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# Three influential women from Kindersley recognized by RBC

BY JOAN JANZEN  
Your Southwest Media Group

Karen Francis, owner of MonAmie Boutique in Kindersley, has been nominated for the 31st annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards. Karen said she is honoured and humbled to have been nominated for this award, in the “The Ones to Watch Award” category.

This award highlights individuals who demonstrate incredible potential through their innovative ideas, keen business sense and solid plans for future profitable growth. It’s open to those who have been in business for more than one year, but fewer than three years. MonAmie Boutique is looking forward to celebrating their second year in business this spring.

As Karen took a step back, she soon realized how far she has come in just two short years. During that time she has been working very hard to grow her online business, as well as her brick and mortar store in Kindersley. She really is a deserving nominee for this award.

“There are many aspects to owning your own business, and it’s not for the faint of heart,” she noted. “But at the end of the day it’s so rewarding.”

Since the inception of the RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards, more than 70,000 women have been nominated, and over 210 awards have been presented for outstanding entrepreneurial achievement. Each of these awards is tailored to recognize women from all sectors of the economy and at all stages of business growth.

The categories for the award in-



Karen Francis

clude: Ones to Watch Award, Micro-Business Award, Start-Up Award, RBC Momentum Award, Social Change Award: Regional Impact, Social Change Award: National/International Impact, Innovation Award, and Excellence Award.

Each year, RBC calls on businesses, organizations, and communities to help recognize the important and transformative work women entrepreneurs contribute to our country. As one of those entrepreneurs, Karen is thankful for the nomination and recognition from RBC.

“There’s thousands of women who are nominated, so I’m excited!” Karen said. “It’s such an opportunity!”

BY JOAN JANZEN  
Your Southwest Media Group

Frances McManus was both surprised and delighted to discover she has been nominated for the 31st Annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards. Frances is truly honoured and grateful to be recognized as one of many “Women of Influence”.

This year LaBelle Boutique is heading towards celebrating its 40th anniversary. As a long time business owner, Frances said she feels privileged to be included among such accomplished women who are making a difference in their respective fields.

“I look forward to continuing to grow our business and contributing to the wonderful community of Kindersley and surrounding area,” she said. “The local support and clientele mean everything! I also couldn’t do it without the help of both my amazing staff and family.”

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Momentum Award, Social Change Award: Regional Impact, Social Change Award: National/International Impact, Innovation Award, and Excellence Award.

RBC annually calls on businesses, organizations, and our community to help recognize the important and transformative work women entrepreneurs contribute to our country. As one of those entrepreneurs, Frances expressed her gratitude for this wonderful opportunity.

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Kim Sautner (right) with her daughter Tori.

## Kim Sautner nominated for RBC Momentum Award

I am very honoured to be nominated for the RBC Momentum Award of the 31st Annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards. This award highlights that through expanded management, empowered employees and demonstrated excellence, this award is for creating a flexible and responsive business that is able to adapt to changing market environments and leverage opportunities for continued growth.

Thank you to my family, especially my daughter, who has been very instrumental in the growth of our business. Thank you to my incredible staff & customers and to the RBC for this recognition.

We are a family owned and operated business - Sautner Studios Ltd. When we decided to open our first tanning studio & boutique location in 2016, Kindersley was a perfect choice! We opened Flin Flon one year later, the place where our story began almost 37 years ago

and where our children, Ashton & Tori were born.

Currently we own Studio306 in Kindersley and it was with a heavy heart this past January we closed Studio204 in Flin Flon, Manitoba. A home to our family for many years was hit with a huge announcement that the mining company that had operated there for 100+ years was shutting down.

The roots of our family extend back to the Kindersley area (Flaxcombe) since 1944 (74 years ago). Although our immediate family has only made Flaxcombe our home since 2012, it has always been home - a place where we have always had roots.

Our mantra at Studio306 is that beauty products should be life changing. We not only value products that look and feel luxurious, but products that work. We want to deliver the most luxurious and effective products in a relaxed and inviting atmosphere.



**CAPTION THIS!** Tyler Elizabeth Herr, from Cape Town, South Africa, visited her grandparents on their farm north of Plato, SK. She and her brother were enthralled by the gopher population in their machinery yard. They named the gophers, drew pictures of them, and even set out treats of puffed wheat and Cheerios. | PHOTO BY TYLER ELIZABETH HERR

## Glidden resident killed in rollover

A single vehicle rollover has claimed the life of a 63-year-old male

from the Kindersley detachment area.

The man was the lone occupant of the vehicle and was reported deceased at the scene by EMS. His family has been notified.

The accident was reported to Kindersley RCMP at approximately 1:00 am on May 1, 2023 on Highway #21 near Inglebrook.

Kindersley RCMP continue to investigate with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP collision reconstructionist.



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From the bottom of our hearts - our sincerest thank you, this is what makes our community so amazing. To our families, thank you so much for your love and support. Our family is truly blessed.

- Neil, Anne Marie and Rachel

# Writs issued for the 2023 Alberta Provincial General Election

Alberta's Chief Electoral Officer, Glen Resler, confirms that Writs were issued today to administer elections across Alberta. The 31st Provincial General Election will be held on May 29, 2023.

"We are excited to welcome Albertans back to the polls this month," said Resler. "Returning Officers have been appointed, and we are in the process of recruiting and training nearly 20,000 Election Officers to conduct voting in the 87 electoral divisions across the province."

### Voter Eligibility

Canadian citizens who reside in Alberta and are at least 18 years of age or older on Election Day are eligible to vote in the Provincial General Election.

### Voter Registration

Electors may register to vote online at [www.voterlink.ab.ca](http://www.voterlink.ab.ca) until May 17, 2023, by contacting Elections Alberta or their local returning office before 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 20.

Electors can also register to vote at any advance voting location in Alberta or at their assigned voting place on Election Day.

Electors who are already registered to vote at their current address do not need to register again.

### Voter Identification

To vote in the 2023 Provincial General Election, electors are required to prove their identity and current address. There are several ways to do this, including:

- Providing one piece of Government-issued photo ID, including the voter's full name, current address, and a photo.
- Providing two pieces of ID, both containing the voter's full name and one that lists their current physical address.
- Having another registered elector with identification that resides in their voting area vouch for them.
- Having an authorized signatory complete an attestation form.
- More than 50 different types of identification have been authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer to be used as identification to vote.

### Key Timelines

Electors have 28 days to vote by Special Ballot beginning today. Special Ballots may be completed in the returning office, picked up by a designate of the elector, or mailed to the elector anywhere in the world. Applications can be submitted online on the Elections Alberta website.

Candidate nominations are now open and end on May 11, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

Advance voting begins on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, and ends on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

Election Day is Monday, May 29, 2023. All voting places will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Unofficial results will be available after voting closes on Election Day.

Official results will be announced on June 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

### Returning Offices

Returning offices in all electoral divisions open today across Alberta. Returning offices are open on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Voting Days from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Returning Office addresses and contact information can be found at: <https://elections.ab.ca/current-election-information/returning-offices/>

New for 2023, Satellite Offices are also being opened in six geographically large electoral divisions to provide more service options for electors. These include:

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- 55 – Central Peace-Notley
- 59 – Drumheller-Stettler
- 60 – Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche
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For any questions or concerns regarding the provincial election, visit [www.elections.ab.ca](http://www.elections.ab.ca), call 1-877-422-VOTE, or email [info@elections.ab.ca](mailto:info@elections.ab.ca).

Information for media will be available throughout the election period at <https://www.elections.ab.ca/resources/media/>, including:

- Information sheets on topics such as Registering to Vote, Voter Identification, Accessible Voting and Tabulators and Voter Assist Terminals.
- Photo and video assets.
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# OPINION

CHECK IT OUT  
with Joan Janzen

## We learn by asking questions

There's an old saying: "If you ask a question, it makes you look stupid for five minutes, but if you don't ask - you stay stupid for 50 years". Children can't help but ask thousands of questions. It can be annoying, but it's how they gain knowledge. But in today's culture, questions are not welcome.

Why should we question what we're being told? A good example from history occurred in 1937 when a cigarette company's ad stated doctors claimed: "When smokers changed to Philip Morris, every case of irritation cleared completely and definitely improved." However, they neglected to mention the company had financially sponsored the doctors.

Dr. Suneel Dhand is a physician in the States specializing in metabolic health and natural medicine who speaks on a social media platform. He noted, "We've completely fallen for this notion that there's a pill for everything. New drugs are treating symptoms rather than

curing the root cause."

He compared treating symptoms to catching the water in a bucket from a leaking roof. Meanwhile, more and more water collects, putting pressure on the ceiling, causing it to eventually collapse. He said pharmaceutical companies deliberately design a product that can be taken as many times as possible, then they play on the risk reductions and wildly exaggerate the benefits. This is recorded in medical journals, which pharmaceutical companies are frequently sponsoring. Plus, the media is fully on board.

"That's how the system works. That's how these companies make billions and billions of dollars," he concluded.

He observed that those who are brave enough to ask questions are often censored and accused of presenting misinformation. "Turn on the TV, and every other ad is a pharmaceutical product," he said. "Lots of people on the top have sat on the board of major pharma-



ceutical companies ... there's a conflict of interest. When you have an entity with that much power, they're going to leverage that power for any dissent to be suppressed."

Dr. Dhand asked, how all the mainstream media outlets all say exactly the same thing at exactly the same time? It's a good question, and he suggested the answer may be that the western media is completely loyal to the people who are funding them.

Pharmaceutical companies have an enormous influence on government, spending hun-

dreds of millions lobbying for regulations. Meanwhile, our government is headed on a pathway of censorship with the passing of Bill C-11. They also have Bill C-18, which would restrict access to news online, followed by online harms legislation whereby government would regulate "lawful but offensive content." What they consider offensive is anything that disagrees with the information they are delivering.

Dr. Dhand said the first question doctors should ask patients who present their symptoms is 'what are you eating' because you are what you eat. "Inflammatory diseases, heart diseases, diabetes, and autoimmune diseases, are all soaring, all because of the terrible foods we're consuming," he explained. These cheap foods are produced by trillion dollar companies.

"We need to go back to what our great-grandparents used to eat," he advised. "If you go back to eating real food, the transformation in both your

physical and mental health is often unbelievable."

He not only warns about the dangers of consuming ultra-processed foods, but asks how people can simply swallow what is told to them by the media on a daily basis. "And you better not ask any questions because that is not allowed," he said.

But it's healthy for society to ask questions. Why is there such a push to censor information? Why are people who ask questions threatened and censored? Unfortunately, we've reached a point where the establishment doesn't want to be asked any challenging questions. And those who are brave enough to do so are labelled as spreaders of misinformation.

Dr. Dhand gave this admonition: "Stay wise, always stay awake and stay educated." Because, just like children, we gain knowledge by asking questions.

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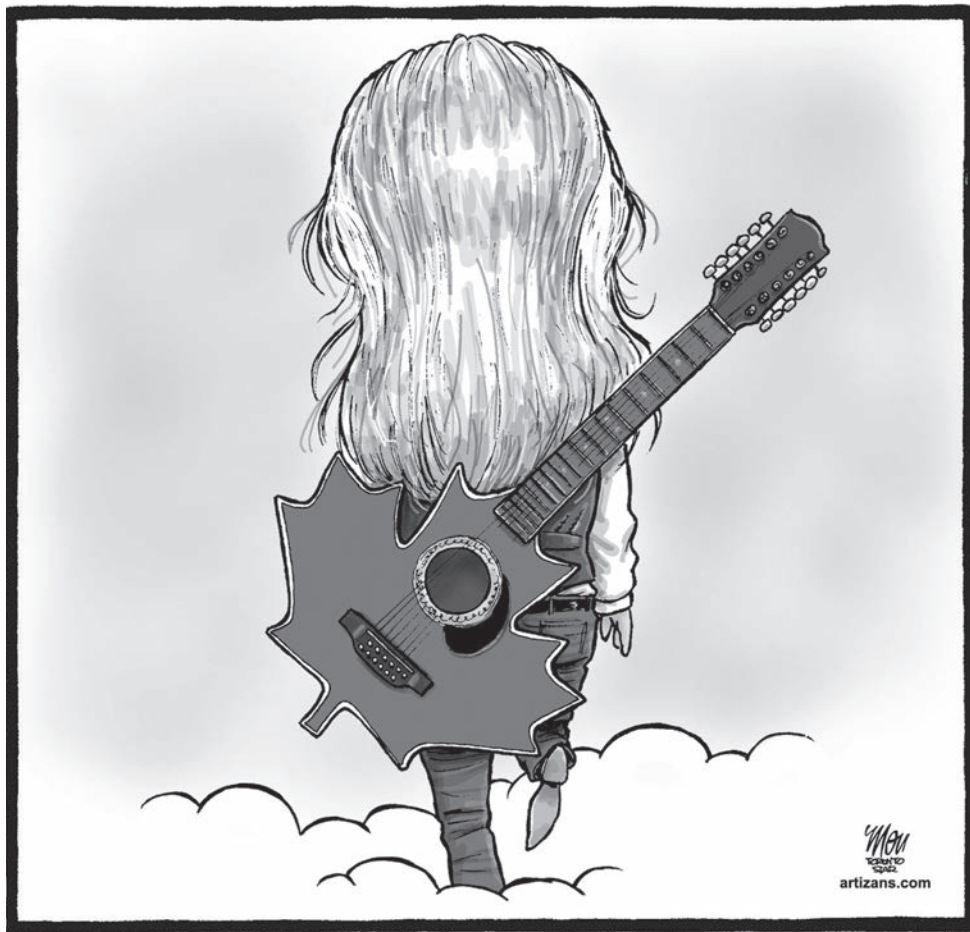
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## New Light on Old Prayers

BY MADONNA HAMEL  
Your Southwest Media Group



Pulling out of my sister's driveway in Medicine Hat, I am on the last leg of my journey home from a sojourn on Cortes island with my brother who suffered a stroke two months ago. It's taken two and half days to get from Cortes Island to the TransCanada headed East to Highway 4, the actual last leg of my journey.

Finally, all my tense muscles ease under the rays of perfect prairie light beaming down from generous clouds and the road empties to just me and the occasional truck loaded with hay bales. I know the real journey ends when I breath my last breath. But even then, I'm not so sure. Something tells me we move on to a place where the chaos of our lives gets clarified, the lessons become evident.

But I don't need to court ideas of death to appreciate the lessons from these past momentous months. We have, as siblings, stepped out of our habitual spaces and been thrown into a kind of unending nerve-jangling excruciatingly beautiful, and at the same time, frighteningly dark, reality. And through it all we have managed to become better people for it. Certainly, we are closer to each other.

Thoughts of dying were on my mind before this crisis. In fact, I had just finished reading Pema Chodron's book, "How We Live Is How We Die." The book is a buddhist nun's perspective on

sewing good habits of living, so that when it comes time to cast off our mortal coil we won't be shocked or appalled. There is a freedom in preparing for endings by accepting the little endings we come up against every day. With every beginning and ending of an assignment, a chore, a day, I am never sure what comes next. The thought of a completely blank slate can at times be terrifying, but can also feel freeing, knowing I can start over, try again.

Even the scientists have encoring words. Reading books by neurosurgeons I choose to heed those who consider the very possible chance that dying could simply be the threshold between one form of consciousness and another. Not an ending; just a transition. Not something to fear at all.

Over the Christmas season I included in this column some of the writings in an Advent anthology called "Watch for the Light", of which I've become hugely fond. When packing on the fly for Cortes I threw into my knapsack the Lenten and Easter companion called "Bread and Wine." I appreciate it for it's poetic and hence universal approach to the meaning of leaving darkness, entering springtime, turning away from all that is messed up within us and the world, and looking again and again to what is redeemable, encouraging, and yes, hopeful.

However, the thing about Lenten readings is there's that whole cruxifixction bit. You have to drag your cross through a lot of wretchedness and pain before the resur-

rection. We arrived at the Campbell River hospital in sleet and growing darkness. Our brother lay, patched up and woozy, but tearfully happy to see us. We talked and talked and the nurses kindly ignored us late into the night. As Dougie finally began drifting off he asked me to read to him. I had my anthology with me and began flipping through the readings with the vigilance of a mom censoring the scary bits out of a fairy tale bedtime story.

I skipped straight to the last section of the book: New Life and I found the three loyal women waiting at the cave entrance. The essay was called "An Invitation", was by Joyce Hollyday, a former peace activist who said recently: "In an age of intolerance, compassion can be dangerous." I noted the similarity between us three sisters standing around my brother's bedside and the women at the cave. As my brother drifted off I read these lines: "the women knew they could not both believe and fear." They would have to choose between the two. She quoted I John 4:18: "There is no fear in love, but perfect fear casts out fear."

We three walked along the water that night, sucking in the ocean air the three miles from the hospital to the hotel. It would be the beginning of the hardest test I ever took: putting love before fear. I failed many times.

Raised Catholic, I left the church in my thirties and explored the world of yoga, Buddhism, Sufism, Judaism and Indige-

nous spirituality, only to return for another look around, thanks to my exposure to a kind of "folk devotion" I witnessed in Quebec. Tentative but willing, I began an honest inventory of the nurturing aspects parts of my childhood religion.

One phrase that popped up recently comes from a popular hit of the 70s, Desiderata: "Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in times of sudden misfortune." It strikes me how no amount of spiritual knowledge is up to the task of protecting me from a psychic debacle if it's not actually put into practise.

But what humbled and thrilled me even more was how deep the old prayers burrowed into our hearts and how they surfaced with a kind of childlike trust and a miraculous tenderness we often forget is there. A decade can mean ten years time. But, we Catholics know of another decade- the ten beads linking the Mysteries on Mary's rosary. Walking along the Saskatchewan River, flying over the western provinces, driving to and from doctors appointments, poking the fire late at night after tucking Doug in at night, we prayed decades.

The mother within us is not afraid of silence nor our fear, models an impossible, difficult compassion. And while, this time round, we siblings wanted to skip over that line: "now, and at the hour of my death", we prayed, knowing Love is both the fuel and the destination of this life journey. Without it, the light never comes.

## Shelley Christian: Helping women thrive in a perfection culture

BY JOAN JANZEN  
Your Southwest Media Group

Women are designed to flourish in every season of life. That's the message Shelley Christian will bring to those attending the upcoming Women's 'Worth'Shop in Kindersley, coming up on the last Friday in May. Women and girls of all ages are welcome to attend this free event, which is a Better Together Initiative.

"Women and girls put unreal expectations on themselves, and that's where self hatred begins," she observed. "I want women to realize their incredible worth and I've found they usually respond to this type of presentation better than other preventative measures. That's why I started it."

Shelley is a women's conference speaker, author, musician, minister and Suicide Prevention

Trainer from Saskatoon. "Don't believe the myth that you are too old or too young, or too "whatever", she said.

She began holding 'Worth'Shops focussing primarily on prevention. She doesn't want women to even contemplate those thoughts, simply because they believe in their worth.

Shelley said she listened to a 14-year-old being asked why she had attempted suicide numerous times. The teen said she did it because she didn't feel that she was worthy of being loved. "That shocked me to the core. When we believe we aren't of value to anyone, that's when the downward spiral takes a huge dive," she said.

She exposes the myth that women must be the perfect mother, perfect career person, the perfect wife. The lie perpet-



uated is ... if she can't juggle all those things, somehow you're failing. "And there's the myth that our outward appearance somehow makes us worthy of being loved more than who we are inside," she explained. The perfection culture surrounding us serves to reinforce that lie.

Consequently, women are always trying ways to look younger, and teens are constantly comparing themselves with others. "You'd think it would just be

the younger demographic, but this goes throughout the entire age span of women, from teens to those in their 70's and 80's; they still compare themselves," Shelley said. Thinking we failed because we're not like someone who has a toned body or looks a certain way is stressful and causes mental health to go out the window, she explained.

Shelley helps women realize they don't need to compare themselves with anyone. "When we do, we're saying 'I don't measure up'. I want women to see that. We are unique beings, designed perfectly for who we are to be. Every human being is priceless," she said. Without that personal sense of worth, women will not be able to accept themselves as who they were created to be. Without the ability to love themselves, they won't be able to

love others effectively.

"I try to bring in the amazing synergy between spirit, soul and body. Every aspect of our life flows and affects the other," Shelley explained.

Shelley emphasizes the importance of education, affirmation and interaction. "Why aren't we cheering each other on?" Shelley asks.

We need to not only realize our own worth, but encourage others and remind them of their value. "I hope once we understand our value, we continue to encourage the value in other girls and women. That alone could prevent them from going down the route of self harm and mental illness," said.

That's the goal of the Women's 'Worth'Shop which will be held at the Senior Centre in Kindersley at the end of May.



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# Christ The Redeemer Schools appoints new superintendent

Christ The Redeemer (CTR) Catholic Schools announced the appointment of its new Superintendent, Mrs. Andrea Holowka. Mrs. Holowka will be joining the division on May 29th and will assume the role of Superintendent on June 19th, following the official retirement of Dr. Scott Morrison.



Calgary Board of Education, where she served for the past two years.

Dr. Morrison noted, "Mrs. Holowka is a formidable leader in Catholic education, and she is regarded as a provincial thought leader amongst Alberta superintendents. Most importantly, she is a faith-filled leader and a passionate educator who cares about kids. CTR is in capable hands."

Her degrees include a Bachelor of Science in Cellular, Molecular, and Microbial Biology, a Bachelor of Education, and a Masters of Education in Educational Leadership from the University of Calgary. She is a doctoral candidate at the University of Western Ontario, with a dissertation focused on systemic approaches to school-based mental health interventions.

Mrs. Holowka is honoured, humbled and excited to serve as Superintendent of CTR. "I have worked alongside and in relationship with CTR for many years," she said. "Joining an organization that is committed to authentic Catholic permeation and faith formation is aligned with the core of who I am as a Catholic teacher."

Board Chair, Andrea Keenan offered remarks concerning Mrs. Holowka's appointment, saying, "The Board was most impressed with her dedication to faith and Catholic Education. We were also impressed with her provincial reputation, her track record as a very senior leader in two metro school divisions, and her commitment to lifelong learning as evidenced by her pursuit of a doctoral degree."

Mrs. Holowka began her teaching career in 1995 with Calgary Catholic, where she had several principalships and served as Superintendent of Instructional Services, and later Human Resources. After 26 years with Calgary Catholic, she assumed the position of Superintendent of School Improvement with the

On a provincial scale, Mrs. Holowka served as President of the Council of Catholic Superintendents (CCSSA) and will assume the role of the

President of the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS) next year. Through her participation in, and leadership of, the CCSSA and CASS, Mrs. Holowka has led, presented at, and participated in formal and informal collaborative opportunities on topics including curriculum, instruction, student support, Indigenous education, inclusive education, student well-being, and mental health.

On a personal level, Mrs. Holowka enjoys spending time with her husband of 23 years, a retired Catholic teacher, and with her two teenage daughters. She starts every day with a run outside in any type of weather, and cherishes time spent with her extended family of Catholic educators, including her sister, brother-in-law, father, stepmother, nephews and niece. She is actively involved in Ascension Parish, where she serves as a lector.

Mrs. Holowka is excited about her new appointment. "I look forward to working with senior administration, leaders, and staff to promote the division's witness of faith, while continuing to support strong student excellence in safe and caring environments," she said.

The Board of Trustees of CTR Schools extends their congratulations and extends a warm welcome to Mrs. Holowka.



Miss Tonya, Kenlee Wilson, Tracy Hudson

# Acadia Valley News

Reported by Yolanda Kuhn

Forget Spring! Let's just dive right into Summer! The temperatures this past week were anywhere from plus 20 to plus 30 degrees. I had to pull out the portable air conditioner already. I'm not complaining, I'm just saying. The grass has sure greened up since the heat was turned on as well. It's already really dry out there. Seeding is in full swing in our neck of the woods as well. Please be cautious and watch for farmers moving equipment.

dens, dance, fireworks and more. Watch Facebook and The Oyen Echo for more details.

Condolences to Wally Skappak and family on the passing of Freddi Skappak on Friday April 28th. A funeral was held today at St. Mary's Catholic Church followed by a luncheon at the hall.

The Breaking Ground Dance Studio held their annual Recital last weekend at The Legion. I'm very proud of Miss Tonya and all the dancers for such a successful dance season. I'm personally a little sad that it's come to an end. Thank you to everyone who attended the recital and supported The Breaking Ground Dancers.

There is a shower planned for Savannah Niwa next Saturday May 13th at The Acadia Valley Community Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Congratulations to Kenlee Wilson who was the recipient of the "Dolly Dance Scholarship" sponsored by The Hudson Family.

Mark your calendars for July 1st as The Acadia Valley Rec. Club will be hosting their annual slow pitch tournament. There will be a huge inflatable obstacle course for the kids, beer gar-

The Warren Peers junior high class spent two nights in the wilderness for their survival campout as a part of the Hunters Education Course. Thank you to Kelly Wilson and the teachers who made this event possible for our students.

Thanks for reading this week. I will leave you with this quote from Will Rogers, "The farmer has to be an optimist or he wouldn't still be a farmer."

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## Alberta declares provincial state of emergency

In response to the threat of multiple wildfires burning throughout the province, Alberta has declared a provincial state of emergency to ensure Albertans' safety, health and welfare.

Emergency responders are working around the clock to keep people safe and reduce the threat to homes and infrastructure.

Under the Emergency Management Act, declaring a state of emergency is a legal mechanism that provides the provincial government with a higher level of intergovernmental coordination, around-the-clock monitoring of the situation, access to emergency discretionary funds, the ability to mobilize additional support and continue working with municipalities, organizations and businesses to support evacuated residents.

The Emergency Management Cabinet Committee continues to meet regularly to respond to the current

wildfire situation across the province. Cabinet continues to have decision-making abilities and will make decisions as needed to deal with this emergency situation.

Department officials will continue providing daily technical briefings to the media and the public as this situation continues to evolve. A daily situation report will also be issued via news release.

The most up-to-date evacuation information is available at [alberta.ca/emergency](http://alberta.ca/emergency), Alberta Emergency Alert or by downloading the Alberta Emergency Alert mobile app, which immediately pushes all alerts out to subscribers. Albertans seeking information or support can call 310-4455.

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# NFL QBs on the move, and getting rich

BY BRUCE PENTON  
Sports Columnist

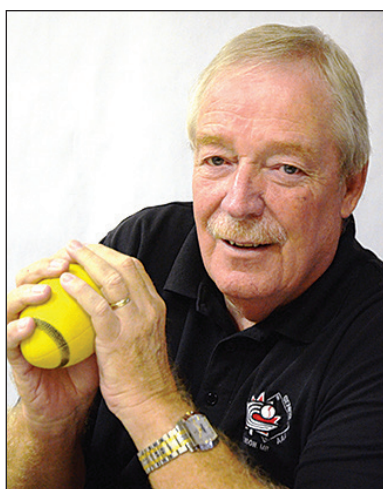
There is no higher profile position in North American sports than the quarterback of a National Football League team. Today we'll look at three of them — one coming, one going, and one who was in limbo but is now in the chips.

In the 'coming' category is former Alabama star Bryce Young, chosen first overall in the late-April NFL draft by the Carolina Panthers. It was a controversial pick, because Young, who won the Heisman Trophy in 2022 as the best player in U.S. college football, stands only 5-foot-10 and teams usually like their QBs to be tall (6-foot-3 or more) so they can easily see over the line of scrimmage. But Young's play-making ability, quick reaction, and strong arm have made general managers believe that he could be another Drew Brees or Russell Wilson, height-challenged quarterbacks who starred in the NFL. The Panthers' choice apparently came down to Young or the 6-foot-3 C.J. Stroud, whose Ohio State Buckeyes lost in the college football semi-final last season. Caroline chose the shorter guy and the scrutiny over that choice will be immense among football fans in the next few years.

In the 'going' slot, we have 39-year-old Pro Bowl veteran Aaron Rodgers, the long-time

Green Bay Packer stalwart still at the top of his game, going to the New York Jets. Rodgers was not shy in telling the world he no longer wanted to play in Wisconsin and that the Jets would be his preferred new team. After a month or so of negotiations, stalling and threats, a deal involving a variety of draft picks was finally consummated, and Rodgers will face Big Apple pressure in taking the Jets to the promised land — the playoffs. The Jets haven't made the playoffs in 12 years and own the longest North American playoff drought among all major sports. Pressure? After the Rodgers' deal was announced, the Jets were pegged by the betting industry with the fourth-best odds to win next year's Super Bowl.

For the longest time, Baltimore Ravens' QB Lamar Jackson was in apparent limbo, given the 'franchise' tag by the Ravens after contract negotiations stalled. Being 'tagged' means any team could sign Jackson to a contract, but would have to forfeit two first-round draft picks. Jackson is a great player (the NFL's MVP in 2019), but injury prone, having missed 10 games over the past two years. Jackson felt he should be able to sign a fully guaranteed contract, similar to the \$230 million five-year pact — 100 per cent guaranteed — Deshaun Watson signed in Cleveland. Finally, Jackson got



his way, inking a \$250 million five-year deal with Baltimore, of which \$185 million is reportedly guaranteed. Jackson is certainly wealthy, but he also remains injury-prone and that has to be of grave concern to the Ravens, and their financial officers.

• **Bob Molinaro** of pilotonline.com: "The Oakland A's relocation in 2027 will give Las Vegas three major pro sports franchises. Finally, something for tourists to do in that town."

• **Scott Ostler** of the San Francisco Chronicle, on what fans might expect after the Oakland A's move to Las Vegas: "Dollar slots, Keno runners in every section, ushers dressed up as Elvis!"

• Former Edmonton Sun columnist **Terry Jones**, on Twitter: "New arena deal for Calgary includes \$330 million from province. That's roughly \$330 million more than provided by the province for Rogers

Place. Do I have that right? Anybody remember exactly?"

• **Bob Molinaro** again: "You know who's also very happy with **Lamar Jackson's** contract? Cincinnati's **Joe Burrow**, next in line to become the richest quarterback."

• Winnipeg Sun headline, after Winnipeg Jets were eliminated from the Stanley Cup playoffs by Vegas Golden Knights: "End of an error: Jets crap out in Vegas."

• **Mike Bianchi** of the Orlando Sentinel, on Twitter: "If what ESPN's **Adam Schefter** is reporting is accurate — and I'm sure it is — I believe the Packers just traded **Aaron Rodgers** to the Jets for a bag of balls, a case of beer and a 25 per-cent-off coupon for an oil change at Jiffy Lube!"

• Comedy writer **Alex Kaseberg**: "This just in: **Tucker Carlson** to be the new QB at Green Bay."

• From the parody website the **Beaverton**: "Calgary tackles housing crisis by spending \$867 million on new home for the Flames."

• **RJ Currie** of sportsdeke.com: "New York City mayor, **Eric Adams**, has called a war on rats: 'The conditions that help (rats) thrive will no longer be tolerated.' If Boston meets the Rangers in the playoffs, that can't be good news for **Brad Marchand**."

• Headline at the onion.com: "**Roger Goodell** excited to see so much talented inexpensive labour"

• From fark.com: "Lions GM **Brad Holmes** smashed a table in joy after drafting RB **Jahmyr Gibbs**. Meanwhile, Lions fans smashed a table in disgust after drafting RB **Jahmyr Gibbs**."

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**Saskatchewan adds 5,600 jobs in April**

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## Saskatchewan's Unemployment Rated Second Lowest Among Provinces

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate Reached 4.8 per cent; 5,600 Jobs Created Year-Over-Year

Newly released labour force numbers from Statistics Canada for April show strong, continued growth in Saskatchewan's economy, with 5,600 new jobs when compared to April 2022. All job growth was full time employment.

"Saskatchewan continues to impress with even more job growth in the face of national economic uncertainty, with 5,600 new jobs and the second lowest provincial unemployment rate," Immigration and Career Training Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "With 25 months of consistent job growth, year-to-date merchandise and wholesale trade exports both up 30 per cent, and over 50 per cent increase to urban housing starts, Saskatchewan is proud of the story it has to tell of growth that works for everyone."

Saskatchewan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate reached 4.8 per cent, tied for the second lowest among the provinces, and down from 5.4 per year from April 2022. The national unemployment rate aver-

aged 5.0 per cent.

Off-reserve Indigenous employment was up 900, an increase of 1.4 per cent, marking 29 consecutive months of year-over-year increases. Off-reserve Indigenous employment reached 63,800, which was a record for the month of April.

When compared to April 2022, private sector employment increased by 9,700, up 3.0 per cent, with full-time employment increasing by 8,800, up 1.9 per cent.

Major year-over-year gains were reported for:

- Professional, scientific and technical services, up 5,900, an increase of 22.3 per cent;
- Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas, up 2,600, an increase of 14.5 per cent; and
- Health care and social assistance, up 2,400, an increase of 2.7 per cent.

Earlier last week, Statistics Canada released the 2022 Real Gross Domestic Product report, showing Saskatchewan with the highest increase among provinces with a

5.7 per cent jump from 2021. Saskatchewan has also led the nation in several other key economic indicators recently. In February 2023, the province saw increases in

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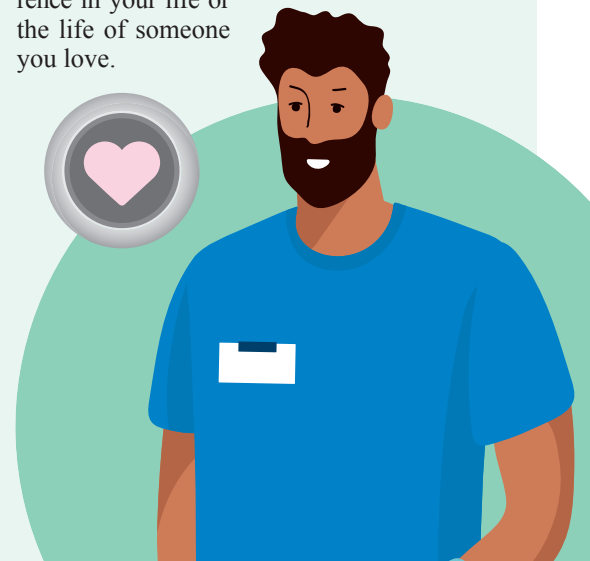
In Canada, National Nursing Week takes place from May 8 to 14. The week-long celebration draws attention to the courage and commitment nurses display daily on the front lines of the Canadian health-care system. Nurses are guided by core principles outlined in the *Code of Ethics for Licensed Practical Nurses in Canada*. Here's a look at what they entail.

- 1. Responsibility to the public.** Licensed practical nurses, as self-regulating professionals, must commit to providing safe, effective, compassionate and ethical care to members of the public.
- 2. Responsibility to clients.** Nurses must provide safe and competent care for their patients.
- 3. Responsibility to the profession.** Licensed practical nurses must commit to their profession and foster the respect and trust of their healthcare colleagues and communities.
- 4. Responsibility to colleagues.** Nurses must develop and maintain positive, collaborative

relationships with nursing colleagues and other health professionals.

- 5. Responsibility to oneself.** Licensed practical nurses must take care of themselves, recognizing and functioning within their personal and professional competence and value systems.

This year, the theme of National Nursing Week is *Our Nurses. Our Future*. The theme speaks to the many roles played by nurses in a patient's healthcare journey. Take the time to write a thank-you note to a nurse who has made a difference in your life or the life of someone you love.



Thank You to Nurses Across Saskatchewan

National Nursing Week is an opportunity to celebrate the many contributions nurses make across our health care system. Every day, nurses deliver high quality care and are making a difference to Saskatchewan patients.

The Government of Saskatchewan recognizes the unwavering dedication and commitment of nearly 18,000 nurses working across the province on the front lines of health care.

Saskatchewan is fortunate to have highly trained, compassionate, and dedicated nurses in our province. We are grateful for our registered nurses, registered psychiatric nurses, licensed practical nurses and nurse practitioners. **Thank you for the difference you make in the lives of your patients and in your communities.**

We have heard the call for additional staffing and resources to meet patient care needs. Building capacity within our health care system, and strengthening our current and future health care workforce are top priorities for the provincial government.

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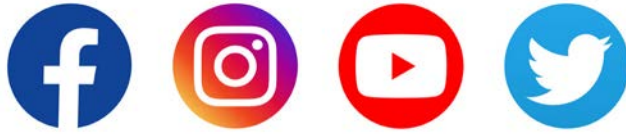


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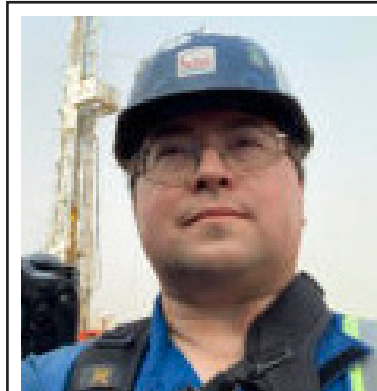


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## Cameco's Westinghouse announces 300 megawatt small modular reactor design



Interior of Westinghouse AP300 small modular reactor. Screen capture/YouTube Westinghouse

Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania – Westinghouse, which is now 49 per cent owned by Saskatchewan-based Cameco, announced its major entry into the small modular reactor (SMR) race.

On May 4, Westinghouse announced its AP300 small modular reactor, which will have a 300 megawatt (electricity), or MWe output, which puts it on par with the General Electric Hitachi BWRX-300 model that is starting to see substantial adoption around the world (including SaskPower).

Westinghouse and General Electric, between them, have designed and built most of the reactors in the United States, as well as for the United States Navy's submarine and surface fleets.

The AP300 is based on the AP1000 reactor. "The AP300 is the only SMR truly based on a deployed, operating and advanced nuclear plant, the Westinghouse AP1000® reactor," Westinghouse said.

Currently, four units utilizing AP1000 technology are operating in China, setting performance records, Westinghouse said. Six more are under construction in China and one AP1000 reactor is operating at Plant Vogtle in Georgia while a second nears completion.

Poland is also looking at building up to six AP1000 units, and Ukraine is looking at nine. Westinghouse said there are "dozens pending."

"The AP300 SMR, 300MWe (900MWth – megawatts thermal), is based on the licensed and operating AP1000 pressurized light water technology that has demonstrated industry leading reliability," according to Westinghouse. "The AP 300 SMR utilizes identical technology, including design and licensing methodologies, major equipment and components passive safety systems, proven fuel and supply chain.

The AP300 SMR design utilizes Westinghouse's proven Gen III+ advanced technology, which has regu-

latory approval in the U.S., Great Britain and China, as well as compliance with European Utility Requirements (EUR) standards for nuclear power plants. This brings licensing advantages and substantially reduces delivery risk for customers in the utility, oil & gas and industrial space. Design certification is anticipated by 2027, followed by site specific licensing and construction on the first unit toward the end of the decade.

"The AP300 is the only small modular reactor offering available that is based on deployed, operating and advanced reactor technology," said Patrick Fragman, president and CEO of Westinghouse. "The launch of the AP300 SMR rounds out the Westinghouse portfolio of reactor technology, allowing us to deliver on the full needs of our customers globally, with a clear line of sight on schedule of delivery, and economics."

The release noted, "The AP300 SMR offers reliable, safe and clean electricity, as well as additional applications for district heating and water desalination. Its fast load-follow capabilities make it ideally suited for integration with renewable resources. It will also pave the way toward the hydrogen economy by enabling cost-effective, clean production of hydrogen integrated with the plant."

World Nuclear News reported, "In a press conference following the announcement, Westinghouse also said the footprint of the AP300 would be about 25 per cent of the area of a football (soccer) pitch, with a target cost per unit of \$US1 billion."

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# East Sounding Creek 4H News

BY COLEMAN NORRIS  
4-H REPORTER

Breaking! Breaking!  
Sorry for my absence of articles this winter and to my loyal followers. Even you, Carol out in Linden Alberta. This winter is one to remember. I know you haven't heard from me since November, but it's not from a lack of activities from the 4H club.

The month of December was a harsh one. There were many days that we couldn't get out of the yard, so you guessed it - we had a lot of snow days. Do you know what a 4H kid does on a snow day? Well it's not playing video games all day. We walk to the barn when it's -40 to make sure the animals are fed and have water to drink so a lot of chopping water and this year a lot of shoveling snow so the animals could get to their feed.

Christmas holidays were full of fun from our club going on a sleigh ride and caroling around town to halter breaking steers. Tugging, pulling just to try to get these big donkeys moving. A Lot of hollering "don't let go" by all of our Dads as we get pummelled into the snow bank but eventual-

ly they calmed down and realized we're just there to love and care for them. All this halter breaking is done early because a large majority of our club took part in taking their steer and heifer projects into the Oyen Crossroads Center to compete in the Beef Expo which was held on Feb 19.


January was full of joy for we were at the task of writing our 4H speeches. Our club joined together with knees a knockin and hands a shaken on January 30 for our annual public speakoffs. Two from each group moved on to Districts and then from there 3 extraordinary members Olivia Mundt Sr, Dylan Woods Int, Camrie Norris Jr, moved on to represent at Regionals on March 26, I'm telling you to make it that far is very impressive and those kids should be very proud of themselves.

Our District Key Member Cash Norris, put on an epic curling tournament on March 13 for all the District 4 H clubs to get together and have some fun. A lot of our members participated and they were not disappointed.

Mock Achievement was held on April 11, the

morning was spent on district judging, and afternoon was spent learning some showmanship and clipping with our steers and heifer projects. Thank You to Jaren Letniak for providing us with a clipping demonstration. After getting our steers all shined up at the Mock Achievement day we were ready for pictures which was held at the Westerlund ranch on April 30. You can be on the lookout in the following weeks for our District catalog where you will see all our hard work on display. Coming up on May 15 the Carcass club will be finishing off their project. They will gather at the Crossroads where they will do a live evaluation of everyone's calves. The calves will then be transported to Provost to Bouma meats where in a couple weeks the kids will get to see the carcass animals hanging and will find out from a professional meat grader who is the Grand Champion Carcass. Where I will be reporting live as these kids anxiously await the final results. This is Coleman Norris saying "do yourself a favor and put some beef on your plate!!"





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Darran Dick  
Development Officer



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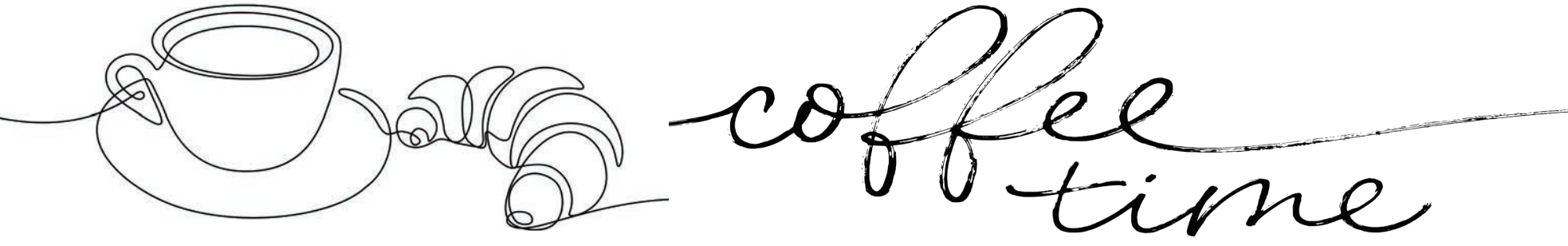
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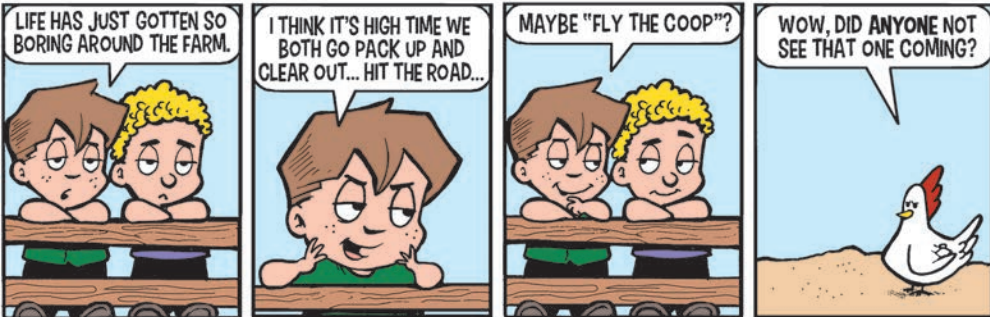
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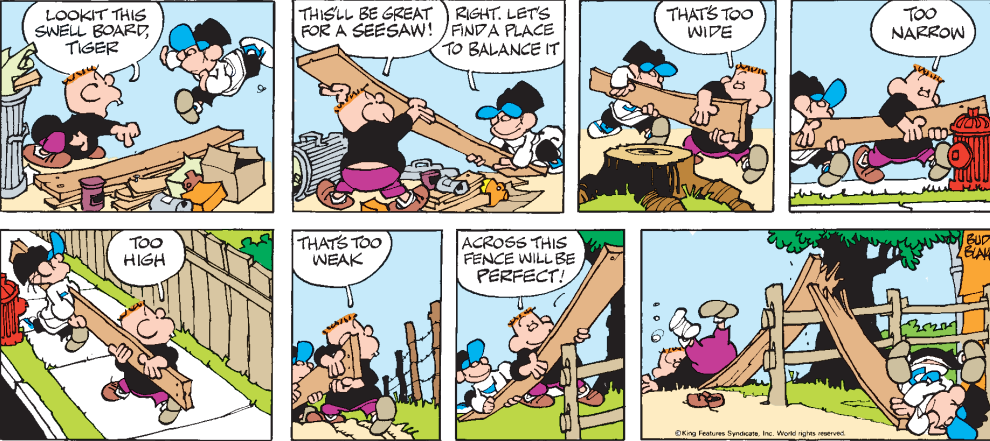
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by Dave T. Phipps



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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
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### HOCUS-FOCUS

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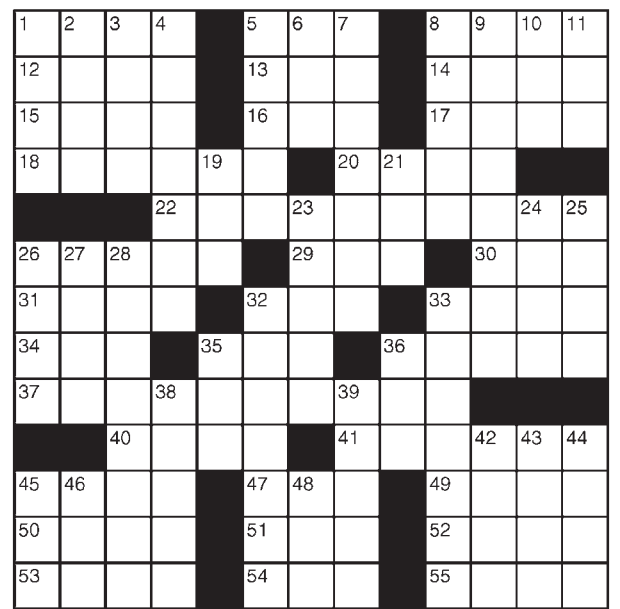
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Differences: 1. Squirrel is missing. 2. Pocket is missing. 3. Arms are moved. 4. Board is missing. 5. Slide brace is missing. 6. Skirt is different.

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## King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Cuts off
  - 5 Cookout, briefly
  - 8 Gridlock sound
  - 12 Jacob's brother
  - 13 Actress Lucy
  - 14 In - land
  - 15 Goatee's spot
  - 16 Here (Fr.)
  - 17 Saharan
  - 18 Submit
  - 20 Give temporarily
  - 22 Blue blood
  - 26 Tour vehicles
  - 29 Toe count
  - 30 Actress Hagen
  - 31 Sciences' partner
  - 32 Auction signal
  - 33 Urban haze
  - 34 Vitamin stat
  - 35 Architect I.M. -
  - 36 Stinging insects
  - 37 Administrative worker
  - 40 Lean to one side
  - 41 Redacted
  - 45 Poker variety
  - 47 - Victor
  - 49 Art Deco master
  - 50 Carton sealer



- DOWN**
- 1 Nobelist
  - 2 Job-safety org.
  - 3 Ache
  - 4 Ice cream parlor orders
  - 5 Russian pancakes
  - 6 Pen name
  - 7 Took part in a bee
  - 8 Mel of many voices
  - 9 Hearing aids?
  - 10 Inventor Whitney
  - 11 Knee protector
  - 19 1040 org.
  - 21 Many millenia
  - 23 Unemotional
  - 24 Perched on
  - 25 Labels
  - 26 Biting remark
  - 27 Pakistani
  - 28 New companies
  - 32 Uncharged particle
  - 33 Full feeling
  - 35 Crony
  - 36 Bankroll
  - 38 Duck down
  - 39 Kingdom
  - 42 Loyal
  - 43 Sicilian spouter
  - 44 Beloved
  - 45 R-V link
  - 46 Prof's helpers
  - 48 Spy org.

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 25 mins.

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states border Canada?
2. THEATER: The musical "My Fair Lady" is based on which play?
3. SCIENCE: Who was the first person to win Nobel prizes in two different sciences?
4. MOVIES: Which 1997 movie featured a character named Jack Dawson?
5. TELEVISION: What is the name of Ross's pet monkey in "Friends"?
6. LANGUAGE: How many languages exist worldwide?
7. FOOD & DRINK: Which country produces Manchego cheese?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many track and field events are in a decathlon?
9. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president had the most children?
10. MUSIC: What is the title of Britney Spears' first album?

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Trivia Test Answers: 1. 13; 2. "Pygmalion," by George Bernard Shaw; 3. Marie Curie, physics and chemistry; 4. "Titanic"; 5. Marcel; 6. More than 7,000; 7. Spain; 8. 10; 9. John Tyler, who fathered 15 children; 10. "...Baby One More Time."



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**OBITUARIES**



**1923 ~ Jacob Schiebelbein ~ 2023**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of Jacob “Jack” Schiebelbein on April 30, 2023 in his 101st year. He was predeceased by his wife, Paula; his infant son, Joseph and numerous brother, sisters and in-laws. He is survived by his children, Vern (Barb) Schiebelbein of Medicine Hat AB,

Bernadette (Barry) Stubbington of Edmonton AB, Gerri Olfert (the late Bert) of Saskatoon SK, Marian (Randy) Chotowetz of Midland ON, Joan (Wayne) Sieben of Lacombe AB, Maynard (Debbie) Schiebelbein of Medicine Hat, AB; grandchildren, Jesse, Stacey, Alicia, Candace, Karli, Blake, Brett, Christie, Aaron, Lisa, Julia, Stephanie, Amy, Rebecca, Sarah, Nicholas, Samantha, Dylan, Renee, Michele, Stephanie; and 31 great grandchildren; one great great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews. Brother, Con Schiebelbein; sister, Julianna (Don) Harlock; In-laws, Jovita Schiebelbein, Gabrielle Schiebelbein and Connie Sheen.

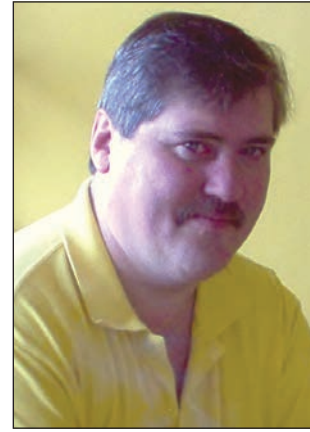
Jack’s family was delighted that they could celebrate his 100th birthday with him on February 18, 2023. Each member wrote a special memory of him which was put in a book for Jack to enjoy on his own time. Of course there was much singing and loud laughter. Jack’s life journey began in 1923 as one of 15 children being raised on a farm in the St. Donatus District of Saskatchewan. The Schiebelbein’s were a lively, loud bunch and Jack told many tale’s of life on the farm. Speaking of loud, Jack had a booming voice, and he could often be heard singing over the noise of the tractor when he was many kilometres away! Jack loved to tell the tales of walking to school during a snow storm, all up hill with binder twine around his feet instead of shoes. Don’t know if the stories were true or not but they were entertaining. He worked on and off in the lumber camps in northern Ontario and many, many more stories came out of that time. He was particularly proud of being the lumber camp arm wrestling champ. Jack married Paula Rolheiser in 1947 and in 1951, they settled near Major, Saskatchewan to farm and raise six children. His contributions to the Major community were numerous such as, helping to fundraise and build the rink, the church and the community hall. He was very proud of being able to

donate blood multiple, multiple times and always voted. He was especially involved in the Knights of Columbus and curling. Speaking of the K of C, he always told a story about riding a goat at the meetings (not sure what it meant) and what happened at curling bonspiels stayed at curling bonspiels. Jack was affectionately known as “Joker Jack”. One can only imagine the shenanigans that earned him the name. When he was particularly goofy, Polly would smile her little smile and say “Na, Jack!” Jack took great joy in his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He attended all of the school functions and sporting events. Every generation can remember the hours spent playing cards where Jack made silly faces while contemplating his next move. Some of us still do that! All of his grandkids fondly remember him taking out his false teeth and giving them his gummy smile. His face really lit up when the littlest ones came to visit and he would hold them for hours. In 1989 Jack and Polly “retired” to Kindersley where he especially enjoyed fishing and taking walks with Polly by the river. Of course, his social and community life was as active in Kindersley as it was in Major. Jack’s laugh could often be heard over the crowd. His curling skills helped him to excel in bowling. He loved the Kindersley sports teams and was very proud of the many events that went on in Kindersley. Always being active, he enjoyed being able to walk everywhere whether he lived on O’Connor Cres. or on the Main Street.

He ended his time in Kindersley living in Caleb Village and after Polly passed away in 2020, he moved to Rivera Meadowlands in Medicine Hat, Alberta. While at Caleb, Polly was moved to the Heritage Manor and Dad rarely missed a day visiting her. They were married for 73 years and his devotion to Polly was inspiring. Jack continued his social activities at both retirement homes and was delighted to have a new audience at Meadowlands to laugh at his jokes and stories. He continued his love of sports which he avidly watched on TV. Jack’s life was one of hard work, devotion to family, church and community. That’s just the way he was. And he did it all with a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye!

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church 600 4th Ave, W, Kindersley, Sask. In lieu of flowers donations would be greatly appreciated to be made to The Mustard Seed [www.the.seed.ca](http://www.the.seed.ca). Condolences may be sent to [condolences@saamis.com](mailto:condolences@saamis.com) subject heading Jacob Schiebelbein.

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**NEUDORF** - It is with the saddest of hearts that we announce that our brother, Ronald A. Neudorf passed away on May 1, 2023.

Ron leaves to mourn him, his wife Carla Neudorf, his children: Christina Neudorf, Kevin Neudorf, Matthew Neudorf, RonCarl Neudorf, and Jhacob Neudorf, siblings: Mildred (John) Dyck, Elaine Weenk, Wayne (Brenda) Neudorf, Carol Pilon, Clint (Brenda) Neudorf, Colin (Kim) Neudorf, Donna MacEwen, Jean Neudorf, Darrell (Andi) Neudorf, and Stephen (Marj) Neudorf. Ron was predeceased by his parents Abram and Maria Neudorf, his brother Ken Neudorf, two brothers-in-law: Ronald Weenk, and Lar-

ry Pilon, and his nephew Todd Oliver.

Ron was born on December 15, 1959, and raised on the family farm in Asquith Saskatchewan, where he attended school from grades 1-12. After school, Ron went on in life to become a machinist, owned his own business in Edmonton Alberta, where he lived most of his adult life. Ron always enjoyed the outdoors and for the past 15 years he lived in Glidden, SK. He loved bonfires, steaks on the BBQ, with music playing in the background and a cold beer in hand. He played a mean guitar, and sang songs, some that would make you laugh, and others that would make you cry. Ron was a very talented, compassionate, and caring man who also wrote poetry in his younger years, poetry that could touch your heart. He will be greatly missed by all who know him.

There will be a Celebration of Life at a later date.

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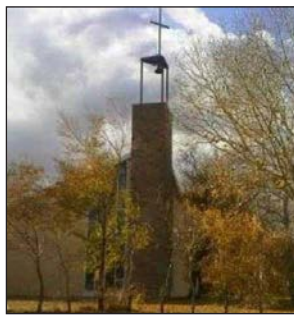
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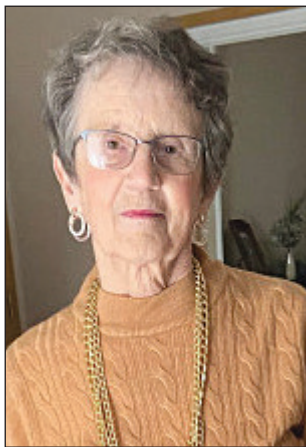
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## OBITUARIES



**LACKNER - Marie Angela Jean (Gouda) Lackner** passed away at the Kindersley Union Hospital after a courageous battle with cancer, on April 22, 2023.

Marie was born in Shellbrook, Sask. on March 16, 1945 to Rene

and Ellenora Gouda. Her early school years were in Shellbrook, and she attended the U of S where she obtained her teaching degree. After which she started teaching in Glaslyn, Melfort, and then moved to Kindersley where she began teaching at Westberry School for 28 years. She always loved teaching little children. She hoped that the children liked her as much as she liked them.

Marie met the love of her life, Edward Lackner, and they were married in Shellbrook on March 14, 1970, recently celebrating 53 wonderful years of marriage.

Marie's favourite hobbies were gardening, painting, housekeeping and of course sewing. She made many quilts, giving them to cancer survivors and friends. Her highlight was when Choc'lacure (fundraiser for cancer research) in Saskatoon accepted one of her quilts for their silent auction. She also donated 26 children's quilts to Ronald McDonald House.

Marie loved her family very much; having brothers, sisters and caring parents was wonderful to her. She was privileged to have many friends, teachers and neighbours. Living in a condo was her

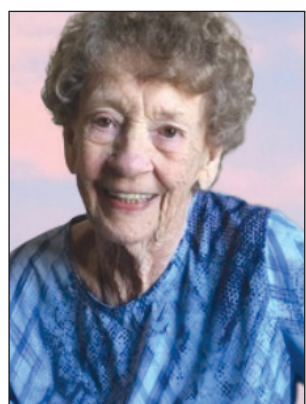
ultimate wish.

Marie also volunteered at St. Paul's United Church for many years.

Marie was survived by her husband Ed, step daughter Brenda (Rob) Chomyn, grandchildren Michael (Anahi), Kristin and great grandchildren McKenna and Johan; sisters Norma, Brenda and brother Gord.

A memorial service was held on April 28, 2023 at the Kindersley United Church by Rev. Piotr Strzelecki. Internment will take place in Shellbrook at a later date.

We will miss you Marie, RIP.



**Reatha Velma Hanson**  
March 11, 1934  
to April 27, 2023

Reatha Velma Hanson (Herron) was born to Bob and Myrtle Herron on March 11, 1934 and passed away on April 27, 2023 at the age of 89.

She was raised in the New Bridgen area with her siblings Melvin, Darleen and Kathleen and continued to make her home there when she married Roald Hanson in October, 1953. They raised their family there while she helped on the family farm and also drove school bus for many years. She was an active member of the New Bridgen Commu-

nity, an avid curler and many get togethers with music and/or food was held at their home with neighbours and friends.

She later moved to Calgary where she worked for Nova until her retirement in 2000. She spent many summers in her trailer at Gull Lake with her family and spent her later years at the Oyen Lodge.

Reatha passed away peacefully with her family at her side.

She was blessed with 5 children; Kathy (Hoppy), Brian, Jerry (Michelle), Coleen (Don) and Carol (Jim); eight grandchildren, Luke (Michelle), Velvet, Loni (Willi), Lorell (Kris), Cory (Nicole), Darcy (Jamie), Shelby (Jory), Candra; nine great grandchildren, Jordan, Breanna, Daxton, Logan, Halen, Jaxson, Connor, Kendall and Aubree.

Reatha had many nieces, nephews and friends that became her family in each of the places she lived and they

all will remember her fondly.

She was predeceased by her son Brian, her parents Bob and Myrtle and other family members.

Memorial tributes may be directed to New Bridgen Community Association Box 43 New Bridgen, AB T0J 2G0 or etransfer newbrigden@gmail.com; or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Celebration of life will be held Friday May 5th, 2023 at 2 p.m. at the Sedalia Community Hall.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

Submit your upcoming event to:  
**Kate Winquist**  
[events@yourwestcentral.com](mailto:events@yourwestcentral.com)

Deadline for submissions is **Thursday at noon.**  
**306-463-2211**

**ALSASK SATURDAY, JUNE 10**  
 • Alsask Life-Size Foosball 3:00 PM - 2:00 AM at the Alsask Recreation Centre. 6 players to a team \$90 entry fee. Fun event involving very little skill! Call or text Sara Wilke 306-460-4303 to enter your team. Food provided by Herbal Twist Beer Gardens on site.

**BURSTALL SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
 • Motorcycle Poker Rally. For more information contact Darrell Fitterer 306-679-7147.

**D'ARCY THURSDAY, MAY 11**  
 • D'Arcy Elementary School's annual Mother's Day Tea at 1:30 PM. The students always love to have a captive audience!

**EATONIA TUESDAYS, MAY 9, 16, 30, JUNE 6, 13**  
 • Eatonia & District Recreation Board "Adult Walking Soccer" 6:30 PM at Eatonia Football Field. Drop-ins.  
**SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
 • Eatonia Chamber of Commerce 27th Annual Community Garage Sales 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Call Eatonia Agencies to register 306-967-2201. Spaces available to rent in arena \$25 registration fee. Food specials around town!  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**  
 • Eatonia Show & Shine 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM on Main Street. Call 306-460-7767 for more info.

**ESTON THURSDAY, MAY 18**  
 • Purple Pansies fundraiser for Pancreatic Cancer pick-up date 2:00 PM at DT's parking lot. Call Lee 306-402-7170 or 306-962-3221. 4-pack for \$6. Pre-Order today!  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 17**  
 • Eston Bull Riding Committee presents 2nd Annual World Professional Bull Riding.

\* Wheatland Centre Potluck Supper fourth Friday of each month 6:00 PM. \$5.00. Bring your own utensils. Coffee & tea provided.  
 \* Wheatland Centre Bingo - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month 7:00 PM. Regular Bingo plus Bonanza, 50/50 Draw. Must be 14 years of age. Call 306-962-7117 (ask for Linda) for more info.  
 \* Adult Recreational Volleyball Monday 7-9 PM at the ECS Gym May through June. \$30 registration.  
 \* Adult Recreational Slo-Pitch Sunday at 7 PM Reaburn Field May 7 - August 6. \$50 registration.

**FLAXCOMBE SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
 • Flaxcombe Community Club's Garage Sale & BBQ 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM at the Flaxcombe Community Hall. Burger & Drink \$7.50. Hot Dog & Drink \$5.00.

**HOOSIER SUNDAY SERVICE**  
 • Hoosier Community Church 10:30 am at the Community Hall. Contact Joel Hamm 306-460-7056 or Curtis Kornelson

306-460-7327.

**KERROBERT WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 24**  
 • Kerrobert Spring Clean-Up (bagged leaves and small branches. ) Call 834-2361 for more info.  
**SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
 • Kerrobert Minor Ball Day at the Fairgrounds. Contact Tina 306-834-7617.  
 • Town Wide Garage Sale hosted by the Kerrobert Seniors Club

**SUNDAY, MAY 28**  
 • 4H Achievement Day at the Kerrobert Fairgrounds.  
 • Kerrobert Rec Ball begins (every Sunday). Contact Garret 306-834-8332 to put in a team.  
**FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JUNE 2 & 3**  
 • Prairieland Players Dinner Theatre at the PCC  
**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 & 7**  
 • Kerrobert & District 4H Show & Sale  
**FRIDAY, JULY 28**  
 • Kerrobert Kinsmen Gumball Rally & Show & Shine. Cool cars, live music, food & drinks and more!

**KINDERSLEY TUESDAY, MAY 9**  
 • Lego Club at the Kindersley Library. Ages 8-14 3:45-4:45 PM. Every Tuesday until May 30. Lego is provided. Contact Michelle Yates at 306-463-4141 or email: kindersley.library@wheatland.sk.ca for more info.  
 • Prairie Crocus Quilt Guild meet 2nd Tuesday of the month September to May at the Pensioner's Hall (3rd Ave. E.) 7:00 pm. Contact Donna 306-463-4785 for more info.  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 10**  
 • AWANA Boys and Girls Club 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm at the Kindersley Alliance Church, 74 West Rd. Stories, Songs, Games and Learning about God's Word! For everyone in grade K-6. Call 306-463-6568 or email: kacoffice7@gmail.com  
 • PickleBall is at the outdoor court next to the West Central Events Centre every Monday & Wednesday 6:30 PM. \$50 per season or \$5 drop in. More info call 306-460-8356.

**THURSDAY, MAY 11**  
 • Adult Volleyball 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Kindersley Composite School, 606 3 St E. Adults of all ages are welcome, and there is a fee of \$20 to pay for the season which will run all fall and winter long. Contact Doug Longtin (306) 463-8448.  
 \* Dart Night every Thursday at the Royal Canadian Legion from until May 25 at 7:00 PM. Contact Devin Brown for more info 306-378-1206. No charge!  
**FRIDAY, MAY 12 & SATURDAY, MAY 13**  
 • Kindersley Players Dinner Theatre "The Foursome" at the NRCC. Tickets available at Labelle Boutique.

**SATURDAY, MAY 13**  
 • The Town of Kindersley is partnering with the Kindersley RCMP for a BIKE Rodeo! 1:00-4:00 PM at the West Central Events Centre. Rain or shine. An afternoon of learning & fun! Questions? Please email communications@kindersley.ca or bylaw@kindersley.ca  
**MONDAY, MAY 15**  
 • Monday Night Jam Sessions at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre. Doors open at 6:30 to set-up, then the fun begins at 7-11 PM. Call Keith 306-460-8633.

**Interested in a support group for weight management?** TOPS meetings; every Monday at 6:00 PM in the Kindersley Senior Centre OR contact Jill at 306-463-4210.  
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**THURSDAY, MAY 25**  
 • Kindersley Legion Branch #57 Pig Roast Supper 5:30 PM Cocktails. 6:30 PM Meal. \$25 / ticket. Limited number available. Call 306-378-1206.  
**SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
 • Kindersley Screen Arts presents "The Whale" 4:00 PM at Sunset Theatre. \$10 at the door.

**LEADER SATURDAY, MAY 13**  
 • Luseland's Town Wide Garage Sale. To book your table for \$20, pick up a form at Daisy's or contact Krystal 306-604-9249.  
**MONDAY, MAY 29**  
 • Soup & Bun Luncheon 11:30-1:00 at the Leader Friendship Centre. \$8 (includes bowl of soup, bun, juice, coffee & dessert).  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 10**  
 • Annual Community Garage Sales brought to you by Leader Tourism 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Maps can be picked up at the Leader Tourist Booth on that day.  
 • Leader & District Chamber of Commerce is holding their Sandhills Credit Union Marketplace Kick-Off from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Live music, food vendors.

**LIEBENTHAL SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29**  
 • 2nd Annual Bavarian German Supper at the Liebenthal Hall. Advance tickets only. Adults \$20. Under 12 - \$10. Call Cheryl 306-662-7368, Joan 306-661-8075, Gerald 306-628-7677.

**LUSELAND SATURDAY, MAY 13**  
 • Town Wide Garage Sales, plus garage sale tables at the Homecoming Hall. Burgers at the Legion 10:30-1:30; Mother's Day drinks at Bell Acres Golf Course 12-4; Coffee Break & Cookies at Luseland Museum 10-2; Pie & Coffee at Pioneer Club.

**MAJOR SATURDAY, JUNE 10**  
 • Community BBQ



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