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Local area comes up huge for TeleMiracle 45

■ Daniel Bushman

Despite doing things a little differently when it came to raising funds for this year's TeleMiracle, members of the Jansen and District Kin and people within the community and surrounding areas once again did not disappoint. Not only did the local area raise a tremendous amount of money but they did so navigating through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Jansen and District Kin member and Vice Chairperson with the Kinsmen Foundation, Lyndsay L'Heureux said seeing the local area joining forces to donate over \$52,000 to Telemiracle was absolutely incredible. "Our final total was \$52,607, which is more than double what we usually take to TeleMiracle from our communities. We believe our total was the highest out of all the Kin Clubs in Saskatchewan."

Being able to present the total on-stage at TeleMiracle 45 in Saskatoon, L'Heureux was joined by fellow Kin member Terri Hamilton. Sharing about the fundraising efforts from back home, Lyndsay said, "Historically we have always had excellent support for TeleMiracle from Jansen, Lanigan, Drake and surrounding areas. This year our Kinsmen and Kinette Clubs had to pivot with our fundraising, as our events were not COVID friendly. Terri Hamilton planned Terri's Bald Head in honour of her mother's cancer journey, which was a virtual type of canvassing for donations. The Kinettes held an online auction, where we usually do a Valentine's Family Dance as well as a Soup and Sandwich. The Kinsmen turned their Snowmobile Rally into a virtual event by still selling hands, even though there was no trail for riders. Every single thing we did this year was wildly successful. Our communities support was the strongest it has ever been for TeleMiracle."

While Lyndsay was incredibly honoured to see such a tremendous total, she was also not too surprised because of the way her community and surrounding areas have come together each year.

"Kin has always had a strong presence in our communities, and I love to see how our communities continue to support Kin back. It really reaffirms "why we Kin" and continue to do what we do. And with supporting TeleMiracle specifically, this an opportunity to support people in a very personal way, both here in our home towns as well as across the province."

While many watched from their own homes, L'Heureux said she was proud to be joined by Hamilton at TeleMiracle 45 in Saskatoon to present the total from the local area.



"Both Terri and I are very proud of our Jansen Kin donation total, but really that total isn't just ours to be proud of – it is something for our whole community to be proud of. (see page six: **TELEMIRACLE**)

More than double of what they usually fundraise for TeleMiracle, the Jansen and District Kin along with residents from the local area raised what was believed to be the highest total from the Kin Clubs in Saskatchewan this year, garnering over \$52,000. Local Kin Lyndsay L'Heureux and Terri Hamilton were at TeleMiracle 45 in Saskatoon to present the funds during the live show.

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Local meat plant receives federal funding

■ media release

In an effort to keep workers safe at meat plants throughout the Prairies, the federal government announced \$7.8 million in funding, with a portion of that going to Drake Meat Processors Inc.

The one-time federal investment to help companies implement changes to safeguard the health and safety of workers and their families comes due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Through that funding, Drake Meat Processors Inc. will receive \$49,500 and joins two others from Saskatchewan and a total of 24 meat processing companies from across the Prairies to receive the funding.

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food said, "The COVID-19 pandemic has brought on many challenges for the food processing industry, in particular for meat processing plants of all sizes. The hard-

working women and men in this industry continue to step up to ensure Canadians have high-quality food on their plates. Through the Emergency Processing Fund, we are giving businesses the support they need to keep their employees safe and our food systems running strong."

The funding for the 24 companies including Drake Meat Processors Inc. is aimed at helping the businesses keep employees safe and the regional food supply chain running strong.

The federal government stated recipients are able to use the funding to make adjustments to enable social distancing, purchase reusable personal protective equipment (PPE), install protective barriers, improve sanitation and develop training for employees. These changes are also helping the food plants avoid production bottlenecks and safely keep up with Canadian consumer demand.

The Honourable Jim Carr, Special Representative for the

Prairies said, "Our Prairie meat businesses have shown incredible resilience throughout this time of crisis. The investments announced are helping many local businesses adapt their operations to help protect the health and safety of their employees which will allow them to continue supplying good food for Canadians."

In addition to Drake Meat Processors Inc., Pineview All Natural Meats Inc. (\$40,000) and Prairie Pride Natural Foods Ltd. (\$14,175) were the other Saskatchewan projects noted as part of the March announcement.

In addition to the Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba projects, the federal government noted Olymel, a Canadian meat packing and processing company headquartered in Quebec, is also receiving up to \$1.6 million through the Emergency Processing Fund, with a portion of the funding being used to support improved safety measures at its facilities in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

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■ media release

With ice fishing season winding down, anglers are reminded that all ice fishing shelters south of Hwy. 16 must be removed by Mar. 15.

Shelters in areas north of Hwy. 16 must be removed by Mar. 31.

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shelters are abandoned on the ice. When the ice melts, these can pose a danger to boaters, water-skiers and others enjoying our lakes. Pieces of abandoned shelters can also wash up on shore, causing environmental hazards.

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ice shelters are removed from the ice.

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Anyone travelling on the ice should take extreme caution. Slush indicates that ice is eroding from above and below at an advanced rate. Changing temperatures can cause thermal cracks and

pressure ridges, which are indicators of unsafe conditions.

Ice fishing shelters must have the owner's complete name, address and phone number on the outside in legible letters that are at least 2.5 cm high. Information about fishing in the province can be found in the Saskatchewan Anglers Guide and online at www.saskatchewan.ca/fishing.

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Family and friends honour Melissa Ediger during TeleMiracle 45

■ Daniel Bushman

Having a tremendous impact within the communities she resided in over the years through volunteering, donating funds to worthy causes and being an active Knette, after Melissa Ediger passed away in 2020, her family felt it would only be fitting that memorial donations in her honour be directed to TeleMiracle.

As this year's TeleMiracle 45 approached, the memorial donations from family and friends of Melissa were tallied and with the help of Melissa's husband Ron, the group were able to give \$10,000 to TeleMiracle in her name.

Making the special presentation virtually during the final morning of TeleMiracle 45 on Feb. 28 were Melissa's husband, Ron Ediger and daughters, Avril Reifferscheid and Shelley Turner.

Honouring the life and legacy of her mom and speaking on behalf of family and friends, Avril said, "Melissa was an active community member and volunteer when we were growing up

in Nokomis. More recently, she and Ron have been benefactors of local community organizations in Watrous. As a Knette, she held all the executives positions at the club level, served as Zone Co-ordinator, was the recipient of the Elspeth Rogers award, and was ultimately rewarded Kin's highest honour - a life membership in Nokomis Kin Club. She and dad worked at many TeleMiracles, starting at the first one in 1977. For this reason, we thought it fitting that memorial donations in her name be directed to TeleMiracle."

Shelley went on to express thanks on behalf of the family for the generous memorial donations, and to Ron for topping it up, saying, "We are so thankful for the generosity of Melissa's friends and family."

Along with the funds that were raised in memory of Melissa, Ron followed Avril in noting how important TeleMiracle is to people across the province. With that in mind, and wanting to help honour and remember his late wife, Ediger graciously topped up the funds raised to make it \$10,000.

The money which was directed to TeleMiracle was part of



Ruth Laybourne, Humboldt \$300 ...John & Dale Herbert, Nei

Avril Reifferscheid, Ron Ediger and Shelley Turner (pictured) made a special presentation Sunday morning during TeleMiracle 45 honouring the life and legacy of Melissa Ediger. On behalf of friends and family, the trio made a memorial donation via video to TeleMiracle for \$10,000.

- screen image from TeleMiracle.com

the overall \$5,630,215 which was raised this year. With the incredible generosity added, the total raised by TeleMiracle since 1977 is now over \$145 million.

All TeleMiracle proceeds stay in Saskatchewan and are granted through the Kinsmen Foundation for specialized medical and mobility equipment, and assistance with medical travel. The Foundation receives over 1,000 applications for assistance from Saskatchewan residents each year.

Curbing the local spread of COVID-19

■ Daniel Bushman

After an increase of COVID-19 in Watrous, the determination of many residents wanting to slow the spread of the virus was on display this past week as they tried to do their part to ensure the safety and well-being of not only themselves, but of each other.

Whether it meant self-isolating or monitoring for symptoms, getting tested at a COVID-19 drive-thru testing site, teachers selflessly going above and beyond at schools, businesses

temporarily closing or remaining open while ensuring safety; many have been doing what they can to keep the virus from spreading.

After Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) noted Feb. 22 that there was increased COVID-19 in Watrous, a drive-thru COVID-19 testing site was held at the curling rink the following day. During the Feb. 23 drive-thru, 359 swabs were taken and a second drive-thru testing site was brought in Mar. 2. At the second drive-thru at the curling rink Mar. 2, SHA confirmed a total of

226 swabs were taken. SHA also noted that at this time, there are no plans to hold future mobile testing drive-thru sites in Watrous.

With 359 swabs and 226 swabs taken over the two drive-thru testing sites in Watrous, in the Mar. 1 edition of The Watrous Manitou, Medical Health Officer Dr. Jasmine Hasselback noted how pleased officials were with just how many

people have taken the situation in Watrous seriously.

"That is really, really amazing. That level of engagement from the community is phenomenal and applauded across the province. I am really glad to see that many people who saw the value of knowing the status in such a tumultuous time."

With confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the com-

munity, as residents began to self-isolate and monitor

for symptoms in mid- to late-February, entering the final week of the month a few additional outbreaks were declared by SHA: Feb. 25 at the Co-op Food Store, Feb. 26 at The Basement Spin Studio, and Feb. 28 for Quality Plus Construction and associated contractors at a specified worksite.

Along with the busi-

nesses, the provincial government also noted on its website that at Watrous Elementary School, five positive student cases were confirmed as of Feb. 26 and at Winston High School, there were seven positive student cases confirmed as of Feb. 27.

A couple days later on Mar. 3, Horizon School Division was made aware of a (see page eight: **COVID-19**)

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OPINIONS

Ministerial Message Not everything is locked down

■ by Rev. Deacon Jack L. Robson,
Anglican Parish of Last Mountain

We are sailing troubled waters, these are very uncertain times. We tune into the news channels on TV and the information is overwhelming and alarming. We are concerned with the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic and variants. We hear that the vaccines to protect us are arriving in Canada and we will eventually be vaccinated. But when? In the meantime, we are trying to be very, very careful. We are mindful of our leaders in the political and health fields that continually remind us to wear masks, disinfect, wash hands, social distance, and stay at home to avoid contact with individuals that may carry the dreaded coronavirus. We are very restricted, shopping for groceries and other necessities becomes a concern and a danger. We cannot visit our children, grandchildren, or those dealing with illnesses in hospitals or care homes. We cannot worship at the church of our choice. All of these restrictions place a strain on our mental health. Through all of this we must remain positive, we must have hope in our hearts and believe that normal times will return. Just remember....

Not everything is locked down....

Sunrise is not locked down. Fresh air is not locked down.

Family time is not locked down. Friendships are not locked down.

Creativity is not locked down. Prayers are not locked down.

Hobbies are not locked down. Hopes and dreams are not locked down.

Kindness is not locked down. Learning is not locked down.

Conversation is not locked down. Imagination is not locked down.

Sunsets are not locked down. Hope is not locked down.

Cherish what you have, stay at home and make the most of your time.

May you be safe, may you be happy, may you be well.

Through this pandemic and restrictions, we have our telephones to reach out to our families and friends and to those who suffer and grieve, often alone. A friendly, sympathetic phone call often brings healing. Reach out to those around you, and you will find your spirits rejuvenated by the warmth and understanding returned to you. Please remember, you have within your grasp, the power of prayer to the most powerful One in the universe, your Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is always listening, hears every prayer, and understands you better than you know yourself.

Ps. 46:1-3: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear."

Philippians 4:6: "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

Deuteronomy 31:27: "The Eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms."

Remember, our Savior, Jesus Christ with His boundless love and caring compassion will never be locked down.

We have the "Rock of Ages" to cling to. We should have absolutely no fears.

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Solutions and Substitutions



— tips from Reena Nerbas

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Dear Reena,

I have water marks on a travertine marble dining room table. What would you suggest I use to remove these? Judy

Dear Judy,

Several years ago, someone wrote to me describing a battle over the same challenge. The solution that succeeded for them was stainless steel cleaner. They discovered by accident that when they rubbed a small amount on their travertine table, it removed the marks (test on an inconspicuous area first).

Dear Reena,

Please advise how we can get oil stains off a cement driveway. Elaine

Dear Elaine,

The fresher the oil stain, the easier it is to remove. For new oil stains, cover the area with cheap kitty litter or diatomaceous earth. Leave for three hours or more and sweep. For older stains begin by purchasing degreaser;

Dear Reena,

I would like to clean the keyboard on my computer; however, I am looking for a solution that avoids any sort of liquid cleaner. I do not want to risk damaging my fairly new computer. Any ideas of how to remove the dust? Thanks, Edgar

Dear Edgar,

Use a piece of Silly Putty to clean the keyboard of your computer. While the computer is turned off, press Silly Putty onto the keys, the dust and grime sticks to the putty and lifts it out. Mini vacuum cleaners

cover the area with degreaser and scrub with a brush, making sure that the entire grease stain is covered. Another option is to pour hot water onto stones and scrub with dish soap such as Simple Green. Leave for 10 minutes and do not allow dish soap to sit on paving stones for an extended period. Scrub with a stiff brush and rinse. Caution: Do not use muriatic acid on paving stones, it is too strong and may damage stones.

Feedback from wise contributor

Re: foot odour in home

The woman who wrote about foot odour in her home needs to get the footwear into a freezer bag and put it outside for 48 hours. After that she should go buy wool socks, get the kids to wash their feet, and then rub their feet with underarm deodorant, do not go right up to the toes. I know this works because I had to do this for my husband's foot problem and now my house is foot odour free. Dora

Fresh tips of the week!

Store potatoes with apples, the apples prevent potatoes from sprouting. Do not store apples near broccoli or mushrooms, the gas that inhibits the potatoes from sprouting speeds the ripening in broccoli and the darkening of mushrooms. Hope these tips help; I have grown and sold all the above vegetables. Submitted by: Rodney

As an avid gardener I have learned many tips over the years through trial and error. Every spring I start my peas indoors, they germinate much better and put up a better fight against pests and diseases. Submitted by: Betty

If you are thinking of planting garlic this year, consider waiting until fall instead of spring. Fall is a better time to plant garlic, about a month before the ground freezes. Submitted by: Bertram

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.

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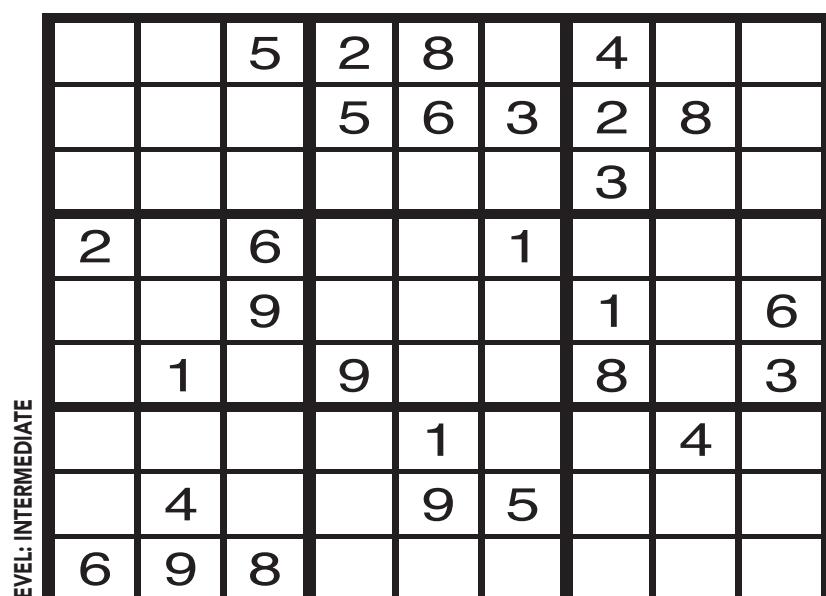
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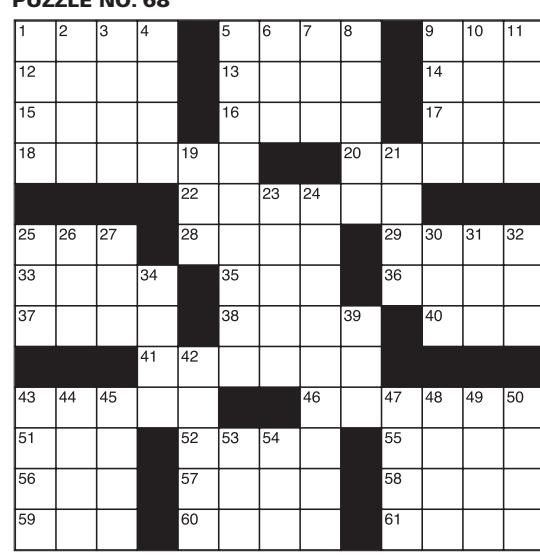
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- 5. Pens' fluids
- 9. Flow back
- 12. Belief in future success
- 13. Post
- 14. Court
- 15. Spends
- 16. Mimicking bird
- 17. Long timespan
- 18. Not harsh
- 20. Foul
- 22. Takes on
- 25. Speck of residue
- 28. Yearn for intensely
- 29. Divisions of time
- 33. Dart
- 35. Into thin
- 36. Vehicle
- 37. Classify
- 38. Carry
- 40. Haven, Connecticut
- 41. Sports palaces
- 43. Fragrance
- 46. "Treasure "
- 51. Legal decree
- 52. Graceful waterfowl
- 55. Certain woodwind
- 56. Connecting link
- 57. Vatican City resident
- 58. Small lump
- 59. Dated
- 60. Plant
- 61. Had delivered
- 62. Miss Piggy is one
- 63. Cowboys gear
- 64. Skinny
- 65. Lick at
- 66. Totally confused
- 67. Leek's relative
- 68. Related
- 69. Rearward, nautically
- 70. On the (secretly)
- 71. -hop
- 72. Move quickly
- 73. Grabbed lunch
- 74. Road bend
- 75. Scraps
- 76. Choir voice
- 77. Fence part
- 78. Felt obligated
- 79. Tosses
- 80. Ready, willing, and
- 81. Midnight's opposite
- 82. Bankruptcy cause
- 83. Misery
- 84. Tarzan's friend

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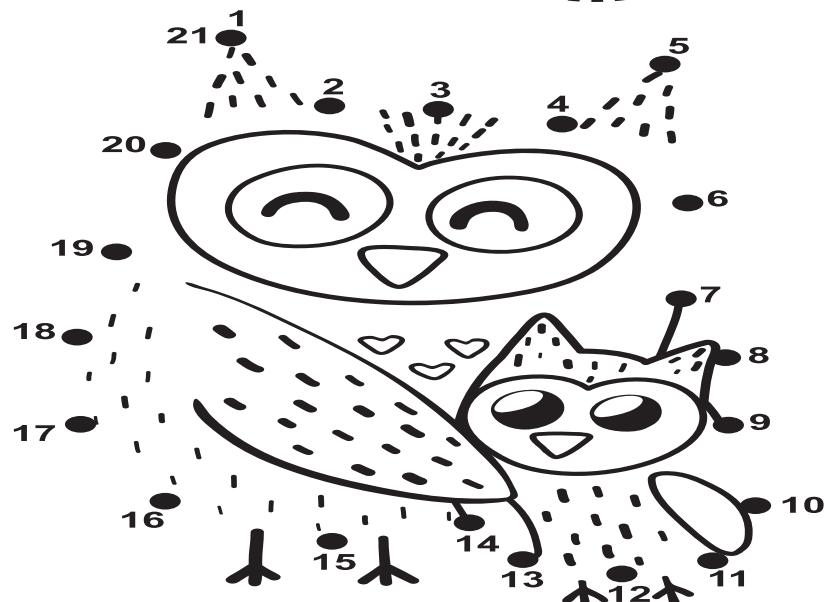
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DOT TO DOT



“Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky”

Cheesy Vegetable Soup

Ingredients:

- 2 cups water
- 2 cups diced, peeled potatoes
- 1/2 cup finely diced carrots
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
- 1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1 cup cubed fully cooked ham
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 cup flour
- 2 cups milk
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese

Directions:

In saucepan combine water, veggies, salt and pepper. Bring to boil, reduce heat to simmer and cook until the veggies are tender. Add the ham. In another small saucepan, melt the butter and add flour, stirring until smooth. Gradually add milk, cooking and stirring until thickened. It needs to bubble for about two minutes so it thickens. Stir in the cheese until melted then add to the vegetable mixture, stirring until it is smooth. If you choose, you can use cooked hamburger, sausage or any other cooked meat. We like this soup to use leftover cooked ham.

(from front page: **TELEMIRACLE**)

And to be able to present that total on behalf of our communities is very humbling. Seeing Terri and her brothers Howard and Corey shave their heads in honour of their mom and TeleMiracle is another great example of how our communities really support Kin and the people of Saskatchewan."

As for TeleMiracle itself, the 45th edition wrapped up



MLA Report

Donna Harpauer, MLA
Humboldt-Watrous
Constituency

Message from Donna Harpauer, MLA for Humboldt-Watrous Constituency:

The strength and resilience of Saskatchewan has been on display like never before in the past year. Just as we have all been helping our neighbours by supporting local businesses, the Government of Saskatchewan has also been supporting those businesses and protecting the jobs that they have created through a number of programs. If you are one such employer, I would encourage you to apply for one or more of these support programs as many of the application deadlines are approaching soon.

[The Saskatchewan Small Business Emergency Payment \(SSBEP\)](#) has now been extended for February and March 2021. Eligible businesses, like retail stores or restaurants, who have been ordered to temporarily close or scale-back operations through a public health order, could receive up to \$5,000 per month that can be used for any purpose. The application deadline is April 30, 2021. For more information, businesses can call 1-800-667-6102, email: ssbep@gov.sk.ca, or visit www.saskatchewan.ca/small-business-emergency-payment.

[The Strong Recovery Adaptation Rebate \(SRAR\)](#) reimburses eligible small businesses for investments made to adapt their business to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. Financial assistance includes a payment of up to \$5,000 for 50 per cent of total eligible business-adaptation investments made by the applicant prior to February 28, 2021. Eligible expenditures include establishing physical barriers or reconfiguring space to operate safely, providing services through digital tools, and shifting to delivery or curbside services, including third party delivery fees. The application deadline for the SRAR is March 31, 2021. For more information, businesses can call 1-844-800-8688, email: SRAR@gov.sk.ca, or visit www.saskatchewan.ca/strong-recovery-adaptation-rebate.

[The Re-Open Saskatchewan Training Subsidy \(RSTS\)](#) is also available until March 31, 2021. This temporary training subsidy provides businesses with financial support to train employees as they adjust to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The RSTS reimburses eligible private-sector employers 100 per cent of employee training costs up to a maximum of \$10,000 per business. For more information, businesses can email cansaskjobgrant@gov.sk.ca or visit www.saskatchewan.ca/training-subsidy.

[The Saskatchewan Tourism Sector Support Program \(STSSP\)](#) We have also announced a second offering for eligible tourism businesses in the accommodations, attraction and tours, events, and major event facility sectors that have seen a 30 per cent drop in revenue as a result of the pandemic. Applications will be available March 8 and the deadline to apply is April 30, 2021. For more information, businesses can call 1-800-667-6102, email: stssp@gov.sk.ca, or visit www.saskatchewan.ca/tourism-sector-support.

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in Saskatoon raising a total of \$5,630,215. With this year's incredible generosity added, the total raised by TeleMiracle since 1977 is now over \$145 million.

This year's final tote board total also included the proceeds of TeleMiracle's first-ever online 50/50 raffle, which generated total ticket sales of \$726,120 with the winner taking home half of the jackpot total.

"The generosity of Saskatchewan people is amazing and it showed again this year in their support of TeleMiracle," said TeleMiracle 45 Chair Brian Angstadt. "Once again, TeleMiracle brought our province together and the impact of these donations will be felt across Saskatchewan during these times when residents need it the most."

The broadcast which took place Feb. 27 and 28 featured no live audience with most live appearances by remote video. National Cast hosts were live in-studio, with physical distancing in-place. Content for the show was pre-recorded over many months leading up to the telethon. These changes to TeleMiracle were made with COVID safety in mind and were approved by provincial health authorities.

"Our show producers did a great job throughout the entire year of planning, working closely with the health authorities and making sure everyone involved with this year's production followed all the COVID safety guidelines and protocols," said Angstadt. "We did our best to follow, keep up with and exceed all the COVID safety pro-



MP Report

Tom Lukiwski, MP
Moose Jaw
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Lanigan

There's an old political saying that if left-wingers didn't have double standards they would have no standards at all. This maxim has proven especially true in the current debate in Parliament over Bill C-7, an act to expand access to medical assistance in dying (MAID).

The very use of the term MAID sugar-coats what it is – state-approved suicide. Already in Canada assisted suicide is permitted on compassionate grounds for people enduring terminal illness. But Bill C-7 goes much further and permits assisted suicide for anyone experiencing "intolerable suffering," even if it is not terminal. In addition, the Liberals are also looking to amend the bill to allow people suffering from mental illness to access assisted suicide.

Just two months ago, people from all backgrounds and political stripes marked "Bell Let's Talk Day," an annual event in which Canadians discuss the issues and seek to remove the stigma surrounding mental health. Among the issues spotlighted on those and other occasions is the epidemic of suicide in Saskatchewan, especially among our northern and Indigenous populations.

In one breath, my colleagues on the left say that not enough is being done to prevent suicide. In the next breath, when Bill C-7 is discussed, they say that suicide is a human right. Trudeau-appointed Senator Paula Scully stated, "If we cannot be sovereign over our own lives and our own souls, then we are enslaved indeed."

It's hard to understand the mental and moral knots that advocates of Bill C-7 twist themselves into when they say that suicide should both be prevented and enabled at the same time.

Conservatives in the Senate are leading the charge to have the bill amended to exclude mental illness from the list of conditions that can access assisted suicide. Chief among the Conservative opponents is Senator Denise Batters, for whom this is a very personal and painful issue. Her husband, former MP Dave Batters, committed suicide after a long struggle with mental illness.

"The consequences of passing [the amended bill] will be dire. This will undermine suicide prevention efforts and treatment for mental illness. It places Canadians with mental illness at risk for premature death when they might otherwise have recovered successfully. Experts have repeatedly told us – mental illness is not irremediable, it is difficult to predict, and there is no consensus in the medical community on this issue," Batters said.

Like many of my Conservative colleagues, I am adding my voice in opposition to this bill in Parliament. But we can't stop the bill on our own. We need support from the public. If you feel, as I do, that the government of Canada should be helping to prevent, not enable, suicide, then please consider writing to the federal Minister of Justice David Lametti to let him know your thoughts and comments: David.Lametti@parl.gc.ca.

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Terri Hamilton (above) at TeleMiracle 45. The big total from TeleMiracle 45 (below).

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tocols and guidelines at all times

Like in previous years, performers who were part of TeleMiracle 45 not only showcased their talents but also raised money for the telethon – which was once again matched by Nutrien, who presented their donation of \$100,000 live by remote video just before the end of the broadcast.

All TeleMiracle proceeds stay in Saskatchewan and are granted through the Kinsmen Foundation for specialized medical and mobility equipment, and assistance with medical travel. The Foundation receives over 1,000 applications for assistance from Saskatchewan residents each year.

Because of L'Heureux's position with the Kinsmen, she was also more involved with TeleMiracle 45 and shared a bit more about the large event and about her role within the Kinsmen Foundation:

"So there are really two parts to Kinsmen TeleMiracle. TeleMiracle is the event that raises the funds, and the Kinsmen Foundation is the body that grants the funds to applicants. I am in my third year of serving on the Kinsmen Foundation Board of Directors. My first two years were as Zone I Representative, where I worked directly with applicants to learn their story and present their applications for funding on their behalf. At the end of my two year term, I decided to challenge myself with a leadership position with the Kinsmen Foundation, and took on the role of Vice Chairperson. Responsibilities include leading the Policy Committee, serving on the Executive Committee, and in my year as Chairperson, I will also have positions on the TeleMiracle Committee and the D3 District Executive (the governing body for Kin in Saskatchewan). As part of the leadership team, I heard through the year about how the structure of the show was shifting due to regulations and guidelines. Typically there are 500+ Kin volunteers that put on the show. This year there was 150 people (including production), nearly all volunteers who were Kin members that serve on the TeleMiracle Committee, the Kinsmen Foundation, or the District Executive. I love volunteering at TeleMiracle – answering phones and talking to donors across the province, seeing Kin friends from all over, and learning more about the people that are helped by TeleMiracle. It was an honour to be able to be one of the few that were able to volunteer at the show."

In addition to the work Lyndsay did leading up to this year's TeleMiracle, it was also extra special in a different way. "This upcoming year (2021-'22) will be my year as Chairperson of the Kinsmen Foundation. The funds raised at TeleMiracle 45 will be granted during my year as Chairperson. I just want to again say a great big thank you to everyone that supported our fundraising initiatives. Thank you to all the donors, purchasers, and sharers of social media posts, no matter how big or how small you can know that your donations to TeleMiracle are making a huge difference on the lives of people in Saskatchewan."

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Jansen

Louise Shannon

Thank you to everyone who donated to TeleMiracle. Jansen did so well.

Saskatchewan does well. I hope everyone is feeling well.

Congratulations to Kelli and Tanner Sobkowicz on the birth of a son Tate Daniel on Feb. 26. Grandparents are

Dennis and Roxanne Schindel of Jansen.

Happy birthday to Dan Bosch, Sandy Kinzel, Erika Klinger and Ken Briske. Belated greetings to Gladys Lutomsky (nee Paetsch).

Not too much going on this week. It is so nice out so I guess we can go out for a walk. The Brier is on. Hopefully

Plunkett

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We are having nice, warm weather after the real cold spell we had.

It was nice hearing from my granddaughter who lives in New Zealand. It is summer over there.

Plunkett folks send belated birthday greetings to Julia Farago Galvin in Watrous, formerly of the Plunkett area.

A large moose was visiting in the yard of Dennis and Leona Credgeur in Plunkett. There are several deer visiting in town and in the morning they are sleeping in my back

yard under the crabapple tree.

Recently in Lanigan was Laverne Haynes of Saskatoon visiting his mother Marge Haynes. They are formerly of Plunkett.

A rec board meeting was held in Plunkett.

Curling fans enjoyed the Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Calgary.

Get well wishes to anyone ill. We wish them a speedy recovery.

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

Viscount

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

We watched a lot of Kinsmen Kinette TeleMiracle Feb. 27 and 28. We enjoyed it. It was another great year and was awesome the way they were able to work around everything and still put on a very successful show.

Not much happening here in Viscount. Everyone is trying to stay safe and looking

forward to some upcoming nice weather!

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week! Enjoy what is supposed to be some warmer temperatures. Stay safe!

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The well-being of seniors is a top priority for all of us during the pandemic.

Regards,



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(from page three: **COVID-19**)

COVID-19 diagnosis at Imperial School and another at Watrous Elementary School Mar. 4. Families at both schools were informed and Horizon was working closely with public health to assist in the contact tracing process. At that time both schools remained open to students and staff.

Further details cannot be provided, to maintain the privacy of the individuals involved.

In his Mar. 1 message on Horizon School Division's website, Director of Education Kevin C. Garinger said, "So much has (been) going on both over the break and in the first week back, including a significant COVID-19 outbreak in the community of Watrous that impacted our schools and resulted in students needing to learn from home and staff, students, and family members having to self-isolate. I value the relationships we have with our health partners and sometimes matters like these get a little complex as we try to deal with them. As you likely know, Horizon has five health regions (four provincial and one federal) that we deal with when it comes to the pandemic. This situation extended into both Saskatoon Health and Regina Qu'Appelle Health. I am grateful there is significant communication between both health organizations as it makes sorting out how to address this matter much more fluid. Most students and all classrooms in both schools are back this week from learning from home, and we continue to express to our families the safe way we operate our schools. The work of our staff, families, and of course, our students. I want to thank both school principals and their staffs for their undeniable efforts in continuing to support learning in a very trying time."

With the recent positive cases at the Watrous and Imperial schools along with others in Horizon, Garinger noted there is a plan being looked at to use the rapid test in schools within the school division and he stated: "More will be shared in the near future but we have been told that it will be administered by our health professionals. Horizon knows first-hand the importance of this test as it has been used in circumstances where an immediate response to a potential case is necessary. Rapid testing has helped us make critical decisions with our health partners based on immediate and accurate information related to virus transmission and I am certainly glad it will be even more accessible in our school communities."

While SHA does not specifically share the overall total confirmed cases in Watrous due to privacy reasons, it does provide numbers related to the Central East 1 zone, a zone that includes places like Watrous, Simpson, Manitou Beach, Drake, Etters Beach, Holdfast, Imperial, Jansen, Lanigan, Le-Roy, Humboldt, Nokomis, Young, and Zelma.

Starting on Feb. 21, there were officially just 11 active cases within the zone but fast forward to the last day of February, there were officially 47 active cases in Central East 1. On the day of the second drive-thru that took place in Watrous on Mar. 2, there were 50 active cases with two new ones within the zone. The following day, that number dropped slightly with 44 active cases and one new case and fell further Mar. 3 with 35 active cases and one new case.

With the increased COVID-19 activity in Watrous, restrictions remained in place last week at Manitou Lodge. For family presence/visitation, SHA indicated they would be limited to compassionate reasons only.

As restrictions remained in place at Manitou Lodge last week, the provincial government announced Mar. 2 that 100 percent of long-term care homes across Saskatchewan have now received their first doses of the COVID-19 vaccine with 91 percent of residents choosing to receive the vaccine. The government noted that 53 percent of facilities have received both their first and second dose. Nine percent of long-term care home residents were not immunized due to a variety of circumstances, such as the availability of residents at the time of vaccination, refusal to take the vaccine or a change in health status.

Ninety percent of personal care homes (PCHs) have now received their first doses. Forty-three percent have received both their first and second doses.

With regards to public vaccinations, the provincial government indicated it would be accelerating the COVID-19 vaccination in Saskatchewan with people ages 60 to 64 among those to receive AstraZeneca and all adults in Saskatchewan to have access to a first dose by June.

With expected deliveries of AstraZeneca in March, the provincial government said Saskatchewan residents ages 60 to 64 and phase one priority health care workers will be offered the first 15,500 doses. Making vaccines available to the 60 to 64 age sequence group is being done as an exception to

phase one criteria to align with the National Advisory Committee's recommendation that AstraZeneca supply be targeted to those under 65.

Administration of the AstraZeneca doses will begin Mar. 22, distributed to six major hubs throughout the province.

The provincial government said all doses are expected to be fully administered within one week on a by-appointment basis. Health care workers will receive notification of their eligibility directly from the Saskatchewan Health Authority. Members of the public who are eligible will be able to book by phone.

The phone-in booking system is undergoing final testing in preparation of being launched this week.

Second doses for Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca at four months: The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) has updated their recommendation on the interval between the first and second doses of authorized COVID-19 vaccines in the context of limited vaccine supply. Based on the evidence by NACI and its expertise in vaccine science, they are recommending that jurisdictions should maximize the number of people benefiting from the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by extending the interval between the first and second dose up to four months, in the context of limited COVID-19 vaccine supply.

"Implementing the new NACI guidelines in Saskatchewan means that all Saskatchewan residents should have access to their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine by the end of June," Health Minister Paul Merriman said. "This will speed up both our administration of vaccines, and our return to normal."

The province of Saskatchewan implemented this recommendation Mar. 5. Beginning Mar. 5, all vaccines administered will be a first dose, with second doses administered at an interval of four months, in alignment with the NACI recommendations. Residents will be contacted when they are eligible to book their second dose appointment, based on completing the vaccination sequencing and supply.

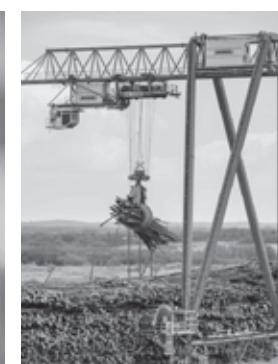
Note that this delayed second dose strategy does not apply to long-term care and personal care residents and staff who have yet to receive their full two-dose series and any existing second-dose appointments. Existing, scheduled appointments for second doses will be completed as scheduled.

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OBITUARY



MANYK, Harvey Steve

Harvey Manyk passed away peacefully on February 22, 2021 at the Jowsey House, Palliative Care in Yorkton, Sask. at the age of 74 years.

Harvey was predeceased by Stephanie's mom Ann and his dad Steve.

Harvey leaves to mourn his passing and celebrate his life, his daughter Stephanie, who he called Doodles from the time she was born, his mother Betty Manyk, brother Ken (Colleen) Manyk, sisters Barb (Dave) Lewis, Darlene (Joe) Malzeniczky, Linda (Ken) Goodman and Holly (Jerry) Weise.

Harvey was born in Wynyard, Sask. on December 15, 1946 and grew up in Jansen, Sask. When he was a young teenager, Harvey moved to B.C. where he started a whole new life. He worked at the Hallmark Ford Dealership as a financial manager, which he loved. Harvey met Ann Eichler, a hairdresser from North Vancouver and together they moved to Maple Ridge, B.C. and in 1983, their daughter Stephanie was born. Stephanie was the love of his life and she will always have fond memories of their life together. What a loving, wonderful father he was. Harvey loved to joke around with his daughter and everyone else and would always leave a smile on everyone's face. He had so many hobbies including gardening, hockey, nature, music and a glass of wine. He often talked about all the concerts he went to and he was lucky enough to have seen Elvis, Elton John, The Beatles and Leonard Cohen. Harvey was a poet and he wrote many poems, one of which was published by the Poetry Institute of Canada. He loved his hockey, Montreal Canadiens being his favourite team and continued to play for many years himself. Harvey and Stephanie's favourite getaway was to the Black Mountain Ranch where he had his trailer, and also Birch Bay where Harvey would go crab fishing. Harvey loved good food at any time. He retired and came back home to Jansen, Sask. in 2014 to look after his mom who he loved very much until he got ill. They both took pride in their gardening, everyone loved their cucumbers. He especially loved going to aunt Mary's farm, even if it was just to cut the grass. Harvey was one of those guys who saw the best in everyone, so kind, generous and loving. Harvey will be sadly missed by his daughter, family and friends. Rest in peace Harvey, we love you.

There will be no service at this time.

Interment of cremated remains will take place at a later date in the Jansen Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Kinsmen Telemiracle (2217C Hanselman Court, Saskatoon, Sask. S7L 6A8) as gifts of remembrance.

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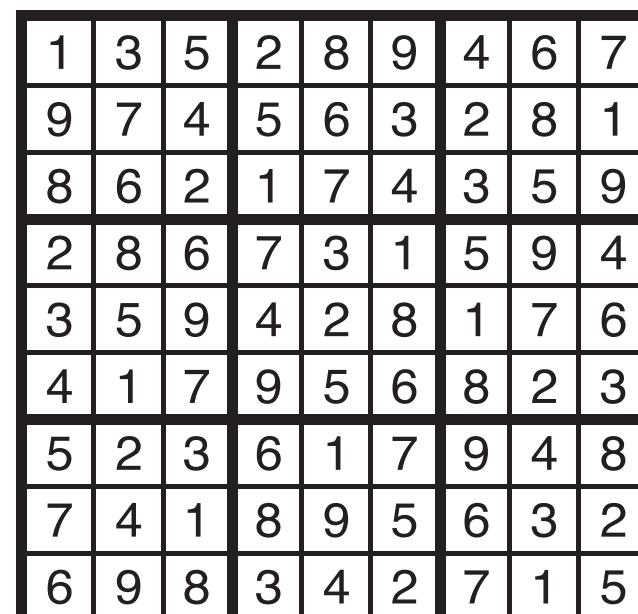
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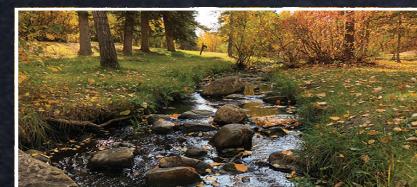
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Meanwhile, a province-wide virtual vigil is being planned to mark one year since COVID-19 was first confirmed in Saskatchewan and declared a global outbreak. Rev. Marie-Louise Ternier from All Saints Anglican Parish and Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Watrous is part of the provincial

planning committee. She said the virtual vigil marking one year will be held in the evening Mar. 11. "People can register for the Zoom event or watch it live on YouTube. We ask that they bring a candle and together, we will shine our light in the darkness."

As part of the evening entitled, 'Together in Remembrance, Together in Hope,' special guests Thomas Yu, Peach Akintade and Jim Hopson will be making appearances virtually.

"As a committee, we want this event to be for people who may have lost someone close to them due to COVID-19 or for people who are grieving the loss of their freedom and mobility to come together virtually. We have designed it for people and groups of various ethnic backgrounds and beliefs to join in solidarity. People can register for the free event by visiting www.covid-vigil.ca."



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