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# Downtown Kindersley Association to merge with Kindersley Chamber of Commerce

BY JOAN JANZEN

Last week, the Downtown Kindersley Association (DKA) voted to merge with the Kindersley Chamber of Commerce. The voting results took place at the DKA's monthly meeting last week.

Randy Irvine has been a member of the DKA since the 1980s and has witnessed many changes throughout the years. "There are not as many retail stores as there were years ago," he noted. Many of the downtown outlets are occupied by professional services, which changed the dynamics of the downtown association.

The association exists to attract people to the downtown area by hosting various events. "Even beautifying the downtown area with lamps and plants was always connected with the Downtown Association," Randy noted.

Although the association had a good number of members, they often didn't have the necessary participation. "For a while now, the Chamber executive has been requesting that we take a look at merging since it's a similar entity in many ways," Randy said. Now that merger is moving forward. "Our membership due date is the first week in September, so we'll carry on as we have until that date."

Jeff Soveran, President of the Kindersley Chamber of Commerce said, "We're really excited about it!" Although many DKA members are currently members of the Chamber, Jeff is hoping the remaining members will take the opportunity to join the Chamber. "It's a bigger force of people promoting businesses, with one membership price instead of two." He stressed that every member is important and no one will receive special treatment.

The Downtown Association holds many promotions throughout the year to draw people to Kindersley, and those promotions will continue. Randy



Kevin Martin is Executive Director for the Kindersley Chamber of Commerce. As the Downtown Kindersley Association moves forward and merges with the Chamber, Kevin Martin welcomes DKA members to obtain a Chamber membership if they haven't already done so. Kevin's office is located at the Kindersley Museum.

PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN

noted that the Chamber will now be coordinating the events with help from downtown merchants.

"We hope to work together with the Chamber and support the community as a whole," Randy concluded.

## Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll

### TOWN OF KINDERSLEY

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Town of Kindersley for the year 2024 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from **8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** on the following days:

**Monday to Friday, March 8, 2024 to April 8, 2024**

A bylaw pursuant to Section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

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Donnie Donald was a prominent chuckwagon racer. PHOTO BY ELLON LYONS

## Pharmacy Room dedicated to Donnie Donald

BY MICHELLE CONWAY BSC, BSN, RN

The Kindersley Pharmacy Project is nearing completion at the Kindersley and District Health Centre, which has been made possible through the generous bequest of Donnie Donald of Brock, Saskatchewan.

Donald was born and raised on a farm near Brock and farmed for a lifetime. Lionel Story fondly recalled that it was always important for Donnie to be the first farmer to seed every spring. He also loved hunting coyotes with his hounds and had plenty of pelts. He was a prominent chuckwagon racer who owned good quality horses. He was known as the community vet, helping farmers out with their animals. Gerard Derosier said Donnie had a heart of gold and was willing to help anybody. Now his contribution will help provide quality services to many patients in this region.

In collaboration with the Kindersley and District Health and Wellness Foundation, the SHA approved the allocation of a portion of the bequest to renovate and install state-of-the-art pharmacy equipment. The new equipment will assist in the preparation of medications for patients in the Community Oncology Program of Saskatchewan (COPS).

Kindersley is one of 16 COPS centres in Saskatchewan. The partnership between the Saskatchewan Health Authority and Saskatchewan Cancer Agency to deliver COPS is a vital commitment to our community. In Kindersley, there were 428 visits to the program between 2022 and 2023. Together, COPS nurses and pharmacy technicians, who recently completed training at the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, are excited to utilize this state-of-the-art equipment and new space to provide high-quality services to the patients they serve.



Hospital staff joined the Mayor, Reeve, Councillors and Board Members to name the hospital's new Pharmacy Clean Mixing Room in honour of the late Donnie Donald. Back Row (L-R): Rod Perkins (Mayor of Kindersley), Lionel Story (Reeve, RM of Kindersley), Gerard Derosier (Councillor), Rick McDougall (Board member Health & Wellness Foundation) and Murray Serfas (Councillor), Anika Becker (Manager of Clinical Services). Front Row: Miranda Crossman (Pharmacy Tech), Kelsey Keusal (RN), Shannon Palmier (RN). PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN

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**KINDERSLEY SKATING CLUB HOSTS 2024 WINTER CLASSIC:**  
 Despite the awful weather on the weekend of March 1st, the West Central Events Centre was buzzing with approximately 300 figure skaters for the last provincial competition of the season. The event has to be held in a community that boasts two arenas - the WCEC will be slated to host the event in 2032! PHOTOS BY KATE WINQUIST & JOAN JANZEN



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## NOTICE

Notice is given that:

- The council of the Town of Kerrobert proposes to pass a bylaw to undertake the following as a local improvement.

### Proposed Local Improvements

Location	Side	From	To
<b>Streets:</b>			
Atlantic Avenue	Both	Bulling Street	Highway 31
Manitoba Avenue	Both	Busteed Street	Peters Street
	Both	Peters Street	Ussher Street
	Both	Bosworth Street	McInnis Street
Saskatchewan Bay	Both	West End	Busteed Street
Saskatchewan Avenue	Both	Busteed Street	Peters Street
Alberta Avenue	Both	Busteed Street	Peters Street
Columbia Avenue	Both	West End	Lanigan Street
		Lanigan Street	Bosworth Street
		Bosworth Street	McInnis Street
Yukon Avenue	Both	Lanigan Street	Larmour Street
Ussher Street	Both	Columbia Avenue	Pacific Avenue
	Both	Pacific Avenue	Atlantic Avenue
Lanigan Street	Both	Pacific Avenue	Atlantic Avenue
Bosworth Street	Both	Pacific Avenue	Atlantic Avenue
Bulling Street	Both	South End, Blk 64	Pacific Avenue

and proposes to specially assess the cost against the lands benefitted by this local improvement.

- The estimated cost and rate of special assessment chargeable for the proposed local improvement are:

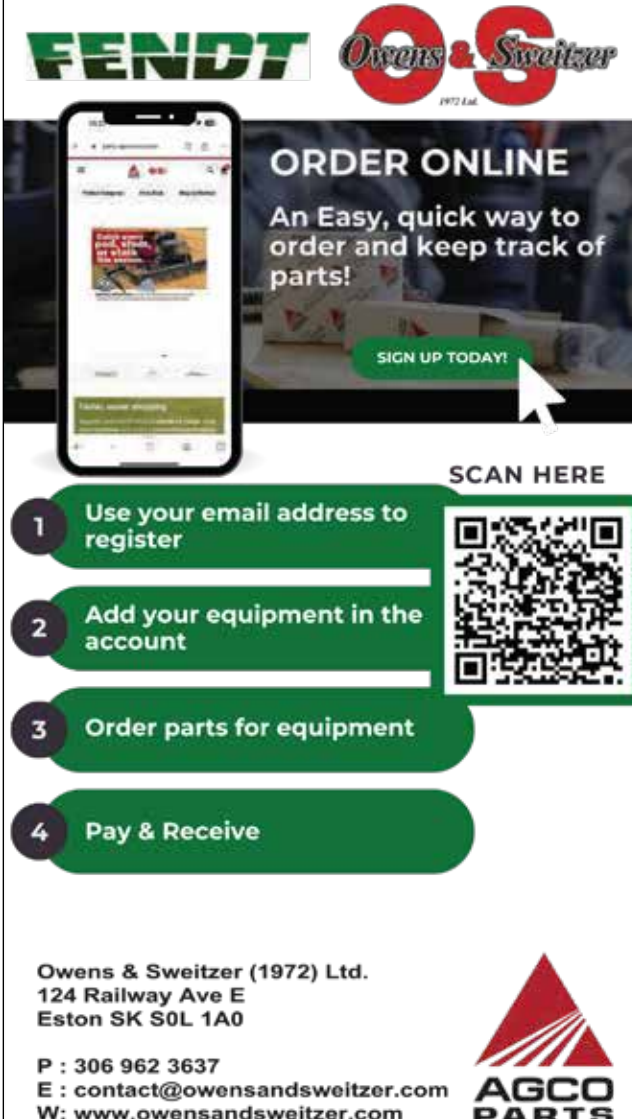
### Estimated Cost and Rate of Local Improvements

Location	Estimated Total Cost	Estimated Municipality's Share of Cost	Estimated Owner's Share of Costs	Estimated Rate and Bases of Special Assessment Frontage Meters
<b>Streets:</b>				
As above	\$5,299,164.51	\$2,859,592.11	\$2,439,572.40	4,177.35

- Owners of land to be specially assessed may petition against the proposed local improvement. The petition must be submitted to the CAO of the municipality no later than 4:30 p.m., on the 2nd day of April, 2024. To be successful, the petition must be signed by a majority in number of owners of lands to be specially assessed for the proposed local improvement, representing at least one-half of the assessed value in the most recent assessment roll of these lands. Advice on preparing the petition to ensure its validity is available from the municipal CAO.
- The council proposes to meet to consider a bylaw respecting this matter on the 10th day of April, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. o'clock p.m. at 433 Manitoba Avenue, Kerrobert, Saskatchewan.

Dated at Kerrobert, Saskatchewan, this 4th day of March, 2024.

Tara Neumeier, CAO



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# OPINION:



## Worst assault on freedom of expression in Canadian history

BY JOAN JANZEN

How do you know China has free speech? Because no one says otherwise. And how do you know Canada has free speech? Well, if Bill C-63 becomes law, "no one will say otherwise".

The Bill had its first reading at the House of Commons on February 26, 2024. Bill C-63 is defined as "An Act to enable the Online Harms Act, to amend the Criminal Code, the Canadian Human Rights Act and an act respecting the mandatory reporting of Internet child pornography by persons who provide an Internet service and to make consequential and related amendments to other Acts."

Candace Malcolm noted the Bill addresses protecting children from sexual exploitation and predators, which everyone would agree upon. And if you listen to mainstream media, that is the primary portion of the Bill they talk about. However, the remaining two areas the Bill covers are alarming.

First of all, it aims to reduce exposure to harmful content online. Secondly, it aims to better address and denounce hate propaganda and provide recourse to victims of hate. While it sounds OK on paper, the real-life scenario is quite different.

Malcolm reported that the left-wing Canadian Liberties Association urged substantial amendments to the Bill. The Association noted that a troubling aspect of the Bill is the vast authority giv-

en to a newly established body of government appointees who will interpret the law, make up new rules, enforce them, and then serve as judge, jury, and executioner. The Association continued to say that granting sweeping powers to one body undermines the fundamental principle of democratic accountability, and the Bill censors a range of expression, including journalist reporting.

Malcolm also said Michael Geist, the former head of the CRTC and a law professor, noted the whole point of the Bill is about restricting expression. John Carpay agreed with his opinion while being interviewed on Justice Centre Weekly. John described the Bill as "the worst assault on freedom of expression ever in Canadian history."

He said the Bill provides unnecessary duplication. "We don't fix a problem by passing new laws that are additional laws that duplicate existing laws," he said. He exposed the camouflage of good intentions, which talks about protecting children from sexual exploitation, which is already prohibited by the criminal code of Canada.

So, what is wrong with this Bill? An article by Anthony Murdoch for LifeSiteNews addressed the topic. Marty Moore, a constitutional lawyer, said the most shocking part of the proposed Bill is that it could allow provincial courts to impose house arrest on Canadians over a "fear" that they may commit a "hate crime" in the future.

The addition of section 810.012 to the

The court-imposed conditions could include wearing an ankle monitor...

Criminal Code would allow a person to assert to a provincial court that they "fear" someone will promote genocide and that the provincial court is empowered to jail a person for one year if they refuse to agree to court-imposed conditions. The court-imposed conditions could include wearing an ankle monitor, having a curfew or not communicating with certain people.

This Bill would allow anyone to file a complaint against another person with the Canadian Human Rights Commission for "posting hate speech online", and they could withhold their identity from the accused.

Canadians would need to defend themselves against an anonymous accuser. Moore continued to explain the new Bill would allow a new "Digital Safety Commission" to conduct secret hearings against those accused of vio-

lating the new law. The Bill's text notes Canadians could face life imprisonment for certain "hate crimes" and fines up to \$70,000 for online posts which are considered as "hate speech."

John Carpay reasoned that crimes such as murder and shoplifting can be easily defined; however, the court needed 4000 words to define hate. "Hatred is an emotion, and you don't know if someone thinks something is hateful while someone else would not think the same words were hateful," he reasoned.

"The Bill sounds good on paper, but you're going to see a massive and chilling impact on free speech. This is a full-on assault on free expression, the worst in Canadian history.

Do you want the government to have the power to declare what is criminal speech and then face up to a lifetime in prison for saying something they consider hate speech? You can easily realize the implementation of this Bill would promote all kinds of anonymous complaints causing Canadians to become frozen with fear and "no one saying otherwise." Please send an urgent message to Canadian legislators urging them to stop Trudeau's 'Online Harms Act' before it causes irreparable harm.

# TO THE EDITOR:

### Paper is a breath of fresh air

I'm from PEI and retiring in a few months. For over a year I've been planning a motorcycle trip across Canada and up to Yukon and Alaska. In figuring out my return route across the Prairies, I landed upon Kerrobert as a likely overnight spot. To get the most out of my trip I've been doing reces (military term for reconnaissance) of various locales I'll be passing through. For Kerrobert, I came across the Kerrobert Chronicle: what a terrific publication! I'm not even from your area but, for some reason, I got great enjoyment from reading a recent

on-line issue. Nice layout, interesting stories, wide coverage of topics with a real sense of local rural Saskatchewan community. It was a real breath of fresh air compared my local PEI paper, the Guardian, a now left-bias Saltwire publication that's a mere shell of what it was years ago: full of trendy woke fluff pieces and federal government-slanted nonsense.

I am really looking forward to seeing your area this summer. All the best and keep up the great work!

**Bill MacCannell**  
Canoe Cove, PEI



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## Pop89: A change in circumstance

BY MADONNA HAMEL

If the laws of science and nature describe how things have been observed to behave under certain circumstances, then a miracle could be described as what happens when circumstances change.

I read this somewhere recently and scribbled it in my notebook. I like this definition of a miracle. The world is changing every minute, and with it our circumstances, sometimes against our desires and most times without us knowing or imagining. But change is the one thing we can all count on- so by that line of thinking- miracles abound.

Of course, much depends on the magnitude or unlikelihood of the observed circumstance. Seeing another moon appear in the sky warrants the heading: miraculous. Listening to a local rancher describe a difficult calving without f-bombing his way through the story might simply be described as a pleasant surprise.

Also, much depends on the where and when of the circumstance. When I toured with a band, finding a parking space for a van full of equipment at 6 pm on a Saturday night in front of New York City's Terra Blues club was extolled as a bone fide miracle. Finding a spot in front of The Lyric Theatre in Swift Current, not so big a deal.

On the other hand, the transcendent momentous mystery of bringing a child into the world can only be described as a miracle- every single time. Also, consider photosynthesis- how plants can covert light into energy to be stored to fuel a plant's growth. And also how no snowflake or grain of sand looks the same as another.

And then there is neuroplasticity. Anyone who has had a brain injury or a stroke or knows someone who has is counting on the miracle of neuroplasticity. Neuroplasticity refers to neural networks in the brain capable of changing through growth and reorganization. Meaning, the brain can be taught to function in ways that differ from how it functioned before damage.

After my brother had a stroke, I loaded up on books about the brain. Books like: "The Spiritual Brain," "Into the Magic Shop," "Neuro Dharma," and "Proust and the Squid." And, yes, I read the popular "The Brain That Changes Itself" by Norman Doige.

My brother cringes when well-meaning friends start a sentence with the words: "Have you read that book by that guy..." because invariably, they haven't read it themselves, but they feel compelled to recommend it. I suppose they feel they are providing a kind of service. But we are being hugely insensitive to someone who has been through a massively life-altering and traumatic experience when we give casual advice or recommend books we haven't even read ourselves.

At the moment reading Doidge's "The Brain's Way of Healing". And I am scouring it for miracle exercises that will change things and slow down the neurons leaping and diving around my brother's annihilated lobe, looking for a place to land.

I'm always on the look-out for miracles. Not just in the heady language of science and medicine but in the words of writers who have seen hard, hard times yet still believe in the miraculous. Such writers belong to a particular street-smart heart-of-gold kind of God whose full name is Gift of Desperation. They tend to be the biggest believers in miracles because they are walking miracles.

One of them is Brian Doyle. His brother died young of a brain tumour; then he died soon after of the same thing. He wrote often about the intense world of childhood surmise, about ever-present mysteries that continued to amaze him into adulthood. Like my brother, he observes things and never stopped living in the acutely sensitive land of childhood. Here's a bit:

"I know without even opening my eyes that everyone else in the house is asleep, for when you are a child, you have the most extraordinary senses, and can tell the colour of a bird by its song, and the day of the week by the thrum of the rain, and how amused or annoyed your dad is by the tilt of his hat. Why do we not sing these things as miracles?"

Somewhere in my travels visiting my stroke-stricken father and brother over the last nine months, I picked up a beautiful book of essays called "The Depositions" by Thomas Lynch. Lynch is both a poet and an undertaker.

In an essay called "Miracles," he writes about the great Irish poet Seamus Heaney, who woke one morning, after festivities at a friend's house, paralyzed by a stroke. His wife and friends had to load him onto a gurney and carefully manoeuvre him down a narrow staircase. He wrote a poem about the experience, comparing himself to the paralytic who was lowered from a rooftop by his friends to be healed by Christ. But the agents of Heaney's "rescue and restoration," writes Lynch, were his faithful friends. "Their friendship is miraculous. Their hefting and lifting and large muscle work is the stuff and substance of salvation."

My brother's been living with me on the prairie for nearly a month now. Every once in a while, he will come up with a description of what the world looks like to him. It's devastating to hear him tell me that for a year, he's been seeing the world through a spinning kaleidoscope, and all he has to focus on is that tiny white circle you get at the centre of the whirling toy. Or that it's like the ground beneath him is water, and the stepping stones in front of him are floating chunks of styrofoam.

Yet despite the 'swirlies,' as he calls them, he marvels at the sunsets. And his willingness to be inspired, to be touched by the beauty of the outer world when his inner world is tossing his head about, is a miracle in itself. And still, I will begin and end my days praying for a miracle and for circumstances to change.



## Kindersley RCMP continue to investigate series of break-ins

After reporting on break-enters from last week, the Kindersley RCMP had a further series of break-ins that occurred. Two more businesses and the Legion were broken into, as well as two oil sites outside of Kindersley. The Kindersley RCMP continues to investigate and is again requesting that anyone who may have information or video surveillance that may assist the investigation reach out to the Kindersley Detachment or contact Crime Stoppers.

Kindersley RCMP were also kept busy with several calls related to the snow storm and responded to a further 47 calls for service between the dates of February 26th and March 3rd. Some of the calls for service includ-

ed, but were not limited to, four traffic collisions, two wellbeing checks and six suspicious person complaints.

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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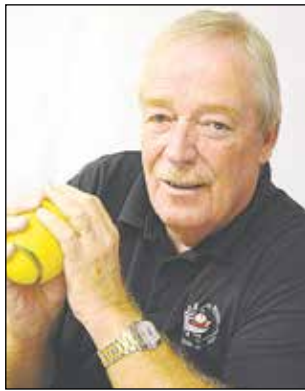
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# Homan wins Hearts; Jennifer Jones wins fans' hearts

BY BRUCE PENTON



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Sports Columnist

Rachel Homan was the deserved winner of the 2024 Scotties Tournament of Hearts, but Jennifer Jones of Winnipeg deservedly won the hearts of Canadian curling fans.

Homan won her fourth Canadian women's curling title by going undefeated through 11 games, edging Jones in the championship game by a 5-4 score. Jones, vying for her record seventh national championship, announced prior to the start of the weeklong event that this would be her final Scotties. Her future curling would be limited to two-person mixed doubles with her husband, Brent Laing.

Jones is near or at the top of the list of Canada's best female curlers. Sandra Schmirler is revered; Colleen Jones won six Scotties; Kerri Einarson of Gimli won four in a row and Homan is en route to perhaps eclipsing them all. But Jennifer Jones's resume on the curling ice is spectacular: Six Scotties' wins; two world championships; two Olympic appearances, one Olympic gold. And if it's agreed that Jones is the greatest Canadian women's curler of all time, and Canada has won more world championships than any other country (Canada 17, Switzerland 10, Sweden 8 are the top three), then a solid case could be made for suggesting Jones is the world's greatest female curler — ever.

While the sentimental choice for winning this year's Scotties was probably Jones's Winnipeg-based rink (although Jones, now living in Ontario, was the team's import), the best hope for Canada winning at the world level lies with Homan and her rink of Tracy Fleury, Emma Miskew and Sarah Wilkes. They didn't lose a game all week, going 8-0 in round-robin play, and then beating

Einarson and Jones twice to take the title. It was the first Scotties' title for Fleury, a top Canadian skip from Sudbury who joined the Homan rink two years ago, skipped it for one year and then moved back to third.s.

Homan is almost certain to contend at the 2024 world championships in Sydney, N.S., while Jones moves on to become a full-time mother to two girls and a mixed doubles threat — with another Olympic appearance in mind — with her husband.

Jones' final appearance at the women's curling championship was one of two major story lines at this year's Scotties. The other was the 11th-hour announcement that Briane Harris, the lead for Einarson's rink, gunning for its fourth straight Canadian title, had been ruled 'ineligible', with Kremlin-like silence about the reasons.

There was no such silence from Jones's rivals after the final game. "Jen, unbelievable, an absolute hero to the game and an unbelievable competitor," Homan said in a TSN interview. "I remember watching her a million times, cheering hard for Canada ... watching her win gold, forever in history as one of the greats. Unbelievable week for her team."

When the world's best gather in Sydney March 16-24, Homan's rink will be among the favourites. And Jennifer Jones will likely be watching on TV, cheering on Canada's best and relishing the memories of her own great career.

- Torben Rolfsen of Vancouver: "What are the ratings for the Borje Salming mini-series in the U.S. I'm guessing a 0.1 in Minnesota and a 0.0 everywhere else."
- Bob Molinaro of pilotonline.com (Hampton, Va.): "For the Steelers, the good news is that Mike Tomlin likes Bears quarterback Justin Fields; the bad news is that Tomlin likes Justin Fields."
- Super 70s Sports: "When Boog Powell joined the Dodgers, he'd eat nachos all game and then pinch-hit in the helmet they came in."

See more on next page

## Doug Steele Saskatchewan Party MLA for Cypress Hills

Later this month, the new provincial budget will deliver the largest ever increase in school operating funding and a record new commitment to address classroom size and complexity. Premier Scott Moe recently took the unusual step of announcing part of the education budget prior to budget day, to clearly demonstrate our government's commitment to address teachers' concerns around classroom supports.

The 2024-25 provincial budget will include the largest increase in school operating funding in Saskatchewan's history. There will be \$180 million of increased funding, up nearly 9 per cent, to \$2.2 billion. This increase will include over \$356 million that is specifically allocated to classroom supports, an increase of over \$45 million or about 15 per cent since last year.

In light of these significant new commitments, we are asking the STF to pause their job action so that teachers and students can return to their classrooms, and the teachers' union can return to the bargaining table.

Our government recently introduced the Saskatchewan Labour Market Strategy, outlining how the province will ensure Saskatchewan people benefit from the jobs our economy is creating and that Saskatchewan employers have access to the workforce needed to succeed. The strategy outlines how the province is preparing people for both current and emerging jobs in Saskatchewan and aligning training opportunities in post-secondary institutions to the needs of industry.

A strong labour force drives healthy economies and successful communities, and this strategy is our roadmap to secure a labour force that keeps pace with growing demands and opportunities of our economy. Through strategic investments that align the workforce with the needs of industry, we are ensuring that investment in to our province is supported and that growth translates into a better quality of life for Saskatchewan people.

Our province's growing labour force is supported by a growing economy. Saskatchewan's agriculture sector continues to experience growth, further fuelling a strong provincial economy. Agri-food exports to India have increased in volume by over 71 per cent from 2022 to 2023. Exports of Saskatchewan lentils and peas to India, the province's largest pulse market, experienced significant growth by the end of 2023.

Our government ensures Saskatchewan's agricultural industry can continue to grow through strategic investments that support the industry. Details of the 2024 Crop Insurance Program have recently been released, building on the existing suite of Business Management Programs offered by the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation (SCIC).

All producers are encouraged to take a proactive approach to tailor their coverage to further manage and mitigate their risk. March 31, 2024, is the deadline for Saskatchewan producers to apply, reinstate or cancel their Crop Insurance contract.

Producers must select insured crops and coverage levels or make additional changes by this date. Producers can speak to their local SCIC office to make any changes or coverage will remain the same as the previous year. A strong and growing economy ensures investments can be made in key services, such as health care, as well. Saskatchewan is investing in several breast cancer and screening initiatives to support substantial detection and treatment enhancements for patients.

A new Breast Health Centre in Regina was just announced, which will provide diagnostic imaging, consultation with specialists and surgeons, and patient education, support and navigation. It will also provide on-site access to post treatment care, such as therapies and rehabilitation.

Family physicians and nurse practitioners will be able to refer patients directly to the new centre, helping to reduce wait times. The new centre will be located at Regina Centre Crossing on Albert Street and will be open within the 2024-25 fiscal year.

The province is also making changes to the screening age eligibility from the current 50 and older to include women aged 40-49. In addition, new 3D breast imaging and breast tumour localized "seed" technology will enhance breast cancer detection, result in fewer delays and cancellations, and offer less discomfort for patients. Our government is committed to continuing to make targeted investments in health care so you can receive the care you need when you need it.

As our government continues to move through the spring sitting of the Legislative Assembly and prepares for the presentation of the provincial budget on March 20, we look forward to hearing from you! Please reach out to my office to share any comments or concerns.

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# TO THE EDITOR:

## Political opinions should be expressed responsibly and with respect

It is sad to see the disregard for public decency displayed by a vulgar flag prominently flown on the edge of the hamlet of Plato, alongside the municipal road. You've likely seen bumper stickers and these flags that feature an obscene four-letter word (with a maple leaf replacing a middle letter), followed by the name of the Canadian Prime Minister.

Christine Van Geyn, Director of the Alberta based Canadian Constitution Foundation (CCF), claims "Technically, it is not a profanity." to display these flags, and that citizens of Canada have a right to express their political views.

Expressing opinions about Justin Trudeau is not the issue – that's a right. But you have to ask yourself, "What is gained politically by those using boorish attacks that imply violence?" And to incorporate the Canadian maple leaf symbol into this trash, is insulting to the memory of all who fought and died while wearing it.

Former Conservative Party of Canada leader Erin O'Toole has said, "These flags and their hyper-aggressive rhetoric that accompanies them are slowly normalizing rage and damaging democracy." He went on to say, "But the real risk to our democracy stems from the growing complacency of the majority. Canadians seem to be getting used to this high level of polarization in our country. Too many people just shrug and ignore the rise in aggressive language, the social media pile-ons and the elimination of informed debate." Even Pierre Poilievre has said "I don't like the flags, and I don't like the rage."

Safety concerns for our political representatives are now a reality thanks in part to unhinged attitudes creeping in from across our southern border. Exercising freedom of speech in Canada is a right. But as with all rights, citizens have responsibilities. Political opinions are most effective when expressed responsibly and with respect.

Regards,  
**Doug Bone, Elrose, SK**

## Sports quotes of the week by Bruce Penton

- An oldie but a goodie from **RJ Currie** of sports-deke.com: "Good news for Norwegian golfers: the European Challenge Tour is returning to Norway after a three-year absence. Have you driven a fjord lately?"
- **Steve Simmons** of the Toronto Sun: "The Blue Jays have added 270-pound possible DH **Daniel Vogelbach** to a team that already has **Vladimir Guerrero Jr.**, **Alejandro Kirk** and **Alek Manoah**. If the Jays need an offensive line, they've got one. Not sure about the ball team, though."
- **Mike Bianchi** of the Orlando Sentinel: "I just saw where LIV defector **Jon Rahm** says **Tiger Woods** is ignoring him. Hey, maybe he should dress up as a Perkins waitress."
- Comedy writer **Alex Kaseberg**: "Former NFL star, **Cam Newton**, had to be removed by security after being in a huge brawl at a youth football game. Apparently he and another parent were arguing over which team had the best sportsmanship."

- Another one from **RJ Currie**: "In honour of Canada's men's curling championship, the top five Montana's Brier curling rock acts: 5. Kiss; 4. Crowded House; 3. Ice-T; 2. Gardin' Lightfoot; 1. The Rolling Stones."
- **RJ Currie** again: "The crowd was so loud at the recent Canadian women's curling championship, Ontario second **Emma Miskew** threw a draw when **Rachel Homan** asked for a takeout. Call it Miskew-munication."
- Fark.com: "FedEx ends its 25-year deal with Washington's NFL franchise for naming rights to their home field. Which makes sense since it's been a couple of decades since the Commanders delivered anything."
- fark.com again: "(New coach) **Jerod Mayo** creating Patriots way instead of 'only works with **Tom Brady** way.'"

Care to comment? Email [brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca](mailto:brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca)

## Mixed Provincial Curling Championships coming to Kindersley

BY JACQUELINE ARMITAGE

We have some exciting news from the Kindersley Curling Club! We will be hosting the CURLSASK Mixed Provincial Championships from March 2-24. The biggest names in Saskatchewan mixed curling will be coming out. This event features 12 teams from across the province with loads of local talent representing west central Saskatchewan. Here are just a few of them ...

Ten-time Scotties Tournament of Hearts participant Michelle Englot, playing with Kerrobert art Curling Club's Mitch Heidt (skip and multi-time Saskatchewan Tankard participant), Brett Barber and Derek Schneider.

Josh Heidt - skip and Saskatchewan Tankard participant, will be playing with Lindsay Bertsch (third), Jayden Schwaga (second) and lead Melissa Butler (Kerrobert curling club).

Carl DeConinck Smith (5th for Saskatchewan men's team at 2012 brier)

The 2021 Saskatchewan Mixed Champion - Team Grindheim, representing the Twin Rivers Club - North Battleford - playing with Alison Ingram (third), Coles Tenetluik (second), and Cathlia Ward (lead).


Former World Women's and World Junior silver medalist Amber Holland, who returns with 2022 mixed finalists Tyler Hartung, Mat Ring, and Deb Lozinski from Kronaua curling club.

Three-time Saskatchewan Scottie's tournament of hearts champion, Robyn Silvernagle, is curling with Jason Ackerman (skip and 2018 mixed curling champion), Colleen Ackerman - 2011 and 2018 mixed champion (Highland curling club - Regina).

Mitch Criton (skip, 2023 club provincial championship, 2018 mixed championships), Sherry Just (third, multi time Scottie's tournament of hearts participant), Kyle Cherpin (second, 2023 club provincial championships), and Jasmine Kerr (lead) - Highland curling club - Regina.

Mixed Provincials will open with the first two draws Thursday, March 21 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the Kindersley curling club with the final scheduled for 2:00 p.m., March 24. Admission is free.

Winners from the event will be representing Saskatchewan in St. Catherine's, Ontario from November 3-9, 2024, for an opportunity to represent Canada at the 2025 World Mixed Curling Championship being held in Assiniboia, Sask. from Nov. 2-8, 2025.



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"We are so excited to welcome the team and customers in Kindersley to the Save-On-Foods family," said Darrell Jones, president of Save-On-Foods' parent company, the Pattison Food Group. "Justin and his team offer the best grocery shopping experience in town and we can't wait for our customers to see all we have in store for them."

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Attention, winter anglers: all good things must end and the deadlines to get your fishing shelters off the ice are coming up quickly. But make sure your plan to remove your shelter is solid because, before you know it, the ice may not be!

In all areas of Saskatchewan south of Highway 16, ice fishing shelters must be removed from waterbodies by March 15, and by March 31 in the north. But whatever the deadline, know the conditions in your area and plan to remove your shelter while the ice is still safe.

Every year, ice fishing shelters are abandoned on Saskatchewan lakes with predictable results. The structures can break up and wash up on shore along with litter that's often left behind, creating environmental hazards and an ugly mess. Submerged debris is dangerous to boaters, water skiers and others who want to enjoy our lakes in the summer. There can be other costs too, negligent owners can face hefty fines, and the structures and contents can be confiscated.

Ice fishing shelters must be marked on the outside with the owner's complete name, address and phone number in legible letters at least 2.5 cm high. Owners must remove all structures and litter from the ice and transport them

Ice fishing season closes on March 31 in southern and central Saskatchewan and on April 15 in the north.

away. Shelters may not be left on the shore.

Take care while travelling on ice. Slush, thermal cracks and pressure ridges are all signs of unsafe ice. Ice thickness and strength can vary from area to area, so always check to make sure conditions are safe.

Ice fishing season closes on March 31 in southern and central Saskatchewan and on April 15 in the north. For more information, check the Anglers Guide, available online at [saskatchewan.ca/fishing](http://saskatchewan.ca/fishing).

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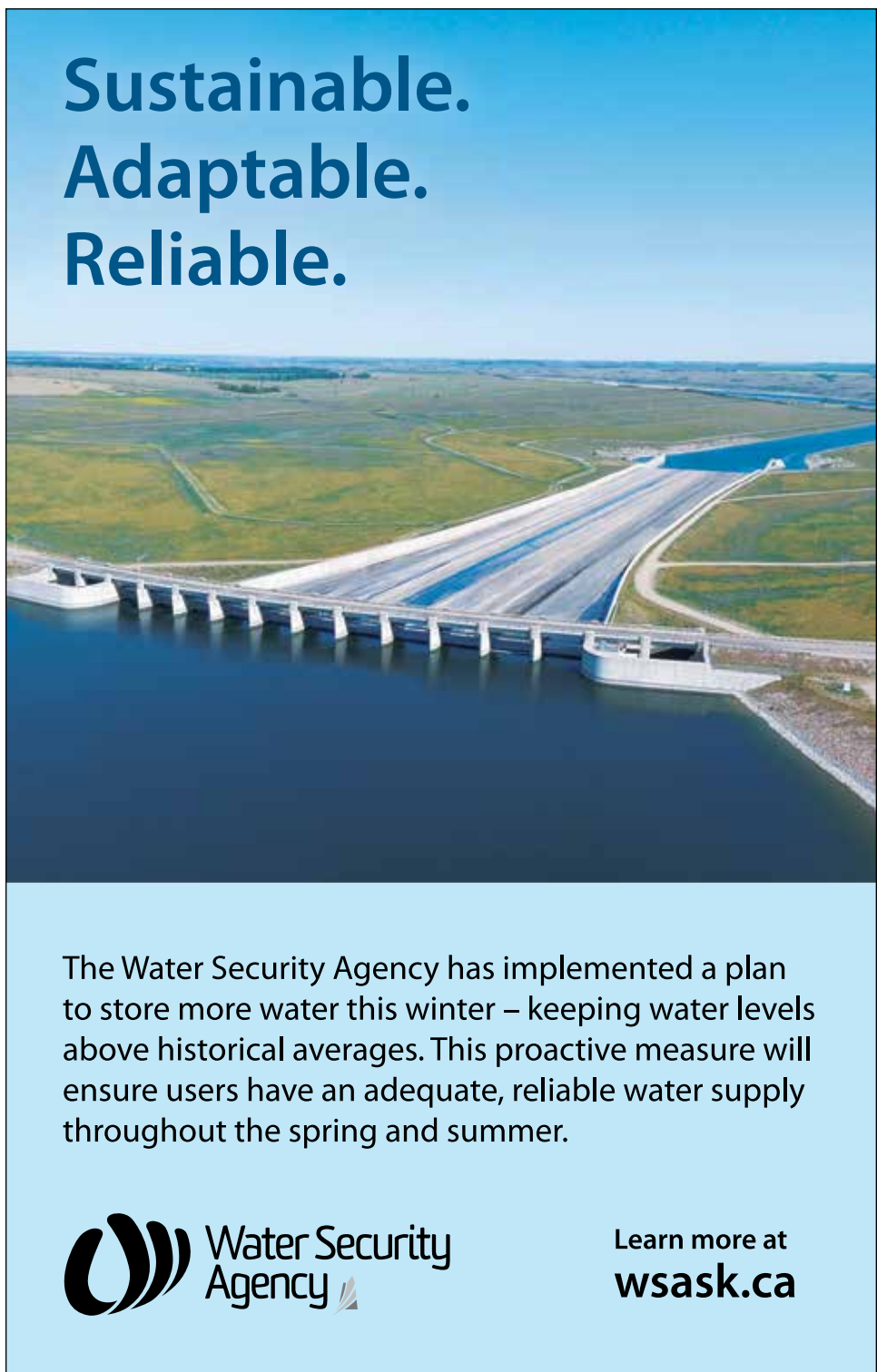
BY JOAN JANZEN

This year Wheatland Regional Libraries are partnering with Neighbourhood Forest to distribute free saplings for Earth Day. Earth Day is on Monday, April 22nd, a day between spring break and final exams, to maximize the greatest student participation. Its mission is to diversify, educate and activate greater protection for the planet. The first Earth Day took place in 1970.

Neighbourhood Forest gives free trees to kids every Earth Day. They want to give every child the joy of planting and watching trees grow. By doing so, they will beautify their neighbourhoods


and instill a love of nature in upcoming generations. Previously schools have participated in the program; however this year Wheatland Regional Libraries are joining as well. Children will receive either deciduous or evergreen saplings.

Children who would like to receive a sapling can sign up before March 15th and trees will be available for pick up during Earth Week from April 22 to 30. Once the trees are distributed, the children can enjoy planting them with their families during Earth Week. They can find everything they need to know, from tree planting instructions to how to care for your tree, on the Neighbourhood Forest website at [neighbourhoodforest.org](http://neighbourhoodforest.org)



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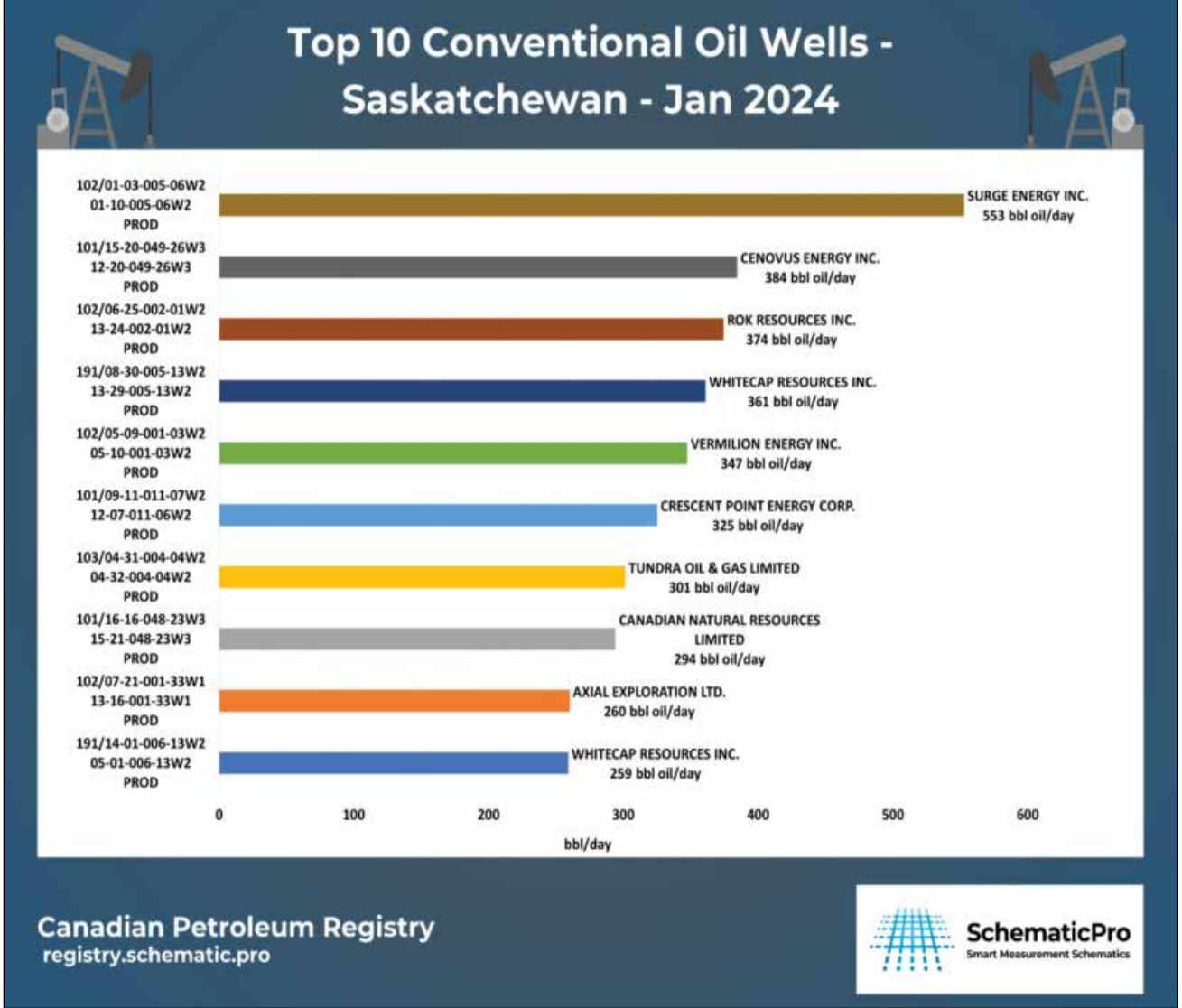
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## Surge surges to the top of Saskatchewan's Top 10 conventional wells in January

BY BRAIN ZINCHUK

When your company is named "Surge Energy" and you drill the top conventional well in Saskatchewan, the headline kind of writes itself.

That was one of the nuggets that came out of the list of Top 10 conventional wells in Saskatchewan for January, 2024, published by BlincSoftware. Blinc compiles its numbers from data provided by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Energy and Resources. Much more detailed information can be found at BlincSoftware's Canadian Petroleum Registry.

This month is also one of the most diversified in recent memory, with only Whitecap showing up with multiple wells on the list. Nine different companies made the top ten, whereas usually Whitecap dominates.

Eight of the wells are in southeast Saskatchewan, and two are on the western side of the province.

Notably, 29 of the top 100 conventional wells in Saskatchewan are in the Whitecap Resources-operated Weyburn Unit. This is significant because those wells benefit from the carbon dioxide enhanced oil recovery scheme, taking CO2 from the coal-fired Boundary Dam Power Station and the Beulah, North Dakota, Great Plains Synfuels Plant.

As Blinc reports, there are some new faces and big wells on the list so let's go through the highlights:

Surge Energy Inc. took over the top spot with their new drill: 102/01-03-005-06W2/00. Producing an average of 553 bbl oil/day over the month!

Cenovus Energy Inc. and Regina-based ROK Resources Inc. came in at the 2nd and 3rd spot, with an average of 384 bbl oil/day and 374 bbl oil/day.

Axial Exploration Ltd. is also back in the top 10 with their 102/07-21-001-33W1/00 new drill.

Whitecap Resources Inc., Vermilion Energy Inc., Crescent Point Energy Corp., Tundra Oil & Gas Limited and Canadian Natural Resources Limited are also all within the top 10.

Scroll down and click the "Well Details" buttons to see water and gas production and an interactive visual explorer of the facilities and wells on <https://registry.schematic.pro/>.

**\*Note:** This list does not include confidential well types. Information is provided using a variety of public data sources. Conventional = non-SAGD and non-Bitumen wells. Total monthly volumes are derived using a factor of 6.2898107704321 bbl/m3 and 30.5 days/month.

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# Saskatchewan continuing to see growth: adds 18,700 new full-time jobs

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Statistics Canada has released its labour force statistics for the month of February, which showcase the growth of Saskatchewan's strong workforce. The province added 18,700 new full-time jobs, which is an increase of 15,200 jobs last month when compared to February 2023, raising Saskatchewan's employment growth rate to 2.6 per cent.

Saskatchewan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also continues to be well below the national average, sitting at 5.0 per cent compared to the national average of 5.8 per cent, the third-lowest amongst the provinces.

"Saskatchewan continues to build a strong labour force, with further growth in job numbers," Immigration and Career Training Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "These latest numbers highlight how our commitment to growing the workforce is getting results. Through the Labour Market Strategy released earlier this week, our government will continue investing in programs and services to enhance recruitment, training and retention efforts in the province, ensuring we have the labour force we need to support our economy."

Saskatchewan saw both an all-time historical population (aged 15 and over) high of 940,600, and an all-time historical off-reserve Indigenous population (aged 15 and over) high of 112,500.

The province set record highs for the month of February, with 595,200 people currently employed in Saskatchewan, and a labour force of 627,100. This



month, Saskatchewan's female employment increased by 3,500, or 1.3 per cent, and male employment increased by 11,700, or 3.8 per cent compared to February 2023.

Off-reserve Indigenous employment was up 700, an increase of 1.1 per cent, and Indigenous youth employment was up 1,800, an increase of 17.3 per cent from a year ago, marking the fifth consecutive month of year-over-year increases for both.

Compared to last February, both of Saskatchewan's major cities saw job growth, with Saskatoon's employment up 11,400, an increase of 6.1 per cent, and Regina's employment up 8,500, an increase of 6.0 per cent.

Among industries, major year-over-year gains were reported for professional, scientific and technical services, up 8,000, an increase of 26.4 per cent; business, building and other support services, up 4,100, an increase of 36.6

per cent; and wholesale and retail trade, up 3,400, an increase of 3.5 per cent.

The province saw \$12.4 billion in private sector capital investment last year, up 24.6 per cent, with an expected increase of 14.4 per cent to \$14.2 billion this year. Saskatchewan is expected to be first among provinces in terms of growth in this category for 2024. Saskatchewan also ranked second among the provinces for growth in capital investment and expected capital investment for 2024.

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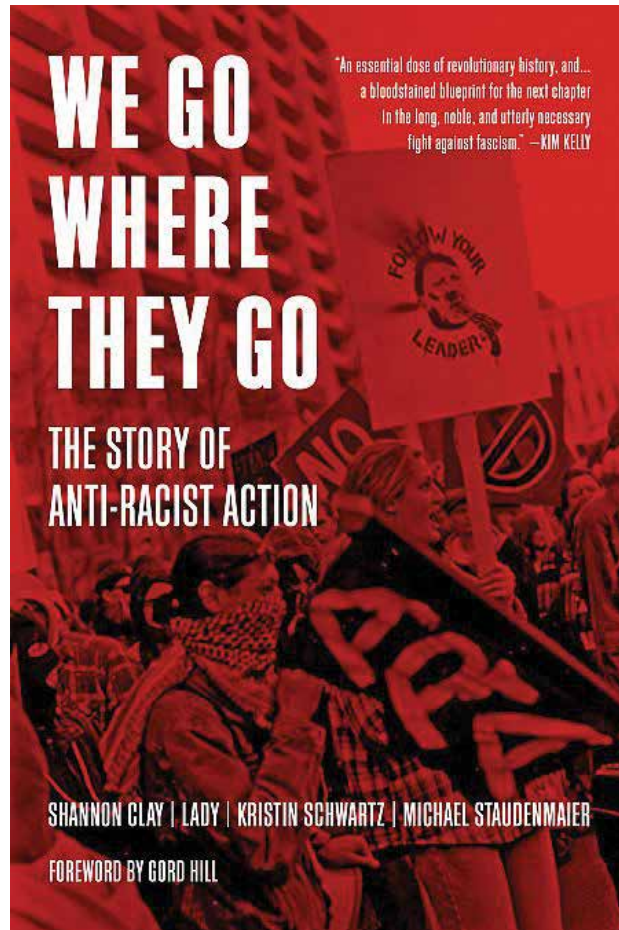
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# “We Go Where They Go: The Story of Anti-Racist Action”

By Shannon Clay, Lady, Kristin Schwartz, and Michael Staudenmaier  
Published By University Of Regina Press  
REVIEW BY TOBY A. WELCH

I knew the moment I cracked open *We Go Where They Go* and saw that it was published by the University of Regina Press that I was in for a stimulating read. Every book I've read by the University of Regina Press has stuck with me even years later. They only publish deeply researched works that are powerful and interesting. Even if the subject matter doesn't initially intrigue you, odds are that it will by the time you finish the book.

Trying to explain what this book is about in a few short paragraphs won't come close to touching on the depth of the work but let's give it a go. In response to community invasions in the 1980s by neo-Nazis and white supremacists, people retaliated. Anti-Racist Action (ARA) was formed. Thousands of members strong, the ARA fought against Nazis, the Ku Klux Klan, anti-abortion fundamentalists, and racist police. This is a truly fascinating account of people with a common goal uniting to fight back. As this took place in the era before so much was waged on the internet and social media, this fight was tackled in person and on the streets. The interviews with dozens of people who belonged to the ARA will take you back to those days, deep into the heart of the anti-racist movement.



Of the ten chapters in this book, my favourite is the fourth one: The Canadian Connection. Canadians were linked to ARA from the early days and the story of their involvement is a gripping one.

The pictures in *We Go Where They Go* are as powerful as the words and add greatly to the telling of ARA's history. Sure, the authors shared the stories of street fights, for example, but seeing photos of the physical altercations is chilling.

The four coauthors mention in the acknowledgements that this book was a labor of love for them. Even if they hadn't pointed it out, it is very clear from page one. The two page list of people they interviewed as well as the lengthy lists of resources and notes at the end of each chapter

demonstrate the depths of work and research that went into *We Go Where They Go*. Anyone who picks up a copy of this timely book will be the beneficiary of this hardworking group of writers.

This book checks so many boxes. History buffs will devour this. Readers who want to learn more about anti-racism tactics and how the movement evolved will enjoy this book. So will those who like glimpsing a blueprint from the past to prepare for future movements. This is a compelling read from start to finish.

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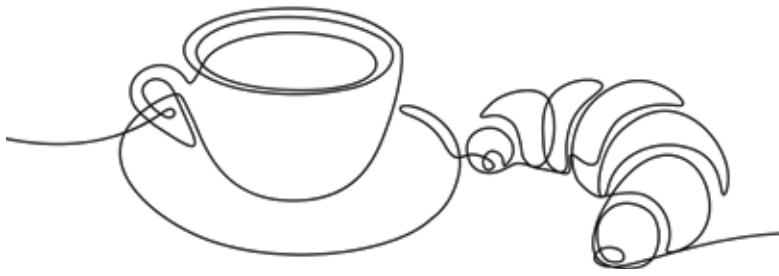
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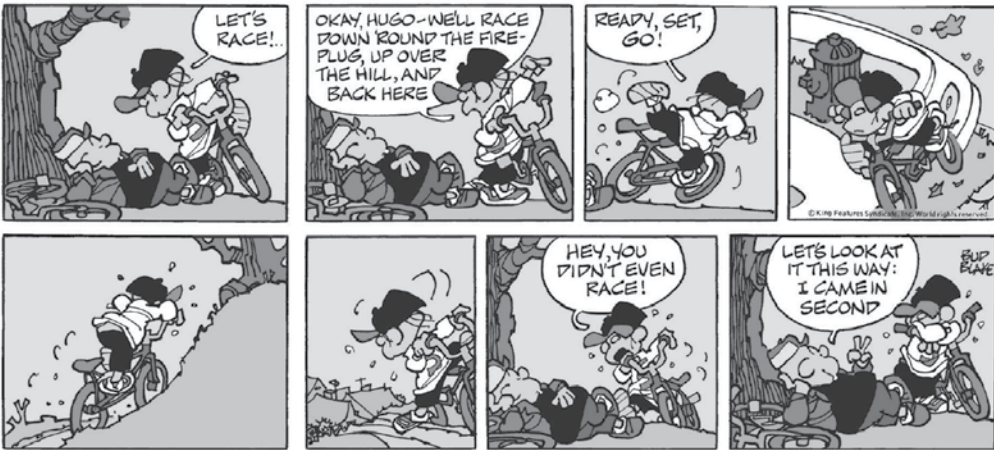
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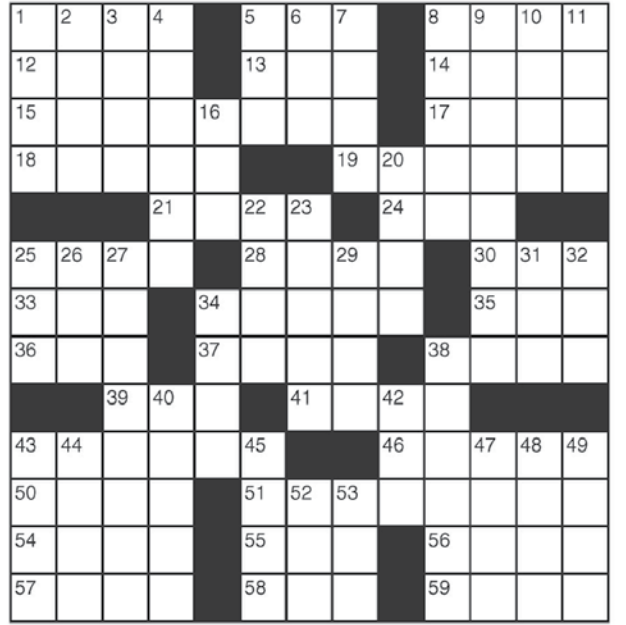
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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Manhandle
- 5 Annex
- 8 Trig function
- 12 Within (Pref.)
- 13 "Ben- -"
- 14 Toledo's lake
- 15 "Sure, of course"
- 17 Bakery buy
- 18 "Yippee!"
- 19 Apple music service
- 21 Pride parade initials
- 24 "Let me think ..."
- 25 Valley in California
- 28 Indy event
- 30 Wall climber
- 33 Rocker Rose
- 34 Plains grazers
- 35 Formerly known as
- 36 Earth (Pref.)
- 37 Stink
- 38 "It's -- real!"
- 39 Texter's "Enough!"
- 41 Bring up
- 43 Tell
- 46 Pink hue
- 50 Lena of "The Reader"
- 51 Sake, e.g.
- 54 Curse
- 55 Greek mountain



- 8 Blood part
- 9 Ore source
- 10 Aswan's river
- 11 Congers
- 16 Sailing hazard
- 20 Subsequently
- 22 Party cheese
- 23 Stunning gun
- 25 Pester
- 26 Chopper
- 27 Story thread
- 29 Pepsi rival
- 31 Victory sign
- 32 Longing
- 34 Telly watcher
- 38 Cleveland
- 40 Like lions
- 42 Expert
- 43 Filches
- 44 Israeli carrier
- 45 Guitarist
- 47 Funny person
- 48 Visitor to Siam
- 49 Ogler's look
- 52 Altar affirmative
- 53 Jazz lover

### DOWN

- 1 Calico's call
- 2 "My Way" writer
- 3 Beehive State
- 4 Jesuit university
- 5 Sushi fish
- 6 Press for payment
- 7 Zwei follower squad

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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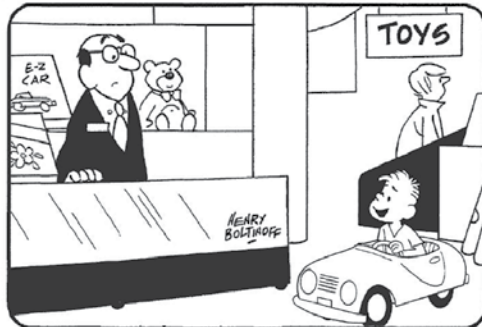
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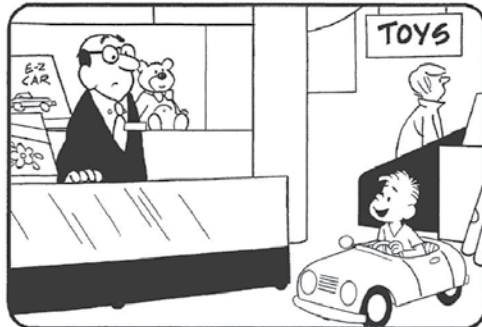
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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Answer

### Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 24 mins.

Answers

### King Crossword



- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which large U.S. city is nicknamed Rip City?
- MOVIES: Which movie features the quote, "She doesn't even go here!"
- GEOGRAPHY: Which national capital city is the northernmost in the world?
- TELEVISION: Which long-running sitcom features a dad named Phil Dunphy?
- GAMES: In chess, how many knights does each player have at the beginning?
- GEOLOGY: What natural phenomenon is associated with igneous rock?
- LANGUAGE: How many official languages are in the United Nations?
- MUSIC: David Grohl was a drummer in which band before he became the frontman for the Foo Fighters?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of alligators called?
- FOOD & DRINK: What kind of meat is used in Hasenpfeffer, a traditional German stew?

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- Trivia Test Answers:  
 1. Portland, Oregon.; 2. "Mean Girls"; 3. Reykjavik, Iceland.; 4. "Modern Family"; 5. Two.; 6. Volcanic eruption.; 7. Six.; 8. Nirvana.; 9. A congregation.; 10. Rabbit.



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First Position will start May 15, 2024.  
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**Qualifications:**

- Must be College, University or High School students
- Must be between the ages of 15 - 30 years old
- Moderate computer knowledge
- Willing to work at least 30 - 35 hours/week
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**Send resume to:**  
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 or email [gshs@sasktel.net](mailto:gshs@sasktel.net)

**Deadline for applications:**  
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**Resumes Should Include:**

- Work experience, education skills
- Safety Training Certifications
- Salary Expectation
- Current Driver's Abstract
- Three References

Interested applicants are invited to submit a resume by **Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024** to the following address:  
**The R.M. of Heart's Hill No. 352, P.O. Box 458, Luseland, SK S0L 2A0**

**Brand and Marketing Consultant for Luseland and District Chamber of Commerce**

**POSITION TITLE:** Brand and Marketing Consultant (contract)  
**LOCATION:** Luseland, Saskatchewan (Open to remote work)  
**DURATION:** Initial development with an on-going contractual relationship  
**ABOUT US:** Luseland and District Chamber of Commerce is a thriving community organization dedicated to fostering local business growth and community development. We are on a continuous journey of progress and are seeking a proactive and experienced Brand and Marketing Consultant to lead the ongoing development and implementation of a dynamic marketing strategy for the chamber.

**ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
 As a Brand and Marketing Consultant you will

- Develop a compelling and cohesive brand identity for the Luseland and District Chamber of Commerce.
- Take the lead in all marketing aspects, including written materials (brochures, etc.), social media, website management, newsprint advertising, and other promotional channels.
- Collaborate with the chamber's leadership team to understand goals and objectives, ensuring that marketing strategies align with the overall vision.
- Create and maintain consistency in messaging across all platforms to enhance the chamber's brand presence.
- Provide guidance and support to chamber members, empowering them to utilize effective marketing strategies in their own businesses.
- Increase membership in the Chamber of Commerce through targeted marketing initiatives.
- Create content that aligns with the mission and values set forth by the founding committee.
- Produce professional-looking content, including engaging videos, to capture the attention of our target audience.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Proven experience in developing and implementing successful marketing strategies.
- Strong understanding of branding principles and the ability to create a cohesive brand identity.
- Proficiency in various marketing channels, including social media, website management, and traditional advertising methods.
- Excellent communication and collaboration skills.
- Ability to work independently and lead marketing initiatives.
- Experience in creating professional and engaging video content.

**BENEFITS:**

- A unique opportunity to contribute to the growth of a vibrant community and its local businesses.
- The chance to establish a long-term relationship with the chamber and potentially offer ongoing marketing service to its members.
- Proficiency in various marketing channels, including social media, website management, and traditional advertising methods.
- Competitive compensation based on experience and deliverables.

**HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL:**  
 Interested candidates should submit a comprehensive proposal outlining their experience, approach to branding and marketing, and a relevant portfolio, including examples of video content. Please send applications to [info@ldchamber.com](mailto:info@ldchamber.com) by 2:00 p.m. on March 28, 2024.

**SUCCESS CRITERIA:**  
 The success of this role will be measured by:

- Increased membership in the Chamber of Commerce through targeted marketing efforts.
- The creation of content that effectively reflects the mission and values established by the founding committee.
- Production of professional-looking content, including engaging videos, to capture the attention of our target audience.
- The ability to evaluate and extend marketing services to Chamber members, enhancing the value proposition for our community.

We believe that investing in a professional consultant will not only elevate the chamber's marketing efforts but will also provide a valuable resource for our members' businesses. Join us in making a lasting impact on the Luseland and District business community.

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## Firearms Safety Campaign extended to spring

The Government of Saskatchewan is extending its firearm safety campaign, "Secure Firearms. Safe Communities," into the spring with updated materials to raise awareness about safety, education, proper firearms storage, and licensing.

"We want Saskatchewan firearms owners to know that safety starts with them," Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Paul Merriman said. "The extension of the firearms safety campaign will continue to protect Saskatchewan's tradition of responsible firearms ownership, which is demonstrated by a commitment to ongoing learning, firearms licensing, proper handling and safe storage."

The campaign features several well-known Saskatchewan residents who are acting as spokespeople for the campaign. The extended campaign features Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities President, Ray Orb; and Elder and Senator with the Prince Albert Grand Council and Federation of Saskatchewan Indigenous Nations, Nolan Henderson.

"SARM supports and encourages firearms safety," Orb said. "Responsible firearm owners should follow safety practices and ensure their firearms and ammunition are properly stored, get their PAL firearms license, and help educate

family, friends and neighbours on firearm safety."

Firearms owners are encouraged to get and maintain their Possession and Acquisition License (PAL/RPAL) and keep their loved ones and our communities safe by properly storing all firearms and ammunition.

"Thank you to all our outstanding spokespeople for helping to promote firearms safety and our long-standing heritage of responsible firearms ownership in Saskatchewan," Chief Firearms Officer Robert Freberg said. "The campaign allows the public to gain an understanding of the best safety practices related to firearms ownership, which will keep our communities safe."

**Other important safety tips include:**

- learning how to safely load, handle and store every firearm you use;
- never pointing a firearm at anyone or anything you don't want to shoot;
- storing ammunition separately from firearms or by locking it up;
- using the correct ammunition for your firearm;
- unloading all firearms before they are stored or when not in use;
- locking firearms in a cabinet or safe or attaching a secure locking device - such as a trigger or cable lock - to ensure the firearm cannot be fired or stolen;
- ensuring unauthorized individuals do not have access to the keys or combination locks that are used to secure your firearm unless they are licensed and have your permission to use them; and,
- storing firearms safely when they are being transported.

This year's firearms safety campaign messages will be featured on radio, billboards, print materials, and digital media platforms such as YouTube, Facebook and Instagram. The campaign begins March 4, 2024, and ends mid-April 2024. The full-length video advertisements can also be viewed at

[saskatchewan.ca/firearms](http://saskatchewan.ca/firearms).

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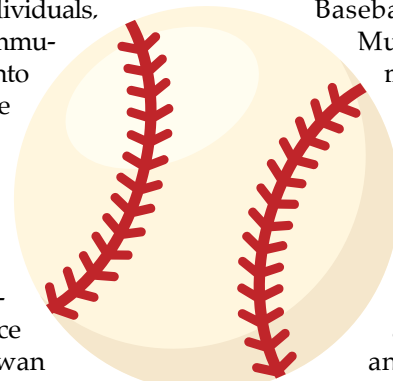
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Krista Loudon  
Treasurer

## Deadline approaching for nominations to the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame

The Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame in Battleford is currently accepting nominations for individuals, teams, families, and communities to be inducted into the prestigious hall. The deadline for submissions is March 15, 2024.

The members of the Selection Committee will select the 2024 nominees on Sunday, April 14, 2024. Since 1985, the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame has honoured those who have made significant contributions to the province's baseball history with an annual induction ceremony.



The late David W. Shury, LLB, QC, V, founder of the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum Association Inc., meticulously documented the rich history of baseball in Saskatchewan. The museum offers a comprehensive look at the sport's heritage in the province through its annual reviews of inductees and provincial championship teams.

For more information or to submit a nomination, please get in touch with the museum at 306-446-1983 or 306-441-5886.




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# NHL Expansion who knows?

BY GREG BUCHANAN

The subject of league expansion was discussed at the last NHL governor's meeting, and Gary Bettman also spoke about the issue at his All-Star Game press conference.

There's nothing concrete yet, but the NHL is thinking about the project, which leads us to believe that there will be new clubs in the near future. Quebec City would like to take part in the expansion process, but we know that this idea is not popular with NHL management. Salt Lake City (Utah) and Atlanta seem to be in the thick of the race for a club. That's a bummer for Quebec City. But we know that the idea will never move forward, as long as Gary Bettman is in charge of the league. It's even more of a shame in the sense that Atlanta has already had two chances and it never worked out. It's not a hockey market, unlike Quebec City, where we've been waiting for the Nordiques to come back for so long...

The 32 current owners wouldn't be hurting themselves if they accepted the money that came with expansion. As each new team would sit at a \$2 billion valuation, owners would each get \$62.5 million. With so many markets trying to get into business with the NHL, with Bettman mentioning Houston, Salt Lake



City and Atlanta as just a few, that could drive up the price.

We've said it before, and we'll say it again. Bettman has done very well for the owners in the 31 years he's been the commissioner. And another round of expansion will only endear him more to the team owners he works for. There's not going to be an expansion announcement anytime soon, but we'd be willing to wager that, in the relatively near future, the NHL is going to grow again by two teams. When it does, players will be elated at the addition of 46 new NHL jobs, and team owners will be thrilled with the \$125 million or more that would come their

way with two new teams if the expansion fees are in that \$2-billion range. There's not much downside to expansion, and that's why it's almost certainly going to happen.

By adding two clubs, the total number of teams in the NHL would rise to 34. That's a lot, and it's "worrying" in a way because there won't be much parity in the four corners of the league if the scenario comes to fruition. But it also has the potential to reduce the quality of play on the ice, mind you the way young hockey players keep displaying these amazing skill sets it may not make much of a difference.

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**COLEVILLE SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- Coleville Licensed Daycare Development Committee presents Surf and Turf for Tots at the Coleville Community Hall. Cocktails at 6 PM. Lobster and Kabob Supper at 7 PM. Silent Auction to follow. All funds raised aid in facilitating the development of a licensed daycare in the community of Coleville. Tickets available at the Village of Coleville office. Contact Stacey Neumeier 306-430-7788 for more info.

**DENZIL**

- Denzil Rink Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 6:30-7:30 PM Skating; 7:30-9:30 PM Shiny. Saturdays Closed (unless Bonspiel); Sunday 1-4 PM Skating (no sticks).

**ESTON FRIDAY, MARCH 15 - SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

- Eston Curling Club Open Bonspiel at the Eston AGT Community Centre Curling Rink. \$120/team. Contact Sandy Sutherland to register 306-962-7572.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

- Eston Riverside Regional Park St. Patrick's Day Fish Fry 5-7 PM AGT Community Centre Hall. \$25 per plate. Free popcorn chicken for children 12 & under. Sponsored by Owens & Sweitzer. Dine in or take out. To pre-order contact Karen 306-962-7646 or Marion 306-962-7457.

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

- Eston-Snipe Lake Funeral Chapel & Crematorium Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting at 2 PM at 615 Main Street. Everyone welcome.

- 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 PM. \$5.00. Bring your own utensils. Coffee & tea provided. Wheatland Centre Bingo - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month 7 PM. Regular Bingo plus Bonanza, 50/50 Draw. Must be 14 years of age. Call 306-962-7117 (ask for Linda) for more info.

- Youth Curling Mondays 4:30-5:30 PM. Call Garrett for more information 306-962-4460.

- Youth Bowling Mondays 6:30-7:30 PM. Call Garrett for more information 306-962-4460.

- Adult Bowling Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. Call Garrett for more information 306-962-4460.

- Mens Curling Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. Call Garrett for more information 306-962-4460.

- Mixed Curling Thursdays at 7:30 PM. Call Garrett for more information 306-962-4460.

**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 THURSDAY, MARCH 14**

- Kerrobert Funeral Home & Crematorium Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting at 440 Pacific Avenue 2 PM. Everyone welcome.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15**

- Adult Only Glow Curling 7-10 PM. \$5.00/curler. Must bring clean indoor shoes. Teams will be decided that night. Register in the Double Take Out Lounge.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16**

- The Kerrobert Golf Course presents Dueling Pianos by Saskatoon Dueling Pianos at the Kerrobert PCC. Doors open at 7 PM. Show begins at 8 PM. Call Dylan 306-834-8550, Dakota 306-834-7721 or any board member for more information.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 27**

- Family Glow Curling 6-8 PM. \$5.00/curler. Must bring clean indoor shoes. Teams will be decided that night. Register in the Double Take Out Lounge.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

- Ducks Unlimited 34th Annual Kerrobert Banquet and Fundraiser at the Prairieland Community Centre. Doors Open: 5 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.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

- Kerrobert Dinette's present "Hop" at the Kinsmen Hall. Doors open at 1 PM. Movie starts at 1:30 PM. \$5 entry per kid includes popcorn and a drink. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Extra snacks available for purchase. Bring your own blanket. PG rating.

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

**KINDERSLEY THURSDAY, MARCH 14**

- Kindersley Soccer AGM 7 PM. Location TBA. Come hear about a new vision for soccer. For ages 4-18 and adult. Receive a \$25 discount on registration fee for anyone in attendance.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15 - SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

- Kindersley Curling Club Men's Bonspiel Entry Fee: \$280/team. To register contact Richard at 306-460-6258. Saturday Night Steak Supper. Cash Prizes.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

- Kindersley Air Cadets Fundraiser 1-4 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!
- Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Stew Supper 5-7 PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. \$25/person; 12 & under \$10.00. Dessert in-

cluded as well as coffee, tea & juice.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

- Kindersley Funeral Home & Crematorium Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting at 2 PM 801 - 9th Street West. Everyone welcome.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21 - SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

- Kindersley Curling Club is hosting the CURLSASK Mixed Provincial Championships at the WCEC. 12 teams from across the province will compete for their chance to represent Saskatchewan in the coveted green jacket! Opening Draw: Thursday 2 PM. Finals Sunday 2 PM.

**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 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 PM. Contact Brooke Kachmarski 306-460-5935 to get your tickets.

- FREE! Drop-In Soccer (Ages 15-99) Westberry School Gym every Thursday at 8 PM; Elizabeth School Gym every Friday at 7 PM. All welcome. Contact Kevin for more info: 306-430-4103 or email: [kindersleysoccerboard@gmail.com](mailto: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 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 PM in the Kindersley Senior Centre OR contact Jill at 306-463-4210.

- PickleBall every Sunday & Wednesday 7-9 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 PM. For more info contact Donna at 306-463-4785.

**LEADER THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

- Leader & District Chamber of Commerce AGM Doors open: 6:30 PM. Meeting starts at 7 PM at the Leader Friendship Center. Speaker: Corwin Boechler - Chamber Insurance. Everyone welcome.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

- Leader & District Arts Council presents Pi-

ano Heist 7:30 PM at the Leader Community Centre.

**LUSELAND TUESDAY, MARCH 12**

- Family Science Party 2 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.

- Sip & Stitch ... every Tuesday from 4-6 PM, come over to the Library to work on knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, or whatever kind of project you're working on. Enjoy some tea or coffee from our cafe bar and make some art! 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 PM
- Members only: coffee, pool, cards; Mon - Sat 8:30-12
- Members only: Tuesday evening games night 7-9 or 10 PM
- Members only: Wednesday afternoon cards 1-4 PM
- Members only: Thursday afternoon Ladies cards 1-4 PM

**MAJOR SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

- Major Rec Board Steak Shoot.

**PLENTY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

- Watercolour Trees Art (Adult Program) at the Plenty Library 7 PM. Spots are limited. Please call the library to pre-register 306-932-4455.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

- Little Legacy Learning & C.R.O.P. present Easter Supper and BINGO at the Plenty Community Hall. Doors open at 2:30 PM, BINGO at 3 PM, Supper 5:30-7 PM. If interested in helping or donating, please contact Jolene at 306-831-0114.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- Comedian Sean Lecomber at the Plenty Community Hall. Doors open 8:00 PM. Show starts at 9:00 PM. Contact Helena Olson 306-831-0007 for tickets or more information.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

- Plenty's 5th Annual Spring Fling Quilt Show 10:00 AM-4:00 PM at the Plenty United Church on Main Street. Featuring quilts by local quilt makers and special exhibits including vintage gowns from the private collection of Joan MacCrimmon, and vintage artwork by local artists. Admission by donation.
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