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►The start of 2021 has certainly been a mixed bag of weather. While temperatures have been mostly above-normal for this time of year, after a beautiful Jan. 9 of hoar frost (pictured below left) and an incredible sunrise a few days later (right), high winds mixed with freezing rain and snow arrived Jan. 13 (below right). The storm created zero visibility and forced the closure of some highways in Saskatchewan. Power outages, people stranded in their vehicles and debris strewn about was also reported. As people woke up Jan. 14, vehicles were spotted in ditches, power remained out in some areas, and items had been blown about.

According to Environment and Climate Change Canada, wind gusts reached as high as 143 km/h. at Bratts Lake and 133 km/h. at Yellowgrass. In Saskatoon it hit 102 km/h. Meanwhile, Environment and Climate Change Canada said there were at least 14 records broken on Jan. 13 for daytime highs including in the Watrous area where it hit 5°C (the previous record of 3.5°C was set in 1986). In the Last Mountain Lake area a new record of 5.2°C was set, edging the previous record of 4°C from 1989. And in the Wynyard area, it reached 6°C with the old record of 5°C set in 1987.

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# Unique repair shop on wheels rolling in local region

■ Daniel Bushman

With years of knowledge as a Journeyman Technician and operating a mobile repair shop, Robert Martin along with his wife Kassy have been taking their business on the road.

Servicing the local region, Pro Mobile Agriculture Truck and Auto Services Ltd. has been in operation since the summer. Travelling near and far, Martin

graciously shared about his unique service and why he decided to give it a try.

**What is Pro Mobile Agriculture Truck and Auto Services Ltd. all about?**

Pro Mobile Agriculture Truck and Auto Services Ltd. is essentially a service truck for agricultural, semi truck and trailer and automotive repairs. We do mechanical, electrical and a/c work.

The truck is

equipped with up-to-date diagnostics and you don't have to drive into a shop to figure out what is wrong. We will come to you. We do ATV, snowmobile, small engine and pump repair work as well. Right now we are offering special pricing on labour and parts for snowmobiles and ATVs. We will even come pick up your snowblower or lawn and garden equipment, fix it, and deliver it to your home again. In addition to our service truck we offer in shop services at our farm as well as a courtesy car.

**What is unique about your services?**

We come to you. Often times when machinery breaks down, a farmer needs it to be fixed where it stands or they have to somehow get the equipment to the shop. Pro Mobile meets that need and will travel to the customer.

**How did you come up with the idea of having a fully equipped shop on wheels?**

We wanted to offer a high quality mobile service at an affordable price. Although we have to travel to your location and pay for fuel and insurance, our mobile shop doesn't have the high overhead of operating a large shop.



► Creating a mobile service truck, Journeyman Technician Robert Martin has hit the road with his wife Kassy to service the local region. Specializing in agricultural, semi truck and trailer and auto-

motive repairs, Martin is able to utilize his mobile shop to do mechanical and a/c work. The truck is also equipped with up-to-date diagnostics.

photos submitted



Without these high costs, we can pass the savings on to our clients.

**When did you start operating your business and what area do you service?**

We started our business this past July; however, the service truck was not quite complete so our customers brought their equipment and trucks to us. We have a shop at our farm and can do work in the yard there.

Our service area is rather broad as we will travel to where you need us to go, near or far, and we are always on call, 24/7.

**For those who may not know you, tell me a bit about yourself.**

My wife, Kassy and I operate the business. She is more behind the scenes in the office. I'm the guy out front as the Journeyman Technician with over 25 years of experience in ag,

semi truck/trailer and automotive industries with a background in farming and long haul trucking. We are both local to Watrous, "born and raised" so to speak.

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

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## RCMP Report

### Break and enters in LeRoy and Lanigan

At approximately 1:50 a.m. Dec. 22, 2020 a business in LeRoy was broken into. Video footage from nearby

businesses show a small car and a pickup truck were involved (pictured right).

Approximately one hour later, the same persons broke into a restaurant in

Lanigan (pictured right). The suspects used the pickup truck to ram the building and gain entry, causing significant damage.

Police believe that the pickup truck was stolen from Insinger on the same night. The truck used was recovered near Colonsay and the suspects are still at large.

The Humboldt RCMP and Crime Stoppers are seeking assistance from the public in identifying

any suspects that may have been involved with this incident.

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).

### RCMP respond to single plane crash

On Saturday, Jan. 9, just before 10 a.m., Greenwater RCMP received the report of a single plane crash approximately nine km west and six km north of Archerwill, Sask.

Initial investigation revealed two occupants were trapped inside the plane. The extent of their injuries were unknown prior to po-



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lice arrival. Weather conditions consisted of extreme fog and frost at the time of takeoff.

Tisdale Fire Department, Archerwill First Responders, Rose Valley and Naicam EMS, the Shamrock Ambulance ACP Rover from Wadena and STARS air ambulance were the responding agencies along

with Greenwater RCMP.

Two males, ages 58 and 52-years-old, were safely extracted from the plane and were taken to hospital for what were described as being serious injuries.

Greenwater RCMP released the scene that day and criminality is not being considered in this investigation at this time.



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# Former Plunkett resident bestows funds to Humboldt SPCA

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Bonnie Hepp/Humboldt SPCA Board Member

The Humboldt SPCA is in great gratitude to the late Carol Lee Streeton of Calgary, Alta. who surprised them with a will bequest to the tune of \$377,000. It was the wish of this former Plunkett resident that cats live in freedom but that the population be somewhat controlled as wild/feral cats often end up suffering from a lack of food, shelter or necessary health care.

In consultation with Carol's family, the Humboldt SPCA graciously accepted the money which will be used to create (collaboratively with the community of Plunkett) a spay/neuter program for feral/stray cats in their community.

Being aware that Plunkett was within the jurisdiction of the SPCA organization in Humboldt, Carol visited the shelter several years ago where she realized that the Humboldt organization aligned with her wish that animals be spayed/neutered and rehomed. She was also aware that the shelter does not euthanize for space and was often at capacity with their cat population. Farm families looking for cats were deterred by the costs in-

volved in having them fixed, knowing that a farm cat often has a shorter life span. Being at capacity also results in the harsh reality that animals sometimes get turned away.

Carol's family acknowledges that this sum of money would be significantly more than was needed to develop and maintain a program in Plunkett and felt that Carol's wish to care for cats was broader based. They agreed that, while maintaining a program for Plunkett, funds could also be utilized towards Humboldt's building project as without a decent facility, the feasibility of continuing an SPCA in Humboldt would be questionable.

Humboldt has been renting their current facility since 2007. The building has been renovated but lacks proper water plumbing for grooming animals and general cleaning. A new facility would allow for the organization to provide pet services that would provide income, as well as fulfill the needs that are lacking in their current building. A new building, named after Carol, would ensure that her legacy and wishes would be carried far into the future.

Hats off to one of cats' best friends: Carol Lee Streeton!



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# Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa receives recognition as a top spa

■ Daniel Bushman

Despite navigating through the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, for a seventh consecutive year, Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa has ranked as one of the best spas in the nation as part of the Spas of America's Top 100 Spas of 2020.

In addition to the remarkable achievement year after year, the resort and mineral spa also continues to hold top honours for Saskatchewan, ranking number one on the 2020 list.

General Manager at Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa Dwight Hayter said, "We're extremely proud of our staff and the consistently high level of service they provide for our customers. They strive to take care of the daily details so that customers can let go, relax and rejuvenate. This is essential for our success as it allows us to deliver the kind of unique experiences at a level of service excellence that this award reflects. I really appreciate our wonderful staff for their hard work to make this achievement possible in 2020, as well as our valued customers for supporting our business!"

In the Spas of America's Top 100 Spas of 2020, Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa placed 79th overall, ahead of locations in the United States, Jamaica, and Mexico. Of the 74 spas listed from the United States, 19 from Canada, three from Mexico and one from each Barbados, The Bahamas, Jamaica and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa placed 15th overall in Canada and number one in Saskatchewan.

Founded in 1987, the resort and mineral spa at Manitou Beach is open year-round and recognized globally for its leadership in mental and physical wellness vacations and retreats. With that type of offering, like other spas around the continent, Spas of America President Craig Oliver is hoping that better and brighter things are ahead for 2021.

"The North American spa and wellness industry was devastated by the events of the past year," said Oliver. "Many spas have been forced to close, reduce staff and operate at a reduced capacity. On the bright side we are seeing strong interest from consumers who are searching for relaxation, mental health, wellness and escape. I have no doubt North American spas will rise to meet this challenge in the year ahead."

Hayter said despite the pandemic, they were able to remain open for part of 2020 while following the guidelines set out by public health and the provincial government. Looking forward to a positive 2021, Hayter noted some of the guidelines that have been put in

place for the safety of everyone attending the resort and mineral spa as the year begins. "Right now we have a limit of 100 people in our pool so we have now limited our hotel occupancy to 85 percent. For walk-ins, we recommend not coming to the pool during Friday evenings, Saturdays, and Sunday mornings as occupancy is higher. We are taking all necessary disinfection and cleaning protocols to ensure everyone's safety and masks are mandatory in all areas of the resort but not in the pool water. Thank you for continuing to social distance in our resort and we appreciate your support as we look forward to serving you in 2021!"



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# Sports

## U18-AA Broncos loaded with local talent

■ Daniel Bushman

With a combination of skill and hard work along with the opportunity to showcase their talents, a rather unique situation has unfolded on this year's U18-AA Humboldt Broncos hockey team. While the COVID-19 pandemic has put a halt to the 2020-'21 campaign, if the season ever resumes, there is a strong contingent from Watrous who will be heavily relied upon for the team to be successful.

A total of six members who help make up the AA club call Watrous home, just one less than the total who are from Humboldt. While the remaining players on the team are scattered throughout the local region, having a strong Watrous presence has provided the U18-AA Broncos with something pretty neat. In fact, you could make a starting lineup from the group who call Watrous home with Spencer Stokke in goal, Matthew Porter, Jackson Mark and Ryland Martin playing forward and Daniel Martin and Isaac Jensen patrolling the blue line.

Playing within the Watrous Minor Hockey system before eventually competing for the Broncos, the team's head coach Derek Tropeau said it has been pretty neat to have such a large presence come from Watrous.

"They are a good group. This is Jackson's third year on the AA team and Spencer and Matthew's second years. The Martin boys and Isaac are unique because Isaac and Daniel are both third years. They have never played AA before but came out this year and are a real nice asset to the team. The younger Martin, Ryland, he is really talented and it is always nice when you have a set of brothers on the team. They are all a good group and it is quite nice to have that many from one centre."

While Tropeau is in his first year as head coach of the AA team, he is no stranger to the boys, having previously coached a number of them as an assistant last year and then during a stint in Clavet. Seeing the talent displayed from the Watrous players who were part of those teams in the past has now carried over into the U18-AA league.

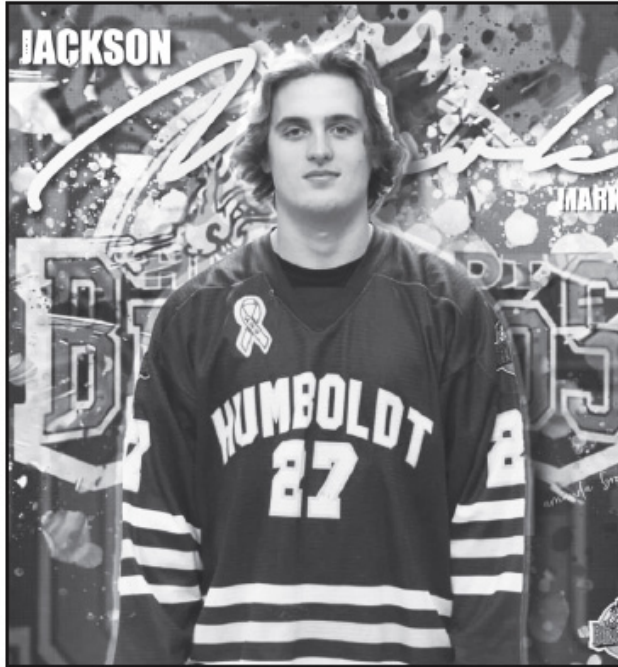
The head coach was pleased to share a bit about each and what makes them so valuable to the club.



**Spencer Stokke:** He played his first year Midget in Clavet when I was the head coach. He is quite a card and everybody likes him. He came to Clavet and fit right in and his sense of humour is off the cuff a bit. He is hard on himself but because of it, he is a good goaltender. We needed a goaltender last year and he was really good for us. Last year he was the backup to our third year guy and he ended up getting in quite a few games. He also got in a playoff game and won us a really big game. This year in Humboldt, he is great to have on the team and it is always nice to have a third year goalie with some experience. With any third year guy on the team, it is their year to shine and because of that, we have a real good tandem in net this year so far.

**Jackson Mark:** Our home base is in Clavet and Jackson's first year of Bantam, he came over to the Bantam A team and I was head coach of that team. He is a quieter kid but I remember that first year, he could shoot the puck really well. He is a good kid and more recently has been playing AA in Humboldt. This year he was voted as one of the team's alternate captains and I have noticed he has taken on more of that leadership role. We have had quite a few practices and he is one of our strongest players at centre. He has evolved and has the potential to be a goal a game type player in this league

and could go on to play some type of junior hockey.



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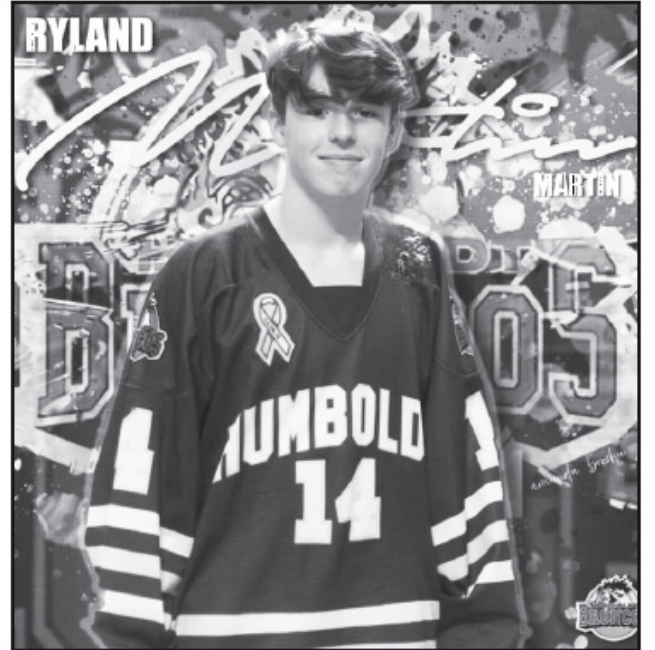


**Matthew Porter:** He was a first year player in U18 last season and is a quiet and very coachable player. He is the first first year player that I ever coached who came to tryouts with a full beard. He is a good kid with the potential to really help our team in a lot of ways. He can check and skate and when he is going hard, he can be one of our best players. Our last game we played in November was his best of the season and if we get going again and he has a good year, you never know if he will be back next year or if he will get some looks in AAA. If he is back next year, he will have a real strong third year with this team.



**Daniel Martin:** Daniel is our third year d-man and is a nice kid. I look for team guys and character because all of the other hockey stuff will fall into place. Daniel is one of those guys and has great character. He is a quiet leader and is one of our smartest defencemen, knowing where to be. At one of our practices, he and Spencer Stokke swapped positions just for a little fun and it turned out to be an awesome thing. Because we are not allowed to

bring anyone up this year, if something were to happen and we go down a goalie, we know Daniel could go in net if need be. If we can get rolling again, he will be one of our quiet leaders. He sees the ice well and fits in.



**Ryland Martin:** He is a character, highly-skilled and great skater. He has fit in really well and while we haven't got rolling too far into the season, he has the talent and will be one of the players we will be relying on to put some pucks in the net for us. Even as a first year I think he has the potential to be a goal a game type player.

It is a great combination to have these brothers and I imagine it is pretty cool for them to be able to play together this year.



**Isaac Jensen:** When I got the head coaching job, we were looking for a solid defenceman. We had a good core last year and thought we would be short on defence heading into this season. I asked Isaac if he would be interested in coming out to a practice. He skated hard and he was one of this kids where I knew he would bring a big presence to our club. As a third year, he wanted to join our team and has been probably one of our hardest working players who is trying to get better. He has a big presence, can knock people over, sees the ice really good and will do whatever we ask of him. He brings that quiet presence on the ice and I am so glad he came out.

Tropeau added, "All in all these six kids from Watrous are good small town kids, a good group and it is really unique. If we can get going again, all six will have a role in our team being successful. Whatever they are doing in Watrous, they are doing a good job."

While the season has been paused due to the pandemic, through 26 practices, an exhibition contest and three regular season games, Tropeau noted the U18-AA Broncos came out of the gates with a 1-2 record, with their last game being the team's best so far. The head coach said the club has a good mix of talent and solid work ethic and if the season resumes, he figures the team should be right in the thick of things.

"If the players buy in to what we are doing, we have the horses to win this league. Everyone gets along and the work ethic has been tremendous. We are just hoping we can hit the ice again and be able to compete for a league title and the Watrous boys will be a big part of that."



“Opinion”

**PLUNKETT**  
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Happy New Year to everyone. I hope everyone had a quiet and safe Christmas. The weatherman is bringing us great weather. Everyone is hoping COVID-19 goes away soon. It is very scary. During hunting time several hunters saw a herd of around 150 elk in a field southeast of Plunkett. They were probably headed for the community pasture. Folks who enjoy country music were sorry to hear Charlie Pride passed away. There is not much news around town. So it is very hard trying to write anything. A large afghan made by my neighbour Myrna Fleischacker was donated to the town. Tickets are being sold now. Get well wishes go out to anyone ill and in the hospital. We wish them a speedy recovery. Anyone has any news, please phone me at 306-944-4852. Thank you kindly.

**MANITOU BEACH**  
Sue Alcock

After a very weird 2020, a weird Christmas and New Year, it is time to pay more attention to the calendar and getting columns written in a timely fashion – only time will tell if I am successful!

To the family and friends of Anne Bauml we extend condolences as she passed away Jan. 5.

Non-residents will not be aware of the mild temps that are still with us and which enable lots of outdoor activities. Certainly long walks around Wellington Park, through the gravel pit and along the lakeshore are most enjoyable, especially when encountering friends and neighbours. Of course we chat while socially distancing! Reports are that the skating pond is very well used, especially weekends. The New Year weekend saw Manitou Springs Hotel being so busy that locals were not allowed into the pool – hotel guests only due to the 100 person limit imposed by the COVID regulations.

One lucky child was able to enjoy a wiener roast birthday party in the gazebo at Wellington Park, all courtesy of the mild temps. To be able to do this in January is a treat and most unusual.

We were thrilled to have a doe curl up under our deck, in front of a window, and sleep for several hours. Her ears were so thick with fur I am amazed she could hear!

Locals may have noticed that across the lake from Watrous Street and Burger Buoy there is a huge mountain of gravel so presumably there is a plan by the RM for all of that gravel.

Yes, the brush and tree fire in the gravel pit is still smouldering but the pile of brush is much smaller than before Christmas. Snowmobile tracks crossing the lake are visible and a few cross-country skiers also enjoy the lake for that pastime.

So I think I have successfully emptied the barrel of snowy activities. Keep well and safe.

For Viscount news, see page six

**Solutions and Substitutions**

  
**Tips from Reena Nerbas**

**Dear Reena,**  
I enjoy a bowl of oat cereal for breakfast and like to sprinkle it with brown sugar. My problem is the sugar is always lumpy and no amount of shaking makes the sugar finer for sprinkling. Thanks. Gordo

**Dear Gordo,**  
Brown sugar hardens when moisture inside the container evaporates; all you need to do is replenish the moisture with one of these easy solutions! Place a cut up apple or slice of bread into an airtight container with the sugar; softening will take about a day. You can also drape a damp towel over the un-lidded bowl and leave overnight or put the sugar into the microwave with a separate bowl of water. Turn the microwave on and check every 30 seconds to observe if the sugar is soft. A long-term fix is to purchase a piece of food safe clay; these are available at most grocery stores. Soak the clay in water for a few hours and then store it inside the brown sugar container to keep it moist.

**Dear Reena,**  
I sprayed my copper tea set and my silver plated set with hair spray a few years ago to avoid cleaning frequently. I used silver cleaner but it did not work on the copper or on the silver plated articles and now they are looking worse. Do you have suggestions on how to restore these items? Thank you for your wonderful column, I enjoy it very much and I am using many of your hints for my daily life. Eugenia

**Dear Eugenia,**  
Before cleaning the copper and silver, wipe the metal with rubbing alcohol to remove the hair spray (test on an inconspicuous area first). The best way to clean copper is to either spray and polish the copper with WD-40 or combine one-half cup vinegar with one tablespoon salt and one tablespoon flour. Apply to metal and leave for 15 minutes then rinse with warm water and polish (always test first). In terms of the silver cleaner, place crumpled aluminum foil in a plastic bucket. Dissolve one-quarter cup washing soda in four quarts of hot water. Place silver on foil and let stand for a few seconds until the tarnish is gone. Remove the silver, rinse and dry. Also, corrosion caused by food can be repaired by my mixing one tablespoon hot vinegar, two cups water and two teaspoons salt. Soak for five minutes and polish.

**Reader's comment on swimsuit care**

**Dear Reena,**  
I have been making my own bathing suits for over 30 years. I swim almost every day and this is what I do with swimsuits after each use. I run cold water in the bathroom sink and add about three-quarter cup of white vinegar to the water and then plunk baking soda into the sink which I leave for a while. Then I hang the dry bathing suit to dry and they last a long time! I also line my swimsuits and I think that keeps them looking better as well. Sincerely, Diana

**Dear Reena,**  
A swimsuit made from Lycra will deteriorate when exposed to chlorine. Swimsuits made from polyester are much longer lasting. I swim three times a week with my triathlon club. When I used to use Lycra suits, they would deteriorate within a couple of months, even with careful rinsing and hanging to dry. My polyester swimsuits have lasted years, with only some slight fading. I highly recommend them.

**Fabulous tip of the week**

**Dear Reena,**  
I have a yummy tip for your readers! You can make the best ribs in a slow cooker if you remove them from the slow cooker 30 minutes before serving and place them onto a baking sheet. Broil until browned, this way they are crispy on the outside and tender on the inside. Let me know what you think! Hilda

*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*

**I am putting getting better to the test in 2021**

  
**Neighbourly advice according to Ed**  
*A spiritual column by contributor Raymond Maher www.accordingtoed.com*

Ed, my old neighbour in Saskatchewan, scoffed at my plans for improved health in this new year. I am planning to become 44 percent improved in my memory, concentration, and focus. Ed, in obvious doubt, asked me, “What does your wife think about that?” I had to admit that she also is skeptical. My life is filled with scoffers and doubters. Why would I not have confidence in tablets that have been clinically tested? In the clinical tests, adults taking the pills improved their memory, concentration and focus by 44 percent compared to the placebo group. I know both the wife and Ed will feel impressed when I am able to come up with names and facts with the authority of a know-it-all who is as sharp-as-a-tack. Even Ed admitted that it would be a nice change. I told Ed that along with a tablet a day to keep me focused with a good memory, I will add a soft gel. The soft gel will reduce my appetite, balance my blood sugar and maintain healthy cholesterol. This pill promises that it will have me feeling full, so that means I will stop snacking. I will lose weight and become thin like I was in my youth. Ed did not comment about the soft gel, which does not come with a clinically proven seal. He suggested next Christmas my family can give me pills for Christmas or the fountain of youth for sale on swampland in Florida. I stopped telling him about my improved health plans. Good health is an excellent gift that may not remain permanently. Since Adam and Eve, people have suffered from varying degrees of sickness, pain and the finality of death. God works through doctors and medicine and treatments to help the sick. Sometimes we forget that health and healing are gifts of God, not merely from the health care system, science and research. A pandemic reminds us that good health can be beyond us and our best health care efforts are never the full answer. Sickness, suffering and death will not be eradicated from this side of heaven. The Bible tells of a woman who had been subject to bleeding for 12 years. It says, “She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse.” (Mark 5:26) A huge crowd was following and pressing around Jesus as he was on his way to Jairus’ house to heal his dying daughter. “When the woman heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was free from her suffering.” (Mark 5:27, 29). The woman had touched Jesus, thinking that if she just touched his clothes she would be healed and her healing occurred as she thought it would. Jesus realized power had gone out from him and turned around and asked, “Who touched my clothes?” The woman came forward and confessed that it was she who had touched his clothes. Jesus encouraged the woman to go in peace, free from her suffering. God restores the sick and dying on his own and through health care workers and medicine. Praise God!



# APAS releases estimated impacts of carbon tax on agriculture

## media release

In December 2020, the federal government announced that the carbon tax will increase to \$170 per tonne by 2030. The Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan (APAS) has released updated estimates of the impact this increase will have on farmers.

“Our updated numbers show that the cost of producing wheat could go up to over \$12.50 per acre in 2030 due to the carbon tax,” said APAS President Todd Lewis. “This cost increase is carried entirely by farmers and can’t be passed along to our customers. We’re looking at a reduction

of net farm income by hundreds of millions of dollars in Saskatchewan alone, and the modest rebates provided by the federal government won’t make up for these losses. It’s unsustainable for our members.”

The APAS estimates were calculated using key indirect costs that are not exempt from carbon taxation, such as rail and road transportation, electricity, and grain drying. These costs would be even higher in years like 2019, when most of the grain and oilseed crop required grain drying due to a wet harvest.

APAS plans to develop cost estimates for other crop and livestock

commodities over the coming months as part of a concerted effort to obtain further exemptions and other forms of financial relief from the added costs.

“The carbon tax is designed to provide incentives to reduce energy consumption, but these dramatic cost increases will decrease our ability to adopt the new technologies that help us do just that,” continued Lewis. “In some cases, producers will pay for efficiency gains like high-capacity grain hopper cars through their freight rates, and yet those cost savings will go to the railways.”

In addition to the economic impacts, Lewis also expressed concern about the potential environmental consequences of the carbon tax. “When you add costs to a producer’s bottom line it creates incentives for them to convert grasslands and other natural carbon sinks into cropland just to remain viable,” he said. “That works directly against the goals of the policy. Agricultural producers

have waited decades to see some recognition of our environmental stewardship, and we have seen a lot of lip service, but not much concrete action.”

Lewis concluded that APAS has been working very hard on engaging federal decision makers on the issue of carbon taxation, and that this

advocacy would continue until the problem is addressed. “Our members expect us to stay on this issue until our concerns are heard.”

## VISCOUNT

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I was out walking and came across this fantastic snowman in front of our local restaurant, Saskitalia.

School in Viscount resumed Jan. 4, 2021. Photo retakes were to be done and the exams will soon be starting very soon.

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## CROSSWORD

PUZZLE NO. 62

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17. Foot parts

21. Chimpanzee

22. Bachelor party

23. VII

25. Kind of skirt

26. Think ahead

27. Playthings

28. Matured

29. Cloak

30. Paper holder

31. Printer's term

35. Was located

38. Chilly

40. Pullover
42. Molar, e.g.

45. Hide underground

47. Fragrance

48. Rich deposit

49. Or \_\_\_\_ (threat)

50. In the know

51. Great respect

52. Hot off the press

53. Actor/comedian Conway

54. Daddy's boy

- ACROSS**

1. Listening organs

5. Brats

9. Verbalize

12. Ink spot

13. Field cover

14. Purpose

15. Grizzly, e.g.

16. Plumpest

18. 18-wheeler

19. To's partner

20. Football throw

24. Entice

28. Received

32. Farm tower

33. Guy's date

34. Roof overhangs
36. Anti's answer

37. Legend

39. Wiggly desserts

41. Bus terminal

43. Fishermen's tools

44. Soft toss

46. Gap

50. Donations

55. Favorite star

56. Pasture mom

57. The Stooges, e.g.

58. Curtain holders

59. Sunday seat

60. Song of worship

61. Coatrack
- DOWN**

1. \_\_\_\_ and flows

2. Aweather's opposite

3. Rove

4. Band of color

5. Part of TGIF

6. Tangled mass

7. College figure, for short

8. Gush suddenly


9. Bring legal action

10. Burro

11. However

FOR ANSWERS TO SUDOKU AND CROSSWORD, SEE PAGE 11

CROSSWORD PUZZLE ANSWERS USE AMERICAN SPELLING



## Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

### Lemon Bread

**Ingredients:**

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 cup milk

**Glaze**

- 1/2 cup icing sugar
- 2 tsp. grated lemon peel
- 3 tbsp. lemon juice

**Directions:**

Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs one at a time, beating after each one. Combine flour, baking powder and salt, add to creamed mixture alternating with milk. Pour batter into greased loaf pan. Bake at 350°F for about 55 minutes. Place pan on rack to cool. Combine glaze ingredients, pour over warm loaf. Cool completely before removing from pan.





# “Notices Classifieds”

## Obituary



### BAUML, Anastasia Rose (Anne) (nee Musty)

Anastasia Rose (Anne) Bauml (nee Musty), aged 94 years of Watrous, Sask., passed away peacefully at the home of her daughter Marianne at Manitou Beach, Sask. on Tuesday January 5, 2021.

Anne grew up on the family farm in Lake Lenore, Sask. Anne and

Herb were married in 1957, owned and operated the general store in Marysburg, Sask. until 1967 when they moved to Watrous, Sask. and opened Herb's IGA. The entire family (including her 'other' son Rick Strueby) worked at the store where she taught us the value of hard work, kindness, generosity and how to 'MacGyver' almost anything. Anne enjoyed many things including gardening, knitting, watching baseball (especially her grandchildren, the Marysburg Royals and the Toronto Blue Jays), coffee with the '3 Musketeers' and above all, her family. The family home was always open to everyone and we often came home to Christmas to meet new members of the 'extended' family.

Tremendous and heartfelt thanks go to Shantelle and the caregivers at the Montgomery Care Home, the caregivers at Columbian Manor and especially to Marianne and Fraser who provided Mom with a loving and peaceful home during her transition from this life to the next.

Anne is survived by her six children: Kathy (Alan), Marlin (Karen), Marianne (Fraser), James (Bonnie), Brad (Jacky), Susan; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Herb, parents Laura and Henry Musty and her siblings Joseph, Nickolas, Anthony, Dominic and Christine.

A family Funeral Mass was held at St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, Watrous, Sask. on January 12. Urn-bearer was Susan Bauml-Thomas, Marianne Bauml-Murray gave the eulogy, Mass readers were Kohl Bauml and Shaye Bauml, Shelley Engele was organist and soloist was John McArthur.

Interment will take place in Marysburg Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial donations directed to Interlake Human Resources in Watrous would be appreciated.

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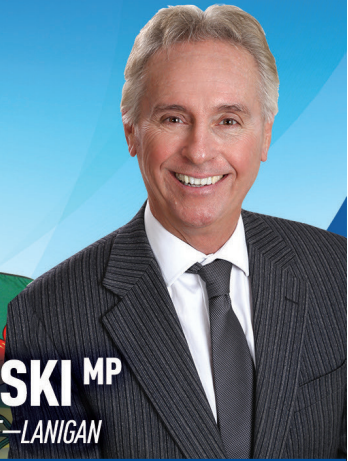
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