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► While people may have been looking for a bit of a break during the holidays, the extreme weather did not take any time off. With another nasty storm arriving in Saskatchewan, this time Dec. 27, freezing rain, snow and reduced visibility settled in (below) causing treacherous road conditions and a lot more snow to be dealt with. Already with lots of snow to move, crews in Watrous were busy following the storm and all last week as they were able to clear streets for residents (bottom image). Along with 2023 arriving, thick fog also dropped by during the morning Jan. 5 (left).
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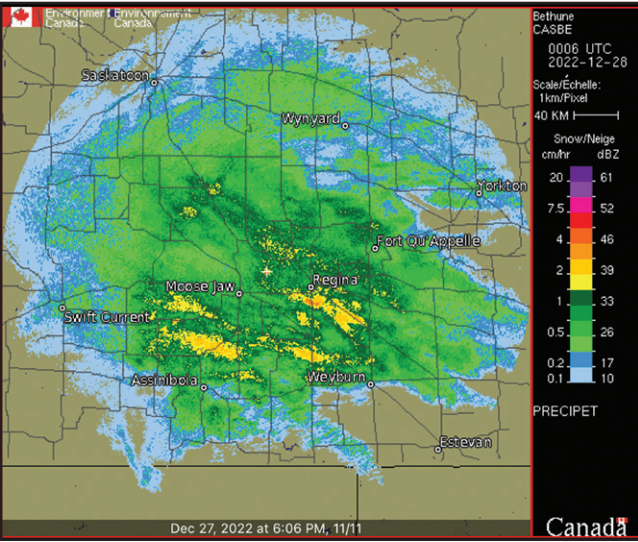
Deputy Premier reflects on 2022 while looking ahead to 2023

■ Daniel Bushman

Despite facing a number of challenges posed during the pandemic, Deputy Premier, provincial Finance Minister and local MLA for the Humboldt - Watrous constituency Donna Harpauer along with the Saskatchewan government took aim at trying to get back on track in 2022. Understanding the people of Saskatchewan are also facing hurdles, as 2023 approached, Harpauer who was raised on a farm near Guernsey and completed her high school education at Lanigan Central High School graciously took some time out of her busy schedule to share about how 2022 went and what might be ahead in 2023. **How did 2022 go from a financial perspective as the province pushed through the pandemic?** We recognize that people are faced with some challenges right now with inflation being high and the cost of things going up but there is also a very positive story in our province. Recently our population surpassed 1.2 million people for the first time in history, which is exciting. Our job growth in the province is still increasing. We have 11,800 jobs compared to last year which gives Saskatchewan the second lowest unemployment rate in the country.

We have over \$15 billion of private sector investments committed to our province so that will be very very positive in our communities for future jobs and future development. We have also been able to write down our provincial debt by \$1 billion. The savings in interest in future years is something we can use to invest in health care, education and social safety nets. We feel that the debt reduction is certainly important to the future finances of the province. As people know, we have also delivered the one time Saskatchewan affordability tax credit due to our resource revenues being extremely high. I know in inflationary times that a tax credit was appreciated. For those who didn't need it, I want to say thank you to them because many donated it to charitable causes which then goes further to help those most vulnerable. **Some have suggested instead of providing a one time affordability tax credit to residents to instead invest that money into health care or education. What is your response to that idea?**

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HARPAUER)

The caution that I have been trying to let people know is should you put it into something like an ongoing operating cost then when you have an expense year over year when your income is not year over year then the following year, where do you find the money? That is why we chose the one time payment because it is potentially a one time income.

Health care has been top of mind for many people in Saskatchewan including locally as hospitals have been experiencing disruptions. What is the province doing to try and help in that area?

There has been money added to health care specific to be able to recruit, train, incentivize and retain health care professionals across the

province. There are a number of places where there is a staff shortage and of course Watrous is experiencing that. Lanigan has had somewhat of an improvement but it is still not full services. The reason for that is staffing and we have a very aggressive plan that we have put \$60 million towards to recruit, train, incentivize and retain health care professionals and get them deployed in these centres to bring them back up to the level of service that they were previously.

We are seeing some results from that. Our health minister recently got back from a recruitment mission from the Philippines and nearly 130 conditional offers were made. Hopefully we can get some of those professionals here and on the ground working.

The second area where we have added money is we are going to accelerate our targets for surgeries. Throughout covid when the

surgical procedures were not being performed at the same level that they were previously that meant that our wait list for surgeries were backing up. That affects the quality of life for those on that wait list so we set a very aggressive target of performing 97,000 surgeries over the next year which will be the highest number we have ever done. We think we are on course to meet that target.

With the service disruptions locally, could you share if any of the hospitals in Watrous and Lanigan will close?

We have no intentions of closing our facilities that we have. We understand the challenges of getting workers but we are going to meet that challenge.

Is the provincial government aware of the current challenges within health care?

It is concerning. One of the things we have done in

the past when there was a shortage of doctors in rural Saskatchewan is we set up an agency and it specifically targeted recruiting and training doctors. What we are going to do is essentially fire that agency back up again but get it to target more than just doctors and in some cases, continuing care aide like nurses and LPNs. It is a compliment to all of those and we are having a hard time recruiting for rural Saskatchewan and we are hoping that will help as well.

Could you talk about what is being done when it comes to education?

We added to the original budget allocations twice to education with funds totaling \$35 million. One was to recognize student enrolment increases in certain areas and the second was to help the school divisions with inflationary pressures.

Going forward, in this budget we will be reviewing what needs to be necessary to hold the level of service that school divisions are able to deliver.

We also announced provincially that we will be setting up a centralized online learning centre that students will then have additional choices as to perhaps

one class or more of having that available. That will be consistent across the province rather than delivered differently from one school division to another.

For those who have been working tirelessly during the pandemic, what would you like to say to them?

Those who have worked through the pandemic in health care, education and also the service industry that have literally been there to give the necessary services to people, we want to thank them so much. It was very very trying times and what they did was noted and important.

Wrapping up 2022 and heading into 2023, how are things looking for Saskatchewan and also the provincial budget?

We are ending 2022 with one of the strongest economies in the country and that is because of the people that we have here that are hard working and resilient and the confidence that others are having in our province that they are willing to invest here.

With the upcoming provincial budget, I start in September of 2022 and look at the different ministry budgets to find out where

they have pressures, where they want to make changes and priorities. Those concessions have been happening since the end of September then into January and February you have to bring that all together and do a review of what is projected to be the revenues for the year. Then you have to make those decisions that are hard to make.

I always say there is very seldom competing bad ideas, there is usually competing good ideas and you have to pick and choose. There is not ever money for all of it but as we meet with people back home now, we are listening to people's priorities and we are hoping to be able to make those decisions which is the priority of the people of Saskatchewan.

You recently had the opportunity to present some of your constituents with the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal in Humboldt on Dec. 19. How special was that for you?

It was overwhelming to see how humbled they were. I felt overwhelmed to be able to acknowledge them and just to thank them. It was important to thank them.

So many people in our communities in Saskatchewan are going above and beyond and they don't think they are doing anything exceptional and they do not expect any acknowledgment. It is truly humbling to be able to have a day where we can acknowledge those people. Unfortunately some get missed out because we don't know what they are doing so I want to extend a thank you to all of those too.

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R.M. OF VISCOUNT NO. 341 PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the R.M. of Viscount No. 341 intends to adopt a bylaw under The Planning and Development Act, 2007 to amend Bylaw No. 2-97, known as the Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT

The proposed bylaw will:

- Establish a Hamlet District with permitted and discretionary uses and regulations;
- Zone land within the former Village of Plunkett to the Hamlet and Agricultural Districts;
- Add accessory non-farm buildings and structures with a maximum size of 9.3 m² (100 ft²) to the list of development not requiring a development permit;
- Add definitions for auto repair shop, auto wrecker, community hall, domestic animal, hotel/motel, municipal facility, personal service shop, places of worship, restaurant, and retail store; and
- Update the table of contents.

AFFECTED LAND

The zoning of land will affect all land located in NW-11-34-25-W2 and within the former Village of Plunkett, as shown within the bold dashed line on the map to the right. The other proposed amendments are of general application and may apply throughout the R.M. of Viscount.

REASON

The reason for the amendment is to address

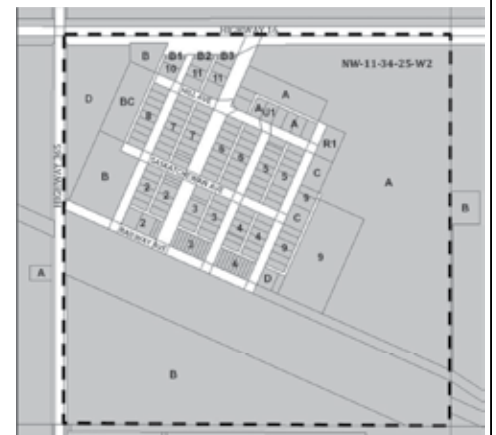
the restructuring of the former Village of Plunkett into the R.M. of Viscount and help administer future development on these lands.

PUBLIC INSPECTION

Any person may inspect the proposed bylaw at the R.M. of Viscount office located at 215 Bangor Ave. in the Village of Viscount during regular office hours. Copies are available at cost.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 10:00am. The public hearing will be held at the R.M. of Viscount office located at 215 Banger Ave. in the Village of Viscount. Any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaws is welcome to attend or to deliver written comments to the undersigned prior to the meeting. Council will consider all comments received.



Issued at the R.M. of Viscount this 23rd day of December 2022.

Joni Mack, RM Administrator

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Please note that the Town of Watrous has an Animal Control Bylaw that prohibits dogs/cats from running at large. In accordance with the Bylaw any dog/cat caught running at large will be impounded and a fine will be issued to the owner. It is your responsibility to clean up any defecation on public or private property.

Full bylaw is posted here:

www.townofwatrous.com/Bylaws.php

Council Meetings

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates:

January 9

January 23

Watrous Library Hours

Tuesday to Thursday:

11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Water Bill Schedule

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RCMP Report

Weather impacts road conditions in Sask.

Freezing rain and snow in late December impacted road conditions in much of Saskatchewan. From noon on Dec. 27 to 11 a.m. on Dec. 28, Saskatchewan RCMP's Operational Communication Centre received 59 reports of motor vehicle collisions and 37 non-collision weather-related reports, such as traffic hazards and vehicles in the ditch. This includes a jack-knifed semi and trailer east of Kindersley, resulting in the closure of Hwy. 7. It also includes a collision on Hwy. 1, near Beverley, Sask. on Dec. 27 at approximately 7:05 p.m. Investigation by Swift Current Rural RCMP determined a tow truck operator was hooking up a stuck semi at the side of the road. A second semi collided with the tow truck/stuck semi. Three people were taken to hospital: a passenger in the stuck semi with injuries described as serious but non-life-threatening; the tow truck operator with injuries described as non-life-threatening; and the driver of the stuck semi, as a precaution. Swift Current Rural RCMP

continue to investigate the collision.

Male charged after suspicious death, serious assaults

On Dec. 22, 2022 at approximately 11:20 p.m., Wadena RCMP received a report of an assault in Margo. Officers immediately responded and located an injured adult female and infant. The adult female was transported to hospital with injuries described as serious and the infant was transported to hospital with injuries described as non-life-threatening. As a result of investigation, officers attended an adjacent residence and located a deceased adult female in it. She has been identified as 51-year-old Sharon Littlewolfe from Margo. Her family was notified and Victim Services offered to them. Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crimes took over the investigation, which determined an adult male had injured all three victims, then stole a vehicle from a nearby residence. The male was known to all of the victims and investigation has determined he was in a relationship with Sharon Littlewolfe. At approximately

1:10 a.m., Tisdale RCMP received a report of an assault at a rural residence near Tisdale. Investigation determined an adult male approached a residence requesting assistance for a stuck vehicle. The male then assaulted an adult male occupant of the residence, who was taken to hospital with injuries described as serious but non-life-threatening. The victim was able to restrain the suspect until officers arrived and arrested him. As a result of continued investigation, 56-year-old Brian McLeod of Lloydminster is charged with: one count, second degree murder, Section 235(1), Criminal Code; one count, attempted murder, Section 239(1) (b), Criminal Code; two counts, aggravated assault, Section 268, Criminal Code; and one count, possession of property obtained by crime, Section 354(1)(a), Criminal Code.

Joint law enforcement leads to seizure of 6.6 million illegal cigarettes and 28,000 illegal cigars

A recent joint initiative between the Saskatchewan RCMP's Roving Traffic Unit, Saskatchewan Highway Patrol of the Provincial Protective Services Branch, and Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance Revenue Enforcement in the Moosomin area resulted in two significant contraband seizures on Saskatchewan roadways. On Tuesday, Dec. 20,

2022, at approximately 10:40 a.m., an officer with the Saskatchewan Highway Patrol stopped a westbound commercial vehicle pulling a trailer to conduct a commercial vehicle inspection in Whitewood. During the traffic stop, the officer made several observations which resulted in a Tobacco Tax Act investigation. A search of the commercial vehicle and trailer resulted in the seizure of 6.6 million illegal cigarettes and 28,800 illegal cigars. Officers arrested the driver and seized the truck and trailer as offence-related property. "The investigation determined that these cigarettes originated in Ontario and were destined for the Edmonton area. The keen observations of the officer in this investigation resulted in a significant quantity of unstamped tobacco being removed from our highways," said S/Sgt. Chad McLeod from Combined Traffic Services Saskatchewan. "The terrific partnership between Saskatchewan RCMP's Roving Traffic Unit, Saskatchewan Highway Patrol and Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance Revenue Enforcement has proven to be invaluable and this is just another example of that."

Matthew Wright from Edmonton has been charged with: Possession of Unstamped Tobacco (Cigarettes) – Section 32(1) of the Excise Act, 2001; Possession of Unstamped Tobacco (Cigars) - Section 32(1) of the Excise Act, 2001; Possession of Unmarked Tobacco for the Purpose of Sale – Section 121.1(1) of the Criminal Code; Possession of Proceeds of Crime Under \$5,000 – Section 354(1)(a) of the Criminal Code; Possession of Unmarked Tobacco That is Not Black Stock (Cigarettes) – Section 11(8) of the Tobacco Tax Act, 1998; and Possession of Unmarked Tobacco That is Not Black Stock (Cigars) – Section 11(8) of the Tobacco Tax Act, 1998.

RCMP respond to three vehicle collision

On Jan. 1, 2023, at approximately 6:15 p.m., Warman RCMP responded to a three-vehicle collision on Hwy. 11 near the Osler south access road. Warman RCMP, Saskatoon RCMP, a Saskatchewan RCMP Forensic Collision Reconstructionist, local EMS and Fire Departments as well as police officers from the Corman Park Police Service were on scene. Seven persons were involved in the collision. One man and one woman from Warman passed away at the scene. All involved in the collision were injured to various degrees; several were transported to hospital by STARS. The Hwy. 11 northbound traffic was rerouted until shortly after 2:30 a.m. Jan. 2, 2023 as officers investigated the collision and cleared the scene. The investigation is ongoing with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP Forensic Collision Reconstructionist and the Saskatchewan Coroners Service.





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Number to be elected: 1 (one)

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Opinion



Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

Baked Chicken Almond Casserole

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3 cups cooked chopped chicken or turkey

1 ½ cups sliced celery

1 cup miracle whip

1 cup finely chopped Swiss cheese

¼ cup chopped onion

1 tsp. salt

dash pepper

1 tomato . . cut in thin wedges

½ cup toasted slivered almonds or almond slices

Directions:

Combine chicken, celery, salad dressing and ¼ cup of the almonds. Fold in cheese, onion and seasonings, mixing gently. Place in a 7 x 11 baking dish (or a deep 8 x 8 pan), lightly pan sprayed. Sprinkle remaining ¼ cup almonds. Bake at 350°F for about 30 minutes, top with tomato wedges and cook another five to six minutes.



**Tips from
Reena Nerbas**

Pour one-eighth cup baking soda inside the bag and shake. Seal the bag and place it in the freezer for one week. Shake out baking soda, grab a cup of coffee and enjoy your fresh smelling books.

Dear Reena,

I make homemade egg rolls and as they fry they fall apart and the filling escapes into the cooking oil. How can I prevent egg rolls from opening during cooking? How does one reheat egg rolls so that they remain crispy and not soggy? Vince

Dear Vince,

Begin by brushing the egg roll wrapper with a bit of egg white (I call this kitchen glue). Close the wrapper and press. When oil is hot, use tongs to carefully hold the seam of the egg roll into the oil to seal it. After a few seconds drop the egg roll in the oil, the seam should remain closed. To reheat egg rolls, bake in the oven at 350° for five minutes. Broil for one minute or until wrappers are crispy.

Dear Reena,

My indoor walker is leaving black marks on my carpet. Is there something I can coat the wheels with to prevent this? Luther

Dear Luther,

Tires are black due to the chemical “carbon black,” which is a combination of various forms of tar and vegetable oil. There is nothing official that removes the residual chemical. Some people have great success by wiping the wheels with either rubbing alcohol or household ammonia. Other people enlist a friend to run the walker

Solutions and Substitutions

Dear Reena,

I picked up a few old books at an auction; the books carry a musty odour that I am unable to destroy. What can I do to take away the stink? Arthur

Dear Arthur,

Place the books inside of a sealable plastic bag.

over snow on the driveway which wears off some of the black residue (dry well). The good news is that over time; the marks should become considerably less. Remove any marks on vinyl flooring with a rubber eraser. Clean marks on carpet with dish soap and water. If the walkers had straight legs instead of wheels, you would have the option to slit rubber or tennis balls and fit them over the feet of the walker.

Dear Reena,

One of the phone buttons on our cordless phone is stuck. Is there any way to unstuck it other than buying a new phone? Thanks. KM

Dear KM,

Your best hope is to give the phone keypad a good cleaning by using rubbing alcohol on a soft cloth. Clean the entire keypad. Next dip a cotton swab into rubbing alcohol and clean around each number. If the button remains stuck check out the warranty or contact the manufacturer.

The cold brings colds

• Whenever I have a cold, I rub the bottom of my nose with lip balm so that my nose does not become sore. I label that one lip balm with my name and the word ‘SICK’ on it. Ted

• My children used to waste an entire box of tissues in one day when they had a cold. Now I purchase the softest roll of toilet paper that I can find, and they use one or two sheets at a time. Their nose does not become sore from rubbing and we are not wasting as much. Manfred

• I cut up an old, soft bedsheet and made it into hankies for my husband and I to use whenever we have a cold. Wash in hot water. Alex

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

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see pages 6 and 9.**

**For Watrous Centre news,
see page 11.**

How do you come out of the darkness and into the light?



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

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

Most of us are pretty spoiled when eliminating a dark room as we switch on a light. Night and darkness only forcefully grab our attention when the power is off. We seldom consider how fortunate we

are for the gift of artificial and natural light.

With light, we can see with our eyes, and seeing allows us to participate in life fully and freely. The weather; however, may keep us humble as snowstorms or pouring rain may be blinding if we are driving on a highway. In addition, storms can limit our visibility, so we may be in danger of going off the road or colliding with another vehicle.

On Nov. 30, 1991, fierce winds resulted in a freakish dust storm that triggered a massive freeway pileup on Interstate 5 near Coaling, Calif. At least 14 people

died and dozens were injured because wind-driven dirt reduced visibility to zero. Unable to see, motorists found themselves in a disaster.

There is seeing with our eyes and yet being blinded by what we think we know. A case has been made that the Titanic's captain refused to believe the ship was in trouble until the water was ankle-deep in the mail room. Only then was it apparent to him that the multi-layered hull had been pierced, and his unsinkable ship was going to sink. Ships that could have arrived before the liner went down were not summoned until it was too

late.

Many of us take our sight for granted. We know that some people are blind. Jesus spoke of Himself as the light of the world, meaning that He is the light of God that shines in our darkened world of sin and death to help us see the love of God for us more clearly.

When Jesus was on earth, He understood the suffering of blind people. Often the only livelihood for a blind person was begging. For example, when Jesus approached Jericho on his way to Jerusalem, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard

that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by, the beggar began shouting at Jesus, and he kept calling, “Son of David, have pity on me!”

Jesus heard his shouts and stopped and when the blind man came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The man replied, “Lord, please let me see.” Jesus told him, “Have sight your faith has healed you.” The blind man immediately received his sight and followed Jesus, giving glory to God. When they saw this, all the people gave praise to God. (Luke 18:35-43)

The blind beggar repeatedly called Jesus

‘Son of David’. When people referred to Jesus as the Son of David, they meant He was the long-awaited deliverer or saviour or Messiah, fulfilling the Old Testament prophecies. Many others, like the religious leaders of the time, could see Jesus and his miracles, but they were blind to Jesus being the Messiah.

Jesus, as the light of the world, shines forgiveness and hope for all who see him as the Son of God. Jesus is the God-given light to break the darkness of sin and death. So may He bring light into your darkness.

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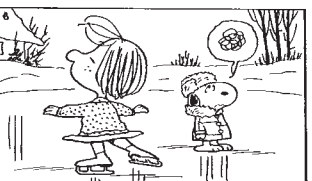
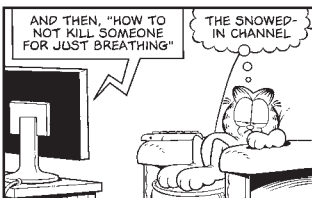
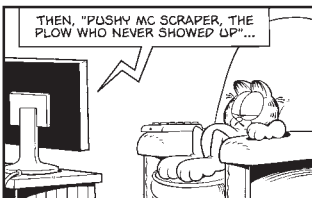
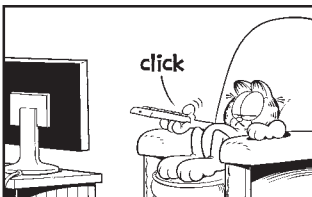
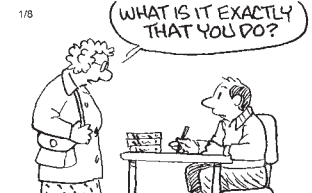
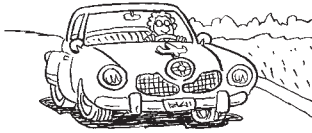
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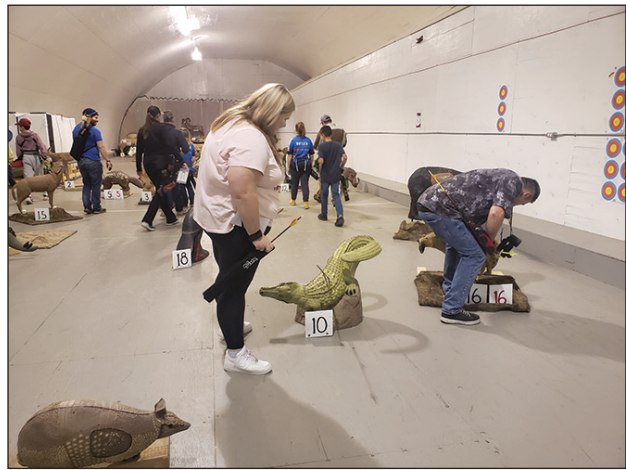
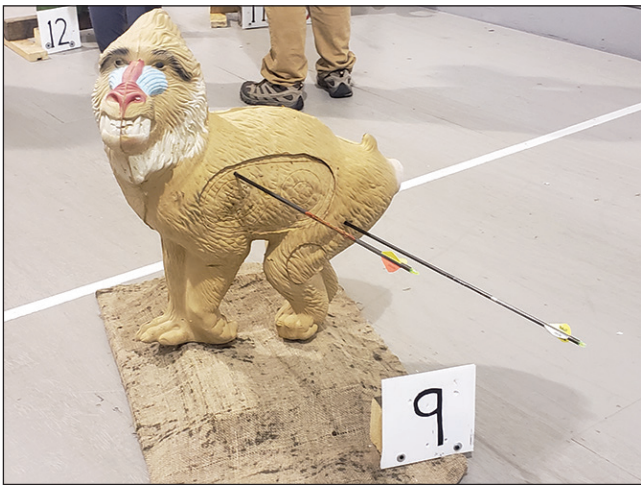
Jan. 2, 2023 started off ever so pleasantly when six ladies met at the Viscount library to make blankets. It was so nice to catch up on how we spent our Christmas holidays. We hope to be able to keep busy making these blankets that we donate to shelters. We are grateful for all donations of 8" x 8" knitted and crocheted squares made of synthetic yarn. As well as any synthetic yarn donations. We invite anyone interested to join us on a Monday afternoon at the Viscount library. For more information please call or text Evelina at 306-281-

8196.
■ submitted by Viscount Archery Club
Viscount Archery Club would like to welcome back archers and all of the new archers. This fall has been busy with a lot of new Junior Olympic Program members. A lot of our new archers have earned badges and continue to improve their skills.
We hosted a fun 3D Shoot in November that was attended by out of town archers.
A Double Elimination Target Tournament was held Dec. 3. We had 18 archers competing. Congratulations to the winners: first place Carl

Bothma, second place Terry Stribbell and third place Taryn Stribbell. Please follow our Facebook page for any upcoming events and news about our club and archers achievements.

► A Double Elimination Shoot and 3D Fun Shoot were recently held. Pictured right (left to right): third Taryn Stribbell, first Carl Bothma, and second, Terry Stribbell.

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Town of Watrous recognizes work done by local individuals

■ submitted by Chelsea Murfitt
Town of Watrous Recreation Director

During the Town of Watrous Christmas party, a number of local people were recognized for their work and achievements. Due to the pandemic, the annual Christmas party was not held the past few years so there were some individuals acknowledged for their service during that time also.

- Town of Watrous new council members: Juanita Allin, Lane Manson and Taylor Engele (November 2020) and Adam Prokopchuk (November 2022).
- Public Acknowledgements: Gary Bergen (six years on council 2016-’22), Patricia Isherwood (14 years on council 2006 to November 2020), Neil McDonald (20 years on council 2000 to November 2020), and Ed Collins (nine years on council 1988-’97 and 23 years as mayor 1997 to November 2020).
- New employees at Town of Watrous: Chelsea Murfitt – Recreation Director; Richard Sperling – Public Works, Blaine Millis – Public Works, Ma Luisa Goyenche – Care Taker; Alicia White – Administration, and Tammy Hendry – Administration.
- New nurse practitioner for Watrous: Melissa Schommer
- Town of Watrous employee service recognition: Rhonda Burkitt (six years), Brent Grindheim (11 years), and Dion Tarasoff (20 years).
- Watrous Fire Department recognition: five years of service: Oleksii Ierofieiev (2020), Andrew Matheson (2020), George Van Nieuw Amerongen (2021) and Shannon Craig (2022). 15 years of service: Jory Vanthuyne (2021). Became Fire Chief in 2021.
- Watrous Fire Department retirement recognition: Wayne Vielhauer (three years as a volunteer fire fighter; 11 years as Watrous Fire Chief and 25 years total Fire Service - not all in Watrous).
- Watrous Citizen of the Year: Debbie Farago.



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► Pictured above: Debbie Farago accepts the Watrous Citizen of the Year award from Town of Watrous councillor Jody Lewis. Pictured above right: Dion Tarasoff (left) receives a Town of Watrous service recognition award marking 20 years from Watrous Mayor John Gunderson (right). Pictured right: members of the Watrous Fire Department. Pictured left: Watrous Mayor John Gunderson (middle) acknowledges Ed Collins (left) and Neil McDonald (right) for their years of service. Collins was on Watrous Town Council from 1988 to 1997 and then served as mayor from 1997 to 2020. McDonald served 20 years on Watrous Town Council from 2000 to 2020.

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Obituary



KAMINSKI, Riya

Riya (Rae) (nee Kowal) Kaminski born July 12, 1931 in Arlee, Sask. passed away at her home on December 26, 2022 at the age of 91. Her wish was to live life to the fullest, and leave this world quietly from home, which is what she did.

She is survived by her two daughters: Gwen Kaminski (Peter Farquharson), granddaughter Jodi (Raegan) Dyck, great-granddaughter Devyn Kaminski, grandson Scott Kaminski (Tassanee Nithisaasin); and Debi (Keith) Adamson, granddaughter Ariel Adamson (Mark Webb), great-granddaughter Aurora; her brother Milton (Lois) Kowal; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. She had an extended family, Gwen's stepdaughter Jenna (Dave) Anderson and their three children Sloane, Bode, Jude. Jodi's two stepchildren Kaitlin, (her daughter Emmorie) and Ryan; Debi's stepchildren, Michael (deceased), Greg (Jennifer) and their two children Adriana, Teagan, and Kerrie Adamson.

She was predeceased by her husband Arnold in 2006, her sister Rose and husband Desmond Thurlow, as well as numerous brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

While Riya was working at the Royal Bank in Young, Sask. she met her future husband, Arnold. They were married in April 1952, at Perdue, Sask. They eventually moved to Saskatoon with both daughters. Riya retired from City Hall in 1991. She then babysat her granddaughter Ariel till the age of 5. Riya was always known for her love of gardening, especially her tomatoes and cucumbers. Each year, she could hardly wait till spring and start all her seedlings. Her yard had many fruit trees and shrubs. She loved canning fruits and vegetables, making jams, jelly, salsa, and baking fruit pie. She generously gave to her family, friends and neighbours. When she wasn't doing that, you could find her knitting/crocheting afghans, baby clothes, and other items which she also would give away. Riya was also a lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 362 in Saskatoon. Riya had a great love of dogs, her latest little dog, Riley, was usually beside her, or at her feet. The family would like to thank grandson Scott for making her final resting place, an urn reflective of her life and hobbies.

Anyone wanting to make any memorial donations please donate to the 'We all Need a Rescue' dog rescue.

Arrangements in care of Mourning Glory Funeral Services 306-978-5200.

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- Love Alice and family.

Obituary



TANG, Tze-Chun Glen

It is with profound sorrow that the family of Glen Tze-Chun Tang announces his passing on Nov. 27, 2022. He passed peacefully surrounded by loving family. He is survived by his four children, Eric (Delphine), Cathy (Carson), Jean (Don) and Betty (Conrad). He also left behind his beloved eight grandchildren Jeffrey, Janelle, Kim, Steven, Samara, Rachel, Madison and Aislinn and seven adored great-grandchildren Warner, Camilla, Weston, Alex, Liv, Celina and Bryant.

He was predeceased by his wife, Pearl Yi-Ping Tang, and mother, Szeto Choi-Sim.

Glen was born in the province of Guangzhou, China on Aug 14, 1930. He was the oldest of 3 children. Unfortunately tragedy struck the family and his younger brother and sister perished prior to or at the onset of World War II. His father also died, leaving him to be raised by a single mom. Life was difficult, and Glen had to leave school early to work to help support his mother and grandmother. He often said that he only obtained a Grade 3 level education. Despite that, he taught himself how to read and write, both Chinese and English. He married our mother Pearl Yi-Ping Chu, his life partner, in 1955 in Hong Kong. They had 2 children – Eric and Cathy while they lived in Hong Kong. Driven by his childhood poverty and lack of educational opportunity, Dad was determined to make a better life for his family. He immigrated to Canada in 1958 to find work and to make enough money to bring his family to Canada. In 1959, Pearl and their 2 children made it to Canada. Dad stayed working in Alberta, while Pearl and the 2 kids stayed with extended family in Saskatchewan. They had 2 further children born in Canada, Jean and Betty. In 1969, Dad and Mom achieved their dream of purchasing a restaurant in Watrous, Sask. They achieved great success with the New Cameo Restaurant which they ran for 13 years. They retired for one year and then started another restaurant in Humboldt, Sask. They named it The Sincere Restaurant, and like the Cameo, it was highly successful. Dad and Mom retired in 1995. They moved to Saskatoon and enjoyed a magnificent life filled with family, golf, gardening and travel until their passing.

Glen started to play golf in his 50s and became obsessed with it. He played as much as he could (often leaving poor Mom to do all the work) while still working. When he retired, he became a card-carrying member of the Wildwood Golf Course in Saskatoon and played virtually every day. His other love was gardening, especially flowers. Their front yard in Saskatoon was covered with flowers. Dad also enjoyed doing Chinese calligraphy and the walls of their house and also the walls of family's houses were covered with examples of his beautiful calligraphy. Dad loved to travel and his best trip was their return to China and Hong Kong in 1996.

The most important thing for Dad was family. He was not a demonstrative man, but he adored his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His family was everything. He was respected and liked by his in-laws and extended family and friends. He will be missed greatly but he is now rejoined with the love of his life, our Mom.

The funeral service for Glen will be held at Mourning Glory-Acadia McKague's Funeral Chapel, 915 Acadia Drive, Saskatoon, Sask. on Wednesday January 18, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Glen's honour can be made to a charity of your choice.

Thank you

A big thank you to the residents of Watrous for their generosity in 2022. No matter how hard life may be, you always go the extra mile to support those in need. It is one of the characteristics that make living in Watrous so great and doesn't go unnoticed. A special thank you to the anonymous person who made our Christmas so great again this year. You know who you are. A belated Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to one and all.

- Pastor Doug and Sarah Gregory

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Monday, Dec. 19, Jim and I travelled to Humboldt to attend the presentation ceremony of the Platinum Jubilee Medal and certificate in honour of the 70th anniversary of Her Majesty's accession to the throne as Queen of Canada. I was happy to represent the Town of Colonsay as I received my medal from the Honourable Russ Mirasty Lieutenant Governor and Honourable Donna Harpauer MLA Humboldt-Watrous constituency.

Get well wishes to Marilyn Kirk who spent some time in the hospital and Jim Gray who is in the hospital. Also get well wishes to Curtis and Jodie Schmidt and anyone else who is under the weather.

The Colonsay School gym was filled with parents, grandparents, relatives and friends Wednesday, Dec. 21 for the first Christmas concert (K to Gr. 5) since covid. The highlight was Santa's arrival.

There has been a notice sent out that if you want to hear about future events in Colonsay, the rec board will feature a page to follow events

about activities and upcoming events.

Thursday, Dec. 22, Ben, MuLing and grandma from Unity, Tyler and Venessa Hinz and Brenda and Kory Liang from Saskatoon were supper guests at Jim and Irene Gray's.

Wow, what a storm that started Christmas Eve and into Christmas Day. It took me an hour and a half to get home from Saskatoon. I hope we do not have too many more like that one.

There were lots of gatherings with family and friends. It is nice to be together again.

The Colonsay graduates will hold a bottle drive Jan. 14.

The Wheatland library winter reading challenge runs Jan. 1 to Feb. 28. The Colonsay Wheatland Library will have its annual meeting Jan. 24 in the Colonsay Senior Centre.

The heart of the giver makes the gift dear and precious. This is for everyone who gave gifts to family and friends this Christmas.

Joanne Gray won the \$250 gift basket from R & R Property Maintenance, Colonsay.

Get well wishes to Toni Rae McVicar who is in the hospital.

Friday, Dec. 30, there was a house fire in town. Sadly everything is gone. The New Year's Eve dance at the community hall had a donation bucket and a box for clothing and household items. This was a community effort to try and help the owner get back on his feet. There are also two places in town that donations can be dropped off. Not a great beginning for the new year.

Happy New Year. Among our many blessings, those we hold dear. Are memories of happy times we've had throughout the year. And so, it's not surprising that as the old year ends. Our hearts are filled with gratitude and loving thoughts for friends.

Joan Campbell visited her cousin Norma Sparrow in Saskatoon over New Year's.

There has been many family gatherings this Christmas and New Year's. Everyone is just happy that they can get together. Also some folks enjoyed being at the lake and ice fishing.

Life is like a ladder. Every step we take is up or down.

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Sympathy to the Harland Schmidt family on the passing of Harland. He lived north on a farm near Golden Acre School.

Dennis and Leona were away for a few days visiting family.

Visiting us were Ken Wilson from Saskatoon and his sister Linda.

We had the company of a large moose

in our back yard eating crabapples off the tree. We got a picture of it.

Stanley and Irene Giddings have moved to Humboldt for the winter.

Plunkett Hotel is open some days.

Thanks to the Bushmans for sending us a 2023 calendar.

Get well to anyone ill or in the hospital.

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Do you have a copy of "Footsteps To Follow", a history of Young, Zelma and Districts? It is filled with interesting stories, pictures and family histories. A snippet of what I just read: "The first meeting of the village council met in Mr. Billyard's home on June 5, 1910. That same year, The Bryson Brothers were paid seventeen dollars and fifty cents for work on the village streets and Mr. Berry was employed

as 'village scavenger'." Scavenger? Does that refer to the town man? Someone please tell me! The library in Young has a copy of this book to lend if you are wanting to catch up on your local area history. Great reading for a cold winter day.

Snowing, snowing, snowing! Piles of snow! Truck loads of snow! Let us get out our snowshoes, cross-country skis and toboggans and have fun in the white stuff.

"A snowball in the face

is surely the perfect beginning to a lasting friendship." Markus Zusak

Congratulations to John and Blanche Allingham who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently. What an opportune time to walk down memory lane, enjoying a treasure trove of memories and experiences. Best wishes to you as you make many more.

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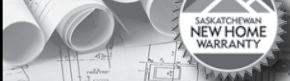
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