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Mavis Bueckert enjoys a blessed life

BY JOAN JANZEN

KINDERSLEY — Mavis Bueckert has been living happily at the same address in Kindersley for the past sixty years. The 93-year-old took some time to share memories from her long and happy life, which began in July 1932 when she was born in a little log house on her parents’ homestead near Kelvington, Sask. At the time, her parents had no idea this baby, who weighed less than five pounds, would go on to live such a long life.

Mavis’ father was a WWI veteran, and her mother was a war bride from England. “When I would complain about something, I would stop and think about my mother, who came from England and ended up sewing under the light of a coal-oil lamp,” Mavis recalled. It must have been challenging for her mother, who only had vision in one eye.

Her mother moved to Canada from England, where she had enjoyed many modern conveniences that she did not have at the homestead, including running water, a sewing machine, and electricity. Mavis was number six in a family of five girls and four boys.

She remembers her aunt sending clothing and apples from Ontario to help during the years of drought. “We lived on what we grew on the land and what we caught,” she said.

The family moved to Porcupine Plain, and then to Weekes, where they farmed 160 acres. At that time, veterans were given land for \$10, which they cleared and then had to pay back.

“As kids, we made our own fun,” she remembered. She and her siblings would climb trees, shoot sling-shots, and cut down a tree to make a merry-go-round using the tree stump. And at Christmas time, Santa came to visit on a dog sled.

One of her fondest memories was when her dad took the family on a 65-mile-long trip from Weekes to Kelvington with a horse and wagon. “It took us a week to get there, a week to visit, and a week to come back. That was a really good trip. We camped under the stars. We cooked over an open fire. I’ll never forget it. I was 11 years old. We slept under the wagon, and others slept in the wagon.”

Mavis attended a one-room school until Grade 8. She still remembers the names of the four teachers she had throughout those years. The teachers would be invited to the students’ homes for a meal. “They would tell the parents how their kids were doing rather than send out report cards,” she explained. “I wasn’t the best student; I was a wiggly girl,” she chuckled. “I’m still a person who doesn’t sit very long.”

She continued taking Grades 9 and 10 by correspondence and later found seasonal employment as a cook at a fishing lodge at Portage la Prairie. The men at the camp were from the U.S.

“They had fish for breakfast; sometimes they had fish three times a day,” she recalled. “But I refused to cook the fish eggs.”

She continued to work for farmers during seeding and harvesting in the Quill Lake area, and later worked for a farmer at Vulcan, Alta., before working for the Elliott family at Flaxcombe, Sask., where she



93-year-old Mavis Bueckert enjoyed a short walk at the Kindersley Walking Trail on a beautiful fall afternoon.

PHOTO BY WILMA VERHAEGHE

met her husband, Isaac Bueckert. The couple had four boys and moved to Kindersley in 1965. Their new home was built in 1944 by Cecil Ditson, a long-time Kindersley resident, and for fifty years Mavis enjoyed having the same neighbours living next door. She’s lived in that house ever since. Sadly, Isaac passed away prematurely at the age of 61.

Eight years later, Mavis married Bill McGifford, and they enjoyed life together for nine years before his passing. Now Mavis has nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Her twin great-grandchildren live in Dubai and recently paid her a visit.

Mavis had an unexpected turn of events in her life when she reconnected with Peter Tompalski. “I hadn’t seen him for sixty years,” she said. “We were married for nine years.” Peter passed away on November 1, 2018, at the age of 101.

This senior lady continues to enjoy being part of Clearview Community Church, always has a puzzle in progress, and was making a pumpkin chiffon pie for Thanksgiving. “My life hasn’t been an easy life, but it’s been a blessed life,” she said.



A photo of Mavis in her late teens at a fishing lodge at Portage la Prairie, where she worked as a cook. She is pictured with her employer’s granddaughter.



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Dated this 8th day of October, 2025.

Charlotte Helfrich, Administrator
Village of Flaxcombe



Thanks to the efforts of the KCS cooking club, which has doubled their production of muffins, students can enjoy a homemade muffin when they arrive at school. PHOTOS BY KCS STAFF

KCS cooking club is feeding their friends

BY JOAN JANZEN

KINDERSLEY — KCS students are busy in the kitchen. On Mondays, the Foods 10 and Foods 30 students have been making muffins for the school’s breakfast cart. Muffin Mondays began last year, and according to Principal Heidi Marchant, “it has been a hit with students who can enjoy a homemade muffin when they arrive at school in the morning.”

This year, the students are able to double their muffin production thanks to the school’s new double ovens. The support of the Mosaic Healthy Schools grant, along with sponsorship from Simplot, enabled the school to purchase the new ovens and a stand-up freezer for storage.

“This year we have started bringing students together for a cooking club,” Ms. Marchant explained. Students and staff have been getting together after school a couple of times each month in order to make the volume of muffins needed to keep the school kids fed.

“So far we have just done muffins, but we are going to move on to chilli and soups to store in the freezer, or offer as ‘pop-up’ lunches for the kids,” she added. This new endeavour will help tackle food insecurity in the student body, and it’s made possible with the help of sponsorship and generous food donations from the community.

The principal said they are thankful for a generous weekly donation of eggs, which is very helpful. They’re also looking for donations of flour, sugar, oil, chocolate chips, frozen berries and other non-perishables to be used as ingredients for their muffins.

“We welcome donations of disposable, freezer-safe containers to store our freezer meals,” she added. Donations of ground beef for chilli and chicken for use in soups are also appreciated.

Donations of these items present the perfect opportunity for the community to support the efforts of students who are willing to use their free time to help feed their friends.

Local family supports Kids Academy ELC with \$150,000 donation

KINDERSLEY — Gary and Tammy Becker of Longhorn Oil & Gas Ltd. have made a generous donation of \$150,000 to the Kids Academy Early Learning Centre (ELC) project, earning naming rights for one of the centre’s toddler rooms.

The contribution comes at a crucial time for the project, allowing the fundraising committee to move forward and stay on track for a planned Fall 2026 opening.

“We cannot thank Gary and Tammy enough for their generosity and commitment to our project,” said Monique Neigum, fundraising committee member. “When you think of local community support, you think of Gary and Tammy with Longhorn, and we’re extremely grateful for their endorsement. The support

from our community has been nothing short of outstanding.”

The Kids Academy ELC project aims to provide modern, welcoming spaces for early childhood learning and care in the Kindersley area. The support from local families and businesses has been instrumental in bringing the project closer to completion.

For more information, contact Monique Neigum at 306-512-8227.



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By Kate Winquist

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- 2018 Chevy 1500 True North Silverado Z71 quad cab truck, 432,626 km w/ new 5.3L engine @ 333,710 km, 4X4, A/C, cruise control, power windows, locks, mirrors, heated leather seats, grille guard, light bar, spray in box liner, new transmission in 2024, 1 owner.
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Digital ID – a dress rehearsal for more to come

BY JOAN JANZEN

There’s an inspirational saying that goes “Life is not a dress rehearsal”. However the UK’s recent announcement of a digital ID has been described as a dress rehearsal of more to come.

Governments around the world want digital ID for a number of reasons. Centralized identity is basically a universal passport for the digital world, and biometrics make identity theft much more difficult. It’s efficient and will save governments time and money by eliminating paper work. The primary function of digital ID is having all your personal documents in a central source instead of having to produce them individually.

However the features that provide convenience are also the same features that can be abused for power. A headline of a September, 2025 article by Patrick Johnson reads: “Vietnam shuts down millions of bank accounts over biometric rules.”

It was not a dress rehearsal, but a live event when Vietnam erased 86 million bank accounts of non-compliant citizens who refused digital ID. At the same time the world listened as the Prime Minister of the UK announced they will make a new, free-of-charge digital ID mandatory for the right to work.

A pastor by the name of Vlad Savchuck weighed in on the subject on



Opinion
By Joan Janzen

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a recent podcast. “It’s a dress rehearsal for more. We will begin to see more and more of this ... where

people are preconditioned to accept government controlled systems. Finances are going to become more centralized and information will not only be stored but owned and controlled and regulated by government,” he explained. “When government holds our money, travel, social media, health and even our ability to speak freely, it opens the door for control and punishment at the flip of a switch,” he observed. He advised people to recognize the danger of centralized power when it comes to freedom, privacy and faith.

Michelle Rempel and Sean Schnell discussed what this means for Canada on a recent podcast. Michelle observed the UK has the same problem we have in Canada: high levels of temporary foreign workers through a variety of streams. “Instead of reforming immigration they want to impose restrictions on civil liberties to solve the problem,” she said.

A former UK Prime Minister, Jacob Rees-Mogg claims digital ID will make

no difference in eliminating people from working in the country illegally. “Every so often firms are fined, but they find it worth their while for the low wages they can pay these people. And the workers think it’s better to be in this country on a low wage than to be in their country,” he said on social media. However he said what it will do is change the public’s relationship with the state.

“We believe we should be entitled to have the state as our servant, not as our master. But the government believes they can lead our lives for us better than we can do it for ourselves,” he observed. He listed that as the first reason digital ID is a bad idea.

He claimed the second reason is the public’s loss of confidence in the police. “We are a country where the police knock on your door to tell you you’ve said something rude online, even arresting people for praying. This undermined confidence in policing in this country in a very damaging way,” he reported.

“Once this is in it will be amazingly easy to add information to it and to try and direct and nudge us to do things that are thought to be good for us. It

will be increasingly easy to maintain records,” he said. He described it as a “one-stop shop for the government”. The government would have information on your employment, taxes, benefits, and health records.

“They could put it all together to exercise control because you’re not doing what the state wants,” he surmised.

Jacob said he prefers his records to be kept separately, because separation enhances freedom. “The government is doing this for reasons that don’t make sense, but the truth is it’s doing it because it wants control,” he observed. “The ID card is the absolute epitome of power being taken.” He described it as a real threat to liberties in order to solve a problem to which it will make absolutely no difference.

Michelle Rempel noted, the current UK Prime Minister claims fair and pragmatic people want digital ID. Therefore, if you don’t want it, you are considered unfair and not pragmatic. “In Canada it’s the same concept; you’re not fair minded if you have questions about something. If you’re not supporting their policies, you’re not supporting Canada,” she said.

“It’s very important that we oppose it and that we maintain our freedom to get on with our lives. To live in a way that we choose, not in a way that the state chooses,” the former UK Prime Minister concluded.

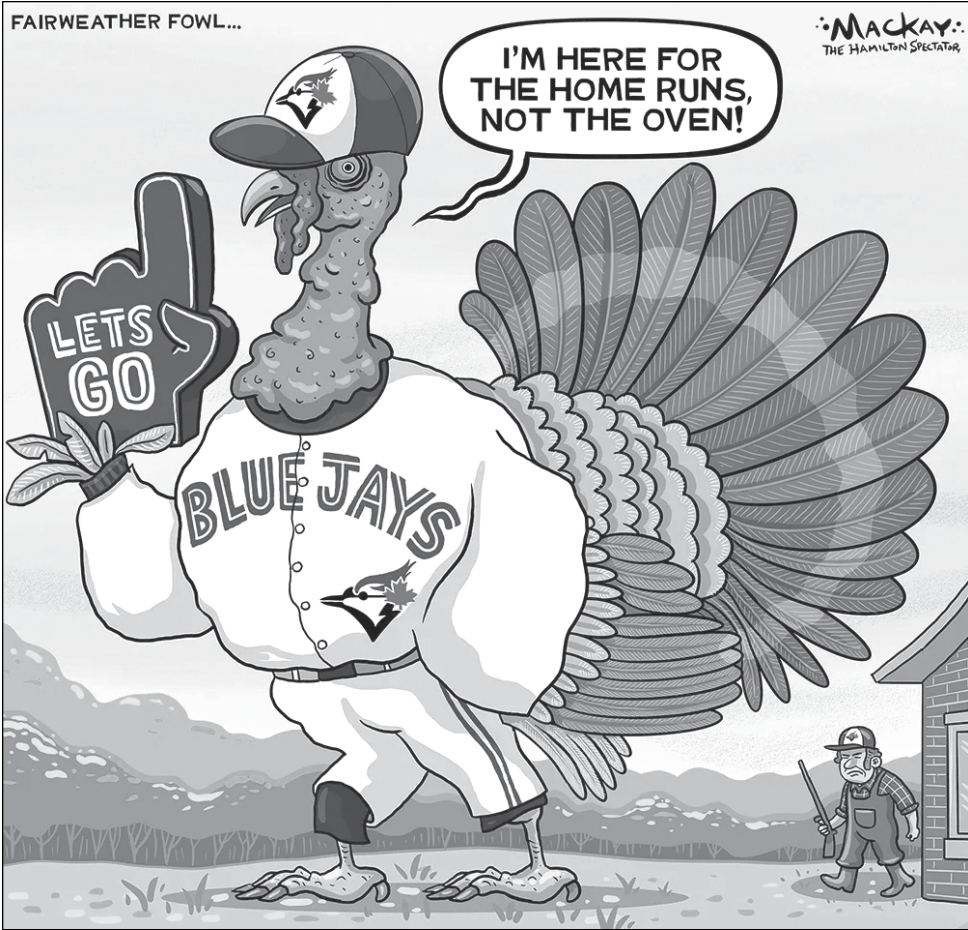
Meanwhile in Canada, Sean Schnell advised, “We need to put Canadians on guard for policies as they happen in other countries to be sure it doesn’t happen here.”

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Hits, kicks and small-town connections

BY KATE WINQUIST

How about those Toronto Blue Jays?

My son's been proudly rocking his 2015 Edwin Encarnacion T-shirt and Jays cap, and honestly, it's been a fun ride. The team's playing some exciting baseball, and for once, the country feels united behind them — even if a few Americans at Yankee Stadium weren't exactly feeling the love during O Canada.

Vladimir Guerrero Jr. didn't have the flashiest season by some standards, but boy, did he ever show up against the Yankees. The Jays play like a team — win as a team, lose as a team — and that's what makes them so easy to cheer for. Meanwhile, poor Aaron Judge could use a few more friends in pinstripes if he ever hopes to snag that World Series ring.

Now the Jays move on to face the Seattle Mariners, who edged out the Detroit Tigers on Friday night in a 15-inning defensive gem. Seattle's never won a World Series, and they've got slugger Cal Raleigh — a.k.a. The Big Dumper — leading the charge. It should be an interesting matchup, but I'm still calling Jays in six.

Switching gears to football — the Saskatchewan Roughriders have clinched first place in the West Division and home-field advantage after their 27-19 win over the Toronto Argonauts on Friday. They stormed out of the gate early this season but have looked... well, a little less stormy lately. Injuries have piled up, especially on defence — and as we all know, defence wins championships. Still, if they can get healthy, I wouldn't count them out of hoisting the Grey Cup in late November.

And while we're at it, can we talk about the kicking game? It's been, shall we say, character-building. I like Brett Lauther, but even he'd probably like to forget this season. Kicking under 70 per cent just won't cut it — not in this league, not in any league. But to his credit, Lauther bounced back in a big way Friday, going five-for-five.

Now, speaking of nerves — I'll admit, I had a few before driving down Highway 7 last Tuesday with the first Rosetown Eagle under my ownership. They disappeared pretty quickly once I started meeting subscribers who popped into the office to grab their papers during the Canada Post strike.

David McIver and I did our best to get those papers in numerical order, though apparently we each had our own idea of what "order" meant. Let's just say it was a learning experience. By the time we got the dealer copies out — maybe not promptly, but eventually — we had a good laugh and a plan for next time.

I was genuinely touched by how many people stopped in to introduce themselves. Full disclosure: the odds of me remembering your name are slim to none, but I'm great with faces. I even met the mother of one of my old high school classmates — hello, Tim MacTavish! I hadn't thought of you in years. Tall, skinny, happy-go-lucky guy from Coleville. Funny how

small Saskatchewan really is.

For now, we're renting the Eagle office through October, so that's still the place to pick up your paper while the postal strike continues. We're hunting for a smaller, permanent home in Rosetown and will keep you posted. Thanks for your patience — we'll do our best to keep the papers flying into your hands, one way or another.

And yes, I've heard the Corner Gas comparisons — the whole "Oh, you're from Kindersley?" spit routine, just like Dog River and Wullerton. All in good fun. I remember playing basketball for the Kindersley Kobras back in the '80s against teams from Rosetown, Kerrobert and Eston. Forget baseball and football — high school girls' basketball was vicious. Those rivalries shaped us, though, and when it really matters, we still show up for each other in this little corner of the universe.

Some folks have joked that I'm trying to become the Conrad Black of west-central Saskatchewan. Let's just clarify — I have no plans to follow that career path.

My goal is simple: to bring you the kind of hyper-local news that feels like home. The stories that matter because they're ours.

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Are CFL changes ‘Americanizing’ our game?

BY BRUCE PENTON

It didn’t take new Canadian Football League commissioner Stewart Johnston long to become a household name among football fans north of the border.

Named as commissioner only five months ago, Johnston announced a series of significant logistical and rule changes to the league, some of which will take effect in 2026 and others in 2027.

Among the changes are a reduction in the length of the CFL field from 110 yards to 100 (same as the National Football League), moving the goalposts to the rear of the end zone instead of at the goal line (same as the NFL) and a reduced end zone, from 20 yards to 15 yards (the NFL’s end zones are 10 yards deep).

Another change involves the rouge, a single point unique to the Canadian game. No longer will a single point be awarded for punting the ball through the end zone or by missing a field goal and having the ball sail into the stands. Teams will still get credit for a single point, however, if the punted ball or missed field goal winds up within the boundaries of the end zone, and the returning player is unable to get it back into the field of play.

Some things will remain the same, Johnston said. While he didn’t say the Canadian game’s three-down system is in jeopardy, he didn’t come out and say it was sacrosanct. The width of the field will remain 65 yards. And the CFL’s ‘waggle’ rule, allowing a number

Sports
By Bruce Penton

of players to be in pre-snap motion, won’t be changed. The Canadian game will continue to be 12-on-12, one more than in the U.S.

The moves, said Johnston, will encourage teams to go for touchdowns and not settle for field goals, since the goalposts will be 15 yards deeper. However, teams will be starting closer to their opponent’s end zone simply because the field will be 10 yards shorter. Moving the goalposts, he said, will stop passes from clanking off the uprights instead of falling into the arms of a receiver.

While the moves received general acceptance from many quarters in Canada, not everyone agreed. Quarterback Nathan Rourke

of the B.C. Lions was angry, saying they appeared to be ‘Americanizing’ the Canadian game. Rourke, who grew up in Canada and had a taste of U.S.-style football in college and the NFL, called the changes ‘garbage’ and was annoyed that players weren’t consulted before the changes were finalized and announced.

But Johnston says the changes will have positive results. ““This is all about making our great game even more entertaining,” Johnston said in a release. “We are trading field goals for touchdowns, while improving fan experience in stadiums and at home.”

Rourke didn’t back down: “You can’t make adjustments like this and tell me you like football. What we’re moving towards is not Canadian football, the game I grew up loving.”

Rourke’s opinion doesn’t really matter. What counts is how CFL fans accept the changes.

- From fark.com: “The NBA takes a brief pause from its DraftKings and FanDuel sponsorship to lament the fact that it had to fire three more players for batting on their own games.”
- RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: “A Yankees fan tried to catch a foul tip with his cap, dropped both, but a fan beside him caught the ball and cap together. And I thought a hockey game was the only place you might see a hat trick.”
- Another one from fark.com: “Aaron Judge becomes first Yankee since Babe Ruth to put up back-to-back 50-homer seasons. Ruth still has the lead on beers and hot dogs consumed in consecutive seasons, however.”
- Ron Green, Jr., of Global Golf Post, on the disgusting display by fans at the Ryder Cup on Long Island: “Civility has lost out to coarseness. Belligerence is 4 up on benevolence..”
- Cathal Kelly of the Globe and Mail, on Mark Shapiro’s difficult early days as Toronto Blue Jays’ president: “He asks every free agent on the market to the dance, but they’re all busy washing their hair.”
- Comedy guy Torben Rolfson of Vancouver: “Have you seen catches by the Detroit Lions rookie Isaac TeSlaa? They’re electric.”
- Rolfson again: “People are asking if (Blue Jays’ reliever) Jeff Hoffman has earned John Schneider’s trust in October? Are you kidding? I wouldn’t trust him taking my kids out trick or treating.”
- Columnist Norman Chad, on his ‘Gambling Mad’ site on X: “I am contractually obligated to make a prediction on the Jets-Dolphins Monday Night game. Okay. I predict that no one in my neighbourhood will watch this dog of a game.”
- Greg Cote of the Miami Herald on the recent Monday night game between two winless teams, the Jets and Dolphins: “America will be watching ... perhaps in much the same way traffic can’t help but slow to watch two cars that have just wrecked.”
- Another one from Chad: “The Falcons lost 30-0 to the Panthers last week. Not scoring against the Panthers is like Ryan Gosling not scoring in a college bar.”

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HealthLine 811 addressing growing need for mental health and addictions support

HealthLine 811 continues to be a trusted lifeline for Saskatchewan residents seeking mental health and addictions support. Thanks to a dedicated team of clinicians and an additional \$6.6 million in funding from the Government of Saskatchewan, telephone support

for people in crisis is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

“Clinical staff answering the mental health and addiction services line play an integral role, providing immediate support to Saskatchewan residents without long waits or the need for referrals,” said Cara Maher, Provincial HealthLine 811 Manager – Clinical Operations, Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA). “Our qualified team is available 24/7 to support and connect callers with resources available across the province.”

In 2024-25, the mental health team responded to 6,375 calls, a 13 per cent increase from the previous year. In 2025-26, demand has grown, with the number of calls in the first quarter of 2025-26 rising nearly 40 per cent as compared to the same period last year.

From anxiety and panic attacks to addictions, depression and risks of bodily harm, HealthLine 811 clinicians provide a supportive lifeline to people in dif-



(Left to right) Ashlyn Higgs, Jane Chukwujekwu, Kari Sveinbjornson and Nicole Naughton, senior assessor coordinators, are part of the HealthLine 811 team providing 24/7 mental health and addictions support to residents across the province.

ficult moments. HealthLine 811 does not offer long-term support; instead, callers’ unique needs are assessed, and individuals are directed to the appropriate care services in their communities. The growing demand for mental health and addictions support highlights the value of this service for the people of Saskatchewan.

Unity, Wilkie, Macklin RCMP keep communities safe amid collisions and theft reports

Unity:

RCMP members in Unity responded to a variety of incidents last week. Officers attended multiple vehicle collisions, including two involving wildlife—a deer and a moose—with no injuries reported; these incidents were documented for insurance purposes. Another single-vehicle collision near Unity also resulted in no injuries.

Police attempted a traffic stop when a vehicle fled, but there was insufficient evidence to proceed. Members continue to investigate complaints of fraud and a stolen e-bike. RCMP also assisted Saskatoon Police Service in serving a court document, responded to a request from Emergency Medical Services, and received two Mental Health Act complaints. In one case, the individual was transported to Battlefords Union Hospital for assessment.

Additionally, CN Police reported railway crossing malfunctions at Scott and Unity; these were recorded for information purposes. Officers also dealt with four traffic complaints, a false 911 call, and one false alarm.

Wilkie:

In Wilkie, RCMP investigated several theft and probation-related complaints. A 42-year-old male from North Battleford was charged with Possession of Property Obtained by Crime and Fail to Comply with a Probation Order following a stolen property

complaint. The same individual was later charged with Assault with a Weapon, Assault Causing Bodily Harm, and Fail to Comply with a Probation Order after a separate assault report.

Members also acted as mediators in a neighbour dispute, conducted a wellbeing check at the request of a citizen, and responded to a sudden death of a 59-year-old female from Wilkie, which was deemed non-suspicious. Officers handled a Mental Health Act complaint, a report of an individual not complying with a probation order, a moose-vehicle collision with no injuries, traffic control for livestock crossing, two traffic complaints, and one false 911 call.

Macklin:

RCMP in Macklin charged a 37-year-old individual with Fail to Comply with an Undertaking Condition following a breach complaint. Officers also attended a moose-vehicle collision; no injuries were reported and the incident was documented for insurance purposes.

Community Reminder:

Residents with information about crimes in the Unity, Wilkie, or Macklin areas are urged to contact the RCMP at:

- Unity: (306) 228-6300
- Wilkie: (306) 843-3480
- Macklin: (306) 753-2171

Those wishing to remain anonymous can call Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or *8477 on the SaskTel Mobility Network. Tips leading to the arrest of individuals responsible for serious crimes may be eligible for rewards up to \$2,000. Tips can also be submitted online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

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FORM 2 (Section 4)

Tax Enforcement List

R.M. OF HEART'S HILL NO. 352

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Notice is hereby given under *The Tax Enforcement Act* that unless the arrears and costs appearing opposite the land and title number described in the following list are fully paid before the 14th day of December, 2025, an interest based on a tax lien will be registered against the land.

Note: A sum for costs in an amount required by subsection 4 (3) of *The Tax Enforcement Act* is included in the amount shown against each parcel.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY								
Part of Sec.	Sec. Lot	Twp. Blk	Range Plan	Meridian/ Extension	Title No.	Total Arrears	Advertising Costs	Total Arrears and Costs
NE	18	35	27	W3 Ext. 34	113713679	\$ 460.20	\$30.62	\$ 490.82
PT NE	18	35	27	W3 Ext. 35	130187134	\$ 31.79	\$30.62	\$ 62.41
			A	Ext. 35	101390587			
SE	18	35	27	W3	152378400	\$ 461.53	\$30.62	\$ 492.15
NE	29	36	26	W3	152050722	\$2,234.47	\$30.62	\$2,265.09
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NE	33	36	26	W3 Ext. 1	129145462	\$2,240.84	\$30.62	\$2,271.46
SW	33	36	26	W3	152050700	\$1,872.84	\$30.62	\$1,903.46
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Sunshine and smiles at Kerrobert’s Harvest Festival

BY KATE WINQUIST

KERROBERT — Kerrobert’s Harvest Festival took place this past weekend under sunny skies, with only a hint of wind adding to the prairie charm.

One of the highlights was the fourth annual Harvest Festival parade, which drew colourful floats and plenty of community spirit. Ace Environmental Services took home the prize for Best Business Float, while the Kerrobert Wildlife Federation won Best Non-Business Float for the second consecutive year.

The Halters captured top honours in the Best Antique Car, Truck or Tractor category, Neil Charteris Reclamation Services earned the title of Most Creative Float, and the Best Youth Entry award went to Emma Zerr.

“Congratulations to all the winners — what an amazing parade,” organizers said.

Friday, Oct. 10, also brought reason to celebrate for local sports fans as the Kerrobert Rebels ended their regular season with a commanding 84–31 victory.

Saturday continued the winning streak with the Rebels’ flag football jamboree, which drew plenty of young players and families to the field under perfect fall weather.

The Harvest Festival offered a full slate of activities throughout the day. The vintage harvest demonstration allowed visitors to ride or drive a combine, while the courthouse grounds hosted a range of family-friendly attractions from noon to 5 p.m.

Lunch was provided by the Vintage Marketplace, and the area was bustling with a hay bale maze, caricature artist, face painting, a photo booth, artisan vendors and crafts, and wagon train rides from 3 to 5 p.m.

As the sun set, the festivities shifted to the street dance, which ran from 5 p.m. until midnight. Live music kept the crowd entertained, featuring performances by Frank, RJ, and Cole Patton to close out the night.

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FORM 2 (Section 4)

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R.M. OF MARIOSIA NO. 350

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY						Total Arrears	Advertising Costs	Total Arrears and Costs
Part of Sect.	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Meridian	Title No.			
NW	17	34	22	W3	129663603	\$ 703.69	\$17.06	\$ 720.75
PT NE	18	34	22	W3	129663625	\$ 597.92	\$17.06	\$ 614.98
SE	18	34	22	W3	129663715	\$ 502.13	\$17.06	\$ 519.19
NW	20	34	22	W3	129663502	\$ 497.85	\$17.06	\$ 514.91
					129663579			
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					129663434			
SE	05	35	22	W3	129663793	\$ 580.14	\$17.06	\$ 597.20
SE	06	35	22	W3	115641705	\$ 757.11	\$17.06	\$ 774.83
PT NE	24	34	22	W3	151142183	\$2,327.28	\$17.06	\$2,344.34
NE	35	36	21	W3	155556748	\$1,159.83	\$17.06	\$1,176.89
SE	35	36	21	W3	155556759	\$1,169.79	\$17.07	\$1,186.86
PT NE	36	35	21	W3	154371078	\$ 776.44	\$17.07	\$ 793.51
PT SW	04	36	21	W3	153344785	\$1,071.24	\$17.07	\$1,088.31

Dated this 14th day of October, 2025.

Kathy Wurz, Administrator

TOWN OF KERROBERT PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

Public notice is hereby given 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 permit compact homes as a discretionary use within the R1 and R2 Residential Districts. Appropriate regulations and criteria for the use are also added into the ZB.

AFFECTED LAND:
All lands within the R1 and R2 - Residential Districts would be affected by the proposed amendment.

REASON:
Council would like to allow for alternatives for housing in the residential districts with the appropriate evaluation criteria.

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: www.kerrobertsk.com/town_office/public_notices.html. 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 **November 12, 2025**, 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 **November 10, 2025**. For additional information, please contact 306-834-2361 or cao@kerrobert.ca

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Saskatchewan seeks public feedback on workplace safety rules

BY BRIAN ZINCHUK

The Government of Saskatchewan is reviewing The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 2020 and is seeking feedback from stakeholders and the public, according to an Oct. 8 press release.

“This review is an important way to ensure that these regulations remain relevant and meet the needs of both employees and employers,” Deputy Premier and Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister Jim Reiter said. “We look forward to hearing insights from organizations and individuals.”

The review will take place in three phases. The first

phase of the review includes parts one to five of the regulations. Organizations and individuals are encouraged to share feedback on these parts by November 30.

Later phases will include reviews of the remaining parts of the regulations and will be announced at a later date.

Occupational health and safety regulations help reduce injuries and fatalities, allow our economy to grow and attract investments in Saskatchewan.

Visit<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/Government/Public-Engagement/the-occupational-health-and-safety-regulations-2020> to learn more and share your feedback.

Kindersley region generates over \$1.3 million in Saskatchewan crown oil and gas offering

The Government of Saskatchewan’s latest Crown oil and natural gas public offering, held on October 7, 2025, generated more than \$7 million in revenue, with strong participation across multiple regions.

The Estevan, Lloydminster and Kindersley areas each surpassed \$1 million in bids, while Swift Current also contributed to the total sales. Estevan led the way, generating \$3,474,184.13 from one exploration licence and 39 leases covering 4,904.474 hectares.

Prairie Land & Investment Services Ltd. made the highest bid of the offering, \$863,628.23, for a 1,562.931-hectare exploration licence north of Gainsborough in the Estevan area, averaging \$552.57 per hectare. Saturn Oil and Gas Inc. placed the top lease bid, offering \$714,906.52 for a 254.766-hectare parcel west of Torquay, also in the Estevan region, at \$2,806.13

per hectare.

A total of 90 parcels were posted for this offering, with 85 receiving acceptable bids, covering 12,128.950 hectares in total.

Revenue from other regions included \$2,106,595.92 in Lloydminster, \$1,317,181.62 in Kindersley, and \$440,072.80 in Swift Current.

This October offering was the fourth of six planned for the 2025–26 fiscal year. To date, the government has raised \$52,762,018.76 through these offerings, surpassing the total revenue from last fiscal year, which included a record \$24 million generated in August 2025.

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The Rescue Cambodia dance troupe performed at Luseland on Thursday evening, October 9. Marie Ens, the founder of Rescue Cambodia, pastored a church west of Luseland in the 1950s, along with her husband. Today she calls Cambodia home and continues to be involved in Rescue Cambodia.



A large assortment of handmade crafts was available for people to purchase. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Rescue Cambodia dance troupe performs at Luseland

BY JOAN JANZEN

LUSELAND — International dancers from Rescue Cambodia performed at Luseland on Thursday evening, October 9. Luseland is home to Marie Ens, the founder of Rescue Cambodia – a haven for orphans and at-risk children. Marie and her husband were pastors at a rural church west of Luseland in the 1950s.

“Luseland is where Marie began her work, and she continues to be involved with Rescue Cambodia to this day, living in Cambodia, which she now calls home,” explained Luseland resident Jean Halliday.

There are three centres in Cambodia, which include dozens of homes for boys and girls, plus three university dorms, granny homes for elderly orphaned women, elementary and high schools, learning centres, baby houses, youth centres, gardens, fish ponds, and staff housing. The goal of the centres is to provide quality education for the children and thereby transform the country one child at a time.

Over a hundred people came to enjoy the vibrant cultural dance performance and hear the children share their stories. A number of people in the communities of Luseland and Evesham billeted the young dancers for the evening. The Evesham Community Church has

sponsored a child at Rescue Cambodia for years.

The twelve dancers, aged 11–13, performed a number of dances, including The Lord’s Prayer, Coconut Dance, Stick Dance, Praying Mantis Dance, and Rice Harvest Dance. They were attired in appropriate costumes for each dance. “For the Coconut Dance, they carried two coconut shells and had additional shells strapped to their knees and elbows, which they expertly clicked together to make an intriguing beat,” Jean said.

Each dancer introduced themselves and explained when they came to live at Rescue and what they wanted to be when they grow up. Two of the four adult Cambodian chaperones in attendance also shared their stories of how they came to Rescue Cambodia as children. They are examples of graduates who come back to be on staff at Rescue.

The dance troupe, accompanied by nine chaperones, is travelling across Canada by bus, performing nearly every night. Their tour began in Ontario on September 19, and their final performance is scheduled in Maple Ridge, B.C., on October 25.

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Little learners at Miss Sarah's Preschool in Eston celebrated fall outdoors, discovering autumn leaves and laughter on a colourful parachute. PHOTO BY SARAH MCLEAN



Leo Beebe was awarded first prize in the apple pie baking contest at Leader's Classic Fall Festival on Saturday afternoon, October 4. There was something for everyone: vendors, a car show, music, crafts for kids, and wagon rides. SUBMITTED

Plenty of fun, food and music at Leader's Classic Fall Festival

BY JOAN JANZEN

The town of Leader was alive with activity at its Classic Fall Festival on October 4. Brandan Steinkey brought a team of horses, offering wagon rides to one and all. Everyone enjoyed the live music provided by Alan Hudec and Sadie Pope throughout the afternoon.

Leader & District Chamber of Commerce hosted its popular apple pie baking contest. Pies were judged by flavour, appearance, and creativity. Pieces were sold by donation after the judging, with funds going to the local food bank. Three prizes were awarded, with Pam Busby from Royal LePage Wheat Country Realty sponsoring the event.

The Chamber of Commerce also organized the Show & Shine from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sandhills Credit Union Marketplace. There were \$1,000 worth of prizes handed out for Best Classic Car, Best Classic Truck, Best Bike, Fan Favourite, and Most Unique. Dozens of vehicles were on display for everyone to see.

Fall-themed vendors were selling all kinds of products, including baking, coffee, treats, cookbooks, blankets, and wheat bags. There were crafts for the kids, a food fundraiser by the El Salvador mission group, and the 4H group had an information booth.

The festival was another great opportunity for people to get together and visit with friends and family.

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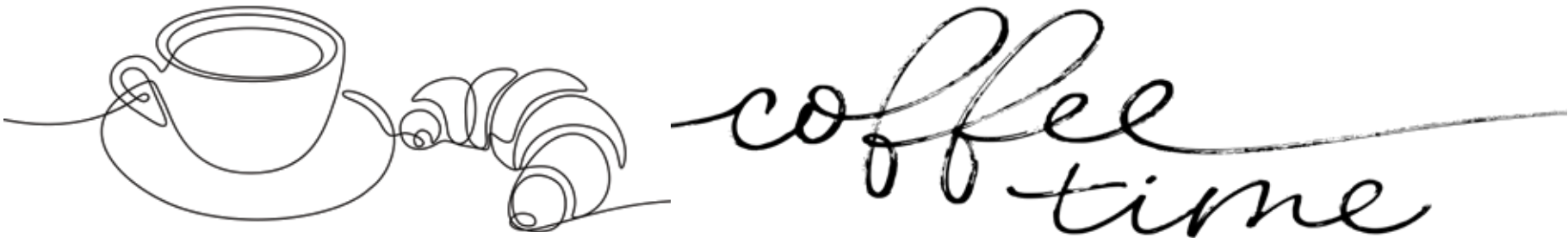
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Box is smaller. 2. Arm is longer. 3. Tie is longer. 4. Thumb is moved. 5. Man has more hair. 6. Cap is a different shape.

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1 Surrenders

6 Tennis match division

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16 Utter disaster

18 Author Lurie

20 Bump into

21 Soup cooker

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25 Actor Guinness

27 Toothpaste holders

29 Strange thing

31 Deceived

35 Welsh pooch

37 Bargain

38 "Downton —"

41 ER workers

43 Quilters' get-together

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32 Deducted

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34 Flamenco cheer

36 Cracker type

38 Actors Robert and Alan

39 Borscht base

40 Innocents

42 Play for time

45 Stallion's mate

46 Operatic solo

48 Rule, for short

50 Chemical suffix

51 Curved letter

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Trivia Test Answers

1. "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone"; 2. Greenwich, London, England; 3. 1938; 4. Virtual Private Network; 5. Richard Nixon; 6. "Blossom"; 7. The Island of Crete; 8. 7; 9. "Hamlet"; 10. Democratic Republic of the Congo

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Rosetown and Kyle RCMP Report

The following is the Rosetown RCMP report for the week of October 3 to 9, 2025. During this period, members responded to a range of calls, including collisions, thefts, well-being checks and other public safety matters.

On October 3 at 7:06 a.m., RCMP received a call from an individual wanting to relinquish firearms. Members attended the residence and seized several firearms for destruction.

At 8:59 a.m., police responded to a two-vehicle collision on Highway 15. Minor injuries were reported, and both vehicles had to be towed.

Later that day, at 1:22 p.m., members responded to a grass fire on Highway 4 north of Rosetown. The fire was out when they arrived. It was determined the blaze had been caused by a downed power line, which was broken by a truck moving a large grain bin. Sask-Power was notified.

At 1:44 p.m., RCMP attended a single-vehicle roll-over involving a flat-deck trailer near Elrose. Minor injuries were reported.

On October 4, at 8 a.m., police were dispatched for a well-being check in Rosetown but were unable to locate the individual.

At noon, RCMP received a complaint of theft under \$5,000. A leaf blower and golf clubs were reported missing from a residence in Rosetown. The investigation remains ongoing.

At 6:43 p.m., police responded to a report of a vehicle that had rolled into a ditch in the RM of Marriott.

Around 10 p.m., RCMP received two complaints of a suspicious vehicle in the RM of Mountain View. The matter remains under investigation.

At 10:08 p.m., police received a breach of peace complaint in Rosetown. Members attended and advised

the subject of the complaint to leave the residence.

On October 5 at 11:23 a.m., RCMP received a traffic complaint on Highway 7 near Rosetown. With assistance from the Traffic Services Unit, the vehicle was located, and it was determined the driver was under a Canada-wide driving prohibition.

On October 6, members conducted a well-being check in Rosetown at 10:34 a.m.

At 1:55 p.m., police received another traffic complaint on Highway 4. Patrols were made, but members were unable to locate the vehicle.

At 3 p.m., RCMP received a complaint of an assault that occurred in Rosetown. The investigation is ongoing.

At 4 p.m., members arrested an individual for breaching conditions of a release order.

At 7 p.m., police attended a residence in the RM of Marriott to conduct a well-being check.

On October 8, Rosetown and Kyle RCMP hosted a pig roast luncheon at the Elks Hall in Rosetown as part of the Harvest Festival. Members served approximately 300 people, and a great time was had by all. RCMP thanked everyone who attended.

On October 9 at 9:16 a.m., RCMP received a complaint of harassing communications in Beechy.

At 11:41 a.m., police received a report of a stolen truck in the RM of Pleasant Valley.

During the week, there were 44 traffic-related charges issued, one 911 misdial and two false alarm calls.

Police are asking anyone with information about these or any other crimes to contact the Rosetown RCMP at 306-882-5700 or Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

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Kerrobert residents rent-a-student

BY JOAN JANZEN

KERROBERT — A whole lot of odd jobs got completed in Kerrobert on Thursday afternoon thanks to the hard work of seventy-eight students from Kerrobert Composite School (KCS). According to Dawson Halter, vice-president of the Student Leadership Council (SLC), everyone in town postpones doing yard work until they can rent a student for the afternoon.

Every year, the Rent-a-Student fundraiser is a successful event with grades 7 to 12 participating. This year, they will raise an estimated \$1,000 as a result

of their two hours of hard work on October 9. For only \$10 per student, Kerrobert residents had their leaves raked, windows washed, and window sills painted. Of course, the students always welcome additional donations, and local businesses, family, neighbours, and friends are only too happy to oblige.

The students showed up ready to work, and their customers provided all the materials they needed to get the jobs done. Not only did the students complete numerous jobs, but they also got to enjoy a day outside in the sunshine while raising funds for their school.



L-R: Avery Snell, Dawson Halter, and Tommi Schnell-Wack were busy doing yard work and painting window sills for Tommi's grandparents as part of the Kerrobert Composite School's Rent-A-Student fundraiser. Funds go to the Student Leadership Council (SLC) to be used for various needs in the school. PHOTO BY JOAN JANZEN



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It was a gorgeous fall Friday afternoon in 1970. School was done for the week, work was done for Dad, and my family was in town for our weekly shopping trip. I was ten years old, had just received my allowance from Dad, and the money was burning a hole in my pocket.

But what should I spend it on? I already had a pretty good idea. I wanted the kid’s equivalent of fine literature:

I wanted to buy some comic books! There were two places I frequented on Main Street to buy comics: the local drugstore and the local variety store. They were right across the street from each other, so I had to decide on my way to Main Street which store would earn my patronage that day. This time, I chose the variety store.

I thought it was a pretty cool place! I still remember the ‘ding-a-ling’ of the



Remembering When
By Keith Schell

little brass bell above the door, announcing my entrance.

Instead of heading straight for the comic book carousel, I sometimes wandered through the entire store to see what they had for sale that week. Like a kid exploring a toy store, I would slowly walk the aisles, browsing through shelves filled with knick-

knacks, bric-a-brac, snacks, and every type of kitschy tourist souvenir imaginable, all stamped with our town’s name—coffee mugs, ashtrays, snow globes, decks of cards—you name it! (I even snuck past the naughty magazine rack in the back corner!)

After perusing everything the store had to offer, I finally found the carousel rack where the comics awaited. As I slowly rotated it, the carousel squeaked in stiff protest, broadcasting my pur-

chasing indecision to the entire store. Of course, I had to sample the wares a bit before making my decision. I usually read a comic or two at the rack before making my purchase. Hey, when you buy a car, you take it for a test drive, right? Since I was a paying customer, no one ever really said anything. (Or more accurately, I don’t recall anyone ever saying anything!)

When I was very little—long before I graduated to the DC and Marvel universes—my taste in comics reflected my age; I gravitated toward Harvey Comics like Casper the Friendly Ghost and The Ghostly Trio, Spooky the Tuff Little Ghost(with his girlfriend Pearl, or ‘Poil,’ as he called her), Nightmare the Ghost Horse, Hot Stuff the Little Devil, Richie Rich, Baby Huey, Wendy the Good Little Witch, Little Audrey, Little Dot, and Little Lotta. Great comics for young kids!

Occasionally, I also bought comic books from other publishers, like Archie Comics (Archie and the Riverdale gang), Gold Key (Disney-based comics like Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and Uncle Scrooge), and Charlton Comics (war comics for the boys—cool!—and romance comics for the girls—yuck!).

Then came the agonizing moment of truth: the purchase. As a kid who wanted to buy every comic on the rack, I had to decide which books to spend my limited allowance on. I weighed the merits of one comic over another, agonizing over my choices until I finally made my selection.

And when I didn’t read them in the car on the way home, I had to find just the right atmosphere to read them at our house—either my bedroom or the family reading room, better known as the bathroom.

Sadly, Harvey, Gold Key, and Charlton Comics—publishers of many of the comics from our childhood—are no more, having ceased publishing well over thirty years ago. They began experiencing circulation drops when television became more accessible, providing kids with a multitude of free cartoons and entertainment. It was a classic case of “change or die”—they couldn’t adapt to the changing times and eventually just faded away.

But new publishers have stepped in, producing a variety of children’s entertainment—both printed and digital—to keep the current generation of young kids engaged and entertained.

And the beat goes on.



Residents at Caleb Village spent Tuesday afternoon practising their painting skills during a Paint Party led by instructor Jackie Altomare. About six participants took part, including Shirley Jeffries, who enjoyed creating her artwork while visiting with friends. PHOTO BY NANCY VANTHUYNE



Luseland Arts Council kicks off season with soul tribute

LUSELAND — The Luseland Arts Council will launch its 2025-2026 season with a performance by Lee Siegel on Monday, Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Luseland Homecoming Hall.

Siegel, joined by the multi-talented Konrad Pluta on keyboards, will take the audience on a musical journey through the greatest soul singers of all time, including Stevie Wonder, Ray Charles and Smokey Robinson. The duo blends live performance with per-

sonal stories, sharing how the music has shaped their lives.

“Lee Siegel and Konrad Pluta have been delighting audiences across Canada and the United States since 2008 with their mix of music, laughter and nostalgia,” the council said in a statement.

Advance tickets are \$25 and available at the Luseland Credit Union. Tickets at the door are \$30, with student tickets \$15 and family tickets \$70. Season tickets will also be offered for \$65.



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OBITUARIES

Alvina (Meier) McKenzie
January 2nd 1926 – October 5th 2025

Our beloved mom, grandma, great grandma, great-great grandma, passed away peacefully at Kerrobert Long Term Care Home on October 5th 2025, just 3 months short of her 100th birthday.

Alvina's parents, John and Amelia Meier with four children immigrated from Kolb, Russia to Canada arriving in the Luseland/Salvador area 100 years ago on Sept 11, 1925. Alvina was born four months later.

Alvina started her schooling in a one-room school in the Aster School District and later a move in 1936 to the Hearts Hill School District she completed Grades six through ten. Alvina was very athletic and enjoyed school sports, especially softball and track and field. Her Grade eleven year she spent in Luseland with Harry and Evelyn Heintz and family, attending school and helping out with their children.

In 1944 Alvina was working for a local farmer, Kelly Campbell, where she met her future husband, Ross McKenzie, who was working as a hired hand there. They were married at St. John Lutheran Church at Hearts Hill on April 19, 1945. Alvina and Ross spent the first few years of their marriage working at 'The Woman's Bakery', in Vancouver, Ross in the bread department and Alvina in the cake decorating department. They saved enough money to return home and bought the farm where Alvina had grown up on.

They were blessed with four children and Alvi-



na dedicated her life to her family, the farm, and all manner of activities and handiwork. Mom was Dad's right hand woman on the farm; milking cows, hauling bales, driving truck at harvest, managing harvest meals, chasing cows, butchering turkeys and chickens, planting her huge garden which provided vegetables for the winter and still made time for sewing, quilting, knitting, crocheting, ceramics, embroidery, bunka, hardhanger, cross stitch and cake decorating for many weddings and birthdays just to name a few. Many an hour was spent entertaining her grandkids and nothing brought more joy to her than to host big meals for family and friends.

Mom will be remembered for her strength, resilience, being very resourceful, keeping busy and always willing to drop everything to help out when needed.

Alvina is survived by her three sons, Redge (Heather), Bryan (Gail), Rodney (Sheri), and one daughter, Kelly (Dan) 11 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren, and her extended family.

On behalf of the family we want to say Thank You to the staff at Kerrobert Long-term Care Home, for the exceptional care they provided to mom during her time there. We deeply appreciate their compassion, kindness, and unwavering support during this challenging time. It truly brought us comfort and for that we are incredibly grateful.

A private family graveside service will be held for Alvina.

A luncheon to share memories of Alvina was held on Saturday Oct 18 at the Luseland Pioneer Club.

Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Kerrobert Funeral Home.

John Alexander Kruesel

September 30th 1938- September 26th 2025 • Age 87 Years

John Kruesel passed away Friday evening September 26th, 2025, at the Kerrobert Hospital. John is survived by his loving wife Elna (Vallance) His 3 children - Kevin, David (Sharon), & Joan (Dean). Seven grandchildren - Shane (Christina), Dylan (Lainee) Tyson (Kelsey) and Wyatt (Keilli) Kruesel; Zane, Connor, and Hanna Kulbida and five great grandchildren - Wade, Nixon, Cabri, Rett, and



Mila. John was an avid hunter and liked snowmobiling plus an enthusiastic NHL hockey fan cheering on his cousin Norm Ullman when he played for the Toronto Maple Leafs in the '60s and '70s. John restored many old International Farm Tractors and several old trucks. John as a young man worked on a railroad gang and several years as a tractor operator building highways in Alberta. John and Elna met in Kerrobert and married in 1962. They moved to the Kruesel family farm in the Millerdale District where they worked and raised their family. John is predeceased by his parents Paul and Mary Kruesel and his 5 siblings Marian, Victor, Albert, Josephine, and Angela (Betty).

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EVENTS

**ALSASK
OCTOBER 24 & 25**
• Alsask Haunted House from 7:00-11:00 PM nightly at the Alsask Recreation Centre. \$15/person (Cash only bar). Everyone welcome.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1
• Alsask Drop-Inn Centre Fall Supper & Games Fundraiser 4:00-8:00 PM. Ham or turkey, potatoes & gravy, veggies and finish with dessert, then stay for games! 206 Main Street. \$25/ person (Age 12 & under - \$10). Call Dave 306-463-0169 for more info.

**BROCK
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25**
• Brocktoberfest fundraiser for the Brock Rink at the Brock Community Hall. Call or text Keri for tickets 306-520-4417. Watch for more details.

**DENZIL
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18**
• Denzil's 38th Annual Fall Fair & Market at the Denzil Community Hall (lower level) 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Lunch starts at 11:00 AM. Booklets and tags can be picked up at Pork's Garage.
• Bones and a Meal sponsored by Denzil Rec Board

**FLAXCOMBE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1**
• Flaxcombe Recreation Association presents Homemade Bathbomb Workshop 1:00-3:30 PM (ages 8+) Cost \$15. Limited seats so please register ASAP. Ice Tea / Snack included. Flaxcombe Community Hall. Call/text 780-242-4936 or 403-461-7905 to register no later than October 16.

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

**KERROBERT
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 15 & 28**
• Leaf pick-up. Please leave your full clear bags on your front boulevards. Pick-up will be on these dates only.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7
• Prairieland Players present "This Time Together" Scenes from the Carol Burnett Show. Dinner Theatre at Prairieland Community Centre. Tickets now available at the Kerrobert Town Office.

- MS Support Group at Kerrobert Health Centre Meeting Room every 3rd Saturday 2:00-4:00 PM. Contact Gail Wiebe for more information 306-834-7068.
- Walk This Way with Lao Thursdays at the PCC from 9:30-10:30 AM. Everyone is welcome and it's FREE.

**KINDERSLEY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16**
• Kindersley Curling Club AGM 7:00 PM Curling Club Lounge. Registration, Committee Reports, Budget. AGM attendees will be entered to win one curling league fee. • Prairieland Players present "This Time Together" Scenes from the Carol Burnett Show. Dinner Theatre at Prairieland Community Centre. Tickets now available at the Kerrobert Town Office.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21
• Kindersley & District Arts Council AGM 7:00 PM at the Norman Ritchie Community Arts Centre.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25
• Kindersley Screen Arts presents "Sacramento" 4:00 PM at Sunset Theatre. \$10 cash at the door with wine and beer available for purchase.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
• Poppy Campaign Kick-Off Supper at the Kindersley Legion Hall. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Chicken supper provided by Jackie's Delicious Delights served at 6:00 PM. Program to follow. Cost \$30/plate. For tickets call Scott Holloway 306-460-4688.

- Parkinson's Support Group Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month 1:30 PM at 401 - 4th Ave West (New Life Church). Everyone welcome! For more info call Nancy at 306-463-4514.
- Monday Night Jam Sessions at the Norman Ritchie Community Centre. Doors open at 6:30 to set-up, then the fun begins at 7-11 PM. Call Keith 306-460-8633.
- Interested in a support group for weight management? TOPS meetings; every Monday at 6:00 PM in the Kindersley Senior Centre OR contact Jill at 306-463-4210.
- Pickleball meets Monday & Wednesday evenings 7:00-9:00 PM at the outdoor courts (in the Curling Rink if inclement weather). Cost is \$50 for the season or \$5 drop in. Our club is a part of Pathway To Wellness. More info call Teresa Knight 306-460-7304.
- 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.
- 365 Kindersley Air Cadets meet Thursday evenings at the Kindersley Museum. No charge to be a member, youth ages 12-18, must be a Canadian resident. Contact Ian Kehrer via text at 306-460-0057 or Sheila Kehrer via text 306-604-9044. Come Fly With Us!
• Every Tuesday: Community Badminton 6:30 - 9:00 PM at Westberry School. Everybody welcome.

**LEADER
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25**
• Leader & District Arts Council presents The Blackbird Sessions featuring Berk Jodoin, Will Ardell, Lachlan Neville. 7:30

PM at the Leader Community Centre. Tickets \$35 (Age 11 & Under \$5). Special pricing for season ticket holders only \$25. Tickets available at Town of Leader Office. Dessert & Coffee.

**LUSELAND
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20**
• Luseland Arts Council presents Lee Siegel 7:30 PM Luseland Homecoming Hall. Covers of the greatest soul singers of all time! Advance tickets available at Luseland Credit Union. Adults \$25; Students \$15; Door Price Adult \$30.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30
• Town Hall Meeting for Luseland Council to provide updates on the municipality and answer questions residents may have. Doors open at 6:30 PM Luseland Salvador Homecoming Hall.

- The Luseland Homecoming Hall will be available for indoor walking on TUESDAY & THURSDAY mornings. Please pick up the key at the Town Office to unlock the door. Silver collection at the door.
- The Luseland Library Art Gallery has a new exhibit on display featuring burnt hats and artwork by Sheryl Zunti"

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
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26**
• Hands at Work Fall Supper 5:00-6:30 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1
• CWL Fall Fair 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Contact Aimee Stang to book a table.
• 4H Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Hall 10:45 AM

- MS Support Group at Kerrobert Health Centre Meeting Room every 3rd Saturday 2:00-4:00 PM. Contact Gail Wiebe for more information 306-834-7068.

**SMILEY
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24**
• Smiley Ladies Night Out. Call Rella for more info 306-838-4213.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2
• Smiley Fowl Supper 5:00-7:00 PM. Adults \$20; 12-18 \$15; 11 & under \$5. Everyone welcome.

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