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STUDENT ART EXHIBITION! The Grade 5 and 6 students from Kerrobert Composite School proudly displayed their creativity at the Student Art Show 2024. Not only did they show off their work, but they all enjoyed looking at their classmates' work. *PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN*









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Above: Ginette Hoffman (centre) stands behind the two carts full of groceries she gathered during her 110 second shopping spree at the Kindersley Coop Food Store on June 4. She is joined by her husband and nephew, representatives from the Co-op, Kindersley Food Bank and Kindersley Food Mesh. Both charities benefited from her generous donation.

Shopping Spree winner shares her winnings

BY JOAN JANZEN

The Kindersley Co-op Food Store announced Ginette Hoffman as the winner of their 110-Second Shopping Spree in celebration of their 110th anniversary. The lucky winner said she had contemplated using her win to stock the shelves at their cabin, but her husband Garth made a suggestion.

"I think there are people who are hungrier than we are," he said. So, Ginette, in a selfless act of

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kindness, decided to split her free groceries between the Kindersley Food Bank and Kindersley Food Mesh.

Tuesday morning, June 4th, was the big day when Ginette went on her shopping spree bright and early before the store opened. The Co-op stipulated that winners could select a limit of two items each. However, Ginette obviously had a game plan and stuck to it.

When the buzzer sounded after 110 seconds, she had accumulated two carts full of products amounting to \$1255.56. In addition, the Coop donated a \$950.00 meat package.

The accumulated value was divided between Kindersley Food Bank and Kindersley Food Mesh, with each charity receiving gift cards amounting to approximately \$1100.

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Christine Jackson has created these beautiful greeting cards and prints, and donates all the proceeds to local charities. *submitted*

Christine Jackson uses her artistic gift to help others

BY JOAN JANZEN

Christine Jackson resides in Medicine Hat but is no stranger to Kindersley. You'll see her back in Kindersley regularly as she continues to look after her orchard. But she is also busy with another venture, which she calls Gift Art - "Giving Inspiration." She creates greeting cards and prints, and donates all the proceeds to various charities.

It all began last October when she ordered some graphite pencils. "I used to draw a little bit when I was younger," she recalled. She started by drawing a couple of pictures and then drew a horse and a dragonfly with coloured pencils.

"It really turned out, and I kind of shocked myself! Christine said. The more she drew, the more inspired she became. "It inspired me so much, I thought wouldn't it be neat to use it to help other people."

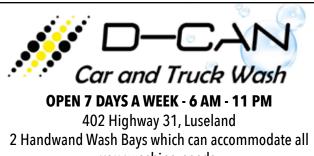
Her artistic projects require talent and time; finishing one picture can take ten to fifteen hours. "It's very time-consuming, but I don't keep track of time. It's so peaceful and doesn't feel like a task," she said.

She takes her completed artwork to a printing shop and gets full-size prints made, which she then turns into greeting cards. People can purchase the cards by messaging her Facebook page, GIFT Art—"Giving Inspiration Freely Through Art." Cards can be purchased with a simple message or no message inside, and prints are also available that can be framed or given as a gift.

"I have had a passion to donate to the women's shelter," she said. The first proceeds from her greeting cards were donated to the Medicine Hat Women's Shelter. "And I have a passion for animals; all the pictures I'm drawing are of animals or nature. It's also important for people to have good mental health, so that's important to support."

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Christine for using her artistic talent to support others. Her selfless work not only benefits the community but also serves as a beacon of inspiration for all of us.

000PS! Last week, we had a mix up on the captions for the Purple Pansies fundraiser article. We have run the article again with the corrected names on page 20 of this paper. We sincerely apologize for the error.







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Blair Kornelson (right) was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease 14 years ago. He participates in the Fit Fighter Group Class three times a week, which helps improve his mobility and flexibility. "He works twice as hard when he's doing it with other people," his wife observed. *SUBMITTED*

Fitness group helps people with mobility issues

BY JOAN JANZEN

A one-hour workout with friends at the gym is just what the doctor ordered, which is why the Parkinson's support group in Kindersley was happy to find a gym and a trainer to help them out. Thanks to Anytime Fitness and its trainer, Stephanie Vandewiele, the group meets three times a week for one hour.

"It's affordable, and the gym has waived the fees for us," Karen Kornelson explained. During the past few years, the support group's numbers have increased, and they have realized the need for a fitness class to help improve their mobility, strength, and flexibility.

Karen's husband Blair was diagnosed with Parkinson's fourteen years ago. Although the disease has progressed, Karen and Blair discovered a Parkinson's boxing program while spending winter months in Arizona. It focussed on every muscle group and hand/eye coordination.

Now that they can no longer spend

winter months in Arizona, Karen was looking for a group activity in Kindersley and was excited when the Fit Fighter Group Class began in December of last year.

"A group activity is so much better. Blair would never do this at home; he works twice as hard when he's doing it with other people," she said. "We have a special bond with the group."

Six months later, all the regular participants are enjoying increased flexibility and mobility and experiencing less pain. The group also includes individuals who have been diagnosed with MS, fibromyalgia, arthritis and other mobility issues.

The participants enjoy the socializing, camaraderie, encouragement, and laughter. "You can hire a personal trainer, but a group activity is so much better," Karen said. Now, people come from as far as Rosetown to attend the class.

"The first time one lady came, she said it was so much fun and so encouraging!" Karen said. "It's never too late to start and to improve your health."





Save the Date.



AND THEY'RE OFF AND RUNNING ... Students at Elizabeth Middle School were competing at their annual track meet on Friday, June 7. Not only were they facing their competitors, but they were also challenged by strong Saskatchewan winds. *PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN*

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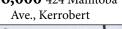


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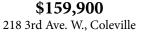
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Fatherlessness is today's biggest problem

BY JOAN JANZEN

As we approach Father's Day, I will recount a humorous memory. We were visiting friends, when my son noticed an old photo on their fridge. My son said to his friend, "Wow! Your dad looked just like you when he was a kid. Maybe when you get old, you'll look like him."

His friend hung his head and replied, "Yeah. Sad, isn't it?"

In an interview with Joni Lamb, Jimmy Evans, pastor and author, said, "If you don't want your kids to be like you, you don't understand parenting."

While parents model behaviour in front of their kids, a 24-hour video recorder is running. Children are watching their parents' mannerisms, anger, responses, values, and how they treat their spouse and others.

Patrick Bet-David also discussed the importance of fathers in a recent video. Hundreds of comments were posted expressing appreciation for the video, and others shared their own experiences.

One comment read, "I've been a criminal defence attorney for over 30 years and never met a client with a strong father figure."

Patrick said the biggest problem we have today is fatherlessness. He shared stats that show fatherless children have four times greater risk of poverty, are seven times more likely to have a teen pregnancy, are more likely to have behaviour problems, face abuse, go to

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Social media commenter

prison, use drugs and alcohol, and commit crime. But that's not all. Children without fathers account for 71% of high school dropouts, 90% of homeless and runaways, and 63% percent of youth suicide.

Stats also show that one in four kids live in a home without a dad. In response, someone commented, "I didn't grow up with my father, but I was very privileged to grow up with my grandfather. He taught me how to value myself."

Another listener wrote, "My high school football coaches became father figures for us. Most of my teammates were raised by single moms, and they really stepped in to be father figures for us."

Patrick has two young children. Every year, on his daughter's birthday, he takes her on a date. On her eighth birthday, he started talking to her about boys.

"I asked her if she knew why I treat her with love and respect. I told her it's because I want her to know how men should treat her," he explained. "I tell her someday I want her boyfriend to realize how lucky he is to have someone like her."

On the topic of respecting women, a listener's comment read, "My dad had custody of my sister and me, but he didn't let us disrespect our mother. We couldn't even whisper 'shut up' to her!"

Patrick said he doesn't allow his son to give a lazy opinion. "If he says the president sucks, I tell him you can't say that cause you just sound like everyone else. I told him he needed to do research to find out why he had that opinion. Careless expression of opinion can prohibit accurate thinking. We need to challenge kids to base their opinions on facts. That's what makes leaders," he said.

A corresponding comment read, "My father is definitely the reason why I'm successful today and the reason why I don't need validation from others."

Patrick told his audience, "If you're a leader and doing something big, and you're tough, the odds are you had a strong role model, a father figure in your life," Patrick said.

He continued to share about having his kids complete tasks and show appreciation to others. On Memorial Day he had his kids lay a flower on each of the veteran's graves in the cemetery. "I do it because I don't like entitled kids, and I don't like being around entitled people. I want to raise kids that I can be friends with when they're adults."

Jimmy Evans told his viewers that he and his wife were raised in very dysfunctional homes. So when they had



children they made the decision to raise their children

according to Biblical principles.

He said their friends raised their children based on psychiatrists and psychologists. "Every single one of them had regrets to this day," he said. "Biblical values will be true forever, but if you raise your kids according to popular trends, those will constantly change."

Joni Lamb's daughter Rachel shared about raising her young children. She and her husband let their children know there are consequences for bad choices. The consequences match the behaviour. It may be taking away a toy and placing it on top of the fridge for 24 hours where the child can see it.

"One of the things we do is after time out, we'll ask him what he did wrong and get him to repeat it and apologize," Rachel said. "Lots of times, they're not really sure what they did."

Jimmy noted the importance of knowing who your child's friends are because bad company corrupts good behaviour.

Father's Day is a time to honour dads and offer encouragement as they take on the monumental task of raising children in a challenging world.

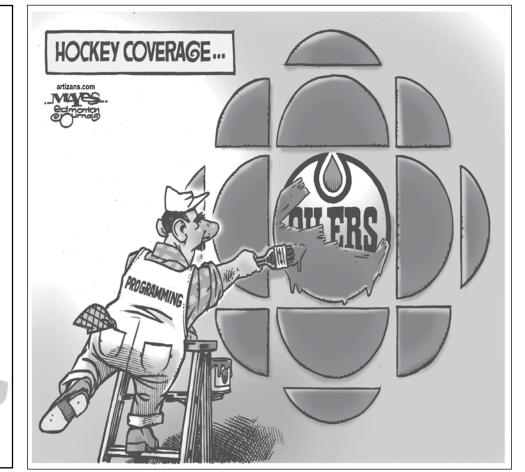
A comment in response to Patrick Bet-David's video to dads read, "This is the stuff we should be seeing on the news!" It sounds like good advice.

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Dop89: Are you willing?

BY MADONNA HAMEL

Today, I'm returning from a quick train trip to Ottawa to visit my eldest sister, her husband and my nephew Dave. Antsy, after a five-hour train ride and eager to explore the city, Cecile, Dave, and I went for a walk along



Bank Street. It was a hot and humid evening, so our first stop was a tiny, packed ice cream parlour featuring a diversity of inventive and daring flavours like cherry-cookie-croissant and onion-gruyere-hazelnut. We stood patiently in a line that trailed down the street. No one was in a hurry, and everyone looked beautiful to me. There were women in African dresses, young men in brush cuts and tailored suits, young folks in sweats and old folks in jeans. This is what I love about cities: the convergence of characters, colours, and languages, especially when gathered for the sole purpose of refreshment.

One of the young, smart-suited men in line was willing to order the onion ice cream, so a handful of us stood outside and waited for him to emerge with his cone and report. We stood with bated breath as he gingerly sampled his ice cream. "Hmmmm. Curious," he said. "Hey, you gotta be willing to try new things."

We walked past the Nature Museum, where, as luck would have it, there was a bug exhibit. The next day, we found ourselves amongst enormous 3D models of honey bees, dragonflies and Bombardier beetles. The African Bombardier, I learned, has the ability to create a hot peroxide brew in its belly and send it exploding out its rear end at encroaching enemies. I also read, "Worldwide, there are more than 400,000 species of beetles, making them the most abundant, diverse group of animals on the planet." Hmmm, I wonder how many people consider the beetle when they call for "diversity" in our approach to inhabiting and sharing the planet?

The bug exhibit took my thoughts back to the long drives we took as a family when we were young and lived up north in BC. Every summer we'd drive from Prince George to Kelowna, leaving the stink of the pulp mills for the intoxicating scent of sun, sage, sand and orchards. The trip was long, with the eight of us packed into the station wagon. Mom would let us sleep in our pyjamas the night before so we could pile directly into the car in the morning. After lunch at a roadside restaurant, where we all ordered cheeseburgers, something we rarely ate, mom dispensed Gravol, and we slept until she'd jostle us awake to see The Lake from the top of the hill descending into what we perceived as paradise. One image that still sticks in my mind as we unloaded our bags at the motel was how plastered and smeared the windshield was with the carcasses and broken wings of dead bugs.

Apparently, the smeared bug experience is less vivid for young people today than it was in the years of my youth. According to a panel in the museum, there is such a thing as "The Windshield PhenomeHmmm, I wonder how many people consider the beetle when they call for "diversity" in our approach to inhabiting and sharing the planet?

populations globally, made evident by the reduced number of insects splattered on car windshields as compared to previous decades. "Globally, insect populations and diversity have gone down by as much as 40% over the last 30 years because of human impact." Gulp.

As a rural Canadian, I can't say I feel like there is a lack of bugs in my world. In fact, bugs and critters of all kinds rule in Saskatchewan. On a June night, returning from a supply run to Swift Current, bug carnage occurs with shocking consistency. While it's a relief to know the numbers are high, the method of data collection is brutal. What must it be like to be buzzing along, minding one's bug business in the dark and suddenly be smote by a hurtling plate of glass? I'll never know. But I will make a point of asking the ranchers and farmers if they've noticed the windshield phenom on their tractors and 4x4 windshields.

I don't know when I became fascinated by bugs. I know as a girl-child, I was expected to be scared of them, to squeal and squeak at the sight of them. I know Daddy long legs unnerved me, but it had more to do with the shock of them crawling along my arms and legs. I do recall thinking it was unbelievably cruel of a neighbourhood boy to systematically pull the legs from the spider and laugh at the poor bug's attempt at escape using only its desecrated bulb of a torso. I also recall my mom's black toe, testimony of the power of a black widow spider bite as a child.

But I also recall a time when curiosity won out over fear. And I thank my parents - as well as the teachers and friends along the way - whose sense of wonder, including a healthy dose of religious awe, trumped worry and preconceived notions and was as sacred as their sense of duty and fairness. Without wonder, we can easily condemn, dismiss and even show contempt for subjects, people, and creatures we do not bother to investigate. While wonder provokes investigation, awe keeps us humble in the face of Mystery, suggesting we might want to listen and learn before passing judgment.

Near the end of the bug tour, we came to the Weta bug. The giant, long-torsoed, bright orange bug is the world's heaviest insect. In Maori, it is described as "the offspring of Punga, god of ugly things." Well, I thought, that seems kinda harsh. But, asks the panel, can you see beyond the initial judgement of "creepy" or "frightful"? "Can you move beyond appearances and your fears of the beastly and the unknown?" Are you willing "to find wonder and un-





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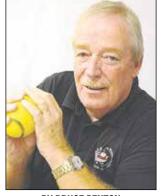
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LPGA stars heading in different directions

BY BRUCE PENTON

The recent U.S. women's open golf championship featured two superstars heading in opposite directions — Nelly Korda n the midst of her rise to legendary Hall-of-Fame status (even though she took a bit of a detour at the Open) and 15-time winner Lexi Thompson, 29, a child star who announced before the tournament that she plans to



BY BRUCE PENTON Sports Columnist

retire from professional golf at the end of this season.

Korda, who will be 26 this summer, has been setting the Ladies Professional Golf Association tour on fire this season, until a disastrous 10 on a par-3 during the opening round of the U.S. Open momentarily stalled her march to greatness. Earlier this year, she won five consecutive tournaments and took top spot in six of the season's first 12 events. Naturally, she was the favourite going into the U.S. Open but the 10, when she dunked three balls into a creek on a par 3, led to an 80 and a missed cut. Still, Korda is the undisputed No. 1-ranked golfer in the world and leads the LPGA money list with more than \$3 million, \$1.5 million ahead of the runner-up, Hannah Green.

A member of an elite athletic family, Korda is the defending Olympic gold medallist in women's golf but, like Thompson, has only one major championship on her resume. Nelly's sister, Jessica, is a six-time LPGA winner; their brother Sebastian is ranked 28th in the world in men's tennis; and their parents, Petr and Regina, were both accomplished tennis pros, with Petr having one Grand Slam title to his credit. Even Nelly's boyfriend is a professional athlete, hockey player Andreas Athanasiou of the Chicago Blackhawks.

The retirement announcement by Thompson, meanwhile, caught the golf world by surprise. She's only 29 years old, but has been in the golf spotlight since she was 12 years old, when she qualified for the U.S. Open in 2007. She was No. 1 in the world in 2019, but her skills have been eroding of late. Thompson, in fact, has gone five years without winning a tournament and has fallen to a ranking of 54th in the world.

Early retirement on the women's circuit is quite common. Lorena Ochoa retired at age 28 after sitting at No. 1 in the world for 158 straight weeks. Annika Sorenstam, generally regarded as the greatest female golfer ever, gave up competitive golf at age 38.

Thompson's star wasn't quite that bright, but she was a major influence on the tour and because she started at such a young age, golf fans know all about her.

"I think she does an amazing job for the Tour," Korda said after hearing the news. "She spends so much time going to each pro-am party. She really dedicated her time to growing the game. It's sad to see that she's obviously leaving and not going to be out here with us anymore, but she's had an amazing career."

- RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "Ex-NFL receiver Rob Gronkowski and about 20 unidentified drinking buddies recently racked up a bar tab of over \$100,000. I'm guessing Gronk wasn't the only tight end."
- **R.J.** Anderson of CBS Sports, on the rebuilding Los Angeles Angels: "Unfortunately, they are a few years away from being a few years away."
- Janice Hough of leftcoastsportsbabe.com: "Los Angeles Dodgers were on a five-game losing streak. But they discovered the cure-all. AKA the Mets bullpen."
- An ESPN announcer during the Canadian Open: "You know Mackenzie Hughes is a Canadian because his home course is the Dundas Valley Golf and Curling Club."

- Torben Rolfsen of Vancouver after soccer superstar Lionel Messi was a no-show when his Miami team visited Vancouver: "The Vancouver Whitecaps will set an attendance record today: Largest crowd ever at BC Place for an event not involving Lionel Messi or U2."
- Headline at TheBeaverton.com: "Hipster alcoholics excited for return of softball season"
- Denver Broncos coach Sean Payton, on his quarterback room: "It's kind of the orphan group; they're all orphaned dogs. They've come from somewhere, but they're doing good. It's a good room."
- A quote from the late NBA star Bill Walton, found on the sportscurmudgeon.com site (Jack Finarelli): "I had the only beard in the Western Hemisphere that made Bob Dylan's look good."
- **RJ** Currie again, in the groaner corner: "The top reasons people risked life and limb in Gloucestershire's 2024 cheese-rolling race: 5. None thought cheddar of it; 4. To see if they were Gouda nuff; 3. Whey not? 2. It turned into a Brie-for-all; 1. To do the best they curd."
- Steve Simmons of the Toronto Sun: "Alek Mano**ah** is getting a second opinion on his bum elbow, which is another way of saying see you next year "
- Headline at fark.com: "Police admit to being duffers as all charges are dropped against Scottie Scheffler"

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca



The Class of 1974 held their 50-year reunion on Saturday and included a tour of KCS. PHOTO COURTESY KINDERSLEY COMPOSITE SCHOOL





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Can the Oilers bring the Cup back to Canada?

BY GREG BUCHANAN

The Edmonton Oilers are one major obstacle away from ending Canada's 31-year Stanley Cup drought.

The Oilers' 2-1 victory over the Dallas Stars in Game 6 of the Western Conference final has secured their spot in the Stanley Cup final for the first time since 2006.

With this win, Edmonton is now just four victories away from bringing the Stanley Cup back to Canada, a feat not achieved since the Montreal Canadiens' triumph in 1993.

The Oilers' journey to the final has sparked a sense of national pride for some, as they're not just the only Canadian team in the final but have the most Canadian players on their roster. And for us here in Western Canada, "Thank God it's not those Maple Leafs."

Edmonton will be supported by the whole country. We all want Canada to win the Stanley Cup.

While it might not be true that the whole country will be behind the Oilers – Zach Hyman joked it probably won't include Toronto – there is undoubtedly a swell of Canadian support.

Oilers captain Connor McDavid was asked if added pressure comes with being Canada's team. He suggested there's enough pressure being in the Stanley Cup final, where the stakes are already incredibly high.

Since Montreal's victory in 1993, several Canadian teams have made it to the final but fallen short. That includes the Vancouver Canucks in 1994 and 2011, Calgary Flames in 2004, Edmonton in 2006, Ottawa Senators in 2007 and Montreal Canadiens in 2021. Edmonton hopes to break this streak.

Looking ahead, Edmonton's matchup against the Florida Panthers will set a new record for the longest distance between two competing teams in NHL history, spanning 2,541 miles. The Panthers have never won a Stanley Cup, while the Oilers last won it all before most of their current players were born, making this a highly anticipated and competitive series.

If the Oilers hope to bring a Cup back to Canada,

they'll need to be more offensive-minded against the Panthers.

The Oilers managed only ten shots on goal in Game 6, an all-time low for a Conference final clincher. They held off the Stars, which fired 35 shots at Oilers' goaltender Stuart Skinner, but it took Skinner to completely reverse his struggles from earlier in the playoffs to earn the win. Skinner finished the series with a .923 save percentage and a 1.96 goals-against average.

Special teams played a crucial role in Edmonton's success. In Game 6, they were perfect on the power play, going 2-for-2, and maintained a flawless penalty-kill record, now at 28 straight kills.

They also have McDavid, Leon Draisaitl and Evan Bouchard scoring at a torrid pace, with 31, 28 and 27 points, respectively, in 18 games. They rank top-three in the NHL this post-season, with Ryan Nugent-Hopkins ranked fourth with 20 points.

But as usual, their depth must contribute if they don't want to rely on Skinner to save the day like he did on Sunday. Only five Oilers have double digits in points, with Zach Hyman being the fifth with 18 points. After him, Evander Kane has eight, Mattias Ekholm has seven, and Brett Kulak has five. Everyone else has fewer than that.

The Panthers have seven players with at least 10 points and 12 with at least five. Sergei Bobrovsky, in net, gives the team a chance to win every time, with a 2.20 goals-against average and a .908 save percentage.

It's shaping up to be an intense and thrilling final, with the Oilers carrying the hopes of a city and, perhaps, a nation on their shoulders. They've shown glimpses of being a team that can win it all against the Los Angeles Kings, Canucks and Stars in this playoffs. Those glimpses must come together four times in seven games at most if they want to capture the Cup

over a Panthers team that looks ready to do the same.

Play "La Bamba".

No fruit trucks this summer

There's some sad news for Saskatchewan fruit lovers: there will be no Okanogan stone fruit this year. Fruit growers in the Okanogan Valley, Creston and most of Washington report 90 percent or more losses for apricots, peaches, plums, and nectarines, as well as huge losses for cherries, pears, prunes and grapes.

An extremely cold January following a mild start to winter caused fruit trees to suffer. Such extreme devastation hasn't been experienced in BC since 1969. Now, fruit

growers don't have enough fruit to bring to Saskatchewan and Alberta.

After last year's harvest, the buds began to form in



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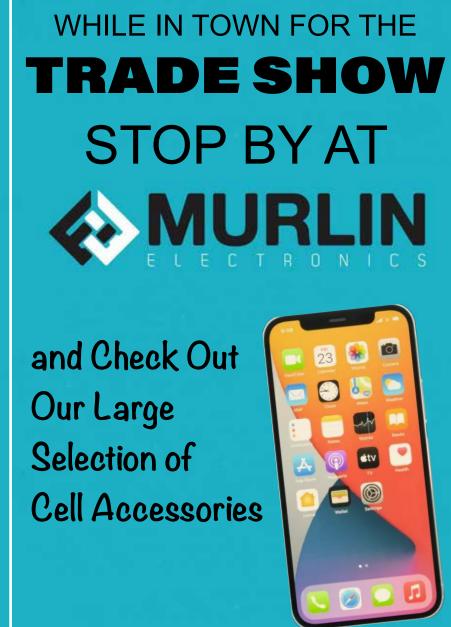








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the wood. However, due to the unseasonably warm temperatures experienced last fall, the trees didn't harden in preparation for a cold winter. So when the extreme cold struck in the first week of January, the blossoms froze.

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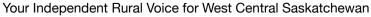


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2024 **Saskatchewan Oil Person of the Year: Del Mondor**

Del Mondor grew up in an family-owned oil company, and grew that into investments into over 40 companies, including royalties and oilfield services. As a result, he sees both sides of the industry - oil company and oilfield services. Del is the 2024 Saskatchewan Oil Person of the Year. Del was honoured at the Saskatchewan Oil and Gas Show on June 5 in Weyburn.

2024 Southeast Saskatchewan Oil **Person of Year: Ryan Birnie**

Element Technical Services vice president of operations, Ryan Birnie, is the 2024 Southeast Saskatchewan Oil Person of Year. Element Technical Services has grown from a small hydraulic fracturing operation to include the largest coil tubing fleet in Canada, with fracking and coil operations in several states and provinces. Element's operations base is in Carlyle, Saskatchewan, with additional bases in Wyoming and Alberta. Ryan was honoured at the Saskatchewan Oil and Gas Show on June 5 in Weyburn.

Editor's note: It was a big week at the oil show and there's a lot to cover. it's going to take some time to digest. But we here at Pipeline Online happen to need a bit of a breather, as it's been a full court press for weeks leading up to this event. Expect to see plenty of stories over the next several weeks.



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Eleventh Avenue East upgrade and 100 block of Third Avenue West work

KINDERSLEY - The Town of Kindersley will be conducting road upgrades on 11th Avenue East and the 100 Block of 3rd Avenue West starting on June 10th. These upgrades are necessary to improve the infrastructure and ensure the safety of residents and visitors in the area.

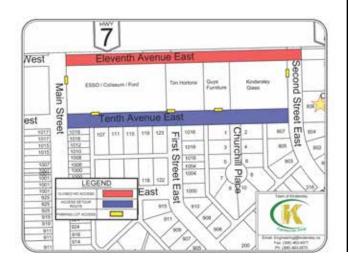
The upgrade on 11th Avenue East will involve the complete closure of a portion of the road, from properties located between and including #105 -#219 11th Avenue East. This closure is expected to last 1-2 weeks. The project will include the removal of the current asphalt surface and base material, and the installation of a stronger engineered structure that can withstand heavy truck traffic and parking. Access to businesses along 11th Avenue East will still be available from 10th Avenue East.

The 100 Block of 3rd Avenue West will undergo concrete curb and gutter work and asphalt resurfacing. Limited parking and access to driveways will occur during construction, which is set to begin on the same day as the 11th Avenue East upgrade. A complete road closure will also be in effect, with access points from Main Street and 1st Street East only.

The Town of Kindersley appreciates the patience and understanding of residents and visitors during this construction season. Following detours and cooperating with crews will help the projects be completed safely and efficiently.

For more information and updates on the 11th Avenue East upgrade and the 100 Block of 3rd Avenue West work, please visit our website at www. kindersley.ca or contact the Town of Kindersley at 306-463-2675.







The West Central Events Centre will be buzzing with activity this week as it hosts the Kindersley & District Chamber of Commerce's 35th annual Trade Show. PHOTO BY KATE WINQUIST

Get ready for the 35th annual Trade Show

Get ready for the most exciting event of the year - the 35th annual Kindersley & District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show & Exhibition! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 12 and Thursday, June 13 at the West Central Events Centre.

Prepare to be amazed by the wide variety of exhibitors showcasing their products and services from all across the region. From amazing deals to innovative products, there is something for everyone at this incredible event. For just \$2, you can experience all the excitement and even have the chance to win some fantastic door prizes. The event hours on Wednesday are from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM and Thursday from 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM, so there's plenty of time to explore all that the trade show has to offer.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to support local businesses and have a great time at the Kindersley & District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show & Exhibition. See you there!

Transparency, competition crucial as cabinet considers consolidation of Bunge-Viterra

The Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan is urging the federal government to ensure a fair, transparent and competitive grain market for farmers as cabinet considers recommendations from Transport Canada regarding a proposed merger between Bunge and Viterra. Transport Canada's review period closed June 2.

The Saskatchewan agricultural community has expressed grave concern over the potential fallout, which analysis projects would cost Canadian farmers an estimated \$800 million per year. While APAS stands against the merger, it is imperative for the welfare of producers that the federal government enact measures to enhance competition, transparency and balance in the grain industry:

- 1. **Divestment of assets:** Bunge must sell its G3 interests along with targeted Viterra assets.
- 2. **Modernized grain contracts:** Improved risk management tools for producers through more balanced, transparent and efficient grain contracts.

opportunities for improvement.

- 5. Extended interswitching rights and investing in short-line rail infrastructure: Thereby reducing transportation costs and improving market access, particularly in rural areas.
- 6. **Transparent process for facility closures:** Any Viterra facility closures arising from the merger must be subjected to an open, market-driven process to mitigate risk to producers.

"The recommendations from the Standing Committee on Agriculture make clear that the principles of fairness, transparency and competition should apply equally across the entire food supply chain, from growers to grocery," said APAS president Ian Boxall. "Both ends of the food supply chain face similar challenges of consolidation and market dominance. The Committee's recommendations offer a blueprint for promoting a healthier, more competitive marketplace that benefits consumers and producers.

- 3. Enhanced market data transparency: Mandatory and timely disclosure of data, including export sales, which will allow for more informed decisions by producers.
- 4. **Full railway cost review:** Ensuring meaningful competition on service and rates, and identifying

"Our focus is clear: to ensure the farming community does not bear the brunt of decreased competition and pricing. Producers across the province are hopeful for decisive action that enhances the integrity and competitiveness of our industry."



Hoot, Hoot, Hooray! Burrowing Owls are back!

It's that time of year again when the endangered Burrowing Owl returns to the prairies from their wintering grounds in southern Texas and Mexico. By now, the males have chosen a burrow and stocked it up with mice and other prey to impress their future mates. From mid-May to mid-June, these little owls are starting the mating process, finding a home, and laying and incubating their eggs.

Burrowing owls are identifiable by their small size (approximately 9 inches tall) and light and dark brown mottled plumage with white spots. They have a round head, with large yellow eyes, and white 'eyebrows'. Another characteristic feature is their long, featherless legs, which gives them the appearance of walking on stilts. During mating season, females will listen for the "coo-coooo" call of the males. Burrowing owls also make a chattering or chuckling call.

Despite their name, Burrowing Owls do not dig their nests themselves. Instead, they use abandoned burrows that have been previously used by burrowing mammals such as badgers or ground squirrels (gophers). Burrowing Owls choose to nest in several different habitat types. Most nest burrows occur in grazed native or tame grassland pastures, but they have been known to be found in cropland. "Grazing is very beneficial to the Burrowing Owl", Grace Pidborchynski, Habitat Stewardship Coordinator at Nature Saskatchewan explains. "On grazed pastures,



PHOTO BY GRACE PIDBORCHYNSKI

the shorter grass helps these owls detect potential predators more effectively. In addition, the owls use manure in and around their nests to absorb excess moisture, regulate burrow temperature, attract insects for food, and hide their scent from predators." During the nesting season, male burrowing owls can often be seen on lookouts next to their burrows, or on nearby fence posts while the female incubates the eggs.

Burrowing owls are generalist predators, meaning they will prey on anything small enough for them to catch. They will hunt prey that is most readily available to them, such as mice in the early spring, and grasshoppers in the late summer. Burrowing owls are most active during the day; especially when the male is busy gathering food for his family in the spring and early summer. There are several techniques to which Burrowing Owls hunt, such as hovering above the ground and pouncing, perching from a fence post or mound, running after insects, and catching insects midair with their talons. A Burrowing Owl family can eat 1,800 rodents and 7,000 grasshoppers during a single summer, making them great pest control!

Each spring, female Burrowing Owls will lay between 6 and 12 eggs. Because there are thought to be less than 300 pairs nesting throughout Canada, the success of each nest is important to the survival and recovery of this species. Nature Saskatchewan's stewardship program, Operation Burrowing Owl, works with landholders to conserve and enhance Burrowing Owl habitat and monitors Burrowing Owl numbers at participating sites. "We are very fortunate to have so many passionate landholders and land managers participating in the program and keeping an eye out for Burrowing Owls," says Pidborchynski. Operation Burrowing Owl records sightings to help determine the population trend and distribution of the Burrowing Owl throughout Saskatchewan. "Without help from landholders and the public, recovery of this unique prairie owl would not be possible," says Pidborchynski. If you are lucky enough to see a Burrowing Owl, she asks that you call Nature Saskatchewan's toll-free HOOT Line, 1-800-667-HOOT (4668) or email obo@naturesask.ca. "When you report a sighting you are playing an important role in Burrowing Owl recovery. Every sighting is critical!" says Pidborchynski. Personal information is kept confidential and is never shared without permission.







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ADAMA Canada Invests \$7,500 in Rosetown Daycare Expansion

The capacity for small towns to rally around a good cause and "git 'er done" is almost limitless, but there are limits, as Kailyn Krchov, Co-Chair of the Rosetown Kid Kare Board of Directors, found while fundraising for the town's daycare expansion project.

"Raising \$2.5 million is no small feat. Canvassing for donations for our daycare was both humbling and enlightening. While our local families and businesses showed immense generosity, it also highlighted the limitations within our community. That's where support in rural communities from larger businesses like ADAMA becomes invaluable," says Krchov.

What Krchov is referring to is ADA-MA Canada's Stomping Grounds program, which was created by the company with the mandate to invest in local initiatives that support youth, health and connection. Krchov became aware of the program through her employer, the Rosetown, SK, location of ag retailer Rack Petroleum, where she works as a sales agronomist.

"When we launched Stomping Grounds, we intentionally set it up to include the local ag retailer to help identify local projects for investment," says Gord Hounjet, Area Business Manager with ADAMA Canada.

"The retailer is often involved in helping the project apply and the Rosetown Kid Kare project was a real right place, right time situation with Kailyn both working at the Rack and being heavily involved in fundraising for the project," he says.

Krchov and Rosetown Kid Kare received word in April that their application was selected for a \$7,500 investment. Now in its second year, Stomping Grounds has invested over \$150,000 in community projects across Canada.

"ADAMA's contribution is not just financial; it's a testament to their commitment to the future of our community and we're deeply grateful for their support," says Krchov. "Until now, it's just been a project that's been in the planning and fundraising phases, but we're thrilled to finally have started construction on our new space."

For Krchov, the completed project is going to have an impact far greater on the community than adding 27 new daycare spaces for local families.

"It's not just about constructing a building; it's about building a brighter future for our community," she says. "This funding ensures that more families can access the care they need and it is empowering parents to join the workforce."

Hounjet agrees that projects like this can have a far greater impact on rural communities than the specific need it fills.

"It is no secret that there is an extreme shortage of labour in rural communities and in ag-related work in particular," he says. "If a project like this enables a parent to return to work who might otherwise be unable to, that is win-win-win for the kids, the parents and the local community."



Rosetown Kid Kare members are thankful to ADAMA Canada for the donation of \$7,500 to go towards a daycare expansion. *submitted*

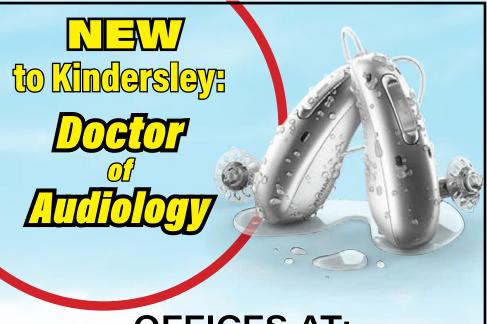


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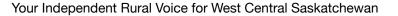
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"MOM, DAD! LOOK, THIS IS MINE!" The Grade 5 and 6 students from Kerrobert Composite School proudly displayed their creativity at the Student Art Show 2024. Not only did they show off their work, but they all enjoyed looking at their classmates' work. *PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN*

Kerrobert kids show off their artistic talents

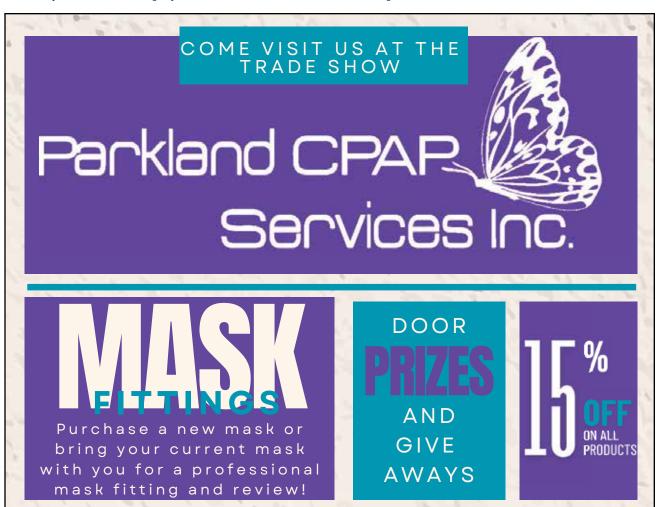
BY JOAN JANZEN

The Grade 5 and 6 students from Kerrobert Composite School hosted the Student Art Show 2024 at the Kerrobert Courtroom Gallery on Thursday evening, June 5. The room was filled with the students' art, and latecomers found it challenging to secure a space to display their artistic pieces.

The student art show, a testament to the students' creativity, will be on display until June 14. The stu-

dents' families were present for the opening reception, eager to get the first glimpse of the local talent. However, the most enthusiastic visitors at the student art show were the Grade 5 and 6 students themselves, the creators of the art.

They were busy looking at all the artwork, admiring their own creations and the work of their friends. When their parents arrived, the students made a point of personally directing them to their own handiwork. It was a proud moment for them all.





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Tug of War puts fun back in 'FUNdraising'!

BY JOAN JANZEN

There are many activities planned for July 1st in Kindersley. The day kicks off with a pancake breakfast, followed by games, wagon rides, music, and much more, all at the Kindersley Museum. There's also cake and a barbecue for the hungry people in the crowd.

After lunch, the Better Together group will be hosting a fun time at Baker Park. There will be a bungee run, jousting, knocker balls, sumo suits, pedal bike races, music, a dunk tank, and a barrel train plus more.

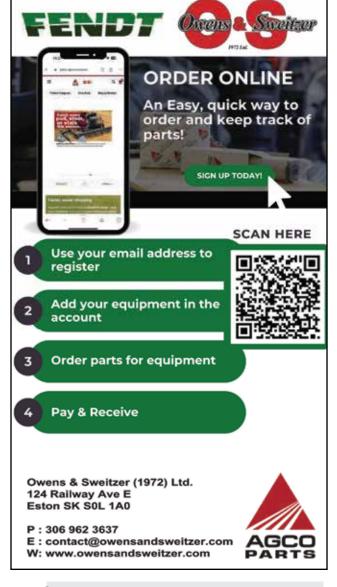
A Tug of War is coming back by popular demand. Cory Gramlich recalled participating in last year's Canada Day Tug-of-War. "It was fun! I definitely didn't know what to expect, but I had a blast!" Cory said.

He was a member of the Better Together team, which challenged the Fire Department team. "Our team was wearing cowboy boots, flip flops or were barefoot; we weren't prepared. The fire department was prepared," he said. "I felt it the next day cause you're straining and using muscles you've never used for a while."

This year, we're encouraging a diverse range of participants. Everyone is welcome to pre-register their team, whether you're a business, a group of friends, teens, or ladies. Each team is limited to a weight of 1200 pounds. "We even had a team weigh-in last year with a calf scale. It was a fun way to ensure fairness," Cory shared.

Participating in the Tug of War not only promises a fun-filled day but also supports a good cause. The entry fee of \$30 per team and all proceeds go to the Kindersley Food Mesh. Additionally, a donation bucket will be available for spectators to contribute. The winning team will receive \$100 and some Better Together gear, while the second prize is \$60. Teams can pre-register by calling 306-500-1173.

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Tenders can also be mailed to: Town of Kerrobert , Box 558, Kerrobert, SK SOL 1R0 Or email rec@kerrobert.ca

For more information, please call the Town Office at 306-834-2361





WINDY OPENING DAY FOR KERROBERT POOL: It was an extremely windy day for the opening of the Kerrobert Swimming Pool on June 5. The Kerrobert Credit Union, in a show of community support, allowed the public to swim free of charge. Despite the free admission, only two young boys braved the elements at the pool Thursday evening. When I got there, the duo had arrived on their bikes and were patiently waiting for the pool to open. Unfortunately, the big pool didn't have heat, as the heat exchanger in the boiler was in disrepair. A new heater has been ordered, and could be operational by June 10. However, the paddling pool heater was working and ready to go, and that's where the two boys were found splashing and diving while the lifeguard was snuggly wrapped in a blanket. *PHOTOS BY JOAN JANZEN*



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Maybe you're thinking, "Three seconds? Isn't distance measured in feet or metres? Why do we measure following distance in time?"

"Even the most focused drivers need time to react when something unexpected happens, like if the vehicle you're following brakes hard suddenly," according to Shay Shpak, Director of Driver Examination Services at SGI. "Since the distance you need to stop increases as your speed increases, using the amount of time it takes to reach the car in front of you is more useful than a distance. Three seconds gives a focused driver enough time under ideal conditions to safely avoid a collision if the vehicle in front of them stops suddenly."

A three-second following distance is useful at any speed, whether you're in town or on the highway. Start by choosing a non-moving object on or near the road. This could be a sign, a line painted on the road or even a pothole. When the car in front of you passes the object, start counting off the seconds that pass before you reach the same object. If you count three or more seconds - you're following at the right distance! If it's less than three seconds, temporarily reduce your speed and give yourself more space (and time!) to react. Then count again to confirm you have the time you need to react.

When conditions are less than perfect – like low visibility, driving on wet pavement or loose gravel or hauling a heavy load - increase your following distance to six seconds or more. This will give you more time to react and more room to move or stop if there isn't ideal traction on the road.

SGI is asking all Saskatchewan drivers to focus on ways they can make our roads safer. While you're leaving room for other drivers, be alert for other road users. Roadside construction workers, emergency workers, pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists and farmers all use our roads and want to get home safely the same way you do. Slow down and give them space.

For more summer traffic safety tips, follow SGI on Facebook, Instagram and X (Twitter).





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Kindersley RCMP remind drivers to buckle up

The Kindersley RCMP offer the following tips when it comes to seatbelt use:

Buckling up is a simple action that could make the difference between life and death. It's also required by law.

- Wearing a seatbelt reduces your risk of being injured or killed in a crash by 50 percent.
- Seatbelts distribute the force of a collision evenly to the stronger parts of a person's body. In a crash, a vehicle travelling 50 km/h comes to an abrupt stop in 1/100th of a second. At 50 km/h, an unrestrained person, weighing 80 kg (176 pounds), will strike whatever they hit first with a force of 2,785 kg (6,215 lb.).
- Vehicles are designed with an engineered life space, which can withstand the force of most impacts. Seatbelts keep occupants in this space where they are safest.
- Your choice can affect others in the vehicle: if you don't buckle up, you could become a dangerous projectile during a collision and potentially injure others in the vehicle.

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Further to the seatbelt safety tips between May 20th and June 2nd, Kindersley RCMP responded to 87 calls for service. These calls included, but were not limited to, 4 break and enter complaints, 12 suspicious vehicle/person complaints and 3 fraud investigations.

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.

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test by Fifi | Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: What subject does Walter White teach at the beginning of "Breaking Bad"? 2. GEOGRAPHY: Which three countries make

up the Baltic states in Europe?

3. MUSIC: What is the title of The Beatles' first album?

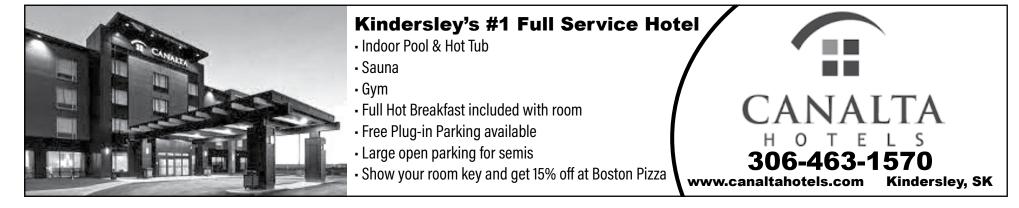
4. LITERATURE: Prince Edward Island is the inspiration for which novel series?

5. HISTORY: Which Roman emperor built a wall across northern England to deter invaders?

6. MOVIES: Which movie first featured the character Lisbeth Salander?

7. ASTRONOMY: The asteroid belt lies between which two planets in our solar system?

8. U.S. STATES: Which state's coast was dubbed the "Graveyard of the Atlantic" because so many ships wrecked there?



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Solution time: 21 mins.

10. SCIENCE: What is the process called when a gas changes into a liquid? © 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

9. FOOD & DRINK: What does the term "a la carte" mean?





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Cora Knuttila, Eatonia volunteer, with Pam



Ruth & Lauren Miller, Rosetown volunteers, with Pam

Purple Pansies fundraiser raises over \$12K for pancreatic cancer

The Purple Pansies for Pancreatic Cancer fundraiser was once again a huge success, thanks to the efforts of a team of dedicated volunteers. At the forefront of the group is Pam Kosolofski from Eston and her daughter Tammy from Airdrie.

Pam sent us this thank you and some photos to are with our readers.

Ian Price, Carol Price, Pat Johnston, and Lee Harbicht. Your contribution is truly appreciated.

We also want to extend a huge thank you to Oyen Greenhouses for supplying us with the beautiful Purple Pansies and to Owens & Sweitzer for supplying us with the trailer. Ian Price supplied the truck and was the driver for the deliveries. Your support is invaluable to us. We are thrilled to be expanding our network and are grateful for the continued support of our community. Thank you all for helping us make a difference. Let's continue to work together to achieve even greater success in the future. Thank you once again for your amazing support!





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Thank you to everyone who helped make our fundraiser a success! We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you. Your hard work and dedication have helped us raise an incredible \$12,500 for our cause.

A special shoutout to the volunteers who are pictured in the attached photos, as well as David Hillacre,





Kindersley RCMP announces move to new detachment

The Kindersley RCMP is excited to announce that they will be moving to a brand-new detachment the week of June 10. The new location, situated at 610 9th Street West, will allow for improved facilities and services for officers and the public.

In order to ensure a smooth transition, contingency plans have been put in place to maintain police service without any impact on officer response times. If assistance is needed, individuals can dial 310-RCMP for non-emergencies and 911 in case of an emergency.

Front counter service will continue at the current detachment (300 8th Avenue West) on June 10 and 11, and will resume at the new detachment on June 12. The public is asked to be patient and understanding during these days of transition.

A grand opening event for the new detachment is also in the works and the date will be shared once officially set. The Kindersley RCMP is looking forward to serving the community from their new location and providing



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BBQs at Major and Kerrobert raise funds for local fire departments

BY JOAN JANZEN

The Kerrobert Credit Union held their annual barbecue at their Kerrobert Branch on June 6th and the Major Branch on June 5th.

Jamie Gramlich at the Major Branch showed the community's resilience as the barbecue was moved indoors due to high-velocity winds, ensuring the event still went ahead.

Unlike previous years, there weren't

man the barbecues. Nevertheless, there was a good turnout for the event. "People sat around the tables and visited out of the wind. It was great!" Jamie said. After their meal, they were happy to head to the hall and enjoy cinnamon buns for the "Hands at Work" fundraiser hosted by Marlene Chotowetz.

The BBQs, a community effort, are by donation, and all proceeds go to the fire departments of Major and Kerrobert. Your support is crucial for these local



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The Kerrobert & District Agriculture Society 78th Annual Regional Show & Sale was held on June 4 & 5 with 56 members from 8 Clubs participating. *c21T PHOTOGRAPHY - CHANDRA ARCHDEKIN*

Kerrobert & District Agriculture Society 78th Annual Regional Show & Sale Results

Judging Cards- 1st Place winners

Junior – Tucker Toner , Ridpath Club Intermediate – Katie Kolenosky, United Club Senior – Taylor Ducherer, Unity Club

Team Grooming – 1st Place winners

Junior 1st split – Handel Club Junior 2nd Split – United Club Intermediate 1st Split – United Club Intermediate 2nd Split – United Club Senior – Kerrobert Club

Record Books – 1st Place Winners

Junior – Evelyn Custer – United Club Intermediate – Madison Ley – Kerrobert Club Senior – Claire Patton – Bea Bank Club

Heifer Classes

All Angus – 1st – Edie Toner – Handel Club Charolais – 1st – Christopher Bomok – United Club All Other Breeds – 1st Split – Katie Kolenosky – United Club All Other Breeds – 2nd split – Gage Mckenzie – Kerrobert Club Best Group of 4 Heifers – Handel Club Best Pair of Heifers – United Club

Grand Champion Heifer – Katie Kolenosky – United Club

Reserve Champion Heifer – Christopher Bomok – United Club



2 Year Old Cow / Calf

Grand Champion – Casey Toner – Handel Club Reserve Champion – Christopher Bomok – United Club

3 Year Old Cow / Calf

Grand Champion – Davin Dehr – United Club Reserve Champion – Madison Ley – Kerrobert

SUPREME Champion Female – Katie Kolenosky – United

Showmanship Classes 1st Place Winners

Senior – Cody Mckenzie – Kerrobert Club Intermediate – Split #1 – Casey Toner – Handel Club Intermediate – Split #2 – Katie Kolenosky – United Club Intermediate – Split #3 – Chloe Dehr – United Club Junior – Split #1 – Lilly McLeod – Handel Club Junior – Split #2 – Edie Toner – Handel Club

Grand Aggregate - Casey Toner - Handel Club

Market Beef Classes - Winners in each weight class

Ryley Mckenzie – Kerrobert Club
Gil Pitura – Unity Club
Katie Kolenosky – United Club
Edie Toner – Handel Club
Avery Cairns – Bea Bank Club
Colton Heather – Handel Club
Casey Toner – Handel Club
Tucker Toner – Ridpath Club
Boone Blanchette – Kerrobert Club
Jase Kolenosky – United Club
Morgan Fyson – United Club
Christopher Bomok – United Club

Best Group of 5 market Animals – Handel Club Best Group of 3 market Animals – Major Club Best Pair of Market Animals – Split #1 – United Club Split #2 - United Club

Grand Champion Steer – Morgan Fyson – United Club

Reserve Champion Steer – Christopher Bomok – United Club

*We had 56 Members from 8 clubs participating. *45 Steers entered in the Steer Sale with an Average of \$4.56/lb

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He was the oldest of 4, Richard, Marlene & Da-

vid. They were raised 4 miles east of Broadacre, then west of Revenue for 3 years, then 9 miles south of Kerrobert. In Oct 1963 he married Ethel Larsen set up home in Coleville then later returning to his forever home on the family farm.

Bob was preceded in death by his father Harold, mother Anne, son Kenny. He is survived by his loving family: wife of 60 years Ethel, their son Glen, along with wife Denise, their 2 daughters Britenie (husband Shane, son Sullivan), Ashley (husband Greg, daughter Olivia) and son Kennedy, their son Keith, along with wife Jodi, their 2 sons Ty & Brett,

their daughter Sherry, partner Curtis, her son Rylen and daughter Jersey.

He spent most of his life dedicated to coaching his son's hockey teams, watching his daughter figure skate, farming with wife Ethel, sons Glen, Keith & their spouses, daughter Sherry helping out at harvest until renting it out in 2008, trucking with Keith, snow plowing, following his grand children around the country watching hockey, skating & moto cross, snuggles with the great grand children, yearly vacations with friends and their summer cabin at Aquadeo.

Bob was laid to rest May 21 in the Kerrobert Cemetery, along side his predeceased son Kenny.

Bob will be dearly missed and forever remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Rest in peace.

The Bahm Family would like to thank all those who came to visit, dropped off food, supplies, flowers & cards, they were all greatly appreciated. Thanks also to the home care nurses, Fr. Charles, the Church Choir along with Clem & Chandra for the music, & the ladies for the wonderful lunch.

In Bob's memory, donations may be made to TeleMiracle.

SK Stroke Recovery Day is June 14

SK Stroke Recovery Day is a gathering for people post-stroke and their families, as well as support networks and care partners/givers. The aim on June 14 is to create an opportunity for connecting, learning and giving hope during the stroke recovery journey.

Researchers and clinicians in stroke recovery put on a free event, with a virtual option also available. The in-person event will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, located at 1838 College Drive in Saskatoon. An informal social will follow until 6:00 p.m. Drinks, snacks, and lunch are provided.

The presentations include a stroke survivor and a talk by Dr. Janice Eng, Canadian Research Chair. Ruth Whelan, a stroke nurse, and Dr. King Shi, a stroke physiatrist, are also giving presentations. The afternoon schedule will include a number of panels as well as talks by Organizers of the event are encouraging those interested who can't attend the in-person event to register for the virtual event. For more information about registration, call 306-966-3230 or email stroke. recovery@usask.ca







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Monday:	Kindersley AA Meeting
•	8:00 PM, Legion Hall, 118 - 2nd Avenue East
	AA Upstairs, Alanon Downstairs
Tuesday:	Brock AA Meeting
•	8:00 PM, Vesper Club, 1st Avenue North
Tuesday:	Leader AA Meeting
•	8:00 PM, Leader United Church, 1st St. W.
Wednesday:	Eston AA Meeting
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8 PM, St. Andrew's United Church, 1st St. W. Kindersley AA Meeting 8:00 PM, Lutheran Church, 807 - 3rd Ave. W.

Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday: Kindersley NA Meeting 7:30 PM, 113 Main Street



West Central Crisis & Family Support Centre Inc.



OUTREACH SERVICES

Friday:

We now have established Satellite Offices in two surrounding communities. On Tuesday, there is a counsellor in Kerrobert and on Wednesday, there is a counsellor in Eston.

VICTIM SERVICES

• Domestic Violence Response Safety Planning • Traumatic Events Response Critical Stress Management • Sexual Assault Victim Support

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SATURDAY, JUNE 22

 Alsask Drop Inn Center Fundraiser - 3rd Annual Pig Roast starting at 4:00 PM Main Street, Alsask. Roast pork with homemade fries, coleslaw, vegetables, dessert and beverage for \$25.00 per person; \$20.00 for members. Children under 12 years cost \$10.00/plate. Liquor tickets are an additional charge with outdoor patio option (lawn chairs welcome). Contact Dave at 306-463-0169 for info.

- Free Fun Learn Different Line Dances. Monday nights 7:00-8:00 PM at the Alsask Rec Centre. All welcome.

EATONIA

- Every Thursday from 11:30 AM -1:30 PM come to the Eatonia Library for puzzles, visiting and grab your books for the week! - Check out our TOPS Chapter ... it's free to try! Every Wednesday. Weigh in: 5:45 PM. Meeting: 6:00 PM at the EOL Meeting Room. Contact Marie 306-2546 or Mila 306-480-2035.

BROCK

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

 Community Wide Garage / Estate Sales & Bake Sale! Starting at 9:00 AM. Coffee, cinnamon buns, soup & sandwich lunch as well as bathrooms available at Vesper Club.

DENZIL

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JUNE 22 & 23

 Denzil & District Rec Board presents "Denzil Community Days" Sports Grounds Gate & Booth open at 11:00 AM each day. Admission by donation. Bones Tournament (Saturday), Antique Tractor Pulls (Saturday & Sunday at noon), Kids Pedal Tractor Races, Kids Carnival & Bouncy Castles (Saturday), Parade at 11:00 AM on Sunday.

ESTON

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

• 3rd Annual Eston Bullarama. Sanctioned with Bull Riders Canada. 7:00 PM at Eston Outdoor Rodeo Grounds. Admission: \$20. Novice Bulls and Jr. Steer Riding as well! **SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

Minor Sports Day. Activities for the whole family.

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

- Wheatland Centre Potluck Supper fourth Friday of each month 6:00 PM. \$5.00. Bring your own utensils. Coffee & tea provided.

Wheatland Centre Bingo - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month 7 PM. Regular Bingo plus Bonanza, 50/50 Draw. Must be 14 years of age. Call 306-962-7117 (ask for Linda) for more info.

FOX VALLEY

Community Hall. Contact Joel Hamm 306-460-7056 or Curtis Kornelson 306-460-7327.

KERROBERT

THURSDAY, JUNE 13 Kerrobert Composite School Awards Night (Academic and Athletic Award Presentations). 6:30 PM at KCS Gymnasium. Reception and Photo Opportunities to follow. Formal attire. Everyone welcome.

FRIDAY, JULY 26

· Kerrobert Gumball Rally & Show & Shine. Cool Cars, Lots of Prizes, Live Music, Food & Drinks and More! More details to come.

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

KINDERSLEY

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

· You're invited to the annual Strawberry Social. Live Music, Desserts and Socializing. Starts at 7:00 PM. \$5. Free entry for students. Director: Mr. Reece. Kindersley Composite School. Featuring Elizabeth Grade 8 Band, The KCS Band & Jazz Band.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY,

JUNE 12 & 13

· Kindersley & District Chamber of Commerce 35th Annual Trade Show & Exhibition at the Kindersley West Central Events Centre. Wednesday 1:00-9:00 PM. Thursday 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM. \$2.00 entry fee.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

• KCS annual Staff vs Seniors Slowpitch Game 1:00 PM at Flanagan Field. Parents and community members welcome. Hotdog lunch provided by the SCC.

MONDAY, JUNE 17

 Invitation to an Open House for TOPS Club Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 6:30 PM at the Kindersley Senior Centre Hall 115 3rd Ave. E. Everyone welcome

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 - SUNDAY, JUNE 23

· Gospel Meetings with Evangelist Dave Sommerdorf 7:00 PM at Redemption Baptist Church. Refreshments and socializing each night. Potluck following the Main Service on Sunday morning at 11:00 AM.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

· Huge Garage Sale 9 AM - 2 PM St. Joseph's Catholic Church (600 4th Avenue W.) Fundraiser for KAWS Animal Rescue. No prices. No haggling. Just make a donation. Drop off for donations 14 Overlord Cres. (leave beside garage).

 The Class of 2024 invites you to the KCS Grad Parade 4:00 PM north on Main Street. West on 7th Avenue West. North on 1st Street West to the Norman Ritchie Centre. JULY 19 & 20

Life Church). Everyone welcome! For more info call Nancy at 306-463-4514

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Submit your upcoming

event to:

Kate Winquist

kate@yourwestcentral.com

Deadline for submissions is

FRIDAY at noon.

 Monday Night Jam Sessions at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre. Doors open at 6:30 to set-up, then the fun begins at 7-11 PM. Call Keith 306-460-8633.

 Interested in a support group for weight management? TOPS meetings; every Monday at 6:00 PM in the Kindersley Senior Centre OR contact Jill at 306-463-4210.

- PickleBall Outdoor Season meets Monday & Wednesday evenings 6:30 PM and Friday mornings 10 AM at the WCEC outdoor rink. Cost is \$50 for the season or \$5 drop in. More info call Barry 306-460-8356.

- Fit Fighter Group Class. Helping individuals with Parkinson Disease, Fibromyalgia, MS, Arthritis and mobility issues. Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 AM at Anytime Fitness. Call Karen 463-3607 for more info.

LEADER

JUNE 14 - 16

 Leader Wild West Daze Slo-Pitch Tourney. Enter your team today. Call Travis 306-628-7930 or Becky 306-604-3206 for more info.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

 Community Garage Sales 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Pick up maps at the Tourist Caboose.

· Marketplace Kick-Off 5:00 PM at Sandhills Credit Union Marketplace. Live Music, Food & Drinks!

- Mondays are Family Fun Night (open to all ages) at the Leader Library 6:30-7:30 PM.

Tuesdays & Thursday Stretch Exercises 10:00 AM at the Leader Friendship Centre.

- Wednesdays Toddler Time (ages 1.5 to 3) at the Leader Librarv 10:30-11:00 AM.

 Thursdays Baby & Me at the Leader Library 10:30-1:00 AM 0-2 years old (older siblings welcome)

LUSELAND

Recurring events at The Luseland Pioneers Club: PUBLIC

- Every Monday 2:00-4:00 PM Coffee

- Last Monday of the month 2:00-4:00 PM Pie 'n Ice Cream **MEMBERS**
- Monday-Saturday 8:30 AM Noon, Coffee, Pool, Cards, Visiting
- Tuesday 1:00-4:00 PM Cards
- Tuesday 7:00-10:00 PM Games
- 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 & SUNDAY, JUNE 22 & 23

· Fox Valley's 30th Annual Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament. Concession, Beer Gardens, Bingo at the Community Hall, Dance on Saturday night. Enter by phone/text: Charlotte Anton 306-662-8485.

HOOSIER

- Sunday Service Hoosier Community Church 10:30 am at the

8th Annual Dirt Drags and Tractor Pulls

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

- Parkinson's Support Group Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month 1:30 PM at 401 - 4th Ave West (New

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

 Community BBQ - Food. Music. Games. Drinks. 5:00 PM Supper. Contact Lynn Cairns if you would like to play slopitch 306-834-8605. Silver collection. Beach Volleyball.

NETHERHILL

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

 Netherhill Rec Association Summer Solstice Dance 8:00 PM at the Netherhill Hall. Kick up your heels!

