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A group of volunteers dress up and prepare to scare visitors during the Selkirk Marine Museum's 15th annual Halloween Haunt last Friday night. The final Halloween Haunt night of the season takes place Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission fees will go back into the restoration of the ships. For another photo, see page 7.

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Zebra mussel legislation to come into force 'very soon'

Province reminds boaters they could face up to \$100,000 fine if caught with the aquatic species

By Austin Grabish

Legislation making it illegal to transport zebra mussels while giving the province authority to hand out fines as large as \$100,000 has yet to become law, but that may change next week.

On Monday, the province held a press conference announcing an "additional"\$1-million in funding for the fight against zebra mussels.

However, reporters learned the province will actually only spend an additional \$500,000 on the fight against the mussels.

Conservation and Water Stewardship Minister Tom Nevakshonoff

couldn't say if the money announced Monday was new or redirected from the provincial budget.

"Budgets are a complicated thing,"

Nevakshonoff added it's illegal to possess zebra mussels in Manitoba despite the fact provincial legislation on the mussels has yet to become law.

Nevakshonoff told the Record the province's aquatic species legislation, which could see boaters who are caught with zebra mussels, fined up to \$100,000, would come into effect "very soon."

He hinted that could be as early as next week.

He also while the Manitoba legislation is not yet law, the federal Fisheries Act makes it illegal for anyone to be in possession of zebra mussels.

"The illegality of possessing them



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Conservation and Water Stewardship Minister Tom Nevakshonoff, pictured second from left, speaks to reporters about zebra mussels during a press conference in Winnipeg on Monday.

is what is fundamental here," he said. Nevakshonoff said provincial officials were busy working on the frontlines this summer, and that's why the

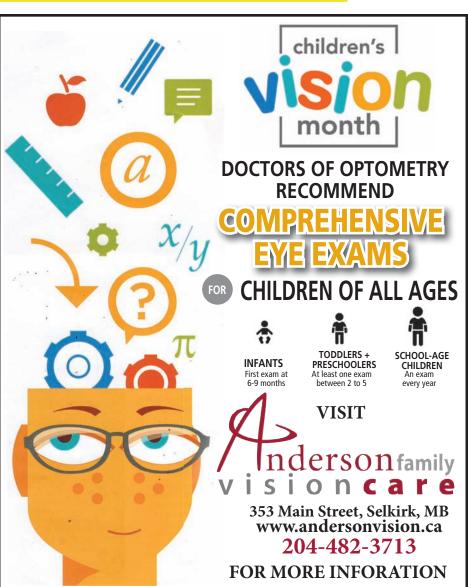
legislation has yet to come into force. "Our efforts were on containment and so forth," he said.

The funding announced Monday will pay for scientific resources, decontamination units, and watercraft inspection stations that will be set up throughout the province next sum-

The stations have already been set up near docks in places like Selkirk Park, where boats were screened for zebra mussels this summer.

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Hotel owner demands higher liquor, VLT sale returns

By Austin Grabish

A massive throne built out of empty beer bottles symbolizes the control the province has over rural hotel owners, says Angelo Mondragon.

Mondragon, the president of the Manitoba Rural Hotel Association, was outside the provincial legislature on Monday protesting in front of the giant beer throne he constructed.

Tombstones representing shuttered rural hotels made a path to the giant throne made up of more than 160 empty beer bottles while a crown cut out of an old beer keg sat high above it as Mondragon protested.

"The main reason I'm here is to just call attention to the province's role in what Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries has been doing to the rural hotels," said Mondragon, who also owns the Notre Dame Hotel. "The idea is that they have sought to take over the beer industry so now I'm saying 'you've wanted to be the masters of the beer industry, so now you are, and here's your throne."

Mondragon and other rural hotel owners have been complaining for months that the province's take on booze and VLT revenues is too high.

Mondragon said while the province continues to take money from beer and VLT sales, many rural hotels are struggling to turn a profit.

The association is calling on the province to lower the amount it takes from hotel revenues.

"If they changed the margins we'd have a stronger foundation," Mondragon said. "We wouldn't all of the sudden become successful, but we'd be able to at least have some room to grow and adapt."

Mondragon couldn't say how many rural hotels have closed due to low earnings, but said one closed every six weeks in Manitoba last year.

And just last week one more closed in Holland, Man., he said.

Ron Lemieux, the minister respon-



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Manitoba Rural Hotel Association president Angelo Mondragon stands next to a giant beer throne he constructed in front of the Manitoba legislature on Monday. Mondragon said he wants the province to lower its take on VLT and beer revenues that come from rural hotels.

sible for Liquor and Lotteries, said Manitoba's "modern" liquor laws give rural hotel owners an advantage other businesses don't have.

"Only hotels have a private beer store no other business can do that," Lemieux said.

He added beer vendors are given a low volume discount when they have a bad year of sales.

Lemieux said it's not Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries job to pay for businesses that can't turn a profit.

"If they're struggling or having a real challenge with regard to their business, liquor and lotteries is not to be subsiding them," he said.

However, Mon-

dragon said the decrease in business at rural hotels in Manitoba shouldn't be blamed on hotel owners.

"People are so quick to blame the owner, but they don't realize ... people don't come into the bar anymore for lots of different reasons," he said.

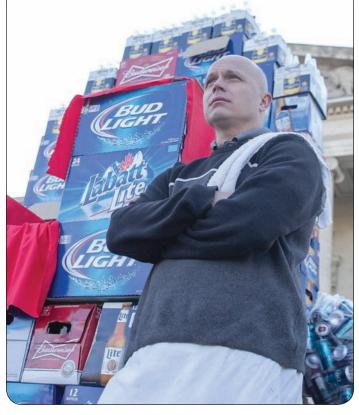
Ron Schuler, the Progressive Conservative critic for Liquor and Lotteries, said while he couldn't say if the

PCs would raise profit margins for owners, rural hotels shouldn't be in the same playing field as big city bars. "Small business cannot be compet-

ing where there's just no fairness involved," Schuler said.

Meanwhile, Mondragon said he's considering selling his hotel.

"I've basically wasted five years of my life," he said.





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Canada Post halts community mailbox program rollout

By Brandon Logan

The way residents inside Selkirk city limits receive their mail has officially changed, while other conversions to community mailboxes across the country have been put on hold.

Implementation of the new community mailbox program started in early 2014 in some regions across the country and finally arrived in Selkirk earlier this month.

However, Canada Post announced late Monday afternoon they are "temporarily suspending future deployment" of the conversion from door-to-door mail delivery to community mailboxes in some parts across Canada.

All conversions planned for November and December and those announced for 2016 are being placed on hold, according to a statement posted on Canada Post's website late Monday afternoon.

This involves roughly 460,000 addresses across the country, which are currently in the process of converting to community mailboxes.

"Customers impacted by this decision will receive a letter within the next few weeks advising them of the status of their mail delivery service," the statement added. "In neighbourhoods where the 10-month internal and community conversion process is complete, customers will collect mail and parcels at their community mailbox.

"This includes customers set to begin receiving their mail and parcels in their boxes in October."

Canadian Union of Postal Workers national president Mike Palecek told



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New Canada Post community mailboxes, like this one pictured along Sophia Street, have been popping up across the City of Selkirk in recent months.

CBC News Monday members are "ecstatic" about the news adding it appears the incoming Liberal government is following up on an election campaign promise.

After months of setting up new mailboxes and mailing keys to residents, Canada Post's new community mailboxes finally came into effect on Monday in Selkirk.

The idea of community mailboxes has been a hot topic for people across Canada since the announcement was made. Although some Canadians never had door-to-door mail to begin with, for others the change to community mailboxes has been a hot-button issue

Selkirk resident Chad Balmer, who

lives along Nelson Avenue, said he understands arguments for and against the

new mailboxes. But in his opinion, it's just a minor change to the system.

"You know what, they really don't bother me at all," he said, noting the new mailboxes located off Nelson Avenue and on Sophia Street.

Since his children walk past the area everyday, he said he wouldn't even have to pick up his mail.

"We have our kids picking up the mail on the way home, so it actually works OK," he said.

But for neighbour Jim Merrick, he's not quite on board with the new mailboxes. While he doesn't have problems accessing the mail himself, the change from door-to-door has created some problems, including job losses across the country.

"Whoever's property they stuck (the mailbox) in front of, that's going to be getting a lot of traffic too," the 71-year-old said, before adding he believes seniors are getting the short end of the

stick."It's not so bad for me, but some of the senior people it could be (in the winter)."

One of those seniors is Arlene Anderson. While the change isn't an issue currently, Anderson said getting her mail would be a big task if her husband wasn't around to help her.

"If I didn't have him around, getting there, especially in the winter, would be a problem," she said, adding she hopes the sidewalks are ploughed enough so older people who do have to walk to their mailboxes in the winter can with ease. "I have breathing issues in the cold weather and asthma, so getting up to walk is tough enough."

A solution Anderson proposed is creating an option for seniors or people with disabilities to have their mail brought to their door.

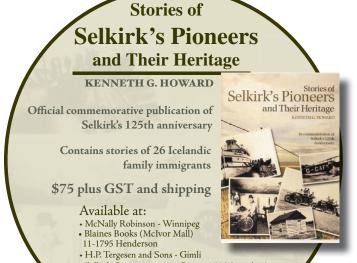
"It would be nice if there was an option where people, seniors with disabilities or people with disabilities, could still have their mail delivered," she added.

While most people have taken a hard stance on either side of the debate, Sophia Street husband and wife team Jim and Donna Mostowy are on the fence.

Both pointed out some pros and cons to the elimination of door-to-door delivery, saying they can see what people for and against are trying to get across to Canada Post.

"There are people who are not in as good condition or shape as us, and they're going to have to make some arrangements to have their mail picked up for them, no doubt," Donna said. "However, we have relatives that have always had community mailboxes. They haven't had any other means having their mail delivered and they've had no trouble what so ever.

"We'll have to give it a chance."



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Clocks are turned back one hour in the fall for what's commonly called "the end of daylight savings time," an idea first used in Germany during the First World War with the goal of saving energy. It aims to take advantage of daylight hours in the spring so that people don't sleep through the first few hours of sunshine.

When the daylight period gets shorter in the fall, the clocks are readjusted to the proper "local standard time."

MGEU rallies hope to drum up public support

Members continue to fight for new collective bargaining agreement

By Brandon Logan

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union (MGEU) members rallied in Selkirk and across the province on Monday.

In hopes of getting a new collective agreement for workers finalized sooner rather than later, MGEU members were in Selkirk rallying at Selkirk MLA and Minster of Finance Greg Dewar's office and then later at the Selkirk Mental Health Centre.

MGEU president Michelle Gawronsky said she hopes the public takes notice of the rallies.

"We want to be able to discuss and hopefully instill in him why it's important that we have a collective agreement for our civil service workers across the province, and how important it is they be given a fair offer," she said regarding the rally outside Dewar's office Monday.

Dewar did stop by his office during the rally and talked to members behind closed doors.

While he understands their concerns, Dewar said an agreement would be reached at the negotiating table rather than at the rallies at MLA offices across the province.

"This issue will be resolved at the negotiating table, not here on Manito-

ba Avenue in Selkirk," he said. "We're there (at the negotiating table) and they're there, and that's where we'll reach an agreement that I'm sure will be beneficial for both sides."

Gawronsky said the rally at the mental health centre was an information session more than anything.

"It's an information rally to let the public know that these services are there, they're important, and they need to be kept," she said.

Besides Selkirk, there were also rallies held in Lorette and later in Steinbach on Monday.

When it comes to negotiations, MGEU members have now been without a contract for 18 months. They're hoping the rallies can help earn public support and support that will push for further negotiations.

"Our hope for Monday is to get the public on board and let them know what is going on and that the services they have could be in jeopardy for the simple fact that the wages aren't going to be comparable to the fair, reasonable rate everyone else got," Gawronsky said, noting workers range from correctional service employees to health and food employees. "We would like the public to be able to call on the MLA's, let them know these



RECORD PHOTO BY BRANDON LOGAN

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union civil service members rally in front of Selkirk MLA and Finance Minister Greg Dewar's office on Monday. Rallies were also held the same day in Lorette and Steinbach.

services are important and we need to maintain them."

Gawronsky said the government did return to the negotiating table when they heard about the upcoming rallies. However, they presented the

same offer.

She's hoping that will change after Monday and the government will be willing to compromise towards getting a new collective bargaining agreement completed.





Foundations team up to help out welding programs







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Students crowd around Ken McKen, of the Canadian Welding Association Foundation, as he does a welding demonstration following a funding announcement at the Comp last Thursday. The Comp's welding program is among nine others set to receive \$5,000 annually over 10 years for much needed upgrades and equipment purchases through a partnership between the CWA Foundation and the Marinucci Family Foundation.

Comp among other schools across Canada set to receive \$5K annually over 10 years

By Lindsey Enns

The Comp's welding program is among nine others across Canada chosen to receive \$5,000 annually over Family Foundation.

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10 years through a partnership be-

tween the Canadian Welding Association Foundation and the Marinucci

The additional funding will allow the local high school to purchase some much needed new welding and safety equipment, according to the Comp's welding department head.

"It just helps us really quite a bit," Kevin Donley said.

Ken McKen of the CWA Foundation was on hand at the Comp last Thursday to make the official announcement in front of Lord Selkirk School Division staff and students.

"We're trying to reach out to as many people as possible and try to get more people in the trade," McKen said, adding last year they started a Mind over Metal summer camp for youth aged 12 to 16. "It was a huge success. We changed lives."

CWA Foundation executive director. Deborah Mates said the additional funds are being made possible though a "generous gift" from the Marinucci Family Foundation.

"We are able to offer 10 secondary schools across the country with the funds to provide their students with a better quality learning experience within their welding programs," Mates said in a release. "It is our objective to grow this model program by encouraging other individuals, corporations and industry partners to look within their own communities to support their local secondary school welding programs."

The 10 selected schools located across Canada will start receiving their funding annually on Jan. 1, 2016. These funds are designed to assist with the purchasing of necessary equipment and materials for existing welding programs.

For Alex Fedak, a Grade 12 student at the Comp, his favourite part of the

welding program is being able to build new things with his classmates.

"You get a lot of the social aspect of working with other people and just learning the trade is the best part," Fedak said. "Just the building aspect of

Donley said they currently have roughly 90 students enrolled in the Comp's welding program.

"We have a limit of how many we can take in but our retention rate is very good lately, we hold on to them very well," Donley said, thanking Gerdau Ameristeel for partnering with them to provide steel and work experience for their students. "Without them we wouldn't be where we are."

The Marinucci Family Foundation, founded in 2010, provides support to education based programs and initia-

"We are excited to partner with the CWA Foundation to significantly enhance secondary school welding programs across Canada," said John Marinucci, founder and chairman of the MFF. "By also working towards developing a secondary school welding program within Newfoundland, students will get to experience the benefit of early exposure to such a vital and growing skilled trade within Canada."

Marinucci serves as a current member on the board of the CWA Foundation and retired as president and CEO of New Flyer in 2009. He also previously served as president of National Steel Car.

The CWA Foundation was founded in 2013 and has since continued to engage various Canadian youth in education and the promotion of welding.



Female Hockey Fights Cancer to hit the ice Nov. 1

By Brandon Logan

Female Hockey Fights Cancer is set to return to Selkirk for a third year on Sunday, Nov. 1.

The annual Cancer Care Manitoba fundraiser, which has three games scheduled throughout the day, will first take place at the University of Manitoba on Halloween before travelling north to Selkirk the following

Opening the festivities in the early afternoon will be a matchup between the Peewee AA Predators and the Peewee AA Saints. That game will be followed by a bantam game with the Winnipeg Avros and St. Mary's Academy Flames from the Manitoba Female Midget Hockey League.

Organizer Dennis Park said it's the generosity of community members that makes the event a success each year.

"I think it gets all the kids involved in the fundraising aspect and it's a way for them to give back to the community," Park said. "Hockey is a community driven sport and everybody wants to get involved when something like this comes along, so it's good."

In the first two editions of the fundraiser, more than \$37,000 has been donated to Cancer Care Manitoba.

Park said the organizing team doesn't really have a dollar amount in mind for this year, but noted players



Female Hockey Fights Cancer teams present a cheque to Cancer Care Manitoba for more than \$13,000 during last year's event at the Selkirk Recreation Complex. This year's event will take place on Nov. 1 in Selkirk.

on every team are required to raise at least \$100. While he won't estimate a final total, he said it will likely exceed everyone's expectations.

"The goal is for the kids to have fun first and foremost. I don't think the dollar amount really matters at the end of the day because there will be money raised," he said. "Players are expected to contribute \$100 worth of fundraising, so each team should generate at least \$1,700."

As for what drives him back every year to organize the fundraiser, Park said it's seeing the joyful faces, both

young and old.

Without the players and teams, he said, the Female Hockey Fights Cancer fundraiser wouldn't be what it is

"My favourite part is just working with all the teams and seeing the excitement on the kids faces when they're participating in the games," Park said, adding the Selkirk Recreation Complex will be decorated for game day as well. "You can organize

this fundraiser all you want, but if the kids aren't interested or involved and take it to heart and work real hard, it wouldn't be successful. It's really the kids and teams that make the day successful."

Game time at the Selkirk Recreation Complex for the peewee game is scheduled for 12 p.m., followed by the bantam game at 2 p.m. and the midget matchup at 4 p.m. on Nov. 1.

Halloween Haunt a hit



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Volunteers gear up to scare visitors aboard the Joe Simpson at the Marine Museum's Halloween Haunt last Friday night.



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Hnausa pier good luck for Kiernicki boys

Hi gang. Boy the news that the bigger walleye have come to the south end of Lake Winnipeg's waterways sure got around fast.

Early last week I drove over to Breezy Point and there had to be 20 or 30 truck-trailer rigs parked along the road with half of them showing licenses from Iowa, Minnesota and the Dakotas. I finally found a spot for "old red" without having to walk a half mile back to the boat ramp. Standing there in the warm overcast afternoon, I watched a chap trying to run his boat onto his trailer. He was having an awful time lining up the boat because of a stiff side current. I went over offering to help and jumped into his truck backing the trailer into deeper water. It worked.

That reminded me of a commercial I saw on TV where an angler launching his boat, pushed it off the trailer to open water then activated the boat's trolling motor with a hand remote control steering the boat to shore while he stood there high and dry.

As soon as the ramp was free another guy and gal pulled up with their boat and as the fellow went for his rig, the girl stood waiting by the boat so I went over and asked if they had caught any fish. She laughed saying," I did, but dad didn't and this was my first time out with him."

Our new friend Winnipegger Sammy Peebles continued, "he gave me this ratty old rod that was broken then stuck together with electrical tape, but it worked."

She said the reason she hadn't gone with her dad, Lesley Burke, before was because she didn't think she could take a fish off a hook. Unfortunately for Sammy, Les did take her catch off her hook but since he has a sense of humor, he tossed one at her smacking her on the shoulder. She was not a happy angler.



RECORD PHOTO BY ARNIE WEIDL Lawrence Kiernicki holds up some of his perch catch at Hnausa pier.

As freeze-up approaches we anglers will once again be faced with the challenge of finding safe ice or open water to keep fishing. This has almost never been a problem for Tim Heldt of Powerview who I met a few weeks ago. He told me he can fish open water at Manitou Falls until the south Lake Winnipeg basin ice is safe to navigate on every year.

Last Thursday, I was convinced it was time for another story from Riverton or Hecla but when I rolled up to Riverton's pier there wasn't a soul around. Fine, I thought to myself, I'll

just go to the Hecla piers. Well, there were lots of "souls" there-hundreds of them- seagulls that is, but not an angler in sight.

On Saturday morning however, still determined to find some fellow fishers up there I went right back to the Riverton pier and low and behold two chaps were sitting in a truck their rods stuck in pails, lines in the water. I parked beside them and introduced myself to Lawrence and Dennis Kiernicki of Winnipeg. These easy going soft spoken brothers actually looked alike with their salt and pepper hair white beards and large frames. They hadn't caught anything yet so after a bit I said good-bye and headed for

Again both piers were completely covered with seagulls-not an angler among them. By now I was getting a little frustrated so I thought OK, maybe Hnausa. As I slowly drove onto Hnausa pier the truck closest to me looked very familiar. Sure enough it was the Kiernicki boys who we met at the Riverton pier and one of them was just reeling up a fish. We laughed looking at each other as I pulled alongside them. On the pier, in the drizzle, we again traded stories while Lawrence held up some perch as I took a picture. Lawrence told how when he was younger he used to be with the Wonder Shows. He said in the summer they would take the amusements to Bloodvein Nation via the Pine Dock to Bloodvein Ferry. He remembered it as some of the greatest times of his young life and was saddened to hear that the Ferry was about to be retired.

Well, thanks for coming along; let's get together again next week, bye.



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ADMINISTRATION Corrie Sargent

Sears, Lockport Appliance close up shop this month

Both closures will impact consumers in Selkirk and area, Sears owner says

By Brandon Logan

There will soon be two fewer options for Interlake residents looking to purchase appliances without having to travel to Winnipeg.

Sears in Selkirk closed its doors last week and Lockport Appliance is set to do the same at the end of this month.

Standing in an empty room last Tuesday, Sears owner Penny Kowerko said their closure had to do with contract negotiations with Sears.

"We couldn't come to an agreement," Kowerko said, adding she'll now keep busy by running Selkirk Courier out of the same building. "We just found it unfeasible to continue."

It's been a tough final two weeks, she

said. However, the outpouring support from the community has been outstanding.

"They're really sad (about the closure). People are bringing me gifts, bottles of wine and thank you cards. It's actually pretty sad," she said. "The community has been wonderful and we want to thank everyone for how much they came here.

"We had really good support and a lot of loyal customers."

The decision to close, she said, will definitely hurt consumers in Selkirk. Kowerko said that will be double when her business peer Lockport Appliance closes too.

"I think it will hurt a lot, because with Lockport Appliance closing, now they only have one stop to shop for appliances," she noted.

Calls were made to Lockport Appliance, but the Selkirk Record's request for an interview went unreturned before press time Monday.



RECORD PHOTO BY BRANDON LOGAN

Sears owner Penny Kowerko, pictured left, along with her employees stand in the almost-empty store during its last day of operation last Tuesday.

Children's clothing, toy swap aims to help families in need

A local mother is hoping to help out those less fortunate in the community by organizing a children's clothing and toy swap next month.

On Saturday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., community members are invited to bring in their washed and gently used children's clothing and toys to Knox Presbyterian Church Hall, located at 341 Eveline St.

Cari Lecocq, who lives just outside of Selkirk, said she's organizing the swap in hopes of helping out other community and area members with young children.

"I'm a single parent and I have a few friends who are also low income so unfortunately they can't afford to buy clothes to put on their children's backs so that in part inspired me to create this clothing swap," Lecocq said, adding it also helps residents reduce their carbon footprint by reusing items that would otherwise end up in the trash."And also to reduce the need to purchase new clothing that could be

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made in a third world country.

"All in all it's a really good idea to get the community together to support ... and help out families that are in need."

Those interested in helping out can contact Cari Lecocq directly by calling 204-998-7173 or via email at cari. lecocq@yahoo.com.

Lecocq is also asking for those interested to bring some sort of drink or snacks to the event.

For more information, visit the event's Facebook page, Selkirk Toy and Clothing Swap.

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Nevakshonoff said he disagrees with University of Winnipeg biologist Eva Pip who told several media outlets earlier this month Lake Winnipeg was a lost cause that couldn't be saved.

"I do not think the lake is dead or will die," he said. "I don't think any of us should contemplate for a moment on giving up on any struggle to combat this invasive species."

Tory Conservation and Water Stewardship critic Shannon Martin said additional funding for the fight against zebra mussels is "long over-

"It's important to remember that zebra mussels were first discovered in the Red River Basin over six years ago," Martin said.

Longtime Lake Winnipeg angler

Robert Kristjanson said he and other fishers warned the government years ago about zebra mussels.

He couldn't say what impact the mussels have had so far on his family's fishing business, but admits he's worried.

"The devastation has yet to be seen, and it's not only Lake Winnipeg," Kristjanson said. "The beaches around Lake Winnipeg and the hard bottom all along the east side will be absolutely devastating."

University of Winnipeg president Dr. Annette Trimbee was also appointed to a provincial science advisory committee Monday.

She will work as a partner who will help aid in the fight against the mussels.



Province, city team up on Main St. resurfacing project

Staff

Selkirk and area residents can soon expect a much smoother drive down a portion of Selkirk's Main Street.

The much needed resurfacing of a 1.5 kilometre stretch of one of Selkirk's main roadways began last Friday and will continue over the next two weeks.

The roughly \$723,000 project, which will see two inches of surface material milled off the top of the street, from Strathnaver to Manitoba avenues, and replaced with new asphalt, will be cost shared by the province and the City of Selkirk.

The province will contribute \$500,000 and the city's share, which will come from reserve funds, will be \$215,000.

The entire street surface, including two lanes in each direction, as well as parking lanes and turning lanes, will be resurfaced.

Although it's referred to as Main Street, the majority of the road is part of Highway 9 and is managed by the province.

Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson said he's thrilled the province has committed funds to improve Main Street and that it's going to happen this year. He said this project demonstrates the



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The much needed resurfacing of a 1.5 kilometre stretch of Selkirk's Main Street began last Friday and will continue over the next two weeks. The roughly \$723,000 project is being cost shared between the province and City of Selkirk.

strong partnership the two levels of government have, and he thanked Selkirk MLA Greg Dewar and the minister of highways for making it happen.

"This is a big one. We've had a list here and we've been checking it off as we go and this one was definitely on the list," Johannson said. "This is something all citizens have been waiting for and it's really going to improve the first impressions that anybody that hasn't been to our city will have when they come into Selkirk."

The condition of Main Street has long been a concern for city residents,

and CAO Duane Nicol said the upgrades to the street's surface align with the city's strategic plan, which calls for smooth operation of transportation systems and more active management of capital assets.

Nicol said the city had funds in reserve, so when the province indicated the work could start this fall, the city was ready.

He added it's a project Selkirk residents want to see completed.

"We know that this is an issue that concerns local residents, local businesses and it's been an ongoing issue for some time. The province is well aware of it and they've committed to working with us and we're really happy that they've been able to find the resources to make this project happen this year," Nicol said. "They should be congratulated on their commitment to infrastructure."

The city hand-delivered notices about the impending work to affected businesses Friday afternoon.

Nicol said traffic will continue to flow in both directions, as one lane will be open throughout construction. Access to Main Street from side streets will be limited periodically, but only for short periods of time.

Auto theft involving keys on the rise, MPI stats show

Staff

Manitoba vehicle owners are strongly encouraged to protect their keys in the wake of rising key-related thefts.

Of the 400 vehicles reported stolen this past spring, 75 per cent involved the use of keys, representing an 11 per cent increase of key-related thefts compared to the spring of 2014, according to Manitoba Public Insurance claims data.

"Thanks to a number of highly successful anti-theft initiatives, Winnipeg has long lost the tag as the auto theft capital of Canada," Attorney General and minister responsible for Manitoba Public Insurance Gord Mackintosh said. "Over the last decade, auto thefts in the City of Winnipeg have declined by nearly 85 per cent. However, there's still work to be done if we want to achieve further reductions in the auto theft numbers."

With the goal of raising awareness about protecting vehicle keys, Manitoba Public Insurance and CAA Manitoba have launched a public awareness campaign, in partnership with members of the Citizens on Patrol Program (COPP). Over the next few months, COPP members will be



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holding information sessions in their respective communities to remind vehicle owners about the importance of safeguarding vehicle keys. In total, there are 59 COPP groups in the province

"Stolen vehicles are typically driven dangerously, potentially endangering the lives of innocent motorist, pedestrians and cyclists," MPI's vice-president of business development and communications and chief product officer, Ward Keith said. "For public safety, it's important to eliminate the opportunity for these crimes and help to keep Manitoba roadways safe."

CAA Manitoba is also urging Manitobans to protect their vehicles from auto thieves.

"Our weather will soon be turning colder, but even in extreme winter conditions, vehicles only need a couple of minutes to warm up," CAA Manitoba president and CEO Mike Mager said. "There is no reason to leave your keys in the ignition. To reduce warm up time, plug your vehicle in when it's colder than -18 C."

RCMP Sgt. Bert Paquet told the Record via email, with colder weather just around the corner, "warming up a vehicle outside while you wait inside is the equivalent of posting a sign on your car saying 'take me.'"

Paquet added park in well lit areas, never leave valuables inside your vehicle, including small amounts of change or money.

"It takes seconds to break into a vehicle and grab these items," he said. "Using an anti theft device like a club is also a great deterrent."

Connecting Canadians draws ire from local Internet providers



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Gary Harbour, vice president of QuickStream, an Internet service provider in the Tri-S area, said he's concerned about the federal government's handling of the Connecting Canadians program.

Bv Austin Grabish

A federal government program that promises to speed up Internet for thousands of Canadians has caught the ire of smaller service providers in

Some providers are questioning why the program is going into areas where high speed Internet already exists.

The Independent Manitoba Wireless Internet Providers Association says the Connecting Canadians program has been poorly handled since it launched last July.

The program is part of a federal government initiative to address gaps in the delivery of high-speed Internet in rural and remote parts of the country before Canada celebrates its 150th birthday in 2017.

The association, which represents 17 Manitoba Internet providers, feels the feds have set up an uneven playing field that has only benefited larger Internet companies.

"This program started with the earnest intent to bring under served residents the Internet speeds needed to succeed in today's world," said Erik Jansson, president of the association, in a release. "What has followed has been poor execution, rushed announcements and the potential waste of millions of taxpayers' dollars."

In May, under the Conservative government, Selkirk-Interlake MP James Bezan, announced more than 8,000 homes in the Selkirk-Interlake riding would benefit from federal funding

allocated to the Connecting Canadians program.

However, Gary Harbour, vice president of local Internet company Quick-Stream, said he has concerns over Bezan's announcement, and has asked Industry Canada to investigate the program.

He wants to know why the feds have committed funding for high speed Internet in places like Selkirk, where it already exists.

He said local Internet companies like his have already invested millions to bring high speed Internet to rural areas in areas the government is now subsidizing other providers to service.

"They're not staying to the scope of the program," Harbour said.

Bezan said he's met with Harbour and others who are concerned about the program, and has brought their concerns forward to Ottawa.

He acknowledged the program was meant to give high-speed Internet to those that don't have it, and not increase competition amongst provid-

"That is a shared concern that I have," he said.

The association said millions in taxpayer dollars could be wasted through the new program.

"These kind of anti-competition, anti-small business and anti-rural programs hurt communities and private business for many years to come," a press release from the association

Chili for children's charities



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Vince Oberholzer and Kelly Spuzak at the Selkirk Post Office serve up a bowl of chili, a bun and a drink to help raise money for children's charities across Manitoba last Friday afternoon. Tickets were also available to win one of three prize baskets.



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'There needs to be more effort to stop the war there'

Syrian-Canadians share their stories with Comp students

By Brandon Logan

The Syrian refugee crisis remains an important on-going topic worldwide and that discussion was brought to the Comp earlier this month.

Nour Ali and Maysoun Darweesh, two Syrian-Canadians who immigrated to Manitoba three years ago, talked to high school students during lunch hour on Oct. 16 about their homeland and the need to bring refugees to Canada.

"We believe the new generation – the future of Canada - can make change," Ali said."This is one reason we like to focus (on talking to) high school and all kinds of schools."

The duo spent time talking about their homeland and describing what it's like. Both arrived in Canada in December 2012 and now call Winnipeg



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Syrian-Canadians Nour Ali (standing) and Maysoun Darweesh (sitting) talk to Comp students on Oct. 16 about the ongoing worldwide Syrian refugee crisis.

home.

With thousands upon thousands of Syrians being displaced due to civil war, Darweesh said it's important to find these people homes.

"Our focus is now on civilians who have nothing to do (with the war). They are victims and we need to do something for them," she said.

Darweesh, who says she's proudly a

Canadian now, said it's important for her and Ali to not forget their roots and fight for their fellow Syrians looking to move to a new place.

"I always say give these people a chance; they need a chance and need to start over," she said. "They need to have roots somewhere, because their roots are being burned and they have nothing left."

While finding homes for refugees is extremely important, both Ali and Darweesh both said the Syrian war needs to come to an end.

"We have a very critical situation and we need to deal with it and solve it. There needs to be more effort to stop the war there," Darweesh said. "In our perspective, the world should do something more to stop the war."

Following their presentation, the pair said they hoped they were able to help educate and create discussion about the on-going situation.

They also plan on visiting more schools throughout the province to spread awareness.

Consultations help task force examine provincial veterinary services

By Natasha Tersigni

Last week the public had a chance to weigh-in on the performance of the provincial network of veterinary services at three public consultations held in Dauphin, Brandon and Stone-

On Oct. 22 members of the Rural Veterinary Task Force (RVTF), assembled by the provincial government as part of a periodic review, spoke with the public at the Red Barn in Stonewall about the current state of rural veterinary services.

In Manitoba there are currently 27 clinics and 145 practising veterinar-

ians in rural Manitoba that are part of the Veterinary Service District (VSD) program. The program is funded by both the municipal and the provincial

The RVTF began gathering information in June regarding the state of Manitoba's veterinary services including the current veterinary structure, funding, clinic infrastructure, residents' needs and the roles veterinary services play in food safety, biosecurity and animal welfare.

"The main emphasis is to find out what is working, what is not working quite as well and what could be

changed. We are listening to rural Manitobans

erywhere to hear what their thoughts are on the services they are getting. We also want to look at where we can grow and change the services," said RVTF Chairman Dr. Paul Schneider.

Volunteers for the Pawed Pals Animal Rescue, a non-profit organization that fosters and finds permanent homes for cats and dogs in the Selkirk, St. Andrews and St. Clements area, spoke at the meeting in Stonewall on how there needs to be more access and subsidies for spay and neutered programs in order to control stray cat and dog populations from continuing

"We think that spay and neutering is the only way we are actually going to control the cat and dog population. There are more than 50 rescues in Manitoba and the number of unwanted animals and the number of cats wandering the streets without adequate food and shelter is growing," said Pawed Pals Animal Rescue Chairperson Veronica Walsh who added if the number continues to grow Manitoba could soon face issues of stray animals spreading diseases such as rabies.

Schneider said the RVTF is still in the information gathering stage and is not ready to release any recommendations. He added so far the RVTF is receiving positive feedback about the current state of veterinary services in rural Manitoba.

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Lundar's primary care clinic set to receive much needed upgrades

The Interlake Town of Lundar is receiving some much needed improvements to its primary care clinic.

The Manitoba Government and Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority announced on Oct. 16 that a tender has been released for a project to renovate the clinic in town.

According to Health Minister Sharon Blady, the renovation will allow for better health care services in the town.

"Without a modern clinic, it's difficult for primary health care providers to work together to provide coordinated health services," Blady said in the health authority's news release. "This renovation will ensure primary care services remain available in the community so people can access the care they need close to home."

Built in 1982, Lundar's clinic has a 20bed personal care home and 23-suite elderly persons housing complex. When renovations are completed, the new clinic will have two more clinic rooms and two more consultation rooms.

The extra space will help provide improved chronic disease prevention services, mental health care and home care services among other things.

Ron Van Denakker, Interlake-Eastern Regional Healthy Authority CEO, said the new clinic would help take in more clients at one time.

"We're improving the delivery of care in Lundar with this new clinical environment that benefits patients and staff. Improved efficiencies in patient flow will let care providers accommodate more clients in rooms designed to ensure patient confidentiality,"Van Denakker stated in the release."At the same time, we're looking ahead as part of regional clinical services planning to see where we may need to evolve in Lundar to enhance our service delivery based on residents' needs."

If all goes to plan, Blady said the tender should be awarded next month, with work set to begin before winter.





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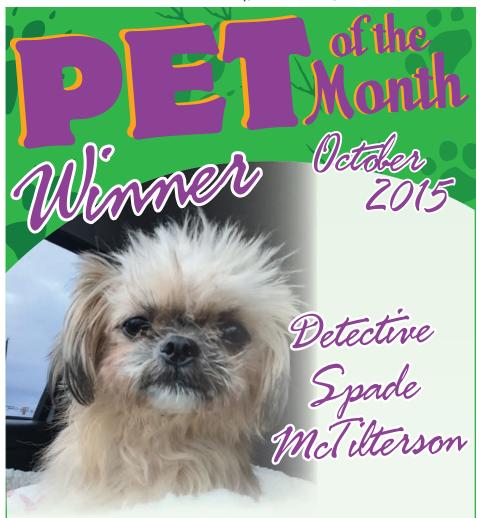
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Province, MPI renew winter tire low-interest financing program

Staff

With October almost at an end, Manitobans are preparing for winter. And with winter comes a change in tires.

After last year's success with a winter tire low-interest financing program, Manitoba Public Insurance and the province are set to offer it again this winter.

"The safety benefits of winter tires are well documented and this positive response confirms that many Manitoba vehicle owners have made road safety a priority," Gord Mackintosh, minister responsible for MPI, said in a release on Oct. 19. "The purpose of this low-interest winter tire financing program is to allow Manitobans, who otherwise might not be financially able to do so, to equip their vehicles with winter tires."

Last year alone, more than 30,000 Manitobans signed up for the program, which was introduced in the fall. The program, according to the release, can provide up to \$2,000 in loans per vehicle for up to 48 months at prime plus two per cent.

"Loss prevention programs ultimately benefit all of our customers through reduced claims costs," Ward Keith, vice-president of Business Development and Communications and chief product officer for MPI, said in the release. "A vehicle equipped with winter tires helps the driver avoid collisions by reducing braking distances on ice and snow."

For more information about the program, who qualifies for it and participating winter tire retailers in the province, visit mpi.mb.ca.

Community gathers for grand opening



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Several community members and local dignitaries gathered at Benjamins Gourmet Foods along Manitoba Avenue for the shop's pantry and cellar grand opening on Oct. 16.

Bingo bowl on Nov. 14 to benefit Turning Leaf support services

Staff

Turning Leaf Community Support Services in Selkirk is gearing up to host a special fundraiser next month.

"We are a non-profit agency that works with individuals with intellectual disabilities and mental illness," Nicole Milner, residential team lead for Turning Leaf Community Support Services told the *Record* via email.

On Saturday, Nov. 14 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Turning Leaf is hosting a bingo bowl and silent auction at the Selkirk Bowling Alley. All proceeds from the event will go towards The Fallen Leaf Fund.

Milner said the fund was founded in 2012 to raise money to ensure critical services, such as crisis counselling, safe housing for women at risk and to those living with mental illness is made available.

Milner added Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson plans to attend the event as well as Turning Leaf's CEO Barkly Engel.

"We are looking to raise awareness of the services that we offer to the community," she said.

For more information about Turning Leaf, visit turningleafservices.com.

Red Run draws dozens of community members

By Brandon Logan

Chances are if you were driving around Selkirk this past Saturday morning, you may have spotted costumed runners taking part in the fifth annual Red Run charity event.

Roughly 50 people participated in this year's run with the majority sporting their Halloween costumes in the spirit of the season.

Event co-ordinator Bonnie Peloski said it's an extremely fun event that's tied to a good cause.

"I don't think there's any other runs like it, because it's raising money for children ages zero to five so they can receive free books," Peloski said, adding the children will get one ageappropriate book sent to their home each month until they turn six years

Benefiting Selkirk's Dolly Parton Library, approximately 17,301 books have been sent to children since the fundraiser's inception back in 2010.

"About 300 children receive books and so far we've had over \$11,000 fundraised in five years," Peloski noted. "Close to 1,000 children in the City of Selkirk the last five years have been getting books."





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Participants in the fifth annual Red Run take off from the starting line last Saturday morning. The annual fundraiser benefits Selkirk's Dolly Patron Library which has sent roughly 17,301 books to children since its inception in 2010.

Literacy is an extremely important aspect of young schooling, she said. By having this program available in the city, Peloski said it allows children to get a head start on their education before they even get into the class-

She added the community support year-after-year is always stellar.

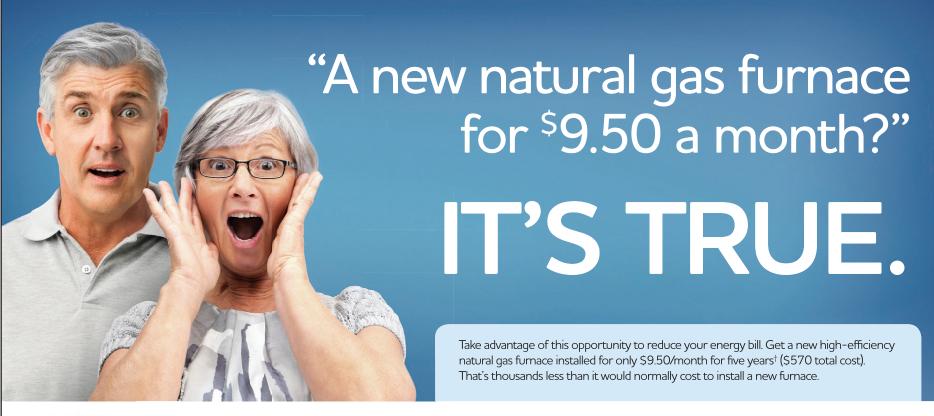
"We have donations and volunteers from all over the city and from Winnipeg as well," Peloski said, adding the Selkirk Friendship Centre rents out the space for free during the day of the fundraiser.

With three different routes for runners, Red Run also provides participants with a challenging, yet scenic run. It's also one of the last events competitive racers take part in ahead of the winter offseason.

Besides raising money for a honourable cause, Peloski said her favourite part about co-ordinating this fundraiser is seeing the outfits.

"I love seeing everyone in costumes and seeing how excited they are to run," she said. "It's just a fabulous energy."

Because the registration fee is roughly the same amount of money it takes to provide a child with a book until he or she is five years old, Peloski said there will be many more happy children in the city once books start being mailed out.





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Career fair helps engage St. Andrews School students

By Brandon Logan

St. Andrews School students took a short trip to the St. Andrews Community Club for a mini career fair last Tuesday.

Marla Yarema, the early years guidance counsellor at the school, said the day of activities was a good way to engage the students about their future career options.

"We're having the career fair to engage the kids in different career paths and in different subjects at school," Yarema said during the fair. "I think the kids really like the hands-on activities that the presenters are providing."

"I think they like that each station is 10 minutes long, so it's quick movement. They seem engaged and have their hands up at every station."

Among the organizations at the fair included LifeSmiles, the Manitoba Lung Association, Reflexology, Harry's Food, the St. Andrews Fire Station, Prairie Oak Tree Services, Steelcity Physiotherapy and Wellness Centre and Sunova.

There were also career people in the fitness, yoga, dentist, agriculture, health care, advertising and education industries.



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St. Andrews School early years guidance counsellor Marla Yarema, pictured left, and a class of Grade 1 students pet Sunova's large St. Bernard during the school's career fair last Tuesday.

Leaving the classroom was also another positive, Yarema said.

While in class learning is always important, it's also useful to get the children out of the school and into other environments with other adults who can share positive messages, she added.

"I think it exposes them to different situations or different scenarios and I think they like it. They like to be outside the classroom and they like learning new things," she noted. "And I think it's good to hear different messages from different adults, not just from their teachers."

When asked what his favourite part of the day was, Grade 3 student Ro-

han Guevarra had two answers.

"Because we don't have to work," he said before laughing.

But on a more serious note, Guevarra said the firefighter station was his favourite part of the fair.

"The best part about today has been the fire station," he said. "I liked it because there's lots of neat stuff in the fire trucks like an ax."

Along with the many stations, the children were also visited by a former National Football League and Canadian Football League player.

Rod Hill, who spent his 11-year football career between two leagues, played for the Dallas Cowboys, Buffalo Bills, Detroit Lions and Los Angeles Raiders. Following his NFL career, Hill landed with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and set the franchise record for interceptions during his five seasons with the team.

Looking back at the day, Yarema said it was a perfect outing for the kids, and the reception from them has been outstanding.

"There's been smiles, hands up and they were very excited to see the bakers, the fire station, the RCMP and Rod Hill," she said. "So there's been lots of engaging adults with different careers and different strengths."



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Squeegee Day for soup kitchen



PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL

Kim Wright has her windows cleaned by East Selkirk firefighter Ted Wur while getting a hug from Sparky at Selkirk Co-op during the first annual Squeegee Day last Friday afternoon. Drivers were invited to have their windows squeegeed and grab a chili dog cooked by members of the Selkirk and East Selkirk fire departments. Funds raised will go directly to Selkirk's Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.

Interlake-Eastern RHA mobile medical clinic hitting the road

By Jeff Ward

The third mobile clinic to pop-up in Manitoba will be starting its dry run here in the Interlake and the Eastern part of the province by end of the year providing residents with the chance to see a primary care nurse weekly.

The Interlake-Eastern RHA mobile clinic is a state of the art medical facility that has two clinic rooms, a bathroom, a central waiting area and administration desk as well as a counter area for lab processing.

The clinic is essentially a primary care clinic on wheels, and will be based in Gypsumville, Prawda, Grand Marais and Seymourville, while servicing the people in the broader

Each site in these communities will be located close to their respective community centres or halls to ensure that resident will have the easiest year-round access.

"Each unit will have a nurse practitioner and a primary care nurse. With this system we can make sure that each community has access to primary health care in some way. We'll be doing dry runs in Dec. and that will be fantastic. It'll give us a great idea of how things are going to work," said Annabelle Reimer, regional manager for primary health care services for the Interlake-Eastern RHA.

Each site needs to have the correct electrical, Internet and phone hookups so that the unit can operate as intended. This is not a system that can be deployed on the side of any highway, and although it might look like a cozy RV on the outside, it is a very effective health care outlet on the inside. The mobile clinic will be on rotation for each of those four communities with Selkirk operating as a home base for the clinic. Each community will have one day each week when the mobile clinic is scheduled for their area, for Gypsumville that day is Wednesday.

The mobile clinics are all part of the initiative the provincial government promised back in Nov. of 2011 to make sure that any Manitoban who wants a family doctor will have access to one by 2015.

Afternoon stroll in style



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Elizabeth Logan, who runs a day care in Selkirk, takes Gabriel, Ava, Kendall and Parker for a wagon ride along Sophia Street on a Sunny Wednesday afternoon on Oct. 14.



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Comp hosts math teachers professional development day

By Brandon Logan

The Comp hosted roughly 700 math teachers from school divisions across Manitoba last Friday.

For the first time in the school's history, it was home to the Manitoba Association of Mathematics Teachers (MAMT) professional development day.

The day, which focuses on idea sharing and classroom discussion amongst educators, had teachers from kindergarten to Grade 12 in attendance.

"We have a wide variety of sessions for all kindergarten to Grade 12 teachers, ranging from problem solving to deepening the understanding of linear equations," MAMT site coordinator Trish Goosen said.

Goosen said sharing ideas is particularly important because teachers often work in isolation not only in their school divisions, but also their classrooms.

"When teachers have an opportunity to get together across divisions, they have an opportunity to network, share ideas, share best practices and just bring forth the importance of keeping mathematics education on the forefront."

Comp high school teacher Lauren



RECORD PHOTO BY BRANDON LOGAN

Teachers from across Manitoba gathered at the Comp last Friday for the Manitoba Association of Mathematics Teachers professional development day.

Dyck said with the massive age gap between teachers, it's always nice to pick the brains of younger, up and coming educators.

"I've done this over and over and over again for years. Curriculums have changed, but sometimes you get a little stagnant," Dyck said. "I haven't been to university in a while, but to get young people coming in and saying, 'listen, this is the newest technology, these are the new ideas out there and we're trying this.' This allows us to get that information without having to go to university."

One of the sessions Dyck attended was led by one of her many colleagues in which educators learned about the flipped classroom model where students at home view short video lectures and in-class time is used for discussion and exercises.

"It's something we haven't done a lot of and we're kind of trying to see what the results are," Dyck said. "The day here is a sharing day and it's kind of cool because you get people not just from a community like Selkirk, but also the bigger city in Winnipeg and the smaller communities where they have smaller classes and do different things."

Goosen said planning for the event has been a three-year process since a lot of the professional development days are held in Winnipeg, she thought it would be a good idea to bring it out to a rural community.

"I think it's important to highlight what we do in rural Manitoba, particularly in the Lord Selkirk School Division," she said. "We brought it here and I believe it has been a tremendous success."

And that success wouldn't have been possible without the countless volunteers throughout the community, Goosen added.

She said everyone from the teachers at the Comp, to students and the entire city helped make the one-day event a hit among the teachers who attended.



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Dinner, dance honours Legends of Grand Beach

By Laura Tutlies

Ten years ago Jack Frater and a small band of dedicated members of the Grand Beach Cottage Owners Association (GBCOA) thought that honouring the hard work of some of their members would be a good idea.

Grand Beach has a large contingent of residents who spend as much time between May and October near the beautiful white sands of Grand Beach Provincial Park. Since the park became an official provincial entity in 1961, it has been the gathering place for thousands wishing to escape the city for days and weeks for pure fun and relaxation. Since the early 1900's, folks came first by boat, then by train and eventually by road to the refreshing waters of the Lake Winnipeg South Basin.

From the beginning, the area that is now a park, became a campground and also home to dozens of permanent structures where families would spend their summer months. The residents in this cottage area have been responsible for establishing the businesses along the boardwalk, tennis courts, play structures and a vibrant community centre with a plethora of activities for residents and guests. Some might say that to honour the legends of Grand Beach was just another excuse for a dinner and dancing and perhaps it is, however, for 10 years it has been a very good party. Tickets go quickly each year, and those who have volunteered so much of their time to the park are carefully chosen by their peers.

The event has a dozen sponsors and also features door prizes, a raffle and 50/50 draw in addition to the awards and the dance that follows dinner.

"We are always 'up' for a party and calling attention to the hard working members of our cottage association is just one way to do that," said Dave Rogne, current GBCOA president. "Take for instance Brad Flagan. You can always count on Brad to get the job done. In fact, he has generally already thought out the pending task. Work on the medical office or on the community club itself, have been jobs he has taken on."

For this, Flagan was recognized as Volunteer of the Year.

The Legends of Grand Beach along with a dinner, dance and awards took place at the end of the cottage season. An excellent dinner catered by Tyler Gray of the Sandbar Motel and bar was topped off with purely delicious blueberry pie, blueberries of course being the native fruit of the East Beaches.

There were two winners of the Leg-



RECORD PHOTO BY LAURA TUTLIES

For 10 years, the Grand Beach Players have been entertaining crowds at the Grand Beach Community Club. This year, the troupe was honoured as a Legend of Grand Beach during an annual dinner and dance held recently.

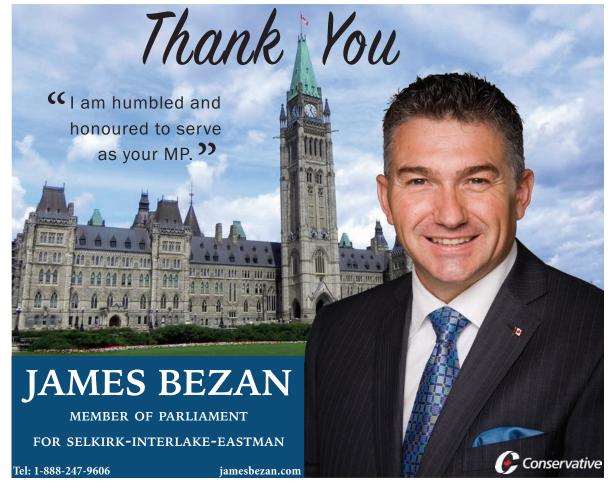
end Awards this year. The first was Jack Frater who has not only spearheaded the event but has given countless hours to the well being of the cottagers who are his neighbours. A fit man, well into his senior years, Frater can still be seen walking into the town of Grand Marais to collect his mail and the paper. His free time is generously shared with other members of the GBCOA who keep their members robust with organized activity and

entertainment throughout the summer. Frater, with several other dedicated team members have created an event, the Legends dinner and dance into one of the highlights of the cottage season.

The second 2015 Legend award was given to the Grand Beach Players who have provided racy hilarity to the cottage owners and their guest every year at the beginning of the summer. The Players were collected 10 years ago and despite indications the last three years that "this year will be the last", the

troupe have managed to not miss a performance for a decade. Lead by the dauntless Pat Daly the group of would-be thespians have entertained audiences with dinner theatre and stories created by Daly over the winter months. Her themes often parody local politicians, colorful cottage owners and park issues and romances, illicit or otherwise. The dozen 'Players' begin in March or April with their rehearsals and it is questionable as

to how much of the original script is translated to the stage as tutelage from Daly apparently inspires the actors and actresses to step outside their comfort zone to perform for two evenings of hilarity. Tickets are always sold out, well in advance of the two evenings and nearly all the members of the Grand Beach Players were on hand to collect their prize as a Legend of Grand Beach.





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'It's a huge honour to be able to represent the riding'

Liberal MaryAnn Mihychuk ready to represent Kildonan-St. Paul

By Brandon Logan

Kildonan-St. Paul has turned Liberal

For the first time since the riding's inception in 2003, another party outside of the Tory's will be in power. Liberal MaryAnn Mihychuk won the six-candidate race with 18,698 votes (42.6 per cent) of the 43,846 casted on election day last Monday and in advanced polls.

Former Conservative MP Joy Smith was first elected in 2004 and was reelected three more times before her retirement earlier in 2015. Jim Bell, former Winnipeg Football Club employee, replaced Smith as the Conservative candidate.

Bell received 17,478 votes (39.9 per



MARYANN MIHYCHUK

cent), which left him just over 1,200 votes short of Mihychuk.

Trailing Mihychuk and Bell was Suzanne Hrynyk of the NDP. She earned 6,271 votes (14.3 per cent) followed by Green Party's Steven Stairs at 773 votes (1.8 per cent), Christian Heritage Party's David Reimer at 484 (1.1 per cent) and Independent Eduard Walter Hiebert at 142 votes (0.3 per

Voter turnout in the area was also well above the national average as 43,846 (71.17 per cent) of 61,604 eligible registered voters cast their ballots.

"It's a huge honour to be able to represent the riding," Mihychuk said last Tuesday morning following election night. "It is a sign of reassurance that hard work and a good plan is something that people were looking for."

"We were one of those ridings where polls predicted we were going to lose, however, on the ground game we knew that we were probably leading. It was close, but we knew we had it."

While her victory was a big one, Mihychuk was even more excited about the Liberal majority. With the Liberals in complete power, she said she expects to see some "significant and positive projects" in the riding over

the next four years.

Now that she's officially a Member of Parliament, Mihychuk's biggest takeaway from campaigning is faceto-face interaction is the best way to build confidence amongst voters.

"I started knocking on doors 18 months ago meeting people and talking with them. I knew we would never be able to reach the number of people there are in Kildonan-St. Paul in even 11 weeks," Mihychuk explained. "I remember going on Lansdowne and the summer before I had been there with my son. I came to this house again and the fellow goes, 'Hi MaryAnn, did you bring your son back?' I was like 'Woah, people remember from a year

"What used to be about robocalls and phoning, it's a different world today and it is all about face-to-face."

Now that another federal election is officially in the books, Mihychuck said she's ready to go to work and represent her Kildonan-St. Paul constitu-

Bezan, Levy split votes during student mock election

By Brandon Logan

If students across Canada were legally able to vote in last Monday's federal election, they too would have elected a majority Liberal govern-

The Elections Canada Student Vote 2015 program had more than 6,000 schools across the country partake in a mock election. In total, more than 850,000 ballots were cast.

When the final numbers came in, the Liberal Party ran away from its opponents with a total of 227 seats and 330,821 votes (37.58 per cent). The Conservatives earned 229,001 votes (26.01 per cent), which was good enough for 69 seats. The NDP came in third with 39 seats and the Green Party finished with four seats in total.

In Manitoba, the Liberals earned 41.3 per cent of the vote and eight seats. The Conservatives, who won five seats, and the NDP, who took just one seat in parliament, followed the Liberals.

Taking a look at the student vote in the Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman riding, the youth were spot on with the actual federal election results.

As was the case last Monday night, students chose Conservative incumbent James Bezan to lead the riding. He took home 999 votes (41.04 per

cent) and was followed by Liberal Joanne Levy, who earned 713 votes (29.29 per cent). NDP's Deborah Chief followed with 287 and was trailed closely by Green Party candidate Wayne James at 269 votes and Libertarian Donald Grant with 166.

When it came to individual results from the four Selkirk schools that took part in Student Vote 2015, the results varied greatly.

Daerwood School voted Bezan in as MP. He earned 15 of 32 votes. Levy took home 10 votes while James earned three and Chief and Grant got two each.

At Lord Selkirk Comp, Levy took home 162 of 419 votes. Bezan placed second with 117, James was third with 50. Chief fourth with 49 and Grant fifth with 41 votes.

Like Daerwood School, Robert Smith School also went in the Tory's favour. Bezan earned 59 of 140 votes followed by James with 27, Levy with 21, Chief with 20 and Grant with 13 votes.

And lastly at Ecole Selkirk Junior High School, the French immersion middle school students went red this

Levy took home 48 of 110 votes followed by Bezan with 32, Chief at 16, James at nine and Grant with five



RECORD PHOTO BY BRANDON LOGAN

Robert Smith School student Bree Bodman casts her vote during Elections Canada's Student Vote 2015 last week. Of the four Selkirk schools to take part in the country-wide program, two voted in Conservative incumbent James Bezan in as MP for the Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman riding and two voted for Liberal Joanne Levy.

Selkirk fire chief humbled by Dolin service award

Danny Thorsteinson 30th recipient of Manitoba's highest honour for firefighters

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For many, it'll be hard to believe that Danny Thorsteinson won't be a member of the Selkirk Fire Department when the calendar flips to January.

The 16-year fire chief and 30-year member of the department is retiring at the end of the year, and even he admits he's not sure what he'll do the first time the sound of sirens breaks the still of the night and he's not on the truck.

"I haven't come to that point yet but I'm sure I'll have a couple of pangs of something, might have a little bit of an identity crisis,"Thorsteinson said with a laugh."I hope not, but we'll see what happens."

Thorsteinson, just the seventh chief in the Selkirk Fire Department's history, is dedication personified. And for that, he was recently awarded the Mary Beth Dolin Meritorious Fire Service Award by the Province of Manitoba.

The award, named after Dolin, a dedicated teacher, school administrator and ,ember of the Manitoba Legislature, was established in 1988. It's not awarded annually, only when someone deserving comes along.

Thorsteinson's predecessor as chief, Ted Wozny, received the award in 1989, and Thorsteinson is the 30th recipient.

Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson, who attended the Oct. 6 awards ceremony at the Legislative Building, said it was a proud moment.

"As mayor, I'm pleased to say how proud all of city council is of Danny. It was a privilege and an honour just to be there when he received the Mary Beth Dolin Award," Johannson said. "This is a 30-year service veteran for the Selkirk Fire Department and we're all very, very pleased for him. This only amplifies of course what we've known all along, how tight the fire department is and how well run it is and how lucky we are as a community to have this calibre of fire department in our fine city.

Duane Nicol, the city's CAO said Thorsteinson is deserving of the recognition.

"Chief Thorsteinson has been a strong leader for the fire department and for our community as a whole," Nicol said. "It has been an honour and an education to work with him for the past 13 years. The true measure of a leader's legacy is the strength of the organization and capacity of the people they leave behind. By that measuring stick, Danny is unequalled".

Thorsteinson said receiving the award was a "wonderful honour," and to have his name stand with the others who've also been given the award means a lot to him.

"It's pretty prestigious, it's the highest honour that the province can bestow on a fireman,"Thorsteinson said. "It's humbling, it's nice that the fire chiefs and your peers would deem you worthy of such a thing."

But he's quick to point out that he shares the honour with many, and he said the other firefighters in the audience at the ceremony all know what he means.

"There's a lot of people that give you support to allow you the ability to be



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Selkirk Fire Department chief Danny Thorsteinson, pictured second from left, is presented with the Mary Beth Dolin Meritorious Fire Service Award by the Province of Manitoba at the Manitoba Legislative Building on Oct. 6. Thorsteinson is the 30th recipient of the award.

able to do these kinds of things that allow you to get these awards," he said. "Nobody does it for the recognition, you buy into the service and it just takes over."

And while the Selkirk Fire Department will surely miss Thorsteinson, he said he'll now dedicate his time to other deserving staples in his life.

"Well, family and business. It's about time they had a little bit more of me," he said.

The Mary Beth Dolin Meritorious Fire Service Award medal is awarded to those who have demonstrated excellence, leadership or outstanding achievement, or to those whose contribution has substantially enhanced the safety of the people of Manitoba.

Thorsteinson began his firefighter career with the Selkirk Fire Department in 1984. In 1995 he was promot-

ed to deputy fire chief and in 1999 he became fire chief.

Thorsteinson is a long standing member of the Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs and has represented the association and the city of Selkirk on numerous boards over the years. He has served as a member of the Office of the Fire Commissioner's Special Operating Agency Advisory Board, as Mutual Aid coordinator for South Interlake Mutual District, as chair of the association's Public education committee and as an active member of the "Riverboat Burn Fund Dinner" which, over his 20 years of services has raised over \$400,000 for the Fighter Fighters Burn Fund. And, in 2009 Chief Thorsteinson was awarded the 2009 Volunteer Fire Chief of the year award by the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.

St. Andrews solo artist celebrating successful release of first single

By Brandon Logan

St. Andrew's product Jordan Heppner is making waves on the international music scene.

Heppner recently released his debut solo single "Love and War," following many years playing with his former band, Hope Atlantic.

The former Selkirk Comp student recorded the single in Los Angeles with industry producers and engineers.

"Adrian Bradford, he produced the song and he's worked with some pretty big names," Heppner said, noting those names include Celine Dion and Barbara Streisand. "He's kind of a co-writer and producer."

Heppner also worked with session guitarist Tim Pierce. Pierce has worked with such artists as Bruce Springsteen, Bon Jovi and Eric Clapton to name a few.

While most artists plan on releasing an EP or a full

debut album, Heppner says he has other plans for himself. It's not the norm, but he plans on releasing new music monthly.

"I decided to do singles," he explained. "It's a pretty single heavy market, so I'm planning on just doing about a single a month instead of a conventional record."

Being a solo artist is a change up from his past experience with Hope Atlantic. During his time with the band, Heppner said they were "road warriors" and toured a lot.

However, now being a solo artist, Heppner has spent the majority of his time in the studio. He does have plans to hopefully tour sometime this winter though.

"In December I have some meetings with industry guys," he said. "Then we'll see what comes of that. Nothing's set in stone."

Heppner's new single is now available on iTunes.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Selkirk artist Jordan Heppner released his debut single entitled "Love and War" earlier this month, which is starting to make waves on the international music scene.

Stonewall Lions lend helping hand for Hayden

By Natasha Tersigni

The Stonewall and District Lions Club rallied to raise funds to support seven year-old Hayden Young and his family with mounting medical expenses incurred from treatments for his rare chronic disease.

On Oct. 19 the Lions held a pancake breakfast and donated \$1200 to the Young family; \$1000 from the Lions and \$200 in donations collected from community members'.

The Selkirk family has faced a year of emotional and financial turmoil since Hayden was admitted to the Children's Hospital in Winnipeg last November for what his parents, Jill and Ryan, thought was a severe case of the flu. After two weeks of numerous tests doctors found that Hayden is one of only 500 people in the world who has Lymphangiectasia; a disease that effects the intestine and digestions of food.

"Basically his body does not absorb fat. He is on a very restricted diet and can only have 14 grams of fat per day. If he has too much fat in a day it will leak from his intestines into his abdomen causing severe complications in his body," explained Hayden's mother

Since his diagnosis medical ex-



RECORD PHOTO BY NATASHA TERSIGNI

On Oct. 19 the Stonewall and District Lions Club held a pancake breakfast fundraiser to help support Jill and Ryan Young with the mounting medical expenses for their seven-year-old son Hayden.

penses have been mounting and the family has even travelled to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota to find the cause of his disease so better treatment can be provided. Currently

Hayden travels to the Children's Hospital twice a week for blood tests and protein infusions. Despite his health conditions and diet restrictions, Hayden continues to be an active sev-

"Havden is a very amazing boy because he should be underweight and not as active as he is. Hayden is in the top percentile for his age and he plays hockey. I don't think he ever feels great but he manages through everything," said Jill

When Lions president Ralph Sinclair learned of Hayden through his son Jason, Sinclair got the Lions onboard to help raise money. Jason is a close family friend to the Young family.

"We try and help anybody in the community that needs help. When I found out about Hayden I told the group and they wanted to help anyway we could," said Sinclair.

The entire Young family, including extended relatives, attended the pancake breakfast and Jill said that they were all overwhelmed by the attendance and support from the commu-

"We find the support very amazing. For the Lions to do something like this means a lot to us. Having some financial assistance from this group means the world to us and is a very humbling experience," said Jill.

Donations to the family can be made on the Go Fund Me Page, gofundme. com/d33jh6es, set-up for Hayden.

Interlake Relay for Life seeks volunteers for 2016 event

By Patricia Barrett

The Canadian Cancer Society's Interlake Relay for Life is looking for people to form their next planning committee.

The society is hoping to draw volunteers from all across the Interlake to help organize next year's Relay for

"It just takes a small group of people to make it happen," said Tamara Boyko, fundraising co-ordinator for the Manitoba division of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Boyko, who hosted an open house for interested community members in Winnipeg Beach on Wednesday, said Relay for Life events help fund cancer research, support programs and ad-

Each year, relays see thousands of cancer survivors and their families and friends form teams whose members take turns completing a set number of laps around a track. The can either walk or run 5 or 10 kilometres (or more) then pass a baton to their team members. The event is usually held at parks, schools or fairgrounds.

In 2014, nearly 400 relays took place across Canada, drawing 128,734 par-

ticipants and raising \$42 million dollars, according to the Society's web-

said Boyko, who co-ordinates numerous Manitoba relays. "My job is to give them the tools they need to host an event."

This year Winnipeg Beach held a relay in June. For the first time, it was held indoors because of the wet weather. Gimli, Selkirk and Ashern also hosted relays.

event," said Boyko, who also takes part in the walks. ticipate – from an infant to your grandmother."

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"We are the support for the planning committee,"

"It's a family "Any age can par-

society's

Interlake Regional Representative, Sharon Mulder, helps organize (and participates in) relays and raises awareness of different forms of cancer through a number of educational initiatives, such as the SunSense program and Radon Awareness month in November.

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Preparation

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Easy Decorate Pumpkin Cookie Pan with vegetable pan spray.

In large bowl, beat butter and sugar with electric mixer at medium speed until well blended. Beat in egg and extracts; mix well. Combine flour and salt; add to butter mixture. Beat until well blended. Press dough into cavities, filling 2/3 full.

Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until light brown around edges. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Turn pan over; lightly tap pan to remove cookies. Cool completely on cooling grid.

Decorate cooled cookies with Sparkle Gel, using light green for stem; black for eyes, mouths and mustaches; red for tongue; and orange for remaining pumpkin areas. Let set, about 1/2 hour.

Serves Makes about 2 dozen cookies Source Wilton Enterprises



2/3 cup (160 mL) brown sugar 1/4 cup (50 mL) vegetable oil

1 cup (250 mL) homemade or storebought pumpkin purée

2/3 cup (150 mL) 1% milk /2 tsp (2 mL) pure vanilla extract 1 cup (250 mL) wheat bran

1 cup (250 mL) quick-cooking oat flakes

1 1/2 cups (375 mL) unbleached

2 tsp (10 mL) baking powder 1 tsp (5 mL) baking soda 1/3 cup (75 mL) bittersweet chocolate chips or chunks

3/4 cup (180 mL) lower fat Canadian Mild Cheddar, diced or 1/2 cup (125 mL) regular Canadian Mild Cheddar, diced

Directions

Preheat oven to 350 °F (180 °C). In a bowl, using an electric mixer, beat the eggs with the brown sugar. Add oil, pumpkin purée, milk and vanilla extract.

In a large bowl, mix remaining ingredients and make a well in the centre.

Pour liquid ingredients into the well and mix just until combined.

Divide batter into a muffin pan, using paper muffin cups.

Bake in oven for 25–30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in centre comes out clean.







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Microwave cooking times may vary. Form small pumpkin shaped balls.

Use black icing to make a face, green icing for the leaves and a tootsie roll for the stem.

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chocolate wafer cookies until smooth. Heat mixture in saucepan or microwave until just heated through.

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Steelers stamp out Swan

By Brian Bowman

It's very rare for the Selkirk Steelers to play just one game in a week.

And it's even rarer when that one game is played on a Tuesday, thus ending their schedule of games for the week.

But that's the scenario that the Steelers faced last week as Selkirk won its only game played – a 3-2 victory over the Swan Valley Stampeders on Oct. 20 at the Selkirk Rec Complex.

"It was a good win, for sure," said Steelers' head coach Wayne Bartley. "It was tighter than I wanted it to be. We took some tough, some bad penalties, in the third period to make it a little closer than it really was.

"But, overall, I thought we outchanced them and had more offensive zone time."

Tyler Meixner scored the eventual game-winning goal at 3:13 of the third period. The goal came just 13 seconds after Swan Valley's Tanner Koroscil tallied to tie the score at 2-2.

"It was (a) really big (goal) for that line because they are the line that got scored on 13 seconds before that," Bartley noted. "I left them out there and they answered the bell. That's a confidence booster for those guys playing a fourth-line role. We're a young team and we have to give these guys some minutes."

Selkirk grabbed a 2-0 first-period lead with a power-play goal from

Connor Barley and an even-strength marker from Victor Knaub. Barley, a rookie, now has five goals and seven points in just eight games.

"He's been (a) really nice (addition) for a '98," Bartley said of Barley. "He's getting quality minutes in a top-six role right now because of injuries that we have. He's taken advantage of his ice time and he's getting some powerplay time. He has top-end speed and that helps with his game."

Riley McKay scored Swan Valley's first goal of the game at 16:37 of the opening period, beating Steelers' netminder Evan Robert. Robert, an Oakdale, Minn. native, made 26 saves to earn his first Manitoba Junior Hockey League victory.

The Steelers had six full days off from game action before it hosted the Dauphin Kings this past Tuesday (no score was available at press time).

"I warned the kids not to stand around watching because we already had a few games in hand on teams," Bartley said. "We've played fewer games than other teams and we're a little lower in the standings with three or four games in hand."

Selkirk (5-5) will play a home-andhome series with the Virden Oil Capitals this weekend. Selkirk will host the Oil Capitals on Friday and then the two teams will hook up once again Saturday in Virden. Both games have 7:30 p.m. start times.



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The Steelers' Tyler Meixner (16) scored the eventual game-winning goal in the third period against the Swan Valley Stampeders.

In the MJHL this season, points are at a premium with so much parity in the league. Portage and Winkler currently lead the league but many of the games have been close.

"It's going to be fun," Bartley said. "Every game is going to mean something and that's why we trying to instruct our kids that there's no off nights anymore."

In trade news, the Steelers sent the CJHL playing rights of 18-year-old defenseman Thomas Lenchyshyn to

the OCN Blizzard for the CJHL playing rights of 19-year-old forward Cole McCartan and future considerations.

McCarten had two assists in 10 games with the Blizzard this season. Last year, the Winnipeg product scored twice and had four assists in 22 regular-season games for OCN. The 6-foot-2, 195-pounder previously has played with the Steinbach Pistons and the La Ronge Ice Wolves of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League.



Brad Goethals

Goethals named Midget league player of the week

By Brian Bowman

Selkirk Steelers' prospect Brad Goethals was named the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League's Chicken Chef / DEKALB Player of the Week. The talented 16-year-old forward scored twice and added an assist in

both Eastman Selects' games during the Midget league's recent Showcase Event in Portage la Prairie.

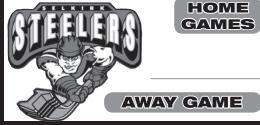
Goethals led the league with 10 goals and six assists heading into last week's action.

Goethals, a 6-foot-1, 170-pound na-

tive of Ile Des Chenes, had a hat trick for Selkirk in his one game with the Steelers this season.

He is also protected by the Western Hockey League's Brandon Wheat





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Selkirk Royals winning on the ice

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Royals started the 2015 Husky tournament slowly, but they got much better with each game.

Selkirk won the seventh-place game at the tournament with an impressive 7-2 victory over the St. Paul's Crusaders. Selkirk reached that final after blasting the Kelvin Clippers 6-0.

"Everybody contributed in the scoring," said Royals' head coach Shayne Fredborg in an email. "An early loss knocked us out of contention but we finished strong and were able to find a lot of positives from the tournament.

"The team is forming some great chemistry on the ice and all three lines are clicking."

In pool play, the Royals finished with a 1-2 record. Selkirk lost 6-3 to College Jeanne Sauve and 4-3 to Morden but soundly defeated Glenlawn 7-2.

Winnipeg's Vincent Massey won the championship bracket with a 6-2 win over Morden.

In league play, the Royals keep on rolling in the Platinum Promotions Division.

Selkirk improved its record to 3-0 after a 5-2 win over the Sturgeon Heights Huskies in St. Andrews on Oct. 20.

Leading 3-2 in the third, the Royals iced the game with goals from Cole Johnstone and Auzzie Loewen.

Loewen and Harley Hoydalo scored second-period goals for Selkirk while Travis Spratt tallied in the opening period.

Eric Wankling and Sam Sykes, on the power play, replied for the Huskies. Brady Hrymak earned the win in goal.

Selkirk hosted Kelvin this past Tuesday but no score was available at press time. The Royals will then host St. John's Ravenscourt next Tuesday in St. Andrews. Puck drop is 4:15 p.m.

Selkirk will play its first road game of the regular season the following day when they travel to Stonewall to battle the Rams.

In Winnipeg Women's High School Hockey League action, the Royals defeated the Beliveau Barracudas 5-2 on Oct. 21 in East Selkirk.

Kaitlyn Seed, Cassidy Ilchena and Mary Ryder scored for Selkirk in the first period and then Kyra Delaronde and Jenna Truthwaite tallied in the second.

Kennedee Hills scored twice for Beliveau in the third, beating Royals' goalie Emma Gillespie.

With the win, Selkirk improved to 4-1 and the Royals continue to lead the Winnipeg Free Press Division standings with eight points.

Selkirk hosted Glenlawn this past Tuesday and visited St. John's Ravenscourt yesterday but no scores were available at press time. The Royals will then host the CHSC Huskies on Tuesday in East Selkirk.

Game time is 4 p.m.



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The Royals' Auzzie Loewen scored for Selkirk during their Sunday 7-2 victory over the St. Paul's Crusaders at the Husky tournament.



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Jenna Truthwaite scored during the second period of Selkirk's 5-2 win over the Beliveau Barracudas in WWHSHL action on Oct. 21.

Fishermen start KJHL season 6-0

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Fishermen extended their winning streak to six games to start the KJHL season after a solid 4-2 home victory over the North Winnipeg Satelites on Sunday evening at the Selkirk Rec Complex.

Jeremy Pachkowsky scored a pair of first-period goals for Selkirk and then Griffin Steeves tallied twice. One goal was scored late in the second period while the other was tallied early in the third.

Jesse McIntosh and Derek Ramage replied for North Winnipeg.

Jordan Liske made 20 saves for the win. The veteran netminder now has a 4-0 record with a 1.50 goals-against average and a .938 save percentage.

Last Friday, the Fishermen edged the Lundar Falcons 4-3 on home ice. Connor Spratt, Jack Purvis, and Corbin Pasternak scored for Selkirk in the first period. Milan Horanski scored the eventual game winner in the second

Drake Zimmerman, Cody Paul, and Bryce Horning replied for Lundar. Riley Bannerman made 24 saves for the win. On Oct. 20, the Fishermen pounded the Satelites 5-1 at Billy Mosienko Arena.

Selkirk's Michael Smiley and North Winnipeg's Mason Klawis traded first-period goals and then the Fishermen scored four unanswered goals.

Horanski and Pachkowsky, on the power play, scored in the second period. Pachkowsky struck again with the man advantage midway in the third to give the Fishermen a 4-1 lead. Later in the third, Pachkowsky dropped the gloves with North Winnipeg's Erik Rogalka.

Kale Ilchena then closed out the scoring late in the game.

Tyndall Fontaine had three assists for Selkirk while Karl Fey had a pair of helpers.

Liske made 23 saves for the victory. Selkirk will head north this weekend with a pair of road games against the North Division-leading OCN Storm (5-0). The two teams will hook up Saturday (8 p.m.) and Sunday (3 p.m.).

The Fishermen's next home game is Nov. 7 when they host the Satelites.

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Royals reach finals of home tournament

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Royals played a lot of volleyball last weekend at their home tournament.

And they also did a lot of winning.

Selkirk reached the finals of their Royals Spike-Off 2015 varsity boys' tournament last Saturday at the Comp, losing 2-0 to a very good Miles Macdonell Buckeyes' team in the championship match.

Miles Mac swept the match by scores of 25-20 and 25-18. The Buckeyes, ranked No. 1 in the province for "AAAA", did a great job blocking and outserving Selkirk.

"It went good, overall," said Royals' head coach Jeff Scarcello of the tournament. "We had one of our main guys (Owen Schwartz) injured, so he was playing libero for us instead of left side.

"He did a great job for us at libero, and he makes a big difference, for sure, but liberos just don't score a lot of points for you. He definitely kept points off the board for them and did a good job for us."

With the lineup that the Royals had out there, Scarcello said, Selkirk did a great job throughout the tournament.

"Out of the top (three) teams (in the province), we only played Miles Mac and that was only our second time playing them, so we really haven't had an opportunity to play at that level for quite a while," Scarcello said. "To go about a month between playing top games, and not having our ideal lineup out there, I think we did quite well."

To reach the finals, Selkirk swept Fort Richmond 2-0 in a semifinal matchup by scores of 25-19 and 25-15.

In the quarter-finals, Selkirk defeated the Linden Christian Wings

at the Selkirk Rec Centre



The Royals' Josh Giesbrecht goes up high in the air during tournament action.

2-1. After losing the first set 25-17, the Royals bounced back to win the next two by scores of 25-13 and 15-12.

"We came out and seemed like we were half asleep, even though we played at 1 p.m., but it took us about a set and a half to wake up," Scarcello said. "But once we did, the guys played quite well and took control of the match.

"We got better as the day went on and that's kind of what you want to

Selkirk also played real well in its pool play. The Royals swept the Mur-



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Selkirk's Carter O'Hara goes up for a kill against the Voyageurs.

doch Mackay Clansmen 2-0 (25-9 and 25-18) and Atikokan (25-19 and 25-12). Selkirk also edged the Westgate Wings 2-1 by scores of 25-21, 26-27, and 15-13.

In the Westgate win, PJ Seekings hurt his hand in the first set and was rested the rest of the way. With several Royals playing out of position, Selkirk battled adversity and played well against a pretty good Westgate team.

In KPAC action, the Royals are 1-1 in games played this season, losing to Garden City and then playing very well in a 3-0 sweep of the Hawks at

"The guys played unbelievable," Scarcello recalled of the MBCI win. "They came together and weren't going to let anything get us down. We were down in each of the three sets and we still came back and fought. We played probably our best match of the year that night."

Selkirk played at Miles Mac last night but no score was available at press time. The Royals will then compete in an MBCI tournament this Friday and Saturday.





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Poponick on par in Oklahoma

By Brian Bowman

For years, McKyla Poponick excelled on the golf course with the Selkirk Royals and on the Manitoba junior tour.

Now, she has taken her golfing talent south of the border.

Poponick is in her first year as a student-athlete at Seminole State College in Seminole, Okla. She's enjoying life – and the great weather – in the southern U.S.

"It's really nice to still be able to play in shorts and a T-shirt," Poponick said gleefully last week. "I went home (two weeks) ago and it was weird golfing in a toque. It's nice to still be in shorts."

While adjusting to the weather was an easy transition for Poponick. Making the move to a different country and meeting a plethora of new people does take some time to get used to.

Golf is a tad different down there, too.

"You have to get adjusted to the conditions of the course because it's a little bit different down here," said Poponick, the lone Canadian on the Seminole women's golf team. "It's a little bit drier than at home but I'm getting used to it. It's getting a little better."

Poponick has definitely been getting better and better with each tournament played. The Lady Trojans competed in three tournaments during their fall season and Poponick led her small team of four golfers with a fifth-place finish at the Tyler Junior College Fall Invitational in Tyler, TX.

"Having four girls makes it harder because all of our scores count," she explained. "We all have to play good every day, which makes it harder."

Poponick fired rounds of 81 and 79 in Texas for a 160 total. That was 10 strokes better than her next closest teammate, Olivia Pruitt.

"It was definitely nice to be top five and finish the last tournament of the (fall) season off," said Poponick, who is studying health sciences.

At her first tournament in Oklahoma City, Poponick shot an 88 and then fired a solid 77 for a 165 score. In her second tournament at Midwest City, she carded rounds of 81 and 86.

"The course was pretty easy," she noted. "I should have been breaking 80 easily."

Poponick is used to representing her school at golf tournaments as she was a very good player with the Royals. But representing your school at the collegiate level adds a bit more pressure.

"Because I'm at a (junior college), you need to play well to get to those other (four-year) schools," she explained. "That puts on a little more pressure than high school but it's nice. I like it."

Poponick said her days down in Oklahoma are busy ones. Most of her teammates are done school by around 12:30 p.m. each day and then they head to the course from about 1-5 p.m.

They either play nine or 18 holes, hit the driving range, or work on the finer points of the game like



Selkirk's McKyla Poponick received a plaque for placing fifth in her most recent fall tournament with Seminole State College in Oklahoma.

chipping and putting.

"It's different every day," she said. "We practice almost all day. I'm hoping (my game) improves a lot and I'll be able to shoot in the 70s and eliminate my rounds in the 80s. Our season is much longer down here. At home, I would be done by the end of August but here, the end of August is when our season starts.

"It's nice to keep on going and keep on practicing throughout the year."

Collings nominated for Manitoba's Male Golfer of the Year Award

By Brian Bowman

Matlock's Garth Collings was one of four individuals nominated for Golf Manitoba's Male Golfer of the Year Award.

Collings won his second Manitoba Senior Championship this past summer. He was also a member of the provincial senior team that competed at nationals and finished tied for fourth at the Nott Autocorp Men's Amateur.

He also tied for third at the Provincial Mid-Amateur Championship, finished sixth at the Canadian Mid-Amateur, placed second at the Canadian Mid-Masters, tied for 32nd at the Canadian Senior, and won his 10th Grey Owl.

He was also a member of the Breezy Bend team that won the Mundie Putter League.

Joining Collings as male nominees were Charles Boyechko (Pine Ridge), Justin McDonald (Breezy Bend) and Devon Schade (Elmhurst).

It was announced at Golf Manitoba's Annual Awards Dinner at the Pine Ridge Golf Club on Oct. 20 that Schade won the award.

Schade was the medalist at the Match Play Championship Qualifying. He also won the Nott Autocorp Men's Amateur Championship shooting a course record and recent Golf Manitoba competitive record during the third round at the host Bridges Golf Course.

He finished fourth at the Saskatchewan Men's Amateur Championship and tied for 20th at the Canadian University/College Championship.

As a member of the University of Manitoba Bison Men's team, his fall competitive resume included a win at the Jamestown Invitational and three other top-10 finishes.

Meanwhile, Glendale Golf & Country Club's Camryn Roadley was awarded Golf Manitoba's Female Award. The three female nominees were Rhonda Orr (Southwood), Roadley, and Veronica Vetesnik (Southwood).



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Garth Collings (left) was nominated for Golf Manitoba's Male Golfer of the Year Award.

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APPLICATION FOR REVISION

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IN MEMORIAM



Joe Wyspinski October 27, 1929 - March 15, 2013 Though your voice is gone forever, And your hands we cannot touch; Thanks for all you did for us, And for loving us so much.

-Loving remembered by Elsie and family

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Devon Joel Zelmer April 27, 1981 - October 30, 2014 Missing you every day... Loving you forever... -Mom and Dad, Brent, Nancy, Ryleigh and

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OBITUARY

Donald Gordon Smith February 2, 1941 -October 24, 2014

On Saturday, October 24, 2015 at Selkirk General Hospital, Gordon peacefully passed away with family at his side.

Gordon is survived by his children Barbara (Doug), Maureen (Rod), Allan, Sheldon, and Lisa; grandchildren April (Sean), Dyana (Chris), Jennifer, Justin and Jacqueline; great-grandchildren Alexander and Ariken; sister Donna Fey, brother-in-law Ed Kalawarny and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. He was predeceased by his mother and father Donald and Sylvia Smith; brother Georgie; sister Shirley Kalawarny and brother-in-law Eugene Fey.

In keeping with Gordon's wishes, cremation has taken place.

Family interment will take place at a later date.

The family would like to express heartfelt thanks to the staff at the Selkirk General Hospital and his Homecare Caregivers

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Nicole Zahda - Rae Schmid August 12, 1997 - October 30, 2013

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All my love, Dadio xoxo

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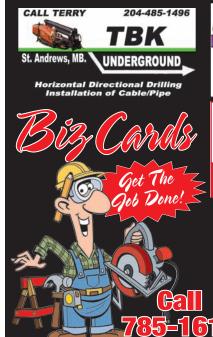
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