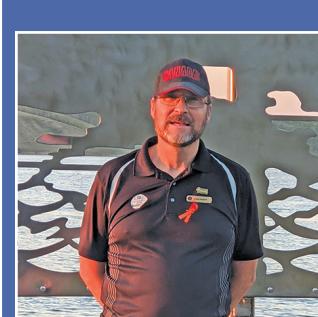
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Meet Conservative Party nominee for Moose Jaw-Lake Centre-Lanigan Clark Puckett in Lanigan and Watrous July 24th. Along with his Model T, Clark will be at the new gazebo in Lanigan from 10 a.m. to noon July 24th where he welcomes people to stop by and share their vision for Canada. At 11:30 a.m. he will be providing free rides for kids in his Model T. Following his visit in Lanigan, Clark will be in Watrous attending the annual Watrous and Manitou Beach Fun Run. Clark's late father Dan entered the Model T that Clark now owns in that Fun Run for many years and Clark is excited to visit with residents and visitors in Watrous around 2 p.m.



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## Marking Canada Day

With the sun out and the weather warm, residents and visitors at Manitou Beach commemorated July 1 in a variety of ways. Some of those included a planned flotilla as boaters, kayakers, paddle boarders and others headed across Little Manitou Lake during the early part of the afternoon. A dedication of Uhmann Centennial Park and unveiling of the Manitou Reflections Project was also held later in the day while fireworks wrapped up the festivities.

- photos by Daniel Bushman/Uhmann Centennial Park photos by Bev Jay



## Re-Opening Roadmap

STEP 3 Starting July 11

- All remaining public health orders will be lifted
- No capacity limits on gathering sizes
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(from page six: **RCMP**)

at this time. An autopsy took place in Saskatoon Monday, July 5.

The circumstances surrounding the death are being considered suspicious and continue to be investigated by the Major Crime Unit.

Residents of Big River First Nation will continue to see an increased police presence in and around the community as a result of the ongoing investigation.

The RCMP is encouraging anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Spiritwood RCMP at 306-883-4210 or Big

River RCMP at 306-469-2590.

#### **RCMP respond to pair of water-related incidents**

On July 1 around 11 a.m., Swift Current, Morse and Outlook RCMP officers responded to a call of a person overboard from a boat on Lake Diefenbaker near the Palliser Regional

Park shoreline.

A 36-year-old male from Central Butte jumped into the water to assist some swimming children in distress. The children were helped out of the water and brought into the boat, but the 36-year-old male did not resurface.

Searches were done on

both sides of the lake on the shoreline by RCMP, Ministry of Environment Conservation Officers, Lucky Lake Fire Services and Central Butte EMS and multiple civilian boats.

Around 3 p.m. on July 1, Outlook RCMP responded to a call of a 22-year-old female who was swimming

at Douglas Provincial Park when she encountered difficulty in the water. When police arrived she had been removed from the water and was being assisted by EMS and local first responders before being transported by STARS to hospital in Regina.

#### **Shooting at George Gordon First Nation**

On July 6, 2021, at approximately 2:15 p.m., Punnichy RCMP responded to a report of a man armed with a rifle and making threats at George Gordon First Nation.

In the course of events, the responding police officers discharged a firearm and injured the man.

The police officers immediately performed life-saving measures on the man until the Lestock Emergency Medical Service arrived. Unfortunately, the man was pronounced deceased by EMS shortly after.

The firearms of the man as well as of the responding police officers have been seized.

In accordance with the RCMP Act, the Saskatchewan RCMP has requested an independent external police investigation into the circumstances of this incident. The Weyburn Police Service will be conducting this investigation.

Assistant Commissioner Rhonda Blackmore, Saskatchewan RCMP Commanding Officer said, "The Saskatchewan RCMP takes these matters very seriously and, as such, we are giving the Weyburn Police Service our full co-operation as they conduct an external investigation into the circumstances surrounding what happened. I offer my deepest condolences to all of those affected by this incident."

The Saskatchewan RCMP has requested the Saskatchewan Ministry of Justice and Attorney General appoint an independent investigation observer in accordance with Section 91.1 of the Saskatchewan Police Act.

The Saskatchewan RCMP has also requested the Saskatchewan Ministry of Justice and Attorney General appoint a second independent investigation observer of First Nation ancestry in accordance with the Saskatchewan Police Amendment Act, 2020.

Support Services are currently being organized for the family of the deceased and police officers.

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Doug Burnett

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MANYK - In loving memory of our dear dad Steve, who passed away July 17, 2005:

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We miss you more than anyone knows  
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- Forever loved and sadly missed by Barb, Dave and family and sister Rose.

## THANK YOU

The family of the late Elaine Kral would like to thank everyone for their kind words, thoughts and prayers. Thank you to the Lanigan ambulance drivers, Humboldt District Health Complex, Royal University Hospital, Pastor Glenn Shore and Malinoski & Danyliuk Funeral Home. Thank you to family and friends for all the beautiful flowers, cards and food. You have all helped in so many ways during this difficult time. Thank you from our hearts.

- John Kral, Sharleen, Sandra and families

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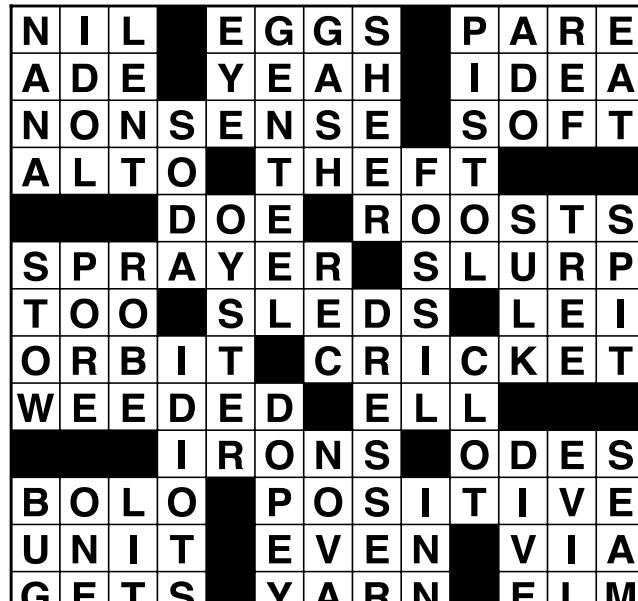
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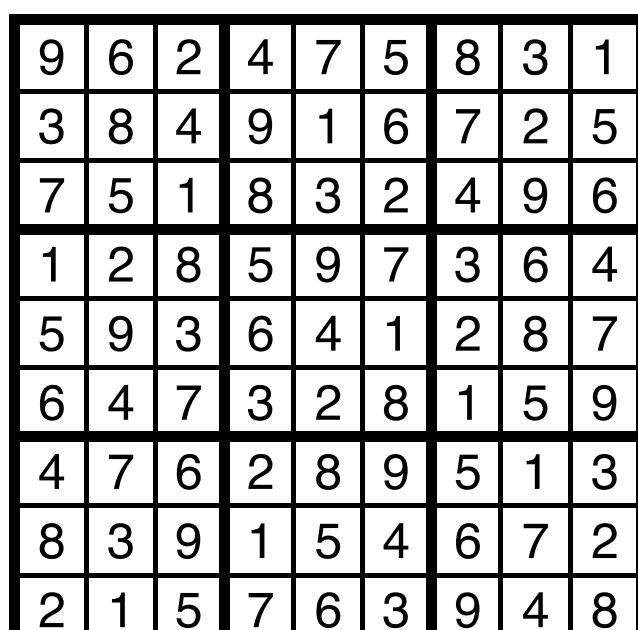


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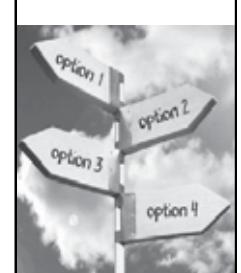
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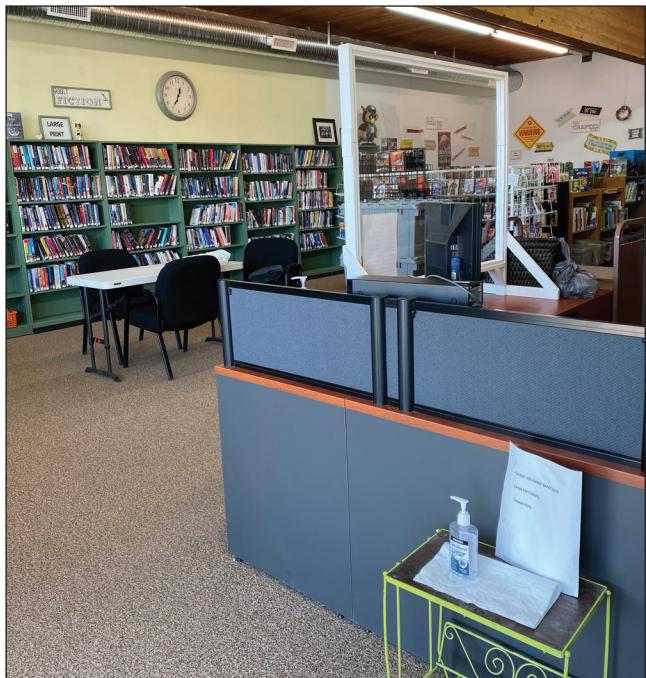
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## Ready to read

As the province entered Step Three of its Re-Open Saskatchewan plan July 11, like many, the Lanigan Wheatland Regional Library has been looking forward to the final stage of the plan. With that, Librarian Vivian Schmeidege said as of July 11, the Lanigan Library will no longer see masks mandatory but patrons are welcome to wear one. Some of the things that will be remaining in place include: physical distancing, plexiglass barriers, and sanitizing. "We ask our patrons to be respectful of these while in the library regardless of your decision. We are continuing our efforts to keep you, our patrons and our staff safe in our efforts to curb the virus and prevent further outbreaks. We appreciate your continued support."

- photos submitted by Vivian Schmeidege



# Sisters Family Camp opens at Manitou Beach

■ Daniel Bushman

Nestled in a tranquil space just a few blocks away from the scenic shores of Little Manitou Lake, Sisters Family Camp officially opened its doors for business. With six rental cabins and a chalet, owners Vince and Dee Armstrong were ecstatic to see their dream turned into a reality.

Hoping to one day own and operate a camping facility, Manitou Beach residents Vince and Dee Armstrong not only created a rather unique place but added a family touch to it as well. Growing up with six sisters and eight brothers in southeast Saskatchewan, Vince felt it would be fitting to name the place after his sisters. With the couple's parcel of land providing enough space for the development of six rental cabins and a chalet, Vince named each cabin after one of his six sisters while his wife Dee, who has one sister, placed her name on the chalet.

"We wanted to keep the focus on family so we have designed the rental facility to be family-friendly and look forward to sharing our love of Manitou Beach with visitors."

Located at 213 Watrous Street in the Resort Village of Manitou Beach, after a lot of hard work and dedication, the place was ready to go and the Armstrongs held an official opening June 27. With the sun

shining and six surviving sisters cutting the ribbons to buildings named in their honour, it provided the perfect way for Vince and Dee to begin their new venture.

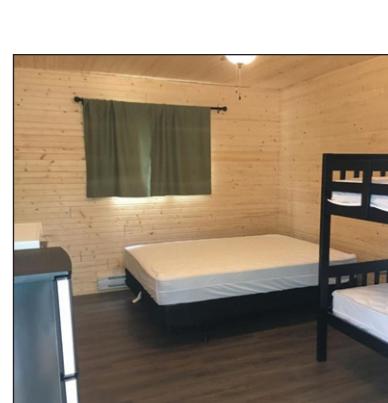
"Guests coming to Sisters Family Camp can stay at Laurel's Lakeview, Gail's Getaway or Trudy's Treehouse which have queen and double beds or they can sleep at Peggy's Perch, Nola's Nook, or Carol's Cove which have queen and bunk beds. All of our cabins are 12' x 16' and have various electrical outlets, smoke and CO2 detectors, ceiling fans, chairs, a mini fridge, microwave and a side table. Shirley's Shalet has a covered deck, barbecue area, dining area and bathrooms with showers located within 50 feet of all of our cabins."

The Armstrongs said having the sisters out for the official opening was really special and the entire venture could not have been made possible without the many family and friends who lent a hand. "We really appreciate them by allowing us to see the fulfillment of our dreams. We are also really grateful for Pam and Mickey Armstrong for all their help and support and we are looking forward to offering a different type of accommodation to visitors to Little Manitou Lake. People can learn more about Sisters Family Camp and what we have to offer by visiting our website: [www.sistersfamilycamp.ca](http://www.sistersfamilycamp.ca)."



What started out as a dream for Vince and Dee Armstrong of Manitou Beach has turned into a reality. After many hours of hard work and dedication, the couple recently opened Sisters Family Camp. Featuring six rental cabins and a chalet each named after Vince and Dee's sisters, the couple were joined by six surviving sisters to officially open the place at 213 Watrous Street at Manitou Beach (above). Guests coming to Sisters Family Camp can stay at Laurel's Lakeview, Gail's Getaway or Trudy's Treehouse which have queen and double beds or they can sleep at Peggy's Perch, Nola's Nook, or Carol's Cove which have queen and bunk beds. All of the cabins are 12' x 16' and have various electrical outlets, smoke and CO2 detectors, ceiling fans, chairs, a mini fridge, microwave and a side table. Shirley's Shalet has a covered deck, barbecue area, dining area and bathrooms with showers located within 50 feet of all the cabins.

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