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## The show continues for Jubilee Drive-In as it marks 65 years

■ Daniel Bushman

From the first movie hitting the big screen in 1955 to the delicious popcorn and refreshments served over the years, the Jubilee Drive-In at Manitou Beach has not only created lasting memories for movie-goers but the rare treasure on the prairies is marking a milestone.

First opening during the province's diamond jubilee anniversary and despite a powerful wind storm that knocked over its screen 21 years later, the Jubilee Drive-In has withstood the test of time. Now celebrating 65 years in 2020, it remains one of only a few left in Saskatchewan.

Operating the Roxy Theatre in Watrous, it was Morley Crawford who decided he would create the iconic drive-in at Manitou Beach. Morley's son Burt who later took over the business with his now late wife Bev said when his dad found out someone was planning to build a drive-in in Watrous, he quickly went looking for a location of his own.

"My dad was aware of drive-ins being built all over the place. He was not crazy about them but when he found out someone was going to build one in Watrous, he sought out some land at the beach. Where the old gravel pit was, that one block of land had been un-divided. Block 'D' was 10.85 acres and so he told the village that he would like to build a drive-in but it would be really expensive to level all that land. The beach said he could have it for \$1 but after all the levelling,



bulldozing and fixing up, dad said it was the most expensive land he ever bought for \$1."

Starting construction at Manitou Beach in 1954, Burt was brought on by his dad for his expertise. Taking engineering and surveying in university Burt said, "I remember getting those ramps all built up where cars park to see the screen and we did a lot of work to have it all ready to go for 1955."

Officially opening in time for June, Jubilee Drive-In began welcoming patrons. An ad appearing in the June 2, 1955 edition of The Watrous Manitou showed Timber Jack was playing Thursday, Friday and Saturday (June 2, 3 and 4). Last Time I Saw Paris followed June 6, 7, and 8 and as part of a double feature, Overland Pacific and White

Mane (a horse story) played June 9, 10, and 11.

With admission 60 cents for adults and 40 cents for students, children 12 and under were able to get in for free. People could also purchase a hamburger for 30 cents, a hot dog for 20 cents, french fries for 20 cents, and a slice of dill pickle for five cents. Coffee, milk or hot chocolate were 10 cents a piece.

With a show playing at the Roxy Theatre in Watrous one night and then hitting the screen at the drive-in during another, Crawford said the popularity at each grew. "We put out theatre calendars to 26 different towns in our area. You wouldn't think there would be that many towns around here but we sure sent out a lot of calendars. We would get calls from Saskatoon, Regina,



Swift Current, and then as far away as Edmonton and Calgary from people asking what was showing at the drive-in. It was something else. People would come to watch a movie, go golfing, camping, take a swim at the

pool and then visit the flea market we ran at the drive-in on Sundays. It was a real tourist attraction back then."

Those attending the drive-in for a show would arrive and pay at some-

thing similar to a toll booth called the box office. Over the years, Bev Crawford or Rose Schafer would be

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► It was all systems go July 13 as work began on Main Street as part of a major water main replacement project. Utilizing funding through the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP), the Town of Watrous gave the green light for the work to commence on the aging water mains located at the 100, 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street. As part of that, portions of the road have been blocked off while crews work on each section. Water has been turned off and a pre-

cautionary drinking water advisory has also been implemented on the block where the work is occurring. If all goes according to plan, it is expected the work on all three blocks will be wrapped up by the end of July with sand sealing on the road surface taking place in August. Public Works Superintendent Dion Tarasoff said the town has appreciated everyone's patience and understanding during the construction.

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Lessons		8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	
Lane		6-8am		6-8am		6-8am	
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Lessons		8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	8:30am-1pm	
Lane		6-8am		6-8am		6-8am	
Aquasize		6:30-7:30am		6:30-7:30am			
Adult Swimming Lessons				8:30-9pm			

# Visitor restrictions implemented to contain COVID-19 spread

## ■ media release

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is asking the public for their support and co-operation in order to contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus. As a result of an increased risk for COVID-19 in the southwest and west central areas of Saskatchewan, as of July 16 visitation at Cypress Regional Hospital, as well as long-term care homes and personal care homes within close proximity to areas with an increased transmission of COVID-19, will be temporarily restricted.

At Cypress Regional Hospital, family members or support people will only be permitted for compassionate reasons. No other visitors are allowed into the facilities at this time and these enhanced restrictions will remain in place at Cypress Regional Hospital until further notice. Compassionate care reasons may include, but are not limited to, family or support persons during end-of-life care, major surgery, intensive care/

critical care or a care partner aiding in clinical care (at the discretion of the patient's care provider). Detailed information about compassionate care can be found at [saskatchewan.ca/covid19](http://saskatchewan.ca/covid19).

In the following long-term care homes, visitation will be restricted to outdoor visits and end of life care: Biggar, Cabri, Eastend, Elrose, Eston, Foam Lake, Gravelbourg, Gull Lake, Kerrobert, Kindersley, Lafleche, Lestock, Mankota, Maple Creek, Meadows in Swift Current, Ponteix, Raymore, Rose town, Shaunavon, Theodore, and Wynyard.

Outdoor visitation will remain in place until further notice. End of life care includes palliative care, hospice care or those who are at high risk for loss of life as determined with the patient, family and care team. Detailed information about visitation can be found at [saskatchewan.ca/covid19](http://saskatchewan.ca/covid19).

Family members and support people who are permitted must be verified and undergo a health screening

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**Be advised that** on March 17, 2020, the members of Long Lake Breeder Co-operative passed a special resolution authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the co-operative under the provisions of *The Co-operatives Act, 1996*. The resolution was approved by the Registrar of Co-operatives on July 2, 2020.

**Be further advised that** Jenny Glessman of 410 Dufort St., Box 29, Bruno, Sask, S0K 0S0 was appointed liquidator.

**Be further advised that** any person who is indebted to the co-operative is to render an account and pay to the liquidator any amount owing at 410 Dufort St., Bruno, SK on July 28 at 5:00 p.m. Any person who possesses property of the co-operative is to deliver it to the liquidator at 410 Dufort St., Bruno, SK on July 28 at 5:00 p.m.

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prior to entering the facility or home. This includes a temperature check and questionnaire. The visitor will be required to perform hand hygiene (hand washing and/or use of hand sanitizer) when entering and leaving the facility or home and when entering and leaving the patient's or resident's room. Visitors will be required to wear a medical grade mask while inside the facility or home and potentially additional personal protective equipment if required. Visitors are not permitted to wait in waiting rooms or other common areas.

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SHA encourages families to consider other ways to stay connected with your family members or friends in long-term care homes, such as phone calls or online means of communication. SHA encourages families to consider virtual visiting through electronic applications such as FaceTime, Skype and WhatsApp. SHA is asking families and visitors for their co-operation in following these restrictions.

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# Fun Run getting ready to roll for 29th year

■ Daniel Bushman

Despite a few hurdles related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 29th annual Watrous and Manitou Beach Show 'n' Shine Fun Run is going ahead this year but with a bit of a twist.

Normally over 200 vehicles line Main Street in Watrous during a Saturday in July along with a whole host of activities but because of the current guidelines put in place as part of the Re-open Saskatchewan plan, this year the vehicles will be taking the show on the road.

Fun Run administrator and spokesperson Dustin Hallborg said it has been a difficult year for everyone but the committee is very excited to be able to host the Fun Run. "We felt it was important to continue the tradition, maybe not in the usual way, but in some capacity. In order to keep the communities safe, we have foregone the usual show on Main Street. Instead, we are currently running a virtual car show on our Facebook page and then on July 25th, we will be cruising through Watrous, Manitou Beach, Lanigan, Drake and through Nokomis."

Hallborg said it was a tough decision to change the show's regular format but due to a large amount of people who gather on Main Street and with the desire to keep the show running in a safe manner, the committee felt this would be the best approach. "It has been a difficult year for a lot of people. We hoped that following the trend of turning the traditional car show into a cruise through our local communities would help boost spirits while keeping people safe."

That means places like Lanigan, Drake and Nokomis who normally would not have Fun Run participants cruise through their towns will get an opportunity to view some unique and special vehicles. "We plan to leave Watrous by 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 25th. That should put us at Manitou Beach around 11:15 a.m., Lanigan around 12:15 p.m., passing by Drake around 12:45 p.m., then arriving in Nokomis around 1 p.m. These times are only estimates, and are subject to change depending on how many cruise attendees we have."

Hallborg encourages local residents from each community to properly distance and line the streets to view the vehicles. "We are still finalizing our route, but we will be posting our final route on our Facebook page shortly. If people have any questions regarding our annual event they can call myself at 306-917-7270."

As for the virtual show, people are encouraged to vote on the vehicles they like the best. "People can check out our Facebook page for all the cars in our virtual show. Voting can be done on our Watrous Fun Run Car Show Facebook page, or emailed to us," noted Hallborg who added, "We may not be hosting as many activities, but we are excited to be offering vouchers to cruise attendees for use in the local community. These vouchers are redeemable at participating businesses, and we will be reimbursing local businesses for the vouchers they collect. We thought it was a great way to spur some spending in the local community."

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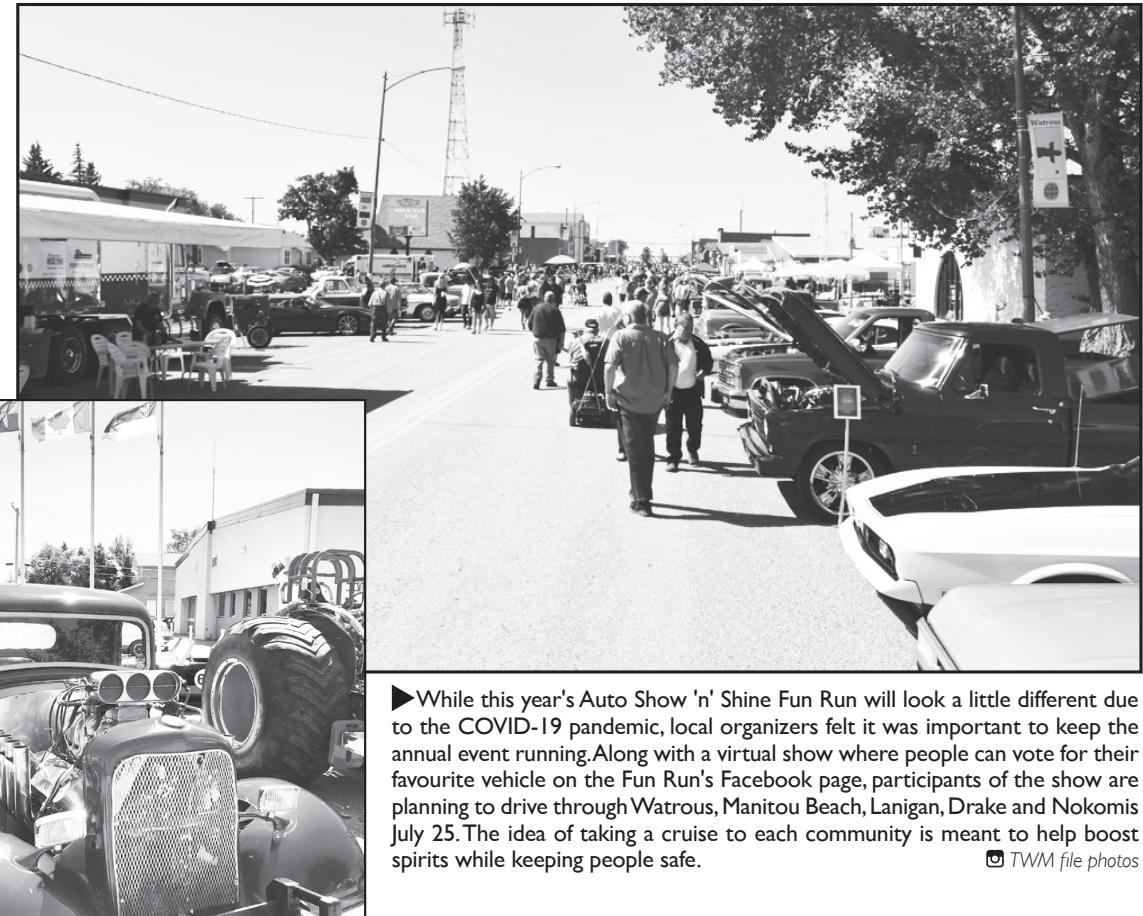
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►While this year's Auto Show 'n' Shine Fun Run will look a little different due to the COVID-19 pandemic, local organizers felt it was important to keep the annual event running. Along with a virtual show where people can vote for their favourite vehicle on the Fun Run's Facebook page, participants of the show are planning to drive through Watrous, Manitou Beach, Lanigan, Drake and Nokomis July 25. The idea of taking a cruise to each community is meant to help boost spirits while keeping people safe.

TWM file photos

With this year's committee consisting of Al Madland, Dustin Hallborg, Gerald Worobec, Tammy, Stuart, Sydney Hallborg, Roger Davidson, Pat McDade, Ian Richardson, numerous other volunteers and previous chairperson and longtime organizer Jason Lindgren helping with the transition, Hallborg said the crew is looking forward to having the 29th annual event.

"We are hoping this will be a fun day for everyone and one that people will remember for years to come.

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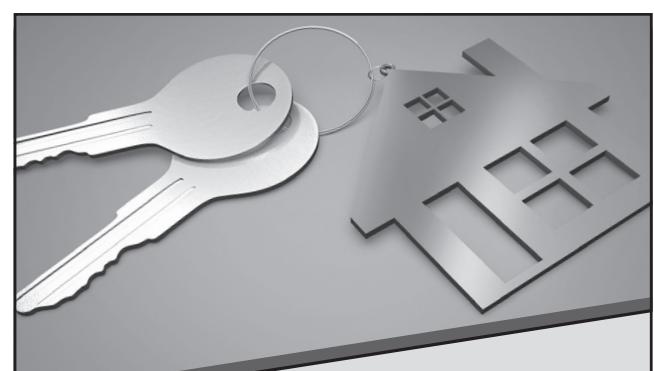
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# “RCMP Report”

## Ninth person charged in relation to Laverdiere homicide investigation

The Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crime Unit (MCU)-North has been investigating the homicide of Tiki Laverdiere for over a year. To date,

eight people have been charged and are before the courts or have been sentenced for their roles in her death.

Over the course of the year, MCU-North Investigators have continued to follow up on all information and tips received

from the public regarding the case. Newly received information brought investigators to Edmonton, Alta., and North Battleford, Sask., where they have been working for the past two weeks.

As a result of this work, police have arrested and charged 33-year-old Charles St. Savard of Edmonton with First Degree Murder, contrary to Section 235(1) of the Canadian Criminal Code and Kidnapping, contrary to Section 279(1.1)(b) of the Canadian Criminal Code for his role in Tiki Laverdiere's murder. Charles St. Savard was

arrested in Edmonton on July 10 by the Edmonton Police Service and he has been returned to North Battleford where he remains in police custody.

St. Savard is the ninth person charged in relation to the murder of Tiki Laverdiere.

### Fatal vehicle rollover on Lumsden Beach access road

On Sunday, July 12 at approximately 2:30 a.m., Lumsden RCMP, local EMS, and Regina Beach Fire and Rescue all responded to reports of a single vehicle rollover that occurred on Township Road 211, also known

as the Lumsden Beach access road.

When first responders arrived on scene, they located one of the two occupants, a 54-year-old woman outside the vehicle, who had passed away. The other occupant, a 54-year-old male was located inside the vehicle and was taken to hospital in Regina for medical treatment.

A RCMP Traffic Analyst attended to examine the scene; their investigation will take several months to complete. Initial investigation indicates that the lone SUV heading westbound rolled into a ditch.

Alcohol is being investigated as a factor in this collision.

The investigation is ongoing.

### Bear enters residence in Stanley Mission

On July 12 at approximately 9:30 p.m. Stanley Mission RCMP received a call that a black bear had entered a residence on the 1700 block of Settee Street in Stanley Mission. The bear gained access to the home after pushing out a portable air conditioning machine. Members attended and were advised by the local security members that the bear had exited the house and ran into the woods.

One of the residents of the home was transported to the medical clinic after sustaining injuries while exiting the home after the bear entered.

RCMP offers attended and located what they believed to be the bear a few hundred metres in the bush behind the residence. The animal ran further from town as members cautiously approached.

Ministry of Environment Conservation Officers attended and have set up a bear trap near where the bear was last seen.

Stanley Mission RCMP and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment are asking residents in the area to be careful, and to contact a conservation officer or the police if they see any bear activity in or close to town. They would also like to remind residents to be aware of items in the garbage or around their properties that may attract bears. It is unknown at this time what led the bear to this specific residence.

**Arrest made after male barricaded in home**

On July 10 Wakaw RCMP received information of the location of 26-year-old Julius Sutherland who had several warrants for his arrest on serious charges.

Officers attended to a residence located on the One Arrow First Nation and made contact with Sutherland. Officers secured the area with the assistance of Rosthern RCMP officers and Saskatoon Police Service (SPS) Dog Services. Four other adults and four children were also inside the house. Two of the adults and all of the children left the residence following direction from police, leaving an adult male and female still in the house, refusing to exit.

After several hours of communication, the male was attempting to leave the residence and bring the female outside to safety. Both the male and female were outside the residence, when Sutherland exited and was physically trying to bring the female back into the residence. Officers were able to get between the three individuals and the house. After a brief physical struggle and with the presence of the (SPS) police dog, Sutherland was taken into custody. The SPS police dog was not physically involved in the arrest.

Sutherland is facing several charges, some of which include, discharging a firearm with intent, pointing a firearm, forcible confinement and uttering threats.



► The Watrous Manitou Beach Heritage Centre received a grant from the Farm Credit Canada Agrispirit Fund. This fund supports rural communities by investing in capital upgrade projects as well as sustainability projects. The Centre greatly appreciated the \$15,000 amount received from this fund to upgrade the windows in the Heritage Centre on Main Street. The windows have improved the appearance of the building and contributed to its sustainability. The work was done by Quality Plus Construction.   
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The chemical used in these treatments is called Magnacide "H". It is a registered aquatic herbicide that has been approved by the Water Security Agency for use in the SSEWS canal system.

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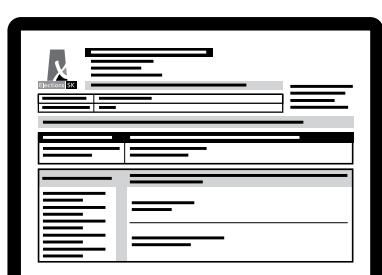
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# “Sports”

## Watrous Minor Ball season begins

■ submitted by Alana Armstrong  
Watrous Minor Ball

After a long wait to get word from the government and ball organizations on start date and protocols, Watrous Minor Ball practices began June 22 and games started July 6.

We have 119 players who have registered and are playing (71 previously registered players dropped out due to the timing of the season).

This year's coach volunteers are: Co-Ed LTP/Blast Ball - Lindsay Crittenden; softball: U10 - Darren Holland and Emily Thomas, U12 - Curtis Chester and Roxanne Ediger, U14 - Wendi Collins and Lisa Oakes, U16 - Alana Armstrong, Greg Mensch, Rhonda Kelly and Andrea Richardson, and U19 - Doug Thomas and Wade Hyra; baseball: U7 - Andrea Richardson, U9 - Lori Bartko, U11 - Chris Solar and Barry Johnston, and U13 - Steve Arm-

strong, Ryan Rheaume, Derek Morelli, and Royce Dyck.

Prior to the start of the season, Baseball Sask announced the cancellation of all national and provincial championships. The local baseball teams are focusing on skill development and playing some exhibition games.

Softball cancelled all Western and Canadian championships but are hoping to host a modified provincial championship.

Only the U14 and U16 softball teams from Watrous are participating in provincials this year. All U10 and older softball teams are playing in the North Central League with games once weekly until mid-August. The U16 girls are also playing in the A league in Saskatoon once a week and will be playing in a league fun tournament July 24 to 26 in Saskatoon and A provincials Aug. 7 to 9 in Regina. U14 girls are attending B provincials Aug. 14 to 16 in Regina.



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With the uncertain times and a lot of new regulations due to COVID-19 we are grateful players that want to play are being provided a season of some sort. We sincerely appreciate all of the volunteers

for making this crazy season possible: coaches, umpires, health and safety officers and sanitation champions.

The home schedule for all teams can be found on the Watrous Minor Ball website.



► After getting the green light to reopen and following guidelines as part of the provincial government's Re-open Saskatchewan plan, the Watrous Swimming Pool opened for the season July 13. Completing some renovations and maintenance in June and the early portion of July in anticipation of reopening, swimming pool registration was also held online July 9. The first set of lessons get underway July 20 to 31 with the last set taking place Aug. 24 to 28. As part of the pool reopening under Phase 4, a number of guidelines have been implemented by staff and lifeguards in an effort

to prevent the spread of COVID-19. As for other recreational activities and town facilities within Watrous, recreation director Stesha Beischer said parks are open but they are to be used at your own risk. The ball diamonds are in full swing but only those who are participating in ball are asked to attend. The Watrous Fitness Centre remains closed until more of the Re-open Saskatchewan guidelines are lifted while the Watrous Civic Centre and Heritage Room are available for rent but all guidelines must be followed.

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## Gearing up for the NHL playoffs

■ Daniel Bushman

As 24 NHL teams hit the ice July 13 as part of Phase 3 of the NHL's Return to Play Plan, a pair with local ties are hoping they will find themselves competing for the Stanley Cup once the playoffs resume.

With the 24 clubs heading to Toronto and Edmonton July 26 and with games starting Aug. 1, Imperial's Connor Ingram was named as part of the Nashville Predator's training camp roster while Lanigan's Sheldon Brookbank will be behind the bench as an assistant coach with the Chicago Blackhawks.

While Brookbank won a Stanley Cup as a member of the Blackhawks during his playing days, the now assistant coach is hoping to capture the trophy once again, this time behind the bench.

Ingram meanwhile spent his season with the American Hockey League's Milwaukee Admirals where he was named a Second Team AHL All-Star. As part of Phase 3 of the NHL's Return to Play Plan, 35 players were eligible to be named to the Predator's training camp roster and Ingram was one of those chosen. With a re-

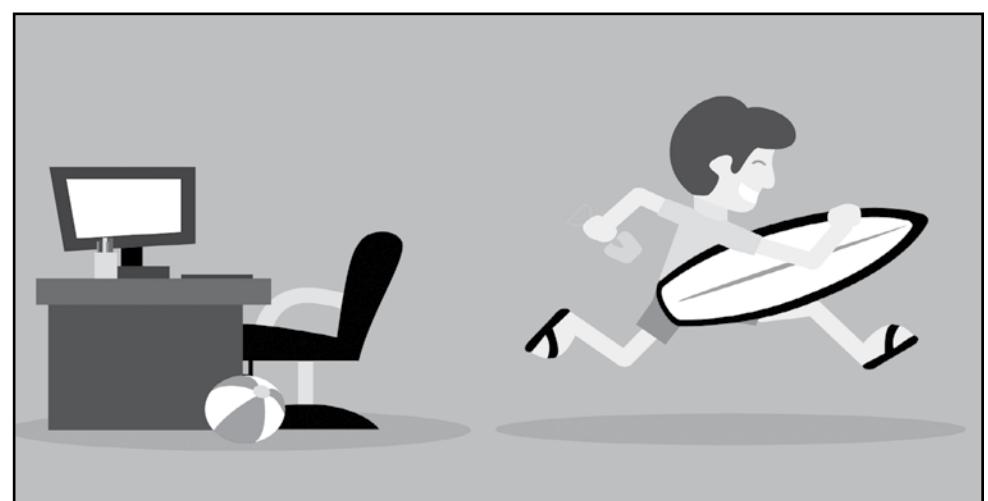
cord of 21-5-5-2 for the Admirals, Ingram joined teammate Troy Grosenick in Nashville where the pair were included on the goaltenders' list with Pekka Rinne and Juuse Saros.

Chicago and Nashville are part of the play-in round which is a best-of-five series under the NHL Return to Play Plan. The winners of the play-in round will then advance to the first round of the Stanley Cup playoffs where they will meet the top four teams in their conference.

Nashville faces Arizona in its best-of-five series while Chicago meets Edmonton. The Predators (35-26-8) finished the abbreviated season sixth in the Western Conference while Chicago was 12th overall (32-30-8).

Western Conference eligible teams like Chicago and Nashville will be headed to Edmonton while the eligible Eastern Conference teams will be in Toronto after both locations were named hub cities.

Chicago's first scheduled game will be Aug. 1 while Nashville hits the ice Aug. 2. Should any series go the maximum distance, the last games of the play-in round will take place Aug. 9 before the first round of the Stanley Cup playoffs begin.



The  
**Watrous Manitou**  
*is on holidays!*

We will be out of the office July 20 to August 3 and will be back on August 4.

The next paper will be published August 10.



# “Opinion”

## Letter to Editor

Dear Editor,

As of May 21, 2020 there are 86 boil water advisories in Saskatchewan (retrieved from <http://www.sask20.ca/reports/GOC/EnvActive.pdf>). In our community, safe drinking water, a basic human right, is something we take for granted. We drink from the tap, water fountains at school, wash our babies' bottles, brush our teeth, make our tea and coffee, fill our pots to make noodles, rice or soup, water our gardens and fill our tubs to the brim without thinking of the list of horrible, cancer causing substances that we might be ingesting. So, thank you so much to the communities of Watrous and Manitou Beach for investing in RO (Reverse Osmosis) systems.

We have been told that the vulnerable sector of society is more susceptible to COVID-19 and those communities with unsafe drinking water, especially most reserves, fall into that category. If a reserve is lucky enough to have a RO system in place, the filters plug very quickly due to the poor quality of ground source water. Improvements to RO systems, such as the IBROM system, are not installed on reserves due to the higher cost. For some reserves, flooding is a major problem every spring. Therefore, most of the infrastructure funds need to go towards repairing the roadways for emergency vehicles and essential services. Like our community, the treatment plant is often a long way from the well on reserves and passable roads are a necessity; especially for those reserves whose plants are not enclosed but open to the elements and therefore need to be cleaned and sanitized each and every day.

The implications of not having safe drinking water leads people to drink other unhealthy liquids such as soda pop. Think of the water fountains at school and if your child couldn't drink from them. Given the choice, what would your child choose if given money for a drink: water or pop? Soda pop consumption in excess can be the cause of many debilitating health factors such as obesity, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, increased belly fat, cancer, gout, dementia, poor dental health, diabetes and heart disease. Unsafe drinking water leads to greater pollution of our Earth with the increase of plastic and glass containers.

There is no greater medicine than water. Water connects all living things; a symbol of both strength and softness; power and purity. Water is life. We need to raise awareness of this injustice to a fundamental human right. We need to have a shared vulnerability with our current water crisis.

In the words of Maya Angelou, "Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." Sometimes our negative and learned perceptions can cloud our ability to focus on the crisis mentioned above: unsafe drinking water. Awareness is key; the more awareness there is, the more public pressure there can be. The more public pressure there is, the more likely it will be that problems get resolved.

I encourage you to write a letter to our Saskatchewan government officials and/or call them, addressing the unsafe drinking water in our Saskatchewan communities, most especially our reserves.

\*Minister of Highways and Infrastructure, Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency, Honourable Greg Ottenbreit at 306-787-6447.

\*Minister of Government Relations, Minister Responsible for First Nations, Metis and Northern Affairs, and Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission, Honourable Lori Carr at 306-787-6100.

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**Tips from  
Reena Nerbas**

so outstanding. Thank you, Mariya

**Dear Mariya,**

Your best bet is to use an acid-based deck restoration product which can be purchased at your local hardware store. Speak with store specialists and if possible bring deck samples with you to determine the best solution for your stain colour and material type. Also, contact the manufacturer of the deck product you used for additional advice.

**Hi Reena,**

I am hoping you can help with a problem with getting the smell of vomit out of couch/chesterfield cushions. Relatives are away in Germany and their child has been sick on the cushions. Do you know a way to get that odour out? They have tried many things but nothing is working. Any help you can offer would be appreciated. There are also other families in the same area and one other couple with children are having the same problem. I read your column regularly and enjoy it very much. Pat

**Hi Pat,**

I hope everyone in your household is feeling better. If you can get a hold of a steam cleaner you will be in good shape for getting rid of the smell. Some people use pet stain removers for this challenge, others use OxiClean Spray or Nature's Miracle (enzyme cleaner). However, what I would do is sprinkle every affected area with a liberal amount of baking soda. Leave overnight. In the morning pour white vinegar over baking soda. Blot and wipe until gone. To finish, clean with one last solution of one-quarter teaspoon of clear dish soap and one cup of water. Rinse and blot. P.S. I am assuming that you are



**Neighbourly advice  
according to Ed**

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

I told Ed yesterday, "We now have the green light to travel within our province of British Columbia if we practice social distancing as we roam about." It is good news as many want to get away from being stuck in their own home and community.

Ed suggested folks would like to get away from the pandemic altogether, but that will not come soon enough for anyone. He believes staying home is still a good idea as trav-

## Solutions and Substitutions

referring to fabric other than leather or suede.

**Wonderful feedback from readers**

Re: Organization

**Hello Reena,**

Thanks for your excellent household hints! My best household helpers are plastic bins! I use them as drawers in my lower cupboards, they hold fridge containers, cereals, drink mixes, crackers and cleaning supplies. In closets, they hold videos, mitts, gift wrap, etc. In my sewing room they hold notions, patterns and fabrics. I even put them in the freezer to hold small packages. Keep up the good work! Joyce

Re: Body Odour

**Dear Reena,**

To the woman who said her teenager is struggling with body odour even though she showers and uses deodorant, I have a solution. When my daughter was a teenager, we had the same issue. The solution was to rub baking soda under her arms; the odour was no longer an issue. Anonymous

### Household hints

• Get rid of odours on your chopping board by rubbing in mustard powder; add a bit of water to make a paste. Wait a couple of hours and rinse.

• Place a button at the end of a sticky tape roll so the end will always be easy to find.

• Keep your rolling pin wrapped in waxed paper and in the fridge. It will be chilled and ready to roll out pastry.

• To brighten white sheets, hang them overnight on a clothesline in the winter.

• To take the crease out of dresses, skirts and pants after letting down the hem, spray the fabric with vinegar before ironing.

*Note: Every user assumes all risks of injury or damage resulting from the implementation of any suggestions in this column. Test all products on an inconspicuous area first.*

*Reena Nerbas is a popular motivational presenter for large and small groups; check out her website: [reena.ca](http://reena.ca). Ask a question or share a tip at [reena.ca](http://reena.ca)*

## Getting away still means meeting the threat of COVID-19

elling may put a person at risk. Ed says the virus is sneaky and lays low only to surge up to claim more lives. As soon as we relax, the virus comes back to threaten and attack as many as possible. He feels golfing as it is outdoors and players can social distance easily is a safe exception to staying home. Ed told me that if he were my age he would stay home since I already have one foot in the grave. I told Ed everybody lives in the shadow of death regardless of their age.

I admit that I am tired and burdened with the total uncertainty that the virus has caused. No matter where you travel, even around the world, you cannot get away from yourself. Likewise, there is nowhere you can go in the world to escape the COVID pandemic. Many of us are tired of restrictions. We are humbled by the virus and

forced to admit COVID-19 has the upper hand over us for now.

It is hard to ignore the stronghold of COVID-19. Children are often good at disregarding things that restrict them. They can accept circumstances much more readily than adults. They often experience situations at school or at home that they must take and still get on with their lives. Even when they do not like parental rules, they trust that their parents know better than themselves. Children tend not to worry about situations.

As adults, we feel we need to control, change, manage or leave situations. We do not humbly think that circumstances can turn out okay when they are beyond our control or threaten us. If we cannot fix a situation, we want someone else to be able to change it. We often worry about our lives, es-

pecially about what could happen to us like dying of COVID-19 or cancer. There is no limit to what we worry about, like jobs, income, bills, health, house, insurance, and more.

For sure, the pandemic has attacked our sense of security. We treasure the feeling that we are safe, our future secure and that our death is out of sight and mind. Jesus told his disciples, "Do not worry about your life."

We know that worry is a dead-end activity, but we do not want to leave our life to the care and direction of our God. Who of us can add a single hour to his or her life by worrying? Our Father knows what we need. It is God's good pleasure to give us what we need. God is ready to take good care of us. Jesus invites, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest . . . rest for your souls."

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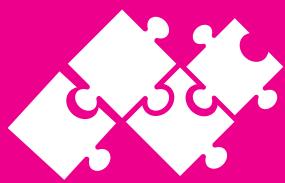
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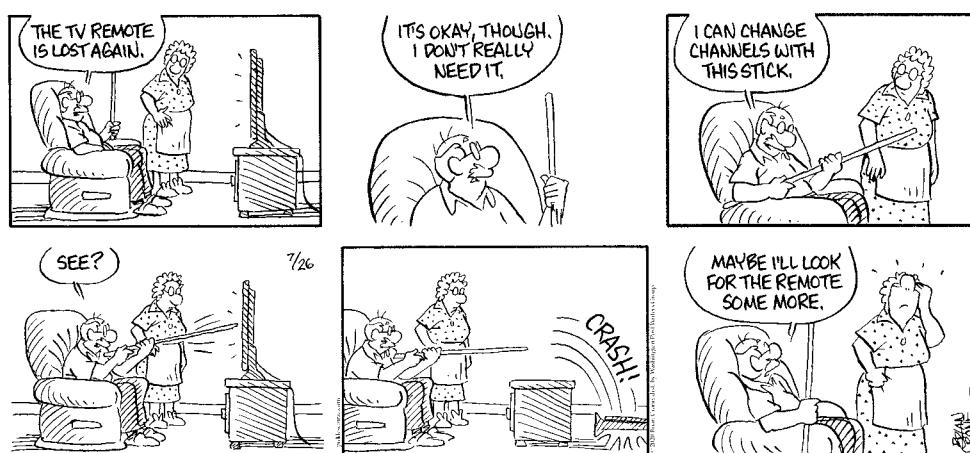
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# “Comics AND Puzzles”



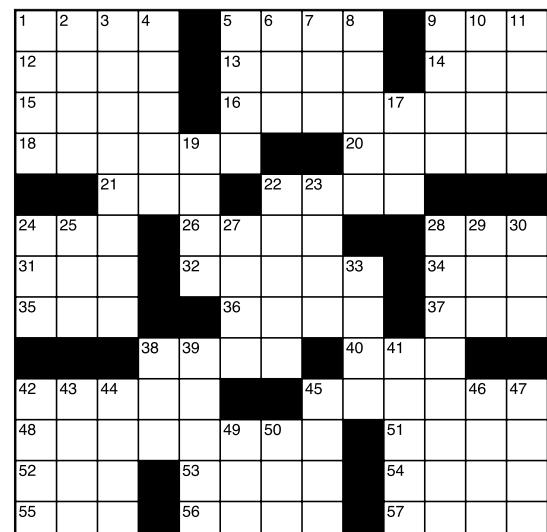
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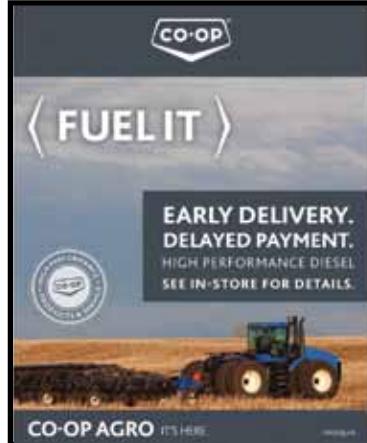


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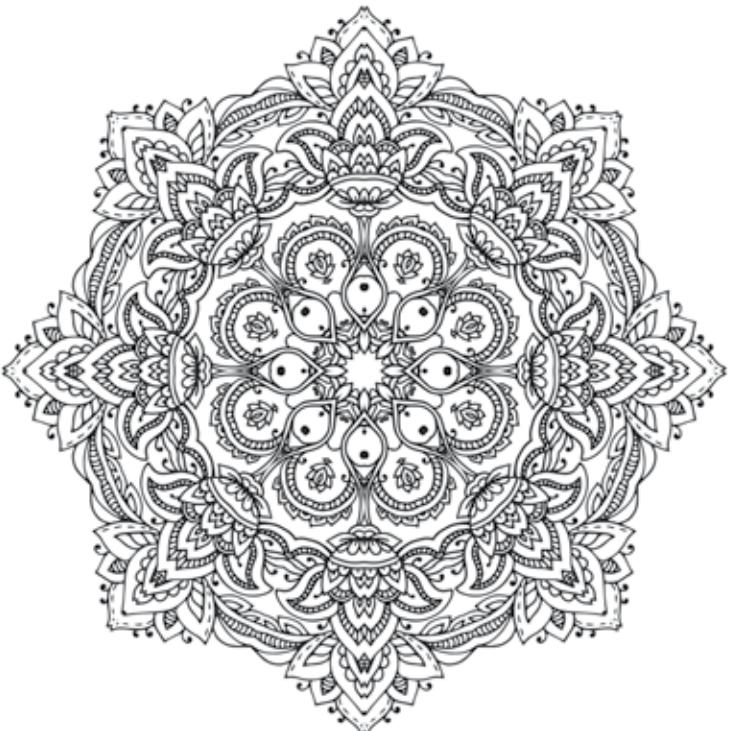


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## Make a mandala



“Look What's Cooking by  
**Laura Novecosky**”

## Freezer Carrots

**Ingredients:**

- 20 cups sliced carrots
- 3 cups water
- 1/4 cup butter

**Directions:**

Slice carrots (peel if they need it, I use fresh garden carrots and just scrub them well). Place all ingredients into a roasting pan with a lid, cover and bake at 350°F for one hour. Remove from oven, let cool-stirring every 20 minutes or so. Once they are cool, package the carrots with a little of the liquid into freezer containers, and freeze for winter use. These taste like fresh carrots. Thaw them, heat and serve.





## Photos of the Week



With nearly 180 years between the two of them, Ervin Gross who turned 80 years old Mar. 28 cut Lyle Shantz's hair this past week in anticipation of Lyle's 100th birthday celebration July 19.

- photo by Daniel Bushman



Bryan Mierau captured this photo of a storm rolling over Watrous (left), making the elevator appear small compared to the clouds overhead.

Meanwhile Ross Murray sent in the below photos of Comet NEOWISE and of Jupiter and Saturn over Watrous. Observed after sunset in the northern hemisphere, according to NASA the comet will not return for another 6,800 years.



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## (from front page: DRIVE-IN)

stationed in the booth as a line of cars would turn off the main road entering the beach from Watrous and head toward the gate. There were also many other local faces who would occupy the box office after Bev and Rose.

Once inside the area, which was encompassed by steel fencing, people parked next to a post with speakers. "There were two speakers attached with a wire on each post so cars parked on either side of the post. People would roll down their window and hang the clunky speaker on the inside of the window. Occasionally people would forget the speakers were attached to their car and then after the movie they would drive off. One time my dad even drove off with a speaker attached to his car. He said, 'Don't you let anyone know about that,'" Burt said laughing.

For those who preferred to be indoors instead of their vehicle, a seating area for about 24 people was created. Next to the room where the films were playing and behind where the comfy seats were situated, the concession would be hopping with popcorn, other food and drinks. Washrooms were also nearby for people to use and at intermission, Burt's voice would come over the speaker: "There will be a short intermission before we continue with the main feature. The concession stand is open with a full line of refreshments!"

As the movie playing that night would come to a conclusion, patrons headed for the exits as Crawford would once again take to the speaker. "Please replace speakers on posts before leaving. The exit is forward and to the right. Please drive carefully and come back soon!"

As the Roxy Theatre in Watrous and the Jubilee Drive-In at Manitou Beach continued to play shows under the ownership of Morley, Burt kept a keen interest while working for an oil company interpreting seismic work records. But it was not long after the 1950s came to an end that Burt would return to his roots with his wife Bev.

"It was a good paying job but I wasn't happy with it. My dad was turning 70 and television was just coming in so he was going to quit the theatre business and shut them down. No one was interested in investing in theatres or drive-ins. I asked him if I could try it for a year and if he thought it would be profitable and he said yes. So I talked to my boss and explained the situation and asked if I could try it for a year. He said give it a try and if it didn't work out that a job would be waiting for me. Bev and I moved to Watrous in April 1961 and on the May long weekend my dad died of a heart attack on his way to the theatre. After that, Bev and I ended up staying in Watrous and raised our family."

Through Roxy Developments Burt and Bev took over the pair of movie screens and continued to operate both, hiring a number of local faces including many who worked for Burt's dad. "I have compiled a list over the years of employees we've had at both the theatre and drive-in and it is well over 100."

From 1961 to 1976 the Crawfords took on the businesses and then as spring approached in 1976 the pair entered a partnership with Burt's school buddy, Dave Schafer and his wife Rose. Also constructing a car wash along Hwy. 2 in Watrous, known then as Car Wash '67, the group was looking forward to the future. However, shortly after the Schafers joined the Crawfords, the infamous storm of '76 hit.

In the June 10, 1976 edition of The Watrous Manitou, the area suffered heavy damage with winds estimated at over 100 m.p.h. at times. Dubbed the worst wind storm ever experienced in central Saskatchewan at that time, it hit the local area around midnight Thursday and lasted for over an hour. The CBK tower which stood 465 feet high crashed to the ground and "practically every structure in town suffered damage." That included Manitou Beach where the Jubilee Drive-In screen was destroyed. While the projection booth and concession area remained intact the gigantic wooden screen toppled over.

"I remember we had a show playing that night and it was after midnight when it ended. There was a bit of the steel fence on the north side of the property flapping in the wind. A few hours later I got a call from Tom Magnuson and I asked him how serious it was. He said, 'It is really serious. The screen blew over.' I can remember one of our employees, Helen Leslie (now Alcock) had put on our big message board: *Gone With The Wind*. That was pretty funny."

Despite the destruction, shows continued playing at the Roxy Theatre in Watrous while the big screen was rebuilt at the drive-in. Crawford credits Dave and his connections as he was able to get in touch with an engineer to design a new screen in short order. "It was made of steel to withstand a lot. There is steel backing and rolled aluminum on the front. At the time we needed the rolled aluminum but it was in Winnipeg. I had a motorhome so I drove down there, picked it up and put it in our Winnebago and then Dave and I pop riveted it on the steel backing. It was incredible how we were able to get that thing back up. Thanks to Dave it took us 21 days from when the screen blew down to when we built it, got up on hoists to paint it white and play our first movie."

Once the new screen was installed and movies began



► Pictured clockwise: Burt Crawford and Dave Schafer painting the new big screen after the storm of 1976 (above); the first drive-in advertisement in The Watrous Manitou from 1955; some of the names of past employees on the wall at the drive-in; and prices of items at the drive-in from decades ago.

□ above photo courtesy Burt Crawford/others by Daniel Bushman



playing again, Burt and Dave had the chance to talk with a few people who were selling theatre equipment with bulb technology. The equipment at the Roxy Theatre and the Jubilee Drive-In at that time was comprised of two projectors using carbon arcs, similar to what welders use. Burt said, "Each projector could only run 20 minutes because the carbons were used up. We had to switch every 20 minutes so that when one ended we could start the other and people watching wouldn't notice. It required having a full-time projectionist. On one projector you had to thread up the film and then start it and when it ran out you had to quickly start the other one."

Learning about the new Zenon bulb technology, which would require only one projector, Burt and Dave drove down to Billings, Montana and hopped a plane which eventually arrived in Kansas City, Missouri. After attending a show, seeing the equipment and noticing how well it worked, they brought in the new units.

Utilizing bulbs, the system also came with big 48 inch diameter reels allowing Roxy Theatre and the Jubilee Drive-In to play full double features. "They were heavy and we would haul them on big boards from the theatre in Watrous to the drive-in at the beach. We had those for a number of years."

Continuing to operate the drive-in, theatre and the car wash, after a few years, Dave and Rose solely took over the car wash while Burt and Bev continued on with the theatre and drive-in. Hiring a number of students and local faces over the years including Tara Hayden and Earl Hayhurst (the two most recent managers of the drive-in), Burt said he enjoyed the opportunity to not only employ locals including his own three kids but run the two places his dad once owned. While the Roxy Theatre on Main Street eventually shut its doors in the 1990s, the drive-in continued to operate during the summer months.

As time went on Burt stepped back from his managerial duties and others came on board to fill his shoes. Then after leasing the drive-in for a few years to the Resort Village of Manitou Beach, the Crawfords sold the place to the resort village in 2014. Manitou Beach Mayor Gerald Worobec said, "The drive-in is unique I think because there are only a handful left in the province. The resort has so much to offer and the drive-in just adds one more aspect to a visit to Manitou."

Like others with roots in the area, Worobec recalled his own memories of attending the drive-in. "Growing up at the farm meant that you couldn't just go to town or to the beach at a moment's notice. So when the opportunity came up to go to the beach it was a very rewarding experience and getting to go see a movie at the drive-in was always greatly enjoyed. You got to fill your face with extra buttery popcorn topped up with a bag of licorice and you were always able to get together with a few friends. And then of course when you got your licence and you owned a car it was just that much more fun to go see a movie."

Worobec's story will certainly resonate with others who attended the drive-in over the years, having their fair share of fun as well. One of those people who watched movies at the drive-in and who has always had a love for a good film is Earl Hayhurst, owner of Video Stop and current manager of the Jubilee Drive-In.

Working at both the Roxy Theatre in Watrous (the same place now occupied by Video Stop) and at the drive-in, Hayhurst viewed thousands of movies over the years. It was during his younger years when he caught the bug for films.

Working at the theatre in Watrous, Hayhurst learned

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the ropes from Crawford and was later brought on at the drive-in. "I remember hauling the reels and canisters from the theatre in town to the drive-in at the beach. I really enjoyed working at both places and not only watched a lot of movies but also learned how everything was done."

That passion then grew into Hayhurst's own business as he took over Video Stop in 1991. Another rarity in the province, the video rental store continues to operate in 2020; at the same place Earl worked at when he was younger. Then earlier this year when previous drive-in manager and longtime drive-in employee Tara Hayden tapped Hayhurst to see if he was interested in managing the drive-in, he jumped at the chance.

While the previous projectors are no longer in use and newer technology is now relied upon, Earl said, "It is pretty cool to be back there. Tara has been a tremendous help to me in getting things rolling and of course this year with COVID-19, we have had to make a few adjustments. But aside from that, with a fresh coat of paint and a few updates, it has been nice to be back at the drive-in."

Unlike decades before, this year patrons will notice buckets set up where they have to park beside instead of speakers. The buckets not only ensure social distancing but also maintain the right amount of people allowed in at one time. Additional safety precautions like hand sanitizer have also been added.

"Normally the drive-in opens during the May long weekend but because of COVID-19 and a few pieces of equipment we were waiting for, we didn't get started until June," said Earl. "After a couple of minor hiccups during the first week or two, we got it sorted out and it has been going good ever since."

With no new movies currently being released in Hollywood due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Hayhurst has been selecting some classics and old favourites for viewers to enjoy. "I have been coming up with weekend themes like classics/favourites, monsters/horror, family, all Adam Sandler and then I am planning a few others before we shutdown in September."

Having movies that resonate with fans has been fun for Hayhurst and that includes earlier this month when he featured *Back To The Future*. "We had a sold out crowd for that one July 10 and Josh Schattenkirk from Regina brought his DeLorean to the show. It was unreal having a car that was like the one in the movie at the drive-in. Then we played *Smokey and the Bandit* the other day and someone commented that if they knew it had been playing they would have brought the same type of *Trans-Am* that was in the movie. It is pretty fun seeing people getting excited to come and watch movies. We also have a combine outside of the drive-in that was in the movie *Twister* so I am looking at showing *Twister* as well."

Being a fan of nostalgia himself, Earl has also brought back the double features, something Crawford used to do. "It makes for a late night and an early morning but people really enjoyed the double features before so I thought I would bring them back."

Playing movies Thursdays to Sundays until September, Earl is also hoping to revive the flea market, something once held at the drive-in on Sundays. "Who needs sleep?" he laughed. "I have been in talks with the resort village and with health and safety inspectors and we are hoping to be able to bring vendors in to sell items during the summer. We will be following the guidelines set out by the provincial government as part of the Re-open Saskatchewan plan and it should be a great opportunity to have another attraction at the beach."



# Community Connection

## VISSCOUNT

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Wow, watching the sky seems to be a great pastime nowadays. The wicked clouds that come out of nowhere and then also do not produce any bad weather are okay with me.

It is nice to see there is curbside pickup for the Viscount Wheatland Li-

brary.

Summer is going fast. It will not be long until school is supposed to resume.

We toured to Canora golf course for a beautiful round of golf. We also enjoyed a fantastic week of camping at Good Spirit Lake.

Best wishes to anyone

who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon.

Now that some things are slowly starting back up, please let me know if you have any news to share. Stay safe and enjoy the great outdoors as much as possible. Have a great week!

More rain to report upon – after two rainbows and a torrential downpour Friday evening, July 10, we had just over an inch of rain in our gauge. Yet again Mother Nature re-arranged our gravel roads and, oh yes, another boil water advisory, this may have been the third or fourth this summer, was issued last week and lifted Friday (10th).

I had a lovely walk Sunday morning. I enjoyed chats with people engrossed with Mike's Beach Bar menu, others from Humboldt who were here for the first time, another group of visitors who had already sampled Mini Mart ice cream, Little Manitou Art Gallery and were planning a trip uphill to GG's after a swim in the lake. I also spotted licence plates from Alberta, Manitoba, British Columbia, Quebec and of course our dear province. Further along I encountered a few groups of locals who were out for a walk and enjoying the beautiful morning. Yes, we stopped and had a gab session six feet apart! Another gab session was with folks sitting out and enjoying

## PLUNKETT

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Humboldt received a lot of rain recently. They got four inches a couple times.

Plunkett folks send their deepest sympathy to the family of Bill Welter, formerly of Viscount. Funeral service was held in Viscount.

Get well wishes to Bill Dopko of Plunkett who is in a Saskatoon hospital and also to Elvina Pray of Humboldt who is in Humboldt hospital.

Visiting Irene and Stan Giddings were

Lorie Giddings and Heather Kennedy of Saskatoon.

Most folks are busy working on their gardens and doing yard work.

Visiting Ed and Elaine Drachenberg in Humboldt was their daughter and husband Rosanna and Perry Gurski of Saskatoon.

Congratulations to Dennis and Leona Credgeur who celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary July 3.

## MANITOU BEACH

Sue Alcock

their deck so of course we had a good natter. Eventually I made it home – two hours after I left and feeling much chirpier.

The main beach was certainly a busy place and some folks were using parasols or pup tents to establish their "sheltering" area. Boats, kayaks and boards were out and about on the lake and looking quite serene. The main beach area was full of people and once again the question about better access to the lake has been raised. The lake is what we are all about – even without fish!

There was a scary time Monday, July 13 as a bear was sighted west of the Manitou Beach golf course by a couple looking for berries and herbs. Happily, other than being shocked, the couple is fine. Hopefully the bruin has moved on and away from humans.

Have you admired the new windows in the Watrous-Manitou Beach Heritage Centre? The building looks much spiffier now and is open for business too.

## ALLAN

Sarah Ross • [sarah\\_lou@yahoo.com](mailto:sarah_lou@yahoo.com)

The Allan Golf Club has been busy this summer! They have a women's night on Mondays and men's night on Tuesdays. The photo shows the parking lot on a Monday night.

The Summer Fun Program is running with some adjustments from previous years. They had to separate the children into two groupings called cohorts. They have planned activities, the same as last year, but now they are only al-

lowed to come during their specific days. It is a small adjustment and the kids get out, which is much needed!

The Allan Liquidation store is now open. They carry some great items and some nice clothes. I sure hope you have been able to check it out!

Now that Barry has retired from the Co-op, Tanya has accepted the general manager position. Congrats Tanya! Appreciation goes to Barry for his years of service to the Co-op and

community. The same day Barry retired, Halvor did as well. Halvor was very dedicated and always had a smile for me and greeted everyone so kindly.

The Allan Museum is open for the season. This is always exciting as it is done up differently every year. I look forward to going down and taking it all in. They do have their own regulations that need to be followed. Sadly, they are unable to do their children's hour, which is greatly missed.



photo submitted

## Crop Report



photo by Daniel Bushman

being cut and baled as conditions allow.

Livestock producers now have 13 percent of the hay crop cut and 11 percent baled or put into silage. Hay quality is rated as five percent excellent, 65 percent good, 25 percent fair and five percent poor.

The majority of crop damage was caused by flooding, hail, wind, lack of moisture, lodging, gophers and

insects. There have been reports of disease issues in most regions of the province, including root rot and ascochyta blight in pulses. Some producers have started spraying for fusarium head blight and other diseases as environmental conditions permit.

Farmers are busy haying, spraying fungicides, fixing equipment and scouting for insects and disease.

### ■ media release

Warm weather and rainfall continued to support crop development. Currently, 86 percent of the fall cereals, 75 percent of the spring cereals, 70 percent of the oilseed crops and 82 percent of the pulse crops are at a normal stage of development for this time of year. That is according to the Ministry of Agriculture's weekly Crop Report for July 7 to 13.

The majority of crops are in fair to excellent condition. Rainfall was received throughout the province. Areas near Neilburg received the highest amount of rainfall in the province with 116 mm.

The St. Walburg area has received the most rainfall in the province since Apr. 1 with 376 mm. The moisture was welcome in many areas, but high amounts of rain in certain parts of the west-central and northern regions resulted in localized flooding and standing water. This prevented producers from entering fields for spraying and haying.

Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as six percent surplus, 85 percent adequate, six percent short and three percent very short. Hay and pasture land topsoil moisture is rated as four percent surplus, 75 percent adequate, 16 percent short and five percent very short. Rainfall delayed some farmers from haying, but hay is

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# Small business COVID-19 debt totals \$117 billion

## ■ media release

Three quarters of Canadian small businesses have taken on debt as a result of COVID-19 and a majority of those with debt (68 percent) estimate it will take more than a year to pay off, according to new survey results featured on the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB)'s Small Business Recovery Dashboard.

In Saskatchewan, three quarters (75 percent) of small businesses have taken on debt as a result of COVID-19 and a majority of those with debt (69 percent) estimate it will take more than a year to pay off.

The dashboard is part of CFIB's #SmallBusinessEveryDay campaign encouraging Canadians to get involved in the recovery effort by shopping local. Other key indicators include the number of Saskatchewan businesses that are fully open (73 percent), the number that are back to full staffing (43 percent), and the number that are back to normal revenues (32 percent).

"Government debt has ballooned and so too has the

private debt taken on by small businesses to deal with COVID-19," said Laura Jones, Executive Vice-President at CFIB. "I've talked to many businesses that are open again, but are worried about being able to outrun the debt they have accumulated, particularly with sales still down. Recovery is going to be a slow slog and both governments' and customers' support is critical to make it happen."

The small businesses that have incurred debt because of the pandemic report they have taken on \$135,000 on average, across Canada. Based on these survey results and after adjustments to reflect the entire economy, CFIB estimates that the total debt taken on so far by Canadian small businesses as a result of COVID-19 is \$117 billion.

To finance COVID-19 revenue shortfalls and extra costs, Saskatchewan businesses are relying on credit cards (31 percent), personal savings (30 percent), bank loans (15 percent), retirement savings (12 percent), loans from families and friends (10 percent) and mort-

gages (eight percent).

CFIB recently launched #SmallBusinessEveryDay to promote Canadian initiatives that support local businesses and emphasize how important customers are to their recovery. Consumers will find information about campaigns like Points for Canada (2x the RBC Rewards points for shopping at local restaurants and retail), The Big Spend (dedicating July 25 to shopping local and boosting spending at small businesses) and Distantly (a site allowing customers to donate to businesses that need help) at [www.SmallBusinessEveryDay.ca](http://www.SmallBusinessEveryDay.ca).

"Feeling customer support is a bright spot for business owners who are financially and emotionally stressed. The more we can do to support local, the faster we can all recover from the economic meltdown that came with COVID-19. Let's make it a small business summer and think #SmallBusinessEveryDay so small businesses have a tomorrow," added Marilyn Brau-Pollon, CFIB's Vice-President, Western Canada and Agri-Business.

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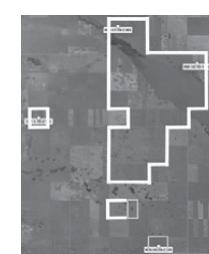
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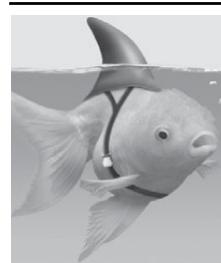
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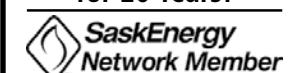
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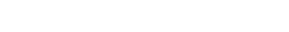
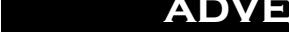
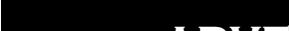
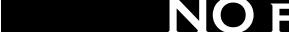
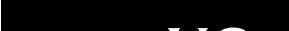
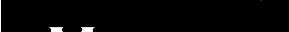
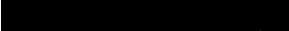
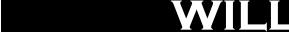
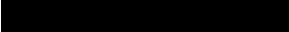
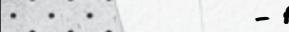
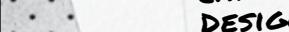
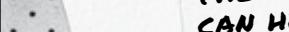
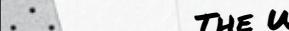
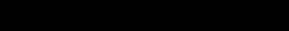
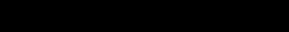
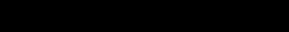
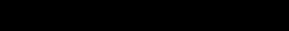
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# Local artist Sandy Christensen has major art exhibition

■ submitted by Bruce Dawson  
Shurniak Art Gallery  
in Assiniboia

Clay artist Sandy Christensen, from Watrous, has been honoured by the Shurniak Art Gallery in Assiniboia. Twenty-one statues of Sandy's "Sask Folks" are currently on display at the Gallery. This exhibition continues until Aug. 30.

When asked, how did you become a clay sculpture artist, Sandy replied: "Throughout the years different crafts have come and gone, but working with clay has always been the most satisfying. There is a relaxing and bonding feeling with the texture of clay."

"Visiting the Shurniak Art Gallery should be on everyone's bucket list,"

Sandy stated. This world-class gallery was built and donated to the Assiniboia area by Mr. William Shurniak. He was raised on a farm near Limerick, Sask. When Shurniak retired from a very successful career in international banking he wanted to give back to his home community. He financed the construction of a beautiful art gallery in Assiniboia to house his extensive personal art collection and to promote Canadian and Saskatchewan artists. Shurniak's collection includes art from Canada, China, Australia, Southeast Asia, and other countries. He has several original paintings from the Group of Seven that are on display at the art gallery.

"I am pleased to report that I am a longtime resident of this area," Sandy added. "My parents farmed near Young and I and five siblings graduated from McClellan High School. After Teachers' College and U of S, I was able to teach in high schools in Saskatoon, Simpson and Young. I joined my husband Ray



photos courtesy Sandy Christensen

on a farm south of Young, raised three great kids and farmed until we retired and moved to Watrous."

"Rural people and rural communities have always nurtured my art," Christensen said. "The clay figures, "Sask Folks" became popular when Lionel and Jean Sproule introduced their Manitou Beach gift shop. Over the years, the Watrous Manitou area has become a gathering place for many excellent artists, with the Spirit of Manitou Studio Trail being evidence

of the diversity of local talent.

The Trail's annual summer open house attracts a large number of visitors both in and out of the province. The Watrous and Area Arts Council promotes local performances and brings in Canadian artists. They created The Gallery on 3rd which houses local and provincial art shows, sells local art, and teaches art classes. Every second year, artists benefit by the exposure and critiquing of their art work with the

Juried Art Show.

"Over the years, many Sask Folks and commissioned sculptures have been created, all unique because they are completely hand made. The Sask Folk farmers and ranchers keep reappearing, but are surprised to find themselves at different ages, and sporting different faces.

"Few people get to settle in a community that provides the essentials, and surrounds you with folks who share your interests. I am one of those lucky people."

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