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With sunshine and summer arriving it has become a hive of activity outdoors for not only people who are anticipating the province fully reopening July 11 but for bees as well as they remain busy gathering nectar and pollen.  
- photos by Daniel Bushman


## Crop development normal as moisture needed

■ media release

According to the Ministry of Agriculture’s weekly Crop Report for June 15 to 21, the northeast and east central regions saw the most rain, with the highest amount reported in the Spruce Home and Rhein areas with 32 mm. The Barthel area reported 21 mm, the Turtleford and Meadow Lake areas reported 14 mm and Melfort reported

10 mm. Most farmers need more rain, especially in the southern and west central regions of the province, where it is needed to sustain crop and pasture growth.  
Crop development is normal for this time of year in most areas, with oilseed crops reported as behind other crops. Provincially, 62 percent of fall cereals, 81 percent of spring cereals, 70 percent of oilseed crops and 81 percent of pulse crops are at a normal stage of development for

this time of year.  
Many areas of the province also experienced strong dry winds resulting in crop damage, rapidly drying soils and delayed herbicide application. Delayed herbicide applications have allowed weeds to establish which has resulted in many areas moving past the point of effectively controlling them.  
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# Lanigan Farmers Market set to open for season

■ Daniel Bushman

Despite an uncertain start due to the COVID-19 pandemic, after a successful 2020 season, the Lanigan Farmers Market not only had an increase in vendors but received tremendous support as well. With the local market opening for the 2021 season later this week at the Lanigan Heritage Centre, market manager Lisa Martens Bartel graciously shared about what people can expect.

## Are you looking forward to the Lanigan Farmers Market opening for the 2021 season?

I am looking forward to it. The Lanigan Farmers Market is beginning Wednesday, June 30 and we will run until the end of September every Wednesday from 3 to 6 p.m. in front of the Lanigan Heritage Centre on Hwy. 16.

## With the COVID-19 guidelines being implemented last year and again this year due to the provincial government's regulations, how has it gone?

It seemed to work really well last summer. At the beginning of last summer we weren't sure how it was going to work but it seemed to go smoothly and because of that, we are going to hold the farmers market again.

## Will the farmers market be similar to previous years?

Last year we had a boost of a whole bunch of new vendors so that was really encouraging to see. I am hoping we will have lots of support again and new vendors like we did last year. For a few years we had the same

five regulars but last year we had up to 10 vendors during some of the markets.

Since our farmers market goes week by week, if anyone is interested in being a vendor they can come once or they can come 10 times, it is whatever they like. It is just \$5 so it is affordable and if vendors can make it, bake it, or grow it themselves, it can be brought to the market.

To be a vendor you can either contact myself (Lisa Martens Bartel) or send us a message on our Facebook page: 'Lanigan Farmers Market'. There is no real investment, it is just show up when you can although the more you are able to come, the more worthwhile it is. We have lots of regulars who support us faithfully over the summer and we also have lots of campers and travellers who pass through as well. Since people are still just travelling in Canada this year, I expect a lot more traffic.

## Why should people take advantage of the farmers market, as either a vendor or customer?

Being a vendor, because it is a low-risk investment to come out, you never know who you are all going to connect with. Sometimes it is people passing through who you may never see again or it can also connect you with local people who will remember you selling a certain thing. They can remember that and will connect with you again. It can put whatever you are making or growing into people's minds and it can remind them of a specific item they



With another exciting season approaching later this week, the Lanigan Farmers Market will be taking place every Wednesday throughout the summer months. With a variety of vendors offering a multitude of items, people will be able to find some of their favourite foods or crafts while checking out some new things as well.

- photos courtesy Lanigan Farmers Market



need.

As a shopper, you can't buy something as fresh and as tasty as what you can get at the farmers market. I think a lot of the tasty stuff is what draws people in but then there is also crafts and treats that also can be purchased.

## What can people expect to find when they come to the

## farmers market?

We have some really great bakers. There are a bunch of people who come every week for their gingersnap cookies or cinnamon buns. There is also jams and jellies and preserves. There is a bunch of market gardeners that will have continually changing items as the season progresses.



There is also different crafters who have made signs, cards, and sewing items.

## When you first started 10 years ago did you think the farmers market would go this long?

We did not think it would go this long. We (Grovenland Farm) started our very first season 10 years ago and we went to Humboldt and we couldn't sell enough. We thought we have grown all this food and it can't just all go to our pigs so we started this one up in Lanigan. Since then we have had amazing support, so much so that we have quit going to other markets.

I think that success is partly being because it is in Lanigan but also the location on the highway. We thought we'd try it for a few years to get our name out there but now it is

something that is non-negotiable on our farm. It is part sales and part advertising that we get our name out in the community. I would much rather sell our items locally then have to drive to the cities. We have a market garden so we offer various vegetables as the season progresses and we also bring a bunch of meats and sausages for the barbecue.

## Is there anything else you would like to add?

I am just really pleased with the support from the various vendors and just from the community and how many regulars show up every week. We really appreciate that support. We are looking forward to bringing you great tasting, fresh options for your dinner table all summer and fall.

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# RCMP Report

**Break, enter and theft southwest of Jansen**

On June 18 Watrous RCMP were notified of a break, enter, and theft at a farm yard in the RM of Prairie Rose, three miles southwest of Jansen. Among the items stolen were two chainsaws, a 14” skill saw, a Yamaha generator and a Firman generator. The break in had occurred over the previous 48 hour period. If you have any information on this, you are asked to call Crime Stoppers or your local police detachment.

**Motorcycle collision results in serious injuries**

On June 22 at 2:40 p.m. Watrous RCMP received a call of a motorcycle crash south of Watrous on Hwy. 2. The motorcycle and rider were located in the east ditch just south of the Manitou Mainline Chrysler dealership. The motorcycle operator who was also the only rider was transported to hospital in Watrous and then taken by STARS to Saskatoon. Speed may have been a factor and the investigation is ongoing.

**Man passes away after collision**

Around 12:45 p.m. June 18 Wynyard RCMP responded to a call of a collision between an eastbound semi and a westbound car on Hwy. 16.

The adult male semi driver was taken to hospital as a precaution. The lone driver of the car, an adult male, passed away at the scene.

Wynyard RCMP and an RCMP Collision Reconstructionist continue to investigate.

**Mischief and theft in RM of Wolverine**

Humboldt/Lanigan RCMP are seeking the public’s assistance in locating individual(s) responsible for a theft and damage that occurred at farm yard located in the RM of Wolverine.

Between Apr. 27 and May 26 an Edge Agro fuel tank was stolen off an auger located at a farm approximately 22 kms south and 10 kms east of Humboldt in the RM of Wolverine. Hand tools and a catalytic converter were also stolen from a truck parked on the same property. Total theft and damage is estimated at \$3,000. No one was injured and police continue

to investigate.

Anyone who may have witnessed this incident or has information about this crime are asked to contact Humboldt RCMP Detachment at 306-682-2535. Information can also be submitted anonymously through Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-8477 or submitting a tip online at [www.saskcrimestoppers.com](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

**Motorcycle collision**

On June 18, 2021 at approximately 12 p.m., Lumsden RCMP was called to the scene of a motor vehicle collision on Hwy. 734 between Lumsden and Regina.

Investigation reveals that a motorcycle, driven by an 82-year-old male from Regina left the roadway. The male passed away on scene.

Hwy. 734 was closed for investigation and a detour was available.

Lumsden RCMP and an RCMP Collision Reconstructionist continue to investigate.

**Man passes away after canoes capsize**

On June 16, 2021 at approximately 7:10 p.m., Creighton RCMP received a call of three canoes that had capsized on the south side of Amisk Lake. Six males were reported to be in the water.

Investigation revealed that the six males who were on a canoe trip were crossing Amisk Lake when a large storm moved through the area. Large waves caused all three canoes to capsize around 4:30 p.m. The occupants stayed with the capsized canoes and floated until they reached cell range. They then called 911 using a cellphone stored in a waterproof container.

The Creighton RCMP Detachment, Flin Flon RCMP Detachment, Ministry of Environment Conservation Officers and members of the public located the group at approximately 8:30 p.m. using the GPS coordinates from that 911 call.

One of the males was unconscious when they located him. He was later transported to hospital and passed away. The male was 48 years old and from Saskatoon.

The other five males were transported to hospital in Flin Flon for assessment.

**Warrants issued after lengthy human trafficking investigation**

Canada-wide warrants have been issued for four individuals wanted on several Criminal Code offences relating to an 18-month long human trafficking investigation by the Saskatchewan RCMP Federal Serious and Organized Crime North Unit (FSOC – North).

In June 2019, FSOC – North investigators became aware of a suspected human trafficking group operating across Western Canada with strong ties to the province of Saskatchewan.

As a result of extensive investigation Billy Glenold-Fleury, Mali Jean, Kenny Jouthe, and Bechir Ben Salah are each charged with: Trafficking Persons, section 279.01(1) of the Criminal Code; Material Benefit from Trafficking in Persons, section 279.02(1) of the Criminal Code; Withholding or Destroying Identity Documents, 279.03(1); and charges relating to participating in the activities of a Criminal Organization, section 467.11(1) of the Criminal Code

Specific details relating to the charges laid will be presented as evidence in court. However, it is important to note there are many different facets of human trafficking, the most commonly known being sexual exploitation or sex trafficking, which is different from the charges laid to date for this specific investigation.

All four have ties to Saskatchewan, Quebec, Alberta, and British Columbia. Anyone with information on this investigation or the whereabouts of these four individuals is asked to contact their local police service, RCMP Detachment or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477.

“Human trafficking is a crime which robs victims of their normal lives and freedom,” said Insp. Andrew Farquhar, Officer in Charge of RCMP FSOC. “Investigators also believe there may be other victims who have not been identified during the course of the investigation who are urged to come forward if they require any assistance. Victims don’t often identify as victims, and human trafficking-related crimes are often under-reported, which can make investigating files of this nature incredibly challenging.”

If you are a victim/survivor of forced prostitution or forced labour, or suspect someone else might be, call the Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-833-900-1010. The Hotline Response Advocates will connect callers to support and services and will also take tips, answer questions, and forward information, when appropriate, to law enforcement. You can also report suspected human trafficking to your local police service or Crime Stoppers anonymously by calling 1-800-222-8477.

## Plunkett

Deloris Wilson (Sutherland) • 306-944-4852

Farmers should be happy with the welcoming of a good rain after seeding.

Plunkett folks welcome any new folks who have moved to town or are coming soon.

Dale and Helen Miller attended the 2021 graduation of their granddaughter Sydney Hallborg of Watrous on June 4. Congratulations.

Plunkett folks send birthday greetings to anyone who just had a birthday.

Ken and I recently enjoyed a cold drink in Hum-

boldt with Elaine and Ed Drachenberg.

The purple lilac bushes were looking great until the wind came by and blew the blossoms off. Folks yards are looking great now with gardens nicely growing.

Get well wishes to anyone ill and in the hospital. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Anyone having any news, please phone me at 306-944-4852. Thank you.

## Jansen

Louise Shannon

Congratulations to Stephanie Lynch and Terran Prevost who got married June 18. Stephanie is the daughter of Terry and Peggy Lynch.

Congratulations to the Gr. 8 students who graduated this year. Next year they will be in high school. School is over for this year. I hope everyone has a good summer.

I am still waiting for rain. I think we got about four drops. All that wind is annoying.

Get well to Garth Zerbin, Lois Krieger and Eldon Schroeder.

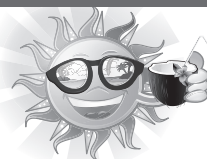
Happy belated birthday to Lorelei Orchard.

Happy anniversary to Rod and Linda Liebrecht and Rick and Aleisha Eichorst.


Happy birthday to Skyler Jones, Sandra Cardinal and Melissa Wolfe.

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Solutions and Substitutions



— tips from Reena Nerbas

There is a large, ongoing conversation about how to manage fitted bed sheets that are too large for “regular” sized mattresses. We have tried the elastic tricks which are cumbersome and do not work. Is there an easy way to sew a permanent and viable solution? Thanks for any help you can give. George

**Dear George,**

The easiest remedy is to turn the bedsheet inside out and position it onto the mattress. Pin the excess of each corner. Remove the sheet and sew a dart along each excess seam. Another option is to purchase bedsheet garters to hold the sheet in place. The downside to garters are that they are fiddly to attach.

**Hello Reena,**

I enjoy your column and have picked up some clever tips! Four years ago, I had my kitchen renovated (I am an old widower living alone and I needed to prepare the kitchen for the day I sell). Lately, I have noticed that sliding my kitchen chair in and out of position at the table has resulted in scratches from abrasion. The flooring is a nice chocolate brown and looks a lot like ceramic tile, but the scratches reveal the next layer is white! Is there anything that can be done to mask these scratches or do you think this tile can be lifted out and replaced? I watched them install it and it seems the different “planks” were interlocked. I could use your help with this! Sincerely, Bernie

**Dear Bernie,**

Thank you for your letter. If you have access to a matching tile you may choose to hire a professional to break the tile using a cold chisel and replace it with a new tile or you may wish to tackle the project if you are confident in your DIY skills. A much simpler remedy is to make a paste using the grout that was originally used between the tiles and some water. Sprinkle about a tablespoon of grout onto the scratches. Add a little water to make a paste. Dampen a sponge and wipe the grout paste off the tile. The grout will fill the cracks and no longer be noticeable.

*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

uncomplIcATed - Happiness is Homemade



■ by Arlene Martin

Fifty two. That is the number of years Randy and I have been married, though it often seems we didn’t do the math and that big number is wrong. Like everyone else, we’ve had turbulent times but we’ve faced and fought the giants together. We’ve also enjoyed a lifetime of wonderful pinnacle moments that give new meaning to the word gratitude.

As calendar pages take flight, so do my thoughts of how many more? And so it was one early morning hubby walked into the living room as I was contemplating the span of fifty two years.

“Anything wrong,” he asked.

“Nothing, hon. I was just thinking.”

“Thinking?”

“Yeppers. About how happy I am.”

Randy flashed a big grin before turning his attention to our fuzzy cats perched atop the sprawling tree-stand, ears

erect, tails wagging, all vying for his attention and pats. I thought about the simplicity of happiness. It is not something multifaceted, rather something ambiguous - something that comes to us quietly on ordinary days and never shouts for attention.

I have observed that happy people ultimately recognize one has to man-up and stop accusing others and circumstances as joy embezzlers. Realistically I know it’s impossible to reside daily on the bright and breezy mountaintop and in an unsuspecting moment loss can lay a person flat and gasping for breath. The impairment of grief, amazingly is not meant to carry a dark life sentence, it is an indefinite waiting room.

From the kitchen window I watched the big morning sun detonate across the prairie horizon and then it occurred to me that happiness is companion to resilience and courage. Unlike last summer we are almost seeing the lights and aftermath of COVID flicker in our rear-view mirror. Please, dear reader - life with its golden memorable moments is like trying to hold a slippery squirming salmon! It’s so slippery. Grab this summer with both hands and squeeze the daylights out of it! Make it a remarkable joy-splattered good one!

Life is wonderful. I would hate to miss it.

Love, Arlene!

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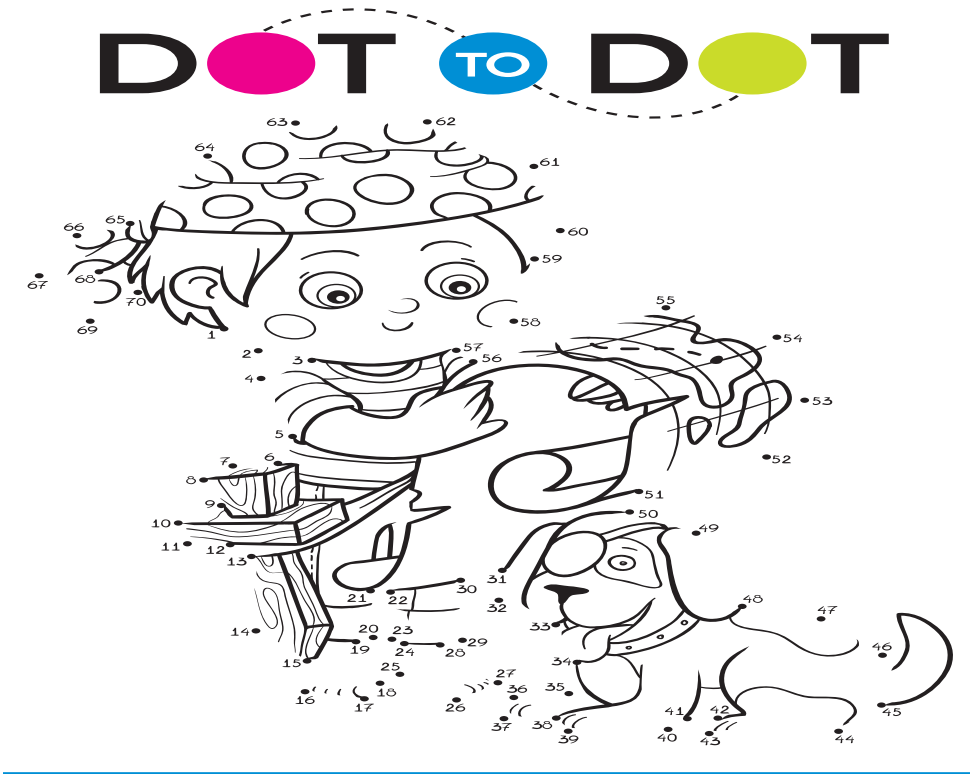
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**Look What’s Cooking by  
Laura Novecosky**

**Easy Rhubarb Dessert**  
**Ingredients:**  
4 cups chopped rhubarb  
1 pkg. raspberry or strawberry Jell-O  
1/3 cup sugar  
1 box yellow or white cake mix  
1 cup water  
1/3 cup melted butter  
**Directions:**  
Place rhubarb in a greased 9 x 13 pan. Sprinkle with Jell-O, sugar and the cake mix. Pour water evenly over the top and drizzle with the melted butter. Bake at 350°F for about an hour. Serves well with ice cream.



# Former LCHS teacher named Outstanding Coach of the Year

■ Daniel Bushman

When it comes to making a tremendous impact as a coach both on and off the court, it should come as no surprise that former Lanigan Central High School teacher Wendi Collins who now teaches at Winston High School in Watrous was named as this year's Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association (SHSAA) Horizon Central District Outstanding Female Coach of the Year.

SHSAA Executive Director Lyle McKellar said each of the 14 SHSAA Districts hand out an award annually to both a male and female coach who have made outstanding contributions within the coaching field and Collins was this year's Horizon Central female recipient. With a focus on team while having fun and striving for success, Collins not only fit the bill but has made an impact on her students and peers as well.

Honoured to be recognized as the SHSAA Outstanding Female Coach of the Year for Horizon Central

District, Collins believes sport is one of the most important high school activities for both an educator and student. "Being involved in sport teaches life lessons about dedication and teamwork that are hard to learn elsewhere. It also provides an opportunity for a very unique relationship between the educator and student athlete which allows for further growth in the high school environment as well. There is a direct correlation between classroom success and student involvement in extracurricular activities."

After starting her coaching and teaching career in Rockglen in 2002, Collins has made stops at Lanigan Central High School (coaching from 2006-'14) and Winston High School in Watrous (coaching from 2004-'06 and 2014-present). During that time, Collins attended one boys volleyball provincials in 2002, four volleyball provincials with Watrous, and five volleyball provincial championships with Lanigan. During those appearances at provincials she earned a gold medal,

two bronze medals and two fourth place finishes.

Winston High School teacher Lori Bartko who nominated Collins for this year's SHSAA honour said there is no doubt Wendi has a passion for student involvement in athletics which has been demonstrated through her many coaching roles including senior boys volleyball, senior girls basketball, as well as badminton and track and field.

"Most of her time has been dedicated to senior girls volleyball. She has worked tirelessly building the volleyball program at Winston High School and contributed countless hours coaching while she was teaching at Lanigan Central High School."

With many of her weekends occupied with travelling to tournaments across Saskatchewan before the COVID-19 pandemic arrived, Collins said there have been some great memories including her run to a provincial championship with the Lazars in Lanigan. "That was pretty exciting. (see back page: **COACH**)"



Making outstanding contributions within the coaching field, former LCHS teacher and coach Wendi Collins was named as this year's Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association Horizon Central District Outstanding Female Coach of the Year. Now teaching and coaching at Winston High School in Watrous, due to the COVID-19 guidelines, this year, Collins was presented with the award by her daughter Avery (left) and a number of student athletes that Wendi has coached (below) at Winston High School.

- photos courtesy Lori Bartko



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# LES competes at track mini-meet in Humboldt

■ Daniel Bushman

On Wednesday, June 16 Horizon School Division held its third and final track and field exhibition mini-meet at Humboldt's Glenn Hall Park. The meet saw a total of around 85 student-athletes from Englefeld School, Foam Lake Composite High School, Lake Lenore School, Lanigan Elementary School, and Nokomis School.

Here are the results courtesy of Horizon School Division of the local athletes from Lanigan Elementary School who competed. Athletes not appearing in the following list were unintentionally missed:

**Girls**

Pee Wee Girls 100 m: second place - Naomi Hamilton at 15.29, third place - Sidney Gray at 15.67, fourth place - Jenniveve Melin at 15.72, seventh place - Sophie Bernauer at 16.50, 10th place - Shyla Sheply at 16.91, 11th place - Raea Wildeman at 17.10, and 13th place - Callie Chernishenko at 17.62.

Pee Wee Girls 400 m: first place - Jenniveve Melin at 1:20.87, second place - Kyrie Burton at 1:23.50, fourth place - Sophie Bernauer at 1:35.36, and fifth place - Shyla Sheply at 1:38.89.

Pee Wee Girls 800 m: first place - Kyrie Burton at 3:03.59 and second place - Naomi Hamilton at 3:13.08.

Pee Wee Girls Long Jump: second place - Naomi Hamilton at 3.67 m, third place - Kyrie Burton at 3.51 m, seventh place - Erica Knudsen at 2.95 m, and 10th place - Shyla Sheply at 2.71 m.

Pee Wee Girls Triple Jump: first place - Jenniveve Melin at 7.56 m, second place - Sidney Gray at 7.07 m, third place - Erica Knudsen at 6.98 m, fifth place - Raea Wildeman at 6.51 m and sixth place - Callie Chernishenko at 6.15 m.

Pee Wee Girls Shot Put: third place - Erica Knudsen at 6.78 m, fifth place - Naomi Hamilton at 5.20 m, seventh place - Sawyer Prouse at 4.79 m.

Pee Wee Girls Discus: first place - Jenniveve Melin at 19.11 m, third place - Sawyer Prouse at 16.38 m, fourth place - Raea Wildeman at 16.19 m, fifth place - Sophie Bernauer at 14.18 m.

Pee Wee Girls Javelin: second place - Sawyer Prouse at 12.38 m, third place - Erica Knudsen at 11.73 m, fourth place - Callie Chernishenko at 10.40 m.

Bantam Girls Hurdles (80 m): first place - Montana Kulchyski at 15.82.

Bantam Girls 100 m: first place - Jersey Sigstad at 13.82, second place - Bryer Renwick at 14.13, fourth place - Montana Kulchyski at 14.61, and sixth place - Jayda Sandercock at 15.06.

Bantam Girls 400 m: second place - Bryer Renwick at 1:12.35, third place - Kya Wildeman at 1:16.59, and fourth place - Jayda Sandercock at 1:16.99.

Bantam Girls 800 m: second place - Bryer Renwick at 2:53.42, third place - Jayda Sandercock at 3:14.66, and fourth place - Montana Kulchyski at 3:14.98.



- photos courtesy LES

Bantam Girls Long Jump: first place - Kya Wildeman at 4.30 m, third place - Reese Stroeder at 3.72 m, and fourth place - Montana Kulchyski at 3.68 m.

Bantam Girls Triple Jump: first place - Jersey Sigstad at 8.91 m, second place - Kya Wildeman at 8.85 m, and third place - Reese Stroeder at 8.70 m.

Bantam Girls Shot Put: second place - Montana Kulchyski at 7.39 m, fourth place - Cara Knudsen at 6.60 m, sixth place - Ryanna Kondraczynski at 5.86 m, seventh place - Kiera Cardinal at 5.81 m, and eighth place - Hanah Suchy at 4.92 m.

Bantam Girls Discus: first place - Reese Stroeder at 16.62 m, second place - Cara Knudsen at 15.19 m, third place - Hanah Suchy at 14.95 m, fourth place - Kya Wildeman at 14.89 m, and fifth place - Kiera Cardinal at 13.65 m.

Bantam Girls Javelin: first place - Reese Stroeder at 20.94 m, fourth place - Cara Knudsen at 16.02 m, and fifth place - Kiera Cardinal at 14.50 m.

Bantam Girls Quadathlon: first place - Montana Kulchyski with 1,361 points and second place - Naomi Hamilton with 1,127 points.

**Boys**

Pee Wee Boys 100 m: second place - Kayden Stroeder at 14.41, third place - Emmett Bryksa at 14.44, fourth place - Cohen Dvernichuk at 14.83, fifth place - Hayden Palijado at

15.72, sixth place - Brady Herman at 16.22, and ninth place - Damon Thiebert at 17.53.

Pee Wee Boys 400 m: second place - Kayden Stroeder at 1:16.23, third place - Emmett Bryksa at 1:20.36, fourth place - Hayden Palijado at 1:26.29, fifth place - Cohen Dvernichuk, and sixth place - Noah Brenner at 1:39.92.

Pee Wee Boys 800 m: second place - Rory Dewar at 3:00.07 and third place - Hayden Palijado at 3:11.18.

Pee Wee Boys Long Jump: second place - Kayden Stroeder at 4.36 m, and third place - Graydn Wilson at 3.98 m.

Pee Wee Boys Triple Jump: first place - Kayden Stroeder at 8.70 m, second place - Rory Dewar at 8.31 m, third place - Griffin Sparks at 7.22 m, and fourth place - Noah Brenner at 6.22 m.

Pee Wee Boys Shot Put: first place - Graydn Wilson at 9.68 m, fifth place - Damon Thiebert at 6.95 m, sixth place - Brady Herman at 6.74 m, and seventh place - Colton Bushman at 6.31 m.

Pee Wee Boys Discus: first place - Graydn Wilson at 20.41 m, fourth place - Brady Herman at 18.90 m, fifth place - Griffin Sparks at 17.02 m, seventh place - Damon Thiebert at 15.61 m, eighth place - Colton Bushman at 14.95 m, ninth place - Emmett Bryksa at 14.33 m, and 10th place - Cohen Dvernichuk at 13.92 m.

Pee Wee Boys Javelin: second place - Graydn

Wilson at 20.34 m, fifth place - Noah Brenner at 14.37 m, sixth place - Colton Bushman at 13.72 m, seventh place - Rory Dewar at 13.16 m, and eighth place - Griffin Sparks at 12.88 m.

Bantam Boys Hurdles (80 m): second place - Russell Widaiko at 18.06.

Bantam Boys 100 m: third place - Kaleb Dewar at 14.84 and fourth place - Xander Hamilton at 16.09.

Bantam Boys 400 m: second place - Calder Jones at 1:14.03 and third place - Hudson Boyko at 1:33.60.

Bantam Boys Long Jump: third place - Gavin Failler at 4.05 m, fifth place - Kyler Lone at 3.44 m, and sixth place - Kaleb Dewar at 3.34 m.

Bantam Boys Triple Jump: second place - Kaleb Dewar at 8.33 m, third place - Calder Jones at 8.26 m, and fourth place - Russell Widaiko at 6.46 m.

Bantam Boys Shot Put: first place - Gavin Failler at 8.39 m, second place - Xander Hamilton at 8.13 m, third place - Kyler Lone at 7.80 m, and fourth place - Hudson Boyko at 6.76 m.

Bantam Boys Discus: second place - Kaleb Dewar at 17.53 m, third place - Kyler Lone at 16.76 m, fourth place - Calder Jones at 15.67 m, and fifth place - Hudson Boyko at 15.56 m.

Bantam Boys Javelin: first place - Gavin Failler at 25.68 m, third place - Russell Widaiko at 17.19 m, fourth place - Xander Hamilton at 16.50 m, and fifth place - Hudson Boyko at 14.10 m.

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# Unmarked graves found on Cowessess First Nation

■ Daniel Bushman

Hundreds of unmarked graves have been found in southern Saskatchewan on the Cowessess First Nation as Cowessess First Nation Chief Cadmus Delorme shared the devastating news during a press conference June 24.

With Marieval Residential School opening its doors in 1898 before closing in 1996, Chief Delorme said radar penetrating research began June 2, 2021 and as of June 23, there were 751 hits of unmarked graves. “This is not a mass grave site. These are unmarked graves,” said Chief Delorme who added, “We cannot affirm that they are all children but there are oral stories that there are adults in this grave site as well.”

Speaking to news agencies from around the world during the press conference, Delorme said, “All we ask is all of you listening is that you stand by us as we heal and we get stronger and that we all must put down our ignorance and accidental racism of not addressing the truth that this

country has with Indigenous people. We are not asking for pity but we are asking for understanding. We need time to heal and this country must stand by us.”

After the announcement, Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, issued the following statement: “I am terribly saddened to learn that the remains of children had been found in unmarked graves near the former Marieval (Cowessess) Residential School in Saskatchewan. My heart breaks for the Cowessess First Nation, and for all Indigenous communities across Canada.

“No child should have ever been taken away from their families and communities, and robbed of their language, culture, and identity. No child should have spent their precious youth subjected to terrible loneliness and abuse. No child should have spent their last moments in a place where they lived in fear, never to see their loved ones again. And no families should have been robbed of the laughter and joy of their children playing, and the pride of watching them grow

in their community.

“I recognize these findings only deepen the pain that families, survivors, and all Indigenous peoples and communities are already feeling, and that they reaffirm a truth that they have long known. The hurt and the trauma that you feel is Canada’s responsibility to bear, and the government will continue to provide Indigenous communities across the country with the funding and resources they need to bring these terrible wrongs to light. While we cannot bring back those who were lost, we can – and we will – tell the truth of these injustices, and we will forever honour their memory.

“The findings in Marieval and Kamloops are part of a larger tragedy. They are a shameful reminder of the systemic racism, discrimination, and injustice that Indigenous peoples have faced – and continue to face – in this country. And together, we must acknowledge this truth, learn from our past, and walk the shared path of reconciliation, so we can build a better future.”

Saskatchewan Premier Scott Moe also issued a statement on the discovery of the unmarked graves: “Today, all of Saskatchewan mourns for those who were discovered buried in unmarked graves near the former Marieval Indian Residential School site. I understand many were children, and it is heart breaking to think that so many children lost their lives after being separated from their families, and away from the love and solace only a family can provide.

“I have spoken with Chief Cameron of the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations and Chief Cadmus Delorme to offer the full support of the provincial government as Cowessess deals with this tragic discovery. Sadly, other Saskatchewan First Nations will experience the same shock and despair as the search for graves continues across the province.

“We are grateful for the work Indigenous leaders are undertaking and will continue to offer our unwavering support as we

work together to help bring closure to survivors, families and communities in our province.”

The announcement of the unmarked graves comes a few days after provincial Métis and Northern Affairs Minister Don McMorris announced on June 18 that \$2 million of provincial funding will be provided to the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN) to support research into undocumented deaths and burials on formerly federally operated residential school locations in the province.

Currently, the FSIN is putting together their approach to support First Nations and help carry out this research, as many Indigenous communities across the province have already announced their intention to carry out investigations into former school sites in their communities.

“The Province of Saskatchewan has committed \$2 million to begin the work and research necessary to bring these little lost souls some peace,” FSIN Chief

Bobby Cameron said. “It’s a good start but much more will need to be done as Saskatchewan had one of the highest numbers of residential schools in the country. This work will take years to complete and proper ceremony and protocol must be followed at every site. Elders, knowledge keepers, survivors, their descendants, and First Nations communities must be a part of this process every step of the way. This work is vital for many of these survivors who have been sharing their stories for years. We must come together to help them heal.”

According to the provincial government, the residential school system operated in Canada for more than a century. The federal government reports that 150,000 Indigenous children were removed and separated from their families and communities to attend these schools. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission estimates that approximately 20 federal residential schools operated in Saskatchewan from the 1880s to the 1990s.

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## OBITUARY



**KENNEDY,  
Jean Bernice**

Jean Bernice Kennedy (Sept. 8, 1931) died peacefully at St. Joseph's Home in Saskatoon on June 7, 2021. It was a gentle passing preceded by a wonderful life.

Bernice lived a full life with an optimism and joy that will be missed by those who knew her. Her contagious laugh and positivity brightened the lives of those around her.

Bernice was predeceased by her parents John and Sophie

Thomas, her brother Norman in 1960 and her husband Ivan in 2009. She leaves behind her son David (Pamela), daughters Christine (Gary) and Bettyanne (Ken) along with her four grandchildren: Cheryl (Binsson), Jeff (Bailey), Christopher (Iram), Scotty (Becca), as well as six great-grandchildren.

Bernice was born in Melville to John and Sophie Thomas and moved to Lanigan in 1940 where she met her husband Ivan. They were married in 1954. Ivan ran his own excavating business while Bernice worked at the Royal Bank and later part time at the Sears store. Bernice and Ivan made lifelong friends with whom they spent many times socializing and travelling with. They loved dancing, playing cards and socializing with family and friends. Bernice was an avid and skilled knitter who made thousands of pairs of mittens and caps for premature babies, afghans and even took on a project

to knit sweaters made of special wool for penguins in South America effected by an oil spill. Bernice loved to ice skate, play the organ, attend church, play cards, especially Bridge with "the girls" where a few glasses of wine were consumed. Both Bernice and Ivan were very involved in their children and grandchildren's lives taking them camping and fishing, teaching them to play card games as well as supporting their hobbies and activities.

The family would like to express our sincere thanks to the staff at St. Joseph's Home in Saskatoon for their care and compassion of Bernice. The level of care and attention was amazing and very much appreciated.

A private family celebration of life will be held in August. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Diabetes Canada at [www.crm2.diabetes.ca](http://www.crm2.diabetes.ca)



**KRAL,  
Elaine Gladys  
(nee Nickel)**

**Oct. 16, 1945 - June 15, 2021  
75 years**

It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Elaine Kral (nee Nickel) on June 15, 2021 at the Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon.

Elaine was born to Edmund and Bertha (nee Bartle) Nickel on October 16, 1945 in Lanigan. She was raised and educated in Lanigan.

When Elaine was 16 she met the love of her life John Kral, they began their partnership not long after. John and Elaine married on August 15, 1966 and began their life together on the farm near Jansen. Their family was blessed with three children. John

and Elaine were true partners on the farm. She was not afraid of hard work. She was also not afraid to put the kids to work either, picking rocks, or planting the garden. Elaine still knew how to have fun though, even while working hard. She loved to sing songs with the kids while working; helping the time pass more quickly. Elaine was also a great cook, a few family favourites were her perogies, creamy cucumbers, dill pickles, and for Christmas it was crepes.

Elaine loved being outside, watching birds, gardening, and having wiener roasts with her family. Elaine also enjoyed sewing, crafting and painting. She made furniture with John, he would build and she would stain or paint it. Most of all though, Elaine loved to spend time with her family; whether that was her valued friends she considered her family, or her husband, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed being silly with the great-grandkids and often played auction mart with Kyra, talking like the animals. Even when she was slowing down Elaine always kept going and would always put others before herself.

The deep love Elaine had for others and her friendly, caring demeanour never went unnoticed and will be forever remembered by those close to her. Elaine will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 55 years John Kral, two daughters, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren: Sharleen Dunne (Maurice Carroll) and her children; Taylor (Lisa) Dunne; and Jaylan Dunne (Jeremy Umpherville) and their family Tara Tilley, Kyra Dunne, and Paisley Umpherville; Sandra Ecker (Roger Backes) and her daughter Ashley Ecker (Keenan Sheperd-Nokahoot). She is also survived by her siblings George (Marge) Nickel, Don Nickel, and Lil (Clare) Hegg; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Elaine was predeceased by her parents Edmund and Bertha Nickel; son Darcy Kral; great-granddaughter Brynlee Dunne; and sister Ida Nickel.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, June 19, 2021 at the Jansen Public Cemetery at 3:30 p.m.

Memorial donations in Elaine's memory may be directed to Empty Arms. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Malinoski & Danyluik Funeral Home & Crematorium, Humboldt.



**KRYSA,  
Norman Patrick  
Aug. 31, 1959 -  
June 11, 2021**

It is with great sadness the family of Norman Patrick Krysa, 61 years old, of Lanigan, Sask. announce his sudden passing which occurred on June 11, 2021, in Lanigan, Sask.

Norm was born on August 31, 1959, to Mike and Olive (nee Benson) Krysa. He grew up on a farm in the Guernsey/Burr area. He went to elementary school in Guernsey and high school in Lanigan. After graduation Norm moved to Winnipeg and attended Herzing College for computer programming.

After his education was complete, he secured employment with PCS Lanigan and spent his entire career working there. First as a computer programmer, then as a mine operator when the office he worked in was being relocated. He chose to

change careers within the company to ensure his young family could continue to live in their tight-knit community.

In his spare time Norm loved to golf. Golfing was his passion in life. He would spend many hours at the golf course perfecting his already natural ability! When he wasn't on the course, he enjoyed watching sports. Any and all sports! However, hockey was the most important to him. He only cheered for the Toronto Maple Leafs, and no one else . . . definitely not those pesky Habs. (Nobody actually likes them, right?) His other favourite pastimes were playing volleyball, listening to music and his garden. He was very dedicated to nurturing his beautiful flowers and tending to his vegetable garden. Last but not least was his love for his beloved dog, Ruby.

Norm was predeceased by his sister Meredith Lamping; nephew Cody Lamping; grandparents Wes and Ida Benson; grandparents Harry and Julia Krysa; and former father-in-law Rudolph Hemmelgarn.

Norm will be lovingly remembered by his parents Olive and Mike Krysa; children Danica Ruf (Nicholas) and Mitchel Krysa (Shaylyn Berezuik), both of Canora, Sask.; his grand-

children Jaxson, Elijah, Benjamin, and Bethany Ruf; his former partner of 30+ years, and mother of his children, Kathy Hemmelgarn of Humboldt, Sask.; his siblings, Alan Krysa of Saskatoon, Sask.; Bev Krysa (Todd Racette) of Regina, Sask.; Darlene Krysa (Dave Benson) of Humboldt, Sask.; Joyce Blum (Robert) of Swift Current, Sask.; and MaryAnn Reifferscheid (Herman) of Carmel, Sask.; former in-laws and close friends, Cheryl Roy (Clem) of Meadow Lake; Donna Baragar (Rob) of Foam Lake, Sask.; and Josie Hemmelgarn (Bob Bohun) of Saskatoon, Sask.; also many friends, aunts, uncles, cousins and numerous nieces and nephews.

Today we know his soul is at peace and enjoying "Hole 19". Rest easy with your best friend, Ruby.

A public viewing was held at Malinoski & Danyluik Funeral Home & Crematorium in Humboldt, Sask. on Saturday, June 19, 2021, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

A Graveside Service was held at Sharon Mennonite Cemetery on Saturday, June 19, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

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(from front page: **CROPS**)

The topsoil moisture across the province is declining due to very high temperatures and non-stop winds. There were small reports of rain in the province with very few areas receiving enough to alleviate the stress caused by extremely dry conditions. Producers reported that dry conditions and cool temperatures have greatly slowed hay and pasture growth, with some concerned about their ability to support cattle throughout the summer without more rain.

Provincially, moisture levels on crop and hay and pasture land have fallen, particularly in areas that received little to no rainfall. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as two percent surplus, 56 percent adequate, 36 percent short and six percent very short. Hay and pasture land topsoil moisture is rated as zero percent surplus, 45 percent adequate, 42 percent short and 13 percent very short.

Moderately warm temperatures have also helped with crop development, and farmers are hopeful with the recent rains that this will continue. The lack of rainfall across the majority of the province has delayed hay land growth and will likely delay the timing of the first cut, as well as reduce the yield.

Dry topsoil moisture conditions have resulted in delayed emergence and development of later and smaller seeded crops. There have been reports of flea beetle damage in most regions, affecting canola development for some.

Farmers have been busy spraying when they can, scouting fields and performing other farm tasks. There have been isolated reports of frost, mainly in the central and northern regions; damage is not yet known, but the crop of most concern is canola. There have also been reports of damage from flea beetle, cutworms, gophers and root rot diseases.

(from page six: **COACH**)

The girls worked really hard throughout their whole high school career. That group of girls, they were determined that was their goal so being able to watch them accomplish that was pretty amazing.”

Collins also recalled another highlight from her coaching career. “One year when I was coaching in Lanigan the families of the athletes on my team organized to provide my family with supper each of the weekends I was away at a tournament. Every weekend a new family provided me with a meal to take home. It was a gesture that I will never forget!”

Now coaching at Winston High School and more recently dealing with the pandemic, like other coaches within the school division, Collins has had to try to navigate through it all. When it came to the teams she was coaching this past year, Wendi noted they had one month of volleyball (which included only two games) and a house league for girls basketball which only lasted three weeks.

“While everyone was disappointed in the length of the involvement of the sport this season I found it played a new appreciation in the eyes of the student athletes in the role sport plays in their lives. Once we were finally able to hit the court in October of 2020 I have never seen my players happier to be up at 6:30 a.m. Each practice and game they displayed a love of the game and it was heartwarming to say the least. It has really changed my perspective that it is not always the outcome of the competition that makes it a success!”

Understanding the many hours of work and dedication put into coaching, Winston High School Principal Terry Braman said

Wendi was very deserving of the award. “Her commitment to our student athletes is evident year after year and we are fortunate to have her at Winston. She will continue to make an impact on our kids with her love of sports and coaching.”

Echoing similar sentiments as Braman, Bartko noted Wendi is the epitome of patience, kindness, and determination. “She has high expectations of her athletes and models the same behaviour both on and off the court. Her camaraderie with her players and other coaches that she meets has led to lifelong friendships. Wendi exemplifies dedication to the sport of volleyball by giving endless hours to her players while still finding time for her family of three children and husband Scott. She also has a full-time teaching career at Winston High School. Wendi is most deserving of the SHSAA Outstanding Female Coach Award for her contributions to both her players and the sport of volleyball.”

Also named as the recipient of the Watrous Coach of the Year Award for 2019, reflecting on her years as a coach, Collins said it has been a pretty special experience. “What means the most to me as a coach is when I run into former players that I have coached and hear the memories that they have from their years spent with me. It is never about the success or failures, it is always about the crazy trips we have had in the 15 passenger van (getting stuck, running out of gas, me hitting the curb etc.) or the sleep overs we had on numerous school floors. Whenever I hear of one of my former athletes coaching a team it puts a smile on my face as I like to believe they have learnt the value involved in becoming a coach and mentor.”



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