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# Wishing Richard Anderson a happy retirement

**BY JOAN JANZEN** 

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Management and staff of Kerrobert Paint & Body invited visitors to wish Richard Anderson and his wife Vicki a happy retirement on Thursday afternoon, November 16th. A steady stream of people came to say hello (or goodbye) and enjoy refreshments, treats and some good company with friends.

Lorin Halter, the new manager, was also present to greet his patrons, but it was really Richard who everyone came to see. Some came bearing cards and the occasional gift, including two lottery tickets, which he shared with Vicki. "They might make me real happy," he chuckled.

Richard chatted with his guests while sitting around the company coffee table. "I started working here after school when I was 15," he reminisced. It all began when his dad purchased a vehicle that needed to be painted. The then-owner of Kerrobert Paint & Body offered to paint the car for \$35.00 if it was sanded. So Richard's dad recruited him to help sand the vehicle, and now you know the rest of the story.

Richard took a couple of people on a tour of the building, where he had spent 49 happy years. He showed them a spacious office with natural light beaming down from skylights. Now that Lorin took over the office, all of Richard's Ducks Unlimited decor had been replaced with Edmonton Oilers parapher-

"I loved it here. I always enjoyed coming to work," Richard said. "This was my heart and soul. I wouldn't have wanted to do anything else."

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During his last year at the office, Lorin



The newly retired couple will be taking care of grandkids for a few weeks and plan to head south later in January and February. They also have a cruise booked mid-year in 2024.

Although he doesn't have any immediate plans, it wouldn't be surprising if the newly retired Richard becomes semi-retired in the future. "I've dealt with the public all my life," he said. And it's obvious he enjoyed every min-



Lorin Halter, new manager of Kerrobert Paint & Body, invited visitors to wish Richard Anderson a happy retirement after 49 years of serving customers in Kerrobert and surrounding area. PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN





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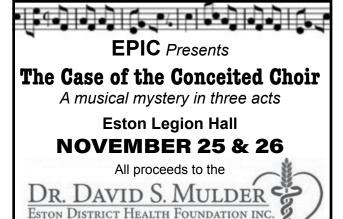
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# **Government Introduces Carbon Tax Fairness for Families Act**

Removing Carbon Tax from SaskEnergy bills will save families \$400 in 2024

On Friday, Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Dustin Duncan introduced The SaskEnergy (Carbon Tax Fairness for Families) Amendment Act to protect Saskatchewan families from the unfair and unaffordable federal carbon tax.

On October 30, Premier Scott Moe announced that SaskEnergy will stop collecting the carbon tax on January 1, 2024, in response to the federal government's decision to stop charging the carbon tax on home heating oil, which primarily benefits families in Atlantic Canada. Moe said the federal government should extend the exemption to all forms of home heating, but if they refused to do that, the province would stop collecting the carbon tax on SaskEnergy bills.

The removal of the federal carbon tax from SaskEnergy bills, effective January 1, 2024, will save the average Saskatchewan family approximately \$400 in 2024.

"Our government is taking the necessary steps to protect Saskatchewan families' ability to afford to heat their homes this winter by removing the federal carbon tax from the natural gas bills of residential customers," Duncan said. "This legislation will give our government, and me as Minister, the sole authority and responsibility for decisions regarding the collection and remittance of the federal carbon tax on SaskEnergy bills while also providing protection for SaskEnergy employees and board members."

The bill amends The SaskEnergy Act to designate the Crown as the sole registered distributor of natural gas in Saskatchewan, and invests all powers, rights, authorities, responsibilities and obligations for the purposes of Part 1 of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada), to the Government of Saskatchewan. These authorities include providing the Minister with the sole decision-making authority to pay, or withhold payment, of any charge, tax, levy, remittance or other payment required by Part 1 of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada).

Under this legislation, the Crown will indemnify SaskEnergy and all current and former directors, officers, employees, agents, members, affiliates, and other representatives from all damages, costs, charges and expenses, including legal fees, that the corporation or individual incurs with respect to any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other matter in which the corporation or individual is implicated in relation to the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada).

"We still believe the federal government should remove the carbon tax on everything for everyone," Duncan said. "But until that happens, our government will ensure fairness for Saskatchewan families by taking the carbon tax off their SaskEnergy bills."

A petition is available, calling upon the Government of Canada to immediately remove the carbon tax from all home heating costs across Canada to reduce inflation and drive down the rising cost of living faced by all Canadians coast to coast. To obtain a copy of the petition, contact your local MLA.

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# **Eatonia welcomes resident minister**

**BY JOAN JANZEN** 

The congregation at Eatonia-Mantario United Church recently welcomed Rev. Dr. Peter Kugba-Nyande as their resident minister. A meet and greet was held on November 5th, prior to the worship service, when local residents welcomed their resident minister, who has been hired in a half-time capacity. After six years without a minister, everyone was excited to meet Rev. Peter.

"With over three and a half decades of experience in congregational ministry, I am thrilled to become a part of the Eatonia-Mantario faith community," Rev. Peter said. "I have a unique ability to connect with individuals of all ages and enjoy leading book and Bible studies, as well as singing." He and his wife Jinah have three daughters and one son, as well as seven grandchildren.

He was born and raised in Sierra Leone, a country in West Africa. Over the years, he has served three pastoral charges in Ontario and two in Alberta. His appointments in Alberta included Sunnybrook United Church in Red Deer and Trinity United Church in Cold

His theological education began



The Eatonia-Mantario United Church recently welcomed Rev. Dr. Peter Kuga-Nyande as their new resident minister. SUBMITTED

with an Advanced Diploma in Theology and ordination by the British Methodist Church in 1986. He also pursued further academic and professional growth through various leadership courses in Africa, Canada, and the USA.

"In 1995, I was honoured to receive an invitation from the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary to complete my Master of Theology in Christian Education and a Doctor of Ministry in Liberation Theology," he explained.

Following his studies, he returned to Sierra Leone in 1998, where he was appointed the Acting Secretary of the Methodist Church Conference and Coordinator of Peace and Civic Education. Eventually, he assumed the Director of the Methodist Training Centre role, responsible for training lay preachers and serving as a Trainer-of-Trainers in Leadership Devel-

In 2000, he was invited to Canada to study Community-Based Development. "Unfortunately, due to the ongoing civil war in my home country, I was unable to return safely. Instead, I applied to serve as ministry personnel," he said. In 2005 he was admitted to the then Toronto Conference in Ontario.

His extensive qualifications also include a Certificate in Intentional Interim Ministry from the Ministry Network in the USA and Canada. Rev. Peter describes his preaching style as firmly rooted in biblical principles which will resonate with the everyday lives of the congregation. He goes on to describe himself as personable, self-motivated and a visionary with a strong commitment to achieving ministry-related goals.

"I place foremost importance on the participation of all team members to reach a collective goal. I am now excited to begin my ministry in Saskatchewan," Rev. Peter said.

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### **Luseland students enjoy breakfast at school**

**BY JOAN JANZEN** 

The Luseland School has been providing a nutritious breakfast for their students since the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year. The new program was made possible after the school received a \$15,000.00 Mosaic grant. They were one of ten schools who received the funding.

Seven individuals formed a Mosaic Committee, initiating plans on how to use the money and move their school's nutrition programs forward. "Mrs. Gourlie took the lead in getting the breakfast and hot lunch programs started this year with support and help from the committee," explained Katherine Starling, from Luseland School.

A free hot lunch is served once a month, with a changing menu, while the breakfast menu consistently offers either toast, yogurt, cereal, and fruit, apple sauce and granola bars offered throughout the week.

A combination of community members, parents



and staff volunteers run the breakfast program. In addition, the staff at the Luseland Credit Union volunteer to work three shifts each week.

Lindsay and Stephan Dewald donated a fridge to be used, and donations of money or supplies are always welcome. Anyone interested in volunteering in either November, December or January can call the school for further details.



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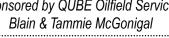
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Great Plains CEA Brad Mahon (far left) was on hand to give out scholarships to a pair of students at the Kindersley campus earlier this year. PHOTO COURTESY OF AMY MASSE.

# Great Plains College awards over \$104,000 at fall scholarship receptions

**SWIFT CURRENT, SK** – Great Plains College is pleased to announce that \$104,250 in Entrance Scholarships was provided to 102 deserving students this fall.

"Making the choice to continue your education is a big decision and we understand many students weigh the cost of the program heavily before deciding to take that step," said Bryce Martin, donor services coordinator at Great Plains College. "Receiving financial support through the form of a scholarship creates new possibilities, removes barriers and ultimately offers a pathway to education that may not have otherwise been possible. Handing out these scholarships and awards is a highlight of the academic year at Great Plains College."

Highlights from this fall's scholarship and awards distribution include:

- Over \$85,000 awarded to students at the Swift Current Campus
- More than \$18,000 awarded to students at the Maple Creek, Martensville, Kindersley and

Warman Campuses

- \$10,000 in International Student Awards was distributed to second-year diploma students at the Swift Current and Warman Campuses
- 11 Adult Basic Education Persistence Awards will be presented to students in Kindersley, Martensville, Maple Creek and Swift Current throughout November, including three Living Sky Casino Indigenous Adult Basic Education awards

Additional scholarships will be awarded in the winter semester to an estimated 27 students, providing an additional \$31,250 in scholarships this academic year.

"As National Philanthropy Day approaches on November 15, we want to send an extra 'tip of the hat' to our many generous donors whose continued support allows us to provide a robust scholarship program that supports so many of our students. Without their generosity, none of this would be possible," added Martin.

The college boasts one of the most competitive scholarship programs among regional colleges in the province. Since 2009, nearly \$2.5 million has been distributed to students. To see the full list of 2022-23 donors and sponsors, please visit greatplainscollege.ca/thanks

Applications for the 2024-25 academic year are

being accepted, and students are automatically considered for an Entrance Scholarship of \$500-\$5,000 when they apply to a full-time student loan-eligible program before the April 30, 2024 scholarship deadline (for September-entry programs). Grade 11 students with at least a 70 per cent average are also eligible for an additional Early Entrance Award of \$1,000 when they apply to any full-time student loan-eligible program before June 30, 2024.

More information on Great Plains College's program, scholarship deadlines and other awards can be found at greatplainscollege.ca/ scholarships. interested in supporting students through the Entrance Scholarship program at Great Plains College can visit greatplainscollege.ca/donate or reach out to Bryce Martin at development@ greatplainscollege.ca.



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**Mosab Hassan Yousef** 

# One man's unique perspective

### **BY JOAN JANZEN**

Everyone sees things from their own unique perspective. For example, an elderly Alzheimer's patient said, "It's wonderful. I'm making new friends ev-

During the past month or so, Mosab Hassan Yousef has been sharing his perspective of being raised in Palestine. He is the eldest son of one of the founders of Hamas, and worked alongside his father. He eventually parted ways with Hamas, and is now an American citizen residing in an undisclosed location in order to maintain his safety.

While being interviewed by Piers Morgan, Mosab said as a child, he asked his father about the brutality and abuse of power, but his answers didn't satisfy him. "He justified their position," he

As a young man, Mosab was incarcerated for 27 months in an Israeli prison. "At the time, I told Hamas my agenda for working with Israel was to get revenge. I told them the truth, but they didn't believe me. That was the moment I saw their true face and realized I can be their enemy if I tell them the truth, but it isn't their truth."

While in prison he was brutally tortured by Hamas. When he was released he worked for Israeli internal security service from 1997 to 2007 and was considered a valuable source of preventing many suicide bombings and casualties.

"I learned how to swim against the current," he said. It came at a great personal price, as his father disowned him and vowed not to protect him from physical harm. Nevertheless, he continues to love and honour his parents, no matter what they

believe.

He began to ask himself what would happen to his people if Hamas were to become the ruler of Gaza, which they did in 2007. "I wasn't surprised by their brutality," he said, concerning the attack on October 7th.

"They are willing to sacrifice the entire Palestinian people to achieve their ideological agendas.

It's a fact that Israel warns civilians to evacuate buildings before they strike them. In the meantime, Hamas puts up roadblocks to stop civilians from evacuating."

He said it's no secret they want to destroy the state of Israel. "If Hamas is not removed from power, they will build more military, and the next war is going to be deadlier," he advised.

"Your passion is very palpable and very different from the pro-Palestinian voices I've heard," Piers Morgan observed. Mosab offered his passionate

"I don't want someone coming from the other side of the world to tell me what is the struggle of the Palestinian children. I am the legitimate represen-

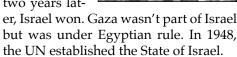
tative of the Palestinian children, who need education, security. They need life. They don't need another corrupt Arab regime."

That concludes the perspective of Mosab, and I'll end by giving a brief history of Israel, for anyone who may be interested. Perspectives change when we are aware of historical facts.

The land of Israel

has been populated by the Jewish people ever since Abraham was called the Father of the Jewish Nation in Biblical accounts. Since then, the Jewish people have continued to live in Israel. There were more or less of them depending on the centuries, but there was never a time when the Jews didn't live in the land.

In 1947 the UN Partition Plan proposed dividing it into two independent states, a Jewish state and Arab state, but the Arabs said no. War broke out between the newly born State of Israel against seven Arab armies; two years lat-



In 1967, the six-day war broke out, and five Arab armies attacked Israel. Israel was successful in defending itself.

Between 1967 and 1988, people moved freely between Gaza and Israel.

Then, acts of violence occurred against Israeli civilians. At that time, in 1987, Hamas was established and initiated many of those atrocities. Israel built a fence to prevent terrorist attacks from Gaza, and construction was completed in 1996.

In 2005, Israel fully withdrew from the Gaza Strip. The IDF oversaw the relocation of over 9,000 Israeli civilians from Gaza in hopes this would lead to peace. In 2006, Hamas won the Palestinian legislative election and forcefully took power in 2007. No elections have been held since.

Gaza was still accessible from both Israel and Egypt. Israel continued to assist with the delivery of humanitarian aid to Gaza through two crossings, which tens of thousands of Gaza people crossed every day on their way to work in Israel.

Mosab wrote a book about his life entitled "The Green Prince", which was later made into a film. It's an interesting read and offers a unique perspective.



busy putting smiles on cookies at Tim Horton's last week for their Holiday Smile Cookie campaign. PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN





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# Pop89: Only Listen

### **BY MADONNA HAMEL**

I'm watching planes take off from the Vancouver airport tarmac as I wonder how I pulled myself away from my brother's cottage on 15 acres of old-growth trees and wild ferns? How did I manage to leave behind a man who has suffered a stroke with all its attendant post-stroke difficulties - seizures, whirlies, dizziness and TIAs? When did we go from children - throwing snowballs, sliding down slopes on inner tubes and slippery snowsuits to teens swimming in lakes to young adults taking foolish risks on mountaintops and in fast cars, exploring the urban and rural wilds of this extremely large country - to here and now. We have become two people in their 60s, forced to accept the sobering reality that we have more years behind us than ahead of us. But it's better than the alternative, we say.

May I dare suggest that we are just beginning? That here is a new life - far richer and keener and replete with lessons too valuable to be dismissed. Watch now, I tell you, dear readers, watch intently and ferociously, as your friends and relations, having suffered sobering hits of mortality, are teaching you something. Import their important bits of wisdom, essential to the sane navigation of these remaining years of life.

Do not turn away. Do not busy yourself with incoming texts. Put down your phone. Put down your pressing engagements. If you cannot bear witness to the unbearable truth, then what was the point of you even being born? Shut up; listen.

On one side of me is a nine-year-old playing a game on her mother's phone, while mom wanders off to find something to eat in a place where an egg sandwich goes for 15.99\$. The fact that the eggs come from "cage-free" chickens does not soften the fact of the ridiculous fee. On the other side of me, a young man, maybe in his late 30s, from India sits down and

introduces himself.

I am happy to chat. I live in a village of ranchers and farmers on the edge of Grasslands National Park. I don't get many chances to speak to people from other parts of the world. (Things are changing, however. As the gateway to a national park, we are beginning to attract people from everywhere, hungry for vast, open and empty spaces of wilderness. The irony of Europeans hungering for the dark sky and the deep silence they colonized a century and a half earlier does not escape some of us. We built a park to honour a colonized space, pretending we left it open and pristine and untouched by the "progress" 19th-century industrialization once revered as the only true way forward.)

The young man from India points at a chocolate shop across from us selling "sustainable" chocolate. The chocolates come individually wrapped and placed in a kind of bento box, then wrapped in another impressive decorated box for deluxe gift-giving. Exactly what part of all this rigamarole is "sustainable"? he asks me. "It's humour like yours that is sustaining," I laugh.

Part of me just can't get too upset about the whole "woke" hypocrisy of "sustainable chocolates." I am exhausted. It has been a long three and a half weeks of watching over my beloved brother, of trying to bear witness to whatever comes up for him. And lots have.

Every morning, I rose early to stoke his wood stove. I learned the art of chopping kindling. Of building a proper fire. I made us morning coffee and listened to him as he faced a new day with a seven-month old reality- the visual "swirling" has not stopped ever since his occipital lobe was compromised.

The best gift we can offer anyone going through the shock of a new overnight reality is to shut up and listen. When that new reality becomes chronic, it is even more imperative that we hear them in their plight. They are forging ahead of us in an unknown territory that is both terrifying and identity-pulverizing. Having a stroke, I realize, is not an ideological or dialectical challenge to "identify." It is an immediate and harsh physical fact. "I am learning from you," I tell my brother



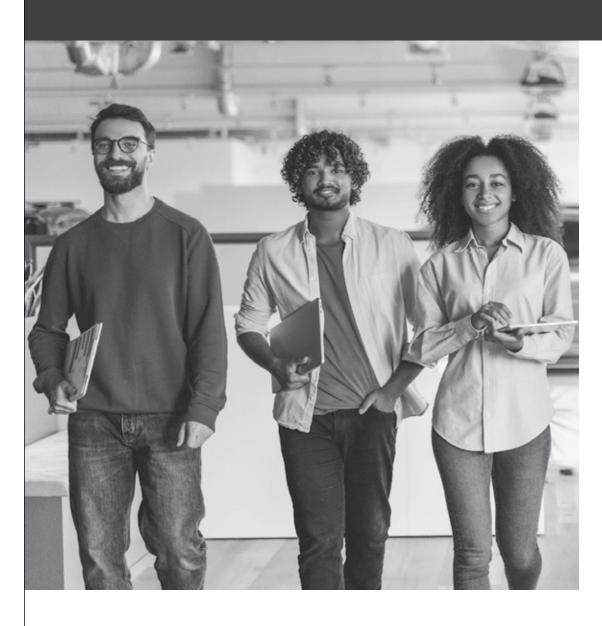
as he attempts to describe what it's like to view the world as a whirling cubist painting presented on 26 planes and seen through a fishbowl. Who among us can maintain any sense of connection in a world so disrupted, so fraught with overwhelm and confusion?

Peering at my email, I see a call for submissions from an art gallery. The gallery "welcomes transgressive works of art that disrupt conventional modes of perception." I want to rant at these people, to howl at their "rebel" delusional posturing. They have no idea what it is like to have the rug of life truly ripped from beneath their feet. To have their literal perceptive powers utterly compromised. Their stance is just more empty conceptual, intellectual posturing, as far as I am concerned. And when the present trend shifts, they will shift too. Meanwhile, their latte liberalism will blind them to the true plight of "the people" they claim to represent but cannot see.

My brother continues to write poetry. He muses lucidly on his latest challenges. I am rocked by the rock-bottom beauty of his words. But he is a white male. A construction worker. A lover of the classics. So, he will have to sit out the latest counter-prejudice against men like him.

And he will. "The world is poorer for its reverse discrimination against anyone who doesn't fit the MO of a broken "woke" world. I tell my new friend, and he gets it. Not every nonwhite voice is better just because it's not white, he says. He believes it will pass. He tells me why. Truth will prevail, he says, explaining how. I am thankful for the young man from India who reminds me the future is bright. If only I listen.

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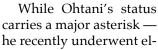
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# Japanese stars cream of free-agent crop

The baseball world knows that the No. 1 free agent during this off-season is the Japanese phenom, Shohei Ohtani, who might be the game's best hitter and its best pitcher. But according to a recent MLB.com story featuring the best free agents available, the No. 2 guy is also a Japanese star — 25-yearold Yoshinobu Yamamoto.





BY BRUCE PENTON Sports Columnist

bow surgery and will be available only to hit during the 2024 season — there are no such concerns about Yamamoto, who is coming off a spectacular two-year run in Japan's Pacific League. The right-hander, projected to be a No. 1 or No. 2 starter with whatever team is lucky enough to land him, has won the Pacific League's MVP award the past two seasons, and also its equivalent of the Cy Young award as best pitcher.

Ohtani slugged an American League-leading 44 home runs in 2023 and posted a 10-5 record as a pitcher with a 3.14 earned-run average and 167 strikeouts in 132 innings. The intriguing aspect to his free agency is the great unknown of his pitching future. If he can be expected to return to form on the mound, and can reliably be counted on for 40-plus home runs, his value is astronomical. If he's 'only' a 40-HR guy, his value is still great, but dramatically diminished. The leading contenders are reportedly Ohtani's former team, the Angels, along with two other West Coast clubs, the Dodgers and Giants, and the big-money Mets, who have never shied away from paying exorbitant fees to free agents (Brandon Nimmo, \$162 million for eight years; Justin Verlander, \$86 million for two years; Edwin Diaz, \$102 million for five years).

Two other free agents of note: Cy Young-calibre pitchers Aaron Nola and Blake Snell.

In other off-season baseball news, Chicago Cubs signed manager Craig Counsell to the highest managerial contract in history after his contract with the Brewers expired. He is one of the most respected managers in baseball and the Cubs had to dump the popular David Ross to create a managerial void. The last time Chicago lured a big-name manager to the Windy City was in 2015 when Joe Maddon became available. Maddon went on to lead the Cubs to the World Series championship in 2016. Cubs' fans are hoping Counsell, who was offered \$5 million a year by Milwaukee but will earn \$40 million for five years with the Cubs, can perform some similar magic.

Meanwhile, Canada's best player, long-time Cincinnati Reds star Joey Votto, has been released by the Reds and is a free agent. Votto, 40, is almost a surefire Hall of Famer, with 366 career home runs, a .294 batting average and a career OPS (on-base average plus slugging percentage) of .920. That last figure is 52nd all-time. Wouldn't the National League's Most Valuable Player in 2020, a native of Toronto, look great in a Blue Jays' uniform for one last sendoff season?

RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "ESPN's Jackie Mc-Mullan said the NFL needs to address its concussion issues 'head-on.' Some jokes just write themselves."

- Super 70s Sports, on X, recalling the famous onfield fight between two MLB stars: "In 1987, Robin Ventura set an NCAA record by hitting in 57 straight games. Six years later, Nolan Ryan set an MLB record by hitting Robin Ventura 57 straight times in one game."
- Mike Bianchi of the Orlando Sentinel: "How is **Tyreek Hill** sort of like **Jim Harbaugh**? One is the Cheetah and the other is the Cheater."
- Charles Robinson of yahoosports.com., on Josh **McDaniels'** coaching arc: "McDaniels' career coaching peaks have been Everest-ian with Tom (Brady), and a low-lying Taco Bell parking lot without him."
- **Bob Molinaro** of pilotonline.com (Hampton, Va.): "Aaron Rodgers returning to play this season behind a pathetic Jets' offensive line would be like **Janet Leigh** getting back in the shower."
- New York Post columnist Phil Mushnick, after Mets' owner **Steve Cohen** announced he would be building a family recreation centre that includes a casino: "Rejoice, New York, soon you can lose your money to Cohen's House of Lousy Odds!"
- Mushnick again, taking issue with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell's league slogans, such as

'End Racism' and 'It takes all of us,' saying the commissioner should consider slogans such as 'Stop Beating Wom-'Drive Sober and Legally,' 'Try To Be Home By 4:30 'Avoid Felony Arrests' and 'The N-Word Is Racist Unless It's Rapped During the Super Bowl Halftime Show Commissioner Goodell's Invite.""

- Weather forecast from the Canadian parody website The Beaverton: "Edmonton expected to get hit with 10 cm of Oilers jerseys tonight."
- Comedy writer Alex Kaseberg, who has an issue with NFL officiating: "Apparently NFL refs want pass rushers to pick up and cradle quarterbacks and put them down gently like a sleeping baby."
- Headline at fark.com: "MLB general managers meeting cancelled widespread nausea, possibly after seeing the World Series viewership numbers."

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# **Diagnostic Testing Devices to Help Stabilize Services in Rural Emergency Departments**

Leader Hospital part of pilot program

Point of Care Testing (POCT) equipment recently introduced for use in the Maple Creek and Leader emergency departments will ensure critical diagnostic services are available in these communities.

Cypress Hills MLA Doug Steele on behalf of Rural and Remote Health Minister Tim McLeod today, joined Saskatchewan Health Authority officials at the Southwest Integrated Healthcare Facility in Maple Creek to announce the launch of the pilot program.

"Stabilizing emergency services in our rural communities is a priority for our government," Steele said. "This innovative testing equipment is a valuable tool that will assist health care teams in rural emergency departments to acquire diagnostic information in critical situations and provide safe continuous care to patients."

POCT equipment allows for certain diagnostic tests to be performed in emergency room departments by trained nursing and other qualified staff when regular clinical laboratory services are temporarily unavailable, enabling emergency department services to remain open.

"This equipment allows health care providers and physicians to make prompt decisions, making it extremely helpful in situations where there is a need for

rapid results affecting critical patient care in the emergency room in the temporary absence of lab staff," Saskatchewan Health Authority, Integrated Rural Health, Physician Executive Dr. Johann Roodt said. "This technology has proven to be a very useful tool, and expanding its use to rural emergency departments is an effective and important added measure to stabilize services."

POCT is used when laboratory staff are temporarily unavailable. The POCT will be onsite, used by other providers for certain critical diagnostics, such as determining if a patient immediately requires antibiotics or they need to be transported to a nearby facility for more serious situations, such as a heart attack. POCT takes place directly at the patient's bedside or hospital location and provides rapid results in under 30 minutes, enabling the physician or care provider to make decisions about the care of the patient.

Leader and Maple Creek hospitals will each have three new pieces of POCT equipment, allowing qualified staff members that are trained to perform a limited but critical range of medical tests, including hemoglobin tests, white blood cell counts, and troponin (cardiac) tests, when regular lab staff are unable to perform the test at the facility.











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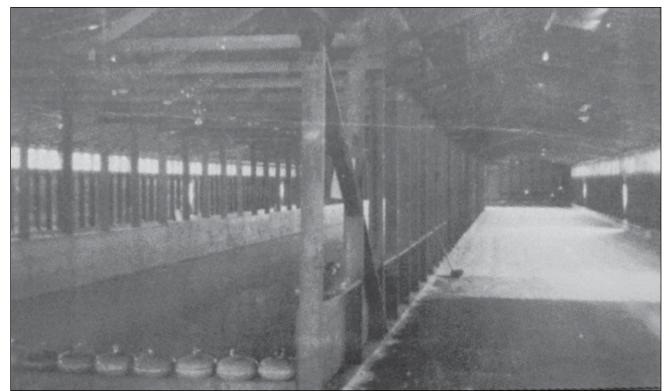
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Jimmy Drummond, Carroll Drummond, John Colquhoun and Gordon Horysh curled at the Druid curling rink. PHOTOS FROM MORE GOLDEN MILESTONES



Inside of the old curling rink - curled the middle sheet (skating around perimeter) - bonspiels used three sheets.

# Druid's curling rink was centre of activity

The following is a recollection of curling at Druid, Sask., which was published in "More Golden Milestones - History of Dodsland, Druid & District".

The first curling rink at Druid, Sask. was built in 1919 and was the centre of activity until 1953, when it was replaced by a 'new' curling rink. It was situated east of the well, and the dugout was behind it. An oval outdoor skating rink with wooden boards all around was situated to the south. Hours of skating fun were enjoyed on that ice and the dugout by kids of all ages. Many competitive bonspiels were held in that little curling rink, the Druid Memorial and the slap of old the hack to get the rock to the other end.

straw brooms was heard on the ice.

The waiting room had wooden bleachers and, at times, was filled to capacity with interested on-lookers. Homemade meals, coffee, soup, donuts and homemade pie were always on the menu and served by the local women who volunteered at the curved counter.

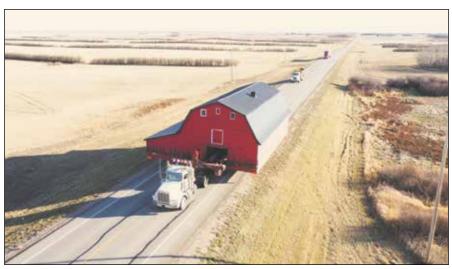
The schoolchildren could hardly wait for bonspiel week as the teachers would allow them to go to the rink for lunch. It would not be unusual to see one of the school kids filling in to make up a rink for the locals, even though sometimes it would take two feet in

The flooding of the ice was quite a chore, and the cleaning depended a lot on the temperature outside as to how much it was dripping or just how much frost was accumulating.

The rink continued to be a special place of enjoyment during the winter months for quite a few years, but as all things come to an end, so did the rink in Druid. With fewer people and a much newer facility in Dodsland, the final flood was inevitable.



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Luseland Museum shared some exciting news last week with the installation of the Country School signs! The work was completed by Travis Kasas at Carl's Mobile Welding and look fantastic! This photo is of the West Luseland School. Thanks to Kennedy's, McKenzie's, Reiter's and Holton's for their help with the installation. PHOTO LUSELAND & DISTRICT MUSEUM

# **Rosetown RCMP** investigating serious assault

On November 11, 2023, just before midnight, Rosetown RCMP received a report of a robbery and serious assault that occurred in Rosetown.

The investigation determined an altercation between a group of individuals in the 1st Street West area in Rosetown. An adult male stole a cell phone from an adult female. The same adult male pointed a firearm at several individuals during the incident. An adult male victim was then assaulted and is now being treated in hospital for injuries described as serious in

As a result of continued investigation, two adult males were arrested without incident in Rosetown on November 12.

33-year-old Corey Rushkewich and 29-year-old Randy Rushkewich, both from Rosetown, are each charged with one count, aggravated assault, Section 268(2), Criminal Code.

Corey Rushkewich is also charged with three counts, pointing a firearm, Section 87(2), Criminal Code and one count, robbery, Section 344, Criminal Code.

They were scheduled to appear in Saskatoon Provincial Court on November 14, 2023. Saskatchewan RCMP's General Investigation Section is assisting with this ongoing investigation.



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### Before, it was talk. Now, the Saskatchewan government takes action on home heating carbon tax

BY BRAIN ZINCHUK

REGINA - On Oct. 30, Premier Scott Moe said Saskatchewan residents wouldn't pay the carbon tax on natural gas home heating if the those using home heating oil (principally in Atlantic Canada) were excluded from paying the carbon tax.

That was in response to a furor raised by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on Oct. 26, when he announced a three year pause on the carbon tax for home heating oil, and a generous program to subsidize the installation of heat pumps during that time.

Moe said if the federal government didn't make the carbon tax exemption fair for all in Saskatchewan by Jan. 1, SaskEnergy would not be collecting carbon tax nor remitting the carbon tax to the federal Liberal gov-

On Nov. 16, words changed to action.

Minister Responsible for SaskEnergy Dustin Duncan introduced The SaskEnergy (Carbon Tax Fairness for Families) Amendment Act "to protect Saskatchewan families from the unfair and unaffordable federal carbon tax," according to the press release.

The removal of the federal carbon tax from SaskEnergy bills, effective January 1, 2024, will save the average Saskatchewan family approximately \$400 in 2024.

"Our government is taking the necessary steps to protect Saskatchewan families' ability to afford to heat their homes this winter by removing the federal carbon tax from the natural gas bills of residential customers," Duncan said. "This legislation will give our government, and me as minister, the sole authority and responsibility for decisions regarding the collection and remittance of the federal carbon tax on SaskEnergy bills while also providing protection for SaskEnergy employees and board members."

The bill amends The SaskEnergy Act to designate the Crown as the sole registered distributor of natural gas in Saskatchewan, and invests all powers, rights, authorities, responsibilities and obligations for the purposes of Part 1 of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada), to the Government of Saskatchewan. These authorities include providing the minister with the sole decision-making authority to pay, or withhold payment, of any charge, tax, levy, remittance or other payment required by Part 1 of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada).

Under this legislation, the Crown will indemnify

SaskEnergy and all current and former directors, officers, employees, agents, members, affiliates, and other representatives from all damages, costs, charges and expenses, including legal fees, that the corporation or individual incurs with respect to any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other matter in which the corporation or individual is implicated in relation to the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada), the Saskatchewan government said.

What that effectively means is that if anyone is going to be held responsible for Saskatchewan people not paying the carbon tax on natural gas heating, it's Duncan.

### The man in the hot seat on heating

Pipeline Online spoke to Duncan the afternoon of Nov. 16.

He said, "The intent of this is to mirror exactly what the Prime Minister did when he allowed a special carve out for Atlantic Canada, when it came to home heating oil. Obviously home heating oil isn't a big use in Saskatchewan. I think it's only about 0.4 per cent of people use home heating oil. The vast majority of heating fuel in Saskatchewan is natural gas.

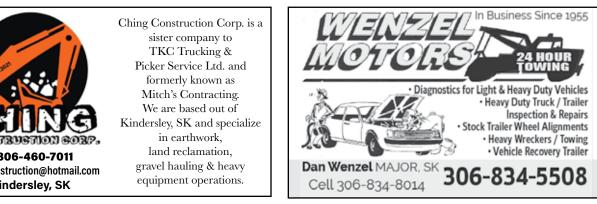
"And so this is really just to mirror hat the what the Prime Minister has announced for Atlantic Canada.

"Obviously, we want the carbon tax gone on everything, for everyone. But I think people know, while we weren't happy with the carbon tax and took it all the way to the Supreme Court. We were in compliance, and have been in compliance up until this point. And still, we are in compliance to this point.

"What the Act does allow us to do is that, because the premier already announced that come January 1, SaskEnergy will no longer collect the carbon tax, the obligation in the Act is to remit the carbon tax. And what we're saying with this Act, that is for this very narrow part of SaskEnergy's business, SaskEnergy will no longer be in the position to make a decision on whether or not to remit the carbon tax.

"Collecting the carbon tax has always been our choice. That's not actually stipulated in the Act. It's the fact that they have to remit the carbon tax, and so we're saying to this very, very narrow focus of the Greenhouse Gas and Pricing Pollution Act, we're going to remove that obligation from SaskEnergy, and place it onto the government. So that if we decide, as a

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government not to remit, then that's our decision, not SaskEnergy's. And therefore, what we're saying is that the consequences should flow to the government, to me as minister, and not to the board, not to the officers, not to the employees of SaskEnergy.

"And so, the other part of this, though, is providing that indemnity, in the event that the federal gov-

ernment decides to challenge us on this. If we decide not to remit at some point in the future, that the employees, the officers, the board of SaskEnergy, are indemnified. This is going to be our decision. And so, if there are consequences, then those consequences should be borne by us, not by the people that work in SaskEnergy."

Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change Steven Guilbeault has pointed out there could be criminal charges involved for defying the carbon tax. Saskatchewan's move, if passed, would theoretically place all blame on the minister, in this case, Dustin Duncan.

While natural gas provided through SaskEnergy does indeed,

provide heating for the vast majority of Saskatchewan residents, there are those who do not have natural gas heat. Especially in rural areas or on First Nations, natural gas might not be available or be prohibitively expensive to connect to. Propane is often used in situations like this, but so, too, is electrical heat. And for electrical, meters don't differentiate if power is being used for heating or running your laptop.

Will Saskatchewan move to eliminate the carbon tax in those cases? Duncan replied, "That's why we're asking for fairness from the federal government, to just extend what they did in Atlantic Canada to the rest of Canada.

"The challenge with all those different sources is

that the reason we can do this, or attempt to do this, whereas other provinces can't, and have admitted that they can't is the province owns the Crown Corporation. So that gives us a mechanism to try to take this step. But it's not going to help all those individuals that are on other forms of heating fuel.

"The other thing to remember about this, is that if you look at the rationale that the prime minister gave,

he wanted to get people in Atlantic Canada, and now I guess that's extended to all Canadians that are on heating oil, he wants to get them off of heating oil. It's expensive, it's a dirty form of energy, etc, etc.

"Saskatchewan already did that when it came to our heating fuel, when we large-scale converted to natural gas back in the 1980s, which was in the hundreds of millions of dollars back then, which would equate to probably somewhere close to half to a billion dollars. So, we've already made that choice in Saskatchewan. We shouldn't be penalized here. But the problem with the small number of people that use other forms of heating sources, is that we can do this on natural

gas because we own the Crown. We're limited in what we can do on other forms, such as people that are on propane."

The province does, however, also own SaskPower as a Crown corporation which charges carbon tax. And for those using electric heat, Duncan, who is also SaskPower minister, said, "SaskPower is providing information to me on what that would look like, in terms of the number of people, the cost, as well as how we would actually do that, if we want to extend that to them. So, our intent is to extend that to people on electric heat. But we're still working through without what exactly look like."

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Duncan noted calculations of average usage and based on assumptions would have to be factors when it comes to electric heat.

### NDP response

The New Democratic Party took a different approach, questioning ministers in Question Period why the government wouldn't provide relief through a six month freeze in application of fuel taxes.

Doing so would provide almost the same level of relief as if the federal government paused the carbon tax on gasoline and diesel for six months, except there has been no indication it would do so.

NDP MLA for Regina Rosemont Trent Wotherspoon introduced a motion which, "calls upon the government to suspend the collection of the provincial fuel tax from gasoline and diesel for a period of six months in order to help families struggling with the high cost

The province collects 15 cents per litre on gasoline and diesel, nine cents per litre on propane and 1.5 cents per litre on aviation gas and jet fuel. Wotherspoon said doing so would save families over \$350 over six months. However, the motion was at the end of the day's sitting and debate was adjourned until

Wotherspoon told reporters, "We know Saskatchewan people are in serious financial hardship right now facing the crushing cost of living and, and frankly, a provincial government, the Sask Party, that's made things worse on front after front, and has offered no recognition to the challenge that families are facing, the pressure that they're under."

He added, "We're calling on the Sask Party to not only support that motion, but to act on this front right now, and to provide relief to families across Saskatchewan. We know that this would save real dollars for real families across Saskatch-

"We've been clear we don't support the carbon tax, we won't support the divisive and inappropriate actions of the federal government and and we think we should push back on that front."

### **Trent Wotherspoon**

ewan, more than \$350 in this year.

"And we know that they're facing serious pressure at the pumps, and on so many fronts. This is one area that the government could act, to offer some relief. And we know the challenge that filling the tank is for so many families, when it's a necessity, to get to work or to get kids to activities or get to town, so many other situations. So this is one measure that would offer some relief to Saskatchewan families now."

He said the NDP is disappointed the government hasn't taken up their call, saying, "But it doesn't surprise me, because this is a government that tries to deny the reality that so many families are facing across Saskatchewan, day in, day out. Financial hardship, from the crushing cost of living, is something that families know all too well. And we have a government that Sask Party government that has piled on and made matters worse. With big tax hikes for Saskatchewan people three power hikes in the last year and no meaningful relief. They're really out of touch with the reality that families are facing. This is one measure that this government could support and act on to save families real money right now."

However, when it comes to the carbon tax, Wotherspoon said, "We've been clear we don't support the carbon tax, we won't support the divisive and inappropriate actions of the federal government and and we think we should push back on that front. But this provincial government should be able to walk and chew gum at the same time, they should be able to push back for fairness against an unfair carbon tax and to ensure fairness and relief for Saskatchewan families. And then they should act in a way that they can today to provide relief for Saskatchewan families by canceling the gas and diesel tax."





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- Accounting knowledge is an asset

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Please submit a cover letter, resume, salary expectations and references to:

**Hiring Committee - Town of Luseland** PO Box 130, Luseland, SK S0L 2A0 Email: luseland@sasktel.net

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- Conflict resolutions skills with a training-based approach.
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ALL CLAIMS against the above Estate, duly verified by statutory declaration and with particulars and valuation of security held, if any, must be sent to the undersigned before the 7th day of DECEMBER, 2023.

SHEPPARD & MILLAR Solicitors for the Estate of Benedict Anton Vogelgesang Barristers & Solicitors 113 1st Avenue East Box 1510 Kindersley, SK S0L 1S0

Attention:

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Meagan J. Bortis Solicitor for the Estate, 112 Avenue B North Saskatoon SK S7L 1C8 Telephone: 306-649-3100

### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

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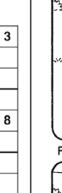
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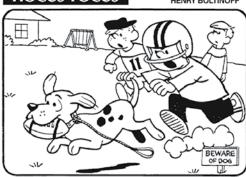
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- "Knight Rider"?
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- 3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How long does the average housefly live?
- 4. LITERATURE: Which mid-20th century novel about animals has the subtitle, "A Fairy Story"?
- 5. SCIENCE: What is the softest mineral in the world? 6. GEOGRAPHY: Which major river flows
- through London, England? 7. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the
- condition veisalgia? 8. MOVIES: In which movie did the actress Gal Gadot make her debut?
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- 10. LANGUAGE: What is the British term for a flashlight?

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# **RM of Newcombe** named after early settler

**BY JOAN JANZEN** 

Many towns, villages and rural municipalities were named after early settlers who came to their regions. This was also the case for the RM of Newcombe located in the Glidden area. Details concerning Allan Newcombe's arrival to Saskatchewan are recorded in the RM of Newcombe's history book 'As It Happened'.

Allan Newcombe and a group of settlers left Boston on April 2, 1906 and arrived in Saskatoon four days later. The group of 21 men, seven or eight women and several children was the first group to charter a railway car to Canada from the United States. It was recorded that a band of musicians saw them off at the station. Additional settlers followed later.

Newcombe received his homestead at SE 1/4 10-27-22 on April 20, 1906. However in the fall of 1907 he returned to Saskatoon where his wife had passed away, and never returned to farm his land. His homestead was cancelled and received by Eldon B. Houser on May 1, 1908.



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Nevertheless, because Newcombe was so well liked, and had brought so many settlers to the area, it was decided that the rural municipality would be named after him.

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	Municipal <u>Assessment</u>	Cultivated <u>Acres</u>
SW 28-34-23 W3rd	\$123,600.00	150
NW 28-34-23 W3rd	\$102,100.00	135
SE 28-34-23 W3rd	\$140,200.00	160
NW 21-34-23 W3rd	\$115,900.00	155
NE 21-34-23 W3rd	\$104,900.00	155

- 2023 Crop Canola on all
- current renter has Right of First Refusal

Tenders will be accepted on any or all parcels.

5% non-refundable deposit will be required on accepted Tender 10 days after tender closing.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned on or before 12:00 o'clock noon on Wednesday, the 22nd day of November, 2023.

More information available upon request.

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	Municipal	Cultivated	2023
	Assessment	Acres	Crop
SE 4-34-24 W3rd	\$242,000.00	135	Hard Red
- additional 2	4 acres can be culti	ivated in dry years	Spring Wheat
NW 33-33-25 W3rd	\$251,500.00	158	Hard Red Spring Wheat
NE 1-34-26 W3rd	\$235,300.00	160	Mustard

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# **Kindersley RCMP requesting public's** help in locating stolen vehicle

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"The Kindersley RCMP are requesting that if anyone sees the vehicle to report it immediately to police," stated Staff Sergeant Kevin Peterson.

"If anyone has information about the two people we have on surveillance camera related to this theft, they are of interest to the investigation, and we ask that you contact the Kindersley RCMP, or there is always the option to call Crime Stoppers," Peterson went on to

In addition to the truck theft, Kindersley RCMP responded to a further 40 calls for service from November 6th to November 12th, including, but not limited to, two traffic collisions, one assault call, and three mental health act concerns calls for service.

If you need to report any suspicious activity in your community, please contact the Kindersley RCMP detachment by calling 306-463-4642 or their local police service. Information can also be provided anonymously through Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers by calling 1800-222-TIPS (8477) or submitting a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.



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### Walter Coombs

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Wally started his newspaper career working for his dad at the Eston Press, he moved to Swift Current to work at the Sun and then onto Calgary to work with the Herald. In 1965 he moved back to Eston to take over the Eston Press when his father passed away. He later purchased

the Elrose Review. In 1983 Wally and Yvonne sold the papers and moved to BC where Wally took a job with *Langley Times*. He purchased *Today's Senior* and started the Cloverdale Reporter, both of which he sold. He continued to be editor and publisher of *To*day's Senior with a phased in retirement until 2013. Wally was a member of the SWNA (Saskatchewan Weekly Newspaper Association) as the editor and

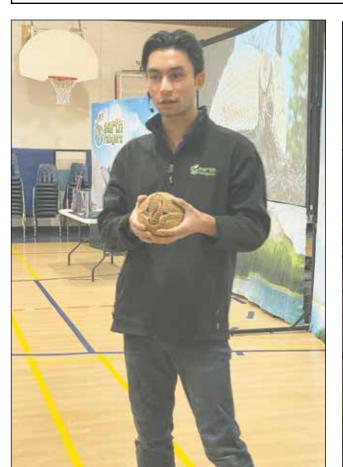


publisher of the Eston Press and Elrose *Review* along with his wife and partner Yvonne. During this time both papers won many awards. Wally and Yvonne celebrated 66 years together on July 13, 2023. They have 6 children: Brent (Marilyn), Brenda (Stuart) Gullen, Helen (Brian) Watson, Wade (Gayl), Joni, and Nicole (Daryl) Quiring.

They were blessed with 17 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Wally was predeceased by his parents Charlie and Bernice, step-mom Helen, in-laws Ed and Pat Owens, grandson Trent Coombs, daughter-in-law Debbie (Mulder) Coombs, brothers Jack and Bill, and sisters Joan and Colleen.

The family has requested that anyone wishing to donate do so to a youth sports non-profit organization of their choice.





During an Earth Rangers assembly at Westberry Elementary School, students enjoyed seeing a tortoise and armadillo, and learning all about animals and their unique super powers. PHOTOS BY JOAN JANZEN

# **Earth Rangers visit Westberry**

**BY JOAN JANZEN** 

An Earth Rangers assembly was brought to the elementary students at Westberry School on Tuesday morning, November 14th. The two representatives from Earth Rangers held their young audience captive with an interactive program teaching them all about various animals in Canada.

The highlight of the assembly took place when a ortoise and an armadillo were brought out for the children to see. Each animal was fed a snack, while being displayed on the big screen so everyone could see them close up.

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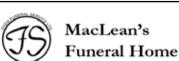
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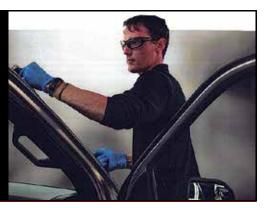
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### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

• Monday Bingo starts at 1:30 PM at TJ's Pub & Grub. presented by St. Paul's United Church - Senior's Quilting Club. For more info call 306-460-8975. Bingo will be held December 11.

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9**

 Paint Night at TJ's Pub & Grub. Class starts at 7:00 PM sharp. Seating at 6:45. Call 306-967-2227 for more information.

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 11**

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### **DENZIL**

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

• Denzil Curling Club along with Denzil Rec Board present Comedy Night with Quick Dick McDick at the Denzil Hall. Must be 19 years or older to attend.

### **ESTON**

### SATURDAY & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 & 26

 The Case of the Conceited Choir dinner theatre (Saturday) and matinee with dessert and coffee on November 26. All proceeds to the Dr. David S. Mulder Eston District Health Foundation. Tickets at the R.M.of Snipe Lake office in Eston. \$80 for the dinner theatre \$40 for the Sunday matinee. **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12** 

 Carol Festival at Eston Full Gospel Church 7:30 PM. Admission by donation.

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16**

- Rambler Alumni Game 4:30 PM at the Eston AGT Community Centre.
- \* Eston Wheatland Centre Chase the Ace Draws every Wednesday at the Centre. Ticket sales 4-7 PM. Draw at 7:30 PM. See our Facebook page for details. Lic#LR23-0068.
- \* 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.

### **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.



Submit your upcoming event to: **Kate Winquist** events@yourwestcentral.com

Deadline for submissions is FRIDAY at noon. 306-463-2211

### **KERROBERT**

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

- Kerrobert Winter Market 10:00 AM 3:00 PM
- Kerrobert Sr. Tigers vs Luseland 7:30 PM

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

Kerrobert Sr. Tigers vs Dodsland 7:30 PM

### THURSDAY, DEČEMBER 7

 Kerrobert Courthouse Restoration Society presents: A COUNTRY CHRISTMAS! 2023 Festival of Trees. Courtyard lights up at 5:30 PM. Carolling, Treat Bags, Museum Tours, Santa Claus 5:30-7:30 PM. Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides provided by Mirage & Tezlaff Family Farms. Doors open until 8:30 PM.Featuring: Jessica's Christmas Villages. **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8** 

- Kerrobert Courthouse Restoration Society presents "A Country Christmas Party" at the P.C.C. Tickets at the Town Office 306-834-2361.
- \* Storytime at the Kerrobert Library the first and third Thursday of every month at 10:30 AM.

### **KINDERSLEY**

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

- · The Kindersley Rotary Club is hosting 'Uncork the Fun' - a Food and Wine Extravaganza 6:30 PM at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre.4 course meal and wine pairing. Tickets \$80 and are available at the Garden Gallery, from any Rotary member or by email at kindersleyrotary@outlook.com. Proceeds in support of Kindercollege and other local projects
- · Downtown Kindersley Association Kick-Off to Christmas! Free Movie at the Sunset Theatre 1:00 PM; Santa Photos at the Masonic Lodge 12-5 PM; Tractor & Wagon Rides 12-4 PM; Hot Chocolate 12-5 PM; Ongoing Black Friday Sales! Main Street Kindersley!

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

 Kindersley Trivia Nights - Music Trivia 7:30 PM at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre. \$10 at the door or reserve your team on our FB page Kindersley Trivia Nights.

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2**

• Free Christmas Dinner at Kindersley Alliance Church, 74 West Road at 6pm. Please RSVP with number of guests by emailing Carmen Julseth at kaoffice7@gmail.com or calling 463-6568

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3**

- · Christmas Carol Festival 7:00 PM at St. Paul's United Church. Admission by donation. Proceeds to Kindersley & District Music Festival.
- Kinderslev Aguatic Centre Free Swim 1:30-6:00 PM. Sponsored by Whitecap Resources Inc.

### FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 & 9

 Kindersley & District Plains Museum "Museum of Lights" Fridays are drive-thru only. Saturdays are walk-thru and indoor events.

### FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15 & 16

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### FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22 & 23

- Kindersley & District Plains Museum "Museum of Lights" Fridays are drive-thru only. Saturdays are walk-thru and indoor events.
- Youth Curling hosted by the Kindersley Curling Club (Grades 4-12 welcome). Beginning November 1 at 5:30 PM on a weekly basis until March. No fee! More info contact Lexie at 306-831-5330.
- \* Parkinson's Support Group Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month 2:00 PM at the Kindersley Hospital. Everyone is welcome! For more info call Nancy at 306-463-4514.
- \* 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.
- PickleBall every Sunday & Wednesday 7:00-9:00 PM at Elizabeth School \$50 per season or \$5 drop in. More info call 306-460-8356.
- Prairie Crocus Quilt Guild meet the second Tuesday of the month (September to May) at the Pensioners Hall (3rd Ave. E., Kindersley) at 7:00 PM. For more info contact Donna at 306-463-4785.

### **LEADER**

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7**

- Leader & District Chamber of Commerce Santa Night from 6:00-8:00 PM. There are Santa photos \$3. Bonfire, Late Night Shopping, Free Hotdogs, Carolling, Hot Chocolate stand and Fireworks.
- \* Adult Volleyball every Monday evening starting November 27 7:30 PM at LCS Gymnasium (student parking lot door). Participants must be Grade 10 or older. Call Shelley 306-628-7643 for more information.

### **LUSELAND**

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

 Luseland Marketplace from 10 AM - 4 PM. Over 30 tables including pottery, baking, sewing, knitting, jewelry and so much more. Lunch served.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

- Luseland Sr. Mallards vs Kerrobert Tigers 8:00 PM THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7
- Luseland Pioneers Club Christmas Supper & Entertainment. Details to be announced.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Luseland Sr. Mallards vs Kindersley 8:00 PM

### Recurring events at The Luseland Pioneers Club: \* Third Friday of every month; Birthday Lunch noon

- \* Last Monday of every month; Pie-n-Ice Cream
- \* Every Monday afternoon; Coffee open to the public. 2 4
- \* Members only: coffee, pool, cards; Mon Sat 8:30 12:00 \* Members only: Tuesday evening games night 7 - 9 or 10
- \* Members only: Wednesday afternoon cards 1 4
- \* Members only: Thursday afternoon Ladies cards 1 4



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With Winter upon us it would be a good idea to check the status of your antifreeze!

We have Prestone Antifreeze in stock Along with various other winter items such as

Saf-T-Brake Air Line Antifreeze, Diesel Antigel and Diesel Conditioner

