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Section C

## *From the Editor's desk*

A global pandemic, new rules and guidelines, feeling anxious and isolated while trying to stay safe during uncertain times perhaps sums up 2020 in a nut shell. I am not sure many would have expected 2020 to go the way that it has when the clock struck midnight to commence the new year.

For us in Saskatchewan, it was 'normal' for the first part of the year but like the rest of the globe, our world was turned upside down as the pandemic arrived. But despite the changes and living through a new normal, we have arrived at our final paper of 2020.

To be honest, when the pandemic first hit Saskatchewan and the province faced closures in an effort to curb the spread of COVID-19, I was not sure if we would continue to publish a paper this year. Like so many others, there were a lot of question marks early on and we tried our best to navigate through those times. We also had to reluctantly make a few adjustments but we were able to remain open and ultimately publish a paper.

While you may have noticed there have been weeks that our paper has been smaller than normal, we felt it was important to continue to publish a paper and keep our readers informed. That could not have been done without our incredible staff and our advertisers, many of whom continued to support us through advertising during the pandemic. For that, we are so grateful as that also allowed us to push forward and not ultimately have to close. We also thank our readers for their support through renewing, subscribing and reading our paper. This year has certainly seen more than its fair share of uncertainty but the faith our advertisers and subscribers have put in us was such a blessing to us and again, we thank you for that.

We also extend our sincerest gratitude to our local correspondents who provided us with news throughout the year. And also to Laura Novecosky for her delicious recipes. To those who submitted items, whether stories or photos, your continued willingness to share happenings within your communities is sincerely appreciated. Thank you!

Thank you as well to our friends at our local post offices who sort and deliver our papers each week. While I know it is your job to do so, you go above and beyond for us and we sincerely appreciate it! I also want to thank Lil for her willingness to deliver our newspapers along with a few others who graciously lent a hand during 2020.

Being this is our Christmas Edition, I wanted to give a shout out to the teachers and students at Watrous Elementary School who contributed to this year's edition. I always get excited to see what will come in and with our own kids and nieces and nephews in school as well, I eagerly await to see what they will say. I also appreciate Manitou Lodge for their willingness to help us out with a special feature this year and to the many others who contributed to the edition. Thank you!

I hope you enjoy checking out this year's pages and that they will bring a smile to your face during this unprecedented time. Of course none of this would be made possible without the generous support from local and surrounding area organizations and businesses for their willingness to include holiday greetings. Having that support from advertisers and organizations throughout the



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year is vital for us to continue to operate and it is because of that support we can keep publishing a paper.

As we near the end of 2020 and look to the start of 2021, whether you have all of your Christmas shopping done or not, I would encourage you to please support local and support those businesses and local organizations who graciously advertised in our Christmas Edition this year as they are what keeps a community going.

In closing, this has been a tough year for a lot of people. The pandemic has also put strains on people's mental well-being, relationships, financial means and more. Social media has become a battle ground of misinformation and hate and through this pandemic, one thing I have learned is that the world could use more love. Love conquers all and I think we could all use a little more of it and a lot less hate. Through this year I have also realized that there can be bright spots amongst a dismal time. Being able to spend more time at home with family, seeing joy in the little things and having the support of our family, staff, readers and advertisers has meant a lot.

And while we continue to push forward despite the many unknowns that await us in 2021, with Christmas approaching, Kim and I are thankful for the birth of Christ, for our kids, our families, staff, advertisers, subscribers, our friends, and anyone who has played a part in our lives. I want to wish you a very Merry Christmas, happy holidays and richest blessings in 2021!

-Daniel Bushman



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►The Watrous Elementary School Kindergarten classes created some Christmas trees this year. Works pictured are by: Everleigh Dunne, Henry Thoner, Greta Jackson, Kinley Beeler, Ivy Foort, Kara Freyling, Jace Carlson, and George Zguri.

## Joyful & Triumphant



May this season of miracles bring love, light, happiness, faith and many wonderful surprises to you and yours. Thanks for bringing so much joy to our year with your visits. Friends like you make us truly grateful.  
Merry Christmas!

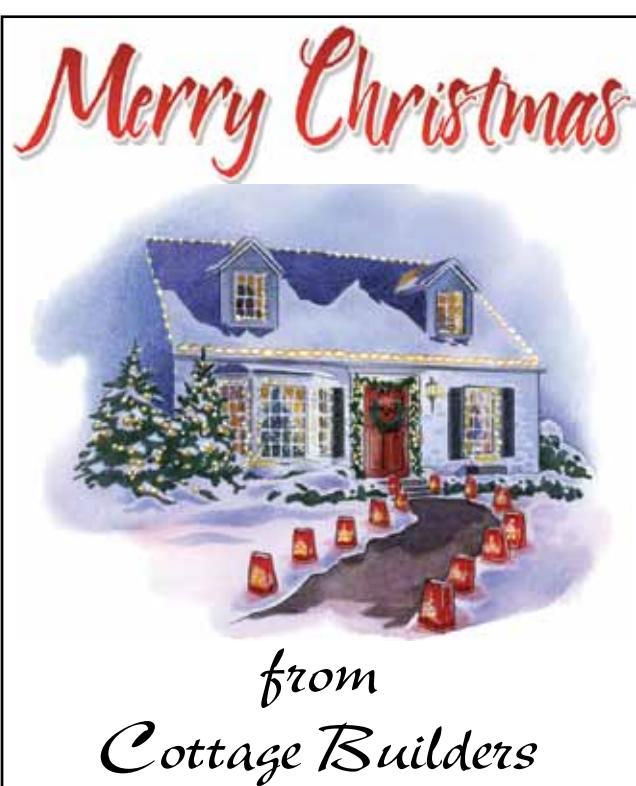
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From all of us to all of you, our warm wishes for a truly memorable holiday season.

**Manitou & District Regional Park Campground**



# WES Holiday Fun

Tuesday, December 1st, 2020

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa! Since I'm your favorite little lady for Christmas could I please have a pink kids Apple Watch? I hope it's not too much?

First of all, I sometimes forget my phone so I can call my mom using my watch. If I feel sick to my stomach or forget my homework I can make a call. I might forget that I'm on the bus and the bus leaves me behind.

Secondly, I might be bored and I can play a game on the watch, like if I'm going to the dentist. Or if mom is taking me to gymnastics I might be bored on the ride.

Sometimes I'm bored on the bus so I could play a game on it.

Last but not least, if mom decides to change the plans after school, then mom can text me and I will see it on my watch.

An example is if I am not going to gymnastics that day she can tell me to go home on the bus. Or if I have to leave school at an exact time and mom forgets to tell me she can send me a message.

All in all, I believe that I should be able to have a pink kids Apple Watch because if I forget something I can call my mom, if I'm bored I can play on it and if mom changes the plans she can let me know. Oh, and because it would

look really fashionable on my wrist. If it's not possible maybe the elves can make me a Christmas Squishmallow or a fancy nail kit from the commercial.

Please say hi to the elves and Mrs. Claus for me!

Love,  
Makenna Wingrove  
5T, WES

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Dear Mom,

Do you want posca paint pens? I hope you do because I want them. I think I should get a pack of poscas paint pens because it's more efficient than pulling out my paint and paint pallet and pouring the paint

out.

First, I could make a lot of art with them. I can draw and paint with the posca paint pens. Also I can draw on rocks, wood and more. There are a lot of colors and shades, plus pastels.

Secondly, posca paint works better than markers. Poscas go on the surface of your choice and they are very pigmented. They don't have strong fumes like most paint pens do. You can paint with the convenience of a marker. I know that would be wonderful.

Third, it's a new, fun thing to add to my vast array of items. There are many cool colours like turquoise, teal,

navy blue, tropical blue, sky blue, light and dark purple and plum. There

should get poscas. I hope you have a good year.

Love,  
Skylar Penner 5T,  
WES

\*the 5T Christmas letters were submitted before the new COVID guidelines were implemented and further restrictions on gatherings were put in place.



## The Winter Hare

I spotted a hare  
Very delicate and white.  
I observed the hare  
Go seeking for some dinner.  
Oh how much I love winter.

By Callie Thoner, 6 WES

## Winter

A cold and sharp breeze shivered the branches and snow.  
And I hear laughter from all the kids in the snow building snowmen and big forts.

By Ioanna Zguri, 6 WES

## THE FREEZING WINTER

Chill to the bone wind.  
The pine tree is pokey.  
Crystal icicles.  
The shiny freezing cold snow.  
Christmas is around the door.

By Daniel Jenewein, 6 WES

## Cold Winter

The piercing cold wind  
Run, the storm is coming!  
Go get in your house  
The house has a lot of food

We are ready for the storm,

By Joshua Cen Cen, 6 WES

## Chilly Breeze

There was a cold breeze  
Trees were trembling by the wind.

And I hear the wind  
And it tells me something new  
It's winter, ready for fun!

By Tyler Thebeau, 6 WES

## Snow

The snow is fluffy  
Swirling around me I said Frost is cold outside Freezing cold outside Snow was so fluffy for me

By Hayley Johnston, 6 WES

## I Hate Winter

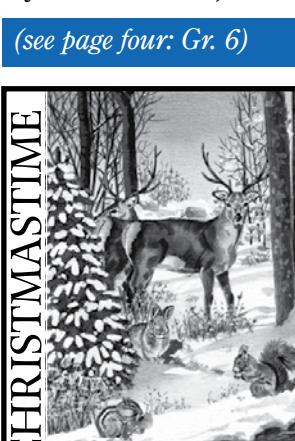
A cold spreading frost Crawls up all the door windows  
And meanwhile outside, All things are freezing to death

This is why I hate winter.  
By Lucas Manz, 6 WES

## Winter Has Arrived

Snow covers the field Blowing around on the dirt,  
And I hear the whirr Of ski-dos cruising about,  
Freezing snow and ice are here.

By Kash Penrose, 6 WES



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**Management and Staff at Manitou Beach Golf Club**

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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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People may come and go, but memories of the good times shared make the trip worthwhile.

To all those who've come through here, we offer our thanks and warm wishes for the most memorable Christmas, ever!

**Manitou Springs**  
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**★ Water Crest Cafe**

*From all of us to all of you, we extend our heartfelt thanks and sincere best wishes for a sparkling season!*

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**Hockey is Here!**  
 Kids playing hockey,  
 Banging sticks on the smooth ice.  
 The buzzer roars loud  
 Kids' toes are bitten by cold.  
 Hockey has begun . . . let's cheer!

**By Emma Bushman, 6 WES**

**Winter time**  
 A soft gust of wind  
 Swirling snow hits the back door  
 And I hear screaming  
 As people get blown over  
 Winter and new storms are here

**By Kaylin Bartel, 6 WES**

**Crystal**  
 Crystal ice is cold  
 Makes me shiver every year.  
 Crystal ice is pretty.  
 Watching it fall from the sky.  
 Knowing I can go outside.

**By Alissa Nimchuk, 6 WES**

**The Storm**  
 The harsh freezing storm  
 blows very harshly outside  
 all must stay inside  
 everyone getting frostbite  
 the freezing storm is here now

**By Ken Fernandez, 6 WES**

**White Winter**  
 Ground is white and soft  
 Branches are frozen and cold  
 The ice is so smooth  
 Snow is fluffy and squishy  
 It is time for winter YAY!

**By Varan Kaur, 6 WES**

## The Best of the Holiday Season to You

Merry Christmas to everyone who celebrates this holiday, and Happy New Year to all.

Thank you for all your support.  
 May the year ahead be happy and successful.

From all of us at

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*Merry Christmas*  
 Our wish for you:  
 Peace of mind,  
 prosperity through the year,  
 happiness that multiplies,  
 health for you and yours,  
 fun around every corner,  
 energy to chase your dreams  
 and joy to fill your holidays.

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 Council: Jonathan King, Patricia Joa, Ryan Kelly, Susan Parish, Leslie Sainsbury and Randy Shaw  
 Administrator: Joslin Freeman  
 Asst. Administrator: Kerrie Sainsbury  
 Foreman: Kelvin Klenk

# Look What's Cooking Holiday Edition

- recipes courtesy Laura Novecosky

### Easy Scones

#### Ingredients:

1/2 cup butter or margarine  
 2 cups flour  
 1 tsp. salt  
 2 tbsp. sugar  
 2 tsp. baking powder  
 1 egg  
 3/4 cup buttermilk or sour milk  
 1/4 tsp. baking soda  
 1/2 cup of added ingredients (eg. washed raisins or 1/4 cup grated old cheese plus 2 tbsp. Parmesan cheese)

#### Directions:

Mix flour, salt, sugar and baking powder. Cut butter into these ingredients until crumbly. Add baking soda to the milk or buttermilk. Mix in the egg. Add the liquids to the dry ingredients. Do not over mix. Form into a ball and roll into a round shape about 3/4 inch thick. Cut into pie shaped pieces (or I cut mine into squares or circles). Place pieces on parchment lined cookie sheet. Bake at 400°F for 12-15 minutes.

### Skillet S'mores

#### Ingredients:

for each s'more....  
 2 large digestive cookies or graham wafers  
 1 marshmallow (cut large marshmallow into 3 rounds)  
 1 tbsp. chocolate chips or small chocolate bar pieces

#### Directions:

Heat a non-stick frying pan over low-medium heat. Sandwich the marshmallows and chocolate between the cookies. Set in pan and cover the pan. Cook 3-4 minutes, make sure heat isn't too high so they don't burn. Turn over and cook another 3-4 minutes covering the pan again until the marshmallows are gooey. Cool slightly before eating.

### Chocolate dipped pretzels

#### Ingredients:

white chocolate melting wafers or white chocolate chips  
 small shaped pretzels

#### Directions:

Melt the wafers over low heat until melted or melt at 50 percent power in a microwave. Start with 40 seconds on

50 percent power, stir, then microwave at 20 second intervals, stirring between each until the chocolate is melted. Dip the pretzels into the chocolate, coating one side with the chocolate. Let excess drip back. Place on waxed paper or parchment paper to cool. You can also use regular chocolate chips but we love the sweet/salty of the partially coated pretzels using the white chocolate.

### Gingerbread People

#### Ingredients:

1/2 cup shortening  
 1/2 cup brown sugar  
 1 egg  
 1/2 cup molasses  
 1/4 cup water  
 2 3/4 cup flour  
 1/2 tsp. baking soda  
 1/2 tsp. salt  
 2 3/4 tsp. ginger  
 1/2 to 1 tsp. cinnamon  
 1/4 tsp. allspice

#### Directions:

Cream shortening and sugar. Beat in egg then molasses and water. Blend the dry ingredients and add to this mixture. Cover and chill in fridge for 1/2 to 1 hour. Roll on floured surface about 1/8 to 1/4 inch thick. Decorate with candy or raisins. Bake at 350°F for 8-10 minutes on a greased cookie sheet. When I use this to make larger gingerbread people or to make gingerbread houses, I always roll about 1/4 inch thick.

### Crackles

#### Ingredients:

2 cups white sugar  
 2 cups corn syrup  
 1 cup cocoa  
 1 1/2 cups butter  
 16 cups cornflakes

#### Directions:

So easy, makes a large batch. Mix all ingredients except corn flakes in a large dutch oven. Bring to a boil and cook about three minutes. Pour over the cornflakes. Line muffin tins with paper liners and pack this into the muffin pans. Cool. These freeze well and store well.

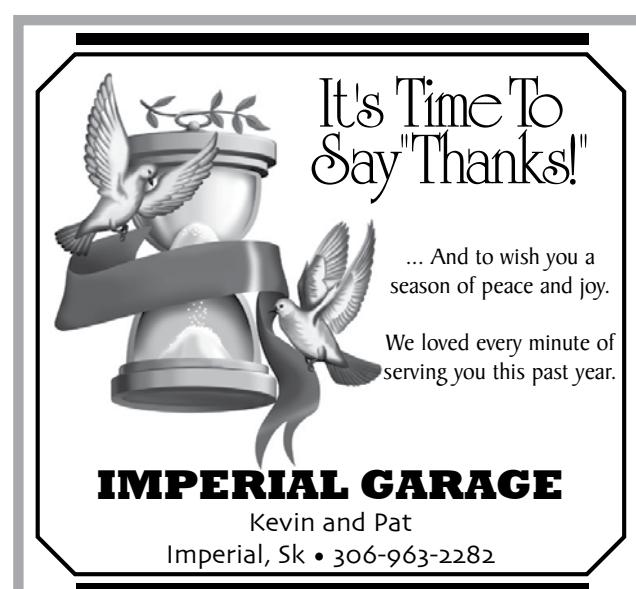


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*Merry Christmas*

Our wish for you:  
 Peace of mind,  
 prosperity through the year,  
 happiness that multiplies,  
 health for you and yours,  
 fun around every corner,  
 energy to chase your dreams  
 and joy to fill your holidays.

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*Tidings Of Comfort & Joy*

Here's hoping your holiday season is overflowing with the many blessings this great time of year has to offer.

We're truly grateful for your kind support.

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*Have A Happy Holiday!*

With sincere best wishes to our neighbours, patrons and friends.  
 Your support means everything to us. Thanks!

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 Sharon Crittenden and staff  
 Imperial, Sask.

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## Spaghetti Sauce

### Ingredients:

1 lb. ground beef  
1 tbsp. oil  
1 onion finely chopped  
1-2 cloves garlic, finely chopped  
1/4 tsp. basil  
1/4 tsp. thyme  
1/2 tsp. oregano  
1 can tomato soup  
1 small can tomato paste  
1 soup can water  
3-4 tbsp. Parmesan cheese  
salt and pepper (about 1/2 tsp. each)  
1 bay leaf (optional)

### Directions:

Heat oil, add onion and garlic, cook about two minutes. Add the meat and the spices. Cook until no pink remains in the ground beef. Add the remaining ingredients and simmer for about a half hour. Remove bay leaf. Pour over cooked spaghetti. This makes a large amount of sauce, but the sauce freezes very well.

## Homemade seafood sauce

### Ingredients:

1/4 cup ketchup  
2 tsp. horseradish sauce  
1 tsp. lemon juice

### Directions:

Combine all ingredients in a small bowl. Chill for about an hour to let flavours mingle. Never have to buy seafood sauce again!

## GREETINGS OF THE SEASON



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All the best to you and yours for a beautiful and sparkling holiday season.

It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving you.  
Thanks, everyone!

**R.M. of Wood Creek  
and  
Village of Simpson**

## Taco Soup

### Ingredients:

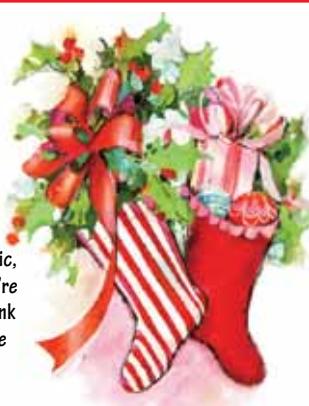
1 lb. ground beef  
1 envelope taco seasoning  
1 envelope dry ranch dressing  
1 cup of each of these: onion, red and green peppers, and celery  
1 can sliced mushrooms (save the juice)  
2 cans kidney beans  
2 cans diced tomatoes  
2 cups water

### Directions:

Fry ground beef, add ranch dressing, taco seasoning and mushroom juice. Add remaining ingredients and simmer about an hour. Serve with taco chips, grated cheese and sour cream.

## Filled With Best Wishes

May you and your family enjoy a Christmas stuffed with lots of magic, merriment and delight. We know we're filled with appreciation when we think of the many good folk we've had the pleasure to serve this year.  
Happy Holidays!



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## Happy Holidays!

From our family to yours

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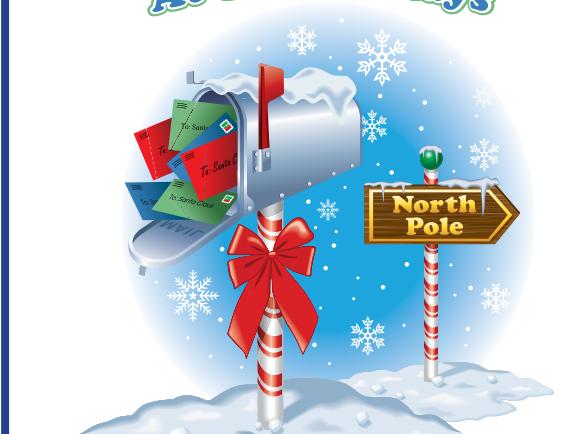
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## Dana Skoropad, MLA Arm River Constituency

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Happy New Year**

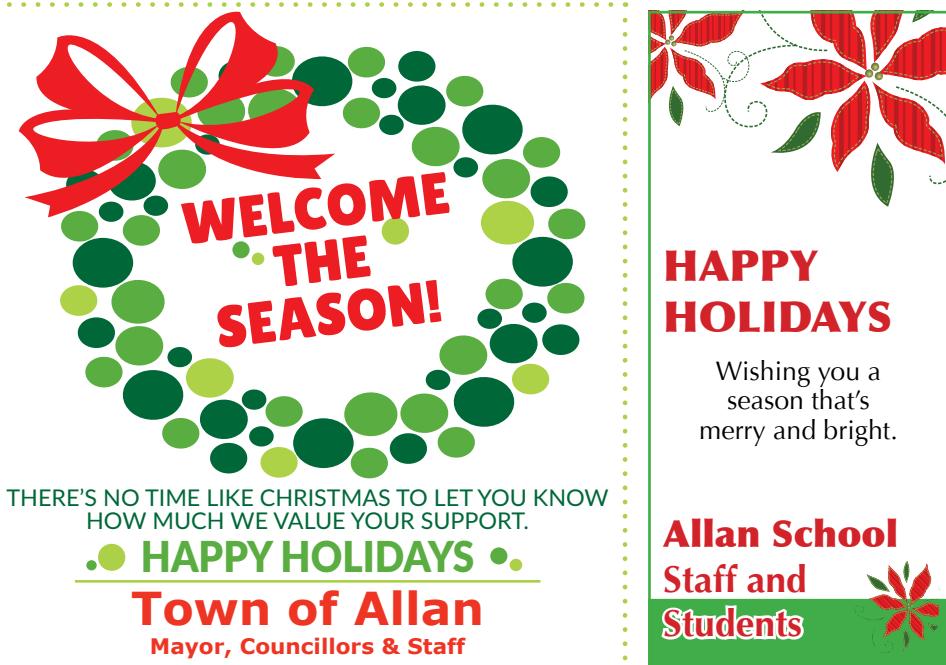


### A Wish For You at Christmas

May the coming season bring  
Peace and joy and all good things;  
And when the holiday is through,  
May its message of hope remain  
with you!  
Merry Christmas  
and many thanks  
for your business  
this year.



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Mayor, Councillors & Staff

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HOLIDAYS**

Wishing you a  
season that's  
merry and bright.

**Allan School  
Staff and  
Students**



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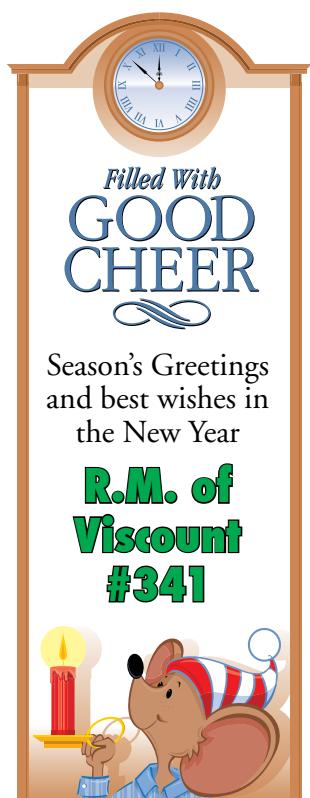


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Christmas  
fill your heart  
with JOY

Merry  
Christmas



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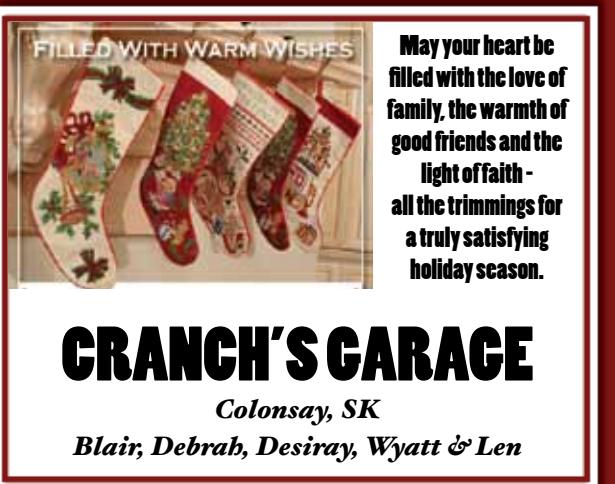
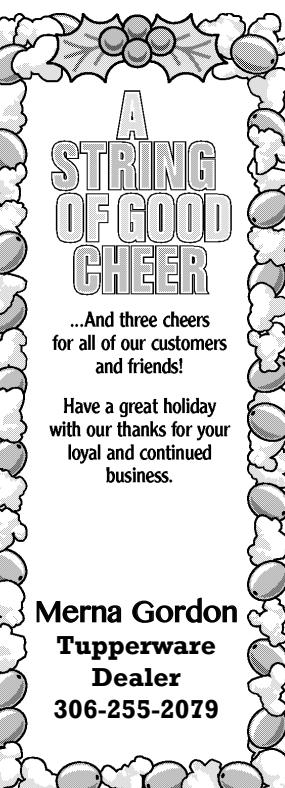
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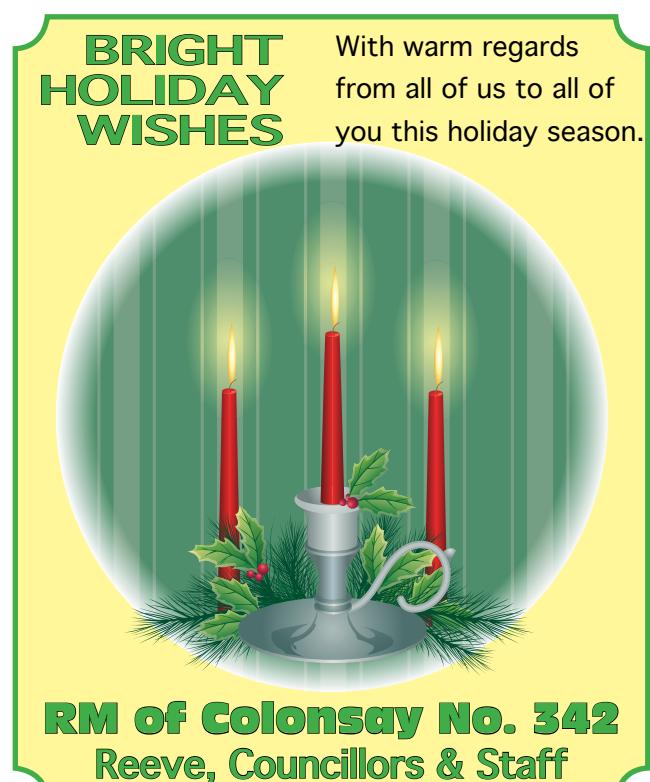
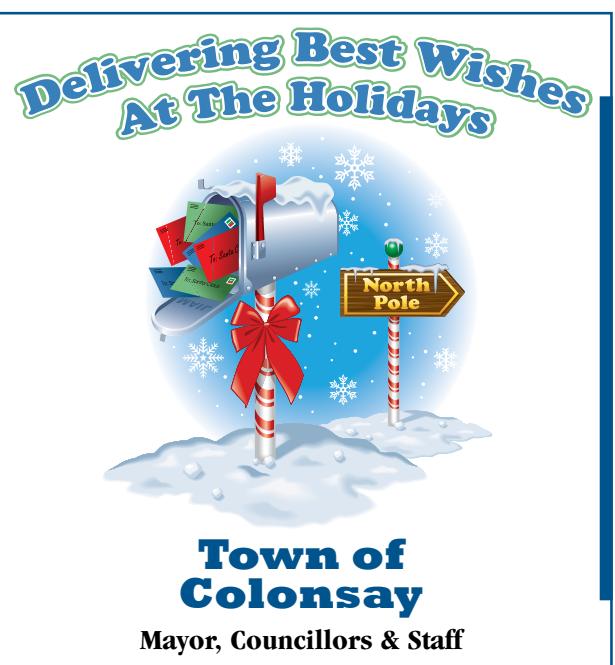
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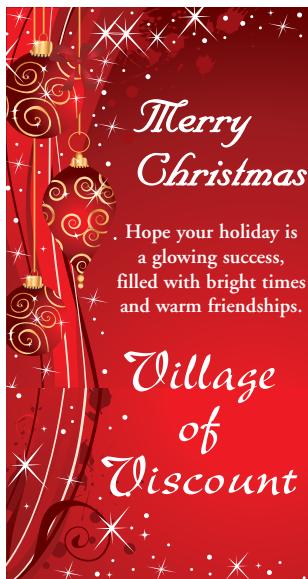


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