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Memory Trail

officially unveiled

■ Daniel Bushman

Creating lasting memories while commemorating a project that has brought two communities together, the official ribbon cutting ceremony of Memory Trail took place at the Resort Village of Manitou Beach May 25. Following a soft opening Oct. 21, 2022 at the trail’s Watrous portion, during a rainy Thursday morning, provincial dignitaries were in attendance to mark the project’s conclusion at the trail’s Manitou Beach location.

Covering the expenses and work of the approximately three kilometre trail which runs from Watrous to Manitou Beach, Ron Ediger of Melron Services Ltd., was thrilled to see it completed. Naming it Memory Trail, Ediger shared the title of the trail has a number of meanings. “I decided to call it Memory Trail because years ago people came to the lake to swim in the

healing waters. When my mom came to this country, their house was near the railway tracks and people coming from Punnicby and the eastern part of Saskatchewan would go through Nokomis and stop at her place for water. She would ask them where they would go and they told her to the healing waters of Lake Manitou. They essentially created a trail, walking from there to Manitou Beach. Then you go back to the 1920s and 30’s and the train would bring people here from all over the country. There was a trail to the village from them you might say, going from Watrous to Manitou Beach. And then the idea of the memory of the people that passed from here. We want to remember them for all that they have done and for who they are.”

Wanting to give back to the area, Ediger said once Memory Trail was ready to be used, he began receiving a number of positive responses. “So many people have stopped

me on the street and have said how much they love the trail. It is good to hear it is being used.”

As part of Memory Trail, four families (Alcock, Knezacek, Hayter, and Reichert) have donated benches for people to use and enjoy and Ediger also created a replica of the top of the Arcade Pavilion which is situated near Lakeview Avenue where the trail starts at Manitou Beach. “I had my crew put it together at the shop and they did a super job and it looks authentic to what it was. Lionel Sproule was able to help me get the colour matched to what the original was and I put some pictures inside of it of the beach including what the Arcade Pavilion looked like.”

According to the local history book, Prairie Reflections, the octagonal Arcade Pavilion was a dance hall, 90 to 100 feet across with an elevated orchestra platform in the centre which supported the building. Created in the early



►Bringing the communities of Watrous and Manitou Beach together, the ribbon was cut Thursday, May 25 to signify the official opening of Memory Trail. Covering the expenses and work of the approximately three kilometre trail which runs between the two communities, Ron Ediger of Melron Services Ltd. also installed a replica of a portion of the Arcade Pavilion for people to enjoy (pictured).

Along with people in attendance for the ribbon cutting, dignitaries were also on hand. Pictured left to right: Resort Village of Manitou Beach Deputy Mayor Vince Armstrong, Deputy Premier and Finance Minister Donna Harpauer, Minister of Highways Jeremy Cockrill, Watrous Mayor John Gunderson, and Ron Ediger.

photos by Daniel Bushman

1900s, with dancers able to move around the centre bandstand, a band was hired for the season, play-

ing each evening and for concerts on Sundays. At one time the Arcade was used as a convention centre for rallies and meetings.

A rectangular building was later added to the Arcade where an ice cream parlor was located, then the O.K. Economy operated a grocery store for several seasons. In 1943, the Arcade building was used as a roller rink which permanently damaged the hardwood floor. It was also used as a movie theatre and then in 1943, following renovations to use the building as a clinic, after using it

for one month, it was destroyed by fire.

Preserving its memory with a replica of the top of the unique building at the new trail, Ediger along with Deputy Premier and local MLA Donna Harpauer, Minister of Highways Jeremy Cockrill, Resort Village of Manitou Beach Deputy Mayor Vince Armstrong and Watrous Mayor John Gunderson held the official ribbon cutting ceremony in front of it.

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Dream of mixing music hitting all the right notes

■ Daniel Bushman

A steady stream of artists have been making the trek to Watrous as the community has been playing host to a hidden gem. Nestled amongst the trees, the tones of the character home where SkullCreek Studios is located and the peacefulness of the property exudes a sense of comfort and belonging. But it is the music mixed in Aspen Beveridge's upstairs studio on the west side of Watrous that really draws you in.

Passing through the entryway, the uniqueness of the home branches out to the second floor where the angled walls cater to the acoustics. With the perfect space to create music, the coziness of being in a smaller community, and the ability to put down roots, Beveridge knew the

melodious moment was meant to be.

Requiring somewhere to weave intricate pieces of song combined with the harmony of instruments, when Beveridge and his wife began their search, Watrous checked off all the right boxes. "We wanted a permanent place and a place to put down roots," shared the 37-year-old owner of SkullCreek Studios.

With a small town prairie feel, an area known for its arts and even a connection to Watrous himself, Beveridge knew they made the right decision. "Right away we felt supported from some of the locals we met and there was just that collaborative and art type vibe about Watrous and Manitou Beach. With an art gallery, music festivals, Danceland, and the beach nearby, we just really felt

it was a good place to put down roots."

With what he calls an obsession for mixing music that has not stopped, following a career as a youth worker in Saskatoon, Beveridge was eager to mix, record and master music on a full-time basis.

Setting up shop in Saskatoon for a number of years before a mid-July 2022 move to a town that was once the longtime home of the Bertram family (Aspen's aunt is Bonnie and uncle was the late Bev Bertram who taught at Winston High School), Beveridge continued to mix all genres of music but in the comforts of a new studio. "When we walked into the house and I went up there and it looked like a recording studio, I thought it could not be more perfect."

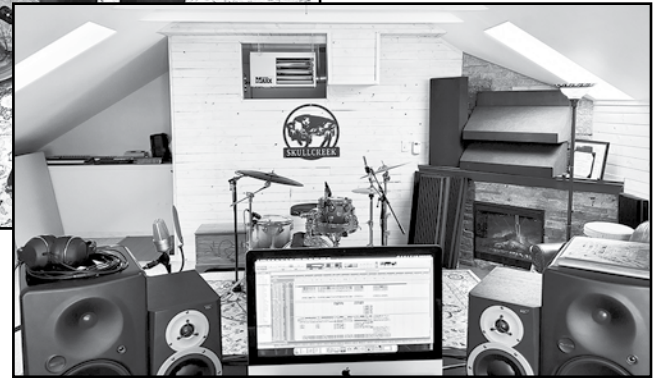
That inviting atmosphere aided by the



► Pictured: Aspen Beveridge has not only been mixing music at his studio in Watrous but welcoming artists from all over the country. Earlier this year, SkullCreek Studios was nominated for Saskatchewan Country Music Association's Recording Studio of the Year. photos by Daniel Bushman

warm hospitality from his parents has not been lost

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TWM celebrates 90 years; launches new logo

■ information has been compiled over the years by previous publishers and the current publisher of the Watrous Manitou

For the past nine

decades, The Watrous Manitou has been a big part of the area. With a focus on all things local and aiming to provide factual articles and a newspaper that readers and advertisers

can enjoy, as 2023 arrived, it signalled the 90th birthday of the weekly publication.

While there have been numerous changes over the years, one thing has remained: to serve the

local area and keep people informed. The following is a bit of history over those 90 years.

Early beginnings

The Watrous Manitou has resided for all but a trio of its years at 309 Main Street, Watrous. In 1933, the Manitou Printing office was established by J.A. McGowan, founder and publisher.

McGowan was only 18 when, in July 1905, he relocated from Grand Valley, Ont. to Strasbourg, Sask. He worked in newspaper offices in Strasbourg, Govan and Lanigan before moving to Nokomis in 1910 where he purchased the Nokomis Times, which he operated from 1911 to 1919.

In 1912, James married Mildred Bailey. Two children, daughter Marion and son Gordon, completed the family circle.

The start of the Watrous Manitou

In 1931, the McGowan family relocated to Watrous when James became the editor of the Watrous Signal, published by Edmund Garrett. In late 1932, James began making plans to start another newspaper, the Watrous Manitou. The first issue of the Manitou was published Feb. 9, 1933.

Through McGowan's 41 years as publisher of the Watrous Manitou, he was a member of the Saskatchewan Weekly Newspaper Association (SWNA) and Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association. He served a

term as SWNA president. Mildred McGowan, as well as taking part in the production of the paper for many years, was also active with the UCW and Watrous Ladies Curling Club. James McGowan passed away in 1974. Mildred continued as the publisher until 1977 when her son and daughter-in-law Gordon and Roberta purchased the business.

Second generation takes over

Gordon McGowan enjoyed employment in various fields until he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and spent four years in stations out east. In 1944 he and Roberta Brown were married. The couple resided in Ottawa until the summer of 1945.

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RCMP Report

Increased police presence in Watrous area

On May 20 Saskatchewan RCMP officers with Combined Traffic Services Saskatchewan (CTSS) and the Watrous detachment conducted proactive traffic safety check stops in the Watrous area.

Officers stopped approximately 60 vehicles and checked drivers for signs of impairment.

As a result of investigation, four roadside suspensions were issued: three for driving with a blood alcohol count between .04 and .08, and one for driving after using cannabis.

Watrous RCMP and CTSS thanks the community for their patience and cooperation during this traffic safety initiative.

Mail boxes broken into at Manitou Beach

Between May 29 at 11 a.m., and May 30 at 9:15 a.m., culprit(s) broke into two stand alone mail boxes situated in Manitou Beach, near the tennis courts, and the community centre.

If you have information about these or any other crimes, please call the Watrous RCMP at 306-946-3316 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), through SaskTel Mobility at *8477, text TIP206 plus your message to CRIMES (274637) or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com where you can also view information on other unsolved crimes. Crime Stoppers is anonymous and does not subscribe to call display and calls are not traced or recorded. If your information leads to an arrest or charge you may be

eligible for a cash award.

RCMP confirm remains

In April 2023, a forensic autopsy conducted by the Saskatchewan Coroners Service determined the human remains belonged to an adult male, who had been deceased for approximately 10 years.

Saskatchewan RCMP's Historical Case Unit (HCU) compared these details to missing person files from the area in that time range. A potential identity was established and investigators contacted their family to further the investigation.

In May 2023, a familial DNA comparison and analysis was completed. It determined the remains belong to Randy Wallace George, who was reported missing to the Pierceland RCMP on Big Island Lake Cree Territory on July 11, 2013. He was 38-years-old when he was reported missing.

George's death is not believed to be suspicious in nature. His family has been notified. The RCMP's thoughts are with them during this difficult time.

Saskatchewan RCMP had been investigating Randy's disappearance since he was reported missing. Whenever a person is reported missing to Saskatchewan RCMP, the police remain committed to locating them and bringing them home, regardless of the time that has passed. The HCU, which includes a provincial missing person coordinator, takes carriage of historical missing persons investigations.

If you have information about any missing person, even if time has passed, please report it to your local police of jurisdiction. Information can also be submitted anonymously by contacting Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

Robbery near Pierceland

At approximately 9 p.m. May 25, Pierceland RCMP received a report of a robbery at a business on Hwy. 21 near Pierceland. Investigation has determined a male, armed with a knife, entered the business and demanded cash. The male left the business and fled on foot. There

were no injuries reported to the police. As a result of the investigation, Pierceland RCMP have charged and arrested 30-year-old Kelvin Crookedneck of Island Lake First Nation with robbery with offensive weapon, contrary to Sec. 344 of the Criminal Code; Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose, contrary to Sec. 88(2) of the Criminal Code; and obstructing a peace officer, contrary to Sec.129. (a) of the Criminal Code. He was scheduled to appear in Meadow Lake Provincial Court on June 1, 2023.

Truck and train collision

At approximately 3 p.m. May 27, Yorkton RCMP responded to the report of a collision between a truck and a train between Hwy. 309 and Hwy. 9. Initial investigation determined a 16-year-old driver and lone occupant of the vehicle, collided with a power unit on the CN train. The local fire department along with officers from the CN Rail also responded. Yorkton RCMP attended in an assisting capacity and maintained traffic safety. The driver was charged for driving a vehicle without due care and attention under Sec. 213(1) of the Traffic Safety Act.

Vehicle rollover

At approximately 2:26 p.m. May 27, Esterhazy RCMP responded to the report of a vehicle rollover carrying four occupants on Range Road 1325, approximately 3.5 kms north of Churchbridge. Esterhazy RCMP responded immediately along with EMS from Langenburg. A 15-year-old female was identified as being the driver of the vehicle, and did not have any injuries reported to police. Two other passengers, an 18-year-old female and a 16-year-old male were all taken to hospital with what were reported as non-life-threatening injuries and have since been released from hospital. A 20-year-old male passenger passed away on scene by EMS. His family has been notified. An RCMP collision analyst along with the Saskatchewan Coroners Service also attended to investigate further. The investigation into the cause of the rollover is ongoing.

Drake Park Project unveils accessible playground

Daniel Bushman

With an opportunity to create a space for residents and visitors alike to enjoy while revitalizing the area, a new accessible playground will be installed later this month in the Village of Drake.

Securing land close to the school, the Drake Park Revitalizing Project committee received a grant for the equipment while raising funds through community suppers, Winterfest and other events. Because of that, they were then able to get the green light on the \$250,000 project.

"This project is super exciting for the whole community," shared Drake Park Revitalization Project spokesperson Erin Richard. "The playground will be fully accessible promoting inclusion and play for all."

With land near the Drake School, once installed just north of the facility, the equipment will be utilized by all of

the students. "Drake prides itself on being a community that is inclusive and supportive for the success for all. We saw a need as the local school was fundraising for new playground equipment and we wanted to ensure that this project could support their needs and also the needs of the community of an outdoor play structure for families to gather."

Planning to have it built June 29, Richard said they are still looking for volunteers to help with the installation, coordination of lunch and snack breaks and childcare during that day. "If you are able to help out, contact us

through the sign up form on our Facebook page (Drake Park Project) or send us a message through Facebook."

Started by a group of volunteers within Drake and

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Opinion



Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

Minestrone Soup Instant Pot

Ingredients:

2 tbsp. olive oil
1 cup chopped onion
¾ cup chopped carrot
¾ cup chopped celery
1 small zucchini - diced
4 cloves minced garlic (about 1 heaping tablespoon)
4 to 6 cups broth (chicken or beef)
1 cup red wine (optional)
4 cups canned chopped tomatoes with juice
1 large can cannellini beans (drained and rinsed)
2 tbsp. tomato paste
2 bay leaves
1 tsp. salt
¾ tsp. pepper
1 tsp. dried oregano (or 1 tbsp. chopped fresh)
1 tsp. dried basil (or 2 tsp. chopped fresh)
½ tsp. thyme
1 tbsp. chopped parsley
1 cup small pasta (shells, macaroni)
1 cup finely chopped spinach (optional)
Parmesan cheese for garnish
4 cups of broth makes a thicker soup; 6 cups broth makes a thinner soup
I often use a large can of mixed baking beans instead of cannellini beans

Directions:

Place all ingredients in the instant pot except salt and pepper, the spinach and Parmesan cheese. Close the lid, set the vent to sealing. Pressure cook to get four minutes. When it beeps then it is done, flip the valve to vent for quick release. If it begins to sputter, do a control release by flipping the valve between seal and vent for about 10 seconds each until pressure is released. When the pin drops, open the pot, remove bay leaves. Stir in the chopped spinach if you are using it. Add the salt and pepper to taste. Pour into bowls, garnish with Parmesan cheese.



Tips from Reena Nerbas

several other products including clear water, vinegar and water solution, etc. I cannot kneel as it is tough to get down on my hands and knees to wipe one square foot at a time with the warm water and/or vinegar and water solution and then having to dry it immediately to eliminate the water marks and streaks. Rajvir

Dear Rajvir,

Purchase a good quality microfibre mop that includes both a wet and dry Velcro pad. The dry attachment is used to pick up daily dust. If you use a mop such as this, you can wash the floor with the wet mop, vinegar and water. After you have washed the floor once, go over the entire surface again with the wet mop but do not add any water or vinegar to the mop. This extra step polishes and slightly dries the floor thereby removing watermarks. Vacuuming on a regular basis is also helpful in keeping your floors looking great.

Dear Reena,

I am wondering if you know how to prevent further cracking on my beautiful wooden dining room table? I polish it every week and then every two weeks I leave oil all over it hoping it will absorb it and stop the cracking. We cannot put a humidifier in our home, but do you have any other suggestions on how to save this table from destructive dryness? Annie

Dear Annie,

A wide array of products ranging from oils, waxes and sprays are available for furniture care. However, contrary to popular belief wood does not need to be “fed”. The best way to care for furniture is simply to maintain a stable environment. No amount of oil or other materials will keep wood from drying out if the humidity level is too low. A good quality paste wax designed for furniture

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can be used to add a protective layer to the wood finish and give it a soft shine. Paste wax protects the finish without penetrating the wood and keeps dust from binding with the surface the way car wax makes water bead. Pick a wax that matches the colour of the wood (for instance, a lighter wax for maple and a darker one for walnut). If the wood finish is cracked or rubbed away, skip the paste. Do this only once a year and apply the wax sparingly. Do not use spray polishes or lemon oils as they can leave the surface tacky, which attracts dust. You do not need fancy chemicals to clean and protect wood furniture even if they are your prized possessions. In fact, those products can do more harm than good. According to one expert at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina, “Some sprays have additives that will never come off. They crosslink chemically over time and become insoluble. A lot never completely dry and they attract dirt, darkening the finish which can decrease the value.” Source: www.preservation.gc.ca

Smart tips from smart people

- Your dog just returned from a brisk run around the yard, he smells bad and company is on the way over. Sprinkle your lovable family member (the dog, not your spouse) with baking soda. Rub it into his fur to reduce odours. Simone
- Give your cakes that professional bakery finish. After icing a cake or cupcake with buttercream icing, heat the icing with a hairdryer on low setting and the dessert will display a glossy finish. Ben
- When brown sugar ends up as hard as a rock soften it with this easy solution. Wrap the brown sugar in aluminum foil and place it in a dish and into the oven for five minutes at about 325°F. Soft and good as new! Ben
- Next time you run out of eye makeup remover try one of the following: the oil from an avocado, hair conditioner or baby oil. Lauren

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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**For Watrous Centre news,
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My keys, eyeglasses and wallet keep disappearing!



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

A spiritual column
by contributor
Raymond Maher
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Some seniors say that things regularly go missing on them. As a senior, I can vouch that lost keys, eyeglasses, and wallets are found if you look long enough, most of the time. Craig Groeschel

says in his book Soul Detox that you will always find what you are looking for, but not in terms of lost articles.

Groeschel contends: “You will always find what you are looking for. Think about the difference between two birds: a vulture and a hummingbird. Vultures soar high in the sky, looking and searching. What does a vulture find? Dead things. The ugly oversized bird does not stop until he finds lifeless, rotting roadkill.

Contrast the vulture to the tiny hummingbird. With wings flapping 20 beats a second, what

does this small bird find? Not dead things and disgusting, rancid meat, but instead, sweet, life-giving nectar. Daily, each bird finds what he is looking for. The same is true for you. You can be on a roadkill diet or you can find nectar in each day. It is up to you because you will find what you search for.”

I say if you seek the Lord, you will find Him. I encourage you to do so with the words of Isaiah 55:6: “Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.” Look for God in his word or the Bible.

If you are looking

for sin, you will find it quickly because it is popular. I regret saying it is easy to get addicted to the drugs of your choice. No one starts out to be a drug addict or alcoholic, but people die of drug overdoses daily. If you enjoy slander, judging, labelling, and hating, you will find lots of folks to agree with you and will help you tear others down.

Increasingly, people focus on wealth and self-gratification. They have decided God, His Word, and organized religion are the last things they need or want. Studies have proven that all people have a self-

enhancement attitude that can lead to blindness. We all think we are more moral than someone else. It is remarkable how good we think we are. Just ask us and we will tell you about it.

The Bible speaks of an urgency concerning believing in and accepting God and turning to him in repentance and love. God has said clearly, “Seek the Lord while he may be found. Call on him while he is near.” God declares clearly, “My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your

ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower, and bread for the eater. So is my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” (Isaiah 55:8-11)

A wise person fears the Lord and shuns evil, but foolish is the person who is hotheaded and reckless in their words and actions. (Proverbs 14:16) Seek God!

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PICKLES
by BRIAN CRANE

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I GOT A NEW PHONE TODAY.
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OH, SHOOT! NOW I ACCIDENTALLY POSTED IT ON INSTAGRAM!!
WHAT?!

I'M SO SORRY, EARL! I DIDN'T MEAN TO DO THAT!!

OH, THAT'S OKAY, AS LONG AS NO ONE SEES IT. WHAT'S AN INSTAGRAM?

HEY, YOU'RE THAT GUY IN THE TOWEL, AREN'T YOU? HUBBA, HUBBA!! HA HA!

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JONI!

WHAT?

YOU KNOW I HAVE A WEAKNESS FOR DONUTS, BUT YOU ALWAYS LEAVE THEM OUT!

FEAR NOT, MADAM!

GLOMP!

NO NEED TO THANK ME... IT'S THE LEAST I COULD DO FOR A LADY

CHIVALRY ISN'T DEAD... IT'S JUST BLOATED

PEANUTS
featuring "Good ol' Charlie Brown"
by SCHULZ

CHUCK, HAVE YOU EVER TOLD A GIRL THAT YOU LIKE HER? AND HAVE HER LAUGH IN MY FACE? NOTHING DOING!!

IT HURTS TO HAVE YOUR FACE LAUGHED IN

I DON'T UNDERSTAND, CHUCK.

WELL, SAY SOMETHING NICE TO ME, AND I'LL SHOW YOU...

SAY SOMETHING SENSITIVE TO ME, AND I'LL LAUGH IN YOUR FACE...

I LIKE YOU, CHUCK

HAHAHAHA!

OW! OOO! OW! YOU WERE RIGHT, CHUCK... MY FACE HURTS ALL OVER!

OUCH! OOO! OW! I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN STUNG BY BEES...

I GUESS MAYBE I'LL GO HOME

I WONDER IF THIS MEANS I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO TELL ANYONE THAT I LIKE THEM...

IT'S BEEN TERRIBLE TALKING TO YOU, CHUCK

SIGH!

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Universal Crossword
Edited by David Steinberg

ACROSS

1 Main ingredient in pasta

6 Musician Reed

9 Wine city near Turin

13 Yoga pose

14 Grammy winner Aimee

15 ___ immunity

16 Made a cheeky call? Beverage that induces brain freeze

18 Business connection?

21 Vaccine molecule

22 Actress Julia whose surname sounds fashionable

25 Like a sari or toga, when worn

27 "That guy?"

28 Steals from

31 Legal wrongs

32 Iowa State's city

34 Take it up a ___

36 "Makes sense"

38 Name that anagrams to "heal"

39 In that location

40 Yoga surfaces

41 "Mean Girls" writer Fey

42 Hit one out of the park

43 ___ in your pants

44 "___ me!" (informal "Pardon!")

46 Q-tip, e.g.

48 Drink such as boba

49 Ramadan and others, in the Islamic calendar

51 Gloomy

53 Male turkey

54 "Look who's back"

57 Washington bills?

59 Not yet taken

63 Vivacious, confident types, in astrology

64 United selection

65 Start getting paid to play

66 Country singer Loretta

67 Make a mistake

68 Oscar season oversights

12 Head light?

14 Scratch or scuff

17 "No need to pay for this round"

20 Philosophical principle that's 3-Down backward

22 Ten Com-mandments verb

23 Adage about efficiency

24 "Ugh, this is so frustrating!"

26 Word before "donna" or "ballerina"

29 Hippieish, informally

30 Originates (from)

33 ___ the Sheep

35 Entourage

37 College application part, often

45 Where pigs hang out

47 Myers-personality types

50 "Amazing!"

52 Company in a 2001 scandal

53 Turnpike charge

55 At a great distance

56 HBO series based on "A Song of Ice and Fire," for short

58 ID shared with a CPA

60 Animated shopkeeper hidden in "Rapunzel"

61 "One sec," in a text

62 "Send help!"

FOR ANSWERS TO SUDOKU AND CROSSWORD, SEE PAGE 15

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6/11 **Themeless Sunday 37** by Rafael Musa

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Taking the title

► The 15U AAA East Central Dodgers are the 2023 Regina Legasse AAA Tournament champs! Former Watrous Lakers’ players Brady Solar, Pryor Dyck and Blake Morelli were the bomb squad during the May 20th weekend tournament.

photo and info courtesy Julie Morelli



Tremendous weekend

► It was a successful weekend for a pair of soccer teams containing a number of local players. Competing during the last weekend in May, the U13 team (below) went all the way to the final at its Hollandia Tournament coming away with a silver medal. The U15 contingent (above), which is comprised of players from Watrous, Lanigan, Humboldt, and Wynyard represented the Humboldt Hurricanes and went undefeated at the Hollandia Tournament to take the title.

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Winning weekend

► The Humboldt Thunder U13 provincial team won the Sharon Knott Tournament in Regina during the final weekend of May. Former Watrous Royals’ players Ava Morelli, Laityn Hendry, Jaylynn Terry, Abbie Schindel and Harper Anderson represented the area well!

photo and info courtesy Julie Morelli



ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT NOTICE

TOWN OF WATROUS

PUBLIC NOTICE

OF INTENT TO AMEND THE ZONING BYLAW

NOTICE

is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Watrous intends to adopt a Bylaw under **The Planning and Development Act, 2007** to amend Bylaw No. 26-2013, known as the Town of Watrous Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT

Council is proposing to amend the Land Use map by re-designating Parcel E Plan G827 from Community Service to Multiple Family Residential District.

AFFECTED LAND

The affected land is legally described at Parcel E Plan G827 (#806 4th Street East).

REASON

The reason for the amendment is to provide for development of the land for uses permitted in the Multiple Family Residential Zoning District.

PUBLIC INSPECTION

Any person may inspect the bylaw at the Town Office between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 12 Noon and between 1 P.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays). Copies of the Bylaw and this notice are available free of charge.

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Council will hold a public hearing on Monday June 26th, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in Watrous Town Council Chambers to hear any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaw. Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the Town Office before the hearing date.

Issued at the Town of Watrous this 5th day of June, 2023.
Orrin Redden, CAO

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

AMENDMENT NOTICE • TOWN OF WATROUS

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(from page two: TWMM)

Following his stint in the Air Force, Gordon and Roberta, daughter Noreen and son Donald moved to Watrous where Gordon became involved in the family newspaper and commercial printing business.

In 1976, Roberta joined the Watrous Manitou staff to operate newly-acquired photo typesetting equipment. July 26 of that same year, a fire destroyed both Swift's Furniture and Electric and the adjacent newspaper office while the bakery sustained heavy damage. The silver lining was there was enough time for members of the fire brigade and energetic citizens to save the recently-purchased equipment and all the current office records. Instead of enjoying two weeks of holidays, the staff set up shop at the curling rink for several months and then moved to the basement of the Shop-Rite store at 215 Main Street.

New building - same location

In 1978, construction of a new office commenced and the first issue from that building was distributed in January 1979. The end of an era came to a close when Gordon and Roberta McGowan retired Aug. 31, 1985. After 52 years in Watrous, the McGowan family name was no longer associated with the Watrous Manitou newspaper.

New owners - same location - new methods

Frank and Florence Wilson assumed ownership of the local newspaper Sept. 1, 1985. The couple moved to Watrous in 1980 when Frank, a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police was transferred from Yorkton. After 23 years of service, he retired from the national police force Aug. 5 and donned a new hat as publisher effective three weeks later.

An early change implemented by the Wilsons included the adoption of the Canadian Newspaper Units that changed the page layout from six columns to five. In 1986 at the SWNA convention, Frank found a little computer demonstration that would significantly change the production process. Desktop publishing would heavily impact the Watrous Manitou and the delivering of news to the community at large.

The photo-typesetting equipment was replaced in its entirety by Apple computers networked with a laser printer. Text and graphics produced on computers were printed and 'pasted up' on makeup sheets. Commercial art was received on compact discs and could be enlarged, reduced or cropped to fit within a layout, as depicted on the screen. Photographs, logos and artwork were scanned and saved for future use. No longer was reduction and enlargement of photos done on the photocopier.

In 1993, the talk of electronic newspapers was in its infancy. Fifteen years later, another era under a new set of owners was launched.

Change in ownership

In 2002, the Wilsons determined it was time to leave the publishing business behind and Feb. 1, 2003, Robin and Nicole Lay became only the fourth owners in the Watrous Manitou's 70-year history. Nicole, born and raised in Watrous and previously a teacher in both Milden Central School and LCBI High School in Outlook, also had experience in the roles of reporter, photographer, assistant editor and editor at the Outlook newspaper. Robin was new to the business but brought much in the way of business experience due to his years of managing parts and service for both agricultural and automotive dealerships. He was also returning 'home', in the sense that he had lived in Young until high school graduation, and then in Watrous for several more years until moving to Saskatoon when he and Nicole were married in 1991.

In that initial year, while learning the newspaper business from the inside out, small changes were made along the way. Designated sections such as sports, entertainment and editorial pages were established, and a new masthead was adopted.

In 2004, the Lays added a full-time reporter/photographer to the staff. Changes to the production process began to take place. The sending of pasted-up pages to the press in Melville became a thing of the past, as pages were sent electronically via SWNA's hotline. A new digital camera was purchased in the fall of 2004, improving the quality of photos. Long-time Watrous Manitou employee Theresa Beavers retired after 41 years of witnessing changes in the business. Theresa first operated the paper folder and later the press. When Gordon and Roberta took over the paper, Theresa began doing more of the bookwork, costing out advertising for invoices and addressing the papers using the Elliott addresser. When computers moved into the office, Theresa found herself at the keyboard of a Mac computer inputting and maintaining the mailing list as well as mastering the PC bookkeeping computer. These jobs became Robin's responsibility following Theresa's retirement.

The first issue of 2005 marked another change for the paper. It was the last paper to have a black and white front page. Colour front pages were the exception instead of the rule until that time. Robin and Nicole decided the time had come for weekly colour front pages, which are now a staple. To better serve their customers, the addition of payment by debit or credit cards was added in April.

In January 2006, the rest of the front was computerized. Invoices, receipts, subscription renewals and store front sales of stationery were now entered into the computer, relegating the old cash register to the obsolete pile.

Renovations to the office began in March. Two new offices were added and a defined storefront was established. Publication continued throughout the three-month construction period. The paper must go out.

That summer after 31 years at the Watrous Manitou, veteran employee Herb Gatzke retired. Herb who hailed from Nokomis was introduced to the printing business by his brother Bob, who was a typesetter at the Nokomis Times. When Bob left in 1966, Herb filled the position. He learned the intricacies of the Linotype operation through a hands-on apprenticeship. He worked at the Times for nine years and in 1975 began his career at the Watrous Manitou. With the purchase of the compugraphic phototypesetting machine, Herb had to relearn typesetting. In 1986, he once again adapted his skills to the newly-purchased Mac computers and desktop publishing.

With the retirement came a shift of responsibilities for the current staff and the addition of a full-time front counter person who also picked up advertising and billing responsibilities.

A new service

Fifteen years after former owner Frank Wilson commented there was talk of “electronic newspapers that readers can call up on their home computer screen,” the vision came to fruition. The new Watrous Manitou website allowed readers access to the paper bright and early Monday morning. Readers enjoyed their first cup of coffee while catching up on all the news and activities from Watrous and surrounding area. The online newspaper also allowed TWM to service not only out-of-country readers and snowbirds but even local and provincial subscribers in a timely, reliable and cost-effective manner.

And a new look

In the fall of 2010, after several changes of ownership at the press in Melville/Yorkton, a decision was made to move TWM's printing to Wainwright, Alta. A large part of that reasoning was due to the high-quality colour printing taking place at StarPress, due to their use of ultraviolet inks and light to produce consistent, vibrant colour. The Watrous Manitou never looked better.

TWM remains a family business

After owning TWM for 11 years, Robin and Nicole Lay approached reporter Daniel Bushman and his wife Kim to see if they would be interested in purchasing the business. Continuing a long-standing tradition of a husband and wife partnership, the Bushmans bought the newspaper Feb. 1, 2014 to become the fifth owners in the paper's history. Then almost two years later, on Dec. 1, 2015, the Watrous Manitou added a 'sister' to the family as Daniel and Kim purchased the Lanigan Advisor from owner Linda Mallett. Like the Watrous newspaper, the Lanigan Advisor is a weekly newspaper with a focus on local content.

Making changes

Since purchasing TWM in 2014 and building upon the successes of previous publishers, the weekly newspaper has continued to serve the area with an emphasis on local. Daniel has remained in the role of reporter/photographer while adding editor and publisher hats. With prior experience at a few different jobs, Kim is involved with invoicing, customer service and takes care of the books. Along with the publishers, Laurie Regier has taken on typesetting and customer service duties while Alexandra Dengler is responsible for the creative and advertising aspects of operations.

Launching a website (www.twmnews.com), the newspaper continues to have a presence in the digital world, offering an online paper. With 48 issues per year, the hard copy of the paper is out each Monday while it appears a bit earlier online, arriving Fridays. It also

contains unique features like TWM Around the World, where readers are invited to take a photo with the newspaper during their travels around the world and submit them to be published. Weekly recipes, comics and puzzles, a photo of the week section, TWM Faces in the Community, and a flashback of the past have also appeared in the publication over recent years.

Continuing to be printed at StarPress out of Wainwright, Alta., the Watrous Manitou's office location remains the same at 309 Main Street. While the hours have changed a bit and a few faces have come and gone, the focus has always been the same: providing a local paper that the community can be proud of.

As part of the desire to provide excellent articles, photos and an overall great product, TWM has been recognized with a number of achievements through SWNA's Better Newspapers Competition Annual Awards. Since 2004, the weekly paper has been named a top three finalist 65 times, including winning a total of 10 first place awards.

With an award-winning paper and a website offering an online edition, the Bushmans have also added Facebook, Instagram and twitter accounts to have an even further reach. With help from the couple's staff, operations have also grown to offer a variety of services like business cards, menus, brochures, calendars, tickets, laminating, photocopying, faxing and photo printing, amongst others.

Prior to the covid pandemic, TWM also began bringing in books written by local authors and continues to sell them. A number of Daniel's photos are also available for purchase and an annual local calendar was created two years ago with a portion being donated to the local food bank. More recently, in an effort to expand the newspaper's services, in early 2023, Kim launched Kim Made Co., selling personalized items like keychains, cups, shirts, bookmarks and other accessories.

Commemorating 90 years

Despite navigating through some tough times during the pandemic and wanting to see the paper remain viable, as Daniel and Kim marked nine years as publishers in 2023, the Watrous Manitou celebrated its 90th year. With a rich history of reporting the news and keeping people informed, the Watrous Manitou will be marking serving the community and surrounding area with a few different initiatives this year. Some of those things include giveaways, sales, promotions and contests.

TWM launches new logo

As part of reaching the milestone of 90 years, a new logo has been created (below). The second such change since the Bushmans took over, the new logo pays homage to the past as the same font used by the McGowan family has reappeared. The year of when the Watrous Manitou started is also noted. An image of wheat has been added to the logo signifying the importance of the prairies and local area resources related to agriculture and mining. Above the word Manitou, waves of water appear, paying tribute to the importance of the unique nearby lake, tourism and the history of the Resort Village of Manitou Beach.

Tying the two communities and area together for the past 90 years, the Watrous Manitou has withstood the tests of time and through that extends its appreciation to its staff, readers, customers, and advertisers who have been a tremendous support over the years. Without you, and without that support there would be no paper. TWM is looking forward to celebrating its milestone throughout the remainder of 2023.



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL RESORT VILLAGE OF MANITOU BEACH

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Resort Village of Manitou Beach for the year 2023 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the Assessor from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the following days: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday until June 30, 2023.

A bylaw pursuant to section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal against their assessment is required to file a notice of appeal, accompanied by a \$100.00 appeal fee by June 30, 2023 with:

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Elise Dale, Assessor

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(from front page: TRAIL)

Having Harpauer and Cockrill in attendance for the May event, Ediger said without their support, the trail would never have gotten off the ground. "They were responsible for this to happen. If they would have said no to me, it would not have happened. In retrospect, when I went to the Minister of Highways and received the approvals, while it took a little longer timing wise, it all worked out and we are fortunate to have it."

Following the ribbon cutting, Cockrill shared about spending time at Manitou Beach and how the trail between the two communities is on Ministry of Highways land right-of-way. Appreciating working with Ron and the group involved to make Memory Trail a reality, Cockrill told those in attendance, "Sometimes we are a little sensitive on highways about what happens in our right-of-way because we are focused on safety. But when we see communities like both of your communities step up and say we want to do something for the benefit of our community, this is a great thing that we are proud to be a part of and support."

Looking forward to returning in the future, Cockrill was followed by Deputy Premier Donna Harpauer who noted she has many fond memories of spending summers at Manitou Beach as a kid and also doing Christmas shopping in Watrous.

Calling the project a testament to the generosity and volunteerism of the area, with Memory Trail joining the Rotary Walking Trail at Watrous, Harpauer said, "I come to this community a lot and it has been nice to see it progress. The beginning of the trail was done a number of years ago and to see the completion just speaks to the dedication and the commitment by this community and their willingness to put in the effort on a volunteer basis quite frankly. It is nice to see. I think it will be well utilized and it is a beautiful trail."

Seeing people walking along the trail as she arrived at Manitou Beach for the announcement, Harpauer said having a project of this magnitude joining a pair of places together "speaks to the communities we have here in Saskatchewan. It takes someone to step up and it takes a lot of people to back him and that is what Ron had and it speaks to this community."

On behalf of the resort village, sharing at the Oct. 21, 2022 event, Manitou Beach Mayor Poppy Petersen was pleased to see the trail completed. "I am thrilled that Ron has taken the initiative to create this trail. He has the capability and insight to make this happen and I could not be happier."

Appreciating everyone involved with the project, Petersen, who was one of the first people to walk on the trail after the soft opening said the beach was on board with Ediger who took the initiative to get the project completed. "I hope that people will use this trail. We are very fortunate to have it."

Watrous Mayor John Gunderson who walked to the October event on one of the Rotary walking trails and was also present at the May 25 ceremony appreciated Ediger's efforts. "Ron has been such a supporter of Watrous, Manitou Beach and the whole area for many years."

Recalling that Ron and his late wife Melissa were named the 2018 Watrous Citizens of the Year, Gunderson said they contributed financially to a number of local projects and have also lent their support through the use of equipment for other initiatives. "Without people like Ron and Melissa, their families, and the crew at Melron Services Ltd., projects like the trail could not happen."



► Following a soft opening of Memory Trail in October 2022, dignitaries joined Ron Ediger (left) of Melron Services Ltd. May 25, 2023 to officially cut the ribbon on the project. The approximately three kilometre trail going from Watrous to Manitou Beach joins up with the Rotary Walking Trail near Watrous. With people able to go back and forth to the pair of communities, Ediger also constructed a replica of a portion of the Arcade Pavilion which was placed at the end of Memory Trail at Manitou Beach. Ediger added some images inside the unique structure including one of the original Arcade Pavilion for people to view and enjoy.

photo by Daniel Bushman

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As President of Watrous Rotary Club, Al Mosewich was a volunteer involved with the existing walking trails in Watrous. Attending both ribbon cutting events, Mosewich said, "We are extremely pleased to see the third trail completed, as envisioned by Watrous Rotary."

Mosewich shared Ediger initially approached Watrous Rotary to see if there was any way to get the project started sooner, so it could be completed quicker. "Ron said he was 'a man of action' who just wanted to get it done. He asked us if it would be alright if he built the trail, and offered to pay for it too. It was an offer we couldn't refuse."

With Rotarians known as people of action, Mosewich indicated there were multiple negotiations undertaken with different levels of government and landowners and once everyone was on board, Ediger was able to move forward. "I was really excited to see the trail under construction and now that it is finished, it is truly greater than expected. It was a huge undertaking. Not everyone has the ability to get something like this done. Ron was in the unique position of having the equipment, staff, materials and financial resources. He saw the vision Watrous Rotary had. Ron Ediger is truly 'a man of action,' the type of guy, who gets things done. We are extremely grateful to Ron for making this trail a reality."

A grateful Ediger remarked how it essentially took a village to see the entirety of the project completed. Appreciating the Watrous Rotary Club, the RM of Morris, communities of Watrous and Manitou Beach, the four families (Alcock, Knezacek, Hayter, and Reichert) who donated benches along the trail, Rick and Margaret McDonald for donating a portion of land, the Ministry of Highways and his crew at Melron Services Ltd. for helping make the trail a reality, Ron explained what a privilege it was to create Memory Trail. "This year will

mark 26 years ago when I came here with a single backhoe and this community and the area has been so good to us. I wanted to give back to those who have supported me over those years and felt this was a good way of doing that. This trail goes to show that we can bring the two communities together as one."

Extending northeast from the first trail originally completed by the Watrous Rotary, Memory Trail goes past a gazebo toward the Watrous Cemetery. Walkers veer off the gravel road as the trail runs along a corner of the cemetery to the main gates. From there, people cross Hwy. 365 to the other side of the trail. Once there, the trail heads toward Manitou Beach alongside Hwy. 365. Reaching the turnoff to Murray Disc Golf, Ediger extended a portion of that gravel road wrapping around a slough and into a field.

At the nearby farmyard, a path was cut adjacent to some hedges near the highway. A six foot barrier was installed on the other side to allow privacy from the yard site. The trail then continues alongside the highway going between a pasture and signs at the entrance to the Resort Village of Manitou Beach. Creating walking space near another home, the trail goes through a treed area before reaching the Manitou and District Regional Park Campground. With room around some hedges, the trail leads walkers by the entrance of the park and then out in front of the drive-in and eventually comes to a conclusion at Lakeview Avenue, near the Resort Village of Manitou Beach's office and the mini golf.

"I am really appreciative of everyone who was a part of the operation of making the trail happen," an emotional Ediger said. "I have been enjoying watching people utilize the new trail and this project is also a way that we can honour the memory of the folks who were here and have since passed."

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Congratulations to all the graduates of 2023. Very best wishes to all.

We managed to get away and travelled to Good Spirit Lake for the weekend. It was a little damp, but the rain was so welcoming. It made the air smell fresh and clean and it was very welcoming being able to have a fire. It was a very enjoyable weekend. We toured past the new cabins and stopped at the beach store, which is still a little under renovations with the new owner, but still open.

Congratulations to Viscount Archery Club members who competed in the Canada Cup Warm Up hosted by Valley Arrowheads: Dylan received gold U13 recurve; Bailey got gold U15 recurve and Jacob received gold Men's Compound.

Our granddaughter Danielle has represented Canada three separate

times at the international level, podiumed, hit two national records and has now become an active part of the Team Canada Coaching Staff for Powerlifting 2023 in The Republic of Malta. Fantastic and congratulations sweetie.

It was so enjoyable to read with our reading buddies last week. My reading buddy wanted to sit outside and read, but all the benches were taken so we sat in

the sand. I was not sure if I could get back up but I made it. It was so enjoyable and it seems like the time goes so fast.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week and enjoy the beautiful weather! If you have any news to share please let me know, I would love to share it. You can email me at elr.slr@sasktel.net.



►Viscount graduates (pictured left): front row (left to right): Kira Wignes, Walker Dale, and Cassidy Wintonyk; middle row: Jordyn Leslie and Jade Tolhuysen; back row: Grey Evenson. Missing: graduate Madison Juker. photos submitted by Viscount Central School Staff



YOUNG

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And just like that, it is June. The air is filled with birdsong and hopefulness. How grateful are we for the rain we received! Farmers, ranchers and gardeners are all so pleased for the moisture.

We are right on schedule for the annual discussion between Mrs. Barn Swallow and myself about her housing arrangements. She is quite determined to build on my deck; I am equally determined that she will not. Who will give up first? I will keep you posted.

Did you arrive at the "Junk in Your Trunk Sale" hosted by the Young Golf Club May 27 with a full trunk of merchandise to sell, or was your trunk

packed with amazing new-to-you purchases returning home? Speaking of the Young Golf and Country Club, they have tournaments coming up June 17 and July 8. You could purchase a membership for the 2023 season and enjoy a full summer of fun on the nine-hole golf course.

Tornado season has begun with one being reported near Regina May 27. Yikes! Hold on to your hats folks!

These last few days have been a lilac-lovers dream. The fragrance wafting through the air is intoxicating; the deep purple and mauve blooms that Mother Nature painted are a feast for the eyes.

Enjoy your week!

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Congratulations to Steve and Cathy Weir on the arrival of great-granddaughter Paisley Rae born May 22. Congratulations also to parents Emily Dauvin and Justin Hayes.

Sympathy to the family of Sharon Lane from Saskatoon who passed away Wednesday, May 24 in Saskatoon. Her children are Darren Breckner (Grace), Jason Breckner and Jodi (Kurtis) Breckner Smidt. She also leaves her brothers Milton and Neil. Sharon grew up in Colonsay. The funeral was held at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens May 31.

Brian and Elsie Beggs from Candle Lake visited Berle Wieler and family on the weekend. They also attended the dance recital in Humboldt Saturday, May 27.

Several others also attended the dance recital from Colonsay.

Edwyna (Bohonis) McIntyre from Calgary visited friends in Colonsay on the weekend.

It was great to see the rain come down. It will help the newly seeded crops, the pastures and gardens that have been planted.

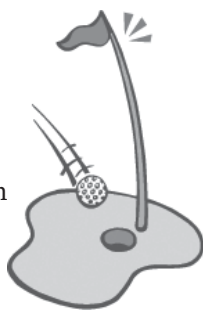
Congratulations to the Gr. 12 grads from Colonsay School: Kalan Lang, Bryn Schmidt, Annika Steckler and Paitynn Schatz. There will be a grad presentation at Colonsay School June 9.

Here's a little hug for you. To make you smile when you feel blue. To make you happy when you are sad. To let you know, life ain't that bad.

Golf Report

Thirty-four golfers made it out to the senior men's scramble Thursday, June 1 at Manitou Beach Golf Course. First place was recorded by the team of Bob Lewis, Rod Hartley, Hugh Carlson and Vic Penner and second place was the team of Garth MacLellan, Gordie Lamont, Ray Bruce and David Madill. Mystery team was Robert McLane, Harold Anhorn, Scott Murray and Richard Lieslar.

Closest to the pin on hole eight was David Madill and closest to the pin second shot on hole four was Earle Amendt. Kurt Vanthuyne made the longest putt on hole six. Glen Busse was closest to the line on hole nine.



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on his guests. Artists like Leot Hanson, formerly of the Sheepdogs and Eliza Doyle, who used to be with Dead South are two of the many who have spent time at the studio in Watrous. "We had a full living room here the other day. There were a lot of people here and it was loud but a lot of fun."

Striving to have the artist literally feel right at home, Beveridge indicated that is really when the music comes to life. "My favourite part of it is probably getting involved in the project to the point where there is some trust built between me and the person I am working with. Then things feel easy and that is my favourite time. When that trust has been built and we are comfortable around each other, I can tell that they feel free just trying anything and that is when the magic happens. I think when people are comfortable, they are more confident, they perform better and are more open and that is when I think the creativity has room to grow."

But it has not just been the creativity that has grown, as local artists and others from as far away as Alberta

and B.C. have gotten wind of Aspen's venture. Willing to travel long distances to be a part of something special, Beveridge shared when Doyle heard about his work, the artist contacted him out of the blue. "She recorded an entire album in Nashville and asked me to mix her album. I said, 'Of course I want to mix your album.' So she came to Watrous and stayed here at least a week and then came back another time for another few days and we mixed the whole thing together."

Having the ability to provide that home away from home feel and an opportunity for visitors to seek refuge from the bright lights of the big city, opportunities like the ones with Hanson and Doyle have blossomed. In fact, Beveridge is so busy that he admits to having some trouble juggling all of the scheduling demands. "I have to give myself more time between projects and I haven't even really had time to get a website up and running. I do use social media and local artists can get in touch with me there."

While it might be busy, for Beveridge, it is truly

enjoyable. Immersed in all things music dating as far back as he can remember, Aspen shared his grandparents loved music, with his grandma even playing the piano and accordion. His family also got into old-time fiddle music and Aspen's eldest brother Ben, a musician himself, would take the future music mixer along to studio sessions.

Essentially growing up in dance halls at fiddle competitions and tagging along with his brother, Beveridge also spent time studying classical music. It was from those experiences where he really began to understand his passion for music. "I was put in all those different spaces and then when I went to music school, I spent a year studying audio engineering in Banff and that was primarily all classical music. It challenged me and pushed me a bit to be a little more formal about the process of music."

Through that process combined with years of fine tuning his craft, it pushed Beveridge's standard for quality to a new level. Mixing all types of genres, learning the ins and outs of the industry and wanting to allow his creativity to shine, Aspen feels he has reached a point where the process is more enjoyable than stressful. "For many years it was really difficult but getting the right gear, learning how to use it, knowing what the buttons do, it takes a little while. But these days there is not much stress, just enjoyable and challenging."

Allowing that love for music to overflow, the work and many hours put into his craft has also translated into recognition outside of Beveridge's studio walls. In 2022 and 2023 SkullCreek Studios was nominated for Saskatchewan Country Music Association's Recording Studio of the Year. Not the first time Beveridge has been recognized, Aspen welcomes the accolades but does not pay a whole lot of attention to them. "I appreciate it but I am really busy doing my own thing and my priority is to make the people I work with satisfied with what the end product is. It is not too much about the awards, but they are nice."

Whether or not Aspen wins an award this time around for Recording Studio of the Year, he is just happy to be able to do what he loves, in a place he loves, and with the people he loves. "I feel like I was searching for a place to put down roots and if this is the place then it is. That is what it feels like so I am just going to be here and do my thing for as long as I can."

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**CODE,
Kenneth J.L.
Nov. 19, 1939 -
May 28, 2023**

It is with great sadness, that we announce the passing of our beloved brother, uncle, and friend, Ken Code, aged 83 years, on Sunday, May 28, 2023 at Long Lake Valley Integrated Facility, Imperial, Sask.
Kenneth James Lewis Code was born to George and Annie (McCrea) Code along with his identical twin brother Don on the family farm at Stalwart, Sask. on November 19, 1939. Ken attended school at Imperial up to Gr. 7. He worked and lived in many places across Canada.

He tried his hand at many jobs, including: farmhand, mining, oil patch, road construction, but later settled on long haul trucking throughout North America and local grain hauling. Ken’s true passion was people. He loved people. He was blessed with the gift of the gab. He was always on the go, offering a helping hand to his family, friends, neighbours and strangers. Ken touched many lives with his kind and caring heart. He enjoyed a good game of cribbage, hunting, golfing, travelling the back roads and listening to country music.
Ken was predeceased by his parents, George and Annie Code and his infant sister Margaret; sisters Rita (Jack) Ives and Sandra (Brian) Federspiel; brothers Bob Code, Ray Code and his best friend Don Code and brothers-in-law Dave Reeves and James Rintoul.
Left to cherish his memory: sisters Marie Reeves and Vi Rintoul; brothers Mervin (Diane) Code, David (Jacque) Code; sisters-in-law Sophie Code and Audrey Code; along

with numerous nieces and nephews.
Family wish to extend a special thank you to all the staff at Long Lake Valley Integrated Facility in Imperial.
A memorial tea was held at the Pentecostal Church basement at Imperial, Sask. on Saturday, June 3.
Private family interment will take place at a later date.
Memorial donations directed to Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan would be appreciated.
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**LAY,
Robert Fredrick (Bob)
June 26, 1944 -
May 17, 2023**

Robert Fredrick Lay was born in Canora, Sask. June 26, 1944, the youngest of Annie (Hosaluk) and Frank Lay’s three children. He joined older siblings Vivian and George. The family lived on a farm outside Rama where they grew crops and raised animals – likely the start of Bob’s lifelong ability to tackle hard work and see a job through. He attended school in Rama until Gr. 10 and completed his high school in Invermay in 1962, already demonstrating his natural capacity for math and science, as evidenced by high report card marks. This was also where he met his future wife, Gail Thomson.
Following graduation, Bob tried his hand at university in Saskatoon, entering the College of Engineering, but the draw of rural Saskatchewan – and a little blond-haired, blue-eyed beauty – beckoned him home. Bob and Gail were married July 2, 1966 in Invermay and made their first home there, during which time Bob drove fuel truck for the Rama Co-op. The young couple became parents when they welcomed Robin and two years later, Donn. Bob then decided his growing family would be well-provided for by him accepting a job at the newly-opened Noranda Potash Mine located between Young and Colonsay, so in 1970 the Lays relocated to Colonsay before settling into the trailer park in Young.
That move proved fortuitous both for Bob’s career and his family’s long-term circle of friends, as the trailer park crew grew from a collection of coworkers into a tight-knit group of supportive families, many of whom are still treasured friends to this day. Bob’s work at the mine continued through its many name and ownership changes over the decades. What never altered, however, was his dedication, skill and ability to guide his crews with a unique combination of integrity, quiet leadership and true caring. Bob shared very recently that he ‘babied’ his crews; whatever he might have called it, it was repaid with loyalty and deep respect from those privileged enough to work under him. He was equally valued by his fellow supervisors and other staff at the mine.
Despite years of shiftwork, Bob always had time for his family and home. He coached hockey and ball, attended volleyball games and track events. He fully supported and encouraged his sons’ numerous athletic pursuits. The four of them also camped far and wide, often travelling hours to set up the tent trailer for just a

weekend getaway.
Being born June 30, Robin recalls missing many a birthday party because as soon as school was out, the Lays were on the road for another adventure – only occasionally including face-to-face encounters with bears! Back at home, Bob wasn’t afraid to put the boys to work around the house and yard, particularly after the family moved to the acreage across the highway from Young. Robin and Donn speak ‘fondly’ of hours spent mowing, weeding, and helping with any number of chores, and only express a little resentment that when Donn graduated and moved from home, Bob immediately bought himself a riding mower!
Perhaps it was the loss of his two young ‘work horses’ that encouraged Bob and Gail to pull up stakes and move to Saskatoon in 1989 where they remained until Bob retired (for the first time, the family is fond of teasing!) from the mine in 2005. Their years in the city weren’t all that different from the acreage in some ways, as Bob developed the basement, undertook renovations, and turned a good part of the backyard into a productive garden. “You can take a man out of the country, but you can’t take the country out of a man” certainly applied to Bob! And perhaps that was the motivation behind Bob and Gail’s final move, this time to Watrous in 2006. They enjoyed their first-ever new home, designed by Gail and Donn, sporting a yard and garden to be envied. Bob spent innumerable hours working on the lawn and growing enough food to supply his entire family and half the cul-de-sac! There were many recipients of his generosity over the years. Living in Watrous brought Bob nearer to his boys - Robin in Watrous and Donn in Regina – to watch them raise their sons in the same loving and attentive manner in which he raised his own.
Retirement also allowed Bob to spend time on another activity at which he excelled: construction. There are many a deck, fence and gazebo that exist thanks to Bob and fellow troublemaker, Barry Mensch. Bob and Robin also tackled many projects together, and Robin knew his dad was only a phone call away anytime he wanted a willing partner or sounding board for a job. Although Bob was probably happiest with a tool in his hand, he also knew how to relax and enjoy life. Bob and Gail travelled extensively. They have stayed in nearly every campground in Saskatchewan, been to every province and territory except Nunavut, and spent 12 winters in the USA, primarily in Mesa. They also took bus tours to the Maritimes and Alaska, and enjoyed fun-filled fishing trips and casino outings with special friends. Later years provided the opportunity for excursions to Regina and Saskatoon to visit their grandsons and great-grandchildren.
Back at home, there wasn’t a Sudoku or Kakuro puzzle that could outwit him, and countless books of completed

challenges fell in defeat! Bob also loved to follow youth sports and could be found at the hockey arena, ball diamond and football field, first watching his grandson Garrett, and continuing to follow community teams, especially those involving the cul-de-sac kids. Bob was not one just to sit on the sidelines, however! He remained fit and active right into his 78th year. Over a number of years, he ran four half-marathons with one or both sons – once winning first place in his over-70 age category - pounded out countless steps on the road, treadmill and stepper, lifted weights, and put that strength and endurance to good use around the house and yard. His strong legs travelled a million miles, carrying him faithfully right up to his passing.
Bob died Wednesday, May 17, 2023 after a brief stay in St. Paul’s Hospital’s palliative care unit, surrounded by the constant attention and love of his family. Right to the end, Bob continued to be more concerned about those around him than himself; his selflessness knew no bounds. He is survived by his wife of nearly 57 years, Gail; his son Robin, wife Nicole, their son Garrett, his wife Jaicee and their son Simon; his son Donn, wife Adriana, Donn’s sons Andrew and Lane, his partner Jordan and their children Odin and Emberlley, and Donn’s stepdaughter Justine. Bob is also survived by his sisters-in-law Sharon Lay and Glenelda Thomson-Germain and husband Ray; brothers-in-law Robert Baxter and Graham Thomson, and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins.
He was predeceased by his mother and father Annie and Frank Lay, sister Vivian Baxter, brother George Lay, mother- and father-in-law Ida and William Thomson, sister-in-law Linda Thomson and recently by his niece Sherri Thomson.
Memorial service was held at Watrous Civic Centre on May 29 conducted by Kristie Pilling.
Urnbearers were Robin Lay and Donn Lay. Lacey Meddins and Rikee Rowan were register attendants. Ushers were Craig Anderson, Jason Pilling and Dean Schlosser. Donn and Adriana gave the eulogy and tributes. Reading was by Pauline Mensch. Becca Goodwin was soloist.
Family interment will take place at a later date.
Memorial donations directed to St. Paul’s Hospital Foundation (Palliative Care) or Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan would be appreciated.
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SHARPE, Marci
Born in Watrous, Sask. to John and Helen Alcock of Venn on April 11, 1946. Marci was the oldest of four siblings growing up on the farm. She went to school in Watrous before attending St. Chad's Girl's School for high school in Regina. Next she attended Saskatoon Teachers' College and then obtained a Bachelor of Education at the University of Calgary. The death of her father in childhood, and later of her sister in early adulthood, were difficult losses that instilled in her the core values of family and gratitude and were evident in the smile she wore whenever she was with her family. She married Dale Sharpe in 1982 and was thrilled when they welcomed daughter Katie in 1986 and Alexander in 1988. Marci spent her adult years as a dedicated educator teaching French and music in both Calgary

and Edmonton. She was passionate about helping her students learn and grow and was known for her patience and kindness in the classroom where she touched the lives of countless students. Marci also enjoyed volunteering her time at local causes in the community including the Heart & Stroke fund and fundraiser events at her children's school and driving her children to any of their extracurricular activities. Marci was a woman who loved life and enjoyed travelling across Europe. She had a passion for exploring new cultures, meeting people and trying new things, working as an au pair in France and living in Quebec for a period to learn French. Her love of music was evident in her vast collection of albums and her love for attending concerts. She had a fondness for shoes and always made sure to have a great pair for every occasion. Marci was also a master bridge player, she loved the strategy and challenge of the game and was known for her quick wit and sharp mind at the bridge table. She enjoyed playing with friends and competing in tournaments and was a respected member of the local bridge community. Marci's love for bridge was an example

of her zest for life and her willingness to take on new challenges. When not adventuring, Marci was a devoted dog lover and had several canine companions throughout her life. She passed away Jan. 27, 2023 in Edmonton. She is survived by her children Katie Jane and Alexander, brother Jim (Helen), and nephews Jordan (Yuying) and Jonathan (Amanda), brother Joel Teal (Doreen), and sister Terry Wilson. Marci was predeceased by her father John, sister Jane, mother Helen, and brother Tom. Memorial service will be held at All Saints Anglican Church, Watrous, Sask. on Friday, June 9 at 2 p.m. To leave online condolences, tributes or to make a donation, please visit <https://fotheringham-mcdougall.com/>



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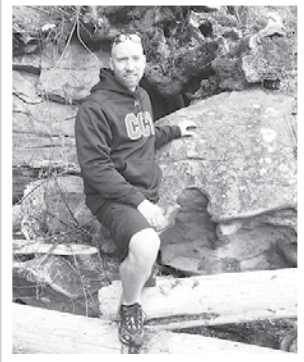


TAYLOR, W. Murray
Sept. 16, 1941 - May 26, 2023
Murray Taylor, aged 81 years, of Imperial, Sask. passed away at Royal University Hospital Saskatoon, Sask. on Friday, May 26, 2023. William Murray Taylor was born on September 16, 1941, in Simpson at Mrs. Nelson Clark's. School took place in the Country School west of Simpson. When Murray left home he worked for local farmers. He married Ethel Pieper June 28, 1968. Their first home was in Watrous and he worked for Hayter Drilling. Ethel was a stenographer at Gordon's Law Office. They next moved to Saskatoon where Murray worked for Prairie Oil for six years. They then moved to Imperial area buying a farm and built a new house in 1982. Murray enjoyed breaking horses, driving, all livestock, fishing, and helping the neighbours, being the local vet and butchering. Murray liked having a good time and never wore out the top button of his shirt.

Murray was predeceased by his wife Ethel, parents Bill and Ada Taylor, his brother Lorne and wife Lynn, sister Shirley and husband Allan, sister Marjorie and husband Roy, brother-in-law Vern French, sister-in-law Jean Taylor, brother-in-law Earl Osterhaut, Ethel's parents Albert and Elsie, sister-in-law Beatrice and her husband Wayne Heintz. Murray is survived by his children, Dean (Sharla) and Boyd along with grandsons Tyson, Brayden and Chance; brothers Leslie, Kenny (Donna), Glen (Georgie), Randy, sisters Heather, Joanna, sister-in-law Velma (Dallas) McCallum, brothers-in-law Allan (Jean) Pieper, Keith (Shannon) Pieper, Floyd (Cindy) Pieper and numerous nieces and nephews. The memorial service was held at Simpson Community Centre, Simpson, Sask. on June 1. Private family interment will take place at Simpson Cemetery. Memorial donations directed to Imperial Ambulance would be appreciated. To leave online condolences, tributes or to make a donation, please visit <https://fotheringham-mcdougall.com/>



Obituary



VANTHUYNE, Alan Rene
Feb. 26, 1972 - May 22, 2023
Alan Rene Vanthuyne, aged 51 years, passed away peacefully with his wife by his side in Moose Jaw, SK on Monday, May 22, 2023. Alan was born in Regina, on February 26, 1972, to Dennis and Edith Vanthuyne of Simpson, SK. Alan was the oldest of three children and was the perfect big brother in every aspect to his brother, Darin, and sister, Dana, who were one and six years younger. Alan grew up in Simpson and had all the adventures that a small-town boy could have. Simpson was a hockey town and Alan played every age level in Simpson including senior hockey. The highlight of his hockey days was winning the Midget Provincial Championships in 1990 with a combined team from Simpson, Imperial, Liberty, and Holdfast. Alan was instrumental in this win, scoring a hat trick in the first game of the final series. He was also a talented ball player, mostly whipping the ball across the diamond from third base. He played ball in Watrous, Liberty, Nokomis, and Lockwood.

Alan graduated from Simpson High School in 1990 and attended SIAST in Moose Jaw, graduating with a Business Administration diploma. He then completed a business degree at the University of Regina in 1996. Alan started his career in the financial industry working for the Bank of Montreal, then MemberCare and finished it as an online broker with Toronto Dominion Securities. In 1999 Alan met Tanya Herman from Colonsay, SK. Their love deepened quickly and in 2000 they were married. Their son Chayce was born in 2000 and was followed by his sister Brin in 2005. Alan's love for family was clear in the upbringing that he and Tanya provided for their kids. Whether it was coaching and watching ball games or cheering at dance competitions, they were a constant presence. Alan was so proud of his children and encouraged them to be whatever they wanted and to always strive for happiness. As a family, they enjoyed many family vacations together and always gathered great memories on each trip. In February 2001, Alan was sworn in as a Constable with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (Regimental #48312) and he and Tanya moved their family to his first posting of Smeaton, SK. He continued his law enforcement career in Regina, Moose Jaw, Lake Louise (Alberta), then back to Regina. With his work ethic and a diverse skill set to the RCMP, he worked both uniform and plainclothes, and rose quickly to the rank of Sergeant and Detachment Commander. In 2013 Alan was presented with the St. John Ambulance Life-saving Award for saving the life of a person in distress while he was on duty. In November 2016, Alan retired from the

RCMP to work as a special investigator with SGI, where again he excelled at his job and was a valuable member of the SIU team. Alan had many passions and one included staying fit through both weightlifting and running which was a benefit as he also really loved Tanya's cooking. Alan and Tanya entered some races and always crossed the finish line together. They also became regular workout buddies in the home gym. Their shared passion for fitness gave them another connection and allowed them to spend more time together. They recently acquired more dogs and while Alan was not a fan of bringing four dogs into the home, he grew to love them very much and enjoyed all the antics and joy they brought him. Alan also loved to spend time at the family cabin at Greenwater, hunting and fishing with friends and family. Alan and Tanya started spending more time in the BC mountains in the last few years, in anticipation of retirement. They often spent time hiking, kayaking, skiing or just walking the dogs and talking about what their next chapter would look like. Alan also loved spending time in Las Vegas with his brother, Darin and travelling with his kids. These trips were always a highlight of Alan's, and he truly enjoyed them. Alan's love of family was evident in everything he did. He listened far more than he talked and invested his time and interest in every person he encountered. Alan was also very funny and had an ability to make every person he talked to feel good about themselves. Any time spent with Alan was good for the soul. Alan lost his battle with cancer, but he never let it beat him. After his diagnosis and during his battle, he was always the most upbeat and positive person in the room. His two most common expressions were "It's all good" and "don't worry about me". Alan is survived by: his wife, Tanya, his children Chayce and Brin; his parents, Dennis and Edith; his siblings Darin (Jeanette) Vanthuyne, and Dana (Wayne) Stephens; his nieces and nephews Dallas, Dylan, Jaylin, Savanna, and Cody; his father and mother-in-law Merv and Barb Herman; brother-in-law Tyler (Ruby) Herman and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is predeceased by his grandparents Harry and Helen Vanthuyne (McDade) and Peter and Anna Donison (Rodger). A private family celebration of life will be arranged at a later date, but everyone who knew Alan is encouraged to celebrate his life in their own way. Smile and laughter are encouraged, as we all know Alan would want it that way. He was only happy when everyone around him was happy.

Memorial donations in Alan's name may be made to Moose Jaw Humane Society, Box 1658 Station Main, Moose Jaw, SK. S6H 7K7. To leave online condolences and tributes, please visit the Moose Jaw Funeral Home website. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Gary McDowell, Funeral Director 306-693-4550 www.moosejawfuneralhome.com

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the surrounding area, the Drake Park Revitalization Project received a Western Revitalization Grant during the summer of 2022. Helping with some of the costs associated with the project, that really kick started the process and since that time, the dream has become a reality. “Local citizens and organizations have supported fundraising and events to promote this vision of establishing a gathering place for all peoples in the community of Drake and surrounding communities. The Drake Park Revitalization Project, a non-profit organization, strives to build an interactive

outdoor space in which all people in the community, individually, and collectively celebrate, value and support participation and access to community experiences. The local North Star Church also supported the project with a service project last summer, building picnic tables for the space. We love how the community has embraced and supported this project.” Hoping to add more to the remaining space adjacent to the Drake Sportsplex where the baseball diamonds are situated, once the equipment is put in place, Richard said together

with the community, further priorities will be determined. “In the fall we will be part of a village-wide meeting to get direction from the community about the next priority in the community. We encourage anyone that is interested in being part of this initiative and project to reach out to us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/DrakeParkProject>).”

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