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Crews kept busy during January storms

■ Daniel Bushman

After experiencing above-normal values to begin 2021, a pair of wind storms including an Alberta clipper whipped through Saskatchewan in mid-January, leaving behind icy roads, power outages and other damage.

During the first storm that started to wreak havoc Jan. 13, high winds, freezing rain, and blowing snow created zero visibility on roads, knocked out power and moved and blew apart structures like ice fishing shacks. Motorists were also stranded on highways or in ditches and some were forced to spend the night.

The second storm, while not bringing the freezing rain brought with it high winds and it too created low visibility, icy roads and power outages. It also forced vehicles into ditches and had SaskPower crews busy restoring power throughout the province.

As many residents in the province, including locally, began cleaning up once the first storm blew through, a substantial amount of SaskPower customers were left in the dark. Despite the outages, crews braved the elements and were kept busy as they repaired and restored power.

According to SaskPower, the combination of high winds, rain and snow from the Jan. 13 storm caused widespread outages that impacted over 100,000 customers. As of noon Jan. 14, more than 780 outages had been reported and the SaskPower outage centre had taken more than 54,000 calls.

A few hours later, while some repairs had been made, the challenging weather conditions continued to create issues for SaskPower as 37,000 customers were being impacted by 321 outages across Saskatchewan. At that point, the outage centre had received over 65,000 calls. Because of the high winds, equipment like bucket trucks were unable to head out and be used safely. Due to that, crews were forced to wait for the wind conditions to improve.

As night arrived on Jan. 14, as of 10 p.m., SaskPower noted there were 16,000 customers being impacted by 384 outages. SaskPower stated the outage count went up

because as larger outages were restored, they revealed smaller, more localized outages needing to be fixed. It was also at that point, SaskPower's outage centre had taken over 72,000 calls since Jan. 13.

Due to the excessive damage and unsafe conditions, SaskPower was unable to restore power during the night to places like Kyle, Saskatchewan Landing, Tyner, White Bear, Clearwater Lake, Beechy, Demaine, Prairie Lake Provincial Park, Halbrite, Bromhead, Ralph, and Midale. However, communities like Regina, Davidson, Nipawin, Kindersley rurals and Midale were expected to have power restored that evening. Closer to home in places like Lanigan and Manitou Beach, power was also out.

Despite the conditions, SaskPower crews were able to get an early jump on repairs Jan. 15. As of 5:30 a.m., there were 4,073 customers without power, a much smaller number than the over 100,000 customers when the storm first hit Jan. 13. Less than five hours later, SaskPower stated there were about 4,000 customers being impacted by 177 outages. "We're still finding damage as a result of the storm, including downed lines and broken poles," stated SaskPower on its website.

As 5 p.m. arrived Jan. 15, SaskPower's hard work was paying off as about 2,600 customers remained without power, mostly in the Weyburn and Beechy areas. A further update at 9 p.m. on Jan. 15 indicated technicians had been working tirelessly to restore service and at that point, about 200 customers remained without power.

The following day, on Saturday afternoon at 4:45 p.m., SaskPower said all known customers affected by the storm had their services restored. The company indicated some customers could have experienced minor planned outages over the coming days as crews conducted repairs.

"Once again, a huge thank you to our customers for your patience while our crews got the lights back on across the province."

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► High winds, freezing rain and blowing snow during a pair of storms in January not only created havoc across parts of the province but locally as well. At Manitou Beach, power outages were experienced during the first storm Jan. 13 and then again Jan. 20. Manitou Beach resident Bryan Mierau took these images of SaskPower busy repairing a line at his house during the morning Jan. 20. Mierau said power went out at his house around 7:30 a.m. but was restored a few hours later.

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“RCMP Report”

Watrous RCMP seeking assistance to identify male

Watrous RCMP need your help to identify a male for a break, enter and theft that occurred Dec. 31, 2020 at an unoccupied farm yard in the RM of Wood Creek (pictured right).

Suspects broke into the farm house and the shop and stole items.

If you have any information on the incident, you can call 1-800-222-8477 to leave an anonymous tip. If your

tip leads to an arrest or charge, you may be eligible for a reward of up to \$2,000.

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Charges laid for possession and trafficking of cocaine

On Friday, Jan. 16 members of the Yorkton RCMP Municipal General Investigative Section (GIS) and Yorkton RCMP Detachment executed a



Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) search warrant at an apartment on Bradbrook Drive in Yorkton.

As a result of the search, police located 51.8 grams of cocaine and \$1,475 in Canadian currency.

Evidence found during the search resulted in a second CDSA search warrant being executed at another residence on Second Avenue South in Yorkton where 296.1 grams of cocaine was seized.

Between the two searches, a total of 498 individual bags of cocaine were seized, with a total weight of 347.9 grams. This is equivalent to more than 7,000 individual doses of cocaine.

Two individuals have been charged in relation to this investigation: thirty-four-year-old Latoya Pauchay of Yorkton has been charged with Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking



17).

On Jan. 17, shortly after 8 a.m., Saskatoon RCMP received a report of three break and enters and an assault in the community of Grasswood.

A mid-size SUV was stolen from this area and seen entering Saskatoon city limits. Warman and Saskatoon RCMP detachments, along with SPS and Corman Park Municipal Police were called to assist with locating the vehicle and the individuals involved in the incidents.

Shortly afterwards, SPS Communications received a report of a robbery where a male and female armed with a knife stole the complainant's car, leaving behind the stolen SUV.

Saskatoon RCMP officers located the car

abandoned in a back alley in the area of Taylor Street and Victoria Avenue in Saskatoon. The SPS Canine Unit attended to the vehicle and initiated a track and found that the individuals had committed six break and enters within a five block radius.

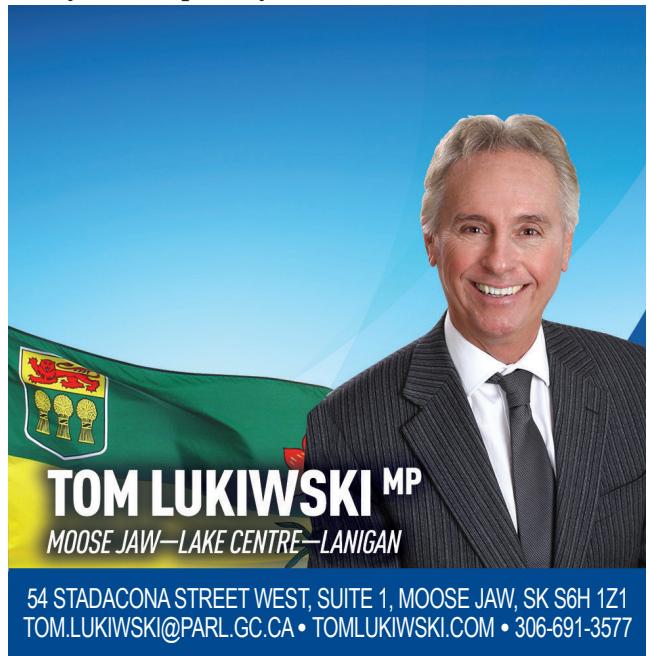
At approximately 9:30 a.m., both individuals were located and arrested by Saskatoon RCMP, SPS and Corman Park Municipal Police in separate backyards located on the 300 block of 5th St. E.

Twenty-eight-year-old John Tustin and 25-year-old Tabatha Wyllier from Grande Prairie, Alta. are charged with Break and Enter, Robbery, Mischief, Aggravated Assault, Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of Stolen Property, and Committing an Indictable Offence. The 28-year-old man faces additional charges of Possession of Methamphetamine, breach of court orders, and one count of Assault with a Weapon.

Saskatoon RCMP Forensic Identification Services continue to examine and process the scenes of the break and enters, as well as the stolen vehicles involved in the incidents.

Saskatoon RCMP would like to thank partner police agencies, SPS and the Corman Police Service for their assistance with the investigation.

The investigation is ongoing by the Saskatoon RCMP.



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Q and A with Watrous Kin's Telemiracle Rep

■ Daniel Bushman

While there will be some changes to this year's Telemiracle, the annual efforts to fundraise for the Saskatchewan tradition will carry on including a 20-hour telethon Feb. 27 and 28 from Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, changes were made to the show and the ways fundraising efforts are being done to ensure safety.

Despite the tweaks, residents in the province are still encouraged to donate and that includes within their communities. Local Kinsmen and Kinettes have been gearing up to raise funds to pass along to Telemiracle in an effort to help people in Saskatchewan every day.

Telemiracle Rep for Watrous and President of the Watrous Kinettes Jillian Engle graciously shared a bit about how this year's fundraising efforts will look for the local area and the importance of Telemiracle.

Are local Kin members looking forward to Telemiracle this year even though it will be a little different due to the pandemic?

This year's Telemiracle will definitely be one for the books! It is going to look very different than previous years. But, we have no hesitation that it will still be a great show and hopefully very successful.

Despite the pandemic throwing a bit of a wrench into this year's event, what are the local Kin doing to fundraise for Telemiracle?

Unfortunately, due to COVID we have had to cancel and adapt many of our traditional fundraisers that we usually do for Telemiracle, such as the Craft and Trade Show, Toilets for Telemiracle and door-to-door canvassing. Instead, we are hosting an online auction on Facebook from Feb. 5th to 7th. This will be our one big fundraiser for Telemiracle this year, so we really hope our community will check it out and support our efforts.

If you have an item you would like to donate to our auction, contact myself (Jillian Engle) and I will forward you to the organizing committee. To participate in the online auction, search "Watrous Kinettes Online Auction for TM45" on Facebook.

(see page 14: Q AND A)

■ submitted by
Stesha Beischer
Watrous Director
of Recreation

At the Watrous Centennial Arena minor hockey continues to run practices until the end of February if the Saskatchewan Government guidelines allow. Coaches continue to develop and instruct our kids and what a great physical outlet for them when it is miserable outside.

Public skating and private ice rentals are also offered at the arena. The calendar can be found on the Town of Watrous website. All provincial guidelines must be adhered to when you are at the arena. We ask that you do not enter the arena if you are feeling unwell, a mask must be worn at all times, please social distance three metres unless you live in the same household and check in with the QR code on the door for contact tracing. Please read the posted signs for more information or contact the office if you have any questions.

Inside the arena, dressing rooms three, four, five and six received fresh coats of paint and they are looking so much cleaner and brighter. With the walls painted white it sure makes a difference. We continue to work on the lobby, it is sure coming along nicely. The new ceiling is complete, now just painting, sprucing up the walls and replacing some of the trim remains. We cannot wait for you to see it once it is complete!

At the Watrous Fitness Centre we have received lots of positive feedback from our members. Our

cleaning has increased and there are sanitizing spray bottles to clean equipment and hand sanitizer throughout the building. We currently have about 70 members and our maximum capacity inside the centre at this time is eight people. We have some new members and some that are coming back from last year.

A couple of new treadmills were a great addition in the cardio room at the Watrous Fitness Centre. These replaced a couple of original ones we had since the gym opened. Call the

office if you would like to schedule a tour of the gym and I would be happy to show you around. I am positive you will be impressed with the size and available equipment which can be used seven days a week.

At the Watrous Civic Centre, indoor walking continues during weekdays unless otherwise posted. Masks are mandatory at all times. Please do not enter the facility if you are feeling unwell, practice social distancing of three metres at all times unless you are from the same

household. Sign in to the contact tracing binder upon arrival and we ask that you bring inside shoes. Please call the office if you have any questions.

At the swimming pool, we are already thinking about summertime. We will be looking to fill our lifeguard and instructor spots very soon so please see The Watrous Manitou for our advertisement, our website or social media platforms for more information in the coming weeks. We are so very

excited for the upcoming for the summer student season.

Grant work has been completed for applications

for the summer student grant and Sask Lotteries. Now it is the fun part ... waiting.

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Date Posted: January 20, 2021
Location: Village of Viscount
Employment Term: Full time - 40hrs/wk.

The Village of Viscount invites applications for a Certified Administrator for a one-year maternity leave. Ideally, the successful candidate would train for approximately 2-3 weeks with the Administrator prior to her maternity leave. The potential start date would be between February 1st to February 15th, 2021.

The Municipal Office is located in Viscount, SK and is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Village Office is a shared office with Long Lake Insurance.

The ideal candidate will possess:

- A Certificate in Local Government Authority or equivalent;
- A minimum "Standard" certificate of qualification or equivalent;
- A membership with the Municipalities of Saskatchewan is an asset;
- Experience with budgeting, financial operations, assessment, taxation and general office management;
- Excellent organization skills;
- Strong written and verbal communication skills;
- Strong computer skills including experience with MuniSoft programs;
- The Village of Viscount offers competitive salaries and benefits.

Application period will remain open until January 31st, 2021 or until the position has been filled. Applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and detailed resume including references, and salary expectations to:

Village of Viscount
Box 99
Viscount, SK S0K 4M0
Email: viscount.office@villageofviscount.ca

The Village of Viscount wishes to thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. For further information you may call the Administrator, Cyla Quiring at 306-944-2199.

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Opinion

VISCOUNT

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Wow, the month of January sure is flying by with lots of interesting weather. I am hoping the month of February is a little better.

Blankets for Canada continues to forge ahead. Blankets and squares are still being made by people working on their own. We have received several blankets (both knitted, crocheted and even quilted) along with bags of beautiful knitted and crocheted squares, (all 8" x 8", just what we are looking for). We really appreciate all of you who continue to contribute in helping to keep those in need with one of these beautiful blankets! We are always happy for donations of synthetic yarn which we use for joining and edging. For more information, please contact Evelina at 306-944-4820.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week, stay warm and stay safe.

Thank you to all who helped make this week's Viscount news possible.

For Colonsay and Manitou Beach news, see page 11

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Village of Plunkett

PUBLIC NOTICE

is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office of:

Councillor: Village of Plunkett

ONE (1) to be elected

will be received by the undersigned on the **24th day of February, 2021** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Village of Plunkett office and during regular business hours on February 4, February 11 and February 18, 2021.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the village office.

Dated this 19th day of January, 2021
Helen Miller, Returning Officer

HIRING SEASONAL GRADER OPERATOR RM of Morris No. 312

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Tips from
Reena Nerbas

spray, Goo Gone or WD-40. Leave 10 minutes and wipe. Clean the glass well so no product remains.

Dear Reena,

I bought a large container of cream cheese and put one-third in a smaller container. Should I freeze the rest or is it better kept in the fridge? It would take me over a month to use the small container. Shirley

Dear Shirley,

I am often amazed at how long cream cheese lasts; check the expiry date before taking any further steps. If the expiration date allows you to keep the cheese in the fridge, it should be fine. Foil wrapped cream cheese should last three to four weeks in the fridge. You can freeze cream cheese, but only do so if you have no plans to use the cheese for baked goods such as cheesecake because the cheese consistency changes after freezing. If you use cream cheese for spreading on toast, then freezing the cheese is no problem.

Feedback from wonderful contributors

Re: Storing Christmas decorations

Dear Reena,

To store Christmas decorations properly, I use the dividers found in wine boxes from the liquor store. I put the dividers in my plastic boxes. The nutcrackers are safe standing up in the larger boxes. I cut the dividers to fit inside smaller boxes for small items. Pauline

Re: Preserving photos

Dear Reena,

Just a couple of observations regarding your advice to one of your readers regarding images and albums. Asking many individuals to scan in copies of their print



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

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

It can be a challenge to become motivated about a new year. An old year like 2020 can continue to cause us indigestion in 2021. January always wobbles around on shaky legs trying to get a solid footing among all the unfinished problems left from the previous year. Ed, my old neighbour in Saskatchewan, like many others, is finding it hard to have much enthusiasm for this new year of ours.

When I talked to Ed on New Year's Day, I told him

Solutions and Substitutions

or film images might be equivalent to asking me to tune up the space shuttle? Making high quality scans is very much a combination of the right equipment and a knowledge base involving both film and the digital world, that, and the final expected output. Printing copies is a whole other topic! Hence, I do like your suggestions of enrolling in courses and asking other companies for advice. An added tip is to protect the original prints and (if they kept them) the negatives! In the long run, the old analogue images may have more archival potential than the electronic copies. People should also make sure they are using 100 percent acid free components, both in the albums and the attachment method for the image copies there within! Wayne

Re: Cleaning grout

Dear Reena,

I think that Barbara's question about cleaning grout is about the actual tile in her shower, not discoloured grout. I had black tile and it looked awful with hard-water splotches. I used a vinegar (or lemon juice) solution to make the tiles shine again. It is important to squeegee the tiles dry after every shower so there will not be any more spots. I enjoy your column! Jeanie

Begin the year with a clean cellphone

Maintain your phone while working over a soft surface. Remove the phone from the phone case. Maintenance of the phone case depends on the material makeup of the case. Wipe the phone with 60 percent water and 40 percent rubbing alcohol and a soft cloth. Use a cotton swab to clean outer crevices and the sides of the phone. Do not use ammonia or ammonia products i.e. Windex or any abrasive products.

Invest in a stylus pen if you prefer to lessen the frequency of phone and finger contact.

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

Find new truth beyond your traditions and beliefs

that our curling might begin on Jan. 14, or it might not, depending on COVID-19 cases. Shutdowns and the cancellation of team sports will still be a challenge for some of us in the first months of 2021. I told Ed, "No sense of whining about limitations. We will curl when we can in the coming year." Ed felt that I was uncharacteristically positive and he was sure I will be complaining before this new year progresses far.

Last year proved our plans and traditions might go up in smoke through circumstances beyond our control. We like our comfortable truths and time-honoured traditions. Life can challenge our long-held beliefs and traditions. The opportunity to meet God personally may come at any time when we least expect it. What we know is limited until God opens our understanding of the limits of our traditions and beliefs. God alone gives us the living waters to eter-

nal life.

The fourth chapter of John tells of a Samaritan woman who found a stranger, a Jew, at her village well when she went to draw water. The Jew, Jesus, asked her, "Will you give me a drink?" (Verse 7) The Samaritan woman answered, "You are a Jew, and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (verse 9) The woman was amazed at Jesus' request because she was bound with the belief that Jews do not associate with Samaritans. The woman's respect for her people's ideas prevented her from seeing Jesus as anything more than a Jew with an unheard of request. She could not even see beyond Jesus as a Jew, to merely a thirsty man asking for a drink of water.

Our beliefs and traditions hold us captive to how we react to others. As the woman at the well talked to Jesus, she was focused on how Jews were different from her people, the Samaritans. After Jesus spoke of her having five husbands and the man she was living with was not her husband, the woman saw Jesus as a prophet. Her focus remained on worship traditions between Jews and Samaritans, whether they should worship on their mountain or at Jerusalem as the Jews do. The woman shared that the coming Messiah would explain everything to them. Jesus confessed to the woman that she was talking to the Messiah. She rushed into her city and gathered the people to come and see if Jesus was the Messiah. Many met Jesus and believed that he was indeed the Messiah, as he claimed.

Our long-held beliefs and traditions must connect us with the living Christ who is worshipped neither on the mountain nor in Jerusalem.

"God is Spirit, and his worshippers must worship in spirit and truth." (John 4:24)

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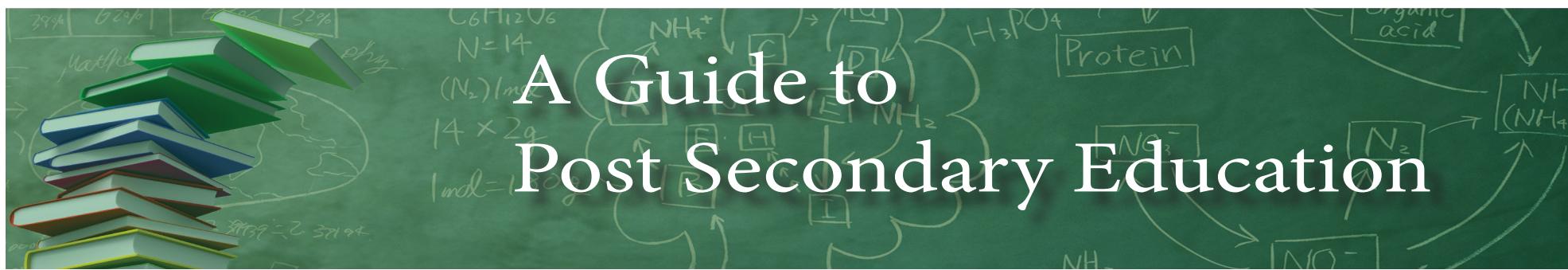
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A Guide to Post Secondary Education

MHC adds Agroecology to program mix

Written by the Medicine Hat College

An exciting new program has been added to Medicine Hat College's academic offering, giving students interested in sustainable agriculture an opportunity to become a registered technologist in Agrology (RTAg), while staying close to home in the southern Prairies.

The two year Agroecology Technician diploma program provides students with the competencies required for producing food, forage, fiber, and fuel using sustainable methods, as well as a range of knowledge in the three E's: environment, economics, and energy using systems theory.

Learners will engage in experiential learning opportunities to gain

real-world experience in designing, monitoring and assessing sustainable agroecological systems, meeting the knowledge, technical skills, and performance competencies required for certification with the Alberta Institute of Agrologists.

"Medicine Hat College is excited to bring this opportunity to learners in southern Alberta and Saskatchewan as the program is well-aligned and serves the needs of our region and communities in terms of offering new streams of employment and alternative ways of doing agriculture," explains the program's co-ordinator, Brent Smith.

This program uniquely teaches a systems-thinking approach to sustainable agriculture and will equip learners with the knowledge and skills

required for protecting and conserving natural ecosystems, as well as maximizing production systems that mimic natural systems such as perennial crops, diversity, rotations, limited/no till grazing, and many more.

"Agriculture is one of southern Alberta's leading industries, and there is always going to be resources and demand for agriculture because everyone needs to eat," adds Smith. "This program leverages an important part of our region's economic sector and prepares students to find meaningful, long-term employment and a future income stream that's not going to be subject to market forces."

Employment opportunities that stem from the completion of the Agroecology Technician

diploma include agricultural research technician, urban agriculture designer or landscaper, range management consultant or professional, and an environmental consultant.

Graduates will also be equipped with the entrepreneurial knowledge needed to start a business in sustainable agriculture or greenhouse horticulture, or support the takeover of a family agriculture business as a crop or livestock producer.

"An exciting aspect to this program is the innovative and creative opportunities in diversifying current practices and products that will emerge. Students will be taught about free food production design systems, low input parks and community spaces,



Photo courtesy of the Medicine Hat College

and drought-proofing and water harvesting that all have a profoundly positive impact on the future of our communities and our environment.

"Additionally, there are all kinds of agricultural products that our region is well-suited to produce that we are currently not taking advantage of, and this program can be influential in creating new industry and bringing subsequent jobs in our region," remarks Smith.

Upon completion of the diploma, the opportunity further exists for

students to transfer to universities offering sustainable agriculture programs.

Applications are now open for this program, with the first intake of students to begin their studies in Fall 2021.

For more information on MHC's Agroecology Technician program or to apply, visit www.mhc.ab.ca. To schedule an appointment with a career specialist or academic advisor, call 1-866-282-8394.

Creative passion becomes profession

Written by the Medicine Hat College

From small town Saskatchewan to beautiful British Columbia, education at Medicine Hat College (MHC) helped pave the way to a career of joy and fulfillment for Myron Campbell.

Campbell is a thriving artist and a professor in the division of Visual Arts at the University of British Columbia Okanagan (UBCO). His creative journey began in the Visual Communications diploma program at MHC, which has since become Bachelor of Applied Arts – Art and Design.

"Medicine Hat College is a little gem. I first heard about the institution from my junior high art teacher and after high school, I went to the city to visit a friend who was taking the program. I absolutely loved it there," remarks Campbell.

"Medicine Hat was the perfect size and not too

big which was desirable to me having grown up in Weyburn, Saskatchewan. The facility had high end equipment and 24 hour access - both were unprecedented at the time. The program was well rounded in that

I could pursue my own personal art, as well as client-based work at the same time. I knew it was the perfect fit for me."

Campbell acknowledges the program as being influential in shaping him into the artist he is today, crediting the vast array of modalities, skills, and techniques he was exposed to during his time at the college.

"MHC's program is unique in that it offers a real balance of both fine arts training and design training. It's pretty rare to get that balance in a program, and the college does a great job of it," explains Campbell.

"It's an ideal academic pathway for someone like me who can't decide what type of artist

I am on any given day. I was introduced to every medium possible and then built up my practice to what suited me. I received a real broad training which was so awesome."

Campbell praises a professor he had at MHC as a huge inspiration and driving force behind where he is today, a role he strives to fill for the students he now teaches.

"Teaching creative studies is where I belong. My passion for art and creativity has lead me to a place where I'm forever being fulfilled, inspired, and growing as an artist, designer and practitioner."

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A Guide to Post Secondary Education

Carlton Trail College distributes scholarships and bursaries

■ media release

In December, Carlton Trail College distributed 43 awards totaling \$39,500 to deserving student recipients. Through its student awards program, Carlton Trail College continues its commitment to provide skills-based, post-secondary education and training for Saskatchewan learners.

"It's been a challenging year for students to continue their education," said Shelley Romanyszyn-Cross, Carlton Trail College President and CEO. "More than ever, our college remains committed to providing a range of supports to help students reach their personal, academic and career goals. Our student awards program is one part of this, as we wish all of our learners success in their programs."

New in 2020 was The President's 'Courage to Grow' scholarship, valued at \$2,000, and open to student applicants demonstrating perseverance and resilience.

Due to public health restrictions, the college was unable to host an in-person event this year to acknowledge student award recipients. Instead, recipients and donors will be acknowledged virtually and through other means.

"Given the impact of the pandemic on our economy, we're incredibly grateful to our donors," said Jennifer Brooks, Carlton Trail College Development and Communications Manager. "Thanks to their support, we are able to recognize many students who are pursuing in-demand skills-training programs."

Scholarships and bursaries are funded through donations from individuals, businesses, agencies and organizations. Donations raised by post-secondary institutions in the province are matched by the government-funded Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship (SIOS) program.

Appreciation is extended to the following donors: Bourgault Industries Ltd.; Carlton Trail College Staff; City of Humboldt; CMI Terminal Inc.; Coleen Bowman, CPA Professional Corp.; Doepler Industries; Financial Services Staff; Flaman Sales Ltd.; Humboldt Co-operative Association; Humboldt Smiles Dental Studio; Melron Services Ltd.; Michel's Industries; Midway Co-operative Association; Olymel (Humboldt); Saskatoon Co-operative Association; Schulte Industries; Shelley Romanyszyn-Cross; Tremblay Electric; and Walker Wood Foundation.

Student award recipients are determined through a combination of entrance criteria, academic achievements, the students' involvement in school and the community, as well as financial need.

Carlton Trail College Awards

Listing

Early Application Scholarships. Provided to students who apply to a program before a specific date.

The Carlton Trail College Early Application Scholarship for Continuing Care Assistant - Humboldt (\$1,000) Blessille Bagui Continuing Care Assistant - Humboldt.

The Carlton Trail College Early Application Scholarship for Continuing

Care Assistant - Wynyard (\$1,000) Randi Riess Continuing Care Assistant - Wynyard.

The Carlton Trail College Early Application Scholarship for Electrician (\$1,000) Wellington Okwiri Electrician - Humboldt.

The Carlton Trail College Early Application Scholarship for Office Administration (\$1,000) Hannah Murray Office Administration - Humboldt.

The Carlton Trail College Early Application Scholarship for Welding (\$1,000) Tristyn Watson Welding - Humboldt.

Performance-Based Scholarships. Provided to students who receive the highest marks in a program.

The Continuing Care Assistant - Humboldt 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Madison Hiebert Continuing Care Assistant - Humboldt.

The Continuing Care Assistant - Wynyard 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Kelsie Bromm Continuing Care Assistant - Wynyard.

The Continuing Care Assistant - Punnichy 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Jody Keller Continuing Care Assistant - Punnichy.

The Electrician 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Levi Gudnason Electrician - Humboldt. The Office Administration 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Angela Doherty Office Administration - Humboldt.

The Welding 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Christian Libaton Welding - Humboldt.

The Practical Nursing 2018-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) TBD (Program to be completed 31 Dec. 2020).

The Primary Care Paramedic 2018-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Jesika Rachkewich Primary Care Paramedic - Humboldt.

The Power Engineering 2019-2020 Performance Scholarship (\$500) Dion Mohr-Parker Power Engineering - Humboldt.

Application-Based Scholarships Provided to students who demonstrate merit, need or a combination of need and merit.

The President's 'Courage to Grow' SIOS Scholarship (\$2,000) Kellen Dreger Practical Nursing - Watrous.

The Bourgault Industries SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Aaron Gabriel Aquino Welding - Humboldt.

The City of Humboldt SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Rosemarie Baddongon Continuing Care Assistant - Humboldt.

The CMI Terminal Ltd. SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Carla Horvath Continuing Care Assistant - Wynyard.

The Coleen Bowman CPA Prof. Corp. SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Anne Holmlund Office Administration - Humboldt. The Doeplers Industries SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Braydon Bentley Welding - Humboldt.

The Flaman Sales Ltd./Carlton Trail College SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Makhiya Starblanket Early Childhood Education - Punnichy.

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► Carlton Trail College President and CEO, Shelley Romanyszyn-Cross (above left) presents the 'Courage to Grow' scholarship award to Practical Nursing student, Kellen Dreger (above right).

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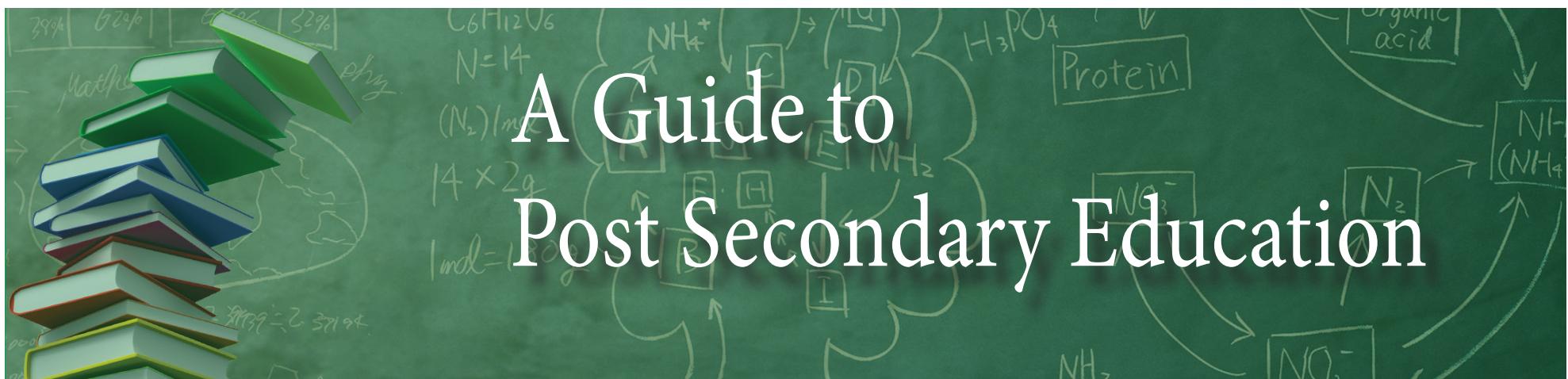
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A Guide to Post Secondary Education

Getting the most out of your university experience

■ **Matthew Washkowsky**
Student Services Officer at St. Peter's College

Before the coronavirus epidemic spread throughout the world, students looking at their options for post-secondary education assumed they have to study in classes of several hundred while attending a large campus in an urban centre. That option changed for many high school and post-secondary students after March 2020, when students left the comfort of the classroom and delved into the digital world. Both methods offer distinct advantages in certain areas of teaching and learning, but what if there was a way a student could get the advantages of both?

St. Peter's College implemented a new method of teaching for the 2020-2021 terms: hybrid learning, meaning students can attend classes in-person or remotely. Students responded positively to the temporary change and academic performance continues

to match the high-calibre of success that the college has long been known for. Here are three reasons why over 98 percent of alumni recommend starting your USASK degree at St. Peter's College.

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2) Students get more one-on-one time with professors at St. Peter's College.

The logic is simple enough: a student in a small

class-size of 20 people will have more time with their instructor than a student in a class of three, four, or five hundred. Students commonly mention that professors know their names, their strengths, and that they can access the instructor easily.

3) Students find it is easy to make friends at St. Peter's College.

The small class sizes and welcoming environment on the rural campus means that students are more comfortable in talking to students they have not seen before. The accessible student lounge, gymnasium, fitness centre, study rooms, and culture at St. Peter's College creates a friendly cohort for students to bond.

If you are interested in learning more about St. Peter's College or the University of Saskatchewan for the fall 2021 term, you can learn more by visiting www.stpeterscollege.ca or phoning student services at 306-682-7888.



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The Humboldt Co-op SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000)
Kent Buan Welding – Humboldt.

The Humboldt Smiles Dental Studio SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) James Bolton Continuing Care Assistant – Humboldt.

The Melron Services Ltd./Carlton Trail College SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Nory Jane Dalapus Practical Nursing – Watrous.

The Michel's Industries Ltd. SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Wellington Okwiri Welding – Humboldt.

The Midway Co-op SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Nicole Kelly Office Administration – Humboldt.

The Olymel SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Stephanie Bartel Office Administration – Humboldt.

The Financial Services Staff SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Tori Thoms Continuing Care Assistant – Humboldt.

The Saskatoon Co-op SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Melissa Ramsden Practical Nursing – Watrous.

The Schulte Industries Ltd. SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Gabriel Zerbin Welding – Humboldt.

The Tremblay Electric SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Tyson Sakundiak Electrician – Humboldt.

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The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Chester Lacorte Practical Nursing – Watrous.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Ryan Love Practical Nursing – Watrous.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Jenifer Moisan Office Administration – Humboldt.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Hannah Murray Office Administration – Humboldt.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Abidemi Olabisi Ige Continuing Care Assistant – Humboldt.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Allyssa Rieger Office Administration – Humboldt.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Jessica Rudniski Early Childhood Education - Punnichey.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Jordan Sanderman Continuing Care Assistant – Humboldt.

The Walker Wood Foundation SIOS Scholarship (\$1,000) Debbie Servetnyk Continuing Care Assistant – Humboldt.

In addition to the bursaries announced in December, Elizabeth Zemlak from Elfros was recently awarded the 2018-'20 Practical Nursing Performance Scholarship. Zemlak received the award once the final marks came in and had the highest average in the program.

Now in the new year, Carlton Trail College stated they are currently accepting applications for the following post-secondary programs: Business Diploma - Year One; Office Administration Certificate; Continuing Care Assistant Certificate; Practical Nursing Diploma; Primary Care Paramedic Certificate; Early Childhood Education Classes; Security Officer Applied Certificate; Electrician Applied Certificate; Power Engineering Technician Certificate; Welding Applied Certificate; Heavy Equipment Operator Training; and Truck Driver Mandatory Entry-Level Training.

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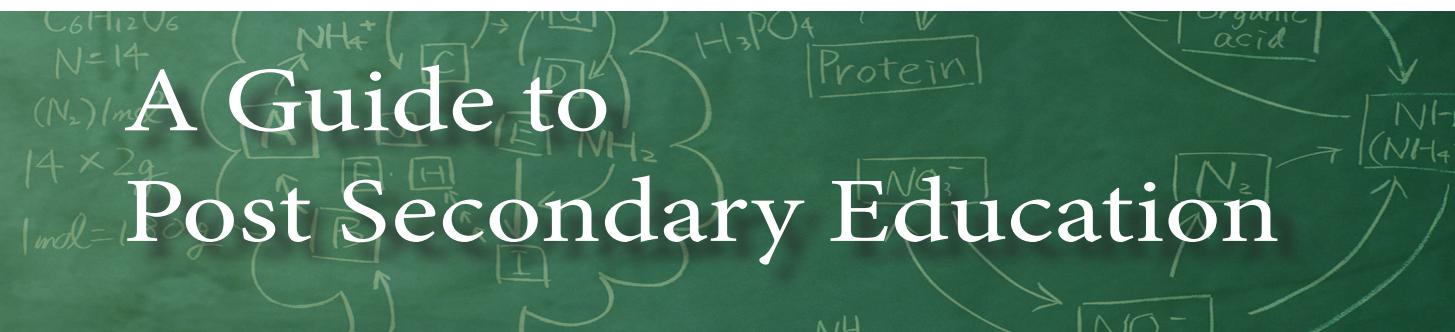


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Team effort enhances student experience

Sask Polytech Simulation Centre teams up with Addictions Counselling to give students real world experience.

Written by
Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Ask alumni about their time at Saskatchewan Polytechnic and they'll probably have a story about one special class. For current students in the Addictions Counselling diploma program, that one class may very well be COUN 155-Addictions Counselling Practice.

"Individual counselling is the cornerstone of an addiction counsellor's work, and Addictions Counselling Practice gives students the skills they will need in the workplace," says instructor Joy Friesen. "It's a lab class where students practice the counselling model with each other, but we thought providing them with simulated clients would be an outstanding experience."

Simulated clients? Friesen is referring to actors hired by Sask Polytech's Simulation Centre to portray different clients. Each client

had a different presenting problem, level of motivation and way of sharing their story.

"It's difficult to simulate the dynamic that happens in real life between a client and a counsellor. When students are practicing with their peers or instructors, there's a degree of comfort because you know it's not a real client," Friesen says.

Using live actors to simulate the client-counsellor interaction was designed to give students an opportunity to work through the first stage of the counselling model, while at the same time adapting each client's defense mechanisms, types of storytelling and process of building rapport. Students also practiced building cultural safety and being culturally responsive with clients.

COVID-19 prevented students' from having face-to-face interactions, so Benn Hart and Wendy Wilson, both simulation technicians at Sask

Polytech, stepped up to help develop an experience that was as real as possible.

"With COVID, Sask Polytech had to move a lot of things to virtual platforms very quickly, so it's been really busy in the Simulation Centre," Hart says. "What we do often looks easy, but there's a lot we have to do in the background to make it happen."

The first step was meeting with Friesen to discuss her goals. "This was our first time working with the Addictions Counselling program, so we had a Zoom meeting with Joy to get a clear understanding of what she was looking for," says Wilson. "We hired actors to fit her scenarios and brought them to our simulation centre in Saskatoon, where we could ensure contact and social distancing guidelines were followed. We worked with the actors on their roles and set up the rooms."

Friesen met with the actors to brief them on

the counselling model and the goals of the clinical lab. "I also encouraged them to ad lib. I wanted our students to learn to trust themselves, because a counsellor never knows what a client will say or how they will act," she says.

The simulation rooms were equipped with cameras and the neces-

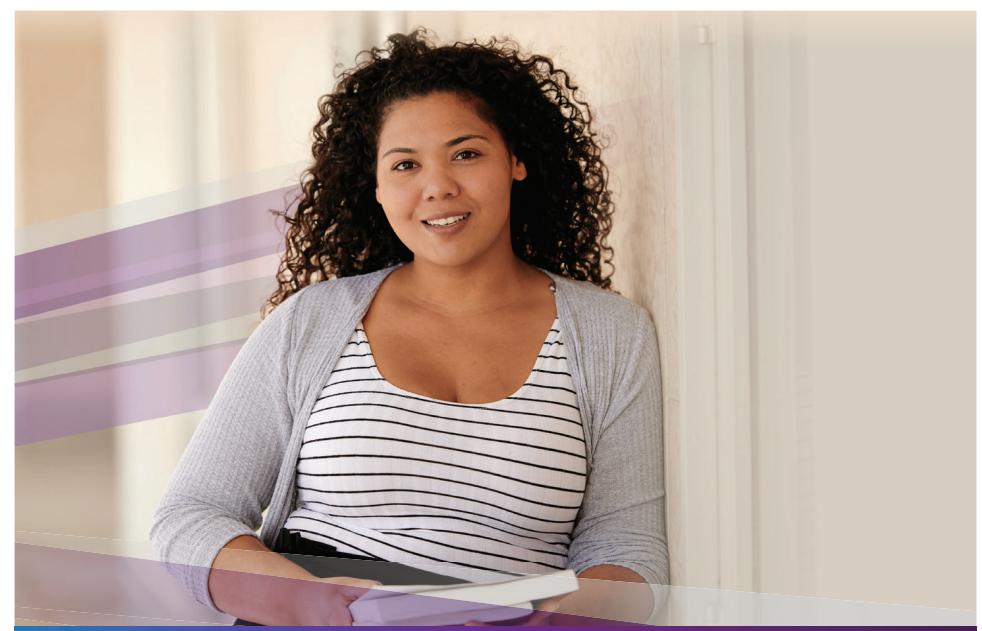
sary technology to allow remote log in to the virtual counselling sessions. Wilson and Hart provided onsite technical support, while Friesen and her students logged in from their homes. Each student completed a 30 to 40-minute simulated counselling session, followed by feedback from observing students and the actor. Friesen was able to view each session as it happened.

Based on student feed-

back, the virtual counsellng sessions were a big success. "Our students loved having this opportunity," Friesen says. "They say it really helped them understand the importance of staying grounded, of building the therapeutic alliance and of meeting the client where they are at. The whole simulation experience was rich in learning and really built their confidence."



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Building connections at Brandon University

Written by the Brandon University



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As a growing university with 3,500 students from around the world, BU stays true to its prairie roots with a welcoming spirit and a commitment to delivering quality programs that prepare graduates for the opportunities and challenges of the future. Most BU classes have fewer than 20 students, allowing for a personalized education.

"Having small class sizes is probably what has helped me out the most," said Elizabeth Glenn, a third-year

Physical Education student. "With professors working with you one-on-one you get to know each other, resulting in an amazing learning experience that helps you grow as a student and a person."

The connections students make extend beyond the university. Brandon University's Co-operative Education program offers the chance for students to develop their career skills. By integrating study terms with full-time work terms at jobs related to their academic programs, students in

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Extracurricular activities like the Student Leader program and more than 50 clubs and collectives create even more opportunities for

growth and friendships.

"As a recent graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, joining the Student Leader program at Brandon University was one of the best decisions I made," said Laura Davidson. "This program allowed me to meet many other students from different departments, which allowed me to form everlasting friendships."

Laura's not alone. More than 93 per cent of recent BU grads said that BU prepared them to excel. And 98 per cent said they'd heartily recommend BU.

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“Notices AND Classifieds”

Thank you

We, the family of Anne Bauml, would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who so kindly supported Mum and our family during her final days and on the occasion of her recent passing. To Shantelle and all at the Montgomery Care Home and to D. Michael Olabiyi and the Kenderdine Clinic in Saskatoon, to the Public and Private Watrous and Area Health Service Providers; thank you all for making it possible for us to bring Mum home and for your very kind, caring and professional assistance in doing so and while caring for her throughout and into her final days. It was so nice for Mum to have the very kind assistance of all of you including the supportive services of the Watrous and area community which she called home for 50 some years. To all of our friends, family and neighbours for your very generous and kind words and acts. We can't thank you enough for the many loving and caring ways in which you supported Mum and all of us. To Father Peter for presiding over Mum's service and to all the members of St. Anne's Parish in Watrous who assisted, thank you so much for your warm, heartfelt assistance, services and reassurances. To Shelley Engele for playing and John McArthur for singing, Mum loved to hear you and we are so pleased you were able to be there. It was a very meaningful and beautiful service. To Fotheringham-McDougall Funeral Service in Watrous for providing us with the comfort in knowing you were so warmly and professionally looking after all the arrangements, for the excellent service you provided Mom and us and for giving us the opportunity to honour and commemorate Mum in such special ways. To all for donating to Interlake Human Resources in Watrous in Mum's memory. Interlake and all those associated with it and agencies like it were very dear to Mum's heart. Thank you all very kindly for helping to ease Mom's transition from this world to the next, for lovingly caring for her and all of us. Mum may be gone from us physically but her presence will continue to be strongly felt by all of us and she will never be far from our hearts and minds. Mum was a very loving and strong woman and we are all so grateful that she instilled in us the love, strength and faith on which we will rely to carry on.

Interlake Human Resources Corp. would like to express our sincere appreciation to the family and friends of the late Anne Bauml for the memorial donations in Anne's name. Anne volunteered with us for many years and we are grateful to have been considered by Anne and her family in this generous way.

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MANITOU BEACH

Sue Alcock

I guess the big news was the wind storm and blizzard that shut down the power overnight Jan. 13 and caused a boil water advisory to be issued at Manitou Beach which was lifted Jan. 18. This morning (Jan. 20), I was greeted by an email from the village office telling me that due to the power outage a boil water advisory was in place. Apparently the power was off at sporadic places around the community and the water treatment plant was one of those places. Hence the boil water advisory. Mid-morning we did have a short power outage and I heard that some folks had either no water or reduced pressure.

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Elstow, who passed away

Jan. 11.

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keeping well and trying to
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weather for January. We
sure cannot complain
with what we are getting.

nest across the road from our house. It has survived several years of storms of varying ferocity, is still very much intact and most likely it will undergo annual renovations and provide a home to more smart birds.

Certainly the wind and mild temps have created an icy mess with many travel advisories issued – we had rain, snow and heavy winds overnight and Wednesday morning, Jan. 20. It was definitely a hunker down and stay home day with a generous dose of gratitude to workers who make it to work. We can send mighty hurrahs to the power guys who work in dreadful weather to get the power running again to keep us warm.

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With it being a pandemic year, what different things have you been doing or will be doing to fundraise and garner support for Telemiracle?

We really hope to have success in our online auction this year. We would also love to include any individual donations in our town's total, so if you are interested in making a personal monetary donation please contact myself (Jillian Engele). These donations will receive a tax receipt. Also, check out our Facebook page "Watrous Kinettes - Events & Happenings" as we will continue to post updates about Telemiracle over the next few weeks. *Along with fundraising efforts, what is the Watrous Kin's involvement for Telemiracle 45?*

Volunteering for Telemiracle is going to be a lot different this year. They can only have a small amount of volunteers compared to what they usually have for

past shows. Most of the phone teams will be off-stage and separated in different rooms this year. Compared to the usual phone team of eight volunteers, it will now be five. Our club has a few members interested and will hear back shortly if we are able to be one of the clubs chosen to work the phones. Also, most of the on-stage presentations will be pre-recorded.

How important is Telemiracle to you and the Watrous Kin?

Before I became a member of the Kin community I did not fully understand the magnitude Telemiracle has on our province. My first Telemiracle experience as a Kinette is one I will never forget, and even hard to put into words. I really urge our community to help out in any way if they are able. Although this year will be much different, the need for these funds is no less than previous years. Our club always has a blast volunteering Telemiracle weekend and it will be missed this year!

How supportive has the community and surrounding areas been over the years?

Our community and surrounding areas have always been very supportive in all of our fundraising efforts. We really appreciate the support and hope you will consider contributing to this year's total for our town!

Is there anything else you would like to add?

Although this is not a fundraiser strictly for Telemiracle, we are also in the midst of our Leisure of the Month raffle. We usually have great success with our Trip of the Month fundraiser, but with the unknown of travel we have adapted our prizes to be more "COVID-friendly." Please check out our Facebook page for specific prizes and contact any Kinette member if you are interested in purchasing a ticket (the early bird draw is Feb. 1!). Only 300 tickets are sold and they are \$100/ticket with the option of a \$20 50/50 add on.

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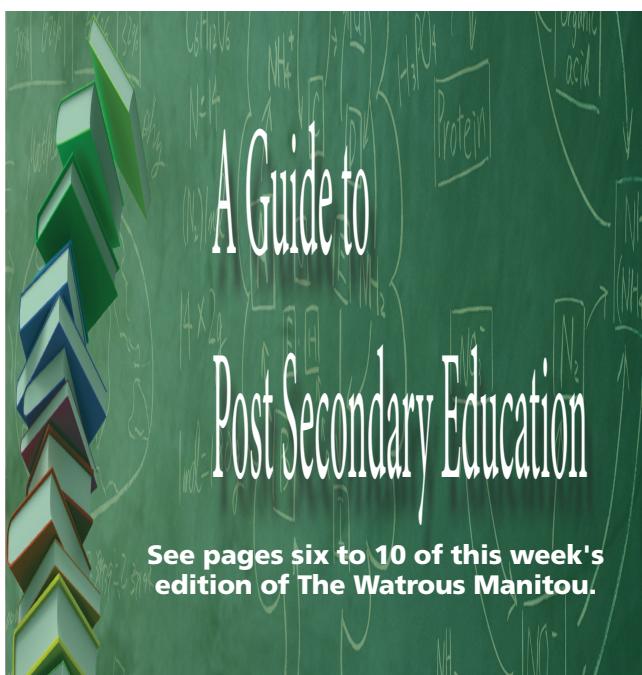
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from front page: STORM)

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a number of other places including Saskatoon.

After outages were caused by the high winds, freezing rain and heavy snow during that first storm, another hefty wind blew through the region a week later. Environment and Climate Change Canada issued a wind warning heading into the evening Jan. 19 as SaskPower crews were once again busy. While the outages were not as massive as the previous week, crews were out in different parts of Saskatchewan including within the local region.

According to SaskPower's twitter feed, starting at 5:35 p.m. Jan. 19, some customers in Regina were without power while almost an hour later, Pennant, Battrum and the surrounding area waited for damage to be repaired. Power was later restored to those places before 10 p.m. while at 12:45 a.m. Jan. 20, those in Cypress Hills Park, Maple Creek and the surrounding area had power out until close to 3 a.m.

The Weldon area became the next place to lose power as crews were dispatched at 3:02 a.m. and then by 5:16 a.m. had restored services to the majority of customers with the remaining

having their power turned on after 2 p.m. as crews repaired a broken pole/crossarm.

Another outage was also reported in Regina, this time in Normanview West after a cable fault. It was restored at just after 9 a.m. while crews remained busy in Regina as they were also sent to repair damage caused by a pole on fire in Regina Eastview.

After a power outage at the Resort Village of Manitou Beach during the first storm it prompted a boil water advisory and eventually led to no water pressure as residents had to limit the use of water consumption due to the resort's sewer system being affected. While power was later restored, the boil water advisory lasted until Jan. 18 before it was lifted. The following week on Jan. 20 parts of the resort village were once again left without power, prompting another boil water advisory.

Manitou Beach resident Bryan Mierau was spared from the outage that hit parts of the beach Jan. 13 but not last week. At home during the morning Jan. 20 and with the wind howling outside, an outage occurred at the beach around 7:30 a.m. Not long after things went dark, Mierau looked

out his window to find a SaskPower crew near his yard.

Mierau noted after the repairs were made his power was back on by 10:30 a.m. "A wire that connects the north south line to the east west line on the pole very close to home decided to blow off in the wind. The wind has been fierce this past week causing damage as it blows and blows."

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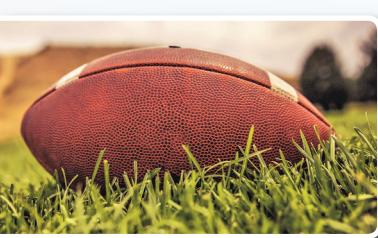
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