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Medals presented to worthy recipients

■ Daniel Bushman

Recognized for their tremendous contributions over the years, a number of constituents within the Humboldt-Watrous constituency, including a pair with local ties, were honoured with a Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal.

Presented with the medals Friday, June 23 at St. Augustine Church Hall in Humboldt by Humboldt-Watrous MLA, Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance Donna Harpauer, constituents were recognized for their contributions in the fields of volunteer service, education, as a Veteran, and protective services.

Dianne Bartel and Elaine Seifert, both with ties to the local area, were two of the well-deserving recipients who were bestowed with the honour during the June 23 ceremony. Along with the pair, other constituents receiving a medal included: Ed Brockmeyer, Murray Cook, Don Dunn, Stan Ford, Colleen Hill, Bruce Irwin, Edward Kowalyk, Maria Leonard, Andy McAnally, Earl Meikle, Dennis Mollenbeck, Leo Saretsky, Matthew Schidlowsky, Sid Therres and Doug White.



It was a day to celebrate as a number of local area residents were recognized for their contributions. Humboldt-Watrous MLA and Deputy Premier Donna Harpauer (front row middle) presented

those in attendance including Dianne Bartel and Elaine Seifert (pictured front row and second and third from left) with the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal,
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Pleased to be able to present the recipients with their medals, Harpauer said, "Congratulations to all the constituents who received this award!"

Given to those who have made contributions to Canada, Saskatchewan, or to a particular region or community, the

medal was created to celebrate the 70th anniversary year of Her Majesty, the late Queen Elizabeth II's Accession to the Throne. It was also made as a tangible way for the province of Saskatchewan to honour Her Majesty for her service to Canada.



With a weekend full of activities, people enjoyed this year's Celebrate Lanigan. Held June 23 to 25, a variety of events were held in Lanigan including a parade Saturday morning (pictured). For more pictures, see pages six, seven and 12.
- photos by Daniel Bushman



Tractor pull a tremendous success at Celebrate Lanigan

■ submitted by Wendy Mehrer

Lanigan Tractor Pullers hosted another successful Antique Tractor Pull Sunday, June 25 as part of the Celebrate Lanigan weekend.

To qualify for this pull, tractors were required to be 1965 or older with the oldest one this year being a 1938 John Deere G owned by Jeremy Mehrer. The hours (and hours, and hours) of care and rebuilding put into these antiques was clearly shown throughout the event. To restore or even maintain these classics is a true labour of love for the owners who choose to preserve and share the past.

The skill necessary to compete in these events is much more than just driving a tractor. The operators need to know the track almost as well as they know their tractors. To know how to respond to each bump or rattle and adjust your driving accordingly shows just how dedicated each person is to their craft.

With a total of 40 entries across eight weight classes, the results are as follows:

Under 4,000 lbs.

1st - Tyson Derenoski of Saskatoon 191.5 feet - Coop E3
2nd - Brian Shewchuk of Lampard 164.1 feet - Ford 861
3rd - Allan Styles of Nokomis 138 feet - MH 30

4,000 - 5,000 lbs.

1st - Leander Pratchler of Muenster 177 feet - JD B
2nd - Gordon Eichorst of Humboldt 141.9 feet - Cockshutt 40
3rd - Ken Braun of Nokomis 124.7 feet - JD AR

5,000 - 6,000 lbs.

1st - Jeremy Mehrer of Churchbridge 272.8 feet - Cockshutt 570

2nd - Dallas Bartel of Saskatoon 272 feet - IH WD6
3rd - Frank Bartel of Lanigan 218.1 feet - Case DC4

6,000 - 7,000 lbs.

1st - Leander Pratchler of Muenster 241.9 feet - JD 70
2nd - Craig Poncelet of Humboldt 201.9 feet - Oliver 88
3rd - Ryan Bartel of Lanigan 200.3 feet - Case 400

7,000 - 8,000 lbs.

1st - Ken Hagen of Duval 167.1 feet - IH-560
2nd - Vince Nimchuk of Meacham 133.6 feet - Cockshutt 1600
3rd - Darcy Mehrer of Lanigan 122.3 feet - JD D

8,000 - 9,000 lbs.

1st - Ken Hagen of Duval 276.3 feet - IH 660
2nd - Jeremy Mehrer of Churchbridge 259.5 feet - Case LA Industrial

3rd - Dallas Bartel of Saskatoon 206.5 feet - Case 900
9,000 - 10,000 lbs.

1st - Frank Bartel of Lanigan 206.4 feet - Case 930
2nd - John Morrow of Lanigan 172.1 feet - JD R

10,000 - 12,000 lbs. (distance unavailable)

1st - Ron Hamner of Govan - Oliver 995 GM Diesel
2nd - Darcy Mehrer of Lanigan - JD 820
3rd - Vince Nimchuk of Meacham - Cockshutt 1900 GM Diesel



A successful antique tractor pull took place at Celebrate Lanigan Sunday, June 25.



Darcy Mehrer on a John Deere D.



Jeremy Mehrer on a Cockshutt 570.



John Morrow on a John Deere R.

Bunge Limited to merge with Viterra

■ media release

Bunge Limited announced June 13 it has entered into a definitive agreement with Viterra Limited, together with

COMMERCIAL LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT

#10 Main Street, Lanigan, SK

The Town of Lanigan is requesting proposals for the sale and development of Lots 7-10 Block 2 Plan N2837.

This property is in our C1 - Downtown Commercial zone, sits on the corner of Main Street and Highway 16 and measures 130' x 104'.

Sealed proposals must include the following:

- Certified cheque for 5% of the amount of the bid
- Type of commercial development
- Design plan of the commercial development
- Site plan
- Start date
- Restoration of pavement, sidewalk & curb
- Lot drainage

The developer shall be responsible for all services to this property including the installation of water & sewer, natural gas, power, telephone and access into the property.

Proposals must be postmarked by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 20th, 2023, submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Property Proposal" to the address below.

Highest, or any tender, not necessarily accepted.

Kelli Timmerman, CAO

Town of Lanigan, Box 280, Lanigan, SK S0K 2M0
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certain affiliates to merge with Viterra in a stock and cash transaction. The merger of Bunge and Viterra will create an innovative global agribusiness company well-positioned to meet the demands of increasingly complex markets and better serve farmers and end-customers.

With an enhanced global network, the combined company's increased diversification across geographies, seasonal cycles and crops will increase optionality in managing risk and increase resiliency. Together, the highly complementary organizations will benefit from more diversified capabilities, greater operational flexibility across oilseed and grain supply chains and processing, greater resources and combined employee talent to innovate and deliver for customers in every

environment, creating value for all stakeholders.

Under the terms of the agreement, which was unanimously approved by the Boards of Directors of Bunge and Viterra, Viterra shareholders would receive approximately 65.6 million shares of Bunge stock, with an aggregate value of approximately \$6.2 billion, and approximately \$2 billion in cash, representing a consideration mix of approximately 75 percent Bunge stock and 25 percent cash. As part of the transaction, Bunge will assume \$9.8 billion of Viterra debt, which is associated with approximately \$9 billion of highly-liquid Readily Marketable Inventories.

In addition, Bunge plans to repurchase \$2 billion of Bunge's stock (the "Repurchase Plan") to enhance accretion to adjusted EPS. Bunge intends to commence repurchases as soon as practically possible, subject to market conditions and SEC rules on trading restrictions, and expects to complete the Repurchase Plan no later than 18 months post transaction (see page eight: **MERGE**)

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RCMP Report

Watrous RCMP search for missing kayaker

On June 26, 2023 at approximately 6 p.m., Watrous RCMP received a report of an overdue kayaker.

Curtis McNeice told family he was going kayaking on Little Manitou Lake on June 26. They called police when the adult male did not return as expected.

The kayak was recovered June 27 and Watrous RCMP with the assistance of area residents, Humboldt Fire Department, Saskatoon Police Service's Air Support Unit and the Civilian Air Search and Rescue Association (CASARA) have been searching the water and shore for McNeice since he was reported missing.



- photo courtesy RCMP

There has also been an increased police presence on Little Manitou Lake and the surrounding area as the search continues. As of press time, McNeice had not been located.

Anyone with information can contact Watrous RCMP at 306-946-3316. Information can also be submitted anonymously by contacting Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

Serious collision on Hwy. 16 west of Plunkett

On June 28 RCMP responded to a serious two-vehicle collision involving a cargo van and semi-truck on Hwy. 16, west of Plunkett.

Hwy. 16 was blocked in both directions and traffic re-routed. Saskatoon RCMP investigated with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP collision reconstructionist. STARS, Watrous and Lanigan EMS along with Viscount Fire and Rescue were also on scene.

Initial information gathered determined a five-ton truck was travelling west when it collided with a cargo van.

The driver and sole occupant of the five-ton truck passed away at the scene. He has been identified as a 40-year-old male from Yorkton.

There were two occupants in the cargo van. The

passenger was taken to hospital and has since been released. The driver remains in hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries.

Hwy. 16 was blocked during the initial investigation and traffic resumed around 7 p.m. Saskatoon RCMP would like to thank motorists in the area for their cooperation throughout the investigation.

Saskatoon RCMP continues to investigate with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP collision reconstructionist and the Saskatchewan Coroners Service.

Break and enter at Manitou Beach

Between June 22 and 23, 2023, culprit(s) gained entry into the storage room at the public washrooms at Manitou Beach and stole various tools and miscellaneous items.

If you have information about these or any other crimes, please call the Watrous RCMP at 306-946-3316 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), through SaskTel Mobility at *8477, text TIP206 plus your message to CRIMES (274637) or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com where you can also view information on other unsolved crimes.

Over 470 impaired driving offences in May

Last month, SGI's Traffic Safety Spotlight highlighted the number of daytime impaired driving collisions and encouraged any day-drinkers (or mid-day tokers) to make sure they made time to #FindASafeRide.

No matter what time it is, police are always on the lookout for impaired drivers, and in May, police in Saskatchewan caught 476 people driving after exceeding the legal limits of alcohol or drugs. That included 206 Criminal Code charges and 270 administrative suspensions for exceeding provincial limits.

Daytime or nighttime, the consequences for impaired driving are the same. All impaired driving offences result in licence suspensions, vehicle impoundments, mandatory driver education and Safe Driver Recognition demerits. Criminal Code impaired driving offences carry more significant penalties, like fines and/or jail time and Ignition Interlock requirements upon conviction.

Impaired driving crashes are the leading cause of death on Saskatchewan roads.

Law enforcement also reported the following during May: 841 distracted driving offences, including 732 tickets for cellphone use while driving; 490 tickets for seatbelt and car seat offences; and 5,338 speeding and aggressive driving offences.

Multiple reports of break-ins and mischief

Battlefords RCMP received multiple reports of break-ins and mischief incidents at businesses in the town's commercial district, 22nd Street, in Battleford in June.

As a result of investigation into these reports, Battlefords RCMP executed a search warrant at a residence on 20 Street on June 19. Officers located and seized a number of items that investigation determined were stolen including a lawnmower, bicycle, power tool accessories, camping equipment and motorcycle equipment. An adult male was arrested and charged in relation to this investigation.

Twenty-two-year-old Dalyn Ahenakew from Battleford is charged with: two counts, break and enter with intent to commit an indictable offence, Section 348(1)(a), Criminal Code; one count, possession of property obtained by crime under \$5,000, Section 355(a), Criminal Code; and one count, resist arrest, Section 129(a), Criminal Code; and one count, mischief under \$5,000, Section 430(4), Criminal Code.

Battlefords RCMP continues to investigate, including identifying the owners of the recovered items so they can be returned.

RCMP respond to firearms discharge

At approximately 11:10 a.m. June 25, Cut Knife RCMP received a report of a firearms discharge on Poundmaker Cree Nation. Investigation determined an adult male approached a residence and allegedly discharged a firearm, striking a parked vehicle. He then threatened an occupant of the residence. No injuries were reported to police.

Cut Knife RCMP began searching for the male with the assistance of Saskatchewan RCMP's Critical Incident Response Team. Cut Knife RCMP located the suspect at a residence on Little Pine First Nation at approximately 3:45 p.m. He allegedly assaulted a police officer during his arrest. The officer was not seriously injured.

Fifty-one-year-old Terrance Favel from Poundmaker Cree Nation is charged with: one count, possession of a firearm when knowing possession is unauthorized, Section 92(3)(a), Criminal Code; one count, using a firearm in the commission of an offence, Section 85(3), Criminal Code; two counts, mischief under \$5,000, Section 430(4), Criminal Code; one count, mischief over \$5,000, Section 430(3), Criminal Code; one count, uttering threats against a person, Section 264.1(1)(a), Criminal Code; one count, careless use of a firearm, Section 86(1), Criminal Code; one count, possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose, Section 88(2), Criminal Code; one count, resist/obstruct peace officer, Section 129(a), Criminal Code; one count, weapons possession contrary to order, Section 117.01(3), Criminal Code; one count, discharge firearm while being reckless, Section 244.2(3), Criminal Code; and one count, assault police officer, Section 270(2), Criminal Code.

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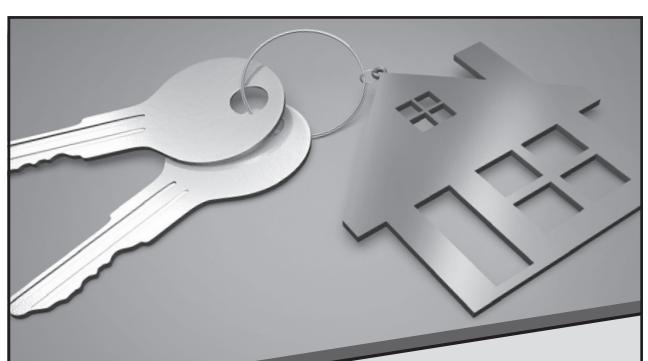
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Viscount

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Welcome to July!

The Viscount Wheatland Library held an appreciation barbecue June 20. Hot dogs, juice and cake were enjoyed by all who attended.

June 21, the great-grandma tea was held at the Viscount Central School. Our pen pals/reading buddies met us in the entrance at the school. We were escorted into the gym that was very nicely set up with tables, chairs and centerpieces. We were seated then enjoyed listening to the poems they read to us. Then they entertained us with a couple of lovely dances that they performed for us. We were then given a beautiful handcrafted ornament. We enjoyed juice and snacks. It was very lovely!

We are done playing pickleball until September. It sounds like it will be played during our cold winter months, which will be very much enjoyed.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Solutions and Substitutions



— tips from Reena Nerbas

Dear Reena,

A few months ago, your column featured a suggestion for spreadable butter right from the fridge. However, I have forgotten if it is one cup of oil per pound or 1 1/2 cups per pound. Thanks, Alex

Dear Alex,

Soften a pound of butter overnight in the large bowl of your mixer. The next day blend the butter until it is creamy. Into a large measuring cup, pour 1 1/2 cups of your favourite oil i.e. olive, vegetable, canola etc. and slowly add the oil into the butter until you have a fairly liquid product (experiment to find the consistency you prefer). If you wish, you can add a little additional salt. You will now have a fairly liquid product.

Pour your "new" butter into small individual containers and store in the fridge. This product will harden but remain spreadable.

Feedback from fabulous contributor

Re: keeping hands soft

Hi Reena,

In response to your column "Keeping Hands Soft a Challenge", I was reminded of my days in nurses' training many, many decades ago when I was doing my O.R. placement. We were required to spend many hours scrubbing fingertips to elbows with what seemed like steel brushes! Many of my classmates complained bitterly about the raw state of their hands and arms. I however had a perfect remedy! My mother had discovered and religiously used a concoction that she called 'opededoc'. I did not know at the time what it was, but it had a very distinctive smell! It was a combined mixture of one part glycerin and two parts water and a few drops of rose essential oil; what a miracle lotion! I never had raw hands, and in fact I still have two 'starter' bottles of it (probably from the '70s!!) that I continue to nurture and use sparingly in the hopes that it will last another 25 years until I die! Also, I found during those O.R. days that giving my hands and arms a quick cold water rinse also helped. It closes the pores to keep in the natural oils and prevent further drying and I still do that to this day. I am now 76 and have never suffered from excoriated hands using these two methods. Hedio

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. Ask a question or share a tip at reena.ca

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■ by Arlene Martin

We were tired. We were hungry. It was summertime-heat hot. Too late to drive home and start supper, we stopped at a Subway restaurant and ordered. Randy doesn't add anything to his beef footlong other than mustard and sometimes, lettuce. Boring, but it parallels with his fav ice cream flavour: vanilla. I like the all veggies, #11: The Green Goddess, sprinkled with everything and that means lots of guacamole, pickles and black olives. Our son, Ross, was at our farm busy in the shop creating his steel sculptures for the next trade show. I know what he likes: the steak and bacon topped with almost everything and exceptionally hot and spicy. I requested the fieriest hot sauce for his footlong toasted bun.

And then we headed home after a day of medical appointments in a big city with summer road construction within city limits and also long waiting highway construction intervals. We travelled with Blue Rodeo inside our stereo. Made the trip less tiresome. Especially during the piano solo in CYNTHIA.

It was still hot when we returned to our little home on the prairie and the coolness of central air conditioning was refreshing. We unpacked the heavy boxes of kitty litter, cat food and other items. It was almost 8 p.m. when I removed the three footlong, pressed sandwiches all tucked snug together in the elongated Subway bag. I was somewhat distressed we had piled several things on top squishing them, and then discovered they were unmarked. No felt pen identities! Still I was confident I could figure out the who's who. I heated them up and handed them to my guys. They were watching one of their many car and truck

shows. I sat in my cozy chair thinking how great it was to be home.

We were chowing-down and I thought to myself that I couldn't taste the guacamole in my sub and it was different, but being so hungry, I didn't care. Randy commented that his sandwich made his eyes water and they don't make a roast beef sub like they used to. Ross was into his when he asked if I'd ordered hot sauce and was I sure I gave him the right one? After opening all our toasted buns, checking the contents, incredibly we discovered I was eating Randy's, Randy was munching on Ross's and our son, the meat eater, was not enjoying MY Green Goddess. My slapdash blunder. So like handing out Christmas gifts, the three of us re-wrapped, then exchanged the last six inches of all our footlongs. Meanwhile, Randy attempted to squelch the burning fire in his throat with a cold beverage.

I am not perfect, I goof up a lot and thank Heaven for blessing me with such a cool family. Since having a stroke I struggle for words and when I am tired it takes strength trying to say them. Often I find myself playing charades pleading silently, especially with Randy to understand me. I am ok on my laptop, writing because I can check thesaurus when searching for a word. As much as I have practiced saying words that contain an 'S' – and concentrate so hard to speak them correctly, it frustrates me when I still mispronounce them.

It's all mostly good. In my golden years I am grateful for every sunset and sunrise. Should I ever propose we have footlong sandwiches again, SubWay begins with that dreaded letter S and even if I get it right, I know there will always be a private joke and a grin inside my enunciation.

Enjoy summer! Happy July 1st to my Canadian friends, and of course - Happy July 4th to my pals across the border!!

(When you get an uncluttered moment, visit me at: <https://noncomplicated.wordpress.com>)

Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

Baked New Potatoes in Cream Sauce

Ingredients:

6 to 8 cups washed new potatoes (cubed or thickly sliced)
2 tbsp. butter
1/2 cup whipping cream
1/2 cup finely chopped chives
2 to 3 tbsp. fresh dill

Directions:

Put the potatoes in a pot and cook until almost done - do not fully cook as they will continue cooking when the remaining ingredients are added. Add the butter and put back on burner. Add the cream and cook gently until the cream reduces. Add the chives and dill and serve!

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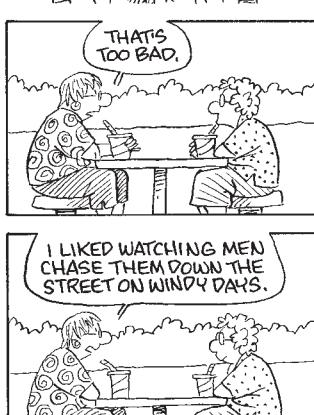
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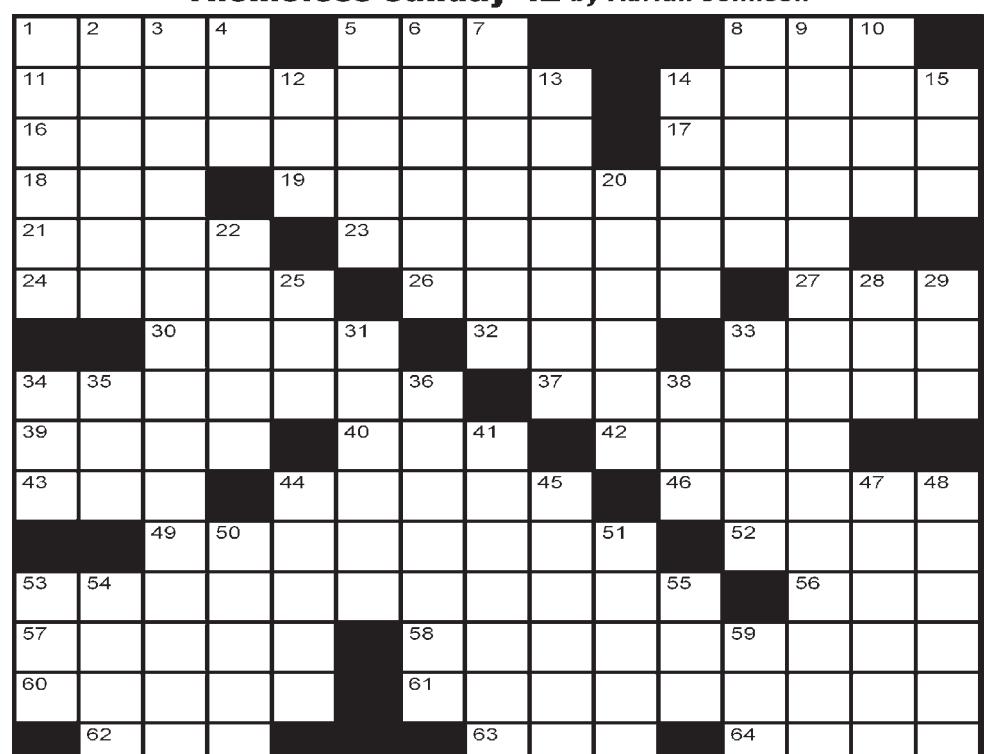
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- 34 Moral principle
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- 39 Bird with keen vision
- 40 Women's
- 42 Anagram of "pool" heard in a pool
- 43 Maker of Cajun Shrimp nail polish
- 44 L.A.'s region
- 46 George I or V?
- 49 Las Vegas commercial hub, informally
- 52 "If the ___ fits ..."
- 53 Sheep's environment?
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- 60 Really angry
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- 62 Postpone, with "off"
- 63 Naval ship letters
- 64 One of five on the Honduran flag
- 65 Commits a Christmas morning taboo
- 66 Like all but one prime number
- 67 Play in a puddle
- 68 Some Western neckties
- 69 Soup with Hanoi and Saigon variants
- 70 Genre for Flo Milli and Flau'jae
- 71 Ask for, as opinions
- 72 Cautiously shrewd
- 73 Winter hours in NYC
- 74 Genre for Panic! at the Disco
- 75 Piece of fruit, perhaps
- 76 Feature of a peacock's tail
- 77 Garden variety of Buddhism?
- 78 Like all but one prime number
- 79 Lift (up)
- 80 Commits a Christmas morning taboo
- 81 F1 neighbor
- 82 Find fault to a fault
- 83 Hip-hop duo ___ Sremmurd
- 84 There are 2.2 in a kg.

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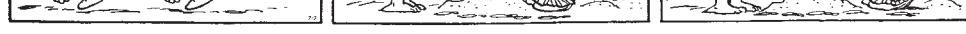
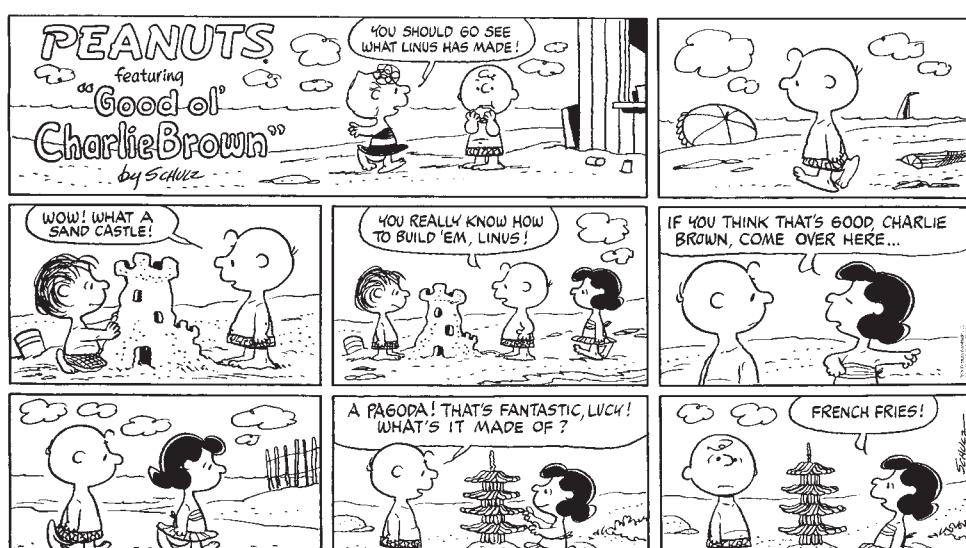
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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.



DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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On a hot Saturday, soccer teams representing Lanigan and the surrounding area competed in a number of age divisions as part of Celebrate Lanigan's festivities.

- photos by Daniel Bushman



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close. Viterra shareholders would own 30 percent of the combined company on a fully diluted basis upon the close of the transaction, and approximately 33 percent after completion of the Repurchase Plan.

Greg Heckman, Bunge's Chief Executive Officer said, "The combination of Bunge and Viterra significantly accelerates Bunge's strategy, building on our fundamental purpose to connect farmers to consumers to deliver essential food, feed and fuel to the world. Our highly complementary asset footprints will create a network that connects the world's largest production regions to areas of fastest growing consumption, enhancing the geographical balance and adaptability of our global value chains and benefitting farmers and end-customers. With a diversified global mix of earnings across processing, handling and merchandising, and value-added products, we will increase the resiliency of our cash flow generation. We have great respect for the team at Viterra, which shares our commitment to excellence, and believe this combination will offer great opportunities for employees of both companies. Together, we will be positioned to increase our operational efficiency while innovating to address the pressing needs of food security, efficiency for end-customers, market access for farmers, and sustainable food, feed and

renewable fuel production."

David Mattiske, Viterra's Chief Executive Officer said, "Viterra and Bunge are two leading agriculture businesses. In combining our highly complementary origination, processing and distribution networks, we are better positioned to meet the increasing demand for the food, feed and fuel products we offer. Together, we will play a leading role in the future of the agriculture industry, developing fully traceable, sustainable supply chains and moving towards carbon-neutral operations, while creating a strong growth platform for our combined business. This further enables us to offer innovative solutions and open additional pathways for our customers. We will create value for stakeholders across our network, as we build on our shared purpose to connect producers and consumers around the world. We look forward to joining with the Bunge team as we enter this next chapter, creating new opportunities for our people. The combined talent and experience of our workforce will allow us to offer a truly world-leading service across everything we do."

With Bunge and Viterra's highly complementary asset footprints, the combined company will be strongly positioned to connect the world's largest production regions to areas with the fastest growing consumption.

Better balance of value chains across geographies, access to more key origination markets and a diversified agriculture

network covering all major crops will enhance the combined company's ability to provide solutions for end-customers in any environment.

The combined organization brings together two world-class management teams and is well-positioned to create meaningful value for all shareholders with its highly compelling financial profile.

Following the close of the transaction, the combined company will be led by Greg Heckman, Bunge's Chief Executive Officer, and John Neppi, Bunge's Chief Financial Officer. Viterra Chief Executive Officer David Mattiske will join the Bunge Executive Leadership Team in the role of Co-Chief Operating Officer. The combined company will operate as Bunge, NYSE: BG with operational headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri. Viterra's current headquarters in Rotterdam will be an important commercial location in the future of the combined company.

The Bunge Board of Directors is expected to be comprised of eight Bunge nominated representatives and four representatives nominated by Viterra shareholders after the completion of the transaction.

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Crop Report

■ media release

The majority of the province has continued to be dry, however some areas received heavy rain showers with some isolated flash floods. That is according to the Ministry of Agriculture's weekly Crop Report for June 20 to 26. Some of these areas also received hail; the size and amount of hail varied between storms and damage varied. While moisture was needed, a slow, soaking rain would have allowed crops and soils to absorb the moisture at an acceptable rate.

Pastures also needed the rain after a couple weeks of high day time temperatures and very little precipitation. Producers are watching their pasture grass and water situation very closely. The rain and humidity caused a slight delay to the haying season for some, but initial reports indicate hay quality to be in the good to excellent range.

Crop development has

quickened across the province after another week of hot, dry weather with only isolated precipitation. Provincially, 30 percent of fall cereals, 22 percent of spring cereals, 22 percent of oilseed crops and 19 percent of pulse crops are ahead of normal development for this time of year. A general rain and mild temperatures are needed to avoid continued rapid maturation. Crops in the west central region, where conditions remain very dry are the most advanced while the east central region has most crops rated as normal. Crop condition varies widely across the province ranging from poor to excellent condition.

Producers note a wide range of precipitation across their rural municipalities, ranging from five mm to 75 mm in the most severe downpours. Some of the weekly precipitation recorded amounts ranged from three mm in the Netherhill area to 50 mm in the Bienfait and

Wadena areas. Those who haven't received significant rain this season are hoping they receive moisture soon as crops begin to deteriorate from the dry, hot growing conditions.

The isolated rain did little to maintain or improve the provincial topsoil moisture ratings, while they may have had an effect at the regional level. The topsoil moisture rating for cropland is one percent surplus, 53 percent adequate, 34 percent short and 12 percent very short. Hay and pasture land topsoil moisture is rated as one percent surplus, 41 percent adequate, 37 percent short and 21 percent very short.

Haying operations are just starting in the province. Livestock producers who haven't had adequate rainfall are reporting their hay crop is less than average for yield but the quality is rated good to excellent. Hay quality is currently rated as 20 percent excellent, 63 percent good, 13 percent fair and four percent poor.

The majority of crop damage was from heat, dry winds, drought, grasshoppers, gophers, flooding and hail. Gophers have become a serious problem in many municipalities across the province, with some producers stating that they have lost large portions of their fields to the rodents.

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