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Area bands together after derailment near Guernsey

■ Daniel Bushman

As a raging fire was extinguished, plumes of black smoke disappeared and residents returned to their homes, crews continued to clean up at the site of a train derailment near Guernsey. The second derailment to occur near the community in almost two months, at approximately 6:15 a.m. on Feb. 6, 32 cars out of 104 from a Canadian Pacific freight hauling crude oil derailed just east of Guernsey, sparking a massive blaze.

According to the Transportation Safety Board of Canada (TSB), CP's crude oil unit train originated at Rosyth, Alta. and was destined for Stroud, Oklahoma, proceeding eastward at about 42 m.p.h. on the CP Sutherland Subdivision. TSB noted the train experienced a train-initiated emergency brake application at Mile 43.4, about 2.4 kms west of Guernsey. Subsequent examination identified that 32 tank cars had derailed with several tank cars breached and an undetermined amount of petroleum crude oil product released. The product ignited and a pool fire ensued involving a number of tank cars.

The Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment indicated that when the derailment occurred, approximately 1.2 million litres of oil spilled from the cars. The ministry stated the amount of recovered oil is currently being determined and is complicated by the fact that a significant portion burned off during the incident.

While there were no injuries to the CP crew, which was comprised of a locomotive engineer and conductor, the TSB said the train itself consisted of two distributed-power locomotives (one at each end), a covered hopper car loaded with sand located in position two, followed by 104 tank cars loaded with petroleum crude oil (UN1267, Class 3 PG I) and another covered hopper loaded with sand located in the 107th position (108 rolling stock in total).

With the train weighing 14,896 tons and 6,445 feet in length, TSB noted in a Feb. 14 preliminary report that the derailed tank cars were all DOT 117J100-W tank cars.

"The tank cars located from line 32 to 63 (32 cars) derailed. One derailed tank car that remained upright was otherwise unaffected and was subsequently re-railed. Of the remaining 31 derailed cars, about 19 derailed cars were involved in a pool fire from released product west of the crossing, while an estimated 12 cars derailed east of the crossing but were not directly involved in the fire."

While TSB has found there have been no mechanical defects observed that could be considered causal to date,



► From emergency responders to work crews, local volunteers and communities as a whole, after the Feb. 6 derailment near Guernsey, the local area came together in support of each other as work continues at the CP train derailment site.

■ photos by Al Bowman/below photos courtesy Melron Services Ltd.

a review of the locomotive event recorder download determined that the train was handled in accordance with regulatory and company requirements.

As the investigation continues with each tank car being cleaned, purged and staged prior to inspection, TSB indicated as of Feb. 12, about 17 of the derailed cars had been examined with several exhibiting breaches.

With oil burning Feb. 6 from the derailment, huge plumes of smoke gathered overhead that morning forcing a mandatory evacuation for residents of Guernsey.

Dissolved into the Rural Municipality of Usborne, Administrator Anna Rintoul said RCMP, fire personnel, CP, and Canadian Public Safety representatives worked closely with the RM as approximately 85 residents from the community left during the morning mandatory evacuation. Blocking off a portion of Hwy. 16 next to Guernsey and setting up detours, local fire, RCMP and EMS crews were able to keep everyone safe. CP's emergency response team and contractors also arrived on site to work with local fire officials to control and extinguish the remaining fires while a team from the TSB attended.

After responding to the first train derailment west of Guernsey Dec. 9, Lanigan Fire Chief Barry Hooper thought he would never witness something like that again. Almost two months later and at around 6:15 a.m., Hooper found himself staring at his phone in disbelief as he read the call of another derailment, a short distance from the first one.

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■ Daniel Bushman

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placed on the front of their building Feb. 1, the sun shone brightly overhead and people began packing into the newly-renovated business.

"The grand opening went incredibly well," said Engele and Woiden smiling. "There was a great turnout of people from Watrous as well as surrounding communities. We had friends and family come from both Regina and Saskatoon. The day went better than we ever imagined and we were very pleased with the interest shown in our spa."

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make-up applications, organic spray tans and lash/eyebrow tinting, the pair of business owners said they also have three private treatment rooms, four pedicure stations, two manicure desks as well as a make-up station to accommodate multiple people.

"We also carry a range of products like Hempz body products, Young Living Essential Oils, Canadian-made candles from Arrow it Forward, jewelry designed in Montreal,

"This experience has been a dream come true for both Jadi and I that we are able to live and work in the Watrous community, doing what we love! We have been humbled by the support shown from Watrous, Young, Simpson, Imperial, Nokomis, Saskatoon and Regina. The kindness and enthusiasm shown by the people in our town and surrounding communities has us feeling incredibly grateful to be living where we do. We are lucky to be surrounded by such uplifting and supporting people and we look forward to treating you all."

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Chase the Ace is back - it will be fun, fun, fun!

■ submitted

The game that created so much excitement and fun in our community during 2019 is coming back. Yes, Chase the Ace will soon be back! Ticket sales will kick-off at the Manitou Beach Winterfest event Saturday, Feb. 29.

The card game was very well received last year in the local community and surrounding areas. Last year the Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre Chase the Ace game awarded a total of \$116,550 to 54 lucky winners, including Trevor Soderberg, of Young, who won \$47,697 on the final draw night Nov. 29, 2019. Considering the cash prizes awarded, it is no surprise players were clamouring to have Chase the Ace start again.

With Lyle Emmons at the helm of the organizing committee, the project sailed through the application process established by Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority. Late in January approval and a licence to operate Chase the Ace in 2020 was granted.

Joining Emmons on the 2020 Chase the Ace committee are the following community-minded individuals: co-chair Lionel Sproule, vice-chair Glenda McArthur, treasurer Elva Turner, Kathy Bergen, Ron and Patti Frey, Susan Jabs, Vince and Dee Armstrong, Lane Manson, Vern and Doreen Rudneski, Jean Margetts, Bryan Mierau, Gail Shirley, and Avery Andreas. Tracy Wiebe and Susan Nicholson will also be called upon to help the committee from time to time.

David Somers and Les Schuster have agreed to serve as official game proxies. One of them will be available at every draw to act on behalf of any absent weekly prize winner. Gary Bergen will handle social media for the Chase the Ace committee.

Of course, the game could not be conducted without the assistance of numerous ticket sellers. Local businesses and individuals have stepped forward to sell Chase the Ace tickets. The following eight locations have agreed to have Chase the Ace tickets available for purchase during their regular hours of operation: TB's Bar & Grill, Watrous Pharmacy, Affin-

ity Credit Union – Watrous Branch, Watrous Town Office, Watrous Mainline Motor Products, Centennial Ford Sales, Manitou Mainline Chrysler and Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre. Many individuals also stepped forward to volunteer as ticket sellers on a scheduled rotation including: Shelley Engele, Deb Holm, Melanie Manson, Cathy Sather, Denise Thoner, Kerry Van Vaals, Connie Woiden, Sherwin Petersen, John and Melanie Gunderson, Ray and Janis Hall, Karen and Fraser Mark, Ron and Ruth Morningstar, David and Joyce Potts, and Keith and Cindy Vanthuyne.

As a former business owner, Emmons knows and appreciates the sacrifice business owners make when they offer their facilities and staff time to sell tickets for a local project. He is incredibly happy with the way businesses and volunteers stepped forward to assist with the Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre 2020 fundraiser. Good fortune smiled on the project when Melron Service Ltd. found a novel way to help. A beaming Emmons noted, "I am pleased to extend a special thank you to Ron and Melissa Ediger for having their business, Melron Service Ltd., sponsor the printing of the Chase the Ace tickets this year."

The Chase the Ace committee is also highly appreciative of Lane Manson's generous offer to allow the committee to hold the week-

ly draws at TB's Bar & Grill again this year. Emmons suggests people who want to attend the draw, get to the bar early especially once the jackpot grows a bit. Last year Manson had to turn away patrons on some Fridays because the bar quickly filled to capacity prior to the draw. The committee plans to live-stream the draws on the Internet for those unable to attend.

"Chase the Ace is really a fine example of individuals, organizations and businesses working together for a common goal, and the community as a whole benefits," stated Emmons.

Players were happy with the rules last year, therefore, the organizing committee has left the rules virtually untouched. The rules will be posted on the Heritage Centre website (www.watrousheritage.ca). The basic rules are quite simplistic, ticket buyers must be at least 18 years

of age to play, at least one new ticket is needed every week the player wants to participate, and the player does not need to attend the draw to win. A winner is selected at every draw. There is no limit to the number of tickets a player can buy; of course, the greater the number of tickets a player has, the greater the opportunity of winning. Tickets are valid only for that week's draw. The draws will occur at TB's Bar & Grill at 8 p.m. beginning Friday, Mar. 6 and every Friday thereafter until the final draw Dec. 4, 2020. Ticket prices are: one for \$10 or a three-pack for \$20 (for more information see this week's ad on page two).

The weekly prize winning ticket owner will automatically win 20 percent of the week's gross ticket sales revenue, plus the ticket owner, or the proxy on behalf of the ticket owner, will have one opportunity

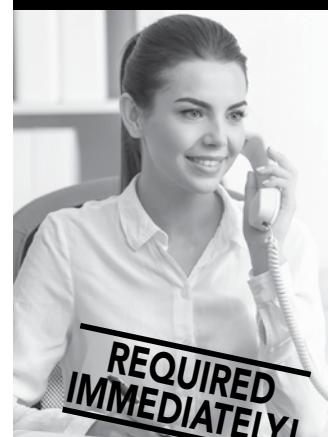
to chase the ace by cutting a standard deck of playing cards in hopes of selecting the Ace of Spades. If the Ace of Spades is selected, the ticket owner wins the Ace Jackpot which is 30 percent of the current game's accumulated gross ticket sales revenue.

"To add more excitement to the first game," Emmons announced, "the committee is guaranteeing an Ace Jackpot of at least \$1,000. Even if the Ace of Spades is selected on the first draw night, the minimum Ace Jackpot will be \$1,000."

If the Ace of Spades is not selected, the card that was selected is removed from the deck, thus enhancing the chance of picking the Ace of Spades the following week. Once the Ace of Spades is selected a new game starts the following week with a new deck of cards.

Last year Emmons heard players comment, "The more I play Chase the Ace, the more fun it is." Emmons and his committee hope the whole community has as a lot of fun with the game this year.

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(from front page:
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"You would think there would be a better chance at winning the Lotto Max than having two derailments so close together," Hooper said. "It was almost identical to the first one and almost the same amount of cars but this time we were concerned about the smoke

going over Guernsey. Responding to the fire, we notified the Humboldt Fire Department right away and we were stationed in Guernsey. In the community it stunk pretty good and there was also some stuff falling out of the sky."

Like others including Jerome Fisher who was feeding cows at his nearby farm when he heard the

brakes of the train before seeing a glow, Guernsey resident Al Bowman was also awake early Thursday morning. "I heard the train going by but it sounded different than usual. It was almost like a Department of Highways' truck scraping snow on the highway and not that usual clickety-clack."

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out of the east and blowing in the direction of Bowman's home, he heard a loud bang which rattled his windows before there was complete silence. Thinking the situation was somewhat unusual, Bowman shrugged it off and continued on with his morning routine. An hour or so later while on his computer he noticed a post on his Facebook page about a train derailment. Assuming it was from two months ago, he carried on until glancing out his window.

"I saw the black smoke and noticed flashing lights

on the next street over. I had a feeling we were going to be evacuated."

As the haze continued to wrap itself around the community like a thick blanket, the local fire department made the call to get everyone out. Situated at the former school in Guernsey, Hooper requested the Town of Lanigan open its doors for Guernsey residents and emergency crews did not waste time, going door to door to evacuate people from the hamlet.

It was not long after the decision to evacuate was made by the fire depart-

ment when Bowman received a knock at his door and was told to go. Able to head to the hall in Lanigan, Bowman quickly packed up his things and joining others, left.

Lanigan Town Administrator Jennifer Thompson said the Lanigan Town Hall was quickly made available and with the help of volunteers, the community provided meals and refreshments to everyone at the hall.

"The Lanigan and District Fire Department contacted the Lanigan Town office on Thursday morning asking to prepare the Community Hall for evacuation of the Hamlet of Guernsey. With the help of local businesses, the Town of Lanigan was able to have a breakfast available. Dinner and supper were served that day as well with the help of volunteers and coordinator; Lanigan Town Councillor Velda Daelick at the helm. As it became apparent that the evacuation centre needed to be available on Friday as well, Town of Lanigan representatives were able to plan food for Guernsey residents on Friday."

As Hooper and other members from the local fire department ensured residents were notified about the evacuation and with the

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“Sports”

Winterhawks take game one in opening round

■ Daniel Bushman

Looking to defend its Long Lake Hockey League title, the Watrous Winterhawks headed to Davidson for game one of its opening round series in league playoffs. Despite finishing in fifth this year, Watrous came out flying against the fourth place Cyclones.

In the opening period, assistant captain Trent Campbell got the Hawks on the board first as he tallied less than three minutes after the game commenced. A few minutes later Sean Aschim made it 2-0 Watrous as he scored from Campbell and Craig McCallum. Then with 12:11 to go, Mc-

Callum pushed the team's lead to three as he tallied from Campbell and Sean Aschim.

Leading by three, Watrous continued to storm the crease and with 3:03 remaining, Campbell notched his second of the evening, this time from McCallum and Travis Polkinghorne and through 20 minutes, the visitors led 4-0.

In period two, Watrous made it 5-0 with McCallum's second goal in the game but Davidson countered a short time later as the Cyclones notched their first of the evening with less than 13 minutes remaining. Davidson then added a second with 6:14 to play before Watrous made it 6-2 with 11 seconds to go in the period.

With a four goal advantage, Watrous notched one more in period three, while the Cyclones tallied twice but it was the Winterhawks coming away with a 7-4 win and game one in the best of three series. Both Campbell and McCallum each scored twice in the victory while McCallum added four helpers for six points in the Feb. 12 contest.

Returning to Watrous, game two is scheduled for Feb. 18 and if necessary, a third game would go in Davidson Feb. 19. Meanwhile in provincial play, Watrous is taking on Meadow Lake. Game one was scheduled for Feb. 16 in Meadow Lake with game two in Watrous Feb. 23. Game three, if necessary is back in Meadow Lake Mar. 1.

Local school curling teams aim for success

■ Daniel Bushman

With a few local junior curling teams punching their tickets to districts, Horizon senior rinks competed in pre-district action Feb. 6 in Humboldt and Wadena. Taking aim at advancing to the district event, local senior teams hit the ice in pre-district play.

According to Horizon's website, on the boys side in Pool A, Lanigan met Bellevue while Watrous faced Imperial in the opening draws. Bellevue and Watrous both advanced to the district A-side final with Bellevue winning.

Over on the B-side, Imperial defeated Lanigan to meet Watrous in that B-side final. In that match up, it was Imperial who came out with the win. That meant both Bellevue and Imperial advanced to districts.

On the girls side, a best of three was played between Humboldt and Lanigan. While both rinks already secured a spot at districts, Humboldt won both pre-district games in the best of three series.

On the mixed side, Watrous played Humboldt while Lanigan met Wakaw. After Humboldt and Lanigan advanced to the A-side final, Lanigan came away with the win, advancing to districts. On the B-side, Watrous beat Wakaw and then took on Humboldt in the B-side final. In that draw, Watrous took the victory, advancing to districts.

This year's Horizon senior districts took place Feb. 11 and 12 in Strasbourg. On the boys side, Imperial met Muenster in its first draw on the A-side but it was Muenster who won the game. Imperial then faced Bruno on the B-side and defeated them to face Bellevue. In its third game of the event, Imperial was unable to get by Bellevue

ending the team's run at districts while Foam Lake ended up taking this year's district title.

On the girls side, Lanigan faced Wadena in its opening draw but it was Wadena moving on in the A-side. Facing Ituna on the B-side, Lanigan was unable to defeat its opponent. Wadena went on to win the district title.

On the mixed side, Lanigan lost to Quill Lake on the A-side while Watrous defeated Muenster in its opening draw. Watrous then lost to Quill Lake and met Lanigan on the B-side after they took out Muenster. In the B-side event, Lanigan defeated Watrous to move on to the district final but it would be Quill Lake who took the title. Both Quill Lake and Lanigan move on to regionals in Wadena Feb. 28 and 29.

After advancing from pre-districts to the district championship Feb. 7 and 8 in Foam Lake, junior teams from Imperial and Watrous represented the local area.

On the girls side, Imperial met Ituna in its opening draw with Ituna moving on to the next bracket on the A-side. Watrous faced Wadena in its first draw but were unable to advance and both Watrous and Imperial met on the B-side. In that draw, Watrous defeated Imperial but then came up against a tough Humboldt team and were unable to advance. Ituna was named as this year's district champion defeating Wadena.

On the mixed side, Winston High School faced Quill Lake One in its first draw where Quill Lake One advanced. Competing out of the B-side, Watrous then beat Wakaw and Quill Lake Two to face Wadena with the winner going to the district final. Coming away with a big victory, Winston High met Quill Lake One for the district title. In



► Local junior and senior teams within Horizon School Division recently competed in curling pre-district and district action. As part of that, the Winston High School junior mixed team not only advanced from pre-districts but took home the district championship (above). The Imperial senior boys team (below) also found success as the rink made it to the pre-district final and advanced to districts.

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that final, it was Watrous who came out on top and took home the district championship.

Meanwhile on the boys side, Muenster was named district champion after defeating Humboldt Collegiate in the final.

Basketball teams shoot for championships

■ Daniel Bushman

As the final buzzer of Horizon School Division's basketball playoffs sounds, some of the local teams are still in action as they gear up for district and conference play.

According to Horizon's website, here are the league standings:

Senior Boys South West League (as of Feb. 4): Viscount sat in first place with a 6-0 record followed by Watrous 'B' at 4-3, Lanigan at 3-4 and Strasbourg at 0-6.

Senior Girls North League (as of Feb. 7): Lanigan wrapped up league play in first at 4-1 and hosts the league final Feb. 25. Teams also played exhibition games within the league including against Imperial and Watrous.

Senior Girls South West League (as of Feb. 6): Imperial finished in first at 3-0 in league play followed by



► After wrapping up league play undefeated, the Winston junior girls met Lanigan in the final Feb. 10 (right). In an intense game it was Watrous who came out on top, defeating the Lazers by just two points to take the league title (above).

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held throughout the division, in this year's HCAA junior girls basketball district championships, Winston High School meets the winner of Annaheim and Humboldt St. Augustine in round two while Lanigan Elementary hosts Lake Lenore in its bracket.

In this year's HCAA junior boys basketball district championships, Winston High School takes on Lanigan Elementary School with the winner meeting either Foam Lake or Wynyard.

In Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association Conference games, a handful of local teams will be hitting the hard court. In 2A Boys, Viscount is competing in Conference 6 play. In 3A Boys, Watrous is competing in Conference 6 play. In 1A Girls, Imperial is competing in Conference 6 play with each team in its bracket moving on to Regionals.

league championship defeating Watrous Elementary School in the final. Through six games during the regular season, Winston High was 6-0 followed by Watrous Elementary School (3-3), Lanigan Elementary (3-3) and Imperial (0-6).

Junior Boys South West League (as of Jan. 27): Winston High School took home this year's

league (as of Feb. 7): Watrous Elementary ended the regular season in fourth at 6-4 while first place Bellevue faced second place Cudworth in the league final Feb. 13.

Junior Girls South West League (as of Feb. 4): Winston High wrapped up league play at 8-0 followed

by Lanigan Elementary at 6-2. The pair of local teams who finished first and second out of five school teams met in the league final Feb. 10 in Watrous. In that game, it came down to the wire with Watrous edging Lanigan by two points to take the title.

As league finals were



Opinion

Kin Canada and its clubs commemorate century of service

■ Daniel Bushman

For 100 years Kin Canada along with its clubs across the country have been helping to serve their community's greatest needs. That is no different for Watrous as the local Kinsmen and Kinettes have been a driving force behind a number of initiatives over the years.

As Kin Canada marks a century of serving, Watrous Kinette President Mel Rostie said there are more than 400 clubs across the country with 80 situated in Saskatchewan. "Kin Canada supports a number of national projects, however, the majority of funds raised and service projects done by Kin clubs assist a club's local community. Clubs independently determine what the specific needs are for their community and assist with and often partner with municipalities and/or local non-profit organizations to help meet those needs."

In Watrous, the local Kin have done a number of projects and initiatives while serving the community for more than 69 years. Rostie has sincerely appreciated every member who has been involved or continues to be involved during that time and said, "We also really appreciate those who remain supportive of us and other Kin clubs from across Canada. Currently the Watrous Kinsmen are at 20 members while the local Kinettes are at 14 members."

Always looking for new members, Rostie said those who are involved with Kin Canada clubs can take part in a variety of projects which can include: providing funds to hospitals and local organizations; supplying resources or services to local schools; assisting with the building of community housing; building play structures, splash pads and recreation facilities; organizing Christmas parades; holding toy and food drives; and hosting community carnivals, festivals or events.

Through those projects Rostie said Kin clubs in Canada have raised over \$19 million for their local communities and have donated over 416,000 hours of their time.

Locally, for decades the Watrous Kinsmen and Kinettes have been raising money for projects and initiatives including: Watrous Elementary and Winston High School programs and scholarships; Watrous Library; Watrous Music Festival; Watrous School of Dance; Manitou Lodge; Camp Easter Seal; Kin Park; Kinsmen Kids Fund; the Watrous Fire Department; Watrous Minor Hockey; and Watrous Kinsmen Childcare Centre.

"We raise these funds by selling Trip of the Month tickets, hosting events like the Bull-A-Rama rodeo, annual craft and trade shows and rec hockey tournaments to name a few. Provincially we also help raise money for Telemiracle and Stars, and nationally we support cystic fibrosis research, Canadian Blood Services and Crime Stoppers."

With a myriad of initiatives and projects undertaken over the decades and with Kin Canada marking 100 years, Rostie said the Town of Watrous has shown great support. "Kin Canada Week is Feb. 16 to 22 and to commemorate the occasion, the Town of Watrous will be flying the Kin Centennial flag at the Town Office all week. We are also providing complimentary donuts at the



Watrous Bakery Feb. 22 to residents as a small token of our appreciation for the support we have received and continue to receive."

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Tips from
Reena Nerbas

a month. A small amount of baking soda and water will remove minor marks. Purchase water-based cleaner for thorough shoe cleaning.

Dear Reena,

My four-year-old son left Playdough on the carpet. I tried to vacuum it, but it stuck to the vacuum and it also smeared further into the carpet. Help! Pam

Dear Pam,

When it comes to Playdough on carpet, the trick is to let it dry completely before trying to remove it. Once dry, attach the dust attachment to the hose on your vacuum and suck up the pieces. Use Head and Shoulders Dandruff shampoo and water to clean up any remaining pieces.

Dear Reena,

I make homemade pasta sauce using tomatoes from my garden. The problem is the sauce has a weird acidic taste. Is it garbage? Velma

Dear Velma,

If a tomato-based sauce becomes too acidic add a teaspoon of baking soda at a time to the sauce to reduce the acidity. Some cooks prefer to add sugar for the same reason. Sugar can also reduce acidity of tomatoes used in salads.

Dear Reena,

I am not much of a baker, but now that I am a grandma, I want to bake my grandchildren brownies. Without making them from scratch, do you have any ideas for how I can make cake box brownies taste homemade? Esther

Dear Esther,

Solutions and Substitutions

Dear Reena,

Are there any tricks for keeping my white canvas shoes white? Thanks, Alfonzo

Dear Alfonzo,

Begin by applying a canvas shoe protector that protects the fabric from liquid. Reapply the protector twice

Purchase a boxed brownie mix, bake them according to the directions on the box. Consider adding a handful of chocolate or vanilla chips to the mix. The easiest way to give boxed brownies your own flare is by topping them with vanilla ice cream and sprinkles. You can also purchase store bought chocolate icing and then add sprinkles to the icing. When brownies are warm, they always taste great!

Feedback from Fine Contributors

Re: devilled eggs

• I just read your recent article and I have a problem with your suggestion to use a sealable bag to squeeze the egg yolks into the whites. Why contribute to such unnecessary plastic waste when two teaspoons would serve the purpose? Maybe not quite so pretty, but certainly environmentally superior. Shirley

Re: cleaning a dishwasher

• Just another tip to clean your dishwasher. Set your hot water tank to at least 140°. Use a preliminary dishwasher detergent such as Cascade Plutonium, run the cycle as normal. Anonymous

Vegan food hints

• Blended up cashews make a creamy white sauce for meals.

• Instead of using mayonnaise on burgers, use blended avocado.

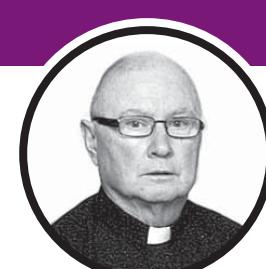
• Make your own vegan buttermilk by adding one tablespoon white vinegar to any non-dairy milk.

• Instead of an egg, use half a banana in vegan recipes.

• Make your own vegan whipping cream by whipping cold refrigerated coconut milk with a mixer.

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.



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

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

"It has been called the daily prayer for everyone," I told Ed my old neighbour in Saskatchewan. It was a clue in a trivia challenge. Ed felt that he knew the answer to the trivia question although he is not religious. He said the answer is, "Our Father or the Lord's Prayer."

"No, not the right answer," I told Ed, who was surprised. "The answer is, 'thank you.' Thank you is said to be the prayer everyone should say daily." Ed

Saying thank you takes about a second of time

had to tell me that saying 'thank you' could cause him to have indigestion. He also felt that because he does not say 'thank you' often, it has a real effect on his family when he does say it. My old neighbour feels it is like saying 'I love you', You should not say it too often or it will be meaningless.

I agree with Ed that when we say thank you, it should be sincere, but 'thank you' can be a pinch of heaven here on earth. When folks say 'thank you' to us, it has the power to brighten our attitude. When we say 'thank you' to others it can lift their spirits. The other day I said, "Thank you and have a nice day," to a clerk in a Dollar Store. Her face showed surprise, maybe even shock. Was it a hard day of cranky shoppers for her? It was evident she had not received many people saying 'thank you' to her

before me.

Husbands, wives, and

children do love to hear a daily 'thank you.' Family relationships can be full of pressures. Teenagers appreciate hearing 'thank you' for being home before curfew. Whoever cooked the supper might be pleased to hear 'thank you' for making supper, it tastes great to me.

The Bible speaks of us needing to develop an attitude of gratitude. We are told to give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for us in Christ Jesus. Saying 'thank you' is holding on to a good habit in daily life. It reflects a willingness to be kind to everyone. We build each other up when we take a second to say to others, 'thank you.'

In the Bible, Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem and as he was going into a village, 10 men with leprosy called out to Jesus for

his help. Jesus told them,

"Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they went to the priests, they were cleansed of their leprosy. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus to thank Jesus. The healed man came back to Jesus, praising God, and he threw himself before Jesus' feet to thank Him.

The 10 men suffered from leprosy, but only one came back to say 'thank you.' Nine out of the 10 did not say 'thank you' even though they had excellent reasons to say it. How often are we like the nine who did not say 'thank you' for our tremendous or small healings from God?

As Christians, we again celebrate the Lenten Season beginning with Ash Wednesday (Feb. 26). We know we have every reason to say 'thank you' to Jesus for his sacrificial death on the cross for our and all sin.

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At the Watrous Centre

Whist winners at the Senior Centre Thursday, Feb. 6 were: first - Sylvia Falkowsky, 152; second - Robert Smith, 144; third - Roger Langston, 140; fourth - Isabelle Langston, 139. Travelling - Peter Sundquist and Roger Langston. Homesteader was Bob Wignes, eight times at one table. Kaiser winners at the Senior Cen-

tre Monday, Feb. 10 were: first - Bob Wignes, 168; second - Doris Kreitzer, 153; third - Lorne Bradbeer, 125; fourth - Sheila Johnson, 125.

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.

Community Connection

ALLAN

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Friday, Feb. 7, the Prairie Women on Snowmobiles stopped in Allan during their week of travels to speak to the group about what they do and where their funds go. This is an amazing upbeat group of 10 women who ride over 1,400 kilometres on their sleds during one week to spread information about raising funds to fight breast cancer. They have already raised over 2.5 million dollars in the 20 years this ride has been going. They all had pink toques and even their pit crew (four men) were given honorary ladies names and also sported the toques. They stopped in at the Elks Hall where there was a lunch served. They did a pin ceremony where they encouraged local women who have survived breast cancer to come up and receive a pin. Each was announced and rewarded the pin for their courage and bravery to overcome the battle that they have already fought. It was a very touching ceremony and I am very grateful I was able to be there to wit-



► Prairie Women on Snowmobiles make a stop in Allan. © photos by Sarah Ross

ness the event. We were so pleased that they chose Allan to stop in.

The Allan Elks is still hosting their Chase the Ace Draw raising funds for

“Look What’s Cooking by Laura Novecosky”

Dilly Noodles for Two

Ingredients:

1 1/2 cups medium egg noodles
1/2 cup cottage cheese
1 to 2 tbsp. fresh dill or 1 tsp. dried dill
1/4 tsp. salt
pepper

Directions:

Cook noodles according to package directions. Meanwhile combine the remaining ingredients. Drain noodles, add to cottage cheese mixture and toss gently. Serve immediately. Makes two servings.



the Allan School Travel Club. The draw is held weekly on Saturdays, current-

ly at the communiplex. You do not even have to be there, but you do have to buy a ticket each week to get entered to the draw.

The Allan library and Allan museum collaborations have been working out quite well so far. We still have another one planned for this month and one planned in March. Make a point to come out to the library!

The communiplex is starting to slow down in skating events, but curling is still going strong. Soon the WinterFest event will also be held at the communiplex so it is still the place to go and you have not yet run out of time to get a rink burger!

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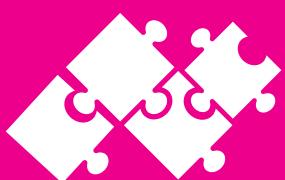
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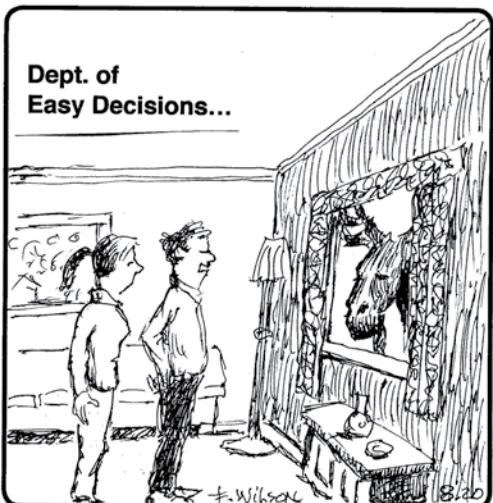
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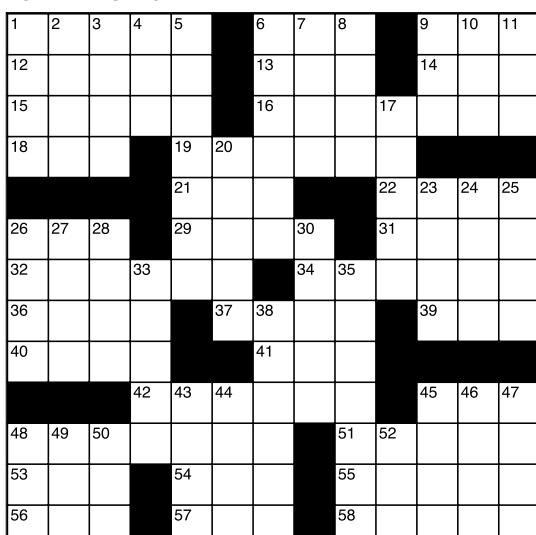


"I know it's National Be Kind to a Moose Week, but he's NOT coming into the house!"



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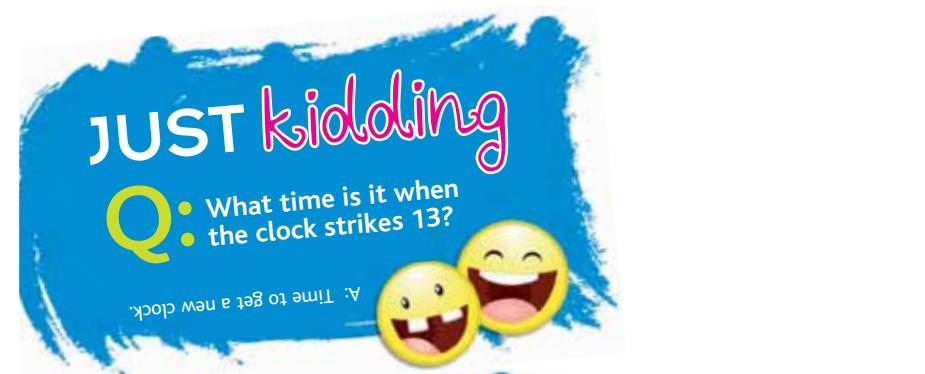
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“Senior Spotlight” *Manitou Lodge Edition*

With the help from the Activity Department at Manitou Lodge, The Watrous Manitou is featuring Senior Spotlight - Manitou Lodge Edition. This month's guest is June 'Cole' Mulligan, who graciously shared some of her life story.

Where do you currently reside?

June currently resides at Manitou Lodge at the Watrous Manitou District Health Complex.

Where were you born?

June was born in Cabri, Sask.

Who is in your family?

June is the oldest of nine children, four girls and five boys. June married Harold Mulligan in May 1942. A year later Harold left to serve in the war. He was away for three years and during this time June usually grew a large garden to be able to sell the produce. When Harold returned, he got a job at Kirkham's Hardware. He also loved to work in theatres during his younger years.

What do you enjoy now?

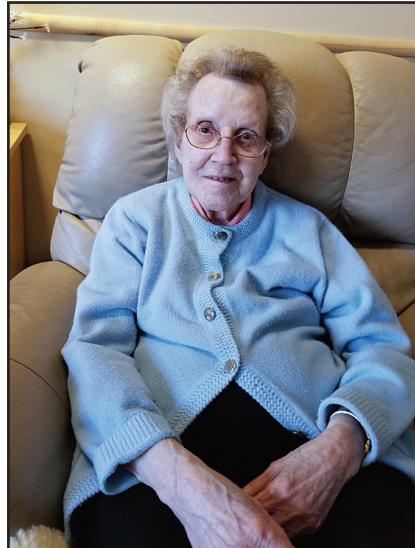
June loves to sit and play with the two birds that we have at the lodge. Sunshine and Loopy really enjoy her company.

What are some memories from your childhood?

Being the oldest in the family, June helped raise her siblings. Saturday was always a busy day as bread and buns were made. June was then responsible to bathe and dress her siblings after which they would go to the store for some candy and then to a movie.

What is something people may not know about you?

June is very quick when she sets off with her walker to take in the many events going on at the lodge whether it is a music program, helping with special cooking projects or just taking in a movie. We thoroughly enjoy her bright spirit and quick wit.



“Photo of the Week”



- photo by Wayne Busch

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Oasis Village at Manitou Beach: A Medical Tourism Opportunity

Medical tourism has been grabbing the attention of policy makers, researchers and media worldwide. Oasis Village at Manitou has also been garnering interest and as it moves from an idea to a reality, both the medical tourism industry and Oasis Village at Manitou continue to gain steam.

Researched and written by world-renowned doctors and Manitou Beach residents David Schleich and Sussanna Czeranko, the following examines the trend of medical tourism and its potential impact to the area. Combining that popular movement along with the potential development of Oasis Village at Manitou, the pair will not only benefit the area but those who utilize the services offered.

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Medical tourism can be described generally as health consumers who travel outside the country where they live in order to secure high-quality medical care, including lifestyle and disease prevention therapies, alternative therapeutic treatments, dentistry and cosmetic surgery. There are other more intensive treatment options that are sometimes included in the category of Medical Tourism such as organ transplantation, cardiac surgery and orthopedic surgery. Here we will focus on those treatment options that are more typically sought in combination with vacation destinations that can offer a high-quality tourist vacation experience such as Manitou Beach in Saskatchewan.

Manitou Beach has a long-standing reputation as a destination for people who have experienced the health benefits of the spas and mineral waters of Manitou Lake. In fact, Manitou Beach was at one time the number two tourism destination in Canada, just behind Banff. This was due in part to the therapeutic benefits experienced by peoples going back centuries from the mineral waters of Manitou Lake.

There have been in the last two decades qualitative and quantitative shifts in patient mobility. Patient stays before and beyond treatment often comprise the “tourism” element of the branding, celebrating often the physical morphology of the distinctive natural landscape of medical tourism destinations. The medical tourism industry is global, a multi-billion-dollar phenomenon and responds to the escalating cost of care in the medical tourist's country of residence, but also to the availability of care. In this latter case, Manitou Beach, Saskatchewan is a very special place. Here, inbound medical tourism

and the centuries old traditions of the health resort come together and are of considerable interest to North Americans, Europeans and Asians in particular.

The health resort enterprise has a long history, ranging from ancient civilizations such as the Sumerians and Romans who well understood the therapeutic effects of mineral waters to modern era Europeans whose seaside resorts were predicated on the demonstrated, real curative powers in sea waters and sea air. Spas and mineral waters have a long and successful tradition in the treatment of various skin infections, for example, as well as gastro-intestinal presentations, respiratory conditions, rheumatism and more. In fact, in countries like Switzerland, Germany and Hungary many towns sprang up around mineral springs dedicated to health (St. Moritz, Lausanne, Baden, Budapest, Wiesbaden and dozens of others). The same is true in Asia. For example, Japanese *onsen* (mineral springs) are a central feature of Japanese tourism today. In India, Yoga and Ayurvedic medicine evolved and are key dimensions of a robust medical tourism industry there.

The global medical tourism industry is closing in on USD 30 billion annually as the new decade begins. It is likely to continue to rise at an annual rate of 10-15%. There is a documented demand for high-quality and low-cost medical services, treatments and procedures. Historically, the literature about conventional medical treatments that make up most of the activity of “medical tourism” in North America are increasingly benefiting from treatments focused on prevention and more traditional approaches to treatment. Quality control is present, substantial and growing. The International Society



for Quality in Health Care, as a case in point, has transparent and well-defined standards of practice whose protocols for the continuity of care (discharge, referral, follow-up and transfer of patients, for example) are exemplary.

Significantly, the exponential burden of health care has stimulated governments, employers and insurers in North America and Europe to explore various medical tourism programs. For example, state legislation in numerous American jurisdictions permits insurance companies to reimburse authorized providers out of state. Some examples are California's Blue Shield, Florida's United Group Programs, Wellpoint and Corporate Synergies Group. This is also true in Europe where British United Provident Association (BUPA) has international contracts and a strong track record of successful care for British citizens traveling overseas.

Medical tourism is here to stay. The top ten countries in the world for medical tourism are Brazil, Mexico, Panama, Costa Rica, the Czech Republic, Turkey, India, Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia. Canada has a place on this growing list.

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Tuesday, Feb. 4, the Viscount senior boys basketball team won in Watrous, which put them at 6-0 for the season. Friday, Feb. 7, Ms. Alison Lohans from Regina paid a visit to Viscount Central School. She published her first book at the age of 12. Her presentation went 10 minutes overtime because of all the questions students had for her. Ms. Lohans is the author of *Timefall*, *Picturing Alyssa*, *No Place for Kids* and *This Land We Call Home*. Thursday, Feb. 13 was the 100th day of school at VCS.

Saturday, Feb. 8, there were 13 people who came out to the Viscount seniors fundraising breakfast. Mickey Palfy was the winner of the lucky loonie pot. Work-

ers were Chris Rault and Mary Joan Young.

Nine ladies spent three hours at the Viscount library making blankets Monday, Feb. 10. We join knitted and crocheted 8 x 8 squares together and deliver to several different shelters. The Viscount Chapter of Blankets for Canada has been meeting weekly for many years. Please call Evelina at 306-944-4820 for more information.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon.

Thank you to all who helped make this week's Viscount news possible. Have a great week. Please let me know if you have news to share elr:slr@sasktel.net or 306-227-1193.

For more Community Connection news, see page 13.

MANITOU BEACH

Sue Alcock

Another nasty cold snap arrived last week and the meteorologists said it was just for a couple of days. But the bright sunshine is lovely and enticed my local squirrel to visit the bird feeder for sustenance.

I see The Decades are retiring after many years of giving musical pleasure to so many dancers at Danceland. We wish The Decades "happy retirement" and thanks for the memories. Also Danceland is celebrating being 90 years this summer – another "well done". So the famous dance hall has seen the Dirty '30s, WWII, social changes of the 1950s and 1960s, renovations, ownership changes, rising lake levels, berm constructions, thousands upon

thousands of dances and many thousands of feet, a huge variety of dancing footwear, from stilettos to runners, clothing styles from the sublime to the ridiculous and please do feel free to add to the list.

This is all good as people have been contacting me by various means about Avery "Pop" Reid. Pop drove taxi for several decades, in particular from Renown railway station to Manitou Beach. His route is still to be unveiled. He was also known to drive friends and relatives and usually did not charge as he made sufficient money driving the tourists around. He drove a 1957 Plymouth Royal and I am trying to find out what other cars he used to ferry passengers. Prai-



►With the lake frozen near Camp Easter Seal at Manitou Beach, earlier this month a crew was busy cleaning up by the camp. SaskAbilities Regional Director Corey Hadden said, "SaskAbilities is doing the responsible thing by remediating and cleaning up the shoreline and water along Camp Easter Seal's property, doing our part to maintain the beauty and environment of Little Manitou Lake. We needed to wait until the water froze in order to deal with the old structure."

© photo submitted by Peter Schalm

rie Reflections tells that "Pop" Reid began his taxi service in 1927 and ran it for 36 years.

Winter Fest takes

place Feb. 29th at Manitou Beach and should be a lot of fun with a lot of different activities taking place.

HIRING

MOWER OPERATOR

The RM of Wood Creek #281 is currently accepting applications for the position of

Mower Operator

Duties may include but are not limited to:

- Mowing the ditches of the municipal roads
- Service and maintenance of equipment
- Other duties as assigned by council

The candidate must possess:

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- Mechanical skills
- Ability to operate a tractor and mower
- Must be self-motivated

Please submit a resume by **March 13, 2020** including work experience, education and skills, references and expected salary range to:

RM of Wood Creek No. 281
Box 10, Simpson, SK, S0G 4M0
Fax: 306-836-4460
Email: rm281@aski.ca

The RM of Wood Creek offers competitive wages, benefits and pension plan. The RM wishes to thank all applicants, however only individuals granted an interview will be contacted.

PLUNKETT

Deloris Wilson (Sutherland) • 306-944-4852

Groundhog Day was Feb. 2 and we are to get six more weeks of winter.

There were snowmobile races recently on a farm north of Plunkett.

The weatherman brought us more snow and cold wind.

The Scotties Tournament of Hearts started Feb. 15 in Moose Jaw.

The women are kept busy working on blankets for Blankets for Canada.

Folks were having trouble with their telephone line not working.

Several folks are away on winter holidays and some are returning home.

Get well wishes to anyone ill and in the hospital or under the weather.

Anyone having any news, please phone me at 306-944-4852. Thank you.

COLONSAY

Florence Halvorson • 306-255-2358

Sympathy from the community to Pat and Barb Mulhall on the passing of his mother at Swift Current on Jan. 17.

Twelve seniors attended the potluck supper Feb. 5. Happy birthday

was sung to Patsy Grey. Meeting followed. Winter

Games were set for Mar. 14. Kaiser and crib will be replayed. Norwegian whist was played and first was Florence Halvorson and second was Doreen Ross. Big two winner was Elaine Sheriff. Cake and coffee

followed. Joan Campbell was the hostess.

Folks who were on a winter holiday have returned to great weather as well.

Get well wishes to anyone who is not feeling great. I hope you are better soon.

The Watrous Manitou is on holidays Monday, Feb. 17 to Friday, Feb. 21.

There will be NO paper Feb. 24 but a paper Mar. 2.

TAX ENFORCEMENT LIST TOWN OF WATROUS

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Notice is hereby given under the *Tax Enforcement Act* that unless the arrears and costs appearing opposite the land and title number described in the following list are fully paid before the **20th day of April 2020** an interest based on a tax lien will be registered against the land.

Note: A sum for costs in an amount required by subsection 4(3) of *The Tax Enforcement Act* is included in the amount shown against each parcel.

Lot	Block	Plan	Title No.	Total Arrears & Costs
4	50	G44	145720964	3,646.89
23	50	101545826	145720986	
26	60	102061246	141619125	6,985.95
27	J	68-S-25183	151564136	2,666.51
38	1	C1002	143106487	3,091.26
39	1	C1002	143106500	
40	1	C1002	143106511	
36	8	C1002	139790560	2,623.73
37	8	C1002	139790571	
38	8	C1002	139790582	
33	9	C1002	140585294	1,287.92
34	9	C1002	140585339	
4	10	C1002	114782272	1,776.67
44	10	101547907	114782261	
35	11	C1002	147347589	2,342.61
36	11	C1002	147347602	
D	12	72-S-17261	148173521	1,166.17
03	15	C1002	143979834	2,274.52
32	15	101548414	143979801	
11	15	C1002	114783846	2,916.96
12	15	C1002	114783857	
34	15	101865977	146110340	4,810.96
35	15	101865977	146110351	
20	19	C1002	142069709	1,930.12
13	20	C1002	150066042	1,719.40
17	20	C1002	133281480	2,630.75
25	22	C1002	114785321	1,234.31
22	27	C1002	114786164	1,858.78
34	3040	C3040	141349541	2,972.45
20	36	C3040	137930700	3,299.41
4	37	C3040	114759074	
27	37	101544791	114759085	2,924.10
5	39	C3040	143754936	2,321.81
8	42	C3040	144373204	2,927.38
9	42	C3040	144373226	
10	42	C3040	144373248	
2	136	G45	134298096	3,819.80
3	136	G45	134298119	
10	136	G45	137752375	2,034.20
11	136	G45	145724474	3,012.59
12	136	G45	145724485	
5	137	G45	114953508	1,702.31
16	138	G45	114953249	2,192.45
Unit 1		102164295	146164440	2,734.00
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Dated this 17th day of February, 2020
Orrin Redden, Town Administrator

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES Town of Watrous

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Instructors:

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**Town of Watrous,
Box 730 Watrous, SK S0K 4T0
or watrousrecreation@sasktel.net**

Please indicate which position you are applying for.

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For further information please contact

the Town Office at: 306-946-3369

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Town of
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“Notices AND Classifieds”

Obituary



HARASYM, Eileen Fern (nee Lapp)

Fern passed away on January 28, 2020 in Prince George, B.C. at the age of 87. She was born on May 23, 1932 on the family farm in Watrous, Sask.

Fern was predeceased by her husband Peter Harasym, parents Agnes and William Lapp, sisters Hazel Lapp, Ona Harasym (Bill), brothers Delmar Lapp (Darrallene), Clarence Lapp (Charlotte) and her beloved grandson Jamie Harasym.

She is survived by her five children who greatly loved her and cared for her until the end, Glenn (Betty), Dolly (Alan Carl), Rodney (Cindy), Wayne (Sandi), and Harley (Joanne). She is survived by nine grandchildren, Jeff Harasym (Lan), Leon Carl (Deanna), Shawn Carl (Tianna), Steven Harasym (Joanna), Jessica Harasym (Brennan Mann), Kristina Harasym, Greg Harasym, Janiene Lawrence (Brody), and Todd Harasym. Fern is also survived by her 10 great-grandchildren, John and Jana Harasym, Nora and Kai Carl, Maren and Soren Carl, Grady and Braylen Mann, Emily Ferris and Ryder Lawrence.

Fern will be greatly missed by her children, sister-in-law Darrallene Lapp, many nephews, nieces and friends. She enjoyed playing cards, bingo and spending time with the many friends that she made over the years.

Fern will be laid to rest along with her husband Peter at The Memorial Gardens in Regina, Sask. at a later date.



In memory

ROGINA - In loving memory of Barbara, who passed away Feb. 18, 2001:

If I had all the world to give,
I'd give it, yes and more,
To hear your voice and see your smile
And greet you at my door.
But all I can do, dear mother
Is go and tend your grave,
And leave behind tokens of love
To the best mother God ever made.
I like to think, when life is done
Wherever Heaven may be,
That she'll be standing at the door
Up there to welcome us.

- Sadly missed by Irene, Wayne, Diana and Lloyd.



NOTICES

SHARON CRITTENDEN, CFP will be available as a tax consultant at the following place and times: Town of Watrous - Tri-Central Insurance office, 102 - 2nd Ave. (east of Chen's Restaurant) commencing Saturday morning, Mar. 7 and every Saturday morning thereafter until Mar. 28. Please call 1-800-667-8911 for an appointment./7-7c

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HELP WANTED

CRAIK AND DISTRICT GOLF CLUB is a 9-hole public golf course with grass green located at Craik, Sask. operated by a local board. Accepting applications for supervisor at the Craik and District Golf Course. We are looking for a hands on person with golf course experience for ongoing seasonal position. Responsible for: communication with the golf course board, outside staff of five, maintenance and operation of the golf course and associated equipment, spring start up of all equipment and fall closure of all areas of golf course. Please respond with resume and wage expectation to: Craik & District Golf Club, Box 314, Craik, Sask. S0G 0V0, craikgolf2018@gmail.com Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted. Thank you for your interest. Deadline to apply is Feb. 28, 2020./6-4c

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR CLUBHOUSE MANAGER. We are looking for someone with experience with golf course and restaurant/liquor experience for the ongoing seasonal position. Responsible for: daily running of clubhouse, organizing tournaments and events, promotion of course events, running daily golf traffic, organizing golf lessons, supervision and scheduling of staff, kitchen and liquor sales, daily cash outs and deposits and ordering supplies. Please respond with resume and wage expectation to: Craik & District Golf Club, Box 314, Craik, Sask. S0G 0V0, craikgolf2018@gmail.com Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted. Thank you for your interest. Deadline to apply is Feb. 28, 2020./6-4c

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FARMLAND FOR SALE, RENT OR TENDER

FARMLAND FOR RENT - RM OF MORRIS #312. Three and a half quarters in total. SW 18-31-25 W2 approx. 144 acres cultivated, NW 18-31-25 W2 approx. 150 acres cultivated, SW 19-31-25 W2 approx. 150 acres cultivated, Part of SE 01-31-26 W2 approx. 80 acres cultivated. All bids are confidential. Highest or any other bid not necessarily accepted. Bids must be submitted no later than Mar. 6, 2020. Submit bid to T. Martin, Box 1095, Watrous, Sask. S0K 4T0./9-2c

FARMLAND FOR RENT - RM OF WOOD CREEK #281. SE 35-30-26 W2 approx. 155 acres cultivated, NW 26-30-26 W2 approx. 125 acres cultivated, NE 26-30-26 W2 approx. 145 acres cultivated. All bids are confidential. Highest or any other bid not necessarily accepted. Bids must be submitted no later than Mar. 6, 2020. Submit bid to T. Martin, Box 1095, Watrous, Sask. S0K 4T0./9-2c

FARMLAND FOR SALE BY TENDER - RM OF WOOD CREEK #281. NW 12-30-26 W2 Assessed \$166,800 159.56 acres. All bids are confidential. The following conditions apply to the sale: 1) Highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, 2) Bidders must rely on their own research of the property, 3) Successful bidder will be expected to conclude transaction as soon as possible, 4) Purchaser will be responsible for taxes from Jan. 1, 2020 forward, 5) Any applicable federal or provincial taxes will be the responsibility of the purchaser. Absolutely no realtors or agents. Bids must be submitted no later than Mar. 19, 2020. Submit bid to T. Martin, Box 1095, Watrous, Sask. S0K 4T0./9-4c

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Imperial & District Service Club

■ submitted by Harold Anhorn

The Imperial & District Service Club held its regular meeting Monday, Feb. 10 with 16 members in attendance. Group Two (Les Sainsbury) cooked and supplied the meal which was thoroughly enjoyed by the members in attendance. The minutes of the last meeting dated Jan. 27 were read by Harold Anhorn (president), as our secretary Keith Busche was away on holidays. The minutes were moved by Ted Abrey, seconded by Shannon Stewart and carried.

The Blue's curling bonspiel held Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 was well attended with a total of 12 teams competing for the many prizes available. We acknowledged the efforts of Keith Busche, Gord Gustafson, Gord Lamont, Jim Rae, Dave Kelly, Karson Liu and others who worked hard to make this event a great success.

The financial report was given by Dave

Kelly (treasurer) and acknowledged that an invoice was received from The Watrous Manitou for the posters, tickets and advertising covering The Sundrops concert scheduled for Saturday, Apr. 18. The work performed by The Watrous Manitou is always professional and is very much appreciated by the Imperial & District Service Club. The financial report was moved by Vernon Nolting, seconded by Harry Mooney and carried. Tickets for The Sundrops concert are now available and can be purchased from the town office, Keith Busche and members of the service club.

A donation request was received from the Watrous District Music Festival which was moved by Gord Crittenden to donate \$100, seconded by Blair Broadfoot and carried.

Our next meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 24 with Group Three (Keith Busche) cooking the supper. The meeting was adjourned by Ernie VanDamme at 7:45 p.m.



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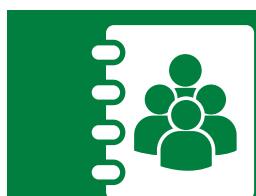
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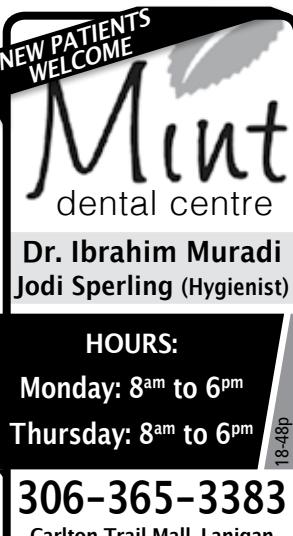
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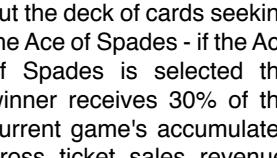


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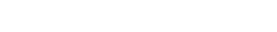
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Town of Lanigan opening up the hall, it was not long after the evacuation order when safety personnel, heavy equipment and other big machinery began arriving at the derailment site in droves.

CP emergency response and HazMat crews were also deployed to the scene to work with the fire department to assess and minimize the impact to the surrounding area. Other crews began appearing at the site from Manitoba, Alberta and other parts of Saskatchewan including a provincial safety response team.

The site became a hub of activity as semi after semi hauling equipment unloaded backhoes while gravel trucks began dropping off loads as well. A command post was created and Hooper estimated there were around a dozen bulldozers and loaders to go along with trailers, a food area, tents and washroom facilities.

"It was pretty much exactly the same as the first derailment. You didn't realize how much equipment came through, but there was a lot."

Helping to clean up the first derailment site about six kilometres west of Guernsey, Ron Ediger's phone began going off Thursday. Based out of Watrous, the owner of Melron Services Ltd. answered the call and was asked to give the crews at the second derailment site a hand fighting the fire. "When we received the call to come immediately, our guys all stopped what they were doing and jumped into their trucks and equipment."

Seven employees from Melron Services Ltd. began hauling numerous loads of dirt to the location just east of Guernsey to assist with getting the fire out. Teaming up with the other crews and emergency members, the group from Melron spent substantial time bringing in dirt to keep the blaze under control.

"They were all willing to go and do whatever they needed to help out," said Ron. "We are so proud of them all."

With large equipment busy digging and the fire still burning, crews started separating the railcars. With 34 cars derailing Dec. 9, this time crews dealt with 32 derailed cars. Once CP crews were given approval, they were able to pull the pin on the cars and locomotives still on the tracks so they could be moved away from the area.

With the heat turned up and the fire still burning, the Lanigan and Humboldt fire departments needed some extra resources with their water pumping efforts. "We had our tanker, they had their tanker and then there was another tanker that came from Saskatoon and we used the Nutrien Lanigan mine's water supply. We kept the working equipment cool by spraying it down and that allowed the crews to keep working close to the derailment. Last time we pumped water for 37 hours straight and we were probably pretty close to that again. That whole time we had to haul water, driving back and forth to the mine but Nutrien

had it set up for us."

As each heap of railcars were separated, the glow from the fire began subsiding. However the smoke continued to plume during the late hours Thursday and into the early morning hours Friday. At that point the fire department grew concerned. Unlike the first derailment where the department let the fire burn itself out, this time they made the call to extinguish it.

"We didn't do as much fire fighting in the first one because they let most of it burn and we mostly protected the equipment they used. This time, because of the wind direction pushing the smoke over Guernsey, after a certain length of time we did extinguish it."

Nearly 32 hours after the derailment, the fire was deemed out. "We had the fire out by around 2 p.m. Friday and the first train went through a few hours later. Between the two derailments, we have probably used 10 years worth of pumping on our new fire truck. In total, with both derailments we probably spent around 80 hours out there and 75 hours of straight pumping."

While Hwy. 16 was reopened less than 48 hours after the first derailment, because of the proximity of the second derailment from the curve along the highway, a detour remained in place until late Wednesday afternoon before the highway was reopened.

"We didn't have the room like the first one," said Hooper. "The biggest thing is there was not much room between the highway and the track so that is why the highway was still closed long after the fire."

With the highway blocked off for part of last week, RM Administrator Anna Rintoul said the RM's public works staff had been busy working with CP and the crews while maintaining the detour. "As of Wednesday morning there was still lots of equipment at the site and RCMP presence by the barricades."

A short distance from the barricades in nearby Guernsey, last week Rintoul said things began returning to normal. "There are small bits of ash around town but CP was recently in Guernsey to see how everything looked."

Allowed back to his home twice during the evacuation, Bowman was able to tend to his pets and make sure everything at his residence was okay. When word was given he could head home for good, he and other evacuees at the hall in Lanigan began clapping. "CP representatives had brought us all pizza so we had some and headed home. I haven't talked to anyone else but at my place I found absolutely no damage from the smoke that went over Guernsey. No smell either."

However, not having any damage may not be the case for everyone in the hamlet. Rintoul said evacuees had received instructions and forms for claims and reimbursements for eligible expenses because of the derailment.

"They are able to fill out claims and sub-

mit individually if need be. The RM will be submitting a bill for the roadwork and any damages to the roads as a result of the detour. CP has been really good about this, as we had to do this last time as well."

With things starting to return to normal and as the evacuation order ended Feb. 7, Thompson said the Town of Lanigan was pleased to have been able to accommodate and assist Guernsey residents while they were relocated.

"We would like to thank the RM of Usborne, Lanigan and District Fire Department, Lanigan and District Ambulance Association, the RCMP, mutual aid organizations and Canadian Pacific Railway in ensuring the safety of our region during the initial hours of the train derailment. Thank you also to the volunteers and offers of support from surrounding communities and businesses. When an emergent situation occurs, we are all one community and it is greatly appreciated!"

From Bowman's perspective, he was very appreciative of the way CP and the many volunteers and organizations took care of the whole situation. "Everyone was great. The Reeve, RM office staff, councillors, Lanigan volunteers, the Town of Lanigan, the RCMP, fire fighters and the representative CP sent to the Evacuation Centre to be with us. The CP reps were all amazing. Everyone had helping us as their number one goal. I'm still overwhelmed by their caring kindness. I had someone tell me, "What did you expect? This is Saskatchewan." And I really believe that."

Like so many others from the community and the area, Bowman did not think a second derailment would occur so close to Guernsey. "No I sure didn't expect it but if I were to sum up what I took away from this event it would be finding out that there is a plan in place for emergencies such as this. That is comforting to know. That and how many good people there are ready to help."

Like Bowman, CP was appreciative

of the work done by local fire officials, Saskatchewan emergency response representatives, local government officials, local police and others for their support in responding to the incident. In a statement, CP said, "We also thank those impacted by the evacuation for their patience and understanding and apologize for the inconvenience this incident has caused. CP will continue to work with the affected residents who have now returned to their homes. Crews continue to work on-site to ensure all equipment is removed and the area fully restored."

Overseeing the emergency operations, and environmental assessment and remediation efforts which are already underway, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment said Canadian Pacific Railway is responsible for all costs associated with the derailment, including the emergency response, environmental assessment and all required remediation. "The Ministry of Environment will provide ongoing regulatory oversight for contaminant remediation activities to ensure they are conducted in a timely and responsible manner and in accordance with all applicable legislated requirements as the operation proceeds. It is not known exactly how long the cleanup will take to complete but can be expected to take up to several months. Fortunately, in both cases, the spill was fully contained to the railway and highway ditches, and impacted a relatively small area. Frozen ground likely helped reduce the risk of contaminants penetrating too deeply in both the December and February incidents."

A few days removed from fighting fires at the derailment site, looking back, Hooper said, "I just couldn't believe it when that call came in a second time. Now there are two derailments to deal with. Two weeks ago we were in Saskatoon and had a debriefing on the first derailment and I guess we will be doing it again."



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