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## Lanigan Community Gift & Thrift's gala a tremendous success

■ Daniel Bushman

MCC Saskatchewan Donor Engagement Coordinator Karla Koehn said, "We are so grateful for Heidi and the Community Gift & Thrift for not only choosing to support MCC in this way but also to support the material resource program. The Community Gift & Thrift also supports material resources by providing a space in their shop for the blanket making group to meet once a week to make warm, cozy blankets for MCC that also get sent overseas to partner organizations that have requested them. We are so thankful that Heidi and her team have been able to adapt their floor space to make room for the blanket making group. And of course we are thankful to all those who donate their time and resources to make the blankets as well."

Aimed at raising money for MCC's material aid program which is utilized in many countries around the world, Lanigan Community Gift & Thrift shop manager Heidi Martens Weber said after expenses from the gala they were able to send approximately \$5,500 to MCC. "We had great attendance at the event with over 165 tickets sold. The event also included cheesecake desserts, a silent auction, raffle items and a craft sale."



With over 165 tickets sold, it was a memorable evening as people enjoyed some fun while raising money for a good cause. The Lanigan Community Gift & Thrift held its fundraiser gala Nov. 18 at the Lanigan Town Hall where approximately \$5,500 was raised. The funds will go to MCC's material aid program which is utilized in many countries around the globe.

- photos courtesy Heidi Martens Weber

material resources program at MCC SK, which provides material aid including relief kits, hygiene kits, school kits, sewing kits, dignity kits and comforters to people affected by war and disaster around the world. Our focus right now at MCC SK is to pack 1,000 relief kits and 2,000 hygiene kits, which include basic hygiene items for families (relief kits) and individuals (hygiene kits). These funds will help us cover the cost of the items we have purchased to get packed in these kits. The kits are likely to go to Ukraine in later December or may also go to places like Jordan, Syria and

South Sudan, just to name a few."

In addition to raising funds as part of MCC's material resources program, a fashion show was also held at the Lanigan Town Hall during the evening gala. With the stage decorated for the Christmas season, volunteers of all ages dressed up and walked the runway displaying clothing from different eras. With smiles on their faces and from those in attendance, Heidi said it was a terrific event. "We were happy that many people made it out and we had a great evening."

(see back page: **GALA**)



# RCMP Report

## Break and enter in Lanigan

On Nov. 19, 2022 at approximately 12:39 a.m. a male (pictured right) broke into a building on Munster Street in Lanigan. Damage was done inside the building and a theft occurred. If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact Humboldt RCMP at 306-682-2535 or you may contact Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit a tip online at [www.saskcrimestoppers.com](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

## Mischief to business in



- image from RCMP

### Lanigan

Between Nov. 18 and 20,

2022 an unknown person entered a business on Downing Drive in Lanigan and damaged part of the inside of the building. If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact Humboldt RCMP at 306-682-2535 or you may contact Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit a tip online at [www.saskcrimestoppers.com](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

### Nokomis Post Office and rink broken into

In the early morning hours of Dec. 3, 2022,

culprit(s) broke into the Nokomis Post Office and the Nokomis Arena. At the post office, a safe was damaged as culprit(s) tried to cut into it while at the arena, popcorn chicken and burgers were stolen from the kitchen.

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

### Thefts from vehicles in Chamberlain

In the early hours of Dec. 4, 2022 two males were observed on surveillance cameras trying to get into vehicles in Chamberlain. The males tried several vehicles door handles but were unsuccessful due to the vehicles being locked. A large set of keys which had a door key for a Hummer 2 among them were found at one of the attempted theft

scenes. Police are continuing this investigation and are asking the public if they have any other incidents to report or if they are missing or know who is missing the large set of keys, please contact Craik RCMP.

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### Charges laid after vehicle stuck in ditch

On Nov. 29, 2022 after responding to an initial report of an assault at a residence, officers located the male suspect in a vehicle stuck in a ditch approximately 15 kilometres west of Pierceland. The male suspect was arrested. During a subsequent search of the vehicle, officers located and seized approximately 900 grams of suspected crystal methamphetamine and drug trafficking paraphernalia.

As a result of this investigation, Justin Skulte, 33, of Cold Lake, Alta., was charged with one count, possession for the purpose of trafficking a controlled substance, Section 5(2),

Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. He is currently remanded and appeared in court in Meadow Lake on Dec. 1. Through further investigation, 30-year-old Tessa Urlacher has also been charged with one count, possession for the purpose of trafficking a controlled substance, Section 5(2), Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. The investigation is ongoing.

### Train derailment

From Dec. 1 to 3, Estevan RCMP assisted with maintaining traffic safety along Hwy. 39, approximately two kilometres west of Macoun following a train derailment. Estevan RCMP also assisted with evacuating residents in the community and patrolling the perimeter of the evacuation zone to ensure no one crossed into it. Officers received no reports of injuries to residents in the area or members of the CP Rail crew.

The highway was closed for over 40 hours and opened around 4 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3. Estevan RCMP will not be providing further updates on this incident.



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**Saskatchewan**

# Lanigan and LeRoy performers selected to appear at TeleMiracle 47

■ Daniel Bushman

Local talent will be centre stage at TeleMiracle 47 as TeleMiracle announced a total of 81 talented performers from across Saskatchewan will be appearing Feb. 25 and 26, 2023.

Sidney Gray of Lanigan and members of LeRoy School will be joining others during the main show in 2023 while 13 overnight bands were selected and 10 acts were named as part of the Countdown to TeleMiracle pre-show.

Chosen through an audition process, all of the performers will be featured throughout the 20-hour telethon, including the "Countdown to TeleMiracle" pre-show, the Main Show,

and the Overnight segment.

"TeleMiracle is rooted in Saskatchewan and nothing shows that more than our incredible Saskatchewan Talent," said TeleMiracle 47 Chair Scott Lamb. "Not only do these individuals and groups showcase their talents and passion for TeleMiracle, they also raise money to support the cause."

Once again, these fundraising efforts will receive a boost from Nutrien, which has agreed to match all donations raised by Saskatchewan Talent up to a maximum of \$100,000.

Lamb encourages Saskatchewan residents to support Saskatchewan Talent fundraisers in their local communities. "Donating to a Saskatchewan Talent fundraiser is just another

way to support TeleMiracle," stated Lamb. "Your TeleMiracle donations stay right here in Saskatchewan, helping your neighbours, friends, and your community every day."

TeleMiracle 47, in support of "Saskatchewan's Charity" the Kinsmen Foundation, will be broadcast live from Prairieland Park in Saskatoon.

The entire 20-hour telethon can be seen on the CTV Saskatchewan network, starting at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, and concluding at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 26.

The entire show will also be live-streamed at [www.telemiracle.com](http://www.telemiracle.com) beginning with "Countdown to TeleMiracle" on Feb. 25 at 6:15 p.m.

## Local authors release latest book Runaway Cow

■ Daniel Bushman

It is a moving tail that has been herd by animals throughout the land. Utterly funny and shared from the perspective of Cow 1422B, the latest book from local authors Emily and Konn Hawkes is surely to cause a stampede as people try and corral a copy of it following the popularity of their last one.

After writing and illustrating 'Flowman and the Magic Mullet', the pair of Watrous area residents were thrilled to be able to release 'Runaway Cow' just in time for Christmas.

Graciously taking time out of their busy schedules, Emily and Konn shared about the book, Runaway Cow and how it came to be. How exciting is it to have this book released?

We are very happy to have this new book released. Our goal was to have it ready in time for Christmas so we are happy we were able to complete the project just in time.

**Can you share a bit about what it is about?**

The story of Runaway Cow is told from the cow's perspective. Cow 1422B, or 'the Great Moodini' as her friends like to call her, was quite the escape artist. She found herself in trouble for fence crawling and pushing boundaries on more than one occasion. But then one day, what seemed like an ordinary day on the farm soon turned into one extraordinary story. After realizing that her owners were taking her to the vet at the local animal hospital, the Great Moodini hatched a plan to escape and that's

when the real adventure begins.

**What was the inspiration behind the book and how much fun was this project?**

This book was particularly fun for us because it is based on the true story of a cow that ran wild through Watrous after escaping from the local animal hospital quite a few years back. Given that it's a children's book, you'll see some liberties have

been taken with the story writing to make it a bit more playful. For instance the cow ends up getting arrested and locked up behind bars, haha.

**Is this book similar to your previous one or is it a bit different as far as the writing and layout goes?**

We had a different format for this book than our last book, Flowman and the Magic Mullet. Runaway Cow does not rhyme. We

felt it easier to tell the story without rhyming. But the overall layout, length and

look of the book is very similar to the last.

(see back page: **COW**)

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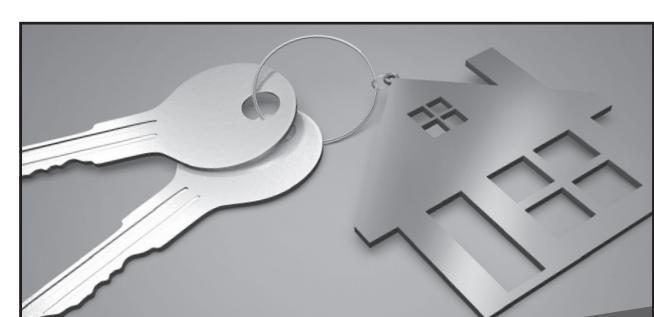
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## Jansen

Louise Shannon

Our Christmas trees greeting at the community garden are getting more names. Wendy Renwick collected the money for the names on the tree.

I am glad we have the Kinsmen and Kinettes. They do a lot for the town.

The bowling alley is renting out for Christmas parties.

Happy birthday to Devon L'Heureux, Karrie Jones and Cody Neugabauer, and to Kevin Pham and Zoe Jones next week.

## Prairie Rose Bowling



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### Thursday Seniors

Dec. 1  
LHS: Lorna Jantz, 192  
LHT: Lorna Jantz, 501  
MHS: Laverne Jantz, 199  
MHT: Vic Kline, 491

### Monday Mens

Dec. 5  
MHS: Dwayne Koshinsky, 274  
MHT: Dwayne Koshinsky, 619

### Thursday Mixed

Dec. 1  
LHS: Angie Benson, 156  
LHT: Angie Benson, 427  
MHS: Leon Doidge, 201  
MHT: Leon Doidge, 489

### Wednesday Ladies

Dec. 7  
LHS: Lisa Benallack, 292  
LHT: Lisa Benallack, 680

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The Lanigan Advisor will be taking holidays. There will be a paper Dec. 19 but no paper Dec. 26. The first paper of 2023 will be Jan. 2. The deadline to advertise for that paper is Tuesday, Dec. 20.

## uncompliCATED - *Heaven's Embrace*



■ by Arlene Martin

### Heaven's Embrace

There are silent tears at Christmas  
And a wish to flee the dawn;  
The season prompts a longing  
For dear ones who've passed on.  
The Star that gleamed at Bethlehem  
Wasn't placed there just because  
It beamed a blazing Message  
Of unending,  
Heavenly Love.  
It wrote  
In special  
Celestial Note,  
So that the truth be known,  
Heaven has a special love  
For those who feel alone.  
Christmas Blessings, Love Arlene

## Viscount

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Wow on some of the temperatures we have been having! Hopefully with the new year upon us the weather will change for the better.

There is walking that has opened up at the Viscount Central School Mondays and Wednesdays, except the holidays. It is a lot warmer than walking outside. I truly have not made it there yet, thinking about it.

Dancing Sky Theatre's Christmas production of Jack and the End of the World proved to be a success once again. Thirty-some characters performed by five actors sang, played musical instruments and even used puppets of varying sizes to entertain the audience. This panto had the audience laughing and joining in throughout the entire show. Well worth the trip to Meacham! (submitted by

Evelina Talevi)

I have not been yet, but the show runs another two weekends, so I will need to pick one.

Dec. 5, five of us met at the Viscount library, enjoying our catch-up time while sewing together the knitted and crocheted 8" x 8" squares. We hope to have over 30 blankets ready to distribute before Christmas. For more information on what we do please call Evelina at 306-281-8196. With the Christmas season soon upon us, the Blankets for Canada ladies will be meeting just once more before taking a break until after the new year.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week and thank you to all who helped make this week's news possible.

## Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky



### Eggnog Almond Cake

#### Ingredients:

6 tbsp. butter, divided  
2/3 cup sliced almonds  
1 box yellow cake mix  
1 1/2 cups eggnog  
2 eggs  
1 tsp. rum extract  
1/8 tsp. nutmeg

#### Directions:

Grease a 10 inch fluted tube pan with two tablespoons of the butter. Press al-

monds onto the bottom and up the sides of the pan. Melt remaining butter. Beat cake mix, eggnog, eggs, rum extract and melted butter on low for 30 seconds, then beat on medium for about two minutes until the batter is smooth. Pour into prepared pan. Bake at 350°F for about 40 to 50 minutes or until a toothpick inserted comes out clean. Cool for about 15 minutes before removing from pan to a wire rack to finish cooling. Great recipe for leftover eggnog.

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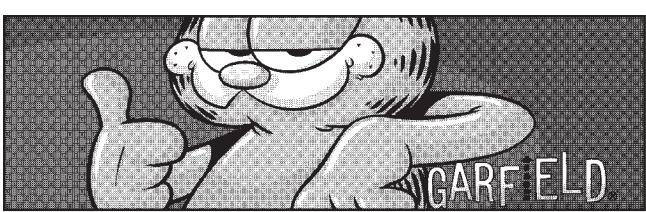
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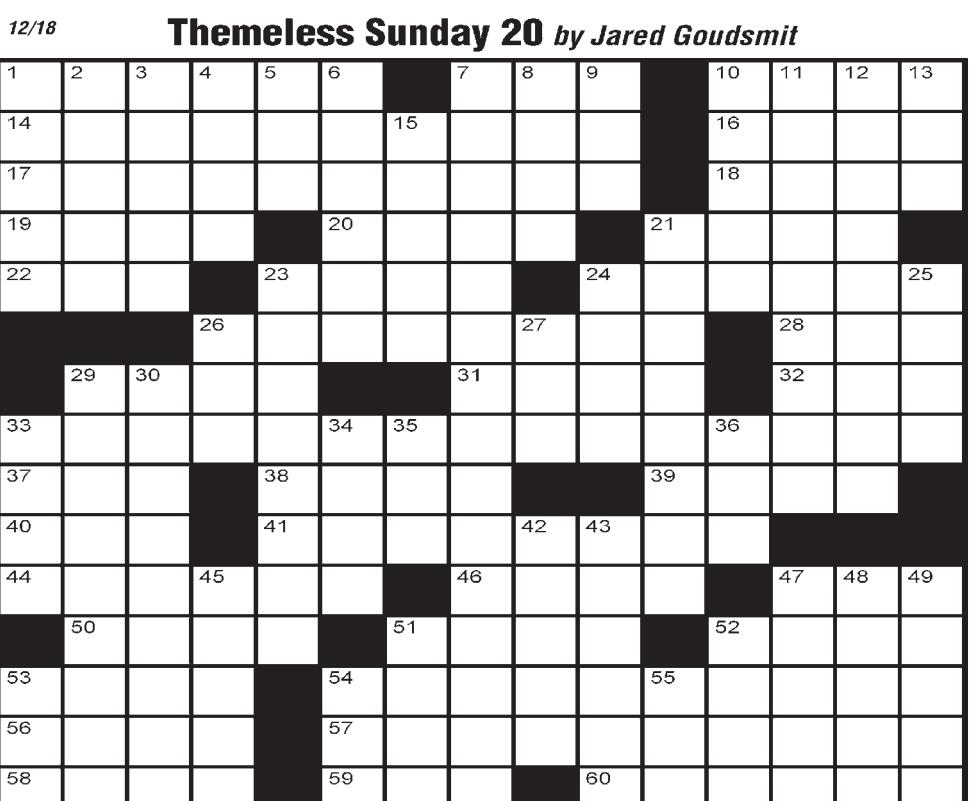
## Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg December 18, 2022

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>44</b> Fusses at a mirror	<b>11</b> Create a ruckus	<b>35</b> Good buddy
<b>1</b> Didn't eat	<b>46</b> Sacagawea dollar, e.g.	<b>12</b> High-tech, dystopian genre	<b>36</b> Illuminated
<b>7</b> Wall St. debut	<b>47</b> College sr.'s hurdle	<b>42</b> Like a whip-snapper	<b>43</b> o
<b>10</b> Shapes of stories	<b>50</b> "___ the Knife"	<b>45</b> Digital holiday greeting	<b>44</b> Be
<b>14</b> "You've bested me"	<b>51</b> Word after "virtual" or "VIP"	<b>47</b> transported by the wind	<b>48</b> Japanese noodle soup
<b>16</b> Whitish sandwich spread, for short	<b>52</b> Hunk of fudge	<b>21</b> He's a riot	<b>49</b> "Two thumbs up" critic Roger
<b>17</b> Russian symbol of opulence	<b>53</b> I as in Ithaca	<b>23</b> Glass home for a guppy	<b>51</b> Activate, as an alarm's wire
<b>18</b> ___ Xtra (cherry drink)	<b>54</b> When to pull an all-nighter	<b>24</b> Bring to order?	<b>52</b> "Without delay!"
<b>19</b> Name found in comedies?	<b>56</b> In the past	<b>25</b> Learned philosopher	<b>53</b> Apt letters missing from "chem_cal b___d"
<b>20</b> Male sheep	<b>57</b> Bad boss?	<b>26</b> Palindromic explosive	<b>54</b> ___-Magnon
<b>21</b> Long part of an explosive	<b>58</b> Stereotypical bookworm	<b>27</b> Floppy part of an elephant	<b>55</b> Wicked spell
<b>22</b> ___ Juan, Puerto Rico	<b>59</b> Elect (to)	<b>29</b> Demonstration of dominance	
<b>23</b> Cheese in spanakopita	<b>60</b> Magnitude	<b>30</b> Tool for trimming a lawn	
<b>24</b> Apartment building managers, informally	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>33</b> Fill-in worker	
<b>26</b> Get drunk	<b>1</b> Flutes paired with drums	<b>34</b> Slithery swimmers	
<b>28</b> IRS form pro	<b>2</b> Carne ___ (burrito filling)		
<b>29</b> Dominates, as in "Fortnite"	<b>3</b> Replace a teammate		
<b>31</b> "Rats!"	<b>4</b> One of 390 billion in the Amazon rainforest		
<b>32</b> Last full mo. of summer	<b>5</b> Say 1 + 1 = 3, say		
<b>33</b> Not be a bloc buster?	<b>6</b> MFA or DDS		
<b>37</b> Female sheep	<b>7</b> Jocular cry after losing a Scrabble game		
<b>38</b> Single drop in a sad emoji	<b>8</b> Pieces in a classic Cracker Barrel game		
<b>39</b> Otter's cousin	<b>9</b> End of Wikipedia's URL		
<b>40</b> The "M" of MCAT: Abbr.	<b>10</b> Exhilarate, as a crowd		
<b>41</b> Tabby about town, say			

FOR ANSWERS  
TO SUDOKU AND  
CROSSWORD,  
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# Pirates take on Braves

■ Daniel Bushman

With a 1-5 record, the Lanigan Pirates headed to LeRoy to take on the 3-3 Braves to open up their December schedule.

Looking to get off on the right foot, the Pirates opened the scoring first as Trey Daelick tallied from Zach Garrett and Brynn Smith with 8:24 to go in period one. However, less than three minutes later LeRoy made it 1-1 as Dawson Leedahl scored his first of the game from Cordell Larson and Jesse Shynkaruk.

With the game tied at one and with time nearly expired on the first 20 minutes, the Braves managed to score with two seconds remaining as Blake Berschiminsky pushed the home team up 2-1 through one.

In period two, it was not until 12:19 to go when the Braves made it 3-1 as Cordell Larson tallied from Rhett Blackmur and Neil Landry. Trying to grab back momentum, Lanigan looked to get to within one but LeRoy had other ideas as Landry scored, collecting his third point of the night and pushed the score to 4-1. With 1:34 on the clock, Lanigan was able to solve netminder Matt Richard as Josh Bly made it 4-2 from Graham Gove and Trey Daelick.

That would be all for scoring in the middle stanza and all the markers for Lanigan as well as LeRoy scored once more in the third (Dawson Leedahl) and skated away with a 5-2 win. That dropped Lanigan's record to 1-6 while LeRoy improved to 4-3 on the Long Lake Hockey League season.

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# Canucks shoot for win against Flyers

■ Daniel Bushman

30 seconds on the clock and through 20 minutes, both clubs were tied at two.

Hosting the Foam Lake Flyers during a bone-chilling evening, the Drake Canucks hit the ice in search of a victory Dec. 6.

In the opening period, Eric Roy put the home team out in front as he scored with 13:55 left. Then just over five minutes later it was Foam Lake who tied the contest with a tally from Travis Mayan. The Flyers then pulled ahead late in the frame with a power play marker as Tyler Dae made it 2-1. Looking to tie the game before the period expired, the Canucks were able to beat netminder Brad Sentes with

and the game was knotted up at four.

As was the case in the opening period, teams traded chances before Foam Lake grabbed the lead for a second time in the game. With 9:48 remaining, Isaac Schacher made it 3-2 as Dae and Mayan collected the helpers on the goal. Then shorthanded, Foam Lake pushed ahead by two with Mayan's second goal of the evening. Down by a pair, Drake fought back and assistant captain David Stumborg collected an unassisted tally with 6:09 left followed by Roy's second of the game with 2:53 to go from Cam Blair and Carter Coben

Following the loss, Drake was scheduled to head to Wadena Dec. 9, were back home against LeRoy Dec. 11 and travel to LeRoy Dec. 16.

## Local MP fights for answers for Canadian Veterans

■ media release

Moose Jaw-Lake Centre-Lanigan MP Fraser Tolmie has been fighting for answers and results for the countless Veterans in Canada suffering under poor service standards at the department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Committee testimony from Canadian Veteran Mark Meincke in late October served as a catalyst

for the Veterans Affairs Committee to look deeper into how VA employees have inappropriately suggested Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) as a solution to mental illness.

"My Conservative colleagues and I have been working hard to get to the bottom of why VA employees are suggesting MAID to Veterans as a treatment for mental illness. Exploring

any use of MAID must only be a conversation between a patient and their doctor, and we are demanding answers for why this happened in the first place."

Questioning Veterans Affairs Minister Lawrence MacAulay during a committee hearing, MP Tolmie had this to say about new information suggesting multiple instances of VA Department employees offering MAID to Veterans suffering from mental illness.

"The ombud report, the Auditor General report, PBO and our own committee said that we're failing in delivering service. Now we're actually analyzing how this service is being delivered and what we're actually doing is offering MAID. Is it in Veterans Affairs' mandate to help members win court cases in MAID instead of helping vets deal with PTSD and become integrated into Canadian society?"

While Meincke's testimony has been the focus of great scrutiny in Veterans Affairs Committee and international media alike, new evidence suggests it was not an isolated incident.

"[Minister MacAulay] first stated that it was one employee and one incident, and then it changed from one employee to two incidents. Now we're at one employee and five incidents."

MP Tolmie and the Conservative Party will continue to demand answers, transparency, and action from the department of Veterans Affairs, and fight for higher service standards for Veterans across Canada.

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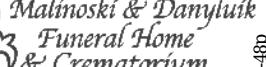
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(from front page: **GALA**)

Hearing about how well the gala went and the tremendous work being done in Lanigan, Koehn wanted to send her gratitude to the community and surrounding areas for supporting the Lanigan Community Gift & Thrift shop, MCC and for attending a fun evening. "This community is providing basic but necessary hygiene items and warmth and comfort to people around the world. They are bringing hope to those who are experiencing devastating situations. Thank you for your generous hearts and desires to help others."



Through donations including the one from the Lanigan Community Gift & Thrift's gala (pictured far left), Mennonite Central Committee is able to provide items through its material resource program. Pictured left: sisters (age nine and 11) from Ukraine that received comforters, relief kit, canned meat and cleaning supplies from MCC when they had to flee their village overnight because of invasion. They are unable to return home because their village was destroyed. MCC partners have been able to find them a place to rent in another part of Ukraine that is safer and provided them with these items to help.

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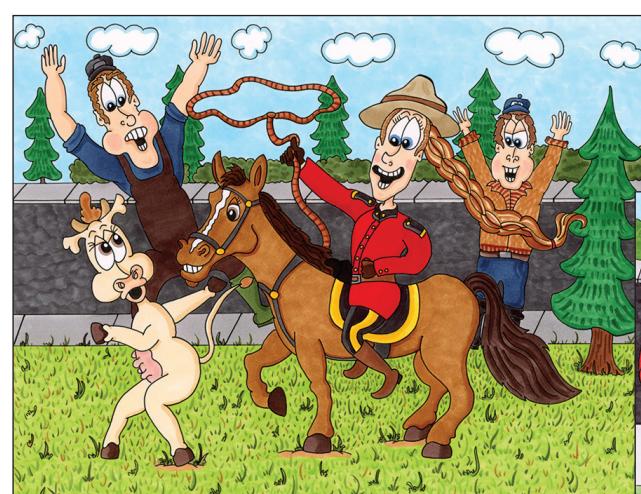
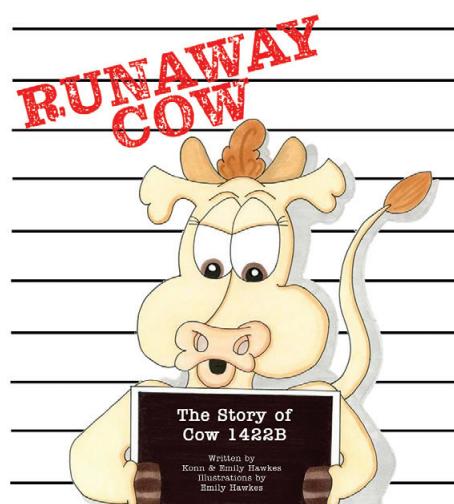
(from page three: **COW**)

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The book took a little bit longer than anticipated. This is a hobby for us so we worked on this in our spare time. We wanted to make sure we had the details just right too, so from start to finish it was probably just over a year to complete.

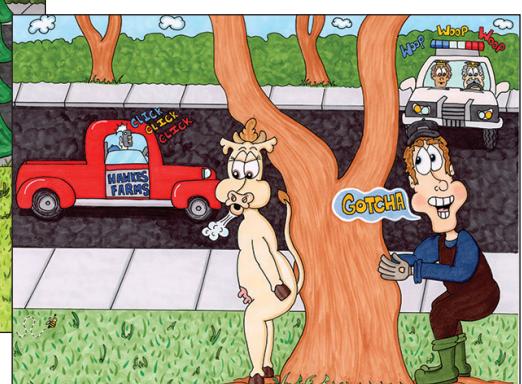
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