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## October welcomed by warm weather

■ Daniel Bushman

People on the Prairies have been treated to some remarkably nice weather this fall. While precipitation would be welcome, the hot summer days have flowed past their usual time period, allowing for a beautiful fall. Noting how nice it has been over the past few months, Environment and Climate Change Canada's David Phillips explained while there has been a touch of frost getting down to -0.9°C on the last day of September and the early part of October, he said, "We are seeing temperatures a dozen degrees warmer than it should be for this time of year. The normal high should be around 14°C not 26°C."

Those above normal values are nothing new for Saskatchewan this year as the warmth of the summer has made its presence felt. Normally experiencing 10 or 11 days of 30°C or hotter, this year Phillips said the local area has had 30 days that have hit 30°C or above.

The warmer weather has also held off the snow which is not always the case around Thanksgiving including in 1998 when a massive storm arrived. "People on the Prairies think if they can keep the lasting permanent snow until after Halloween you feel you've won one."

### 30 days at 30 or above

Those who prefer a hot summer certainly took advantage of the 2021 version as a prolonged heat wave swept across Saskatchewan. Normally experiencing 10 or 11 days of 30°C weather, Phillips said locally there were 30 days where it reached at least 30°C.

Not only was that a remarkable number but the Senior Climatologist said the other thing that was quite evident was temperatures also hit above 30°C in September. While there has been a prior instance where September was the warmest month of summer, what was unique for this year was that there were two days where the temperature got above 30°C and up to 33°C. "You've lost about five hours of daylight from the longest day of the year, the sun is lower in the sky by about 30 degrees so it is very hard for nature to produce these kind of temperatures when you've got more nighttime than daytime. So when the average temperature is more like 14°C and for it to ramp up to 30°C or above, that is almost unprecedented."

While Phillips suggested the number of days above 30°C in 2021 might rival 1988 where there were a lot of similar days, this year was different due to the fact that there were a number that hit 33°C, 34°C, 35°C and even higher.

"These weren't just little marginal kind of 30°C and 30.1°C, these were solidly in the mid-30°C range which shows you that not only was the frequency of those hot days, if not record breaking close to it, but the intensity was clearly that way too."

*Thanksgiving storm of 1998*



►As Thanksgiving weekend approached, people were treated to a warm and beautiful start to the fall season. Along with the 2021 version of fall which has included above normal daytime temperatures for this time of year, those above normal values were also evident

in summer as well. Environment and Climate Change Senior Climatologist David Phillips said this year the local area has had 30 days where the temperature reached at least 30°C where normally there would be 10 or 11 of those in a year.

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While snow, shovels and winter attire were probably some of the last things on people's minds over this Thanksgiving weekend, turning back the clock 23 years ago, people in Saskatchewan were forced to dig out of a massive storm while eating turkey in the dark.

In 1998, Phillips said the province was buried under a blanket of snow with places receiving anywhere from 25 to 70 cm of snow. With the heavy and wet snow falling, trees were brought down and power outages occurred to around 30,000 homes. "In some places that high end of 70 cm would be almost a year's worth of snow which fell in two or three days. It looked more like Christmas than Thanksgiving."

According to the Oct. 19, 1998 edition of The Watrous Manitou, the local area was not immune to the Thanksgiving storm. With power outages taking place, in Watrous crews responded to a downed 4,160 volt power line. To make matters worse, local emergency crews experienced a small electrical failure in their responding truck. However, with quick thinking, Watrous resident Dwight Kornelsen who was the deputy fire chief at the time utilized his ham radio skills to communicate during the storm. With the outages, downed power line and being able to use the ham radio operations, members of the volunteer fire department were able to stay in communication with Sask Power. Radio signals were relayed through an I.M. Repeater which

was located at the home of experienced ham radio operator W.D. Wilson in Watrous. With the ham radios in operation, the hookup allowed the crew to stay in touch with Sask Power workers while keeping them updated during the dangerous situation. A short time later communications were restored and the emergency crew's regular cell phone equipment was back on line.

Along with the downed line and power outages, in the article, publisher at that time, Frank Wilson noted people witnessed flashes of lightning and heard thunder during the storm. "One farmer said it lit up the area 'like an arc welder' reflecting brightly upon the snow covered ground."

Wilson also included an account of a large elm tree falling after accumulating heavy and wet snow. Grandkids of a local resident had been playing near the tree just seconds beforehand then ran into the house leaving the door open. "At this precise moment, the tree let go and fell towards the house. Since the door was open, the branches came inside without damaging anything, including the grandchildren!"

In total, during that Saturday and Sunday storm over Thanksgiving weekend, the area received close to one foot of snow. Other areas, specifically north of Prince Albert

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**Happy 30th Birthday Brad!**

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■ submitted by WHS  
Vice-Principal Doug Thomas

You may have heard music and energy coming from the football field the morning of Friday, Sept. 24th. Winston High School hosted its annual Wildcat Pride kickoff event.

The kickoff began with a school-wide "heads or tails" contest. Each participant had to choose heads or tails by putting both hands on the head or on their bottom. There was a designated coin flipper - Cooper Isherwood and Mr. Lee Bells provided the commentary and com-



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edic relief. This process repeated until only one person remained standing. The winner received a wonderful prize basket. There were five rounds and five winners - Ethan Todd, Breanna Cruise, Rowan Bowes, Cade Bartel, and Kade Chabot.

After a short break, the school split up into their Wildcat Pride Groups, with the Gr. 8 and 9s on one side of the field and the Gr. 10, 11, and 12s on the other. Each Pride was then

partnered with another to play a 15 minute game of capture the flag. After another short break, each Pride was partnered with another again and the game restarted. After four games, there were many students short of breath, perhaps a little sweaty, and definitely full of energy!

The school was then treated to a pizza and pop lunch (served individually), which most people enjoyed while soaking in the sunshine on the field.

Overall, it was a wonderful event. Many staff commented on how much we have missed activities like this over the last few school years. Certainly, school life is not back to normal, but we were thankful to plan and execute a special event that created many smiles, lots of laughter, and an opportunity to be together as a larger group. Hopefully, this is the start of many more memorable, school-wide events during this school year.

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# “RCMP Report”

## Complaints of reckless driver lead to arrest

On Sept. 29, 2021, shortly after 9 p.m., Moosomin RCMP received multiple complaints of an adult male driving a truck around the town of Moosomin in a reckless manner. As officers were en route to respond, they were flagged down by an individual who reported to have been assaulted by the same adult male. The individual indicated the male had rammed their vehicle with his truck before leaving the scene.

As officers drove through town, they located the truck outside of a business. The male exited the business and pointed a weapon in the direction of police.

The male walked across the street towards a residence, verbalized threats towards police and an adult male who had exited the house. The male with the weapon then discharged it in the direction of the other adult male; he was not struck or injured.

The male suspect got back into his truck, left and then drove back again to the same residence, damaging multiple vehicles and other property. The male drove towards one of the officers on scene. The officer was able to avoid being struck by the truck. The truck then crashed into a boulevard, disabling it.

The male exited the truck and was arrested. One of the officers and the male suspect received what were described as minor injuries. A crossbow was seized at the scene.

As a result of investigation, 44-year-old Donald Bleau of Moosomin has been charged with the following: Attempt murder, Section 239(1)(b), CC; Assault, Section 266, Criminal Code of Canada (CC); Commit assault by using or threatening to use a weapon, Section 267(a), CC; Assault peace officer, Section 270(2), CC; Utter threat to cause bodily harm, Section 264.1(1)(a), CC; Resist arrest, Section 129(a), CC; Operate a conveyance in a manner dangerous to the public, Section 320.13(1), CC; Operate a conveyance while impaired by alcohol, Section 320.14(1)(a), CC; Possess weapon for a purpose dangerous to the public, Section 88(2), CC; six counts, Commit mischief exceeding \$5,000, Section 430(3), CC; Commit assault by pointing a weapon, Section 267(a), CC; and Possess firearm without a licence to possess it, Section 91(1), CC.

The investigation is ongoing.

Moosomin RCMP are requesting anyone with information or anyone who may have witnessed this incident to contact the Moosomin RCMP by calling 306-435-3361. Information can be submitted anonymously through Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submitting a tip online at [www.saskcrimestoppers.com](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

## Charges laid after traffic stop

On Sept. 30, 2021 at approximately 8 a.m., officers from Saskatchewan RCMP's Roving Traffic Unit stopped a

vehicle on Hwy. 1 near Herbert.

Officers observed a small quantity of suspected methamphetamine in plain view.

As a result of the investigation, the vehicle was searched. Officers located and seized approximately 100 identity, credit and debit cards that did not belong to the occupants of the vehicle. They also found bear mace and items used in the manufacturing of fraudulent credit cards.

Aside from the suspected methamphetamine, small amounts of other suspected illegal street drugs were also located and seized. These substances will be analyzed and identified as part of the ongoing investigation.

It was then determined that the VIN on the vehicle had been tampered with. Investigators determined that the vehicle had been reported stolen in Regina.

As a result, three individuals were arrested.

Joel Gavina of Calgary, Alta., Shaylynn McKay-Koochicum of Regina and Aldrin Pascua of Regina are each charged with: four counts, possession, Section 4(1), Controlled Drugs and Substances Act; one count, possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose, Section 88, Criminal Code; one count, carry concealed weapon, Section 90, Criminal Code; one count, alter or remove VIN on motor vehicle, Section 353(1), Criminal Code; one count, possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000, Section 354(1)(a), Criminal Code; one count, possession of instruments or devices to falsify or forge credit cards, Section 342.01, Criminal Code; 18 counts, possession of credit card, Section 342(1)(c)(i), Criminal Code; and seven counts, possession of identity documents, Section 56.1(1), Criminal Code.

Aldrin Pascua was also charged with: two counts, breach of probation, Section 733.1(1), Criminal Code and two counts, fail to comply with release order, Section 145(5)(a), Criminal Code.

## Rollover west of Girvin

On Oct. 5, 2021 at approximately 1:50 p.m., Craik RCMP were dispatched to a single vehicle rollover on Hwy. 749, approximately seven kilometres west of Girvin.

Investigation has determined that a cement truck left the roadway and rolled. The driver, a 67-year-old male from Davidson passed away on scene.

The highway was closed during initial investigation by Craik RCMP and Saskatchewan RCMP Collision Reconstruction and has since reopened.

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►Not only has the Winston Wildcats senior girls volleyball A team found success in each tournament they have competed in so far this season but of the four they have entered, the contingent has come away in first place each time. After taking top spot in Loreburn and LeRoy, head coach Wendi Collins said the club played in an eight team tournament in Unity during the final weekend of September. With a tremendous round-robin record of 12-2, the Wildcats sat in first heading into playoffs. After beating Plenty in the semifinal, the blue and gold met Unity in the final. Collins said, "The final was a great battle with the Wildcats winning in the third game." With another victory and gaining momentum, the senior girls team travelled to Humboldt during the first weekend of October where they participated in a 12 team tournament. Collins said once again the Wildcats finished first in their pool. "We played Lanigan in our semi-final and had a battle which saw the Wildcats victorious with a score of 30-28 and 25-23! The Wildcats then took on Humboldt in the final which was another battle as Humboldt had some hard hitters. Despite competing against some tough competitors, the Wildcats were victorious winning 25-23, 20-25 and 15-13." After travelling to a handful of tournaments, the Wildcats will host their own event in Watrous Oct. 15 and 16.

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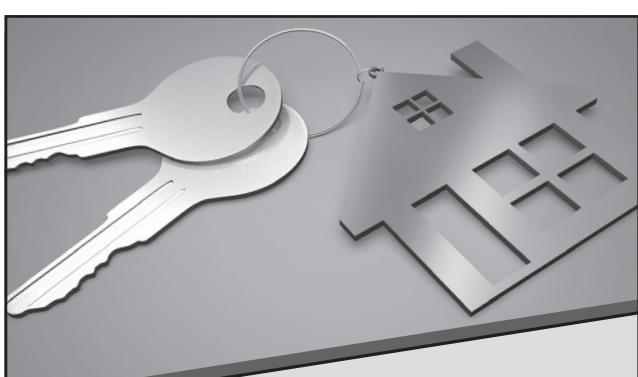
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# Opinion

## Provincial command assumes emergency management operations

■ media release

The Government of Saskatchewan announced the Provincial Command is being activated through the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC) to lead the emergency management response to COVID-19.

"This is being done to better co-ordinate the pandemic response between government ministries and staff, ensure the right resources are in the right place at the right time and provide administrative support so health care workers can focus their efforts on providing the best possible care to patients," Premier Scott Moe said. "Responsibility for public health recommendations and orders will continue to be managed by the Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Shahab."

The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency's PEOC has significant expertise and experience in co-ordinating and deploying emergency resources, and is closely connected to national and other provincial and territorial agencies to leverage support and resources when required; the PEOC is also able to access and co-ordinate inter-agency resources within Saskatchewan through various ministries, agencies and crowns. The Provincial Command will be led by a joint management team of Marlo Pritchard, President of the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency, Scott Livingstone, Chief Executive Officer of the Saskatchewan Health Authority and Max Hendricks, Deputy Minister of Health.

Effective immediately, the PEOC will be responsible for the operational, planning, logistical and administrative aspects of the emergency response to COVID-19, including: ongoing inventory management of staffing across the healthcare system and co-ordination and deployment of provincial supports and activities across multiple sectors.

The PEOC will also lead the dissemination of critical updates for the public and establish normalized briefings through media availability.

The PEOC is led by a joint management team with representatives from the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency, the Ministry of Health and the Saskatchewan Health Authority. It is anticipated that Provincial Command will now be operational throughout the duration of the provincial emergency order, which was declared on Sept. 13.

## COLONSAY

Irene Gray 306-255-2775

Wishing Peggy Shier and sons Jordon and Tyson good luck as they have moved to Saskatoon.

We welcome Amanda Reiman and Dustin Pingent as our new neighbours on Rosher Street.

The weather has been great for the fall harvest. Sadly some crops did not yield well; however, have heard that those who received a shower or two yielded much better.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. Hopefully COVID-19 slowed down so everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving weekend.

It will be nice to have Hwy. 16 construction completed before the snow flies. Some days it is a challenge driving to the city.

Congratulations to Rae-Lynn Moen and Don Burtack on the birth of their daughter Bryn Leigh Sept. 29. Grandparents Daryl and Maureen Moen, great-grandparents Clarence and Donna Moen and Norma Eley look forward to many days together with their new addition to the family.



Tips from  
Reena Nerbas

them, but then I thought you might know an easy way of washing them. In the tub is my only option, but then what should I do with them? Hanging them up wet would be a tad messy. Hope you can help. Thanks again for all the advice, Ben

Dear Ben,

Consider purchasing an inexpensive steam cleaner for your home. Spray the steam cleaner onto the blinds; wipe slats with a clean sock or rag. For regular cleaning, wipe slates with a fabric softener sheet to deter dust from collecting on the blinds or vacuum the blinds using the dust attachment. If you do decide to wash the blinds in the bathtub lay them on a towel and dry them with your hair dryer.

Hi Reena,

I was wondering if you have any tips/solutions for getting the discolouration out of the rubber liner just inside the door of a front loading washing machine. I inherited my parent's washer and it came with discolouration; I would like to clean it up if I can. Harmpreet

Dear Harmpreet,

While wearing gloves combine one gallon warm water with one cup of liquid bleach. Apply to the seal; wait five minutes. Scrub with an old toothbrush. Rinse with water.

Dear Reena,

How can I safely remove some burned on 'oven mitt

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fabric fibres' from the top element of my new black stove without damaging or scraping the black ceramic top. Do not ask what happened! Trevor

Dear Trevor,

Wet the area with dish soap and water to dampen. Scrape the area gently with a metal putty knife or razor blade (available where appliances are sold). Wipe to clean; your stove should look as good as new! So . . . what happened?

Fabulous tips of the week:

• To keep big hairy spiders out of your house take horse chestnuts, pierce them with a needle or awl and put them in the corners and under the furniture in each room. They do not deter little spiders, just those horrible large ones! Submitted by: Diane

• While it is true that razor blades are made of stainless steel; it is also true that hair is a protein, so how can hair dull your blades? It does not; what dulls the blade is the soap or shaving cream you use. So, store your razor in a cup or other container with about a half inch of cheap rubbing alcohol in the bottom; replenish as it evaporates. Our razor blades now last us for years! Submitted by: Diane

Extra tidbit: rubbing alcohol is also effective as an air freshener and helps absorb stale odours, so leaving a container in the bathroom will do double duty. (Warning: do not leave rubbing alcohol exposed where children have access to it).

*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](http://reena.ca). Ask a question or share a tip at [reena.ca](http://reena.ca)



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

A spiritual column by contributor Raymond Maher [www.accordingtoed.com](http://www.accordingtoed.com)

Since the pandemic invaded our lives, we are cautioned to keep our distance from others. However, I told Ed, my old neighbour in Saskatchewan, that I miss freely shaking hands with people and offering them hugs when they are grieving at a gravesite.

I agree with Ed that not everyone wants a hug, but some situations call for one. My old neighbour says that he does not wish any hugs other than from his wife and young grandchildren. He

## Keeping your distance can be frustrating

explains that with hugs, people get too close and he feels claustrophobic and he wants to say, "Get away from me." Ed claims that his great aunt Nellie assaulted defenseless children with hugs and kisses while blasting them with smothering garlic breath. Her hugs traumatized him for life.

I agree with Ed that sometimes you know certain people do not like hugs even when they are hurting with grief or worry. However, hugs should always be offered, not forced on a person struggling with the death of a loved one.

Death is a part of life that we tend to ignore until we are forced to face it. We may see death as what happens to other folks in any number of expected and unexpected ways. We talk about the way we want to live and the preferred way we want to die. However, death will come on its

own terms to ourselves or our loved ones.

Death plays its own hand. It has no respect for person or age. God's word confirms, "There is a time for everything . . . a time to be born and a time to die." (Ecclesiastes 3:1, 2a) The Bible also states, "Man's days are determined, (God) you have decreed the number of his months and have set limits he cannot exceed." (Job 14: 5)

Like Jimi Hendrix, we may say, "Let me live my life the way I want," and be very wrapped up in living life as we see fit, but that does not prevent our own death or the death of our friends or loved ones. Life is far more fragile than we think. We may be so busy doing life our way that it is easy to make little effort to treat others and God with the respect and honour they deserve.

Leo Buscaglia reminds us, "Death is a challenge.

It tells us not to waste time. It tells us to tell each other right now that we love each other."

Now, before it is too late, it is time to let go of any grudges or criticisms we hold towards others. It is always the right time for us to be responsible for loving others in the example of Jesus. He sacrificed himself for sinners, now is the time for our merciful and forgiving self-sacrifice for others.

Sadly, we may not want God to show us our life's end and the limit to our days. Maybe we do not want to know how fleeting our lives may become? We talk of having a bucket list of what we would like to do before we die. Usually, it is not about restoring broken relationships with others or with God. Who knows you love them and are glad they are in your life? Who do you still need to tell that you love them?



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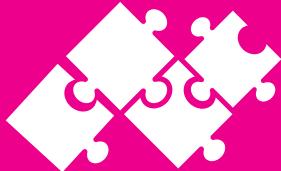
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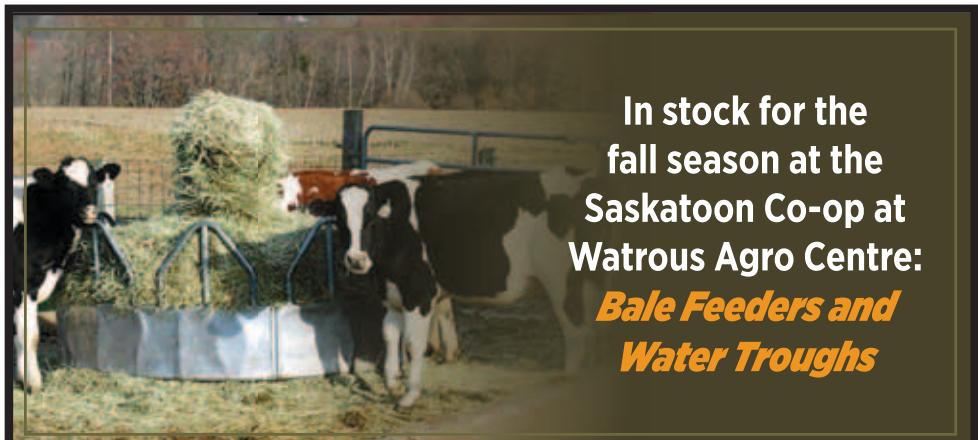
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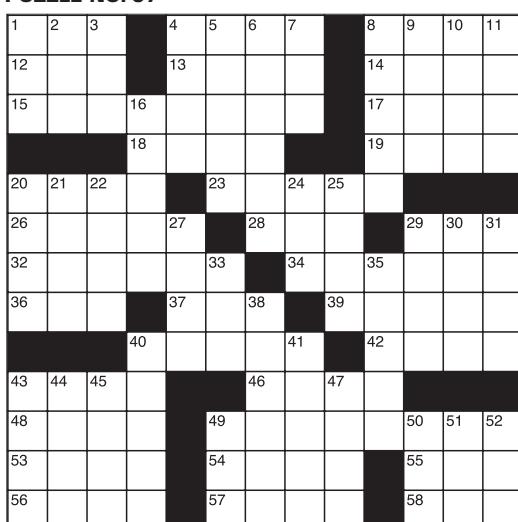
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- 8. Rich Little, e.g.
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- 15. Whole
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- 39. Spin
- 40. Frequently
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- 43. Glided
- 46. Verb's partner
- 48. Lumber
- 49. Occurrences
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FOR ANSWERS  
TO SUDOKU AND  
CROSSWORD,  
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## At the Watrous Centre

Whist winners at the Senior Centre Thursday, Sept. 30 were: first - Grace Anderson, 151; second - Earle Amendt, 141; third - Isabelle Langston and Marilyn Crawford (tied), 139. Travelling - Doug Gregory and Sylvia Falkowsky. Home-steader was Roger Langston.

Kaiser winners at the Senior Centre

Monday, Oct. 4 were: first - Lorelei Stewart, 168; second - Grace Anderson, 155; third - Sylvia Falkowsky, 140; fourth - Harold Kalynovich, 103.

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

## Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

### Turkey Stuffing

#### Ingredients:

Fry the following together:

2 finely chopped onions

4 to 5 cups finely chopped celery

2 cups grated carrots

1 cup oil

Add 2 to 3 loaves of cubed bread

Stir in:

2 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. pepper

2 tsp. dried sage

4 tsp. poultry seasoning

#### Directions:

Mix well. Add chicken broth one cup at a time until you can form a ball with the stuffing when you squeeze it. Bake covered at 350°F for one hour (if you are not using this to stuff the turkey). I like to stuff the turkey with this rather than baking on its own as it adds so much flavour to the turkey.

# Fire Prevention week 2021

## SAFETY TIP

Pet-proof your house  
Keep hazards out of pets' reach, like flammables or electrical wires.



**Jory Vanthuyne**  
POSITION: Fire Chief, First Responder  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 15

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## SAFETY TIP

Stay safe at Halloween  
Avoid costumes with long, trailing fabric and provide children with glowsticks or flashlights to carry while trick-or-treating.



**Andrew Matheson**  
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YEARS OF SERVICE: 6

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## SAFETY TIP

Discuss fire safety with children  
Talk to children about the dangers of fire, matches and lighters. Keep these objects out of reach of children.



**Oleksii Ierofieiev**  
POSITION: Firefighter  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 6

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**Steven Diment**  
POSITION: Firefighter  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 8

## SAFETY TIP

Install detectors  
Install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors on every level of your home and near sleeping areas to ensure your whole home is safe.



**Ryan Rheaume**  
POSITION: Firefighter  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 12

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## SAFETY TIP

Have a home fire escape plan  
Make sure all household members know two ways to escape from every room in your home.



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## SAFETY TIP

Keep your pets safe too  
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## SAFETY TIP

Teach your children not to be scared of firefighters  
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## SAFETY TIP

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YEARS OF SERVICE: 1

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## SAFETY TIP

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**Shannon Craig**  
POSITION: Firefighter  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 4

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## SAFETY TIP

**Holiday safety**  
If you opt to use a real Christmas tree, keep it well watered and do not plug more than three strings of lights into each other. Unplug lights before leaving the house and going to bed.



**Volodymyr Vakula**  
POSITION: Firefighter  
YEARS OF SERVICE: 3



Thank you to the members of our local area volunteer fire departments, including the Watrous volunteer fire department (pictured), who risk their safety to serve our local communities and surrounding areas.

**Thanks for keeping us safe!**

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**Sparky the Fire Dog turns 70!**

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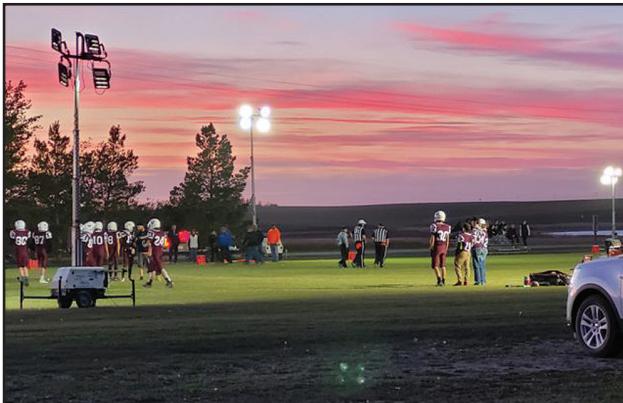
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Viscount Vikings played against Raymore Rebels under the lights Sept. 30 at Viscount Central School Field (pictured right). Kick-off was at 7:15 p.m. The final score was Viscount Vikings 68 and Raymore Rebels 27. The weather was so perfect for the evening.

We had awesome weather for the Viscount Fall Community Garage Sales that were held Saturday, Oct. 2. We had 10 sales around town and a very nice turn out with the people that were able to come out and attend the sales or just browse and visit. It was an awesome day.

This weather just makes everything so much better that people do not mind getting out and enjoying whatever they can.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Have a great week and enjoy the weather, stay safe and watch for those pesky wasps. I just got bit by one the other day, ouch!



►This picture was taken of the sun with a very smoky sky in Viscount Oct. 4, 2021.  
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## Obituary



### ALCOCK, John Thomas (Tom)

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The family of John Thomas “Tom” Alcock is very sad to announce that Tom passed away at his residence in Manitou Beach, Sask. Sunday, September 26th after a wrestling match with two cancers.

Born to John and Helen Alcock of Venn on July 15, 1951 Tom had two older sisters and another brother arrived two years later. Tom attended Watrous Elementary and Winston High School while grades 11 and 12 were spent at Evan Hardy in Saskatoon after the family moved there. The College of Commerce at the U of S was his next place of education and during that time special friendships were developed over beers and which lasted his lifetime. In 1992 Tom obtained his CMA accounting designation. Tom’s next adventure was marriage to Naida Archer and the couple had two sons Jordin and Jonathon. Tom was a very devoted and proud dad and his sons were his reason for being. They spent time living the hockey life, farm life and both lads became commerce grads too, following in their dad’s footsteps with being very adept with numbers. Along the way Tom juggled farm and accounting life – he worked for several years with Economy Accounting and even more years with B. Jolly Accounting doing income tax work before heading

out for spring seeding at the farm he shared with his brother Jim. The two brothers farmed together, through thick and thin until they retired in 2020 when the farm sale was held and incidentally the last harvest was completed in May that year! Tom also became a GST consultant working for Luckett Wenman of B.C. and this work took him all over the province so that he became very knowledgeable about the provincial roads and dodgy rural restaurants! Being an accountant was an asset to the farm as Tom did all the farm bookwork and had a hot line to CRA! He certainly knew his numbers, birthdates, marriages and phone numbers and seldom needed a phone directory for people he knew. In 1997 Tom married Sue Alcock and they became residents of Manitou Beach and in between farming and accounting work they enjoyed many holidays – Mexico, Hawaii, Jamaica, Costa Rica, New Orleans and of course Sue’s homeland of Great Britain. Both Jordin and Jonathon married and grandkids arrived, much to Tom’s glee. He loved beyond words being grandpa to his brood, watching them grow and learn things. Tom wrestled and bore his cancer load with assorted and many treatments and procedures with great stoicism. He firmly believed that life should go on, just like any other day and so he did as much as he was able.

Tom is survived by his wife Sue (nee Russell); his son Jordin (Yuying) and his children Imogen, Trajan and Drezden; his son Jonathon (Amanda) and his children Charlotte and Edward and the imminent arrival of a baby girl; his sister Marci and his niece Katie Jane and nephew Alexander; his brother James (Helen) and his adopted daughters Rose and Belle and stepson Graham (Alysha) and stepdaughter MacKenzie; sister-in-law Sue Archer

way. He operated that for several years until he sold it. In 1978 he bought Imperial Garage and when times got tough he worked at Wollaston Lake as a mechanic. During that time his son Kevin operated the garage. After three years he returned home and worked at Imperial Garage along side his son. He eventually sold the business to Kevin and they continued to work together for several more years. Alvin and Elaine enjoyed travelling and made many trips to the southern states and Texas. They enjoyed downhill skiing for a time and golfing. One of Alvin’s passions was maintaining the Imperial Golf Course and if he did anything it was all or none, so you didn’t dare golf there unless you paid your golf fees. Bruce sadly left us in 1981 and has left a void in our hearts but also left us with some good memories. Alvin enjoyed his 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren and spent a lot of happy holidays together.

Thanks to the community and all the family and friends for their support during this difficult time.

Alvin is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Elaine Joa; children: Ellen (Larry) Wagner, Scott and Lindsay Wagner, London, Jory and Rylan Wagner, Kelly and Marlie Wagner, Aubree and Sadie Wagner; Kevin (Pat) Joa, Jeremy and Danica Joa, Blakely and Remi Joa, Christina (Terry) McNabb, Bryton, River and Oaklyn McNabb, Michelle Joa, Sarah Joa, Jenna Joa; Anita (Stephane) Richer, Philippe (Janna) Richer, Benjamin and Lillian, Anastasia Richer

and his nieces Sacheen and Morgan (Ryan); brother Joel and Doreen Teal; sister Terry Wilson and numerous cousins and wonderful friends.

He was predeceased by his parents John and Helen, stepdad Kelly Teal; sister Jane; brother-in-law Geoff Filson, brother-in-law Brian Wilson; cousins John Hunt, Eroca Ellingham and Conrad Borsheim.

Funeral service was held at Watrous Civic Centre on September 30 conducted by Rev. Louise-Marie Ternier.

Honorary pallbearers were all who knew Tom. Jordin Alcock, Jonathan Alcock, Jim Alcock, Alexander Sharpe, Gavin Janzen and Luke Janzen were pallbearers. Register attendants were Barb Fowler and Glenda McArthur. Tex Sedlik and Dwight Allan were ushers. Eulogy was given by Katie and Alexander Sharpe. Brian Vickers, Harwood Davies and Melody Penrose were scripture readers. The Farmers Creed was given by Gavin and Luke Janzen. Shelley Engele was pianist and soloist was John McArthur.

Private family interment followed at Watrous Cemetery.

Memorial donations directed to All Saints Anglican Church or Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre would be appreciated.

To leave online condolences, tributes or to make a donation, please visit [www.fotheringham-mcdougall.com](http://www.fotheringham-mcdougall.com)

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and Chris, Anthony Richer and Olivia Richer and Mark Joa. He was predeceased by Bruce Joa.

Vigil for the deceased was held October 1.

Mass of the Christian Burial was held on October 2 conducted by Fr. Peter Olisa. Both services were held at St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church, Imperial, Sask.

Urnbearer was Scott Wagner. Glen and Deanna Rae and Larry and Elaine Cruise were register attendants. Ushers were Randy VanDamme and Scott Royan. Kelly and Marlie Wagner gave the eulogy. First reader was Sarah Joa and second was Michelle Joa. Jenna Joa gave the intentions. Special music was provided by Jeremy Joa, Christina McNabb, Michelle, Sarah and Jenna Joa. Organist was Bev McLane and Pat Joa was pianist.

Private family interment followed at Imperial Cemetery.

Memorial donations directed to Long Lake Valley Auxiliary would be appreciated.

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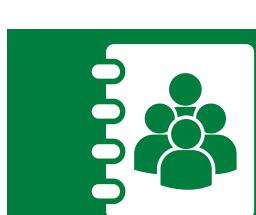
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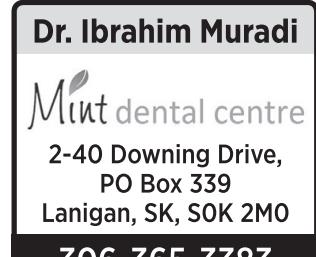
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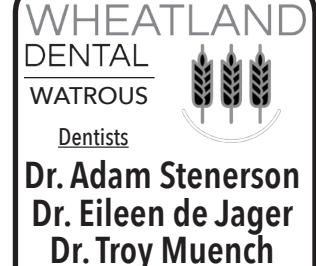
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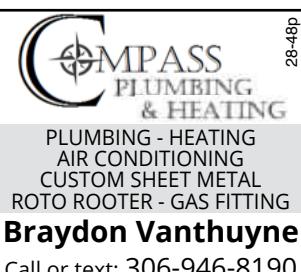
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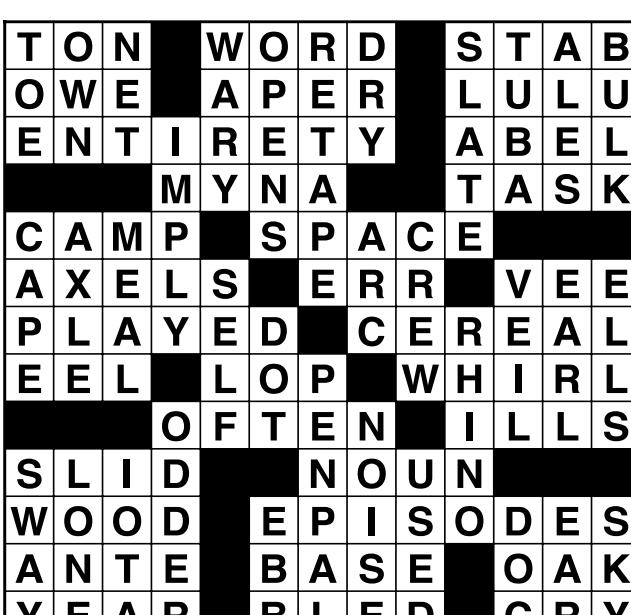
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(from front page: WEATHER)

had power outages lasting for a few days. Wilson said the Emma Lake area reportedly had three feet of snow.

In addition to the Watrous area, Lanigan also received a large helping of snow. On the front page of the Oct. 19, 1998 edition of the Lanigan Advisor was a photo taken by former publisher Linda Mallett of a snowman with the headline: Thanksgiving or Christmas?



►After sitting tied through two quarters of play between the Davidson Raiders and the Winston Wildcats in Watrous Oct. 7, the Wildcats went ahead 16-8 in the third quarter. However, the Raiders would end up taking the lead and eventually won 30-16. Davidson improved its record to 4-0 while Watrous went 2-2.

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### Outlook

The large amount of snow was enough that families headed outdoors to make the best of the situation including the Knaus family who created a big snowman. While Phillips indicated Saskatchewan had some of the worst power outages experienced during that Thanksgiving weekend, 10 days later "people traded their snow shovels for golf clubs because it was just the very nature of October. It can punish you but then can come back and give you a taste of summer-like weather."

With many probably preferring not to experience a pre-winter storm like the one back in 1998, the reality is recent values reminiscent of summer may not be here for much longer. But even with lower values forecast heading into the middle of October, Phillips said the drop will not be like going from tropical air to arctic air. The Senior Climatologist said models are showing for mid-October to mid-November a little warmer than normal.

One thing that Phillips stressed heading into the middle part of October is the need for precipitation. With harvest operations either wrapped up or nearly finished, with no real rains over the past two months, he said now is when precipitation is welcome.

"This is time you need to recharge that soil, the dugouts, the sloughs and the potholes. We are in desperate need and the deficit is still way down. Even if it comes in the form of wet snow with lots of moisture in it, I think most people would take it."

Precipitation wise, Phillips said over the next month the forecast is calling for a little wetter than normal, specifically in northern portions of the province.

He also noted that this winter will once again be a La Niña type season. Normally meaning it will be a colder than normal winter, Phillips said last year was also forecast as the same and it ended up being one of the balmiest on record with exception for a pair of weeks in February.

"Last winter was rather tame by most Prairie standards so it is hard to know what winter will be like. My sense is to enjoy the fall. We still think there is a lot more summer left in the air and when it does turn it doesn't seem to drop suddenly into something else."

As for what to expect for the rest of this month, Phillips said, "October is very fickle and fitful and can change on a dime. One degree can make the difference between whether you are carrying an umbrella or shovelling the snow."



A SEASONAL CONTRAST was evident in this picture, taken north west of Watrous last week. The R.M. of Morris' grader was pushing a fairly heavy snow cover off the road, passing a poplar bluff that still had most of its leaves intact. The area got about one foot of snow over the Thanksgiving Weekend, causing some damage to trees and periodic power outages.

►While snow was not in the forecast for Thanksgiving 2021, back in 1998 people not only had to shovel out from a snow storm but numerous power outages also occurred (pictured). © photo from TWM archives

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