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Schools set to welcome students back for another year

■ Daniel Bushman

After an abrupt end to the 2019-'20 school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic and a lengthy time away from school, many students will be returning to classes Sept. 8. Preparing for their return, local principals, teachers and staff have been busy getting everything safely ready to welcome kids back to class.

With a number of guidelines being implemented at schools within local divisions, leading up to Sept. 8, Watrous Elementary School Principal Patrick Borsa said they have been incredibly busy preparing the school, hallways and classrooms.

"We have also been familiarizing ourselves with the return to school document with numerous guidelines and procedures. Our staff have also had numerous opportunities to collaborate together to make sure everything will be set for a safe and exciting return for our students."

As part of the safe return to school and the classrooms within the facility, Borsa said throughout the building there is signage and reminders about being physically safe. "All of our classrooms are in the process of being set up to maximize physical distancing and will include desk barriers, hand sanitizers and the removal of fabric surfaces. There has been a return to school document created to outline all of the guidelines that will be followed. We will also send out a much shorter version with highlights of how our days will look."

With safety being number one for both students and staff, Borsa said questions or concerns raised by parents and caregivers can be directed to either him or vice-principal Rhonda Hardy. But despite the uncertainty surrounding the upcoming year because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Borsa is looking forward to seeing the students arrive back at school. "Honestly I can't wait to get our students back. The relationships we build with students is the best part of our job. We miss them and the buzz that school brings."

Students arriving back to the elementary school will not only notice a few changes related to safety but also a few different faces as well. "Mr. Engele has moved over to the high school and we have a few people on leave including Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Wingrove, and Mrs. Janzen. Miss

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► Harvest operations are underway within the local area and across Saskatchewan. With 28 percent of the provincial crop in the bin heading into September, farmers are hoping for nice weather to stick around this month so they can add to that number. See inside for more on the harvest season as part of The Watrous Manitou's Harvest Edition.

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Mazergroup purchases local New Holland dealerships

■ Daniel Bushman

Looking forward to building upon relationships within the local area while expanding its support network, Mazergroup has acquired Watrous New Holland, Raymore New Holland and Yorkton New Holland. The Brandon, Man. based company completed the merger Sept. 1 bringing the total of Mazergroup dealerships to 19 (14 in Manitoba and five in Saskatchewan).

"We are truly excited to add these three dealerships to our organization," said Bob Mazer, President and CEO of Mazergroup. "We look forward to becoming the dealership of choice in the area. We know we have

to work hard for it and we have to earn it but we are up for the challenge."

Previous owner of the three New Holland dealerships, Dave Marshall, first purchased the Raymore location back in 1998, the dealership in Yorkton in 2002 and the New Holland location at Watrous in 2008. "The Marshall family would like to thank all of our customers for their support over the past 20 plus years," stated the former owner. "We're excited to join the Mazergroup family."

Growing up in Saskatchewan before moving with his family to Brandon when he was nine years old, Mazer shared about the group's latest venture

back in the province he once called home. "Dave and I are good friends and it came down to him wanting to retire and we made a deal. Watrous is a viable location and Yorkton is somewhat of a central location in terms of the agriculture industry. Raymore has all three dealerships with Case and John Deere so it just fit well with our organization. We are family-oriented and the Marshalls are family-oriented and it seemed like the right fit."

Taking over the trio of dealerships Sept. 1, Mazer said there will not be any major changes to the Watrous location other than an expanded lineup of products. While there is a bit of facility work to do at the store, Bob noted current general manager Dan Steen will continue to be a big part of the organization. "I am going to suggest that we will be looking to grow the business, to grow the volume but as far as physical changes, there won't be anything other than we will be putting Mazergroup on the side of the building rather than Watrous New Holland."

With 52 years in the agriculture sector and seeing the merger add over 50 employees to Mazergroup which already includes more than 320 employees,



►Watrous New Holland along with the Raymore and Yorkton New Holland dealerships have been purchased by Mazergroup. Officially taking over Sept. 1, the group is looking forward to expanding its support network while building upon relationships within the local area. photo by Daniel Bushman

Bob said there will certainly not be a decrease in staff at the Watrous location. He did note they would like to increase staff if they are able to add to the volume of sales.

"Even though there was three stores, our inventory would probably be about seven to nine times the size of what they would previously carry. We share all of our inventory so where the sales volume growth could easily come from at those three stores is our extensive used whole goods inventory because Watrous, Raymore and Yorkton will now have a massive amount of inventory to choose from for their customers."

Because of that expanding inventory, Mazer

said, "We have had several customers say they really do appreciate that ability. Maybe they want a combine of a certain year with a certain amount of options and set up in a certain way and maybe so many hours. Quite frankly we can pretty much match any kind of request because we do have that much inventory. I think that is a benefit to our customer base. We are linked in whole goods and our processes are somewhat different than what the Marshall family had done."

Despite expanding to 19 locations over the years, Mazer made sure to point out they still work and focus at being a family dealership. "We have

a whole bunch of locations but Mazergroup is a family-owned dealership and we work very hard at portraying that in every store. If you come to one of our stores you are going to get looked after just like it was a single store."

The president and CEO of the privately owned group of machinery dealerships said they offer agricultural, construction, and commercial turf equipment, sales, parts, and service and take great pride on being an employer of choice. They also place a high priority on supporting local communities while providing exceptional customer service. Mazer said by doing that they have been able to expand into Saskatchewan after starting out as a single dealership in Brandon, Man. back in 1959.

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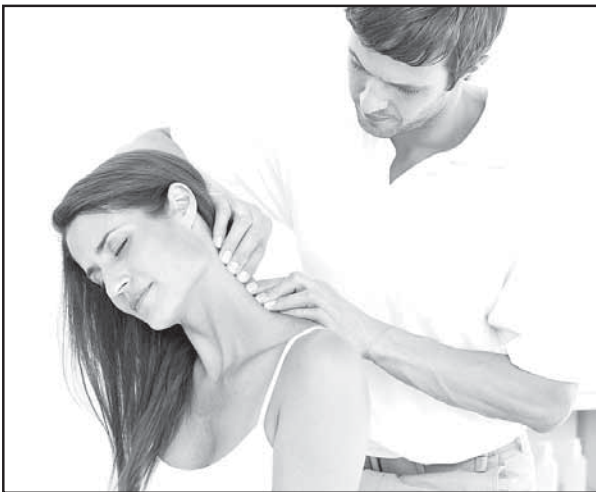
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Manitou Beach residents elect new mayor and council

■ Daniel Bushman

With the overall turnout slightly higher than the previous election in 2016, once the votes were tallied, a new mayor and council emerged to lead the Resort Village of Manitou Beach.

A total of 280 voters cast their ballots and from those, Poppy Petersen was elected as the new mayor, defeating incumbent Gerald Worobec. Robb LaRochelle, Vince Armstrong, Bill Mattick, and Mike Hayward were chosen as new members of council while incumbent Douglas Guenther was not elected.

While the group will not officially be sworn in until later this month, Poppy Petersen was thrilled to have been voted in as the next mayor of the beach.

“For sure. I wouldn’t have put my name in the hat if I wasn’t looking forward to being the mayor,” said a happy Petersen. “I was able to talk to a lot of people and have a lot of conversations leading up to the election and they shared with me what they were looking for and what they were interested in so I am anxious to get to work on those things.”

Upon hearing she had been elected as the resort community’s next mayor, Petersen said the support she received was humbling and overwhelming. “I am very pleased with the results the way they are.”

Residing in the area for a number of years, most recently at Manitou Beach, Petersen plans on addressing the resort community’s roads while providing additional access for residents and visitors to the lake. As she and the four councillors get their feet wet, Petersen noted there will be a very steep learning curve ahead but she is looking forward to the challenge.

“We are going to try and get through everything that we can and understand where things fit and what we’ve got to look forward to. Then we basically want to look at our budget and spend some money wisely and do what we can for our ratepayers, whether they are seasonal or permanent. We just want to be honest and fair with everything.”

Being a member of council for a brief time before becoming mayor, Petersen noted she was able to attend a few meetings until the COVID-19 pandemic hit. It was during that time when council began live streaming their meetings. “As soon as people realized we were doing that we started to get a lot of listeners and a lot of feedback. People are interested in the issues and wanted to know what was going on. They didn’t understand why certain things were happening but by being able to listen to the council meetings they were getting those answers. That was another way to be open and honest . . . and I



► Residents of the Resort Village of Manitou Beach headed to the polls electing a new mayor and council. Poppy Petersen (left) will be the new mayor and along with the new members of council will be officially sworn in Sept. 14.
TWM file photo/ right photo by Daniel Bushman

am hopeful we can keep doing exactly what we are doing that way.”

Already connecting with the new members elected to be on council, Petersen said the group have been busy preparing in anticipation for Sept. 14 when they will be officially sworn in. “We have some information we are looking at along with some council procedures and council member handbooks. We are all looking and studying those and getting ready for when we are sworn in. I hope we are able to hit the ground running.”


Petersen added that some members of the previous council have also offered their support to provide insight into how things have been done and why they were done. “I think we will have a smooth transition. I really want to thank everybody who voted and to the past council and past mayor for their work over the years. We are looking forward to big things ahead.”

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Work wrapping up in Watrous before fall

■ Daniel Bushman

With significant road work, fire bans and an upcoming election, Watrous Town Administrator Orrin Redden shared a bit of an update on each for residents of the community as they head into the fall season.

After receiving over \$200,000 through the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP), the Town of Watrous completed a massive water main replacement project on Main Street earlier this year. The work which took place in July spanned over three blocks and also included a precautionary drinking water advisory which has since been lifted. Once that work was completed on the 100, 200 and 300 blocks, crews wrapped up some base and curb work along the 500 block of 8th St. E., 12th St. and a block of 1st St. E. just off Hwy. 2. Redden noted a half block by the Watrous Centennial Arena also received work to help with drainage.

Once the road projects were finished, Redden said seal coating was applied by Diamond Asphalt. Putting on a double seal coat from 8th Ave. all the way to Hwy. 365, the crew then applied a single seal coat to Main Street. "That was largely done because of the three blocks that received the water main replacement in July. By applying the seal coat on the road, the three blocks that had the new water mains installed now have a dust free surface."

With the majority of road construction done for the year, Redden said the Town will also be doing a bit of asphalt work in September. "The Town of Watrous won't be doing a whole bunch but there will be some completed which will be decided over the next week or so."

As conditions remained dry heading into the latter part of August and into September, a number of local rural municipalities had implemented fire bans. Redden said Watrous elected to monitor its situation. "Members of council have discussed it but no ban has been implemented as of Sept. 1."

While the situation will be evaluated, Redden said there is a bylaw in place to regulate the burning of refuse within town limits. As part of that bylaw, it states "no person shall cause or permit to be caused the open burning of rubbish, garden refuse, manure, animal carcasses, any material classified as a dangerous goods, or any material which when burned, will generate black smoke or an offensive odor including insulation from electrical coring or equipment, asphalt roofing materials, hydrocarbons, plastics, rubber materials, creosoted wood, or any similar material in an open fire in a manner that causes air pollution within the boundaries of the Town of Watrous."

In the bylaw it noted it does not apply to outdoor fireplaces or outdoor fires used for recreational purposes,

burning charcoal or cut, seasoned wood, when:

- a) the fire is contained in a non-combustible receptacle constructed of cement, brick or sheet metal with a minimum 18 gauge thickness and covered with a heavy gauge metal screen with openings not exceeding 13 millimetres;
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- d) the open fire is not set in windy conditions conducive to creating a running fire or a nuisance to another person; and
- e) The fire does not cause unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property.

With September now officially here and resort communities already holding their elections, in a few months municipal elections will take place. Taking place in Watrous Nov. 9, Redden said people considering to run for mayor or council have until Oct. 7 to decide and submit their nomination form.

"If someone thinks they may consider running there will be some information from the Municipalities of Saskatchewan that people can look at on their website (www.suma.org). That information will provide them with an idea of what is expected as a mayor or member of council and whether or not they should throw their name into the ring."



Break, enter and theft at Lanigan school

Over the weekend of Aug. 28 to 30 a school lo-

cated on Wexford Street in Lanigan was broken into. Suspect(s) forced entry into the school, windows

were damaged and a projector was stolen. No one was injured as a result of this incident. Humboldt RCMP are seeking any public input in regards to witness evidence, exterior video of this area or information on this crime.

Humboldt and Lanigan RCMP continue to investigate this matter, with the assistance of the Saskatoon Forensic Identifica-

tion Section.

If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact Humboldt RCMP at 306-682-2535 or you may contact Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

Mischief to vehicles in Humboldt area

Humboldt RCMP and Crime Stoppers are seeking assistance from the

public in solving a few unsolved occurrences in the Humboldt and Bruno area.

In the overnight hours of July 22 between 11 p.m. and the next morning a golf cart was stolen from the 600 block of 11th Street in Humboldt. It was later brought back but it had suffered some damage.

In between Aug. 17 and 18, a vehicle parked on the side of Hwy. 5 on the east side of Humboldt was broken into. The passenger window was smashed

and the vehicle's stereo along with tools were stolen from the car.

Around 1 a.m. Aug. 26, a lawn statue was thrown at a vehicle parked on Main Street in Bruno. The front window of the car as well as the statue were broken as a result of this act of vandalism. It is believed a red pickup truck with exhaust stacks was seen in the area around this time.

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Pointing a firearm at neighbours results in charges

On Aug. 29 at approximately 1 a.m. Tisdale RCMP responded to a firearm complaint at a residence in Tisdale. A man pointed a firearm at neighbours during an argument.

Officers from Tisdale RCMP and Melfort RCMP located the individual, contained the scene, established communication with him and arrested him without any incident at approximately 1:45 a.m. Police officers searched the residence for the firearm and located a pellet gun that was a realistic replica of an AR-15.

Thirty-one-year-old Jamie Lynx of Tisdale has been charged with: Possession of an imitation weapon dangerous to public peace, Section 88 of the Criminal Code; Assault with a weapon, Section 267(a) of the Criminal Code; and Fail to comply with a release order condition.

Jamie Lynx was scheduled to appear at the Melfort Provincial Court Sept. 3.

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Sports

Manitou Beach Golf Club year in review

■ write up and photos submitted by
Manitou Beach Golf Club co-pro shop manager Jennifer Potter

With all of the changing rules and restrictions implemented at the beginning of the 2020 golf season due to COVID-19 it was a bit of a challenging start. However, soon into the season we realized that the pandemic actually drove more people to the golf course at Manitou Beach as it became something people could still do while social distancing. It also provided an opportunity for people to get some fresh air and exercise.

With more golfers enjoying the course, memberships, green fees and pro shop revenue all escalated during the season. We did need to be a bit creative in how events ran and how we would keep our golfers safe while still having people enjoy the course and all that it offered.

From the driving range, kitchen, tournament lounge, locker rooms and the course itself, it was very important that we maintained strict cleaning protocols - our new feng shui - to accommodate social distancing while bringing in new and innovative ideas.

As difficult as this year has been with COVID-19 it was great to see the golf course busy and we are hopeful that people have found a new love for the game that will keep them coming back for years to come. We also had a lot of compliments from people within Saskatchewan who have never been out this way saying, "It is the hidden gem of Saskatchewan." We agree!

Here are some highlights from this year's golf season:

Farm Fest was held June 22 and was a day we were able to celebrate the agriculture community! It was a great day that included awesome prizes, a wonderful sponsored breakfast, and lunch and supper. We had a great turnout and included a sponsored shoot to win. The first event of the season was a huge success and the four person Texas scramble was won by Gordy Lamont, Bob Lewis, Andrew Penrose, and Rhys Spencer.

The Centennial Ford shoot to win was set up in between the front and back nine to help with social distancing and to provide another event in order to maintain progressive tee times. This was a chip set up at the driving range 100 yards out. The closest to the pin won the pot guaranteed by Centennial Ford at \$500. The winner of the shoot to win was Brandon Sundquist!

In July we hosted a Callaway Demo Day on the 21st. A Callaway representative set up all the newest Callaway clubs on the driving range for golfers to try out. Golfers were able to purchase clubs to fit their needs and we had quite a few that did (pictured below)!



A few weeks later was our Partner's Classic which took place Friday, Aug. 7th. There were 64 golfers who competed which was another great turn out. Again with progressive tee times we had a shoot to win sponsored by Integra Tire which golfers needed to chip into a tractor tire from 40 yards away. If they made the shot they had their name entered to win the jackpot. We had great weather, a great meal and again great prizes!

This year's Partner's Classic was won by Chas Potter and Luke Janzen (pictured below) while the shoot to win



was won by Kendall McLean (pictured below).



The junior golf program was run a bit differently this year. Young golfers had the opportunity to take lessons related to driving, chipping, putting, etiquette and rules. They could also come out Wednesday mornings to play the course (pictured below). Groups ranging from six to 15 years old were chaperoned by staff and volunteers while they utilized skills taught to them by Chas Potter. Lunches followed the junior Wednesday morning golf and after three weeks it wrapped up with the Junior Par 3 Golf Day. We had great weather and 37 junior golfers came out. Wednesday morning golf has been sponsored by the Watrous Rotary Master's Golf Pool. If you are interested in picking one up, visit the clubhouse today!

We sincerely appreciate the Watrous Rotary for their continued support, our staff, volunteers, Lane Manson and his staff at the golf course restaurant, and all the junior golfers for coming out and participating in our program!



The Ladies Open was held Aug. 23rd and included 62 golfers. This was a two person Texas scramble and teams were flighted into four flights with the top three teams in each flight winning a prize. With progressive tee times there was a putt to win sponsored by The Layer Esthetics Studio and a Wine and Cheese spread sponsored by Oda Coffee and Wine Bar to break up the front and back nine.

The winners of this year's Ladies Open were Debbie Davidson and Lori Rittwage. The winner of the prize package sponsored by The Layer Esthetics Studio was Priscilla Stratton.

Following the Ladies Open, the Seniors Mixed scramble teed off Aug. 31st. The four person scramble had teams picked by random draw. There were 35 golfers who braved the wind with the top three low scores winning a prize!

This year's winners were Bob Lewis, Chris Moffatt, Bill Mattick and Miles Forsberg (pictured below).



The Couples Classic took place Sept. 6th. This tournament was an 18 hole two person scramble with progressive tee times.

Following the Couples Classic, the Ladies Windup will be held Sept. 9th. This will be a nine hole four person scramble with progressive tee times starting at 4:30 p.m.

The Men's Windup goes Sept. 20th with an 18 hole two person Texas scramble format with progressive tee times starting at 11 a.m. Supper will follow the event which will be the last of the season.

Many updates and projects have also been completed around the golf course including a redesign of our driving range. We really appreciate the many sponsors as well as Alpha Developments and Melron Services for making our vision a reality! The locker rooms have also been updated with a new coat of paint courtesy of Brent Wilson and some heavy duty cleaning and new décor. If you want to reserve your locker for \$100/year, call the clubhouse at 306-946-2861.

We appreciate everyone who made this year's golf season a success and look forward to the remaining events as the year comes to a close.

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Opinion



Fewer customers and lower spending per customer affecting Saskatchewan's small business recovery

■ media release

Fewer customers and reduced spending per customer are holding back small business recovery, according to new survey results released by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business. The weekly #SmallBusinessEveryDay recovery dashboard was also updated with new results for Saskatchewan:

- 77 percent of businesses are fully open (unchanged from two weeks ago);
- 53 percent are fully staffed (compared to 47 per cent two weeks ago); and
- 32 percent are making normal sales (compared to 29 percent two weeks ago)

"We're hoping that as people get back to fall routines businesses will get a much-needed revenue boost. Consumers are critical to small businesses and their financial and emotional support means more now than ever," said Laura Jones, Executive Vice-President at CFIB.

The majority of Saskatchewan businesses are still reporting lower than normal sales. Challenges to getting back to normal sales include: fewer customers (59 percent), customers spending less on average (43 percent) and operational challenges, such as online sales, shipping, and interrupted supply chains (29 percent). Government restrictions (21 percent) and increasing prices (for example, to cover PPE costs) (13 percent) are also causing lower than normal revenues.

CFIB will be ramping up its #SmallBusinessEveryDay campaign this fall with weekly challenges heading towards Small Business Saturday in October. This past weekend's challenge was to use the #CanadaUnited hashtag to promote your favourite business on Twitter or like or share the Canada United video online. For each like, share or hashtag use RBC will contribute five cents to a fund that will grant businesses up to \$5,000 to help with recovery.

"This week's challenge to help small business doesn't cost anything but time. Extra credit is always an option and with so many restaurants at risk of permanent closure, we are suggesting an extra effort on the long weekend to indulge in some restaurant therapy," added Jennifer Henshaw, CFIB's Senior Policy Analyst, Prairie.



**Tips from
Reena Nerbas**

prematurely turn brown. While this is not completely a myth, it really does not make a difference whether you tear or cut; lettuce turns brown at almost the same rate, give or take a day. The exception to this is when people use a knife that is not clean, causing bacteria to form on lettuce; in this case lettuce browns quickly. The benefit to knife cut lettuce is that it creates uniform pieces which are easier to eat.

Dear Reena,

I am hoping you can help me! I have glue on the front passenger seat of my car. It is a cloth seat, black in colour. The glue is IPEX brand PVC Conduit Solvent Cement. This is used with rigid PVC conduit to cement pipes together (used to run electrical wires through). The glue was drizzled accidentally on the seat, so it is not a concentrated blob, but rather several streaks. It is dried on now and cannot be scraped off with anything. Any suggestions would be much appreciated. Thanks, Hart

Dear Hart,

I have not heard of any water-based solvent that will remove PVC Conduit Solvent Cement. The most effective solution is acetone. However, the risk with acetone is that it is flammable and has the potential to remove colour from upholstery. An alternative option is to spray the area with WD-40 and after 10 minutes, gently scrape with a razor blade. Next clean with dish soap and water to reduce the chemical smell.

Hi Reena,

I have some new ball point ink pens that have dried out. Is there a way that these can be restored? Thank you, Jody

Solutions and Substitutions

Dear Reena,

My mother always told me that lettuce should be hand torn and never cut with a knife. Is this true or is it a myth? Thanks, Mary

Dear Mary,

Many cooks believe that when lettuce touches metal, it will react and

Dear Jody,

Begin by shaking the pens to loosen the solvent inside. If you do not have the strength in your hand to scribble vigorously, ask someone else to take a crack at it, sometimes a few seconds of swirls on a paper or the bottom of a rubber shoe fixes pens. If that does not work, heat the tip with a hairdryer or hold it under hot water; doing this helps soften the ink. You can hold the end of the pen one centimetre away from a lighter flame, heat the tip so that the ink that has congealed behind the ball flows freely.

Wonderful feedback from caring contributor

Re: freezer smell

Dear Reena,

I recently read the article about the husband who accidentally left a pack of ground beef in the fridge of their motorhome. Awhile back unbeknownst to me, my freezer quit, and everything melted for a couple of days. The smell was not pretty. A friend of mine told me about an easy fix to get rid of the smell. Simply soak a cotton ball with artificial vanilla extract and swab the sides of either the fridge or freezer and allow to dry. Then soak another cotton ball with the vanilla extract and leave it in the bottom for a refreshing smell all the time. It works great and the cotton ball can be replaced as needed. Shirley

Food for thought

• Keep your brown sugar from hardening by storing it in a sealed container in the fridge.

• Liven up supper tonight with rainbow coloured pasta noodles. Cook pasta as normal. Rinse with cold water and drain. Toss with a little cooking oil to prevent pasta from sticking together. Separate pasta into bowls and add a few drops of food colouring and mix well. Let sit for 10 minutes. Heat and serve. Extra tip: works with rice as well.

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

You love fishing - not the fish



**Neighbourly advice
according to Ed**

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

I told Ed, my old neighbour in Saskatchewan, that it was a perfect afternoon for fishing along the Vedder River yesterday. As I walked the trail beside the river, I spotted a good number of dedicated folks fishing at their favourite spots. I understand they were fishing for Chinook salmon that enter the river in late July and for the other species of salmon that keep appearing until their peak in late October. Ed said that he would have loved to

have joined in the fishing if he had been there.

I promised that I would show Ed the river when he comes to visit again. Last time he visited us he and his son-in-law fished in the Fraser River and he liked it. I asked Ed if he would continue to love fishing and playing golf if he could do them both every day. My old neighbour suggested that he enjoys fishing and playing golf because he cannot be at them every day. He does not love them enough to do them daily when he feels sick, it is terrible weather or when he has had a stretch of not catching any fish or when his golfing score has been pathetic.

How much love and time does one have to invest in becoming a better fisherman or golfer? The word love may describe how much someone enjoys doing an activity or sport. Ed loves fishing in that he

has a great interest and pleasure in the activity of fishing. He also loves playing his guitar and singing. He will tell you how he loves his grandchildren.

For Christians, love is to define our relationship with God and each other.

Jesus, in the gospel of Matthew, says, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and all your mind. Love your neighbour as yourself." Loving an activity or a sport may be much easier to do than loving our neighbours as ourselves. We may have trouble with the Golden Rule as Jesus taught it, "So in everything do to others what you would have them do to you."

It is always wise to remember that when it comes to others, love is an act of our will or an attitude greater than feelings of affection, liking or love. We may easily have a fondness

or liking for some people, but not so with others. Liking or not liking others is neither a sin nor a virtue in the words of C. S. Lewis. He writes, "Do not waste time bothering whether you love your neighbour; act as if you did. When you are behaving as if you loved someone, you may presently come to love him. If you injure someone you dislike, you will find yourself disliking him more. If you do him a good turn, you will find yourself disliking him less."

Feelings come and go, but our willingness to love others is not an affection we feel towards others, but what we do to help others. God is love, and while we were still sinners, Jesus died to save us from our sins. God's love towards us is undeserved. Our loving includes doing good to both our friends and enemies. Those we like and those that we have trouble liking.

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Community Connection

COLONSAY

Florence Halvorson • 306-255-2358

Congratulations to Merna Gordon who celebrated her 90th birthday Aug. 30. About 45 people attended the surprise birthday party for Merna at her residence. Family attending were Rick and family of Pilot Butte, Murray of Colonsay, Gayle of Victoria, B.C., Jeff and family of Kenora, Ont., Deborah June (Twinkle) and family of Saskatoon, Lee of Meadow Lake, and Ken and family of Prince Albert. The weather was not the best but we survived the very strong wind.

Folks are busy getting their produce out of the garden and farmers are also getting lots of harvest done.

PLUNKETT

Deloris Wilson (Sutherland) • 306-944-4852

Farmers are busy combining and swathing. What a great time for harvesting.

Gardeners are busy putting away vegetables and making pickles.

Ken and I recently visited Roger and Isabelle Langston in Watrous.

We watched the election of a new leader for the Conservative party on TV.

The highway on the east side of Viscount is getting a widening by where the slough is.

A large trailer has been moved into town right across from the Plunkett hall. We welcome any new folks who may be moving in.

My daughter Linda of Saskatoon was out visiting us and my son Kenny stopped in on his way to work.

Last week we were at the flea market at the drive-in at Manitou Beach. There were a lot of people there.

Bill Dopko is in Humboldt hospital and get well to Henry Pray who is also in there.

Plunkett folks send their deepest sympathy to

the Roger Clavelle family on the recent passing of his wife Evelyn in Viscount.

We had a half inch of rain Thursday afternoon, Aug. 27.

School will be starting this week and students are looking forward to meeting up with their friends again.

Margaret Millsap has sold her house in Plunkett and will be moving to Saskatoon soon. She will be missed by friends in town.

Barry and Penny Smith of Viscount have sold their home and moved to Saskatoon. We wish them well in their move.

Visiting Judy Shoemaker was Armella Paproski of Watrous.

Lorne and Gail Giddings had Gail's two brothers from Vancouver and a sister from Okotoks, Alta. visit them recently. Gail's folks John and Helen Jensen of Saskatoon were down for a weekend.

Get well to anyone ill and in the hospital.

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

VISCOUNT

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Loretta Polischuk's first published book, *Sasquatch in the Woods*, began with a single word prompt suggested by a member of her Humboldt writing group, Writers' Ink. The word was Sasquatch. Over the period of two years, that word grew into a few sentences, became a small story and finally emerged as a chapter book for younger readers. It did not develop in isolation - Loretta is happy to say she had a lot of help and support along the way. The book is written in memory of her Auntie Cathy who lived for many years in Hope, British Columbia. Cathy loved the mountains, the forests and the

creatures who live there. Perhaps a Sasquatch could inhabit the quiet areas of those places too. What if a young girl had a secret wish to see one? Loretta has written poems and stories from a young age and has always had her own secret wish to publish a book. Now, at 70 years of age, she thought it was time to do something about it. She has a middle grade fantasy trilogy waiting in the wings and, in the next few months, plans to make that wish a reality as well. She and her husband Ernie live on a farm on the edge of the beautiful Saskatchewan Parklands near Meacham. It is a truly magical place, a place where stories can



turn into books. Loretta enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren. Her book is available on Amazon.

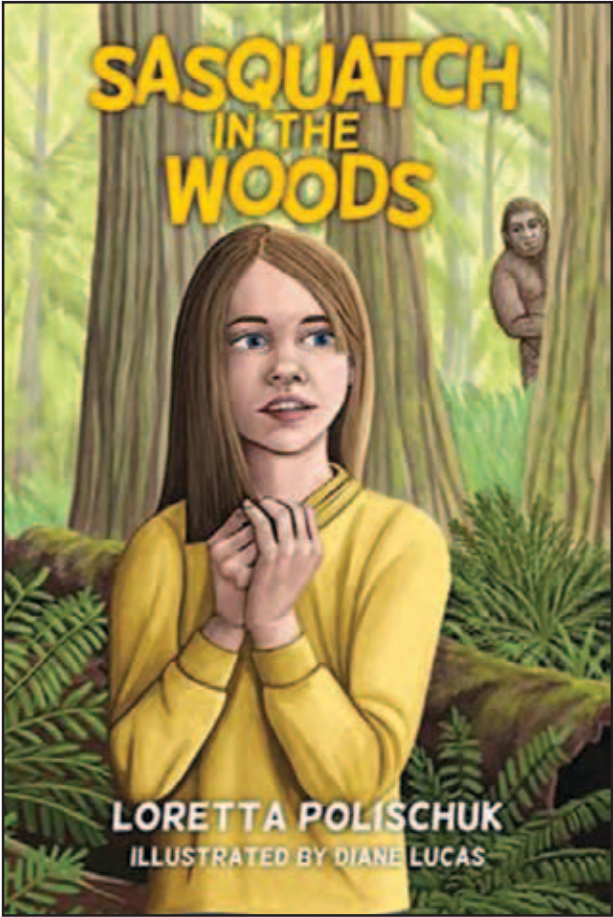
Congratulations to Loretta Polischuk on her book. I am looking forward to reading it.

We are done camping for the year; decided to end early. This past week was a little cool at the lake in

the camper. Besides that I think I need a month to get ready for the garage sales this year.

Thank you to all who helped make this week's Viscount news possible.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Take care everyone and stay safe. Have a great week!



photos submitted by Sandra Reid

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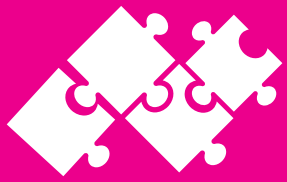
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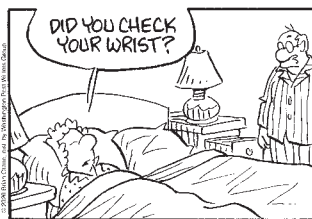
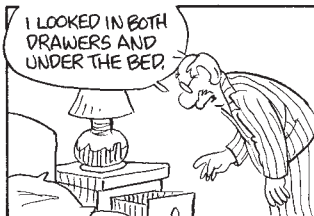
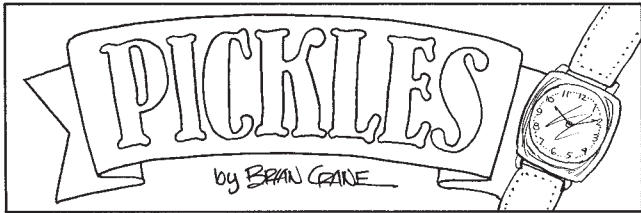
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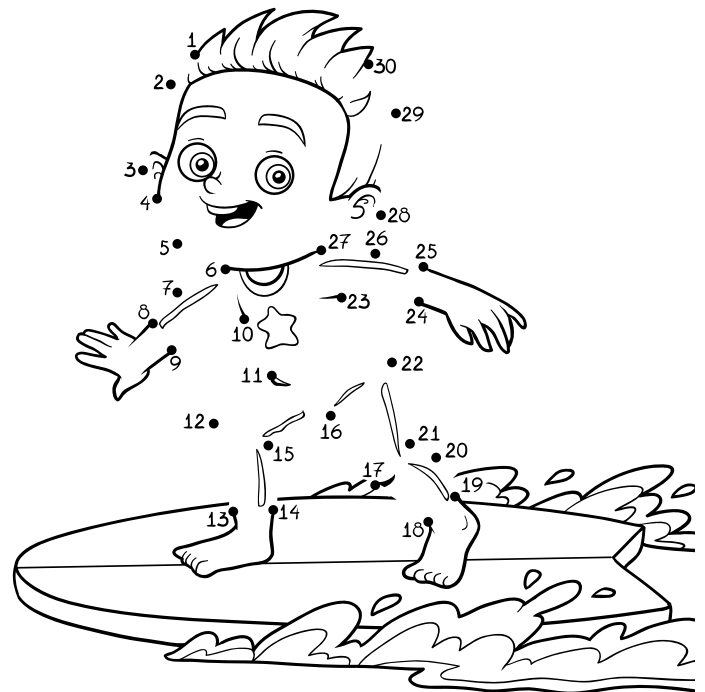
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DOT TO DOT



Look What's Cooking by Laura Novecosky

Chicken Nuggets

Ingredients:

- 1 envelope Lipton golden onion soup mix
- 3/4 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 1/2 lbs. boneless chicken breast-cut into 1 inch pieces
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400°F. Combine onion soup mix and bread crumbs. Dip chicken in mixture, coat well. Place on lightly greased shallow baking pan (or line baking sheet with parchment paper) and drizzle with melted butter. Bake, turning once, six minutes on each side. Check that they are cooked before removing from pan. Makes about two dozen nuggets.

Field of Means

■ written by Colleen O'Shea
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Here's an alternative fundraising idea: volunteers from Allan, Saskatchewan seed and harvest town-owned land to raise money for the Town's Recreation Department. Here's a look at how this year's community harvest went.

Lindsay Nordmarken, the Recreation Director at the Town of Allan, Saskatchewan, is excited. With an August of hot weather, harvest is about two weeks ahead of schedule for this farming community east of Saskatoon. That isn't usually something that matters to a Recreation Director, but it's HUGE for Nordmarken. Like many small prairie towns, Allan owns farmland. Unlike

many small prairie towns, this land is used to raise crops — by volunteers — with all the proceeds going to the Recreation Department.

Yellow peas: Bumper crop

In addition to the farmers' contribution of time, gas, use of their equipment and seed, an agronomist also volunteered her time to research and recommend what crop should be grown. Last year, wheat was grown on the field, but an early snow meant that crop wasn't taken off until this spring. The delayed harvest, and quality of the grain, meant less money for the Rec Department, but it still brought in around \$16,000. This year's crop is known to be a "cash crop" and Nordmarken and

all the volunteers are hopeful it will be.

"We don't know what it will bring until we get the cheque from the grain elevator," she explains. "Last year's wheat crop was sold as a feed grain so we didn't make as much as we would have if it had been harvested in the fall. This year, fingers crossed, the yellow peas will be a bumper crop!"

The proceeds will be split into three funds for the Recreation Department: the sustainability fund, the operations fund and the programming fund.

The Town of Allan has several assets to maintain. There's a park, a 9-hole golf course with sand greens, a ball diamond, an indoor ice arena with a 4-sheet curl-



photo courtesy Colleen O'Shea

ing rink — and an outdoor pool. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the pool wasn't able to open this summer and it's unclear if their sand-based arena or curling rink will be able to open this fall. Nordmarken is hopeful, but is awaiting direction from the Rink Board.

In the meantime, Nordmarken is working with the parks and rec committee to

bring activities to Allan, despite the social distancing challenges brought on by COVID-19. Last weekend, for example, cars gathered in a parking lot for BINGO.

"The folks drove up and collected their cards, dabbers and candy. We had everybody set the radio in their car to 88.3 — I had a transmitter for that fre-

quency — so they could hear the numbers as they were being called. BINGO's were called when someone would blow their horn! It was a lot of fun."

For more articles written by Colleen O'Shea, like *Field of Means* which was published on her site Aug. 26, 2020, visit www.re-surfacing.com

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Harvest operations ahead of average



photo courtesy Kyle Mooney

media release

Harvest continues to quickly advance thanks to warm and dry weather in most areas of the province. That is according to the Ministry of Agriculture’s weekly Crop Report for the period of Aug. 25 to 31.

Crops are rapidly drying down and the majority of producers are now in the field. Twenty-eight percent of the provincial crop is in the bin, up from 15 percent the previous week and well-ahead of the five-year average of 22 percent for this time of year. An additional 27 percent of the crop is now swathed or ready to straight-cut.

The southwest region continues to have made the most progress in the province, with 50 percent of the crop combined. The southeast region has 39 percent combined, the west-central 25 percent, the east-central 20 percent, the northeast 10 percent and the northwest three percent.

Ninety-nine percent of fall rye, 96 percent of winter wheat, 81 percent of lentils, 73 percent of field peas, 53 percent of mustard, 37 percent of durum, 28 percent of chickpeas, 19 percent of spring wheat and 11 percent of canola has now been combined. An additional 40 percent of canola and 23 percent of mustard is swathed or ready to straight-cut.

The majority of the province did not receive significant rainfall during the Aug. 25 to 31 period, although some areas reported close to 25 mm. The Hudson Bay area reported the highest amount of rain with 37 mm.

Topsoil moisture conditions continue to deteriorate in most areas due to high temperatures, strong winds and lack of moisture. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as two percent surplus, 32 percent adequate, 47 percent short and 19 percent very short. Hay and pasture land topsoil moisture is rated as one percent surplus, 21 percent adequate, 44 percent short and 34 percent very short.

Most crop damage was due to diseases such as ergot, lack of moisture and strong winds blowing swaths around. There were some reports of light frost but damage appears to be minimal. Many producers have reported field and combine fires due to the dry conditions. Reported yields so far are about average with some areas indicating that yields will be less than anticipated due to the hot and dry conditions over the past few weeks.

Farmers are busy combining, swathing, desiccating and hauling bales.

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Local area to benefit from massive project

■ Daniel Bushman

A multi-million dollar project is well-underway within the local area as part of an announcement last year to bring new or improved high-speed Internet access to the rural communities.

Back in July 2019, the federal government announced funding to the tune of \$11.2 million for FlexNetworks to bring the high-speed Internet access and capacity to 21 rural communities in Saskatchewan. In addition to that, the company contributed \$3.7 million making a total investment of \$14.9 million.

As part of the substantial announcement, it noted a number of local places were included as part of the work like Amazon, Bradwell, Etters Beach, Simpson, Nokomis, Venn, Watrous, Young, and Zelma. Fast forward to this year and that work is being done to see the project become a reality under the Connect to Innovate program.

Explaining the program and the progress being made locally, Executive Vice President, FlexNetworks Jacques Taillefer said, “In July 2019, Connect to Innovate (a program launched in December 2016 by ISED – Innovation, Science and Economic Development) approved FlexNetworks’ second application to establish a 400 km fibre-optic underground network, connecting 21 communities between Saskatoon and Regina in the region of Last Mountain Lake.

“Construction started this spring, and by the end of September 2020, FlexNetworks will have installed over 150 km of underground fibre-optic cables between Saskatoon and Nokomis, connecting, among other communities, Bradwell, Allan, Zelma, Young, Watrous and Amazon to its backbone.”



photos by Daniel Bushman

While a large amount of work has already been done this year, Taillefer noted other communities like Renown, Venn, Simpson, and Etters Beach will be connected to FlexNetworks’ infrastructure in the summer and fall of 2021.

“FlexNetworks offers broadband services to RM offices, community centres, libraries, schools, businesses, etc., but does not directly provide services to residents. FlexNetworks is working with all Internet Service Providers (ISPs – like Prairie Crocus Rural Internet, Redbird Communications, SaskTel and others) in a fair, transparent, timely and non-discriminatory manner to ensure a strong, competitive and affordable customer Internet offering in rural Saskatchewan.”

At the July 2019 announcement, then Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness and Saskatchewan MP Ralph Goodale said, “We have a solid plan to connect all Canadians, no matter where they live, to fast, high-quality Internet services. For people in rural and remote areas, the federal Connect to In-

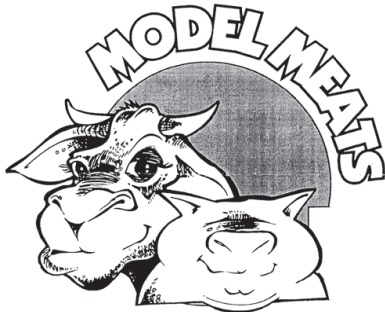
novate program teams up with technology partners to bring digital opportunities for economic, educational, social and personal growth that might not otherwise exist. I’m glad to see more and more Saskatchewan communities gaining access.”

Through Connect to Innovate, the federal government stated in 2019 it was extending high-speed Internet service to over 900 rural and remote communities, of which 190 are Indigenous. Connect to Innovate invests in building the digital backbone of high-speed Internet networks. Backbone networks are the digital highways that move data in and out of communities. These highways carry large amounts of data that are essential for schools,

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Fit for Harvest: Tips for Managing Harvest Stress

■ written by Lesley Kelly, local farmer and co-founder of the Do More Agriculture Foundation. Reprinted with permission

Harvest is a stressful period. Combine that with poor weather, market conditions and balancing the needs of family, staff, and the farm can have a negative and long-lasting impact on farmers and their health. It's during these stressful and busy times of the year that we are most likely to ignore the most valuable asset of the farm – ourselves.

The physical and mental stress of farming can take a toll on a farmer's health. Ignoring these signs of stress can lead to fatigue, depression, anxiety and other mental health illnesses, an increase in the risk of accidental injuries, poor decision-making and more.

The most common signs of stress during harvest are:

- headaches
- frustration
- irritability and short-tempered
- impatience
- forgetfulness
- fatigue
- withdrawing from others
- overeating/neglecting diet
- difficulty sleeping

How we take care of our health during harvest will be very different from how we take care of ourselves during other times of the year. It is still very important to continue to take care of yourself during stressful and busy times. Doing small things throughout harvest can have an immense impact on your overall health and help to reduce and manage stress.

I asked farmers on social media what they have done that have helped them manage and alleviate stress during harvest. Here are some of their tips and advice:

Taking breaks are important to help your body and mind recover and recharge. “Don't get overtired if possible but that doesn't always work. Afternoon naps for 15 minutes really help me. Eat well and

don't dwell on small mistakes because it can cause you to make bigger ones sometimes. Set manageable goals for the day.” @KowalchukFarms

“There are a few things that help us. Guaranteed Sundays off. Suppers in the field at harvest time. Extra semi so we can send my dad home off the combine earlier and just fill trucks. We try to have one extra person to be a floater and take care of the little things. At least 30 to 45 minutes of downtime when I get home in the evening, even if it's at 2 a.m. We have a well-thought out bin plan of what grain goes where and we don't hesitate to hire custom trucks to full elevator contracts to take the pressure off.” @RonKrahn

Having fun can be a morale booster and help maintain a positive mindset. “We always make sure we have something fun planned and some quality time as soon as the busy time is finished. Once we know it's in the calendar, it's something to look forward to.” @Peterhynes15

“Have to keep things light. Lots of joking around and having fun. Also, take time for one sit down meal where you all get together. Make it a good meal where it's something to look forward to each day. These two things go a long way.” @DougSnowbanks

Stress relief like breathing and calming exercises can help in the moment when stress is high. “Taking it day by day. Taking a few moments to breathe, and focus on something else. Even if it's just 5 minutes.” @farmgirlfran

A supportive team and network around you can help get the work done, create a positive atmosphere and culture and listen during hard times. “Do not be afraid to remove, under-performing or toxic people. It's amazing how quickly morale of everyone can spiral down or up based on everyone's contributions and attitude.” @rgstone1

“Having good relationships with neighbours and help each other when things go wrong is invaluable.” @SpudSlingsby

“Focus on what you are good at and hire and dele-

gate the stuff you aren't. Getting surrounded by folks with motivation and problem-solving skills has been my number one de-stressor.” @MaizeingPete

There are many factors that are outside of our control in farming. Accepting stressors outside of our control and effectively managing stressors within can help reduce stress. “Adopt the mindset that it is a marathon and there will be obstacles, setbacks, and difficulties.” @MarkPGuy

Here's a few tips for meal preparing: “Making meals ahead, buying easy frozen food, and meal planning have helped us immensely. Avoiding the ‘what’ should we eat today/tonight conversation is a huge for me at harvest.” @VHsweetpotatoes

Taking care of your physical health is helpful as well during harvest. “Maintain a steady intake of water and food, go easy on the caffeine, use a pocket size note pad to record and unload mental clutter onto paper, stretch your muscles to start the day and during, and listen to programming that provides positive energy.” @PTimeFarmer16

After harvest, allow yourself to recover and recharge which may include a short getaway or a day of rest and relaxation.

Whether it's during harvest or any other time, seek help when you need it. When stress is overwhelming or if you or someone in your family or farm team are going through a hard time, reach out to a friend, loved one, or professional help. Do More Ag is continually adding to the list of resources.

The Do More Agriculture Foundation is not intended to be a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. If you are in crisis, please visit your local emergency department or call 911 immediately.

Over the coming weeks, visit www.domore.ag for stories about stress during farming, stress during COVID-19 and taking off farm breaks. Articles credited to Lesley Kelly, Do More Ag and the Farm Stress Line (www.farmstressline.ca).

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MANITOU BEACH
Sue Alcock

Rainy Wednesday was the forecast last week and maybe farmers welcomed a wee break from their labours of the past couple of weeks. There are many fields that have been either swathed or combined already. Maybe harvest will be all over by Thanksgiving. A splat of hail just went by as I wrote this so roads are again rearranged by mud.

Last week I was asking about the correct/original name for stinky bay and happiness is that a lovely and knowledgeable local gent, who has a long legacy with Manitou Beach, called me to say the bay's name is actually Manhattan Bay. This name can be seen written on photographs of old. So now we all know – the bay east of the Uhmman Centennial Park is Manhattan Bay. I suspect it was so named in order to give a sense of city glamour to our community.

Congratulations to Poppy Petersen on being elected our new mayor and to a brand new council. We appreciate the efforts of outgoing mayor Gerry Worobec and council for their hard work over the past few years, some were in office for a couple of terms and so they can now put their feet up and enjoy free leisure time.

By the time you read this there should be another house moved here - a bungalow arrived recently and a two-storey house is due to arrive, weather and SaskPower permitting on Sept. 2nd. This old, well-loved and maintained home is coming from near Venn and it is the former home of the Borsheim family. The Conrad Obert and Anna Borsheim story written by Mrs. Leslie Borsheim (Gwen) in Vignettes of Venn, tells that the house was built in 1930 on NE 1-30-24 on the old number 15 highway. The house was later purchased by Mary and Ted Sedlik from Con and Margie Borsheim.

We had a wonderful few days in Grasslands National Park admiring the foreboding and harsh environment that people have managed to survive in. There was a fire ban as everything is bone dry, the grass quite yellow except for places that managed to hold on to moisture. But we were quite impressed by the variety of little plants that manage to survive in such arid and harsh conditions. The night sky was beautiful. We also visited the St. Victor Petroglyphs, Willow Bunch giant statue and en route home the Shurniak Art Gallery in Assiniboia where we missed Sandy Christensen's clay sculpture exhibit but did see a painting by our own Darrell Baschak. All in all we had a good trip.

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RCMP respond to four separate fatal collisions over final weekend of August

Between Aug. 29 and 30 Saskatchewan RCMP responded to four separate fatal motor vehicle collisions in the Moose Jaw, Pelican Narrows, North Battleford and Fort Qu'Appelle detachment areas.

On Aug. 29 at approximately 4:17 p.m., Moose Jaw RCMP received a report of a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a SUV and a semi-truck, approximately 10 km east of Moose Jaw on Hwy. 1, west of Belle Plaine.

It was reported to police that the SUV was travelling north on a grid approaching Hwy. 1. The SUV allegedly did not slow down for the stop sign and proceeded through the intersection at a high rate of speed. The SUV struck the semi's trailer as the semi was travelling east.

When officers arrived the SUV was fully engulfed in flames. The 77-year-old male driver and lone occupant of the SUV passed away on scene.

The 28-year-old male driver, and lone occupant of the semi-truck, did not sustain any injury from the collision.

RCMP will not be releasing the identities of those involved.

An RCMP collision reconstructionist, the Saskatchewan Coroner's Service along with Pense Fire and Moose Jaw EMS all attended the scene.

On Aug. 29 at approximately 8:45 p.m., Pelican Narrows RCMP responded to the report of a single vehicle collision located on Hwy. 135 towards Pelican Narrows. The SUV was carrying seven occupants.

A 28-year-old female front passenger was ejected from the vehicle and passed away on scene by EMS. Five other occupants, ages 17, 34, 31, 29, and 30, all sustained varying levels of injuries and were taken to hospital in Pelican Narrows or Flin Flon for treatment.

The driver of the vehicle, a 22-year-old female left the scene but was later located at a clinic in Pelican Narrows. The female was arrested for impaired operation causing death.

An RCMP collision reconstructionist and the Saskatchewan Coroner's Service also attended the scene.

On Aug. 29 at approximately 7:30 p.m., North Battleford RCMP received a report of a serious single motor vehicle collision on Hwy. 4 north of Cochin.

Upon arrival officers determined the driver of the vehicle fled the scene wearing a red T-shirt, black pants and red shoes. It is unknown where the driver is at this time and efforts to locate the suspect have been unsuccessful so far. North Battleford RCMP is looking to the public for assistance in locating the driver and/or providing additional information of this incident to further the investigation.

The 21-year-old female passenger was transported to hospital in Battlefords, but passed away from injuries.

A Saskatchewan RCMP reconstructionist as well as WPD ambulance from North Battleford attended the scene.

Fort Qu'Appelle RCMP respond to fatal single vehicle rollover

On Aug. 30 at approximately 2 p.m. Fort Qu'Appelle RCMP were dispatched to a single vehicle rollover on a gravel road south of Lebret, known as Wide Awake Road. Indian Head RCMP, Fort Qu'Appelle Fire Department, Fort Qu'Appelle EMS, Fort Qu'Appelle Conservation Officers and the File Hills Police all attended to the collision.

Three occupants were in the vehicle. A 20-year-old female passed away on scene and an 18-year-old female sustained critical injuries. The 18-year-old was airlifted to a hospital in Regina. A male youth under the age of 16 years old was also injured and transported to a local hospital for medical treatment. His injuries are not considered to be critical and he is believed to be the driver.

A forensic collision reconstructionist attended the scene to assist Fort Qu'Appelle RCMP with the investigation.

RCMP will not be releasing the identities of those involved and the investigation is continuing.

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Tenders must be delivered to the undersigned law firm on or before September 30, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. local time. Sealed envelopes containing tenders must be clearly marked "Estate of Madgalena Mary Verschraegen Tender". A certified cheque for 5% of the bid payable to "Robertson Stromberg LLP in Trust" must accompany the tender. Closing date of sale shall be November 1, 2020. The closing of the sale shall be contingent on mutually acceptable sale agreement between the successful bidder and the current owner. Successful bidder shall take the property subject to a lease ending on December 31, 2020. Current owner is entitled to all payments under said lease. Tenders must be for all parcels. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders conditional on financing approval will not be accepted. Prospective purchasers are responsible for conducting their own research and inspection of the property to confirm acreage, condition, and assessments. Unsuccessful bidders will have deposits refunded without interest.

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Obituary



**BAKER,
Jeffery Allan
1984 - 2020**

It is with great sadness, we announce the passing of Jeffery Baker of Guernsey, Sask. on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at the age of 35 years.

He was predeceased by his grandparents Helen and Merrill Baker and Henry VanDrunen, cousin Katy VanDrunen and his beloved cat Cynthia.

Jeff is survived by his parents Allan and Teresa; brothers Trevor and Henry; sister Nicole (Anthony) Kerney; grandmother Lillian VanDrunen; aunt Irene (Lavern) Novlan; uncles Tim and Fred VanDrunen; aunts Elizabeth and Margaret VanDrunen; cousins: Amy, Tim, Jeremy, Amber and Chris; numerous great aunts, uncles and cousins; also by the family's dear neighbours and friends.

An honourable mention goes out to his many friends from the Local Millwright Hall 1021 Saskatoon, who worked and lived life with him for numerous years.

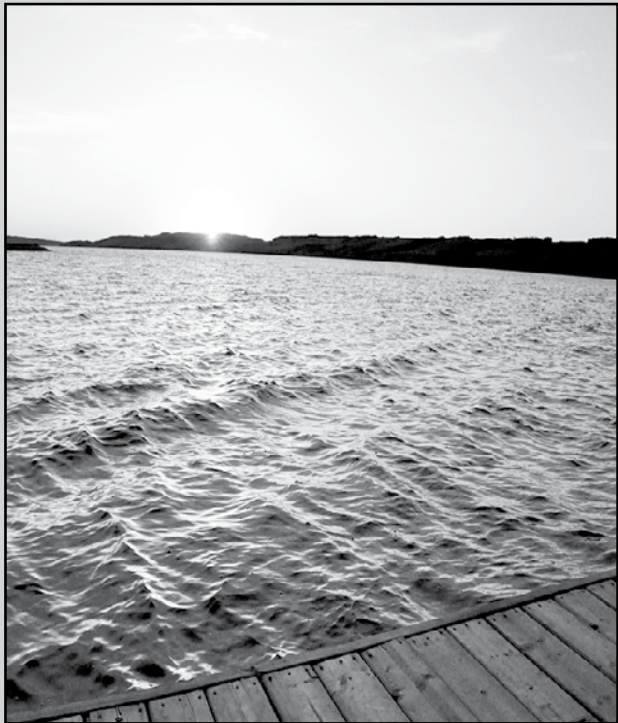
Jeffery grew up and spent his life in and around Guernsey. He attended grade school in Guernsey and high school in Lanigan. Jeff had an uncanny knack for anything mechanical, mathematics and art. While attending Guernsey elementary he won an award for art, an award he was proud of, and kept with him. He used those talents to enter the trades in 2005, and with hard work and dedication he obtained his red seal as millwright, just as his father Allan. In 2010 he competed in the UBC apprenticeship competition, in the category for millwrights, and won an award for his efforts. Jeff was known to work hard and play harder. He had a sunny aura and would light up any room he was in, often putting on "the old Irish charm". Jeff's friends and family would agree. Jeff was the life of any gathering, generous to fault to his friends and family. He always had time to help friends and family in need. With light comes darkness, Jeff struggled bravely and deeply for years with mental health and addictions. No matter how dark life got, or how his addiction took Jeff away from his friends and family, he always fought to find his way back to light and family. In the end, in his writings he would profess how much he loved his parents. He would always talk about how much he loved their farm, referring to it exclusively as "my farm". What gift he got to spend his last days there, at his beloved farm.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of his life was held on September 5 at 1:30 p.m.

The family is sorry, but due to COVID-19 the service was by invite only.

In lieu of flowers, feel free to donate to any mental health or addiction services of your choice.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Malinoski & Danyluik Funeral Home & Crematorium Humboldt.



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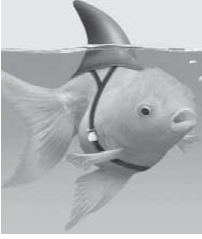
 

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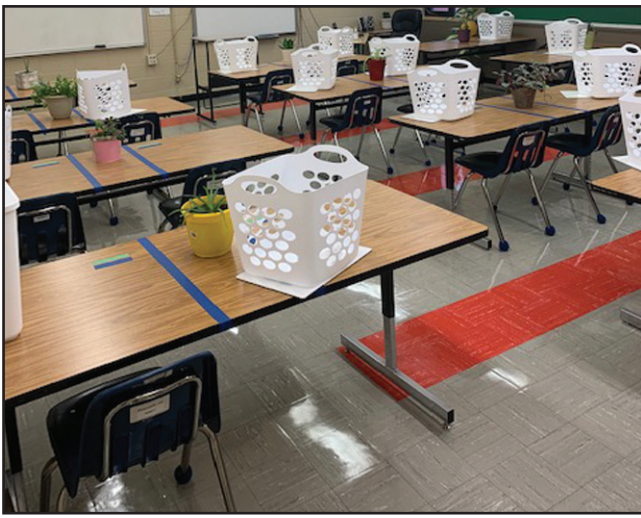
Baade will be in Gr. 1 for the year, Mrs. Gullacher will do a short leave in Gr. 1 and Mrs. Haines will be doing a short leave in Gr. 6."

Like at the elementary school, across the street at Winston High School, principal Terry Braman said a ton of work has gone into preparing for a new type of normal. "There will be significant changes so we have all been extremely busy putting things in place."

As part of those changes, Braman said all students and staff will be required to wear masks and the school will include a new structured day to limit the amount of student interaction between cohorts (grades). "The safety of our students remains the first and foremost priority as it has always been. If anyone has any questions or concerns, they can contact me at the school."

Braman noted even though it will be very different this year, he has missed the students and is excited to see them returning to school. "None of the staff enjoyed working from home because we all genuinely care about the kids and appreciate our relationships with them. It will be great to see them again."

As far as staffing chan-



►As students return to school Sept. 8, both Watrous Elementary School and Winston High School have taken steps to ensure safety for kids and staff. photos courtesy Terry Braman/WHHS



ges, the principal said the only new face to the school is Jarvis Engele as he will be joining the teaching staff, coming from the elementary school over to Winston High School.

After celebrating the

graduating class of 2020 with a parade along Main Street in June, Braman said, "We are looking to organize a graduation event for our grads and their families for the end of September."



►Members of the Winston High School graduating class of 1990 recently held a 30 year class reunion. A number of people from the class donated funds to the Watrous Kinsmen in memory of fellow classmate, friend, and Kinsmen member Tyler Chatfield. A few from the class of '90 were

on hand outside of Winston High School Aug. 22 to present a cheque for \$2,500 to representatives of the Watrous Kinsmen. The funds will be used to complete renovations to the Kinsmen Club Room at Watrous Centennial Arena.

photo submitted and information courtesy Cameron Christianson



►The generosity for a new playground at Watrous Elementary School continues to shine through as members of Affinity Credit Union in Watrous and Watrous Home Hardware contributed to the new play structure which will be arriving later this year. Every year staff at Affinity have the opportunity to direct \$200 to a cause of their choice as part of the Community Spirit Fund. This year, nine

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