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The Red Hat Society celebrated its 28th anniversary on Tuesday, March 12th. Back Row L-R: Shirley Kucher, Caroline Baril, Thessa Whitfield, Kathy Kutschera, Gloria Lowe. Front Row L-R: Monica Ritter, Ang Deschner, Ellen Krepps, Cathy Bur. PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN

## Red Hat Society celebrates its 28th anniversary

BY JOAN JANZEN

Nine ladies from the Red Hat Society gathered at the Dairy Queen on Tuesday afternoon to celebrate the club's 28th anniversary. Angela Deschner is Queen of the Kindersley chapter, which Ellen Krepps started in the 1990s. Ellen said the club started with 21 members but had up to thirty members for several years. They meet once a month for lunch, celebrate birthdays, and enjoy a fun outing. You might see them in the local parade or find them serving cake and ice cream at Caleb.

They love to take bus trips to the winery at Maple Creek, the Berry Barn near Saskatoon, Moose Jaw tunnels and many other destinations. Ellen had a collection of photos documenting all their travels throughout the years. As for the hats, they can be ordered from the Red Hat Society, or you can create your own if you wish. The Red Hat Society was originally started with a poem by Jenny Joseph: "When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple, with a red hat which doesn't go and doesn't suit me." The sisterhood of purple and red still thrives, and the ladies continue to get together, visit, have fun, and visit some interesting destinations.



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Above: The grandkids help shovel snow off the ice before digging the hole. Inset: Dave Yaworski from Kindersley likes to get out ice fishing as much as he can. And sometimes he brings home the big one. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

# A bad day of ice fishing is better than a good day at work

BY JOAN JANZEN

It's been said that a bad day of fishing is better than a good day at work. And that includes ice fishing.

David Yaworski from Kindersley has enjoyed the winter sport since he was a kid growing up in B.C. "I started ice fishing when I was eight years old," Dave said, explaining how his passion for ice fishing began. Instead of using a gas-powered auger, he would cut a hole in the ice with an axe, which had to have taken a considerable amount of time and energy. "My friends at school all loved to fish. When we got older, we'd drive all over to go fishing."

Fast forward fifty years, Dave has ditched the axe and traded in his gas-powered auger for an electric model. It was double the price of his previous auger, but it was well worth it. "It goes way faster and is much more convenient," he said. It takes less than a minute to cut through the ice.

"Ice fishing rods are shorter, more stout," he explained. "I've got five rods. You're allowed two rods per person." But the lines must be within sight and 25 metres of the person who is using them.

When is the best time to go ice fishing? Apparently, any time is a good time to go fishing. "I find early morning and late afternoon is when we had our best times," he said, but you can even go fishing at night when some predatory fish are active.

"Last year, we started ice fishing in November; this year, we started in December. It was a little bit shorter because of the warmer season. The ice in December was only about eight to ten inches thick," he said.

And when is it too cold to go ice fishing? Dave says

-50 degrees C and beyond is too cold, and I'm sure everyone would agree -50 is too cold. "We've been out at -40 and -45. As long as the wind isn't high, it's not too bad to set up the tent. Once you get it up, you're good to go. I don't mind the cold at all," he said.

A couple of years back, Dave purchased an insulated tent with a heater. "It makes quite a bit of difference. When it's -33 out in the open, it will be plus 2 degrees inside," he said.

Who comes along when he goes fishing? Dave's family often come along. "Grandkids love it! There's lots of activity that happens on the ice, lots of animals, birds, coyotes," he noted. The grandkids also help shovel snow off the ice before digging a hole. Even his dogs like fishing, but they don't actually fish.

He'll also spends a little time talking to other fisherman on the ice. "At Estuary we probably saw twelve guys this year," he said. Last year the ice at Estuary was 32 inches thick compared to 26 inches this year.

Where does Dave go ice fishing? Lately, he's been going to local spots - Estuary, Lancer, Alsask, Suffern Lake at Macklin, Plato and the Kerrobert pond.

"The bite can range from frantic to nothing for hours. I find it's a slow go, and I don't always catch something. But it's about the day. That's why they call it fishing, not catching," he smiled. "I fish on the river almost every weekend. I like to get out as much as I can. That's how I decompress from the week."

Someone once said it's not the fish you catch; it's the peace of mind you take home at the end of the day. I think Dave would agree, but he has brought home some pretty big fish, along with his peace of mind.

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L-R: Deanna Wood, Montana Lodoen, Dakota Deis, Sara Martin, Nicole Stephaniuk. Photo by Joan Wagner

## Fox Valley theatre group performs comedy play

BY JOAN JANZEN

A cast of five members from Night Fox Theatre in Fox Valley put on a comedy play called "The Sweet Delilah Swim Club", Thursday evening, March 14. The audience was excited to attend the play, since it's the first drama evening since 2019. It was also the first drama performance held in the community's new hall. The local theatre group became known as the Night Fox Theatre in 1993 when they joined the Sask. Community Theatre organization.

Tena Schneider directed the play, with the cast con-

sisting of Montana Lodoen, Dakota Deis, Sara Martin, Deanna Wood and Nicole Stephaniuk. Of course it also took a crew of fourteen to help with the set, props, costumes, lights, sound and hair and makeup.

There was also a group of workers needed for the three performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Fifteen people helped with the bar and tickets, and another fourteen people were on the food committee.

It was quite an accomplishment, not only for the drama group, but the community also came together and helped to make it a success.

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# OPINION:

## Entrepreneurs who love to give



BY JOAN JANZEN

I saw a baker's apron with the words "Your opinion was not in my recipe" printed on it. Those words may resonate with two bakers who started a business in New Brunswick in 2021, even though it may not have seemed like the optimal time to do so. Here's their inspiring story.

Jimi and Ade talked about their journey with Faytene Grassechie. The couple and their three children moved from Nigeria to Toronto in 2017. Jimi is a Chartered Accountant who moved to Canada to provide security, a better standard of living and more opportunities for his children. He described himself as an entrepreneur and thought one day they should have a family business.

While living in Toronto, they worked for a Christian street mission. It gave them the opportunity to meet people and provided all kinds of services to meet the needs of the homeless. There were services for mental health and practical services such as a thrift store and food bank. When Jimi acquired employment in New Brunswick and purchased a home, it was a bittersweet moment, since it was hard to leave their friends at the street mission.

Once the family was settled in their

new home, it didn't take Jimi long before he came up with an idea for a business venture. "When Jimi told me he was going to start a bakery in our garage, I said no, you're not," Ade laughed. "I didn't sign up for this." She wanted her car parked in a warm garage during the winter and wanted the kids to have a place to store their bikes and games. "We aren't the same; he's a goal-getter and risk-taker. But looking back, I'm glad I didn't oppose the idea."

They were about to transform their garage into a state of the art bakery. "The process was capital intensive," Jimi said. "We took out a line of credit; we had loans, but I was optimistic. Some days my wife would ask if I was sure about this," Jimi said. But their venture had its challenges.

In order to get a health licence, they had to have a separate sewer system in-

stalled for the bakery, and that was expensive.

"When we had difficulty getting a health licence, we said we've gone too far we can't back down now," Ade said.

"It's not something you can do alone. We had to encourage each other," Jimi said. The community of Hampton also came together to encourage them and offer support for their business venture.

Jimi and Ada took some classes and came up with a unique recipe for the bread they planned to sell. It's a combination of Nigerian, United Kingdom and Canadian bread, all in one. Even before the equipment arrived, Jimi was making the bread in their home. "I saw the passion he had and kept praying that this would work out," Ade said.

Finally, the equipment arrived, and production began. Jimi would bake bread and hand it out to people for them to taste. "At one point, I asked Jimi, 'Are we a charity?' When do we start making money?" Ade chuckled. "He just said don't worry. This is the first stage."

The people from the town were supportive from day one. Last year, the Chamber of Commerce presented them with the Emerging Business Award.

Now in 2024, they operate a wholesale bakery providing product in three provinces. "On an average day, we make 400 loaves of bread, and we be-

lieve we'll expand to other provinces," Jimi said. But they're also giving back to the community that has supported them through the process.

When the couple heard about the breakfast program offered at the local elementary school, they thought it was good idea to donate bread to the program, and hope to expand to other schools in the future. They also donate bread to the local food bank. Jimi and Ade served breakfast at the bakery to a visiting Children's Choir from Uganda. "It gives us so much joy any time we give back to the community," Ade said.

"We like to be involved in different projects; it's kind of natural for us. We're not doing it to impress anyone; it's just to give back," Jimi said.

When Faytene asked if the couple had any advice to offer Canadians who are looking at ways to generate income during difficult times, Jimi had a quick response. "This can't be a one-man journey; you need the support of your spouse. You have to both be on board. Being an entrepreneur is not enough; you have to have faith that it's going to work."

It looks like Jimi and Ade are part of the statistics from Made in Canada, which state that one-quarter of new companies are started by recent immigrants, and 98% of Canadian businesses are considered small companies.



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Pop89:



# What exactly do we mean?

BY MADONNA HAMEL

As a self-proclaimed “forensic etymologist,” I am always interested to see how words enter, morph and exit from our vocabulary. I just finished reading “Keywords” by John Patrick Leary, wherein he reveals the absurd ways business culture has “word-jacked” (my word) the languages of the art world (ex: “curate”), the helping professions (“wellness”) and even religion (“virtue”) and used them to sell stuff.

I’m neither Marxist nor Socialist, but I’m not a big fan of Capitalism or woke-ism, either. It seems to me all the -ists and -isms of the world are doing their best to make themselves “the one true religion” and in so doing leading us away from each other. Mar-

tin Luther King warned us: “We must learn to live together as brothers, or we will perish together as fools.”

I am interested in how religious language has been either jettisoned or co-opted. When it is used it asks so little of us because it is not speaking to us as souls but as consumers, buyers of products. It’s not reaching for nobleness or goodness but for an untapped market. Religious language turned secular dries up. Its vision shrinks and is minuscule and ignoble in comparison with its original far-seeing intent.

I’d have to say the same for artistic language as well. I no longer know what it means to be a successful artist. It never meant to become a household name, though the attraction of AI jumps directly to that promise. Nor certainly is it to become wealthy. If your motive is wealth, go get a business degree.

Even that word “wealth” has changed its meaning. Derived from the Old English word: “weal,” meaning “welfare” and “well-being,” who uses the word that way anymore? Wealth has long taken on a purely monetary meaning. And why shouldn’t it? We live in a time that recognizes product over process and equates security with monetary wealth. And yet, while money brings a certain material stability, it does not assure contentment, peace of mind or healthy relations among friends and family. And it certainly is no guarantee of “well-being”.

Once, fresh out of art school, a fellow classmate and I were at a gallery opening of another former classmate. “It’s funny,” my friend said, “we know the guy. And his art is nowhere as tender and uplifting as the guy himself.” “I know”, I replied. “I’ve developed a theory that, for those who work hard and try to be true to their art, their art becomes their prophet. I mean, their art is way ahead of them; it can see around corners, as it were.”

I didn’t think the guy was insincere. That is, I don’t think he was making what I call “anticipatory” art – art that anticipates what the market would buy because of a fad (from the Latin for “fatuous,” a “fancy adopted and pursued for a time with irrational zeal.”) I don’t think he was painting for profit – though he intended to make a living at his work. He worked hard and was true to his vision, and lucky for him, he did well. The moral of this story: always be true to the vision first. Then, you can be a prophet. If you make a wad a cash at it – that’s a profit – a perk. But there will be no regular paycheck – such is the feast-or-famine nature of art.

But really, who cares about prophets? Let alone, “the moral of the story”? The very word “moral” is a bummer word. “Morality,” along with unhip words like “vice,” “sin,” and “hell,” make us feel bad about ourselves. Apparently, the only way to keep religious or sacred language alive is to “pivot” and “innovate” them into secular tools for the “meritocracy.” The problem is once you do that, you’ve divested them of numinousity and mystery, and they lose all their power.

I am interested in how religious language has been either jettisoned or co-opted. When it is used it asks so little of us because it is not speaking to us as souls but as consumers, buyers of products.

Ironically, while a great deal of contemporary art is generated by anti-capitalists, we seem to live in a world that puts the money-hungry donkey before the bountiful cart of art. What passes as art is often anything that offends old-fashioned notions of art as embodying beauty or truth.

Words like: “disruptive” and “transgressive” – just decades ago used to describe abusive behaviour – are now goals for art and artists. The more disruptive, transgressive and irreverent you are, the more “nimble” you are at “articulating” the “polemical” “phenomenology” of “epistemic imperialism” in an “anti-didactic” way. This does not require hours of labour and intensive handiwork as much as a deftness with an incomprehensible language that must accompany and describe every work of art; the art cannot be understood or comprehended without it. The irony is that the jargon of today’s art market transgresses and subverts itself all the way into the very institutions they claim to reject.

Capitalism, when it legitimizes a compulsion to generate capital out of anything and everything, is troublesome. But the force that drives the compulsion is “greed.” Greed is the problem. Greed is another word for insatiability, endless craving, unquenchable lust. These are all earmarks of addiction. But because we no longer describe greed as a “vice,” we can exploit addiction as a market.

Take the word “binge”. In the 70s, when I was in high school, I had an eating disorder. I binged on food to deaden a deep depression mingled with existential dread. At that same time, snack food companies caught on to food addiction as a money-making proposition, and they salted and corn-syruped their way to the bank. Never mind it was unhealthy – they had lawyers. Never mind that what they did was immoral – we don’t use that language anymore. Never mind they were selling their souls, we’re consumers, not souls! I think about that every time I crave a little “binge-watching.” And that’s why I keep asking not just what we mean, but what has meaning?



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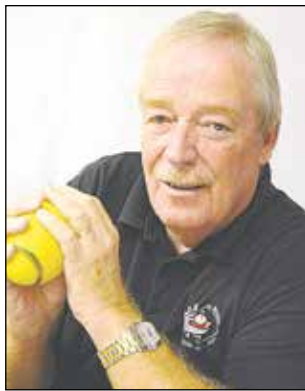
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# Will Sid the Kid play in his third Olympics?

BY BRUCE PENTON



BY BRUCE PENTON  
Sports Columnist

Sidney Crosby of Pittsburgh Penguins is the only current NHLer with an opportunity to play in his third Olympic Games when the NHL returns to the global competition in 2026 for the first time since 2014.

Crosby, of course, scored the 'Golden Goal' for Canada in 2010 at the Vancouver Olympics, and then was part of the Canadian entry in 2014 at Sochi, where Canada defeated Sweden in the final for another gold medal. Politics and NHL team ownership greed prevented the NHL players from competing in 2018 and 2022, but NHL commissioner Gary Bettman announced in early February that details had been ironed out, and the NHL would send its best players to the 2026 Olympics in Milan, Italy.

So how will the Canadian roster look? Will Crosby, who is having an outstanding season with the Penguins this year — but who will be 39 years old in 2026 — be given a chance for a three-peat? Canadian fans almost unanimously say yes, for reasons based on both skill and sentimentality.

Rosters will include 25 skaters — 14 forwards and 11 defencemen — and three goalies. Canada's weak spot is expected to be in goal, where there is no Carey Price, no Roberto Luongo or no Mike Smith. Instead, the leading candidates are Adin Hill of Vegas Golden Knights, Tristan Jarry of Pittsburgh, Connor Ingram of Arizona and Stu Skinner of the Oilers, none of whom conjure up memories of Jacques Plante or Patrick Roy.

Of course, things could drastically change in two years. Will projected No. 1 draft pick Macklin Celebrini be one of Canada's top 14 forwards? There are a few slam-dunk choices: Connor Bedard, Connor McDavid and Nathan MacKinnon up front; Cale Makar and Josh Morrissey on defence.

Here's how my roster of 14 forwards, 11 defencemen and three goaltenders would shape up:

**Forwards** — McDavid, MacKinnon, Bedard, Sam Reinhart, Brayden Point, Celebrini, Brad Marchand, Zach Hyman, Robert Thomas, Travis Konecny, Mitch Marner, Jonathan Marchessault, Mark Stone and Quinton Byfield.

**Defence** —Makar, Morrissey, Evan Bouchard, Morgan Rielly, Thomas Chabot, Dougie Hamilton, Drew Doughty, Shea Theodore, Alex Pietrangelo, Jacob Chydrun, MacKenzie Weegar.

**Goaltenders** —Hill, Jarry, Skinner.

This will be a floating roster for the next 18 months. Players will come and go. Perhaps Crosby will continue to not show his age, and we'll have to add him to the team. Perhaps some young phenom will come out of nowhere.

Just missing the cut were the likes of Vince Dunn and Noah Dobson on defence, Steven Stamkos, Dylan Cozens, Matt Barzal, Brandon Hagel, Carter Verhaeghe and Jeff Skinner up front, and Jordan Bennington, Logan Thompson and Ingram in goal.

So much can change in two years, but let the arguments start today.

• **Headline from fark.com:** "After having the worst

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season in the NFL, Carolina Panthers plan to a) rebuild through the draft; b) bring back some favourite former players; or c) raise ticket prices? (The answer, of course, is C.)"

- **Joseph LaMagna** of TheFriedEgg.com., discussing golfers in the running for 'Most Money Won Without Winning a Tournament': "Off the top of my head, it at the very least beats the hell out of Least Money Earned Without Actually Winning A Tournament."
- Sportswriter **Herb Gould**, on the controversy over the Players being golf's fifth major: "No fifth major until baseball adds a fifth base. As in Grand Slam."
- Super 70s Sports: "How to have a great high school basketball team in one step: Step 1: **Larry Bird** enrolls at your school. The End."
- Another one from Super 70s Sports: "Former Cowboys' coach **Tom Landry** used to blow out the candles on his birthday cake each year simply by looking at them."
- Comedy guy **Torben Rolfsen** of Vancouver: "The Montreal Canadiens will play in Paris in October 2025. It's not 100 per cent set yet; so far, **Youppi!** refuses to take off his Expos cap for a passport photo."
- **F.P. Santangelo, Sr.**, on Twitter, after a United Airlines plane dropped a wheel shortly after takeoff: "Always remember if you catch a foul tire give it to a kid."
- **RJ Currie** of sportsdeke.com: "Reuters reports a Chinese firm is selling bottles of forest fresh air to customers tired of foul smells. Don't laugh; you get a free one if you buy a Washington Wizards ticket."
- **RJ Currie** again: "Five reasons why TV ratings for the Brier rose 13 per cent and why TSN says it's one of their most popular sporting events: 5. Curling is a good draw; 4. The Brier does well in the sweeps; 3. It's great with takeout; 2. The game has a peel; 1. The action is end to end."
- Fark.com headline after a questionable call on a buzzer-beater in a New Jersey high school basketball game cost one team a trip to the state championship: "Bad buzzer-beater semi-final to be settled in court, not on the court."
- Fark.com again, after the **Mike Tyson-Jake Paul boxing** match was announced: "Jake Paul announces his suicide will be televised on Netflix and carried out by Mike Tyson."

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## SaskEnergy launches Homes Beyond Code program

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“Our government is pleased with SaskEnergy’s efforts to help Saskatchewan homebuyers purchase energy efficient homes through the Homes Beyond Code Program,” said David Buckingham, MLA for Saskatoon Westview. “This program will make purchasing an energy efficient home more affordable, while also reducing energy bills through lower energy consumption.”

The amendment to Saskatchewan’s Building Code Regulations and Energy Code Regulations, that include energy efficiency tiers for the construction of buildings, came into effect on January 1, 2024. The goal of energy tiers is to progressively increase the energy efficiency requirements of new homes. For instance, the new baseline at Tier #2 is a 10 per cent improvement over Tier #1. Tier #3 improves energy efficiency by 20 per cent, Tier #4 by 40 per cent, and Tier #5 is 70 per cent better than Tier #1. Homes exceeding Tier #3 will be eligible for a \$3000 rebate, homes exceeding Tier #4 will be eligible for a \$5000 rebate, and homes exceeding Tier #5 will be eligible for a \$9000 rebate.

“SaskEnergy is committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and our energy efficiency programming is an important part of achieving this commitment,” said Mark Guillet, President & CEO for SaskEnergy. “The Homes Beyond Code Program will support SaskEnergy customers to reduce their end-use emissions as well as improve the quality and comfort of their homes.”

SaskEnergy has earmarked approximately \$800 thousand for the program and opened its eligibility to both homeowners and homebuilders. Builders are eligible for an \$800 rebate per approved building.

“The Homes Beyond Code Program is a positive step forward for the home building industry in Saskatchewan and the homeowners we serve. This program not only aligns with our commitment to sustainable building practices, but it also offers tangible benefits to those looking to invest in more energy-efficient homes,” says Nicole Burgess, CEO Saskatoon & Region Home Builders’ Association. “By supporting the construction of homes that exceed the current building code, SaskEnergy is enabling builders to continue to lead the way in energy efficiency, ultimately contributing to a greener and more sustainable future for all Saskatchewan residents.”

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## NHL trade deadline in the books for another year

BY GREG BUCHANAN

The NHL’s 2024 trade deadline has passed and with it comes the urge to break down the winners and losers of deadline day. Most of these deals will need time, sometimes even years to figure out who truly succeeded and failed on deadline day, but we’re going to go ahead and label three winners on draft day, and three losers.

Let’s be clear here, we’re talking about the winners of the moment. There could be a time when some of our “winner” teams regret what they gave up in preparation for a deep Stanley Cup playoff run. Out of the gate, teams it looks like the Golden Knights made all the right moves to address their immediate needs. The Golden Knights have to be considered a winner, as they’ve added three above average players including defenseman Noah Hanifin and wingers Anthony Mantha and Tomas Hertl, without sacrificing anything from the roster. The trade for Hertl cost prospect David Edstrom and a first-round pick, but Vegas GM Kelly McCrimmon ensured his top nine forwards are as skilled as about any team in the NHL. McCrimmon has earned a reputation as a shrewd opera-



Noah Hanifin – Vegas Golden Knights Defense. PHOTO: ESPN

tor, and his moves at this year’s deadline confirm he knows how to build an elite hockey team.

Edmonton is a good team. They’ve been the best team in the NHL since Knoblach arrived. Pickard is only a story if Skinner gets injured or struggles mightily, and if he does, the series is likely over by the time they go to the backup. It is the same defence, but also more experienced. Bouchard is better this year than he was last. Same with Desharnais. Every team has a few concerns, but I don’t see Edmonton’s as more than Vancouver, Colorado or other teams in the Western Conference.

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The community of Major made the digging of this new well in Zambia possible.

# Farmers understand the importance of a well

BY JOAN JANZEN

Farmers recognize the importance of a good water well, so it's not surprising that the community of Major has provided the finances for a new well in Zambia, Africa. Marlene Chotowetz from Major shared how it all began.

Marlene first went to Africa in 2005 when her son organized a trip through a church in Calgary. Shortly afterwards, Marlene's son and his wife ended up living in Africa for ten years, where they were involved with an organization called Hands At Work, which serves the needs of vulnerable communities in Africa.

"My son is still involved in Hands at Work in both the US and Canada. Every year they have mission groups who

travel to Africa," Marlene explained. "I've been over there six times, and in 2016 I took my own group over. Seven people from Major and Kerrobert went to Africa for three weeks.

"Since then, we've gone to Zimbabwe. Every year, we do something to raise money for Zimbabwe," she said. Funds raised at Major's annual fall supper go towards helping people in Africa.

"Last year, I got a message that Hands At Work was starting a new community in Zambia. They would need to provide a life centre where the kids and orphans get fed every day."

Marlene and three friends came up with an idea to raise funds to build a well in Zambia. "Because we're a farming community, we understand how

important a well is," she explained. It was estimated it would cost \$800 to dig a well in Zambia.

Since people often get together at the Major Hall for coffee, the group of volunteers decided to make cinnamon buns and serve coffee. Anyone who was interested in helping with the project could give a donation.

"I picked a day when our local Credit Union was serving burgers, so it worked out perfectly. People would have a burger and then come over for a cinnamon bun and coffee," she said.

The generous donations collected at the fundraiser amounted to \$2,000! "Our community is great! There aren't that many people, but they are willing to help out and are very generous,"

Marlene said.

Hands At Work focuses on food, health and education. "The whole idea is to help the people to take care of themselves," she explained. They find out where the most vulnerable people are, and get volunteers from the churches to help them learn how to grow their own food, sell some of it and raise poultry. Some communities have graduated, which enables Hands At Work to move on to help another community.

"It's something I've really enjoyed working on," Marlene said, and didn't rule out the possibility of raising funds for additional projects.

Even a community as small as Major can make a big difference in the lives of vulnerable people in Africa.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Town of Kerrobert Public Notice –Zoning Bylaw Amendment

Public Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Kerrobert (Town) intends to adopt a bylaw under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, to amend Bylaw No. 995-14, known as The Zoning Bylaw (ZB).

**INTENT:** The intent of the proposed amendment is to accommodate as an existing aggregate extraction use by allowing the use of 'Aggregate extraction including aggregate resource material storage or handling operations' in the IND2 – Heavy Industrial District as a discretionary use. Appropriate discretionary use evaluation criteria for the use are also added into the IND2 District.

Shipping containers are added as an accessory use within the CS – Community Service District.

**AFFECTED LAND:** All lands within the IND 2 – Heavy Industrial District and CS – Community Service District would be affected by the proposed amendment.

**REASON:** Council would like to accommodate an existing aggregate extraction, material storage and handling operation in the IND2 District and to allow for further industrial opportunities with the appropriate evaluation criteria.

Council would like to allow for storage options in the CS District by allowing shipping containers as accessory uses. The current bylaw did not address shipping containers within the CS District.

**PUBLIC INSPECTION:** Any person may inspect the bylaws at the Town office during regular office hours, excluding statutory holidays. Draft copies of the proposed bylaws are available from the Town office (hard copy at cost). Copy of the draft bylaw is also available for public viewing here: [https://www.kerrobert.ca/public\\_notices](https://www.kerrobert.ca/public_notices). The Town office is located at 433 Manitoba Avenue, PO Box 558, Kerrobert, SK S0L 1R0.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Council will hold a public hearing on **April 10, 2024, at 7 p.m.** in Council Chambers in the Town office to hear any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaws. If intending to make an in-person representation, please contact the Town office. Council will also consider written comments received by the undersigned by **April 8, 2024**. For additional information, please contact (306) 834-2361 or [kerrobert.admin@sasktel.net](mailto:kerrobert.admin@sasktel.net).

Issued at the Town of Kerrobert this 14th day of March, 2024.

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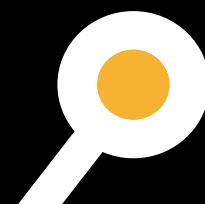
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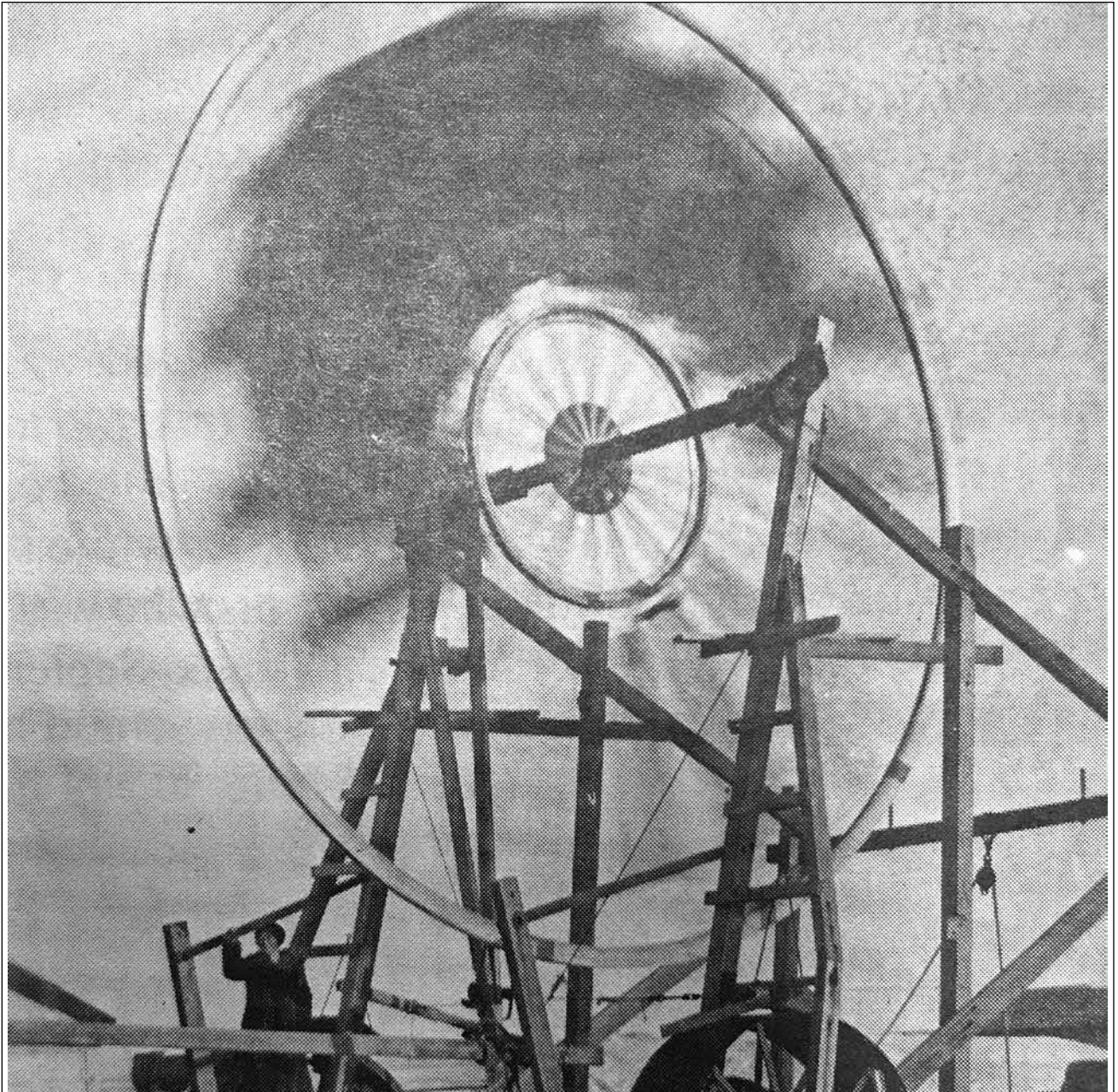
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James Moscrip lived in the Major area and built this wind mill in the early 1920s.

# An inventor from the past

BY JOAN JANZEN

Wind mills were a common sight on farms, but there was an elaborate wind mill in the Major area. That's where James Moscrip and his wife farmed, and it's where he built his wind mill in the early 1920's. But according to the history book by the Hearts Hill Historical Society, James was an inventor.

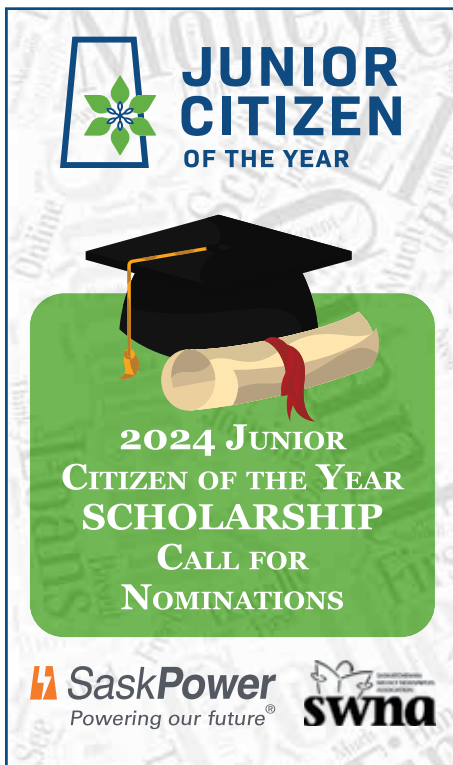
The book *From the Hill to the Border* notes one of his most significant achievements was the building of a wheat puffer. People from throughout the area would bring their wheat to be 'puffed' for a very minimal cost. It helped put food on the table during the hard times and eventually brought down the price of puffed wheat in the stores. He made several puffed wheat machines which were sold around the province.

James was said to be happiest when he was working on a project in his shop. He built several farm implements and even a television, before people owned a TV set. He was also a photographer and developed his



James and Freyda Moscrip - 1946  
 PHOTOS: FROM THE HILL TO THE BORDER

own photos. At night his kitchen was transformed into a dark room with developing solution on the counter. His camera was eventually donated to the Western Development Museum.



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- If you get an unsolicited email or text asking you to click a link or open an attachment – don't do it!
- If contacted by a company, don't use the contact information provided in the message. Look up the legitimate contact information elsewhere and contact them directly.
- Use reputable service providers located in your area.
- Locate and verify the service provider's contact information – address, phone number, email—before paying for the service.

- Be weary of letters offering you an inheritance. These letters will often claim to come from lawyers or accountants.
- If you receive a letter claiming you've won a free prize, know that you are not required to pay up front fees to collect winnings.
- If you want more helpful hints or tips access the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre on the Government of Canada website.
- Between March 4th and March 10th, Kindersley RCMP responded to 22 calls for service\*. These calls included, but were not limited to, 2 uttering threats complaints, 2 theft complaints and 1 break and enter investigation.

If you have any information in regards to crimes in the area, please contact the Kindersley RCMP detachment by calling 306-463-4642 or your 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](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

# Searching for wanted male

Swift Current Municipal RCMP are requesting assistance in locating 28-year-old Lane Anthony Purves.

Purves is wanted by Swift Current Municipal RCMP and Assiniboia RCMP for the following charges:

- theft of motor vehicle, Section 333.1 (1), Criminal Code;
- break and enter, Section 348(1)(b), Criminal Code;
- mischief causing damage, Section 430(4), Criminal Code;
- assault police officer, Section 270(2), Criminal Code;
- resist arrest, Section 129(a), Criminal Code;
- theft under \$5,000, Section 334(b), Criminal Code;
- possession of property obtained by crime, Section 354(1)(a), Criminal Code;
- fail to comply with a



Lane Anthony Purves

- release order, Section 145(5)(a), Criminal Code;
- fail to attend court, Section 145(4)(b), Criminal Code; and
- fail to attend for the purposes of Identifi-

fication of Criminal Act, Section 145 4)(b), Criminal Code.

Warrants have been issued for his arrest and Swift Current Municipal RCMP are working to locate and arrest him.

Purves is described as 6 feet tall, 200 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes. He has a scar on his left cheek, lettering tattooed on his neck and the word 'king' tattooed on his hand. A photo of him is attached.

If you see Purves or know where he is, contact Swift Current Municipal

RCMP at 306-778-4870. Information can also be submitted anonymously by contacting Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or [www.saskcrimestoppers.com](http://www.saskcrimestoppers.com).

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17	14	CX1079	Ext 0	136287232	\$1,655.14	\$32.22	\$1,687.36
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## If Poilievre wins a massive majority, can we PLEASE build the Energy East Pipeline?

*Move quick, get it done*

BY BRIAN ZINCHUK

There was a poll put out on March 11 by Mainstreet Research suggesting the Conservatives under Pierre Poilievre could nearly wipe the Liberals, NDP and Bloc Quebecois off the map, bringing in a massive majority.

If anything close to that becomes a reality, and with a nod to counting chickens before eggs hatching, it would be a blowout of unbelievable proportions.

However, as Jordan Peterson has frequently warned, the new Poilievre government will be hung with all the baggage of the Trudeau government, overwhelming debt and deficit being the largest burdens, and could very well be a one-term government. That's one of Peterson's biggest fears.

That reminds me of a conversation I had a couple years ago with former Saskatchewan Premier Grant Devine. I was doing a series of stories on Devine's heavy oil upgraders, the NewGrade Upgrader in Regina and the Bi-Provincial Upgrader in Lloydminster, and how they formed the cornerstone of a substantial portion of Saskatchewan's economy today.

Devine, too, swept in with a massive majority after years of socialist government. But he did not think he had a lot of time to get things done.

In this story, Devine's Upgraders, Part 2: Grant Devine's motivation to build upgraders while they had the chance, I asked if he had thought of pulling the plug on the two upgrader projects at any point. Devine said, "We were elected in really difficult times. Interest rates when I was elected were 22 per cent. And we thought, we got elected we got a big majority. We're gonna go hard, despite drought and 22 per cent interest rates and all the other things that were hitting people.

"And so we said, 'We'll probably only get four years, so we're just gonna go to beat the band. And we're going to build. And my objective, as a PhD economist, was we've got to start adding value. And we've got to get into these things, regardless of the times.'"

That conversation is ringing in my ears today. If the federal Conservatives really want to right this sinking Canadian ship, they're going to have to move quickly, as Devine did. Whatever your criticisms of the Devine administration, the long term has shown moving on those upgraders had a profound impact on Saskatchewan's economy decades later.



Construction near Moosomin in 1997 of the pipeline that was supposed to eventually become the Energy East pipeline. Of the 4600 kilometres for the whole route, 3000 are already in the ground, as seen here. Photo by Brian Zinchuk, who was a worker on the project.

It seems that even with the Trans Mountain Expansion's eventual completion, supposedly in a few months (I'm not holding my breath), growing Canadian oil production could soon max out export capacity as early as 2026, according to Enbridge. And no one's talking about any more major export pipelines these days.

So what could a newly empowered government with a massive majority do? Here's a novel idea: Call up TC Energy and ask them to dust off their 2014 application to build the Energy East Pipeline. We're going to need it.

TransCanada's Energy East pipeline application. It was 38,885 pages for one complete "consolidated" copy of the project's regulatory application.

That application, the hard copy of which filled pallets worth of bankers boxes when it was submitted, needs to be updated and processed forthwith.

The reality is that most of the pipe is already in the ground, and has been from Day 1. I personally worked on portions of it near Moosomin, Sask., in 1997.

Only two new portions of new pipe needed were needed. The first was from Hardisty to Empress, Alberta, joining the existing TC Energy mainline at its kickoff point. The second was from the eastern end of Ontario, through Quebec and New Brunswick to the port and refinery at Saint John. All the middle part?

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Around two-thirds is already in the ground, repurposing an existing pipeline in the underused mainline system. It just needs gas compressor stations to be converted to oil pumping stations.

And the Alberta portion that was needed is also now in the ground. Remember when Donald Trump approved TC Energy's Keystone XL pipeline a few days after taking office? The Alberta government bought into the project when things were looking bleak and paid for the construction of Keystone XL from Hardisty to Empress. That pipe, and its compressor stations, is already built, even though the remaining portion from there to Steele City, Nebraska was killed by a Montana judge and then by President Biden in his first minutes in office.

Does anyone else think that maybe, just maybe, the Alberta government paid for that portion to be built so that if Keystone XL didn't go ahead, it could still be used for a revived Energy East?

Pipelines do not need to take six years to build, or need to go 6x plus over budget, like the Trans Mountain project did under federal ownership. I was on a crew that built the Alliance Pipeline from Fort St. John, B.C. to Chicago in about 16 months from 1999-2000. It can be done, if you get rid of all the stupidity that Trans Mountain entailed.

The problem is the Irvings, who appear to have had with the current federal government's never-ending strangulation of the industry, are looking to unload their oil business out east. You need either them on board, or whoever buys them out. Maybe the enticement of actually building that pipeline would keep them around?

The promise of Energy East, which was supposed to have been in operation by December, 2018, is that it would displace imported oil with Western Canadian oil, and allow us an export terminal on the East Coast.

A massive majority could allow the Conservatives to do this – but as Devine said, we've gotta go hard.

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**BOOK REVIEW**

**“Faith in the Fields: Picturesque Ukrainian Churches of Saskatchewan”**

Paintings, drawings and sketches by Fritz Stehwien, compiled by Barbara Stehwien  
 Published by Landscape Art Publishing  
**REVIEW BY SHELLEY A. LEEDAHL**

Fritz Stehwien was a German-born Saskatoon artist (1914-2008) whose life and work continue to be celebrated by many, including his family. The art-filled hardcover Faith in the Fields: Picturesque Ukrainian Churches of Saskatchewan is an archival project produced by Waltraude and Barbara Stehwien, and in its introduction we learn that the book “was inspired by two exhibits held at

the Ukrainian Museum of Canada in Saskatoon: Faith in the Fields (1997) and Faith in the Fields II (1999)”.

The beautifully-bound book features page after page of full-bleed, mostly pastel images of the singular churches and landscapes Stehwien encountered in his adopted home on the Canadian prairies. (The lifetime artist was forced to serve as a soldier in Eastern Europe during WW II.)

This art book also commemorates the “resilience” of “European settlers encountering the harsh prairie climate”. This resilience came, in part, due to “their faith and strength,” and memorials to this history are found in the Ukrainian churches—“revered prairie icons”—still scattered across Saskatchewan. While some of these architectural delights are now abandoned, others have become designated heritage sites.

The artist returned to Europe in 1942, attracted especially by “the picturesque onion domes in Belarus and Russia”—architecture commonly

replicated in Ukrainian churches on the prairies. Russia’s war on Ukraine in 2022 prompted Stehwien’s family to publish this latest book, which they’ve dedicated “to the resilience of the people of the Ukraine who are once again required to draw on their strengths for survival”.

The pastel, acrylic and charcoal images draw the gaze in and make me contemplate what it may have been like to arrive as a settler on the bare, harsh prairie. Several of the paintings include neighbouring cemeteries, the graves marked with tall Orthodox crosses. The landscapes illustrate the seasons as well, ie: barren winter fields, and spring-filled ponds, as we see in the paintings of the churches in Plainview, Bankend, Fernwood and Theodore. I admire the sunset-strokes behind the Catholic churches Stehwien captured in Bodnari and Yorkton

The book also includes a list of the Ukrainian churches and the year they were built, as well as a map showing their locations in Saskatchewan. I find the grand Ukrainian

Orthodox Holy Trinity Cathedral in Saskatoon, where I attended a very traditional wedding decades ago. Across the page there’s St. George Cathedral, also in Saskatoon, with several onion-shaped domes crowning its glory. I’ve also personally admired many of these churches from the highway during my travels across the province, and on page 36 I find All Saints (Orthodox) nestled between golden-leaved trees and spruces in my hometown of Meadow Lake. Certainly I remember this domed beauty, but I don’t recall ever entering its doors, and that’s a pity.

I’m so pleased that the Stehwien family has chosen to honour their father’s art and their cultural heritage in this artistic way. I hope that Faith in the Fields: Picturesque Ukrainian Churches of Saskatchewan finds its way into the hands and hearts of those who will cherish it.

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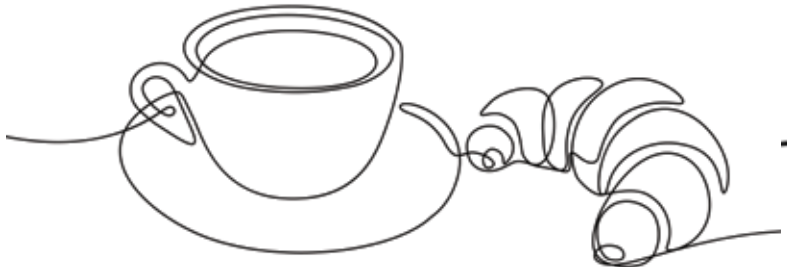
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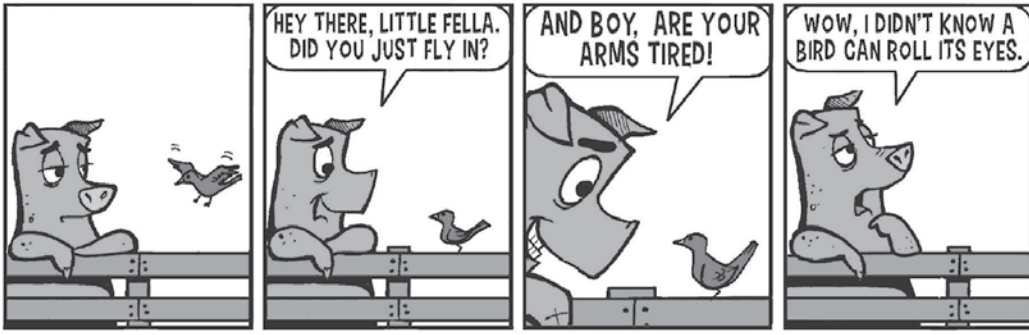




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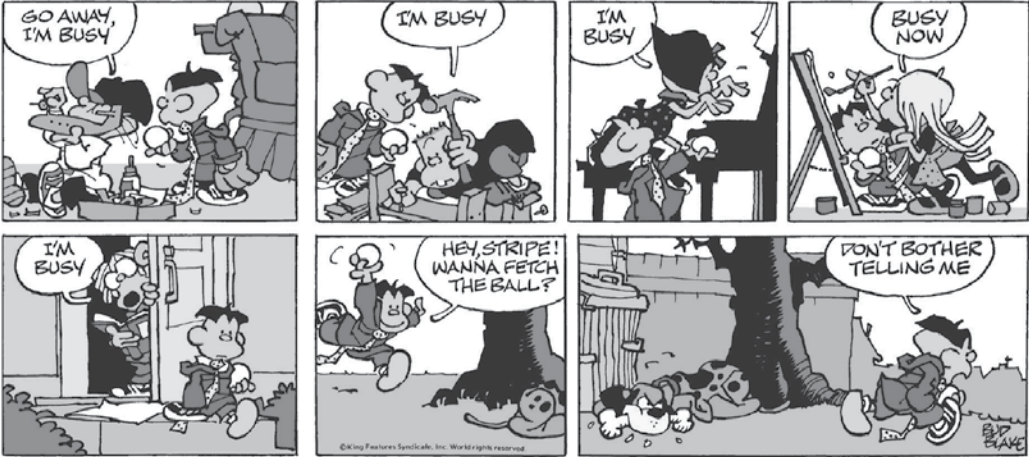
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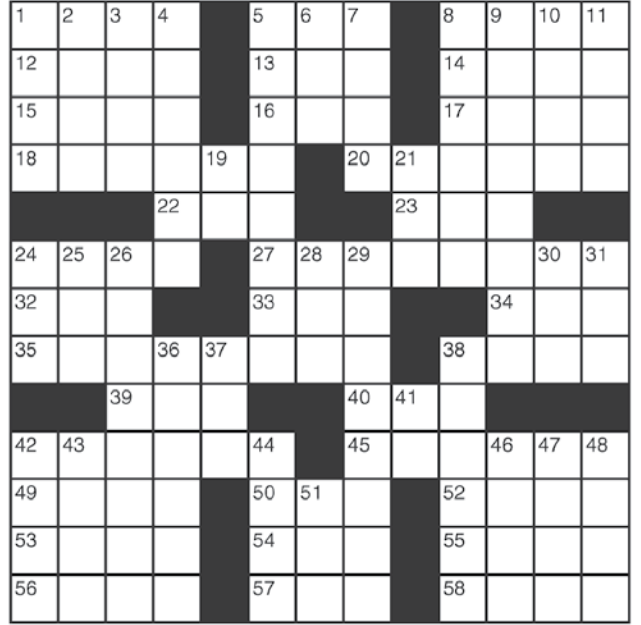
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ACROSS

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- 5 Science room
- 8 Arm bone
- 12 Actress Gilpin
- 13 Hosp. area
- 14 Wedding cake layer
- 15 Bridge position
- 16 Not "agin"
- 17 "Snap out —!"
- 18 Monet or Debussy
- 20 Wards off
- 22 "— Poetica"
- 23 Be sick
- 24 Healthy
- 27 Embeds
- 32 Comic Philips
- 33 Menagerie
- 34 Trio after M
- 35 Fish lover's deli order
- 38 Group of quail
- 39 Transcript no.
- 40 Parched
- 42 Oracle setting
- 45 "Brigadoon" lyricist
- 49 Buffalo's county
- 50 Miss Piggy's pronoun
- 52 French waterway
- 53 — Romeo



- 54 Canine greeting
- 55 Summit
- 56 Ogler's look
- 57 "— -haw!" (cowgirl's cry)
- 58 Monopoly card
- 8 Perfect place
- 9 Game show aid
- 10 Astronaut Armstrong
- 11 Sciences' partner
- 19 AMA member
- 21 Hearing thing
- 24 Drenched
- 25 Ostrich's kin
- 26 Palmist's prediction
- 28 Neither mate
- 29 Hit song by OneRepublic
- 30 Calendar abbr.
- 31 Covert agent
- 36 Seem
- 37 Taunting laugh
- 38 Secondary route
- 41 Concerning
- 42 Bargain
- 43 Perry's creator
- 44 Noncommittal answer
- 46 Pleasing
- 47 Salinger girl
- 48 Marsh plant
- 51 Tram load

DOWN

- 1 Detail, briefly
- 2 Bell sound
- 3 — Major
- 4 Ceremony
- 5 Not enlarged or reduced
- 6 Tennis feat
- 7 "Ironside" star

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

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1. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom featured a father figure named Philip Banks?
2. LANGUAGE: How many letters are in the Greek alphabet?
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6. MUSIC: Which singer once was called the Material Girl?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is injera?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of cockroaches called?
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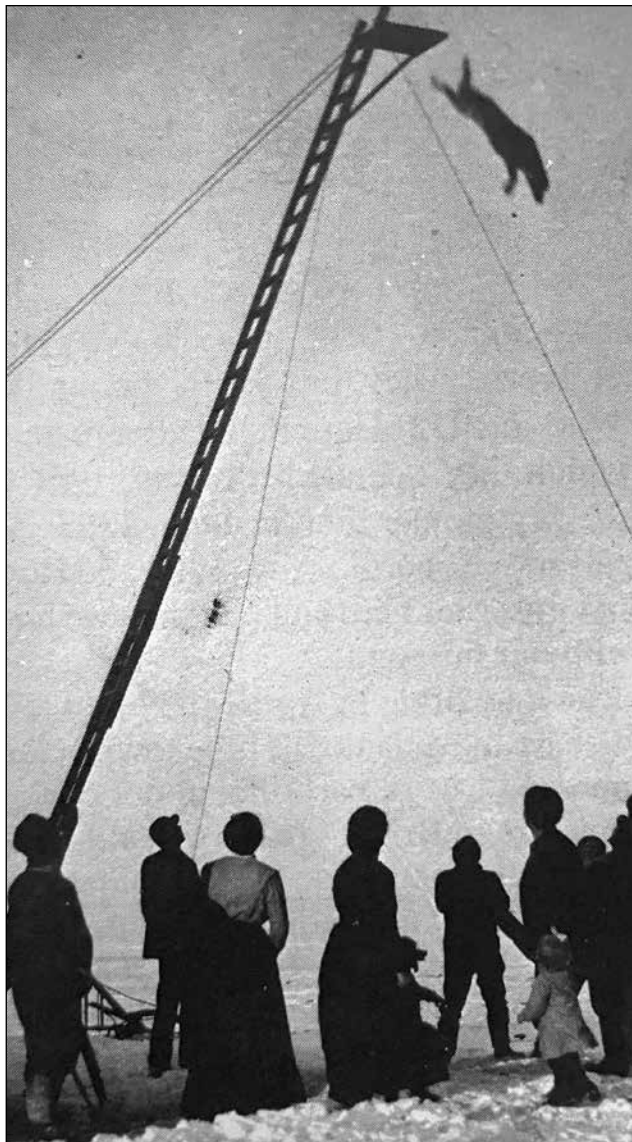


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**RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC IN LUSELAND?** The Town of Luseland shared a photo from resident Wes Holtz who snapped this picture of the final farewell drive of the Town's Zamboni. They say that new and exciting things are around the corner for the arena! *PHOTO BY WES HOLTZ*



Rosie, a dog owned by the Lyons family, performing a high dive act some time between 1910 - 1918, when the family lived in the Luseland-Kerrobert area. *PHOTO: FROM THE HILL TO THE BORDER*

## Homesteaders entertained by high diving dog act

BY JOAN JANZEN

Over a century ago, homesteaders may have been engaged in intensive labour, but they also took time for entertainment. Sometimes the entertainment was very unique. The history book produced by the Hearts Hill Historical Society captures one of those memories.

A woman by the name of Clover (Lyons) Miller recalls living in the communities of Luseland, Major and Kerrobert from 1910 to 1918, along with her parents Melvin and Molly Lyons. The live entertainment provided by the family was carried out by their dog Rosie.

Rosie would climb a tall ladder and jump into a blanket that someone would be holding at ground level. It's not clear how the dog acquired this talent, but it obviously was a result of training provided by her owners. The dog also performed several other tricks, including putting her head between her paws to say her prayers.

On Sundays, or whenever there were people gathered together, Rosie would perform her high dive. Fortunately the event was captured on film.

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Lisa Presler (left) and Jo Simpson are happy to welcome the families who come visit at Kindersley Early Years Family Resource Centre on Main Street.

PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN

# There's a new play space in town!

BY JOAN JANZEN

A new play space for kids is located at 409 Main Street in Kindersley. The former RM of Kindersley facility has been transformed into a kid-friendly building that families and their children up to five years old can enjoy at no cost. It's one of the Ministry of Education's fifteen locations across the province.

Once you open the doors to the Kindersley Early Years Family Resource Centre, you'll be greeted by two friendly faces. Jo Simpson, the Facilitator Coordinator, and Lisa Presler, Program Designer, have been busy creating a fun place for kids. They are enjoying getting to

know families who come to visit and listening to what they need or would like to see at the centre. It's hoped the centre will help parents and caregivers foster strong, attentive relationships with their little ones.

Earlier last week they held a music workshop, where ten kids participated, moving to music and playing with shakers and other instruments. The following evening they held a Nurturing Emotional Intelligence workshop for parents and caregivers. These are just a couple of samples of the centre's desire to partner with additional resources.

"We had a good turnout for the first week," Lisa said. The official welcome took place on February 26, and the centre has generated a lot of interest and questions since then. Parent's

ideas are also welcome, as was evident by the "stick us with ideas poster" on the wall, which was filled with creative suggestions for the centre.

The spacious building includes three smaller rooms and one larger activity room. The centre includes a craft area, building space, a quiet area with books, a kitchen and much more. The board room will facilitate workshops. On the third Tuesday of each month, the Public Health Nursing Program offers a free newborn feeding clinic, where newborns can be weighed and moms can receive education and support with feeding their baby.

Parents can check the centre's schedule on Facebook; your toddlers will love it! "Families can get right down and play together," Lisa said.

## 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.

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Jeremy Patzer, MP for Cypress Hills-Grasslands, held a town hall meeting Thursday evening, March 14th where he met with people from the area. PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN

# Jeremy Patzer visits Kindersley

BY JOAN JANZEN

Approximately two dozen people met with Jeremy Patzer, MP for Cypress Hills-Grasslands, at the Elks Hall in Kindersley on Thursday evening, March 14th. The town hall meeting was an opportunity to discuss issues of concern regarding the federal government with Jeremy. "First and foremost, my job is to understand your concerns and to represent you in Ottawa," Jeremy said. The meeting was very casual, and a conversation began to unfold among the people present. The online harms bill was a primary concern. "We should deal with protecting minors separately, and it shouldn't be tied in with something else," Jeremy said. One topic led to another. "I've worked on the natural resource committee for a year and a half. The government's net zero would be devastating for rural areas and Saskatchewan and will negatively affect

mining and forestry," he explained. A significant amount of time was spent discussing the carbon tax. "At the very least, we're trying to get them to stop the increase this year," he said. Seven of ten provincial premiers have called on the federal government to scrap its planned carbon tax increase. "I think we've used 90 percent of our opposition days on various aspects of the carbon tax. People all across the country are getting a sense of how much carbon tax they pay and how it drives up inflation." A farmer in attendance said his last utility bill showed the carbon tax amounted to more than the cost of the natural gas. It was obvious those in attendance had a lot of concerns for the well being of our country. Nevertheless good things are happening in Saskatchewan. Jeremy had just come from Eston where he visited the Village of Hope. It's an example of what a community of people can do to bring positive change.

# Something new will be cooking at Oozie's

BY JOAN JANZEN

Oozie's Lounge, located upstairs at the Kindersley Golf Course Clubhouse, has always been a favourite spot patronized by golfers and Kindersley folks throughout the years. A variety of operators have manned the bar and grill, each adding their individual flavour. But no matter who is at the helm, it has always offered a family atmosphere, along with hamburgers for the kids and steaks and drinks for the adults. When the snow finally melts, and the golfing season begins in 2024, Kelly Skappak from Kindersley will be inviting everyone to sit at the tables at Oozie's. Kelly is a familiar face in the area and everyone has likely had the opportunity to enjoy her culinary treats offered through her catering service. Now in addition to serving customers at Simply Satisfied Catering, Kelly will be keeping everyone satisfactorily fed at Oozie's Lounge. "I was looking for a place and this was available," Kelly said. She plans to have a rotating menu, and will be adding her own delicious flavour to the mix. "Steak and burgers will obviously be offered, but I'll definitely be giving people options."



Kelly loves trying out new dishes, making food that she has described as "tasty, exciting and not boring." There's never a dull moment for this single mom of two elementary-school aged boys. Her two friendly youngsters will undoubtedly become familiar faces at the golf course restaurant. On Tuesday and Wednesdays, Kelly is looking forward to serving the golfers who come to the local course. "I want Oozie's to run like a restaurant," she explained. Like every successful restaurant owner, Kelly is looking for more dependable staff. Not only will she be offering her own flavourful food, but she is hard at work giving Oozie's a makeover. As a woman of many talents, Kelly has been busy mudding the walls, painting, replacing ceiling tiles, adding a portable fireplace, painting tables and adding her artistic flair to compliment the decor. "There's a lot of work to do," she admitted. But Kelly has never been afraid of hard work. "I hope it comes together like I want it to," she said. And she wants Oozie's to take on a whole new look. "I hope nobody will recognize it when they walk through the doors."

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

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- Sunday Service Hoosier Community Church 10:30 am at the Community Hall. Contact Joel Hamm 306-460-7056 or Curtis Kornelson 306-460-7327.

**KERROBERT**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 & 27**

- Family Glow Curling 6:00-8:00 PM. \$5.00/curler. Must bring clean indoor shoes. Teams will be decided that night. Register in the Double Take Out Lounge.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

- Join the Kerrobert Library for an Easter Egg Hunt 10:30 AM.

**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.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

- Kerrobert Dinette's present "Hop" at the Kinsmen Hall. Doors open at 1:00 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**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

- Kindersley Funeral Home & Crematorium Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting at 2:00 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 2:00 PM. Finals Sunday 2:00 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" 4:00 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 306-460-5935 to get your tickets.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

- Kindersley Trivia Nights 7:00 PM at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre, To reserve a table email us at [kindersleytrivianights@gmail.com](mailto:kindersleytrivianights@gmail.com)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- Spring Craft & Trade Fair at Caleb Village 12:00-4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20**

- Kindersley & District Co-op Kids Club presents "Trolls Band Together" at the Sunset Theatre. Show Times: 11 AM and 1:30 PM. Each Kids Club member will receive a free snack pack including a drink.

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- 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.
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- 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**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

- Luseland Arts Council presents Jake Vaadeland & the Sturgeon River Boys 7:30 PM at the Luseland Homecoming Hall.

- Sip & Stitch ... every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 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!

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- Wednesday 1:00-4:00 PM Cards
- Thursday 1:00-4:00 PM Cards
- Third Friday of the month Birthday Lunch at noon.

**MAJOR**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

- Major Rec Board Steak Shoot.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20**

- Kinjo & Young concert at the Major Hall. Fundraiser for Kindersley Crisis Centre. Tickets \$40 available at Bicks Drugstore, Kerrobert, Major Credit Union or at the door. Cash Bar, Door Prizes, Silent Auction. Contact Fiarra to book a designated driver 306-602-0472.

**PLENTY**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

- Watercolour Trees Art (Adult Program) at the Plenty Library 7:00 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 3:00 PM, Supper 5:30-7:00 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.
- Spring Trade Show in the United Church basement. Fundraiser soup & sandwich luncheon served from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM.

**TRAMPING LAKE**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 14**

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