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Warm welcome

► From a raging blizzard at the end of January to melting snow, freezing rain and beautiful sunrises (left) during the start of the second week of February, so far 2022 has included a mixed bag of weather. After dealing with below-normal values including wind chills making it feel like -40°C, the majority of the second week of February proved to be much warmer. With snow melting and the sun shining, a few snow figures were also spotted early last week including snow cats at Manitou Beach (below left and middle) and a gigantic snowman with a pet penguin in Watrous (below right).

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Watrous Rec. Director excited about opportunities this winter

■ Daniel Bushman

After recently taking on the title of Watrous Recreation Director, it has been a busy few months for Chelsea Murfitt. Navigating through the current pandemic while implementing some new ideas and initiatives, Murfitt shared a few things of note that have recently taken place within the community and a few things on the horizon.

Watrous Centennial Arena

Starting at the Watrous Centennial Arena, in preparation for the 2021-'22 season, the Town of Watrous spent some time and money upgrading its facility this past fall.

Murfitt explained new rubber flooring was installed on the main floor and in the dressing rooms and a fresh coat of paint was also added. "With the additions, the dressing rooms look really sharp with new flooring, decals and paint."

Upstairs, the kitchen area received a new locking door that rolls down where the ordering counter is and new stainless steel countertops were added.

In the lobby area, new paint was applied and a set of bleachers taken out so those in the kitchen are able to view the game as well. "We added a few more tables for seating in that area and on the back wall near the kitchen, we added a Winterhawk logo and more paint. The trophy cases also were revamped and painted and look really good."

Closer to the ice, the west and east side doors exiting the rink were replaced and windows added to provide some extra light.

On the ice, Watrous Minor Hockey purchased a set of boards that can be installed for teams who use half ice for games. Watrous Minor Hockey President Ryan Rheaume said they felt it was necessary to buy the new boards to replace the small blue bumpers that were currently being used. "When Hockey Sask implemented half ice regulations five years ago, as a trial run we decided to use the small blue bumpers. Since that time, half ice regulations remain in place so we made the decision to

purchase the larger boards. Most rinks in the province already have a set so we felt it was time we added some as well. They are easy to set up and do not take a whole lot of time to take down."

Rheaume said the cost for the new boards which just arrived a few weeks ago came in around \$9,400.

Murfitt said the addition of those boards is a tremendous benefit to the rink and the teams using them. "It will make a huge difference for the younger teams playing half ice."

While the pandemic remains on the minds of many, Murfitt said with COVID-19 still present, she encourages people to still remain vigilant when using the rink and other services within the community. "We are encouraging people to follow the public health order currently in place. Masks are mandatory and hopefully the pandemic will end soon. For the most part, people have been good with wearing masks and following the guidelines. Our caretaker Murray Laird is also doing a fantastic job of keeping the rink clean and safe."

Hoping for an addition to the rink in the future, Murfitt acknowledged that the facility is used immensely by the community.

Town of Watrous receives snowshoes

While the arena provides an opportunity for people to be active and the curling rink allows those wanting to curl to get on the ice, Murfitt said



►A number of renovations occurred at the Watrous Centennial Arena heading into this season. In addition to those, Watrous Minor Hockey recently purchased new boards (pictured bottom) to be used for half ice hockey games. (photos by Daniel Bushman/bottom photo submitted)



for those not wanting to take advantage of those options, she has secured another way to get active.

After viewing a webinar with other recreation directors, Murfitt got the idea about renting snowshoes from Classic Outdoors in Saskatoon. Wanting to use grant money provided by Prairie Central, while

the company did not have any rentals left, Murfitt instead decided to purchase snowshoes for residents to borrow from the Town. "As soon as I heard we got the grant, I phoned and purchased 10 pairs of snowshoes from a company."

For those interested in borrowing snowshoes, the recreation director

explained people can contact the Town Office and take them out, much like a library book. "It is free and it is so great to be able to offer it in the area. Sometimes there is not a lot you can do in the winter if you don't have the right supplies so this is just an opportunity to get outside and get active. We have already had a few people get in touch with us about them and there is a general size we ordered so kids as young as eight years old up to adults can use them. I am just excited that our town can offer this free service."

Watrous Fitness Centre

Open throughout the year, at the Watrous Fitness Centre people have been able to utilize equipment through a membership. However, on Jan. 13 there was a water

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

WATROUS MANITOU MARKETING GROUP

The Community Development Officer reports to the Watrous Manitou Marketing Group (WMMG), an independent Board of Directors. The CDO is responsible for leading, developing, and implementing all initiatives around tourism and community economic development for the WMMG as mandated by the Town of Watrous and the Resort Village of Manitou Beach.

SPECIFIC DUTIES OF THIS POSITION

- Oversee the operations of the Watrous-Manitou Marketing Group in its role to lead the promotion and facilitation of community tourism, community economic development and the marketing of the Watrous Manitou destination area.
- Work with the WMMG Board of Directors to develop strategies, marketing initiatives, and identify opportunities to promote tourism and community economic development.
- Develop and implement a yearly business and marketing plan for the WMMG and work closely with local stakeholders in the management of the local Destination Marketing Program.
- Oversee all aspects of the 'Unsinkable Watrous-Manitou' Brand including creative messaging and content development.
- Work with and develop strong working relationships with local and provincial media. When applicable, be comfortable with being the 'face' of the community.
- Represent Watrous Manitou in public speaking opportunities and presentations at local and provincial meetings, tradeshows, and conferences.
- Engage with the business community, prospective investors, the public, and other stakeholders.
- Update marketing materials as needed, such as the community profile, economic profile, business welcome package, and new resident welcome package.
- Develop new initiatives and projects to further economic, tourism, and community development goals.

Send your cover letter and resume to:

Watrous Manitou Marketing Group
E-mail: wmmg@sasktel.net - Phone: 306-917-7300

Application Deadline: Monday, February 28, 2022

The Position Job Description is available upon request at wmmg@sasktel.net.

This competition will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only candidates invited for interviews will be contacted.

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A valid driver's licence is required.

Interested individuals should submit their resume, including driver's abstract, qualifications, work experience, three work related references and wage expectation to:

RM of Viscount No. 341
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Local resident wins jackpot prize while supporting Heritage Centre

■ submitted by Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre

The Heritage Centre Chase the Ace committee would like to announce our Jackpot prize winner! Jadah Mensch of Watrous held the winning ticket for the weekly draw of \$1,541 on Feb. 4, and then found the Ace of Spades to win the progressive jackpot of \$25,730. Congratulations Jadah!

Prize money of \$42,883 was awarded over the last 28 weeks. This fundraiser helps support the Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre and is a chance to brighten someone's day each week.

A new game is now underway with a fresh deck of cards to challenge ticket holders. The committee anticipates continued support from the community for the weekly ticket sales. Online tickets and subscription renewals can be purchased through the website watrousheritage.ca. Cash ticket sales continue at the Heritage Centre Friday afternoons and then at TB's Bar and Grill in the evening with the weekly draw at 8 p.m.

Since the fundraiser first began, the committee has sincerely appreciated all of its supporters who have participated!



►Pictured: John Gunderson (above) shows the Ace of Spades which was selected by winner Jadah Mensch who was on the phone with Gunderson. Supporting the local Heritage Centre through the Chase the Ace fundraiser, by picking envelope number one, upon it being opened and revealing the Ace of Spades, Mensch received just over \$25,000. Pictured right: Susan Jabs, on behalf of the Heritage Centre Chase the Ace committee presented Jadah with her winnings.

© above screen image/right submitted



Sask. to lift public health orders

■ media release

The provincial requirement to provide proof of vaccination or negative tests in Saskatchewan businesses, workplaces and other public venues ends Monday, Feb. 14 at 12:01 a.m.

eHealth Saskatchewan will continue to make proof of vaccination records and QR codes available to Saskatchewan residents for use where needed including for travel or in other jurisdictions.

The remaining public health orders requiring masking in indoor public spaces will remain in effect until the end of February.

Premier Scott Moe said it is time to take the next step in living with COVID-19 and getting our lives back to normal.

"Proof of vaccination has been an effective policy, but its effectiveness has run its course," Moe said. "The benefits no longer outweigh the costs. It's time to heal the divisions over vaccination in our families, in our communities and in our province. It's time for proof of vaccination requirements to end."

Moe said vaccines and rapid test kits will continue to be widely accessible throughout the province.

"As we shift to living with COVID-19, there is a continuing need for

personal responsibility for self-monitoring, self-testing and self-management," Moe said. "It will be important for individuals to assess their own risk and comfort levels, and to take appropriate action if they are unwell."

Residents are encouraged to continue to help reduce the transmission of COVID-19, including wearing your best mask, taking advantage of free rapid testing, regular handwashing, staying home when ill and getting vaccinated, including your third/booster dose as soon as you are eligible.

COVID-19 Booster Doses

Opening Up For 12 To 17 Year Olds

All Saskatchewan residents 12 to 17 years of age are now able to receive a booster dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine effective immediately.

The Pfizer-BioNTech mRNA booster will be offered at least five months following the completion of the primary series of vaccinations to all adolescents in this age cohort.

The Omicron variant of COVID-19 is more transmissible and has a shorter incubation period with many cases remaining asymptomatic. Evidence is showing greatly enhanced protection against severe

illness and hospitalization with a third/booster dose of vaccine.

Previously the additional dose was only available for adolescents who are immunocompromised or have other health conditions and could be administered three months after receiving their primary series of vaccinations.

Information on eligibility for 12 to 17 year olds with medical conditions is available at <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/vaccine-delivery-phases>.

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All Saskatchewan residents are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated for COVID-19

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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL RM OF WOOD CREEK NO. 281

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the RM of Wood Creek No. 281 for the year of 2022 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following days: Monday to Friday, February 11th to March 14th, 2022. A bylaw pursuant to section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person wishing to discuss the notice of assessment or potential appeal may contact the assessor at the RM of Wood Creek No. 281, Box 10, Simpson, SK S0G 4M0. A notice of appeal, accompanied by a \$200 appeal fee which will be returned if the appeal is successful, must be filed with: **Secretary of the Board of Revision, Saumya Vaidyanathan, Western Municipal Consulting LTD. PO Box 149, Meota, SK S0M 1X0, by the 14th day of March, 2022.**

Dated this 11th day of February, 2022
Darlene Mann, Assessor

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL VILLAGE OF SIMPSON

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“RCMP Report”

Charges laid in 2011 missing person investigation

Nearly 10 years after Edward (Ted) Keith Geddes was last seen, two men who were known to him are charged with kidnapping and first degree murder in relation to his death.

Ted Geddes was 64-years-old when he was last seen in April 2011 in the Baldwinton, Sask. area. When RCMP officers went to his residence in Baldwinton as part of an unrelated incident in mid-April that same year, they located Ted's dog dead in the entranceway. The dog's death was not from natural causes.

"When Ted could not be located, RCMP officers started a missing person investigation," shared Insp. Josh Graham, acting Officer in Charge of Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crimes. "Ted's disappearance was believed to be suspicious in nature shortly after. Concentrated

investigative efforts were renewed in 2021 by the Saskatchewan RCMP Historical Case Unit, with the assistance of the RCMP Major Crimes Unit, which ultimately led to our announcement of charges laid."

After a nearly year-long investigation by the Saskatchewan RCMP Historical Case Unit, with the assistance of the RCMP Major Crime Unit, and consultation with Saskatchewan Crown Prosecution, two men were arrested and charged on Feb. 6, 2022 in relation to the death of Ted Geddes.

Robert "Bob" Welsey Pich from the Baldwinton area, is charged with: one count, first degree murder, section 235(1) of the Criminal Code; one count, kidnapping with a firearm, section 279(1.1)(a) of the Criminal Code; and one count, careless use of a firearm, section 86(1) of the Criminal Code.

John Gregoire from the Baldwinton area, is charged with single

counts of: first degree murder, section 235(1) of the Criminal Code; kidnapping with a firearm, section 279(1.1)(a) of the Criminal Code; and Indecently interfering with human remains, section 182(b) of the Criminal Code.

Both made their first appearance in North Battleford Provincial Court on Feb. 8, 2022.

This investigation was conducted with the assistance of multiple RCMP units including Cut Knife RCMP Detachment, Saskatchewan RCMP Historical Case Unit with the assistance of the Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crime Unit, RCMP Forensic Identification Section, among others.

Search warrants were executed at a rural property outside the community of Baldwinton.

"As time passes, people responsible for these types of crimes might assume the police aren't investigating them – this is simply not the case. This is just one example that demonstrates the continued perseverance and commitment of our homicide investigators in helping bring a sense of closure for the family and friends of victims of homicide in Saskatchewan. Even if

that takes nearly 10 years, as with this case," said Insp. Graham, adding, "This investigation is still ongoing because Ted has not been located. We want to bring that closure to his family, so our investigators will continue to work diligently to try and locate Ted and bring him home."

RCMP respond to multiple collisions

On Feb. 10 at approximately 3:15 a.m., Craik RCMP received a report of a motor vehicle collision on Hwy 11 between Girvin and Davidson.

Investigation determined that a semi collided with a second stopped semi. A third semi then collided with them. The semis then caught fire. The drivers reported minor injuries.

At about the same time, approximately five kilometres south of this, a semi collided with a second parked semi that was stopped on the road. One driver was taken to hospital with injuries that are described as non-life-threatening and the other was not injured.

While responding to a collision, a Davidson Volunteer Fire Department fire truck rolled over. Two fire fighters were inside. One was taken to hospital with what are described as non-life-threatening

injuries; the other didn't report injuries.

Craik RCMP received reports of several other motor vehicle collisions in the early morning hours.

"Road conditions were extremely icy early this morning but have now improved significantly," said Sgt. Robb Karaim from the Craik RCMP.

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and all residents 12+ are eligible for a third/booster dose.

Information about Saskatchewan Health Authority vaccine clinics and participating pharmacies is available at Saskatchewan.ca/covid-19.

After Tuesday's announcement, Horizon School Division CEO Kevin Garinger sent a letter to parents notifying them of what will take place at schools within the division.

"As many of you know, the Government of Saskatchewan announced upcoming changes to the public health orders today. We have all felt the impacts of the COVID-19, and I know that adjusting to these changes has been challenging. As we have done throughout the pandemic, Horizon School Division will continue to follow the direction of our expert health officials and the Government of Saskatchewan."

What this means for Horizon School Division is:

- all schools will move to Level 2 in the Levels of Concern in Horizon's COVID-19 Strategy effective Feb. 14, 2022. (The Physical Education, Performing Arts, and Return to Sport Protocols will remain at Level 2.)

- Administrative Procedure 427 COVID-19 Vaccination and Test Verification will be removed effective Feb. 14, 2022.

- Mandatory masking requirements will be removed effective Mar. 1, 2022. However, Horizon School Division will continue to be "Mask-Friendly" and we will support individuals who wish to wear masks in our facilities.

- The Horizon School Division COVID-19 Strategy will cease effective Mar. 1, 2022. Proper hand hygiene, and sanitization will continue to be best practice for Horizon.

"Please continue to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and stay home if you are sick. The government also recommends continuing to perform rapid antigen tests regularly. Thank you for your continued efforts to keep each other safe. Please contact your school principal or Horizon Central Office at 306-682-2558 or horizon@horizonsd.ca if you have any questions."

Paxlovid is now available to eligible Saskatchewan residents.

This new treatment for COVID-19 is recommended for people who have tested positive for COVID-19, have symptoms and are at high risk of severe illness, hospitalization or death.

Paxlovid, which is taken as a pill, is effective only in the early stages of illness, within five days of the start of COVID-19 symptoms.

Paxlovid is available only through assessment and referral from HealthLine 811.

Paxlovid does not prevent COVID-19. Your best protection is still vaccination.



For information about eligibility and how to access treatment visit: saskatchewan.ca/covid19-treatments



“Sports”



► Facing the Outlook Ice Hawks in a best of three Senior B Provincial series, the Watrous Winterhawks were on the road for game one Feb. 4. With Outlook leading 4-1 after 20 minutes, Watrous replied with a marker in the second while the Ice Hawks added a pair to go up 6-2 through 40 minutes. In the third, Outlook notched two more to take game one 8-2. Watrous returned home for game two Feb. 5 (pictured). In that one, Outlook nabbed a 5-0 first period advantage and then led 7-1 after two. At the buzzer, it was the visitors who collected the win by a final score of 11-1. The two wins eliminated Watrous from provincial contention. Shots through 60 minutes in game two were 51-24 Outlook. In Long Lake Hockey League play, Watrous headed to Wynyard Feb. 7 to wrap up its regular season as the Monarchs won 11-2. Watrous then met Davidson in round one of playoffs, losing the opening contest in Davidson 9-5. The teams are in Watrous for game two of the best of three Feb. 15.

■ photos by Daniel Bushman

Watrous U13 Volleyball Club sets sights on successful season

■ submitted by Watrous U13 Volleyball Club co-coach Curtis Chester

Watrous U13 Volleyball Club attended its first Saskatchewan Cup Feb. 6 and 7 in Warman. The athletes and coaches had a great weekend of volleyball in which everyone demonstrated significant growth in skill development.

The team is excited to build positive relationships and increase our skills as the season progresses. Watrous U13 Volleyball Club sincerely appreciates Blairs, Watrous Home Hardware, Manitou Mainline Chrysler, and Watrous Animal Hospital for purchasing volleyballs, uniforms and subsidizing the cost of registration.

This year's team includes: Kellie Campbell, Bella Abrey, Kaylin Bartel, Emma Bushman, Danica Chester, Ashlynn Coward, Abbie Schindel, Ashlynn Rutz, Hayley Johnston, and Alexa Binsfeld. Coaches are Rene Campbell and Curtis Chester.



► Back row (left to right): Kellie Campbell, Bella Abrey, Kaylin Bartel, Emma Bushman, Danica Chester and front row: Ashlynn Coward, Abbie Schindel, Ashlynn Rutz. Missing: Hayley Johnston, Alexa Binsfeld. Coaches: Rene Campbell and Curtis Chester.

■ photo submitted

Teams compete at Horizon pre-district curling events

■ Daniel Bushman

Local Horizon School Division senior curling teams took aim at pre-district play as they looked to sweep toward a district berth. From the draws held Feb. 7 in Lanigan and Ituna, the top two teams from each category advanced to the HCAA Sr. Curling District Championship Feb. 11 in Wadena.

Horizon also noted the Doubles District Championship was played out at the event in Ituna. Doubles is an HCAA category only, so

the Doubles champions do not advance to SHSAA Regionals.

As for pre-district results, according to Horizon, in Lanigan:

On the boys side, Lanigan defeated Humboldt Two in its first draw to meet Bellevue. In that game, Lanigan lost and moved to the B-Side. In that bracket, Lanigan faced Humboldt Two once again but this time was unable to get past them and were

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No registrations will be accepted after Apr. 10th

CONTACT: watrousball@gmail.com



“Opinion”

VISCOUNT

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Has spring sprung or are we just being teased? As I am writing the news, Wednesday, Feb. 9, it is simply beautiful outside. Not even a wind, hopefully it remains. When the weather starts to get like this I am always thinking of gardens, garage sales and outside fresh air.

Four ladies met at the Viscount library despite the freezing temperature. We were given 13 beautiful quilted blankets made by a lady in Bruno, given to us by her daughter from Meacham, who then stayed and sewed with us. We had a lovely afternoon joining squares to make a blanket.

Blankets for Canada has received several thank you cards from the shelters we give our blankets to. They are grateful for them. It is important for me to emphasize that the thank you extends to everyone who lends a hand in any way in the making of these blankets. For more info, please call Evelina at 306-944-4820.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week and enjoy the weather if you possibly can.

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Colonsay Community Rink now has Livebarn, a streaming service that allows you to watch any game or practice from home. You can sign up under the promo code: colo-nsay and receive 10 percent off your subscription. The rink will receive a rebate for all subscriptions under that promo code.

Get well wishes to Marie Cottingham who is in the hospital.

Gary Foulds from Calgary visited Jim, Irene and Joanne Gray Sunday, Feb. 6.

January 31 will be remembered for a very long time. The RCMP and Colonsay Fire Department brought vehicles and people off the highway to stay at the Colonsay Community Hall. Visibility was nil. Several members of the community came to the hall with blankets, pillows and bedding. Town council also cooked for the stranded people. Also some homes welcomed anyone to stay at their home. At the hall there were 40 people who took advantage of a place

to stay. A resident also took bottles of water to stranded truckers that were stranded on the highway. Blue Horizon at the junction of 2 and 16 welcomed 18 people to spend the night. Cranch's Garage made many trips to help the stranded vehicles get out of the snowbanks. Hats off to everyone who were able to help that stormy night. Community spirit is still here.

The Colonsay Community Rink has been really busy hosting two big tournaments the last two weekends.

Congratulations to Queen Elizabeth II for reaching her Platinum Jubilee of 70 years on the throne Feb. 6. Canada Post has released a new stamp featuring the long reigning monarch.

Sadly our post office has once again been broken into.

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Tips from
Reena Nerbas

able bag with dry uncooked rice. Place the phone inside the bag and remove as much of the air as possible. Close the bag and leave for 24 to 36 hours. Check the liquid conductor light on the side of the phone, if the phone was damaged by water, the light will shine red (instead of the normal white or silver color). If the light is red, take the phone to a specialist for repair.

Dear Reena,

I wash my counter with soap and water, rinse it and dry it and it looks marvellous. Only until I wipe a spill with a wet cloth and it gets a white film on it, I think it started after I put sealer on it. The white film looks awful until I start the washing process again. I cannot do that every day as it does not last. Thanks for looking into this problem, Molly

Dear Molly,

The white marks are caused by the minerals left behind when water or soap and water sit on the countertop and then evaporate. The solutions are not expensive or time consuming. The first step is to dry the countertop after each use. The next step is to wipe the dry counter with mineral oil. Reapply every few months or when needed.

Dear Reena,

Why are English cucumbers shrink wrapped? Evan

Dear Evan,



Neighbourly advice
according to Ed

A spiritual column
by contributor
Raymond Maher
www.accordingtoed.com

Most of us would agree with Jody Picoult that anxiety is like a rocking chair. It gives us something to do, but it does not get us far. We understand at a common-sense level that neither worrying nor being anxious are a good use of our time, but we may still get comfort from them and keep them as close friends.

Others may not know how much power they assert over us. We are good at keeping our feelings hidden. Who is burdened down by stress, fear, doubt, physical or emotional pain,

Solutions and Substitutions

Dear Reena,

I dropped my iPhone into the water. Is there anything that I can do to fix it or is it garbage? Candace

Dear Candace,

Step one: turn the phone off immediately. Step two: dry the phone with a soft towel (not a hair dryer). Step three: fill a plastic sealable bag with dry uncooked rice. Place the phone inside the bag and remove as much of the air as possible. Close the bag and leave for 24 to 36 hours. Check the liquid conductor light on the side of the phone, if the phone was damaged by water, the light will shine red (instead of the normal white or silver color). If the light is red, take the phone to a specialist for repair.

Dear Reena,

I wash my counter with soap and water, rinse it and dry it and it looks marvellous. Only until I wipe a spill with a wet cloth and it gets a white film on it, I think it started after I put sealer on it. The white film looks awful until I start the washing process again. I cannot do that every day as it does not last. Thanks for looking into this problem, Molly

Dear Molly,

The white marks are caused by the minerals left behind when water or soap and water sit on the countertop and then evaporate. The solutions are not expensive or time consuming. The first step is to dry the countertop after each use. The next step is to wipe the dry counter with mineral oil. Reapply every few months or when needed.

Dear Reena,

Why are English cucumbers shrink wrapped? Evan

Dear Evan,

If you were to compare the appearance of a shrink wrapped English cucumber over two weeks versus a non-wrapped English cucumber, you would notice that the shrink-wrapped cucumber lasts about three times longer. Shrink wrapping reduces dehydration and damage to cucumbers during transport and reduces the amount of moisture lost in the cucumber.

Extra tip: English cucumbers: shrink wrap takes a while to remove. To quickly remove the plastic wrap cut the cucumber in half so that it is easier to work with. Score the plastic along the seam being careful not to cut through the cucumber. Remove plastic and cut off both ends of the cucumber because the ends are a little bitter. If you are cutting plastic off several cucumbers, consider using an electric knife to cut the plastic off. Take extra care not to cut yourself when using an electric knife because the cucumber may roll while you are working with it.

Smart tips of the week

• For years I have used commercial products for denture cleaning and for years I have read with suspicion the long list of ingredients. No need! Now I just use water and baking soda. My dentures my get a bit brown over some weeks and at that point I can still use Polident. Submitted by: Luigi

• I live in a cold climate and in the winter my newspaper is rolled in an elastic band and it is hard to unroll so I put it in the microwave for about 1 to 1/2 minutes and it lays flat. Submitted by: Bob

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

Worrying often gives a small thing a big shadow

yet smiling on the outside? What should we do when we find ourselves feeling discouraged, even feeling broken and unable to put our pieces back together?

Many would like to throw anxiety away and trash their habit of worrying. Sometimes we can do so, but other times we cannot conquer stress, worry and opposition from others by our power or strength. In the book of Nehemiah in the bible, the Israelites had good reason for anxiety. The Israelites were stuck in a weak and hopeless situation. Often there are no quick or easy fixes for our circumstances. The Israelites had forgotten that God is not indifferent or uncaring to our concerns.

Nehemiah was a Jew or Israelite born in Persia during the Exile to Babylon. He was the cupbearer to Persia's king. Nehemiah's job was a highly esteemed position in the king's court; as cupbearer, Nehemiah tasted all wine brought

before the king to ensure it was not poison.

Nehemiah shared with the king that the Jews who had returned from exile to Jerusalem faced opposition and reproach. They were surrounded by enemies who mocked them as weak and despised because the walls of their city, Jerusalem, were in ruin, and its gates were burned.

Nehemiah was concerned for the Israelites at Jerusalem and asked the king for permission to go to Jerusalem, an area under the Persian King's control, to help his people there. God blessed Nehemiah's plan to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the city's walls. The king commissioned Nehemiah to act as governor of Jerusalem.

Nehemiah not only returned to Jerusalem but led the Jews there to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem in 52 days despite intimidation and threats from those near them who did not want the Jews to rebuild their city

and themselves as God's people.

Nehemiah as governor to Jerusalem brought God's love in a hands-on way to the discouraged and struggling people of God. Nehemiah encouraged and strengthened the Israelites in rebuilding the walls and gates of their city. This fast rebuilding of Jerusalem convinced surrounding nations that the Israelites had accomplished their rebuilding with the help of their God.

The Israelites were stuck, unable to rebuild their city until God sent Nehemiah to their rescue. God rescues and restores those who wait in trust for Him to help them. God is working his will for us and tells us to trust him and to stop worrying. Jesus said, "Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life?" (Luke 12: 25) God knows how He will cure our anxiety and restore our hope and future. We may need to wait for God to act.

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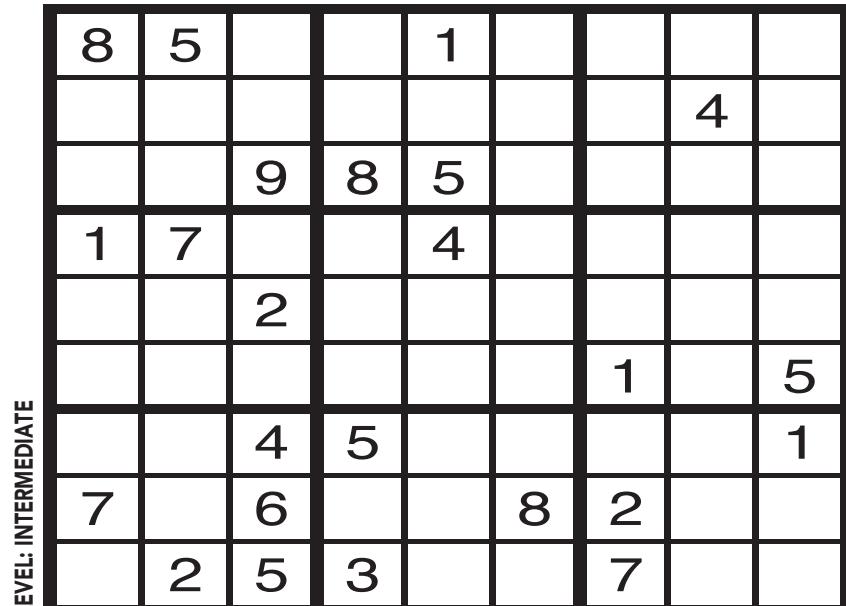
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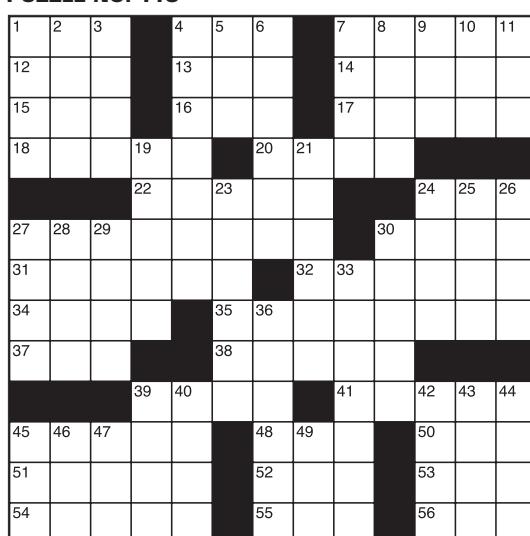
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- 4. Apiece
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- 24. Riot crowd
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- 41. Morsel
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- 50. Briny expanse
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DOWN

- 1. Not ons
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- 3. Sole
- 4. Meadow
- 5. Memorable time
- 6. Exchange for cash
- 7. For men only
- 8. Easter flower
- 9. Cookie grain
- 10. Prospector's find
- 11. Accepted standard
- 19. Cozy corners

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TO SUDOKU AND
CROSSWORD,
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At the Watrous Centre

Whist winners at the Senior Centre Thursday, Feb. 3 were: first - Rod Degenstein, 156; second - Doug Gregory, 141; third - Kathleen Paul, 134; fourth - Lorne Bradbeer, 132. Travelling - Gena Amendt and Fred Kahlert. Homesteader was Betty Carlson, nine times at same table.

Kaiser winners at the Senior Centre

Monday, Feb. 7 were: first - Lorne Bradbeer, 194; second - Gena Amendt, 191; third - Colleen Hunt - 172; fourth - Fred Kahlert - 162.

Anyone interested in submitting local Watrous news can do so by faxing 306-946-2026, emailing watrous.manitou@sasktel.net or stopping by the office.

Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

Buttermilk Lemon Pie

Ingredients:

- 1 baked single pie crust
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup flour
- 2 cups buttermilk
- 1/2 cup water
- 3 egg yolks lightly beaten
- 6 tbsp. lemon juice
- 2 tbsp. butter
- Meringue
- 3 egg whites
- 6 tbsp. sugar

Directions:

In saucepan combine sugar and flour, gradually stirring in buttermilk and water until smooth. Cook and stir over medium heat until thickened and bubbling (about 4 minutes). Reduce heat to simmer and cook another 2 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir a small amount of hot filling into the egg yolks, return to the pan stirring constantly. Bring to a gentle boil, cook and stir about 2 more minutes. Stir in lemon juice and butter until butter is melted. Keep filling warm. In small mixing bowl beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually add the sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time, until stiff peaks form and sugar is dissolved. Pour the hot filling into the pastry shell, spread meringue over hot filling making sure the meringue touches the edges of the pastry. Bake at 350°F for about 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on rack for 1 hour, refrigerate for about 4 to 5 hours before serving.

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►The Winston High School gym in Watrous was a hub of activity as the senior boys basketball team played host to an eight team tournament. Competing during the first weekend of February, after losing its first game to Unity, the Wildcats won the B-side with victories over Porcupine Plain and Lake Lenore. In the A-side final, St. Brieux defeated Unity while Osler VCA defeated Norquay in the three/

four game. Winston High School tournament players included: Gr. 9: Cade Armstrong, Burke Bartko, and Eddie Mehlmann; Gr. 10: Jemar Brockman and Emmitt Nielsen; Gr. 11: Kade Thomas and Charlie Pilling, and Gr. 12: Pearce Bartko, Tucker Klisowsky, Richard Mehlmann, and Dakota Boldt.

■ photos courtesy of WHS
taken by Cheyenne Peters-Stewart and Anwyn Thomas



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eliminated. Winning the A-Side was Bellevue while Bruno won the B-Side.

On the girls side, Lanigan defeated Humboldt and met Quill Lake for the A-side. Quill Lake beat Lanigan; however, Lanigan faced Humboldt in the B-side final and won to advance to districts. LeRoy meanwhile faced Quill Lake in its opening draw and after being defeated met Humboldt

on the B-side. In that game, Humboldt was able to advance.

On the mixed side, Watrous beat Quill Lake in its first draw and met Watson in the A-side final. Watrous then defeated Watson to move on to districts.

In pre-district action in Ituna:

On the boys side, Imperial played Raymore in the first draw and it was Raymore moving on. Imperial then met

Muenster Two but were unable to advance.

On the girls side, Ituna and Wadena both advanced.

On the mixed side, Raymore and Foam Lake both advanced.

In Doubles in Ituna, Imperial lost to Strasbourg and Wadena with Strasbourg defeating Wadena to take the championship.

Which car seat is best for your child?

■ media release

Proper installation and use of infant and child car seats save the lives of children every year. It is important to use a car seat that fits your child's height, weight, and development for every ride. Always follow the instructions in your car seat and vehicle manuals. The information below can help you decide which car seat is

best for your child.

An infant seat is a rear-facing only seat that many parents use from birth (minimum weight 1.8 or 2.3 kg, 4 or 5 lb). It has a base that is installed in the backseat of the vehicle, and the carrier attaches to it. It has a handle that allows the seat to be carried outside of the vehicle with the child in it.

Convertible and 3-in-1 car seats rear face, forward

face, and sometimes convert into a booster (3-in-1). Often, these seats can rear face from 2.3 to 18 kg (5 to 40 lb) or more. These seats stay in the vehicle, and the child is carried or walks to the vehicle. A rear-facing car seat must be used until a child is at least 1 year of age, 10 kg (22 lb), and can walk. Some models require a child to stay rear facing until at least 2 years of age. Waiting until your child outgrows their rear-facing seat before moving to a forward-facing seat is the safest way to travel.

Most forward-facing seats can be used when a child is at least 1 year of age (some require 2 years), 10 kg (22 lb), and can walk. Forward-facing seats have a maximum weight limit of at least 18 kg (40 lb), with many models allowing for a child up to 36 kg (65 lb). Combination car seats can be used forward-facing and can convert to a booster, but do not have rear-facing capabilities.

A booster seat should be used after a child reaches the maximum weight or height of their forward-facing car seat. Most booster seats can be used when a child is at least 18 kg (40 lb), with some stating a minimum age for use (e.g., 4 years). It is law in Saskatchewan that children must use a car seat/booster seat until age 7, or until they weigh 36 kg (80 lb) and stand 145 cm (4'9") tall. A booster seat should be used until the child fits the adult seat belt properly (usually between 8 and 12 years of age).

Booster seats work by raising the child in the vehicle seat, so the seat belt is properly positioned low over the child's hips and across their chest and collar bone, lessening the chance of a serious abdominal or neck injury in a crash. Low back boosters can be used in vehicles equipped with head rests. High back boosters must be used in vehicles not equipped with head rests. Combination booster seats can convert and be used in a high back or low back mode.

For more information on car seat fit and use, visit: <https://skprevention.ca/passenger-and-vehiclesafety/> or email info@skprevention.ca.

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main break forcing the temporary closure of the facility on Main Street. "We had water enter the gym from the street and so we had to close for the time being. Since then we have had people come out to assess the damage and progress is being made to get it back up and running very soon. We appreciate all of our gym members for their patience."

Submitting ideas

Wanting to provide residents an opportunity to share ideas about what they would like to see happen in Watrous, Murfitt sent out a call to garner interest from people as to what they would like to have take place in Watrous.

"I have got quite a few emails, texts or people stopping me on the street. Since then, I started compiling a list of those ideas and I am always open to anything that

would interest people. I know Watrous has tried many different things and we are hoping to try and bring some of those things to life."

Remembrance Day Project

Another thing Murfitt has been a part of is helping to form a committee for a Remembrance Day Project. Hoping to have banners or some type of signage to honour local Veterans, Murfitt noted she has already had a couple of people call in asking to be on the committee. While they are still seeking some additional members, a meeting is being planned for sometime in February. "We are hoping to have some people meet and discuss what we are looking at. Our goal is to do some sort of display in town or at the Cenotaph Park. I think this will be an ongoing project for the next few years but we want to get started accumulating information on our local Veterans and try and get a big portion of it done this year."

With the local Legion no longer in Watrous, Murfitt

felt it is important to remember what has been done for the community, the surrounding area and the country as a whole. "I think it is a good way to honour our local Veterans and just know that their families in the area would know they are not forgotten. Just because we don't have a Legion in our community doesn't mean we have forgotten about those who served."

Participation Community Challenge

While not taking place right away, Murfitt said on the radar for later this year, Watrous will again be taking part in the Participation Community Challenge. People will be able to log their active minutes for the month of June, and in doing so, Watrous has a chance to win \$100,000. "Imagine what that could do for our community! We are encouraging you to download the Participation app on your phone or log on to the site to get familiar with logging your minutes. The challenge will take place from June 1 to 30. More information will be available closer to June."

Lanigan school project goes to tender; remains on schedule

■ Daniel Bushman

With the goal of opening a new state-of-the-art Pre-K to Gr. 12 school in Lanigan heading into the 2023-24 school year, the project remains right on schedule as the facility's design heads to tender.

Through numerous planning meetings over the past year, Horizon School Division CEO Kevin Garinger is excited to be able to see the project advance to the next step. "We have recently received approval to move to the tender process. Our architects are working to finalize the last of the architectural drawings and we will do our final cost analysis through our cost consultant before moving through the tender process. It is going to be very exciting for us."

With the expectation of putting shovels in the ground come spring, Garinger shared that despite a few escalations cost-wise, all things considered, everything is falling into place.

"We were able to share the designs with the Board, SCC, staff, students, and schools in Lanigan and everyone is absolutely elated about the opportunities this will create."

Through meeting with staff and the SCC after showing them the design, Garinger noted the Board was able to receive additional insight to consider before the final green light is given. "We are going to look at implementing some other opportunities that were not necessarily part of our initial design. It was a really important process and through that, we got that excitement flowing for getting this new school built."

As for what people can expect to see inside the new school, Garinger shared a few unique concepts as part of the design.

"We are planning on having two gymnasiums, industrial arts, home economics, and lots of practical and applied arts opportunities for students. We are also going to look to ensure that we have some open

area spaces, in particular a design that includes a presentation stair and outdoor classroom space for agricultural learning."

As part of the presentation stair, a concept similar to what Rosthern created in their build, Garinger said pretty much the entire student body from the school would be able to sit on the stair or within that area. "If we want presentations to happen, they can happen in that space. It also looks out to the gymnasium so if we do have things going on in the gym, people sitting on the presentation stair can watch through a glass wall. It is a really attractive area and it will be a great learning space, but also a space where kids can get together to engage with each other. We are really excited to offer that space to our students."

Looking to complete the tender process sometime in March so groundwork can commence by April or May,

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Varying conditions across province according to initial runoff report

■ media release

spring melt. The report shows most of southern Saskatchewan with below normal snowmelt runoff potential. The central areas, with above normal snowpack, can expect an above normal snowmelt response and near normal conditions are currently projected for the far north. Much of the southern

areas of Saskatchewan experienced very dry conditions through the summer and into fall last year. The exception is an area just east of Moose Jaw through Weyburn, Indian Head and Regina, where wetter fall conditions and near normal snowfall have projected a near normal snowmelt. The snowpack is generally above to well

above normal to date in the central areas; however, flooding is not expected despite the predicted above normal runoff response. The far north, encompassing the areas of Uranium City, Stony Rapids and Cluff Lake are anticipated to experience a near normal runoff event.

The melt rate is expected

to have a significant impact on runoff yields across the south. With depleted subsoil moisture, a slow melt will likely result in the bulk of the snowpack recharging the soil column. A rapid melt is likely needed to result in an improvement to surface water supplies. The current snowpack is not sufficient to satisfy

both. Without additional snowfall, surface water supply issues are likely to occur in southwestern Saskatchewan in 2022.

The spring runoff outlook could change as there is potentially another eight to 10 weeks of winter remaining. The first spring runoff forecast will be issued in early March.

Manitou Beach organization awarded SK Arts grant

■ media release

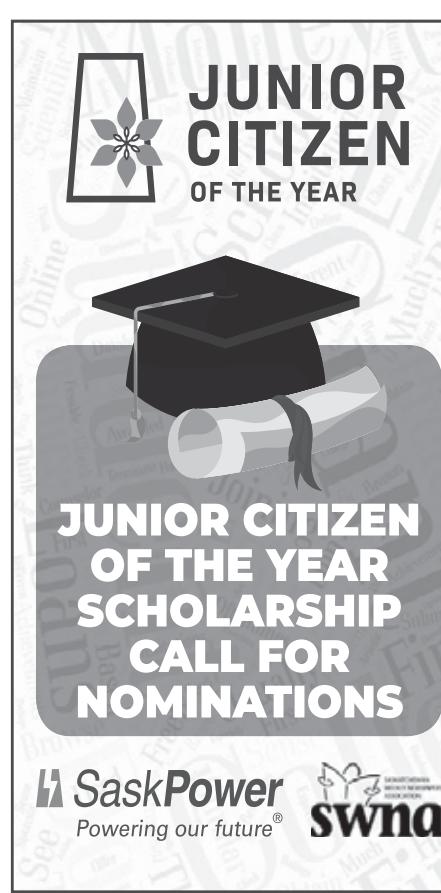
The Association of Manitou Arts & Cultures Inc. received a \$4,800 SaskFestivals - Projects grant from SK Arts to hold the 2022 Manitou Music Fest, which will "deliver a quality festival, including an eclectic selection of professional musicians, songwriters, dancers, artisans, and performers."

SaskFestivals grants support and encourage festival organizations and series presenters that have a positive impact on the arts in Saskatchewan. SaskFestivals is supported by funding from Sask Lotteries through the partnership between SK Arts and SaskCulture.

At the most recent grant deadlines, SK Arts awarded funding to more

than 100 individuals and organizations, totaling almost \$840,000. SK Arts funding supports a variety of initiatives, including organizations that provide ongoing programs in the arts, the creative work of professional artists, community art projects and the engagement of professional artists to work in schools with students and teachers.

Established in 1948, SK Arts is the oldest public arts funder in North America and second oldest in the world after the Arts Council of Great Britain. SK Arts provides grants, programs and services to individuals and groups whose activities have an impact on the arts in Saskatchewan and ensure that opportunities exist for Saskatchewan residents to experience all art forms. For more information, visit www.sk-arts.ca.



The graphic features a graduation cap resting on a rolled-up diploma. To the left is a stylized flower logo. The text "JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR" is at the top, and "JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR SCHOLARSHIP CALL FOR NOMINATIONS" is in the center. Logos for SaskPower and SWNA are at the bottom.

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Obituary



FUNK, Katherine

My Life Story – written by Katherine Klippenstein Funk in 2016 (at age 91).

My parents were Jacob and Helena Klippenstein, Russian immigrants, who with their two little girls had fled their homeland in 1923 when life became unbearably chaotic with revolution, starvation, and fear of death.

I was born in 1925 in Dominion City, Manitoba, the third girl, which was not considered a positive event. Fortunately, my parents loved me anyway! In 1926 we moved to Rush Lake, SK where my father attempted to support us by farming – the only option to immigrants at that time. Dad was ill suited to this task – his career in Russia had been teaching. However, he did his best, and endured many crop failures, especially through the dirty thirties.

Three boys and one more girl were added to complete our family. Daily we hitched up our two wheeled cart and drove the three miles to school, unless it was colder than -20F. Education was important to our parents and we were encouraged to use this tool to better ourselves. Our spiritual life consisted of morning, evening, and Sunday afternoon devotions around the kitchen table. Dad played the violin, mom corded on the guitar, and we all sang. Mom was hard working and resourceful. Life was pretty good if only we'd had more money. Even as a child I was conscious of being poor. The burden of "how will we survive the winter" was heavy on me. I still bear the marks of that burden. I assure you, I help you farmers worry when rain doesn't come in season.

In 1942, after sixteen years of farming we had our first good crop. During that harvest, my fourteen-year-old brother Henry was killed in a threshing accident. This forever changed our lives. Our mother was never quite the same after losing her son. Our father leaned into his faith, and feeling a nudge from God, accepted a leadership position and was ordained as a pastor in the Herbert Mennonite Church. I was seventeen and in grade eleven when my brother died. On Monday morning Henry's desk

at school was empty. I was heart broken, and even now, seventy-three years later I am flooded with sorrow at this memory.

By this time, World War II was raging. We felt it in Canada as well. Workers were urged to enlist in the army, so they left their jobs. The need for teachers was great, so after grade 12 I enrolled in Normal School in Moose Jaw.

After the two month training period I was deemed a teacher. I was eighteen years old, had been recently baptized, and accepted a teaching position fifty miles away from home. I had 25 students in grades 1-10. I came to realize that children will learn in spite of their teacher, for what did I have to offer?

There were many young people my age in this village and I enjoyed the social life and my freedom. There were even barn dances, but well – that was going too far. I spent three years here after which I got a promotion to teach back in my hometown. We rented a small house so that my younger sister and two brothers could live with me and attend school in town. At the age of 21 I was responsible for 25-36 students and 3 younger siblings at home. Somehow we managed. Dad would come to town with the horses and take us home for the weekends. Mom would make us food for the week ahead.

After five years of teaching I chose the road that led to CMBC, where I thrived and grew spiritually. I worked part time as a nurses' aid to support myself. I made wonderful lifelong friends and met my life's partner there. Henry and I were married in 1951, three weeks after my convocation, and joined hearts and hands in the service of God for 60 years. My father married us. Henry was already ordained and ministering in Carmen, Man. so I joined him there. We rented a tiny old house for \$25 a month. In 1953 Bob was born, and eventually learned to walk in spite of the uneven heaving floors. In 1953 we moved to Winnipeg where Henry served in the St. Vital Mennonite Church and finished his Education degree at the University of Manitoba. Christine Marie was born here in 1956. It was a difficult and lonely time for me, as we shared a small house with one bathroom with another family who also had two babies. Following this, we moved to Rosthern, Sask. where Joanne was born in 1960. Henry taught at RJC. My father had recently passed away so we moved mom to Rosthern. My sister Mary lived down the street and my sister Helen lived in the next town. These were wonderful years and I wasn't lonely anymore. After 4 years in Rosthern, we moved to Waldheim to pastor in the Zoar Mennonite Church. There in the course of 9

happy years, our children grew up. I took correspondence courses and attended summer school at the U of S. I returned to teaching and it felt so good.

In 1971 came the invitation to Drake. We packed up, pulled up our roots, and entered this community. Bob had just finished High School and left for Bible School. Chris and Joanne made new friends and eventually married 2 of them! I joined the staff at Drake Elementary school and taught Kindergarten for 13 years. Thank you for accepting us just as we were.

Henry retired at the age of 65 and I also stopped teaching. We experienced a voluntary service term at a Bible School in Mexico. Other travels included the Maritimes, Yukon, Grand Canyon, and many places in North America. These were good years. Our children settled near us and were a big part of our lives. They gave us 9 grandchildren to love, and there were many happy times at "gramma's house."

Henry's health slowly deteriorated and dementia set in. We watched him slowly walk away from us. He moved to the Lanigan Care Home for the last 13 months of his life. Words cannot describe the sorrow of losing Henry. Now, at the age of 91 I am also living in the Care Home. I am sitting there in my room right now as I write this. The care is good, the kids are wonderful, and I'm waiting to go "Home". I have lived a full and rich life. I tried to live for the Lord. My performance was not perfect (far from it) but if I had to do it all over again, I would make the same decisions.

But I am sorry to leave my children and grandchildren, May God bless each one of you! I know that you loved me. We will all meet again in heaven and sing in the Hallelujah chorus, or have a wiener roast.

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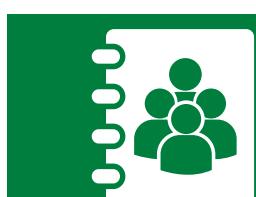
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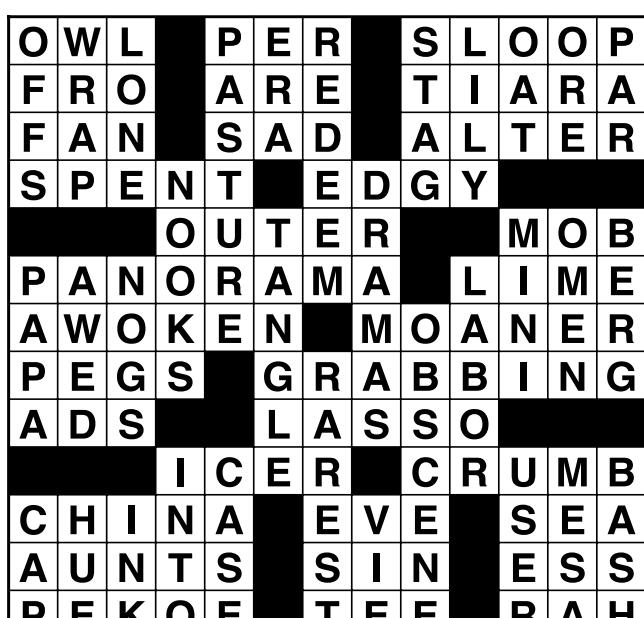
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Garinger said, "We are on pace to do just that, which we are looking forward to, especially now that we have approval from the government to move ahead with our tender."

With a multi-million dollar construction budget for the brand new facility, the division CEO noted that if there ends up being a few cost overtures, Horizon School Division's Board indicated they will help support the project as necessary.

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students and with the new school being constructed just a bit west and between the current schools in Lanigan, Garinger said The Town of Lanigan has been outstanding throughout the entire process. Planning to get together with Lanigan Town Council in March, Garinger explained the division will go over the components of the project and how they may work together with the Town of Lanigan. "They have al-

ready been working with us on it and we have been engaged in exchanging land so that we can make sure we had the area we needed for our school and they have the land back that they may be able to utilize. The town council, the mayor, and the Chief Administrative Officer have been incredible partners and have been tremendous to work with. We look forward to putting a brand new school in their community."

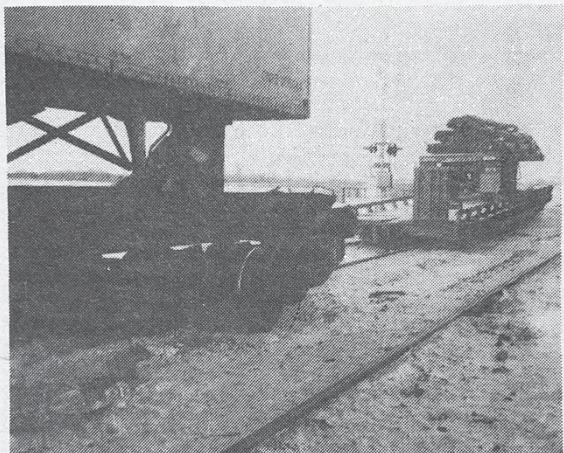
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The accident occurred at a switch when the rear set of wheels on a flat car apparently left the rails, became disconnected from the car,

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS JANITORIAL SERVICES

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has a requirement for janitorial services at the Last Mountain Lake National Wildlife Area (LML NWA) located at SW30-28-23-W2 Simpson, SK S0G 4M0

Cleaning is required for the administration building, pavilion and main washrooms as well as the summer staff residence and two portable washrooms buildings for a total area of 5750 sq. ft.

The LML NWA office is open routinely from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and the portable washrooms are open to the public dawn until dusk, 7 days per week.

Cleaning is required weekly for administration building and main washrooms, and portable washrooms. Cleaning is required as-needed for the pavilion and summer staff residence.

Solicitation 5000049399RR will be published on February 1, 2022 on BuyandSell.gc.ca for approximately 35 days.

Bidders must:

- have provided janitorial services for at least 1 client within the last 3 years for a minimum duration of 6 months.
- propose resources to perform the Work that have a minimum of 1 year of cleaning experience within the last 5 years.

The above statements are subject to change.

The Solicitation Documents can be found by visiting Buyandsell.gc.ca, select: For Businesses; select: Search for Opportunities; select: Search Tenders; select: Active to return a list of active tenders; and select: Request for Proposals.

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