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LOVE BUGS! Children from the Plenty branch of Wheatland Library were busy making Valentine's crafts last Tuesday.

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PWHS is looking for items from 1940's to 1970's

BY JOAN JANZEN

The Prairie West Historical Centre in Eston is a perfect tourist attraction for anyone who enjoys looking at artifacts from the pioneer era. The Prairie West Historical Society constantly looks for new ideas, and acting curator Shari Collinge described their latest venture.

They are currently looking for display items from the 1940s, 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s to showcase in a display beginning in 2025. "If we did a display from the 1940s to 1970s, it might tweak some memories and bring some different people into the museum," Shari said.

She has already accumulated some items, including wall ornaments, yearbooks, catalogues, music festival programs and a book from the 1972 hockey series. Some of these items were acquired from the second-hand shop in Eston.

Shari said they're looking for a variety of items. "Everything from a Fisher Price record player to big stand ashtrays. I'd really like to get my hands on an old Commodore 64 computer. I don't know if there are too many still out there," she said. "I will take things on loan, or depending on the size, I would take it as a donation as well."

Anyone who comes across suitable items while cleaning their house or storage room can contact Shari at 306-430-8730.



Shari Collinge from the PWHS has collected a few items from the 1940's to 1970's time period, but she's looking for more for a future display at Eston's museum. SUBMITTED

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Les Miller throws a rock in the Hoosier Outdoor Cash Bonsel held in January, 1999, when temperatures dipped to -30. Rinkmates Betty Thompson and Dorothy Arthurs looked on. PHOTO: THE CROSSROADS, FEB. 8, 1999

Hoosier's first outdoor bonsel was cold but fun

BY JOAN JANZEN

Hosting a curling bonsel outdoors during -30 temperatures was recorded as a fun event back in 1999 when Hoosier held its first annual Hoosier Outdoor Cash Bonsel in late January. The community had built their outdoor curling sheet the previous month in preparation for the upcoming event. The cold weather did not deter the maximum of 16 rinks entering from Alsask, Flaxcombe, Hoosier and Loverna; in fact they had to turn a half dozen entries away.

Everyone in the community had pitched in to help flood the rink beside the Hoosier Hall. Despite the -30 temperatures, the curling began Friday evening, followed by a Calcutta, continuing to Saturday. Anyone wanting to view the curling auction did so from one of the many trucks that lined the sheet of ice and served as waiting areas where curlers warmed up.

The unique bonsel had its own set of rules, including only playing four ends per game. All the participants were dressed appropriately for the frigid weather. According to an article in The Crossroads, everyone reported it as a fun event.

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The Kindersley Kinettes "Quick Dick McDick" committee (L-r): Patty Cooke, MaryAnn Biberdorf, Bev Klaassen and Pam Lyons with the one and only Quick Dick McDick!
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Kinsmen & Kinette Club raise \$47,000 for TeleMiracle!

BY JOAN JANZEN

The Kindersley Kinsmen and Kinette Club held a super successful fundraiser with Saskatchewan's own Quick Dick McDick on January 18th and 19th at the Elks Hall. The total amount raised for TeleMiracle from the two-night event was an impressive \$47,000! It's a testament to the generosity of people towards TeleMiracle!

Initially, the club planned to have one show on Friday, but that all changed after their tickets sold out within an hour and a half!

"As a result, we arranged for a second performance on Thursday, January 18th," Lisa Kirtzinger from the Kinsmen and Kinette Club said. "That show sold out in less than a half hour! We were overwhelmed with the amazing response from Kindersley and area!" Some local businesses used the fun evening as a late staff Christmas party. Close to 200 people attended each performance.

A silent auction was held both evenings, with some items being pulled out for a live auction on Friday night. "Quick Dick had a great time auctioning off items and raising some quality funds for TeleMiracle," Lisa reported.

The club also held a special "Lucky Dice Auction" with six donated models of tractors and trucks being sold by local auctioneer Sam Somerville. The funds collected from that auction were put in a pot, and then the six highest bidders rolled the dice for a chance to win half of the money. "That event alone raised \$4,000 for TeleMiracle," Lisa said.

Attendees were provided with a cold buffet lunch, and The Fox and the Hound provided entertainment on Friday night following Quick Dick's performance. Quick Dick formed a strong connection with his audience, using farming and oil as a central part of his comedic performance.

All 19 active members of the Kinsmen and Kinette Club were on deck to help out with the two-night

event, including planning, set-up and helping out both evenings.

Thank you to the Kinsmen and Kinette Club and the community for this successful fundraising event.

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Arts Councils bring comedian-musician to Luseland and Leader

BY JOAN JANZEN

Luseland and Leader Arts Councils are hosting special guest Rory Gardiner, comedian, TEDx speaker and country artist, on February 14th and 16th, respectively. Rory provides his own personalized description of himself on his Facebook page.

There, he says, "I'm a country artist. Of course, I talk in a southern accent even though I was raised in Canada. I'm an independent musician. Of course, I market my albums as unlimited editions even though I have 1000 of them in my basement. Of course, I sing about small towns and horses even though I live in the city and complain about the traffic."



Rory Gardiner combines country music with comedy. He is performing at Luseland on February 14th and Leader on February 16th at an Arts Council concert.

This CCMA-nominated country artist has shared the stage with country greats like Keith Urban. As a stand-up comedian, his videos have over 50 million views, and his YouTube sketches have been featured on America's Funniest Videos.

He uses humour to lift people's spirits in times of trauma. The video he produced after a tornado ripped through his neighbourhood went viral and led to his humour being used as a coping mechanism.

Rory makes an impact by combining stand-up comedy with music.

Now Rory says he's touring throughout Saskatchewan "to discover if the Prairies are as cold as people say this time of year."

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STARS completes first ever helicopter neonatal transport in Saskatchewan

A Saskatchewan newborn baby needing critical care was recently helped by STARS as the organization completed its first ever helicopter neonatal intensive care transport.

A major accomplishment for STARS, the new equipment used in the mission received approval late last year, and when the need arose in December 2023, STARS crews were able to respond.

"The unique aspect of this child being born out of hospital, was there were a lot of logistical challenges to overcome, with a lot of moving parts behind the scenes. All of the various care providers involved really worked hard to reach that end goal of getting baby safely and quickly to the Regina General Hospital NICU Department; it was in-

spiring," said STARS Flight Paramedic Ryan MacMillan.

Before implementing this new innovation, STARS was able to provide transport for the NICU team and their isolette, dropping them off at the patient's side, after which they would return home by ground ambulance. During these previous missions the isolette was considered "cargo", and was not ever used for transporting the infant in the helicopter.

Knowing the need would arise to transport an infant eventually, in 2021 STARS began the many preparations to ensure crews could safely undergo the process.

When the most recent fleet upgrade was occurring, a new interface was de-

The new equipment used in the mission received approval late last year

signed within the helicopter to ensure that the isolette, including the infant and their medical team, would be safe and secure for transport.

Once designed, STARS sought approval by Transport Canada in order to use it on missions. While that process was occurring, STARS also worked closely with NICU teams so they could gain time and experience in the helicopter including running practice missions.

"STARS is always looking for new

ways to provide the highest level of care to our youngest patients," said STARS President and CEO Katherine Emberly. "When a joyous moment, like the birth of a child, takes a scary turn, families across the prairies can rest assured that a team of STARS critical care specialists are on their way with the best equipment possible."

This first of its kind mission was carried out by veteran STARS flight crew members Mike Rogers, Greg Chorney, and Ryan MacMillan and the NICU specialty team from the Regina General Hospital. The specialized helicopter configuration needed to transport the isolette was implemented by STARS Transport Physician Dr. Tom Elliot and Colleen McGeough.

BOOK REVIEW

"Prince Prickly Spine"

by Tekeyla Friday,
Illustrated by James Warwood
Published by Tekeyla Friday Studios
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REVIEW BY SHELLEY A. LEEDAHL

How in the world did she come up with this?

That was my initial reaction to the multi-talented Tekeyla Friday's enchanting chapter book, Prince Prickly Spine. Its royalty, dragon, castles and jousting make it medieval. The futuristic "Pizza Pads" (for playing music) and

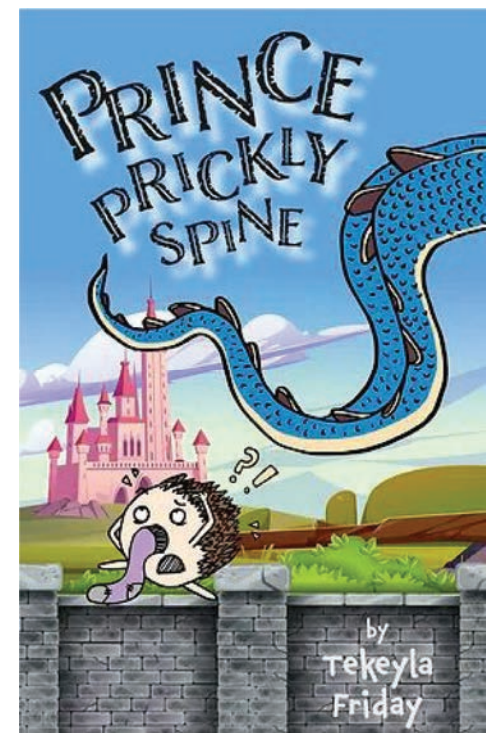
Pizza Palms (like cellphones, they're used for calls and texting, but also feature a "pepperoni-flavoured keypad" and are pizza-shaped) give it a sci-fi touch. And the fact that the story's protagonist is a kid who'd rather be playing video games than keeping his room tidy, exercising or "paying attention to [his] tutor" gives it a very "contemporary kid" feel. And I haven't even mentioned the prince's fairy godfather, Joe Troll, who frequently screws up wishes, but then "Nowadays in Medievaldom, anyone could apply to be a fairy

godparent, as long as they had a pixie spark". The Swift Current author delivers a strong dose of humour, and that works in every genre.

Friday, who is also a stop motion animation and claymation artist, clearly has a wonderful imagination and knows just what juvenile readers appreciate in a book: an irreverent child; a dangerous rescue-the-princess-from-the-dragon mission; and lots of physical comedy, thanks here to a clumsy young prince. Twelve-year-old Prince Evert doesn't behave like a real prince in any way, shape or form. When his mother enters his messy, foul-smelling room and confiscates his electronics, the prince says fine, he'll "go outside and walk around the moat," but that doesn't cut it with the queen. She sends her lazy, stinking son—he's not bathed in a month—on a quest: he must journey to "the Shadow Dragon's Cave and rescue Princess Amelia". Prince Evert says: "Are you batty, woman?" And even worse luck: he's not allowed to take his Pizza Palm, so will be relying on an old-fashioned parchment map: "It looked sort of like a caveman's drawing of a GPS."

The prince's humiliating attire for his adventure demonstrates Friday's fine use of similes: "The sock smelled rancid, like dead, salted fish that had gone rotten".

The writing is witty, the characters delightful, and the book is illustrated in comical drawings by James Warwood, from Wales. I laughed when I saw the image for the "WANTED ALIVE NOT DEAD" poster, which included this: "Note: She's too young to marry." That's just fine with Prince Evert, who only "wanted to play video games and



chat on Medievaldom social media and play MeTube videos," plus "hang out" with his bestie, Prince Roman Porter.

Other characters include the protagonist's brother, Don, who calls Evert the "Sloth Prince" and tells Evert that after the Shadow Dragon eats the prince's feet, he'll "have to wear wooden ones," and Tilly, the teasing maid. After the prince loses his horse he connects with his comical fairy godfather, the bulbous-nosed Joe Troll, and the boy hopes for a magical fix to his situation. Unfortunately, the bumbling troll has made another mistake. Will someone be "dragon food by sundown"?

This book is a royal romp. Enjoyed it!

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OPINION: Using ingenuity to influence our culture



BY JOAN JANZEN

While prosecuting a robbery case, the arresting officer testified he saw the defendant from a block away. The officer's observation of seeing someone a block away in the dark seemed irrelevant until he was asked how he could identify the defendant. The arresting officer replied, "I'd recognize my cousin anywhere!"

If someone is described as irrelevant, it means people are not paying attention to them. However, there are examples of people who were once considered irrelevant who busted out of that mould; the San Francisco 49ers' Brock Purdy is one of those individuals.

He was the 262nd (or final) pick of the last NFL draft and was dubbed Mr. Irrelevant. Evaluators appeared to place value on what he lacked in size rather than his strengths.

Everything changed for him in week 12 when the quarterback broke his foot, opening the door for Purdy to trot onto the field. Mr. Irrelevant led the 49ers to the NFC championship and suddenly became relevant.

This transformation has been happening throughout history, and an upcoming film illustrates the metamorphosis that took place in the life of a historical hero in the movie entitled "Cabrini." The film is produced by Angel Studios, a production company that would have been dubbed as irrelevant

six or seven years ago, but that is no longer the case.

The company's last film, "Sound of Freedom," made over \$240 million and was watched by over 60 million people. Glen Beck spoke to the studio's president, Jordan Harmon, in a recent interview.

Beck said, "The problem with making films is you can't get them into the theatres because you need the big Hollywood studios to distribute it.

Walt Disney tried to create its own distribution company, which is almost impossible to do. How do you get theatres to accept your movie?"

Jordan responded, saying, "We created an Angel guild; a group of over 200,00 people that's growing rapidly. They are the gatekeepers to all Angel content." Unlike Hollywood, where five or six executives decide what films are produced, the group of 200,000 individuals gets to decide what Angel Studios creates.

"Part of our model is helping theatres give us more screens by having a direct relationship with them," Jordan explained. People can purchase theatre tickets prior to the movie's release date; this signals to theatres what content patrons want to see. "The theatres love what we are doing," he added.

Once a few theatres sell out, the theatre chains get on board and open it up to their theatres, which gives the film a

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Nevertheless, she founded a missionary group with seven other women, and made numerous trips from Europe to New York, where she helped Italian immigrants amidst chaos and poverty. She established 67 schools, hospitals and orphanages in the United States, Europe and Central and South America.

It was said that despite her frail health, her total trust in God was her outstanding personality characteristic and the source of an inner strength that propelled her to remarkable accomplishments in a relatively short amount of time. An irrelevant youngest child of a family of 13 became extremely relevant as an adult.

People who want to see the film can purchase tickets online and join the Angel Guild if they so desire.

"They picked Shania Twain's music to back this up, which is so weird to how this film looks, but it is a brilliant strategy," Beck explained. "For those who went to see what a strong woman is like and watched Barbie, I suggest giving this movie a shot."

Although her story is more than a century old, the transition from irrelevant to relevant is still occurring today. Individuals and businesses are using ingenuity, becoming relevant, and influencing our culture in a positive way.

massive opening.

"Angel Studios has found a way to go directly to the people," Beck noted.

Jordan said they chose this particular story because it tells the story of a real woman who showed her determination and the power of God to change the world in a miraculous way. The film is set to be released on March 8th and has already been booked at 2000 locations.

"If it wasn't released by Angel Studios, it would win best picture. It's that good," Beck said. The movie tells the story of Frances Cabrini, who was born in Italy in 1850, the youngest of a family of 13 kids. She grew up to be fragile, sickly and deathly afraid of water.



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Pop89: Quiet Nights, Holy Nights



BY MADONNA HAMEL

If you love the truth, seek silence. That's what St. Isaac of Syria said. He was a 4th-century monk, a "desert father" who headed to the desert wilderness to live and listen to the silence. The desert mothers and fathers took very little with them. The holy path, they believed, was a path of subtraction.

When I arrived in Val Marie with a carload of books and sweaters, I gave myself over a month of writing and walking. And to recover from my paradoxical quests for both stimulation and respite. The vastness of the prairie encouraged me to empty myself into the silence. My friend Matthew, a pilgrimage studies prof, suggested to me that I was becoming a desert mother.

Roused by the birds at 5 in the morning, I rose from my little bed in the tiny, bright Mother Superior's cell in the basement of The Convent Inn. I dressed in warm clothes and big socks and padded my way up two narrow flights of stairs to the kitchen, where I made my coffee. While waiting for it to brew, I'd stand in an early morning stupor, gazing absently at the blackboard before me. Once a school for farm kids - my mom being one of them - the Convent kept its blackboards, encouraging visitors to share their favourite quotes, including "The wind gives the grass a voice, the grass gives the wind a face." And "In life, there's rarely justice, but there's always mercy."

My office was the Convent chapel, with a solid wooden desk at one end and an altar at the other. Every morning, I checked the altar for new offerings from guests - a tarot card, a pebble or a shell - until finally, I sat to my task at hand: editing. Delete, undo, backspace, escape. I was not sure what I wanted to say anymore. Until then, my wanderings were driven by a belief that "There has to be something more than this!" Now I found myself saying: "There has to be something less than this. Good writing is all about editing, after all. As Pascal, mathematician and theologian, once wrote to a friend: "If I had more time, I would have written you a shorter letter."

I'd been on the road for nine years. Couch-surfing, subletting, taking care of my dad after my mom died, running down to the States to be with my fiancé. And now, miraculously, I was sitting still and writing in a silent room. There was solace in the fact that, beyond the door, the silence extended and expanded ever outward and beyond.

On my first night out, I was invited by the Convent Inn proprietors to meet a couple of the locals at the hotel bar. I tried to explain my new love of silence to the nature photographer who moved here five years earlier.

"You've been talking nonstop about silence for 15 minutes now," he teased.

"Yeah, well, I've been alone for a month."

"Fair enough. But I sure as hell don't know what you mean about silence. Those crazy birds wake me up at 4:30 every morning with their racket!"

"Ok. You have a point. I wake to a thousand voices." But, I point out, they're bird voices in the morning, not police cars tearing down Dundas Street all night. They're not junkies shooting up and tripping out in the alley. Or the emergency helicopter overhead, with its landing light piercing through the skylight, hunting for the landing pad on the roof of St. Michael's hospital next door. I prefer waking to robins and wrens rather than the television left on all night, broadcasting trivia and tragedy at the foot of my bed where an ex snores noisily, passed out on the couch."

"Point taken. There are no police in Val Marie, let alone police cars!" says the photographer.

Those first mornings in Val Marie I would lay in my little bed in my little room and try to discern between

bird call and response, consternation and exultation, information and alert. I heard long, plaintive wooing and short, sharp warnings. I heard songs. I heard wings and tail feathers catching the wind, making winnowing and whipping sounds. I still can't make out calling from falling, and I have yet to tell the difference between rejecting and welcoming, affirming and yearning, clarifying and clearing off. And I'll never know if sparrows know what the robins are saying about them. Or if the mourning dove, a bird of constant sorrow, even cares. But I do know this: I'm in a country where the inhabitants speak in several languages, all at once, most of which I've never heard before.

However, birds are finding it harder to hear each other, writes Ed Yong in his book, "An Immense World." Increasing sound levels worldwide are forcing birds to sing louder and at higher frequencies. "Urban and industrial noise can also change the timing of birds' songs, suppress the complexity of their calls and prevent them from finding mates....Strange noises mean birds spend more time looking for danger and less time looking for food." It occurs to me that strange bumps in the night distract us humans as well. They keep us hyper-vigilant, make us jittery, divert us from relaxation, focus, the nobler pursuits of compassion, absorption in creativity, and ultimate truth.

"Every animal is enclosed within its own sensory bubble," continues Yong, "perceiving but a tiny sliver of an immense world." We humans, always in search of peace and quiet, are also the animals who make all the noise. But the quieter we become, the wider and sharper becomes our perception of other animals.

Val Marie is the gateway to Grasslands National Park, where, a decade ago, acoustic ecologist Gordon Hempton measured levels of human-made noise. Discerning between natural sound and unnatural noise, he dubbed Grasslands the quietest place in North America. The nights remain silent; may this holy silence ever remain.

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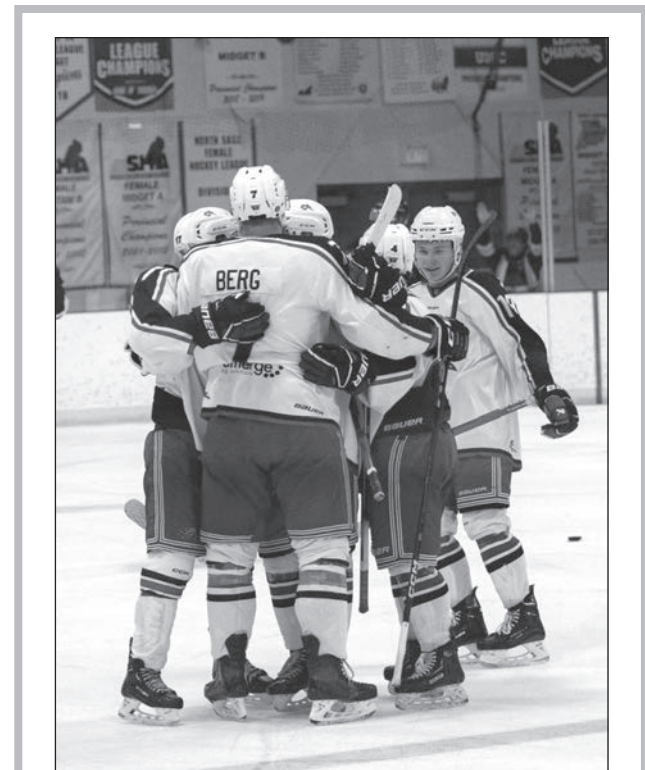
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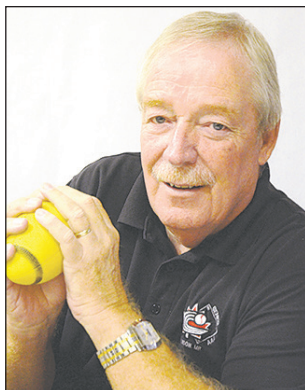
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Was it Belichick's coaching skill, or Tom Brady?

BY BRUCE PENTON



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Sports Columnist

Generally regarded around the National Football League as one of the — if not THE — greatest ever coach ever, Bill Belichick today stands outside with his faced pressed against the window and waits for another coaching opportunity.

While he's only 27 wins away from becoming the NFL's all-time winningest coach, Belichick is finding out the hard way that team owners and general managers are more interested in future success than past accomplishments.'

The question is: Was Belichick's overwhelming success in New England, where he racked up 266 wins in 24 years, due to superior coaching skill or was it because he had the NFL's greatest quarterback ever, Tom Brady, at the helm of his offence? It's a legitimate question, because from 2001 to 2019, Brady guided the Patriots to nine Super Bowl appearances, winning six. Belichick's Patriots posted a 5-11 record in 2000, the year before Brady took over as quarterback and then racked up 19 consecutive winning seasons with Brady at QB. After his star quarterback quit the Patriots and signed with Tampa Bay — where he won his seventh Super Bowl in his first year — Belichick's Patriots had losing seasons in three of four years. The stats are stark: With Brady, Belichick has a head-coaching record of 232-72. In the four post-Brady seasons, his coaching record is a miserable 29-39.

With eight coaching vacancies needing to be filled in this off-season, only one team took the time to interview Belichick, and that was Atlanta Falcons, who eventually hired Raheem Morris. So are NFL teams wary of Belichick's talent as a coach, given his mediocre record without Brady? Are they concerned that at age 7, that the game has passed him by? Is his poor draft record a factor? Do they think Belichick's interest in coaching is solely for the opportunity to surpass Don Shula as the coach with the most wins in NFL history?

The NFL rumour mill said if a coaching job is not in Belichick's future, then he might be able to land a broadcasting position, which might seem strange given his monosyllabic and unenthusiastic tone of voice in post-game interviews. Columnist Peter King of NBC Sports said Belichick almost certainly has to give his image a makeover if he wishes to coach again. "America, and NFL owners, know him as dour, sour and imperious," wrote King. "Not great traits in modern-day coaching, particularly with a 29-39 record in his last

four seasons." King also said Belichick's reluctance to embrace analytics might work against him finding a new job too, since so many teams use analytics as a major tool in their operations.

All good things must come to an end. Sandy Koufax's left arm failed him and he retired early. Bobby Orr's knee gave out and he had to quit hockey at age 30. Belichick had the misfortune to be unable to clone Tom Brady and he's unemployed.

- **Mike Bianchi** of the Orlando Sentinel: "If NFL teams won't hire 71-year-old **Bill Belichick** because he's too old, then maybe he should run for president. Compared to **Donald Trump** and **Joe Biden**, Belichick is **Justin Bieber**."
- **Janice Hough** of leftcoastsportsbabe.vom: "So now that SI has fired all their staff, are they going to use AI to computer generate swimsuit models?"
- Peter King in his Football Morning in America column on NBC.com: "**Aaron Rodgers** got a hole-in-one in his first round of golf since Achilles surgery? Next thing you'll tell me is **Dr. Fauci** caddied for him."
- Super 70s Sports: "One of the absolute best baseball stats is that father and son **Cecil Fielder** and **Prince Fielder** are tied on the all-time home run list with 319 dingers apiece."
- **RJ Currie** of sportsdeke.com: "Boston signed free agent defenceman **Kevin Shattenkirk** to a one-year, \$1.05 million contract in July. It's nice to see the Bruins adding some depth for their eventual playoff collapse."
- Headline at theonion.com: "Frail, Emaciated MLB Players Still A Few Weeks Away From Regaining Strength To Lift Single Baseball"
- **Scott Ostler** of the San Francisco Chronicle: "Why do the TV people keep going away from **Taylor Swift** to show us shots of her boyfriend?"
- Late night funnyman **Jimmy Fallon**, on the cost of tickets to the Super Bowl: "Ten grand's a lot for a football game, but it's dirt cheap to see Taylor Swift live, I will say that."
- **Greg Cote** of the Miami Herald: "Chiefs-49ers is OK. But Detroit in it is the Super Bowl America wanted, the one that got away."
- **Scott Ostler** again, on **Taylor Swift** flying directly from her concert in Tokyo Feb. 10 to get to Vegas in time for the Feb. 11 Super Bowl: "But if she has a middle seat on that flight, she'll be fried when she arrives."
- Another one from **Ostler**: "Whose fault is it that the Ravens don't have any cool girlfriends?"
- **RJ Currie** of sportsdeke.com: "At the Manitoba Scotties, Team **Kaitlyn Lawes** won the women's curling title. A lot of good Manitoba ladies fought the Lawes, and the Lawes won."

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Trevor Bond retired on February 3 after a 33-year-long career.



Blair Ferner has been appointed General Manager at Kindersley & District Co-op.

New General Manager appointed after Trevor Bond retires

The Kindersley and District Board of Directors and team at the Kindersley Co-op extended congratulations to General Manager Trevor Bond upon his retirement on February 3, 2024. Trevor's impressive career spanned three decades, beginning at Hoosier Co-op in 1992.

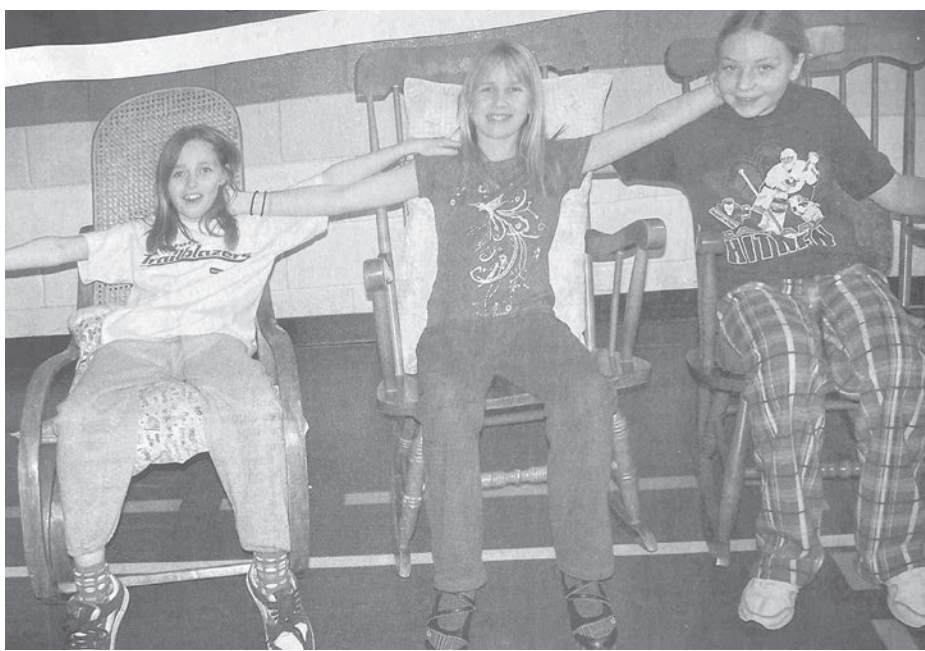
In 2003, he joined the Kindersley & District Co-operatives and has held many roles over the years, including Petroleum Manager, Operations Manager and most currently, General Manager of the Retail division.

Upon his retirement, Trevor will be busy, as he looks forward to spending his time farming with his family. Everyone at Kindersley and District Co-op is sad to see him go but is excited for what the future has

in store for Trevor.

They were also pleased to announce the appointment of Blair Ferner as General Manager, effective February 4, 2024. Blair started his career with the CRS in 1990 at Kindersley & District Co-op and has since spent 33 years progressively building his skills and experience in management roles at various Co-ops in the CRS.

He is excited to step into this career stage at the same Co-op he first joined, where he has been the Retail Operations Manager until his new appointment. Everyone at the Co-op congratulates Blair on becoming the new General Manager.



L-R: Shaye Bauml (10 years old), Kendra Kirtzinger (10), Madeline Besharah (11), rock in their rocking chairs during the Kinette Rock-a-then event in the Westberry School gymnasium in 2009.

PHOTO: THE CLARION, FEB. 4, 2009

Do you recognize these rocking girls from 2009?

BY JOAN JANZEN

In February 2009, a group of 55 girls in Kindersley raised \$14,000 in pledges for the Kinsmen Telemiracle Foundation. The Grade 4 to 7 students from Westberry School and Elizabeth School spent more than eight hours playing games, singing karaoke and rocking in rocking chairs in the Westberry School gym over the weekend.

To participate, each girl was required to raise a minimum of \$50 for the Kinsmen Telemiracle Foun-

ation. While some participants contributed the minimum amount, others went far beyond the minimum requirement.

Grade 4 student Brooke Fries raised the most funds (\$1,573). Second place went to Grade 6 student Ashley Fries, and third place went to Grade 4 student Shayne Cranston with \$1,265.75. Grade 4 student Mallory Fries collected the most pledges (57).

The top fundraisers were invited to attend Telemiracle 33 at TCU Place in Saskatoon in March of that year.

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Why should nitrogen get all the buzz?

BY WARREN WARD

A successful canola crop needs a lot of nitrogen, which is why nitrogen earns A-list buzz. That same successful crop also depends on a strong supporting cast – phosphorus, potassium, sulphur and micronutrients.

University of Saskatchewan researchers recently updated the nutrient uptake and removal guidelines for 14 annual crops grown in Western Canada. The researchers, in doing their surveys, discovered considerable variability in uptake and removal due in part to differences in weather and management, which is why they say these numbers are guidelines only, not prescriptions. (See the table.)

Farmers will benefit from soil tests, yield history and economics to determine how much fertilizer their canola needs.

Nitrogen

The 2023 guidelines put average nitrogen uptake for canola at 2.38 pounds per bushel, with a wide range of 1.12 to 3.64.

A 50 bu./ac. canola crop will need 119 lb./ac. of nitrogen, based on the guideline average. Some of that will come from soil nitrate reserves and mineralization of soil organic matter. Soil test analysis will recommend a fertilizer rate based on target yield and soil nitrate levels. Nitrogen from mineralization is difficult to estimate and is not included.

Phosphorus

Many fields on the Prairies test low or very low for available phosphate. The new uptake and removal guidelines put average phosphate uptake for canola at 0.90 lb./bu., with a range from 0.40 to 1.30. Based on the average, a 50 bu./ac. canola crop will need 45 lb./ac. of available phosphate.

Farms can safely place up to 20 lb./ac. of phosphate in the seed row for an early pop-up benefit – as long as soils have decent moisture. With dry soils, any fer-

tilizer in the seed row will put seed at risk of fertilizer damage. Additional phosphate could go into the side or mid-row band with the rest of the fertilizer.

Sulphur

The new guidelines say canola takes up 0.86 pounds of sulphur per bushel of yield, on average, making it a high sulphur-using crop. A 50 bu./ac. canola crop needs 43 lb./ac. of sulphur, on average.

If soil tests are low in sulphur, fertilize according to soil test recommendations. If soil is moderate or high in sulphur, a small amount, say 10-15 lb./ac., may be required to offset the high variability in sulphur levels across a field.

New research from Raju Soolanayakanahally with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada in Saskatoon showed that canola with adequate sulphur fertilizer may be more tolerant of water deficit conditions. This is another reason to make sure canola has enough sulphur.

Potassium

Canola plants need 2.93 pounds of potassium (K₂O) for every bushel of seed yield, according to the new guidelines. A 50 bu./ac. crop can take up 147 lb./ac. of potassium, on average.

Because most potassium returns to the soil through residue and because “young” Prairie soils generally have higher potassium levels, canola crops do not often show a response to potassium fertilizer. But if soil tests show less than 250 pounds per acre (125 ppm), canola may benefit from a potassium application.

Fertilizer rates are a moving target and the “right rate” can vary considerably field to field. We encourage farmers to use soil tests. Use the recommended rates – which are set based on yield projection, soil nitrate reserves and mineralization potential of each soil – as a guide to set an appropriate rate for each field.

–Warren Ward is an agronomy specialist for the Canola Council of Canada. Email wardw@canolacouncil.org.

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Elizabeth School student to perform at TeleMiracle

BY JOAN JANZEN

Thirteen-year-old Brooke Boisvert from Kindersley will be performing at TeleMiracle in Saskatoon on Sunday, February 25, sometime between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Brooke, who is a Grade 7 student at Elizabeth Middle School, open audition in Saskatoon and was chosen by the producers to perform.

Brooke trains at Premier Dance in Kindersley. During the last competition season, she performed a lyrical number choreographed by her instructor, Tiffany Wagner, to the song “Both Sides Now.” Now, she is excited to bring this performance to the TeleMiracle stage to help raise funds to aid the people of Saskatchewan in need.

She has achieved her fundraising goal of \$2500 and will also represent the fundraising efforts of all three schools in Kindersley during her live presentation.



Brooke Boisvert from Kindersley will be performing at TeleMiracle in Saskatoon on Sunday, February 25th.

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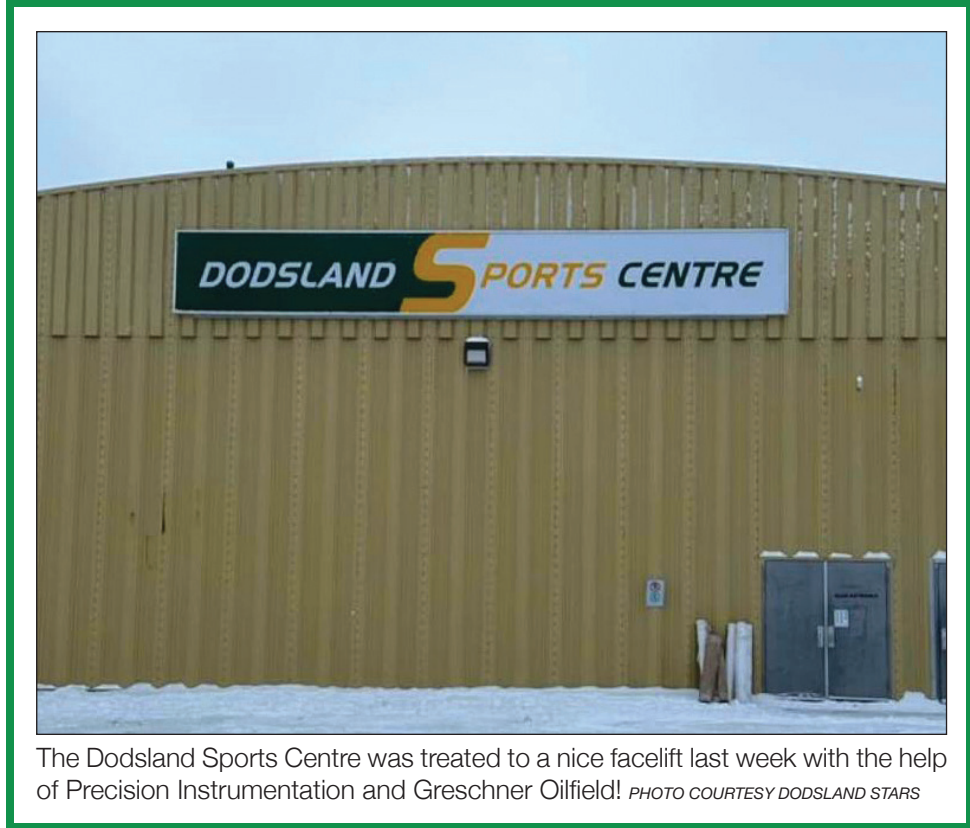
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Development Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "As we have already surpassed our 2030 Growth Plan target of \$20 billion in agri-food exports, this milestone not only reflects the dedication of Saskatchewan farmers, but also the global demand for the high-quality agricultural products that they consistently deliver."

In addition to raw commodities, processed products are a key contributor to the province's agricultural exports. With canola oil as Saskatchewan's third highest agri-food export and canola meal the sixth, these products provide an opportunity to reach the 2030 Growth Plan target of increasing agriculture value-added revenue to \$10 billion.

Saskatchewan's exports have grown by more than 52.1 per cent since 2013. Trade and investment offices around the world support Saskatchewan companies seeking investment opportunities and promoting trade. The province looks forward to continuing to expand exports, opening new markets and sharing Saskatchewan's story with the world.

Saskatchewan's agriculture industry has posted a fourth consecutive year of record agri-food exports, with shipments totalling \$20.2 billion for 2023.

The leading agri-food export commodities in 2023 were non-durum wheat, canola seed, canola oil, durum, lentils and canola meal. The top five international market destinations were the United States, China, Japan, Mexico and Algeria.

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February Oil and Gas Public Offering raises \$10 million

The Government of Saskatchewan's Crown petroleum and natural gas public offering, held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, has brought in \$10,042,112.71 for the province.

Of the 48 parcels posted for this offering, 44 parcels received acceptable bids. These bids covered 14,651.566 hectares.

The Estevan area generated the most interest, raising \$7,223,245.77 for 23 leases and one exploration license totalling 8,756.552 hectares.

Additionally, bids for leases and licenses in the Lloydminster area brought in \$1,916,571.78 for this offering. These bids covered 17 leases and one exploration license totalling 5,375.414 hectares.

Acceptable bids in the Kindersley area generated \$902,295.16 for two leases totalling 519.600 hectares.

Millennium Land (222) Ltd. made the highest bonus bid on a parcel in this offering, bidding \$5,055,881.79, an

average of \$1,203.97 per hectare, for a 4,199.342-hectare license in the Estevan area, southeast of Radville. This license is prospective for oil in the Ratcliffe Beds.

The highest dollars-per-hectare bid received was \$3,342.19 per hectare, for a total of \$216,169.51. This 64.679-hectare lease is in the Lloydminster area, west of Paradise Hill, and was awarded to Synergy Land Services Ltd. This lease is prospective for heavy oil in the Mannville Group.

This is the final public offering of six this fiscal year. The province has received \$75.5 million in revenue for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

The next scheduled date for a public offering in Saskatchewan is April 2, 2024. This offering features 145 leases covering 17,676.045 hectares and two exploration licenses covering 2,092.343 hectares.

Kindersley RCMP investigate suspicious fire

During the early morning hours of February 3, Kindersley RCMP were called to assist the Kindersley Fire Department in the 100 block of 5th Street West. Once on scene, the RCMP



and the Kindersley Fire Department located a telephone pole that appeared to be set on fire intentionally. The RCMP continues to investigate and requests that if any member of the public witnessed anything suspicious or has video cameras that may have captured something of interest please contact the Kindersley RCMP Detachment.

In addition to the fire investigation between January 29 to February 4, Kindersley RCMP responded to a further 54 calls for service*. These calls included but were not limited to, three break-and-enter complaints, two as-

saults, and four suspicious person complaints.

Want to help your local RCMP investigate crimes and keep your community safe? Voluntarily register your business or home security camera at saskcapturecw.ca.

If you need to report any suspicious activity in your community, please get in touch with 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 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submitting a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

*For more information on the calls to service, please get in touch with the Kindersley RCMP detachment.

Unity RCMP Report

UNITY

- RCMP received a Mental Health Act complaint. Members spoke to the subject of complaint.
- Police received a complaint of an individual not paying for a business service. Members attended and spoke with the subject of complaint. The complainant requested no further action be taken.
- Members conducted a wellbeing check at the request of a family friend.
- RCMP received a complaint of fraud. This matter is still under investigation.
- Members acted as mediators in a neighbour dispute.
- A 58-year-old male was charged with Fail to Comply with an Undertaking after Members received a complaint of an individual breaching a no contact condition.
- Members are investigating a complaint of fraud.
- RCMP received a complaint of sexual assault. This matter is still under investigation.
- Police received a complaint of criminal harassment. Members spoke to the subject of complaint and issued a verbal warning.
- There was also one traffic complaint and one false alarm.



Members received a report of a single vehicle collision near Wilkie.

- There were also two traffic complaints and one false 911 call.

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- RCMP received a complaint of unauthorized use of a computer but it was unfounded.
- Police received a complaint of an individual failing to comply with a probation order. This matter is still under investigation.
- Members received a report of an individual failing to comply with a release order. This matter is still under investigation.
- RCMP received a report of an individual attempting to break up a fight between two dogs. The individual sustained minor injuries and attended Provost Health Centre for medical treatment.

Persons with information about crimes being committed in the Unity / Wilkie / Macklin areas are urged to call the Unity RCMP detachment at (306)228-6300; the Wilkie RCMP at (306) 843-3480; or the Macklin RCMP at (306) 753-2171. If you wish to remain anonymous, you may also call Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477, or *8477 on the SaskTel Mobility Network. Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$2000.00 for information which leads to the arrest of person(s) responsible for any serious crime. Crime Stoppers is anonymous and does not subscribe to call display, nor are your calls traced or recorded.

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- RCMP received a complaint of theft. The property was returned to the owner. Member spoke to the subject of complaint and issued a verbal warning. The complainant requested no further action be taken.
- Members acted as mediators in a dispute between two adults.
- Police received a Mental Health Act complaint. Members spoke to the subject of complaint.
- RCMP received a complaint of assault but it was unfounded.
- Police received a complaint of trespassing but there was insufficient evidence to proceed.
- Members received a complaint of uttering threats but there was insufficient evidence to proceed.
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- Police received a Mental Health Act complaint. Members spoke to the subject of complaint.
- Members received a report of an individual with unauthorized possession of a firearm but it was unfounded.
- RCMP are investigating a break and enter at a rural property near Wilkie.
- Members acted as mediators in a child custody dispute.
- A 47-year-old male from Saskatoon was charged with Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle after

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Saskatchewan's Energy News

Just as Alberta has had minimal wind power, so too has Saskatchewan

BY BRIAN ZINCHUK

Wind power generation in Alberta has flatlined twice in as many days, and as weather patterns typically flow from west to east, Saskatchewan has seen similar conditions.

On Sunday, Feb. 4, Alberta saw wind power generation fall to 15 megawatts during the supper hour. On Feb. 5, wind fell to less than 1 per cent output before noon and remained at that level (and much lower) for almost all of the next 24 hours.

So what happened in Saskatchewan? Pipeline Online asked SaskPower, and got this response on Feb. 6 from spokesperson Joel Cherry by email. In situations like this, Pipeline Online usually asks how long the province's 617 megawatts of grid-scale wind produces zero power, and how long it produces less than 10 megawatts (1.6 per cent), which is effectively zero.

Cherry said, "On Feb 4 we had about an hour of less than 10 megawatts of wind from 12 a.m. to 1 a.m.

"Yesterday (Feb. 5) we had less than 10 megawatts from 1:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m., from 8:15 p.m. to 9 p.m. and then from 9:45 to midnight. We were at zero for much of the afternoon and then from 10:45 to midnight. We did have wind production in the 100-150 MW range throughout much of the morning up to 10 a.m. before winds died off for the day."

Alberta's flatlined wind power production meant the province was importing power from its neighbours, a frequent occurrence of back-and-forth trade. The inertia between the two provinces had been downrated several



Assembly of a wind turbine near Assiniboia, Sask., on Jan. 7, 2021.

PHOTO BY BRIAN ZINCHUK

months ago to 90 megawatts until some maintenance was completed. During the mid-January electrical crisis in Alberta, the capacity of the line was temporarily pushed back to 153 megawatts to help Alberta get through its critical shortage, before returning back to 90 megawatts.

Those repairs are now done, Cherry said. "We did start exporting full tie of 153 once the tie-line with Alberta was back to full capacity, which oc-

curred yesterday (February 5). It was not an emergency exception."

As part of those regular electrical market exchanges, SaskPower also imported power from Manitoba Hydro. Cherry said, "We imported between 290 megawatts and 148 megawatts from Manitoba during that time period, with our total net imports ranging from 132 megawatts at 7:45 p.m. to four megawatts at midnight."

On Feb. 4, Saskatchewan's 30

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Sheila Johnson, Gloria Francis, Lind Knox, Joan Cameron, Linda Jones, 1959.

Carnival days in the 1950s

BY JOAN JANZEN

According to the "Kindersley Memories" history book, the first figure skating carnival occurred in 1936 or 1937, and the sport has thrived ever since. When John Knox returned to work as the town engineer in Kindersley in 1941, he resumed his skating activities.

At that time, he had a contract with the town to operate the arena, and any funds raised were turned over to the Town Fund. Even when admissions were as low as 40 cents for an adult, he turned over \$200 or more to the town on more than two occasions.

Throughout the years leading up to 1950, a professional skater named Audrey Darling trained many skaters. In 1951, the club affiliated with the Saskatoon F.S.C., and in 1952, they joined the C.F.S.A.

In 1958, the Knoxes announced the last carnival, which they would entirely direct. Consequently, the 1959-1960 season was directed by Miss Clarice Standen.



Myrna Halpenny and Bill Knox, 1951.

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...Wind power

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megawatts of grid-scale solar showed negligible power generation. So on that day, not only were periods of next to no wind power, but also no solar, at the same time.

Part of a 2014 equivalency agreement with the then-Conservative federal government allowed SaskPower to extend the life of its coal-fired power generation assets a few more years. In return, the province committed to expanding wind and solar power generation by an additional 3,000 megawatts by 2035. Currently a 200 megawatt wind project called the Bekevar Yōtin Wind Facility is under construction at Kipling, and a 100 megawatt solar project was recently announced for Estevan. Both are being built by independent power producers who will sell their power to SaskPower.

On Sept. 25, 2023, SaskPower president and CEO Rupen Pandya told Pipeline Online, "When we signed

the equivalency agreement with the federal government in 2014 to allow us to keep using coal to the end of 2030, part of that agreement required us to build out renewables in the province, so that we could operate coal assets, coal generators, past their end of life. And that's what we've been able to do. And we continue to do. So, part of the build out of renewables that's required as part of the equivalency agreement, that 3,000 megawatts that we need to put in place by 2035. I think 2,000 by 2030."

The proposed federal Clean Electricity Regulations intend to phase out unabated coal and natural gas power generation in Canada by 2035. In Saskatchewan on Feb. 4, natural gas and coal accounted for 88 per cent of power generation, combined. In Alberta, Tuesday morning, it was 96 per cent (mostly natural gas, with some coal)

Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll VILLAGE OF MENDHAM

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Village of Mendham for the year 2024 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the following days:

Monday to Friday, February 13 - March 18, 2024

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Alex Visscher is the baker at Village of Hope Bakery in Eston. All profits from this non-profit organization go towards supporting the Village of Hope drug and alcohol regeneration facility.

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Profits from Eston's bakery go towards Village of Hope

BY JOAN JANZEN

There's a new bakery in Eston, but it's also a non-profit organization. All the profits from the Village of Hope Bakery go towards operating costs for the Village of Hope facility where the bakery is located. Their building is the former Eston Bible College, where the bakery operates in the kitchen area. Village of Hope is a drug and alcohol regeneration outlet that offers a ten-month Christian-based program dedicated to helping men and women aged 18 years and older overcome drug and alcohol addictions.

Alex Visscher is the baker and has a wealth of baking experience. "I'm 62 years old and have been a baker since I was 17," he said. "It provided an income for my family for many years." Alex retired from baking to pursue other ventures for several years. "But this caught my attention, and I felt called to get back into the baking industry," he said.

Not only does Alex bring years of expertise to the bakery, but his posting is a volunteer position and a labour of love. "It's a big commitment, but hopefully, it's going to make a big change in men's and women's lives. Cause, as you know, addiction is a common thing nowadays."

The bakery has been operating since October. "We have the bakery area in construction as we speak. The men are involved in the construction of counters and working on the cafe section," Alex explained. The bakery will be located in the former college library.

"We're at the grassroots level right now," he said. Although they're relatively busy, he said business will definitely pick up when they have a cafe set up and an actual bakery site where customers can shop.

"Our bakery equipment isn't set up yet; we're using the large industrial kitchen ovens right now," he explained.

Alex is assisted by men who are in the program who volunteer after they're done with their classes for the day. They help with some production and package the bakery products.

The local arena is purchasing hamburger buns from the bakery. However, Alex said they haven't pursued efforts to provide baking for businesses. "We don't have the production facilities to satisfy that demand right now," he said. "But we take orders. We haven't had an order yet that we can't fill."

Eston's bakery is also helping out another non-profit organization by donating all their day-old baking to FoodMesh in Kindersley. "FoodMesh also purchases bread from us every two weeks, and we save up all the day-old baking for them," Alex explained. "We have enough volunteers, so we've been able to deliver the baking to Kindersley once a week. It's been a wonderful experience working with FoodMesh."

Alex claims they're on the ground floor level when it comes to baking, but they provide a wide assortment of products. Everything from bread, buns, cheese sticks, pepperoni cheese sticks, cookies and muffins come out of their oven daily.

"The pumpkin muffins with cream cheese icing have been successful so far," he confessed. "Unfortunately, I've only so many hours in a day, and everything is homemade and fresh."

So stop at the bakery at 730 - 1st St. SE in Eston and say hello to Alex. Not only is the baking delicious, but all the proceeds are helping support efforts to free people from addictions.

Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll VILLAGE OF PLENTY

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Village of Plenty for the year 2024 has been prepared and is open to inspection at the office of the assessor from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the following days:

**Tuesday and Wednesday,
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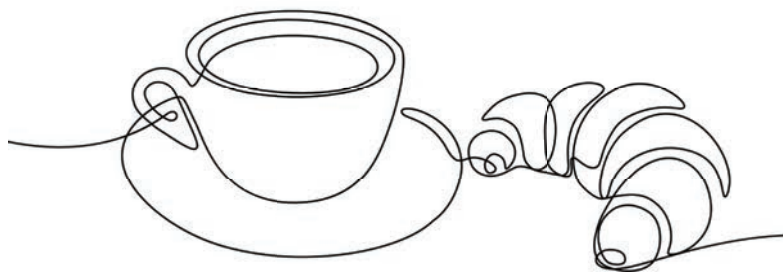
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by Dave T. Phipps



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King Crossword

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- 5 Skirt edge
- 8 Some GIs
- 12 Nest setting
- 13 Commotion
- 14 Inter —
- 15 Admin. aide
- 16 Prepared
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- 31 Prior night
- 32 Wrap up by
- 34 Martini ingredient
- 35 Painter Chagall
- 37 Coexisted
- 39 Chinese chairman
- 41 "Not so fast!"
- 42 Pub game fodder
- 45 Honor
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- 51 Jazzy James
- 52 Robert of "The Sopranos"
- 53 Census stat
- 54 Winter fall
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- 17 Sinbad's bird
- 19 Slender woodwind
- 22 Fund
- 24 Jewel
- 25 Eggs
- 26 Little home wreckers?
- 27 Amassed
- 29 Diarist Anais
- 30 "Life of Pi" director Lee
- 33 New Mexico resort
- 36 Frolic
- 38 Most recent Tin Man's need
- 42 Pre-weekend yell
- 43 Actor's quest
- 44 Driver of "Logan Lucky"
- 46 Sicilian peak
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: Which movie has the tagline, "May the odds be ever in your favor"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which country possesses Baffin Island?
- AD SLOGANS: Which company's slogan is, "You're in good hands"?
- LANGUAGE: What is a common saying for the Latin phrase "lapsus linguae"?
- MUSIC: What country was home to reggae singer Bob Marley?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is an example of a macropod?
- TELEVISION: Gordon, Percy, James, Toby and Emily are characters on which children's show?
- MATH: What is 1/60 of a degree?
- LITERATURE: Who wrote the book series "The Chronicles of Narnia"?
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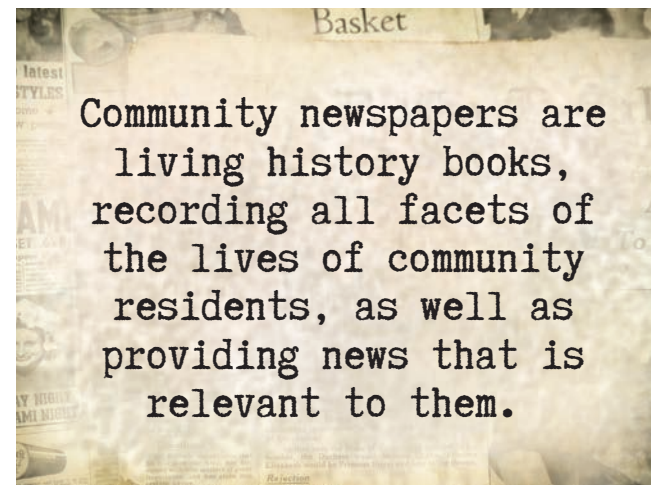
Upcoming water advisory issued for Leader

The Town of Leader's water distribution system will be on a precautionary drinking water advisory beginning February 20, 2024, and will remain on advisory for approximately four weeks. Equipment maintenance/upgrades at the water treatment facility necessitate this precautionary water boil advisory.

A notice was sent out to users of Town of Leader water, advising that once the work is complete, the Town will submit water samples for testing. Once

samples have passed testing results, the advisory will be lifted.

Residents are advised to boil water for drinking, washing fruits and vegetables, brushing teeth or soaking false teeth, making ice cubes, preparing drinks which will not be heated, and washing dishes. It was also advised to rinse washed dishes in a bleach water solution and to avoid drinking from public water fountains.



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Duties and Criteria:

- Check, lubricate, fuel and clean equipment
- Perform pre-operational checks on equipment
- Operate various heavy equipment, tractor and mower
- Perform minor repairs on equipment
- Culvert and sign installation and repairs, rock picking, assist in roadside weed management
- Other duties as required
- Team player and safety minded. Willingness to take direction from Foreman
- Have a valid Drivers License
- Must be physically able to complete labour related tasks when required.

Applicants are invited to submit a resume including 3 references by February 29, 2024.

R.M. of Winslow No. 319, Box 310, Doddsland, SK S0L 0V0 Ph: 306-932-7011
 Email Operations@rmofwinslow.ca

R.M. of Lacadena No. 288 EMPLOYEE OPPORTUNITY

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Qualifications:

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R.M. of Lacadena No. 228, Box 610, Kyle, SK S0L 1T0 • Fax: 306-375-4705
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Only qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview.

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SWIMMING POOL MANAGER

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 - Previous experience necessary
- Qualifications:** NLS, Pool Operator's Course, LSI (all levels), CPR-C, Standard First Aid

FULL-TIME LIFEGUARDS

- Early/Mid Jun - Sept 2, 2024 - 35 + hrs/week
 - Applicants must be at least 15 years of age
 - Previous experience necessary
- Qualifications:** Bronze Cross, NLS (preferred), LSI (all levels), CPR-C, Standard First Aid

PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS

- Mid June - Sept 2, 2024 - 12 + hrs/week
 - Applicants must be at least 15 years of age
- Qualifications:** Bronze Cross, NLS (preferred), LSI (preferred), CPR-C, Standard First Aid

PART-TIME JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS (Lifeguard in Training)

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SUMMER PROGRAM COORDINATOR/PARKS LABORER

- May 27 - Aug 30, 2024 - 330-5 hrs/week
- Driver's License an asset
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- Ability to work independently very important

TOURISM COORDINATOR

- May 17 - Sept 2, 2024 - Thurs to Mon 30 - 35 hours/week
- Driver's License an asset
- Responsible for the Tourist Information Centre
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Forward Resume and Cover Letter stating position of interest to:

Rochelle Francis, Recreation Director
 TOWN OF LEADER
 Box 39, Leader SK S0N 1H0
 Email: recreation@sasktel.net

Application Deadline: March 15, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.

Suffern Lake Regional Park Authority

Is now accepting applications for

Park Caretaker Full time; May 01 - Sept 30, 2024

Suffern Lake Regional Park (SLRP) is located from Macklin, Hwy #17 N 16 Km, Municipal Road #787 E 4.9 Km, Municipal Road N 16.2 Km, Rural Road W (Park Entrance). SLRP is situated on crown land in the Manitou Sandhills Integrated Resources Management Plan, an environmentally sensitive area. There are 37 serviced campsites and 10 non serviced campsites. Cabins also exist in a designated park area. There is a 9-hole golf course, and a small lake that is swimmer friendly, but with no lifeguard on duty. Lake speed is limited to 5 km/hour, perfect for trout fishing. Other amenities include a concession/small store, and a conveniently located community hall (with kitchen), available for rent with a refundable damage deposit. Provincial Park Passes are required and are available for sale on-site. Online registrations are available at: campreservation.ca

Hours of work vary, so flexibility is required. Applicant must be physically fit and possess a driver's license. First Aid certification would be beneficial, but is not a requirement. Park employees must possess a strong work ethic and be committed to the park, its patrons, the Board, and the surrounding communities. As manager, you will serve as a role model and mentor. The Park is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity in our workforce and knowledge of our people.

Duties: fulltime management and maintenance of the park and its amenities, including grass cutting, beach area, golf course, trail maintenance; and individual camper(s) and group use areas. Responsibilities include reservations, hall reservations, and concession stand operations, etc.

Applicant must have essential computer skills and the ability to operate and maintain all park equipment.

Accommodations/office on-site. Regularly scheduled time-off. Must have reliable vehicle. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Couples will be considered with a potential for division of duties and responsibilities.

Also Hiring: Campground Attendants

Suffern Lake Regional Park Authority may be hiring campground attendants for SLRP, full time (35 hrs/week), May - Aug and/or Jul - Aug. Successful applicants will be expected to assist caretaker with guest services, cleanliness, maintenance & upkeep of the grounds at the park. Safe equipment operation training will be provided.

Deadline for applications - Apr 15, 2024

For a complete Job Description or to submit resume:

Hal Wright, President 306-823-3611 Email: hal.wright1@gmail.com
 or Leila Grobel - Email: secretarytreasurer@suffernlakeregionalpark.ca

OBITUARIES

MacMillan, Hilda

1933 - 2024

On February 5, 2024 Hilda Peters MacMillan passed away at 90 years old. Hilda was predeceased in 2019 by her husband Ken MacMillan. Prior to his death, Hilda and Ken had been lovingly married for sixty-three years. They had three children: Ali, Kim, Leanne (Bill); 5 grandchildren: Dexter, Kaleb (Kamiko) and Bridget MacMillan, Brenna and Tess Willette; 2 great-grandchildren: Porter and Makena MacMillan.



Hilda was the last of the children of Susanna and Cornelius Peters of Superb, Saskatchewan. She is predeceased by her siblings: Arthur, Oscar, Herbert, Harry, Alice and Frieda. Hilda was raised Mennonite and later joined the Coleville United Church. Hilda and Ken farmed 4 miles 'due north' of Coleville, Saskatchewan, retired to Turtle Lake,

and then moved to St. Albert, Alberta.

Hilda held a huge amount of love for her family and friends. She once commented that she had to start going to bed earlier because it was taking her such a long time to pray for all of the people that she cared for. She deeply mourned over the deaths of neighbours, in-laws, nieces & nephews and all she cared for who were taken too soon.

As well as farming, Hilda was a hard-working Certified Nursing Assistant at the Kerrobert Union Hospital for 24 years and drove from the farm to town through snowstorms, thunder & lightning, early morning, and late at night. In her words: "I worked for progress; the right for staff to wear more comfortable colourful pant uniforms instead of dresses, pressed for job share shifts for women with children at home and lobbied for no smoking in the hospital for the health of staff and patients."

It seemed like Hilda never stopped-- from the Hospital to hauling grain, tending the large garden to visiting someone who was grieving. She never missed her daily walk even on hectic days. In her

retirement, she continued her busy life. She was a social butterfly who baked for fundraisers, decorated the church and loved to garden. Hilda was a determined soul who never did anything half-way. Her flowers knew that they were expected to bloom beautifully every year and did so without fail.

After the death of her husband, Hilda's health declined rapidly. She entered into long term care in 2020 at the Citadel Care Centre in St. Albert, where she was treated with a huge measure of respect and care from all the staff. As a social butterfly, Hilda attended many events of the Recreation department. She loved the musical offerings! If you wish to donate in her memory please send to: Citadel Care Centre- Resident Recreation Program, 25 Erin Ridge Road, St. Albert T8N 7K8.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, May 11th at 1:00 pm, in Coleville Cemetery with refreshments to follow at the Coleville Legion Hall.

To send condolences, please visit www.fostermcgarvey.com.

Sandhills Boxing Club prepares for next competition



L-R: Isabelle Blohm - coach, Chris Girardin (15), Alex Girardin (14), Ryder Bredy (13), Willow Blohm (11), Ken Blohm - head coach.

BY JOAN JANZEN

The Sandhills Boxing Club team travelled to Regina on the February 3rd weekend for the Sask. Provincial competition. Willow Blohm and Ryder Bredy have won provincials three years in a row. This year, there was no one in their age category, so they won by a walkover.

"But it's still a victory because they work so hard," their head coach, Ken Blohm said. Chris Girardin had his first bout and lost, but it was a very good match. "He learned what he needs to do for his next competition and took home a silver," Ken said. Chris' brother, Alex, had his second competition and came out with a gold, winning by a walkover.

"There's few competitors," Ken said regarding winning by a walkover. "There might be 15 boxing clubs in Saskatchewan." The closest boxing clubs are located at Regina, Lloydminster and Medicine Hat. "There's no other clubs for 200 miles. "We'd love to see a lot more clubs open up, creating more competitors and opportunities."

However Coach Ken and his wife Isabelle are providing an excellent opportunity in Leader, which is why people come to the club from as far as Kindersley and Brock to participate.

"We have 30 members coming to learn boxing skills and get in shape; six of those want to compete," Ken

explained. The club consists of twenty kids and 10-15 adults. "My competitors come in three times a week."

The club participates in competitions almost every weekend. When they're not competing, they are back in the club, focusing on specifics. They're looking forward to attending the Golden Glove Tournament in Calgary at the beginning of March, and there will be more competitions during winter and spring. This year, the club is also looking at going to Quebec.

"It's a very lonely sport, so it's good to have kids go as a team and bond. It's been a really good year," Ken said. The success of the club is due to the coaching of Ken and his wife Isabelle, along with Sheldon Seiwert. "You need as many coaches as you can with 20 kids in a class," he said.

For Ken and Isabelle, the Sandhills Boxing Club is a labour of love. "All the coaching we do is volunteer," he noted. Ken works a seasonal job at the RM, and his wife also works seasonally as an operator of the Lemsford Ferry. "It works well for us. We get to focus on coaching during the winter months and be home for our children," Ken said.

Not only should the hard work and dedication of the Sandhills Boxing Club be celebrated, but their coaches also deserve a shout-out of appreciation. After all, without them, none of this would be possible.

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OBITUARIES

Walter Paslawski

1933 - 2024

PASLAWSKI - On February 5th, our Dad passed away holding the hand of his loving wife Sally – they were to celebrate their 65th Anniversary this October.



Walter was born September 10, 1933 to Anastasia (Kozicki) and Nicholas Paslawski in Kindersley Saskatchewan. He had an older brother Morris and was followed by Julian, Bill and twins Anna and Eugene. Growing up on a farm just south of Kindersley in the 1930s was not an easy life.

A determined fella, Dad left high school just prior to graduating, and after a few years of working for family friends, the Senkiw family, he went to Saskatoon to obtain his carpentry ticket. Dad had a love of working with his hands – he became a carpenter and farmer and spent the rest of his life doing both. Spring and Harvest were his favourite times of year.

In 1958 – Walter met Sally in Kindersley – Walter was working at Velthome Construction and Sally at the Dobni Hotel. Walter and Sally were married October 10, 1959 and were blessed with a small team of children from 1960 – 1968. Lorne, Greg, Raymond, Ernie, Nadine, Patricia, and Marion. Dad was a strict and hardworking father and instilled this in his children. He and Mom's hard work provided us with many opportunities – music, sports, schooling, etc.

Walter loved to be social – dancing, playing cards, curling or just a good visit. He was big on tradition so he and mom shared Pysanka with us at Easter, passing on his skills as Dads steady hands led to some of the most intricate designs and if you ever saw Dads handwriting – it was beautiful. He was always very particular about things lining up just right, edges to be smooth – very precise about design & construction. He loved seeing how things were built.

Dad was involved in the Ukrainian Church as a Cantor during our early years as well as the Eatonia Catholic Church. He was President of St. Joseph's and was on the Bishop's Appeal for many years. He had a dedication to the church and his voice was often heard each Sunday. Dad had the lowest voice in the choir – he loved to sing.

But he loved to play cards – Kaiser with neighbours or family often led to many late nights or early mornings. Puzzles filled our house walls and

occupied evenings as he and Mom sat across from each other. Dad would offer a slight tap, tap, tap on each piece he put in to let us know when he got one.

He loved animals all through life. From his first two horses King and Prince to his many kitties that he loved late in life. Following his feet around the farm or a sweet pet with his huge hands.

Having so many children and grandchildren led to travels across Canada and US. He rode a bull in Texas, visited family in Toronto and Nova Scotia and watched hockey in some great arenas. He went to Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation and Graduation of many Grandchildren.

While he was strict with his children – he let his love flow with the grandchildren and great grandchildren. Rides on the quad, chicken coop visits, letting them comb his hair and put hair clips in, fishing trips and harvesting the garden. Dads love of children was seen with every visit.

Dad is predeceased by his parents, his son Lorne, brother Morris (2009) and brother-in-law Larry Symynuk.

Walter is survived by his loving wife Sally, children Greg Paslawski, Raymond (Susan) Paslawski, Ernie (Kim) Paslawski, Nadine (Dave) Keck, Patricia (Haig) Yeretsian, Marion (Kent) Hayes and Rita Peel (Lorne).

By his grandchildren Dustin Paslawski, Jaclyn (Corey) Domes, Alexa (Jimmy) Paslawski, Meaghan (Josh) Gramlich, Matthew (Mac) Paslawski, Christine (Josh) Keck-Hodgson, Evan (Katie) Keck, Nathan Keck, Daniel Keck, Amanda (Christian) Yeretsian-Musacchia, Jessica Yeretsian, Steven Yeretsian, Tawnia Yeretsian, his step grandchildren Colton Hayes, Kendal (Nichelle) Hayes, and Garrison (Madeleine) Krotz

And his great grandchildren, Kaden, Barret, Ryker, Jude, Maxson, Avalean, Zaidyn, Zander, Zoey, and Huck.

Walter is also survived by his brother Julian (Cecile) Paslawski, Bill (Kitty) Paslawski, Anna Symynuk and Eugene (Rozanne) Paslawski.

A special thanks to the staff at the Kindersley Manor – letting him push the candy cart around, for sharing their children as Dad always loved the wee ones and their care for him is greatly appreciated. The small things really are the biggest. Thank you.

Prayers will be held Friday, February 9th at 7 pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The funeral will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Saturday, February 10th at 11 am. Lunch to follow internment at cemetery.

Tough times ahead for Hockey Canada and the five accused players

BY GREG BUCHANAN

The five players from Canada's 2018 world junior hockey team facing sexual assault charges also have the potential to encounter further sanctions regardless of the outcome of their case. Richard McLaren, an Ontario lawyer who authored a report into Russia's sports doping at the Olympics, said players could be banned from playing in the NHL due to violating their team's and the league's code of conduct. Lawyers for all five players: Alex Formenton, playing in Switzerland, Calgary Flames forward Dillon Dube, Philadelphia Flyers goaltender Carter Hart, New Jersey forward Michael McLeod and Devils defenceman Cal Foote say their clients intend to plead not guilty. Formenton, a former Ottawa Senator, surrendered to police in London, Ont., on Sunday. The five players have also been allowed indefinite leave from their pro clubs.

The NHL has conducted its own investigation into the sexual assault allegations, which have not been proven in court. McLaren says that even if the players are acquitted in a criminal court, the code of conduct agreement laid out by the players' union and pro clubs means they could be banned from playing in the NHL

in the future.

That can also mean that a player whose contract expires by season's end may not get signed by another team while there isn't a verdict or resolution. Dube, Hart, McLeod and Foote are all free agents following 2023-24. Tom Mayenknecht, a principal in Emblematical Brand Builders and a former sports executive, said the players' behaviour and attitude during the court case could have a bearing on any possible future.

There are examples of athletes from individual and team sports who have made some horrible errors in judgment and (committed) horrible acts and are not only charged but proven to have done so. They've found ways to get back to a situation where they can operate moving forward, and people have forgiven them; NHL teams have directed inquiries about the players involved in the case to the league. The league did not return a request for comment when asked about its role in handling inquiries for teams. In my opinion, what gets lost in these situations is the victim and the long road to recovery she will face. We need to ask ourselves, "Does it really matter that the people charged in this incident are hockey players? The answer is no."

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- Brock Cemetery AGM 7:00 PM at the Brock Vesper Club Hall. Annual general meeting will include 2023 financials. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BURSTALL SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- Town of Burstall Community Supper & Charity Auction. Proceeds going towards ongoing maintenance and operating costs of the Burstall & District Community Complex, Swimming Pool, Arena, Curling Rink and Golf Course. Auctioneer: Donnie Peacock.

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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- Walk This Way 9:30-11:00 AM at Prairieland Community Centre. Contact Marli 306-834-2344.
- League Curling 7:30 PM at the Kerrobert Curling Rink. Contact Brennan 306-834-7044.
- U13 vs Wilkie 6:00 PM at the Kerrobert Memorial Arena.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- Kerrobert Seniors Centre Pie a La Mode & Coffee 2:00-4:00 PM at the Seniors Hall. Come and enjoy some great food and friendship!

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

- Ducks Unlimited 34th Annual Kerrobert Banquet and Fundraiser at the Prairieland Community Centre. Doors Open: 5:00 PM. Supper: 6:30 PM. Auction & Raffles: 7:30 PM. Supported by Kerrobert Kinsmen and Dinette's. Contact Richard Anderson 306-834-7676 for more info / tickets.

- Storytime at the Kerrobert Library the first and third Thursday of every month at 10:30 AM.

KINDERSLEY SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- Kindersley Screen Arts presents "What Happens Later" 4:00 PM at the Sunset Theatre. \$10 at the door.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1 & SATURDAY, MARCH 2

- Kindersley Curling Club "Chicken and Wine Bonspiel." Entry Fee: \$200/team. To register, contact Richard at 306-460-6258 or sign up at the curling rink. Entry deadline February 23. Lunch and supper included on Saturday. Additional supper tickets available for \$20.

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

- Kindersley Air Cadets Fundraiser 1:00-4:00 PM at Clearview Community Church. You're invited to enjoy a bowl of Homemade Soup and Buns with Refreshments and Desserts. Allergy friendly, gluten free and vegan options available. Adults: \$7.50, Children (12 & under): \$5.00; Refreshment and Dessert Only: \$2.50. Cash Only. Bouncy Castle on site!

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

- Kindersley Arts Council presents Andrea Superstein at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre 7:30 PM.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

- Kindersley Screen Arts presents "Priscilla" 4:00 PM at the Sunset Theatre. \$10 at the door.
- Kindersley Wildlife Federation Annual Banquet at the Kindersley Elks Hall. \$60 adult; \$30 children. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Contact Brooke Kachmarski 306-5935 to get your tickets.

- FREE! Drop-In Soccer (Ages 15-99) Westberry School Gym every Thursday at 8:00 PM; Elizabeth School Gym every Friday at 7:00 PM. All welcome. Contact Kevin for more info: 306-430-4103 or email: kindersleysoccerboard@gmail.com

- Youth Curling hosted by the Kindersley Curling Club (Grades 4-12 welcome). Wednesdays 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.

LUSELAND WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- Luseland Arts Council presents Rory Gardiner 7:30 PM at the Luseland Homecoming Hall.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- Luseland Library free matinee 1:30 PM "Death on the Nile," a modern adaptation of the classic mystery by Agatha Christie, starring Kenneth Branagh and Gal Godot. Snacks and drinks provided. Rated PG-13.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- Winter Break Game Day 3:00-6:00 PM. Come on down to the Library to play one of our board games, card games or work on a puzzle. Bring a friend or make one while you're here!

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

- Luseland Library Art Gallery presents Shaun Gagne & Jared Fischer: Shipmates. The latest exhibition of the Luseland Art Gallery features a selection of model ships built by Shaun and Jared. Join the artists at the Luseland Library from 1:00-4:00 PM for an artist Q&A and a demonstration of model ship building! This show is a must see!

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

- Family Science Party 2:00 PM, Wheatland Library's Program Manager will visit and bring along three fun science experiments for our families, including making your own slime! Ages 5+. Please message the library to pre-register.



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