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Local woman celebrates milestone 104th birthday

By Jennifer McFee

It's not every day you get to celebrate a 104th birthday.

For Mary Kowalchuk, that special day came on May 7 at Middlechurch Home in West St. Paul, where she marked the occasion with her family.

With more than a century of memories to look back on, Mary's story began in 1922 when she was born to John and Anna Baron in the small community of Zbruch. John was a widower when he married Anna Buchkowski, bringing with him his seven-year-old adopted daughter Sophie.

After Mary was born, next came her brother Joe followed by sisters Pauline, Jean (Jenny), Katherine, Frances, Rosie and a set of twins who were stillborn. Katherine and Frances also died as young children.

In March 1930, their 46-year-old father died of cancer and tuberculosis, leaving Anna alone with five young children.

"When my father passed away, that

was the saddest time in my life," Mary recalled. "I always missed him."

Soon after, eight-year-old Mary and her younger brother Joe started school in Komarno. It was difficult at first because they needed to speak English, but they didn't know the language yet — only Polish and Ukrainian.

"We had to walk to school three and a half miles," she said. "We had to walk a long way because nobody had a car. It was different then — everybody walked a lot."

In the fall of 1933, Mary and her siblings Joe and Pauline started going to Zbruch School, which was closer to home.

That same year, Mary's mother married widower Nick Kowalchuk and they all moved into his house. Together, Anna and Nick increased their family when Pearl (Polly) was born in 1934 followed by Adeline, John, Bill, Mike, Donnie and Harry. In such a big

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Mary Kowalchuk (centre) with her children Tom, Eddie, Rosalie and Lucy.

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family, they never felt lonely and enjoyed plenty of fun times together.

"We were always treated very well," Mary said. "We were blessed. I was always blessed."



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Mary Kowalchuk celebrated her 104th birthday on May 7.

In the 1930s, money was scarce, so Mary's mom made meagre earnings by selling cream, chickens and cordwood, as well as the occasional cow or pig. Nonetheless, they ate well with plenty of fresh veggies from their large garden, as well as bread from homegrown grain that was made into flour in Teulon, topped with tasty homemade jam.

"What I liked most was when they'd buy a gallon of Beehive corn syrup and mother would dilute it with hot water and soak our bread for school," Mary said. "That was an envy of some kids as some of them only had dry bread."

In those days, Mary and her siblings did lots of work around the farm, such as tending to animals and raking hay. The younger kids still found time to play, often pretending to be farmers with their cows or bouncing a ball against the barn wall.

"We always had lots of ducks, geese and chickens. The feathers

were saved, and in winter people had feather beds when a few neighbours were asked to come," Mary said. "The men played cards and the women stripped feathers. The mothers were expected to have pillows and perenas (feather quilts) for their daughters when they got married."

By the time she was 14, Mary began to spend more time on household responsibilities and less time at school, although

she was a good student and enjoyed her classes.

In 1940, Nick's youngest brother George Kowalchuk asked Mary to be his wife. They wed on Aug. 3 in a celebration complete with music, dancing and a feast.

Soon after, George had to return to work at a gold mine in Pickle Crow, Ont., and he brought Mary with him. In her new community, she developed friendships with other women.

"I learned so much from the ladies there — how to bake and knit and make things. We took turns at each other's houses to knit for the army," said Mary, who also rolled bandages for the Red Cross during the Second World War. "My job was mitts. Others made sweaters and toques. We had tea after, so I copied recipes from others."

In 1942, in Pickle Crow, Mary and George had their first child, Tom. Then in 1945, they returned to Manitoba. Eddie was born that summer, followed by Rosalie in 1949 in a two-room log house on farmland in Komarno.

In 1950, they moved to a two-room house with electricity in the town of Komarno. This is where Lucy was born in 1957. They lived together on

a mixed farm with cows, pigs and chickens.

"Every season was exciting and busy when we were younger," Mary recalled. "Winter was easy, just look after the cattle and play cards."

Throughout their lives, the family was involved in the church and the community, and Mary became known for her ability to crochet colourful afghans. Holidays bustled with activity, particularly Christmas Eve, New Year's Day and Easter.

In 1995, they sold their farm in Komarno and moved to Teulon for an easier life.

George and Mary remained married for 63 years until 2003 when George passed away after a brief battle with cancer. Sadly, Mary also had to grieve the passing of her sons Eddie in 2013 and Tom in 2019, and as well as her siblings who also passed, leaving Mary as the last remaining Baron.

Today, family life continues to be important to Mary, who enjoys visits from her daughters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her great-great granddaughter.

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Let the SCRC know what you think is great and not so great in our community

By Katelyn Boulanger

The Selkirk Community Renewal Corporation (SCRC) has kicked off a community consultation process to help shape its new five-year Neighbourhood Renewal Plan that will carry through to 2030. The goal is to hear directly from residents about what matters most when it comes to local programs, services, and community development.

"The five year neighborhood renewal plan is a document that guides our organization on the priorities of the City of Selkirk, so it helps us to see needs and then where we can fill in gaps in the community with programs and events that we host, how to reach out for partnerships in the community, and also how to review and approve the applications that we receive for our small grants funds for our organization," said Ashley Henry, Executive Director, Selkirk Community Renewal Corporation.

She explained that they are looking to update the document with current information and that the process involves connecting directly with the community to talk about our needs. This involves putting out a digital survey that's easy for people to fill in from the comfort of their homes, with a paper form also available for those who prefer a lower-tech option.

The survey is meant to learn more about Selkirk. Questions include topics like what you value about your neighbourhood, what helps people feel safe or makes people feel unsafe in our neighbourhoods, what makes people feel heard or involved in our community, and more questions that dig deeper into what strengthens or hinders our neighbourhoods.

For those who prefer to chat in person to express their ideas, there will be at least one local in-person consultation event. This event takes place on June 10 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Gaynor Family Regional Library.

Henry explained that everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the event at the library.

"(It's) open to the public, so anyone can attend. We are hoping to get invites out to the community as much as we can. It's not always easy to do that, to try to reach the bigger population, but for sure the invite is extended to the public," said Henry.

Attending this event or filling out the survey is the best way to let the SCRC know about your neighbourhood before they move to the next steps.

"(We'll have the) community consultation forum and then we'll likely do some smaller group consultations as well, with various groups around Selkirk to get more feedback and to complete more surveys. Myself and my staff have certain organizations that we'll go and sit with in person to continue that process and get as much feedback from the community as we can," said Henry.

She says that it's very important that they get this feedback so the SCRC can do the most good possible for Selkirk.

"For our organization, it was our mandate when we first started in 2008, and it was a requirement that was placed upon us from the provincial government. Our umbrella organization was formerly Neighbourhoods Alive, which is now the Community Development Branch. It gives us a purpose in the community and just helps guide us in filling the needs of the community. It's similar, I guess, to a strategic plan, but it's really a guiding document for our organization and everything that we implement in the community," said Henry.

She also explained that they are looking for feedback from every person from every walk of life. Even if you don't think you'll have much to say, hearing anything that you'd like to share is important.

Henry hopes to hear from you.

"We would love to hear the feedback from residents in the City of Selkirk on what they would like to see. And I know sometimes it feels like your voices aren't heard, but that's something that Selkirk Community Renewal Corporation takes into consideration. We are that resource in the community that helps connect other resources together. We're like the bridge that fills the gap in the City of Selkirk, and so having people's voices and what they would like, and then finding out

what we can do to help with those (is what we're trying to do)," she said.



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Jeff Wharton announces retirement after next election

By Katelyn Boulanger

Earlier this month, Red River North MLA Jeff Wharton officially announced that he's decided not to seek another term as Red River North MLA during the next provincial election. This change won't affect the region right away, as he will continue on in his role as MLA advocating for his constituents until the next election takes place.

Wharton was first elected in 2016 for the Gimli riding, but with the boundaries of his riding changing in the 2019 provincial election, he next ran in the current Red River North riding, was elected and has been an MLA in our region since.

"It was just an absolute honour to be elected for the folks of the Gimli riding in 2016 to the Progressive Conservative government, one of the largest majorities in the history of Manitoba. That was just an absolute thrill. It was led by Premier Pallister, and for those four years, we had some great success in Gimli. We were able to accomplish a lot of things, like the building of the new 55-plus building in the north end of town. We put that 41 unit building up, and (we are) very proud of that investment, and a number of other

things, of course, within the community. It was a large community, from Hecla Island all the way down to St. Andrews. And then, moving out of Gimli into Red River North presented more opportunity to get to know the folks here," said Wharton.

Red River North is an urban-rural riding with residents in St. Clements, but the riding is interesting as it includes a few streets in the City of Winnipeg as well.

"It's a big area and a very diverse area as well, with two RMs, the RM of St. Clements and the RM of East St. Paul. And again, working with the folks there and the councils, it's been a thrill. I mean, we did some great things while we were there, too, in investments in sewer, water, roads, infrastructure, bridges," he said.

Wharton also says that he's been honoured to serve in four ministries in his time in office. He was appointed to work as the Municipal Relations Minister, the Minister of Crown Services, the Minister of Environment, Climate, and Parks, and the Minister of Economic Development, Investment, Trade, and Mining at separate times when his party formed government.

He's said that his favourite part of being in office is going to events and meeting people in the community.

"One of the number one reasons why I wanted to run was to help people make Manitoba a better place and leave it a better place than what it was when I started, and I believe during my tenure we've accomplished that in my communities that I've had the pleasure to serve," said Wharton.

He says that it was a tough decision to decide not to run for office again.

"When we lost government in 2023, I never had the opportunity to serve on the other bench. As far as opposition goes, opposition serves a very important role. We have to hold the government to account, and we do that every day. And, I'm basically at this stage in my life, my wife and I had talked about what we would do. We knew that we would like to give back as long as we could, but it's time," he said.

He said that family, and in particular his grandchildren, were also a factor in his decision to spend more time at home.

"My wife and I were sitting here a few weeks ago, and we had a knock on the door at our home, and who walked in were my 16 year old granddaughter, her 14 year old sister, and her nine year old brother, and they came over because she got her license. She bought a car, and they wanted to come visit Mama and Papa. That was unbelievable, and I went, Where has the time gone?" said Wharton.

He's had the honour of serving as



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MLA Jeff Wharton is announcing his retirement after next election.

a Manitoba MLA for ten years now, but he explained that it's now time to pass the torch.

"Let's get some fresh ideas and get some new folks involved, and it's great because I can serve at a different level and help support the party and help support my colleagues and constituents in caucus in a different fashion, and I'm looking forward to that next chapter," said Wharton.

His advice for residents in our region moving forward is to pay attention to what government is doing.

"I would say to my constituents, and I've said this before, is really be engaged, try to understand what's going on in Manitoba, what the decision makers are doing. Really do your research, because social media today, it's unfortunate, it may be a necessity, it is going to be around for a long time, but it can also lead us in a direction, if we're not fully informed, that we need to really take a double-take at. So, I would say to Manitobans, be informed, reach out to your MLA, reach out to your local politicians, reach out to your Mayor, Reeve, or councillors, just keep in touch, because it is your community. We're here, you put us here to work for you, and we, in turn, want to hear from you," he said.

He hopes for continued growth and investment in our region in the future.

"My biggest hope is we just continue to do the great things that we've done. It'll be a challenge. Today's world is a tough world, but I know that my colleagues and the new ones that are looking at coming up are up for the challenge," said Wharton.

He also wanted to thank his constituents.

"Coming from myself, my wife Mickey, who many people know, has been by my side throughout this incredible journey and our family, we wish Red River North constituents, of course, and all Manitobans great success, health and happiness, and we also pray for summer to come soon," said Wharton.

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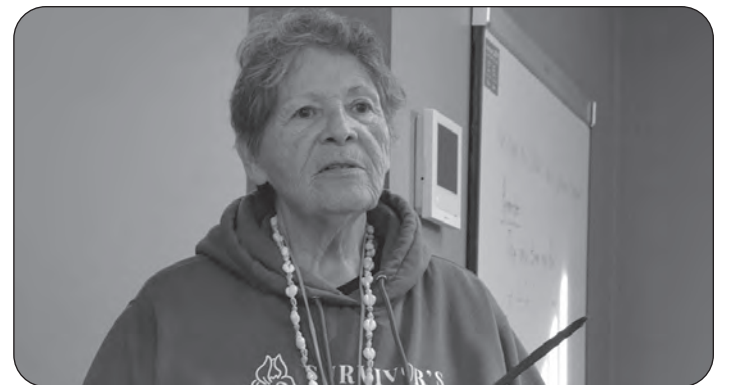
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Take Back the Night 2026 talks safety in community



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The third annual Take Back the Night took place advocating for safety for all in the City of Selkirk last weekend. The event started with a welcome from staff of Survivor's Hope before Elder Carol Stettinger gave an inciteful teaching about the contents and significants of water bundles and water as the first medicine. From there, the group of advocates walked to the water tower where Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson and Lorie Fiddler, representing the Selkirk Friendship Centre, took time to talk about the importance of safety for all and steps that are being taken to help keep people safe. The group then walked to the river and offered the water bundle as well as water which been carried during the walk to the river.



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Interlake campus courses continue as normal following RRC Polytech program cuts

By E. Antonio

Regional campuses in the Interlake will not be impacted by recently announced program cuts and suspensions at Red River College (RRC) Polytechnic, according to the college.

RRC Polytech says there are “no current or anticipated changes to regional programming,” including at the Interlake and Peguis – Fisher River campus in Selkirk. The college also said students can expect continued learning opportunities, support services, and campus operations without disruption.

The institution recently announced several program closures, temporary suspensions, and reduced seat capacities as part of academic and budget planning for the 2026/27 school year, with changes expected to impact Winnipeg campuses.

RRC Polytech says the changes were driven by multiple financial pressures, including federal immigration policy changes that reduced international student enrolment and English language training funding, as well as shifting domestic enrolment trends and rising delivery costs.

The college said it completed a “comprehensive, data-informed academic planning process” to determine how programs align with labour market demand and long-term sustainability.

Despite the changes, the college emphasized the importance of rural campuses and regional training.

The Interlake and Peguis – Fisher River campus welcomes between 120 and 150 students annually in programs including Health Care Aide, Early Childhood Education, Workplace and Business Administration,

Health Unit Clerk, Business, Accounting and Management, Administrative Assistant, and Educational Assistant. Health Care Aide, Early Childhood Education, and Workplace and Business Administration currently have the strongest enrolment.

“Regional campuses have seen stable-to-growing demand,” said Lauren Parsons, RRC Polytech acting manager of communications and public relations. “This is due to increased interest in local study options, as learners prefer to remain in their home communities.”

Parsons said the COVID-19 pandemic reinforced the importance of community-based education by allowing students to study closer to home rather than relocate or commute to Winnipeg. She added that virtual learning opportunities have also enabled RRC Polytech to reach students who may not otherwise be able to attend classes on campus.

Studying locally can reduce financial barriers, strengthen community connections, and create local employment opportunities.

“Students are more likely to stay and work in their communities when trained locally,” Parsons said. “Students are drawn to studying at regional campuses where their experiences are personalized and tailored to the workforce they will be entering in their communities.”

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) hires graduates from RRC Polytech’s Interlake and Peguis – Fisher River campus, including graduates from the Health Care Aide program, along with graduates from several other

post-secondary institutions across a variety of disciplines.

An IERHA spokesperson said the health authority values all post-secondary education partners that help collaboratively train and develop Manitoba’s healthcare workforce.

“In the rural environment, local education options provide people with an opportunity to learn new skills while remaining in — or close to — the community where they live.”

Parsons said healthcare, community services, local business, and service industries rely heavily on graduates from the Interlake campus. She added many graduates remain in the region, supporting local employers, organizations, and regional economic development.

“Our regional campuses play a vital role in supporting local economies by delivering programs that respond directly to employer demand and community priorities,” Emily Doer, RRC Polytech acting director of college and public relations said in an email. “RRC Polytech remains committed to accessible, high quality applied education across the province and will continue working closely with industry and communities to ensure our programs meet Manitoba’s evolving labour market needs.”

Current students in affected programs on Winnipeg campuses will still be able to complete their studies without interruption and supports are being provided to students and staff impacted by the changes.

> MARY KOWALCHUK, FROM PG. 4

wheelchair through the halls of Middlechurch Home for her current comings and goings.

“My arms are still strong from raking all that hay,” she said with a laugh and a sparkle in her eyes. “I’m a farm girl, and I always will be.”

Throughout all her decades, Mary has maintained a positive perspective — and it’s still the way she chooses to look at life.

“My life is very, very good. I have lots of good memories,” she said.

Correction

In last week’s edition of the *Selkirk Record* bus drivers in the Lord Selkirk School Division were incorrectly stated to be part of the CUPE local 1522 which is in discussions with the Division. The school division’s bus drivers are in fact part of a different union.



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Habitat for Humanity planning to add two new homes to Selkirk by 2029

Volunteers and applicant families needed for upcoming builds

By Katelyn Boulanger

Selkirk's Habitat for Humanity chapter is gearing up for an exciting few years as they are planning to build two new homes by 2029.

They have opened their application process with occupancy expected for the selected families by 2027 and 2029.

"The intent is to start the build in 2027, but we have to select a family first. We can't build until we have a family," said Ralph Quade, Communication and Community Liaison for Habitat for Humanity's Selkirk Chapter.

The goal of Habitat for Humanity is to help lower income families build a better life through affordable homeownership. They do this by constructing homes for families and making the mortgage more affordable through reasonable terms. The families do invest in their homes before moving in, however, through a process where they volunteer 500 hours to the build, in addition to other items. As soon as a family starts to pay off their mortgage, Habitat for Humanity uses those dollars to work on helping build the next home for another family.

The process of taking part as an applicant for a Habitat for Humanity home in Selkirk involves a process where you tell Habitat a little about your family.

"The website has more specific guidelines on who is eligible. Generally, the baseline income is \$35,000 basically, up to \$90,000 for a combined household income. That's the base cornerstone, and then it's based on need. So, if there was a family of a husband and wife that wanted to apply and they didn't have any children, they would be a lower priority than a single mom or single dad," explained Quade.

Once you've contacted Habitat Manitoba to learn more about the application process (<https://www.habitat.mb.ca/homeownership-apply/>), application submissions will be accepted at the Gaynor Family Regional Library on June 30 between 6 and 8 p.m. Because of the sensitive nature and privacy of the information being submitted, no electronic, online, or early submission is available. You can, however, come to the event with

any additional questions you might have about the application, and the Selkirk Habitat volunteers will be happy to help where they can.

Selkirk's Habitat for Humanity Chapter has been part of our community for many years. It was started by Doreen Oliver, and the first home went up in the community in 1998.

With their last build, they have constructed ten homes in Selkirk that wouldn't otherwise be there, helping ten families achieve their dreams of homeownership, and they aren't slowing down anytime soon.

Quade said it's inspiring to see a plot of land go from nothing to having a home built on it.

"It's inspiring knowing that there's that support in your community," he said.

Part of being able to do this work affordably means that they need volunteers from the community to step forward and help with their builds.

Habitat Selkirk is recruiting volunteers and, in particular, is seeking retired skilled tradespeople looking to share their skill sets for their upcoming builds.

"There's been a huge increase in retiring skilled tradespeople, and so what we want to do is we want to impose on them as volunteers, to come in and share their talents with the build," said Quade.

You don't have to be a tradesperson to volunteer, however, as anyone who can lend a hand is welcome.

Quade explained that because work is done by volunteers, they basically put a call out to people when they need help. They are quite flexible, and volunteers don't have to make time commitments, but the more people who are able to come and help when they put out the signal, the more work gets done more quickly for these families.

One group that he says might not realize how helpful they can be in volunteering is youth.

"Most schools have a community service portion for graduation, so we like to tap into that aspect as well," he said.

It's not very difficult to get into volunteering.

"There's a couple of videos that you have to watch, they're safety videos, just so we can have the tick in the box for our insurance purposes, but generally it's just an email to us, or through the Habitat Manitoba website, saying that they're interested in volunteering. We have a chapter coordinator that will forward us the emails, and then we just sign them up onto our volunteer sheet. There is no commitment. So, if they want to volunteer, or they can volunteer, we just tell them when we're going to be on site," said Quade.

Habitat encourages all interested families to visit <https://www.habitat.mb.ca/homeownership-apply/> and <https://www.habitat.mb.ca/homeownership/> to learn more. Should

you have any questions, email them at selkirkh4h@outlook.com.

Should anyone be interested in supporting, volunteering, or making donations to these new builds, please contact Habitat by emailing selkirkh4h@outlook.com.

To keep up with the Selkirk Chapter online, you can visit their website at <https://www.habitat.mb.ca/chapters/selkirk/>, on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61579994579241>, and on Instagram at [@habitatforhumanity_selkirk](https://www.instagram.com/habitatforhumanity_selkirk).



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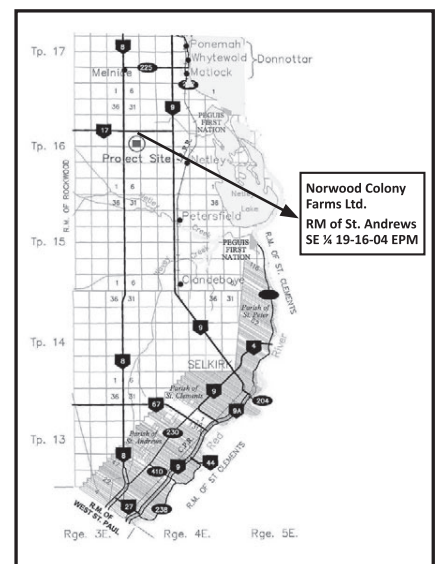
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concerning the proposed development of a mixed livestock operation – Norwood Colony Farms Ltd. (TRC 12-123)

The RM of St. Andrews has received a conditional use application from Norwood Colony Farms Ltd. to develop a mixed livestock operation at SE ¼ 19-16-04 EPM, including 12 mature cows (lactating and dry) including associated livestock, 15 bulls, 500 beef cows including associated livestock, 50,000 broilers, 60,000 layers, 30,000 pullets, 1,000 heavy hens, and 150 ewes and associated livestock (1,556 Animal Units). This application has been sent to the Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations for review, pursuant to Section 112 of The Planning Act.



If you would like to share your views concerning this proposal, you are invited to contact the Manitoba government by letter or email (TRC@gov.mb.ca) no later than **June 20, 2026**. After this date, the Livestock Technical Review Committee will complete its assessment of the application. Your letter or email must include your name and reference TRC 12-123.

All submissions in response to this proposal are considered public information and will be made available to the proponent and placed on the public registry with identifying details removed.

For more information:

Please visit http://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/livestock/public_registries.html or the RM of St. Andrews office at 500 Railway Avenue, Box 130, Clandeboye, MB, R0C 0P0.

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Support those with dementia in our community through the Alzheimer's Walk

Grab your runners and walk or roll down to Selkirk's Alzheimer's Walk on June 4

By Katelyn Boulanger

The Alzheimer Society of Manitoba is once again running its annual walks through the province, and this year, Selkirk and area residents will be heading out on June 4 to support those with Alzheimer's or dementia in our community for the Selkirk IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's.

"The Walk for Alzheimer's is our biggest annual fundraiser, all in support of the Alzheimer's Society of Manitoba, and for those impacted by dementia, whether that be their care partners, their friends and family, or those that are living with dementia themselves," said Samantha Holland, Selkirk's First Link Regional Team Lead for the Alzheimer Society of Manitoba.

The walk takes place on June 4, and residents will be meeting up outside of the Gordon Howard Centre towards the Selkirk waterfront to head on a walk to Selkirk Park.

"We're going to have a check-in and barbecue starting at 5:30 p.m., and then the walk itself kicks off at 6:30 p.m.," said Holland.

Raising awareness for Alzheimer's and dementia is very important because almost everyone will know someone who has been affected by these conditions.

"It can happen to anyone, and we know that more and more people every day are diagnosed. In Manitoba alone, we have over 20,000 individuals living with some form of dementia, and those are just the ones we know about. Those are the ones that have sought assessment or seen their doctor and received a diagnosis, but there's so many more, and the numbers keep growing," explained Holland.

In addition to raising funds, it's important to host this walk every year in Selkirk to get people talking more about dementia and especially to have more people know there are local resources that can help.

"I speak to people who often say, I wish I knew about your services when I was a caregiver, and the walk is that perfect stage to showcase the great work that we do and spread awareness that there are supports available close to home, and it's a



RECORD FILE PHOTO BY KATELYN BOULANGER

Grab your gear and head out for Selkirk's Alzheimer's Walk on June 4. Pictured: Last year's walk.

positive introduction to our staff and volunteers for those who are just starting out," said Holland.

In addition to all the good the walk does, it's also a great time to show people in our community who have dementia that they are still important community members and that we care.

"Every year in Selkirk, this event grows, and we're hoping that this year will be our biggest so that those impacted really feel supported in their own community, and that's really special. It's always so great to see everyone in their blue t-shirts cheering and being so positive around something that is quite scary," said Holland.

For those who have done the walk before, it will be similar to past events with a pleasant route and, if all goes to plan, hopefully pleasant weather to match.

"We are going to be walking towards Selkirk Park again. Our walk route is and always has been accessible for all ages and abilities, so we encourage whole families to come out, bring your pets, join in. Even if you don't plan to walk, we're going to have yard games set up to enjoy throughout the evening, and on the walk itself, we can expect the Manitoba Métis Federation's Minister of Culture and Heritage, Bucky Anderson, and his Métis Music Van to lead the way again and fill our walk with really awesome fiddle music," said Holland.

Her favourite part of the event is walking and feeling the support from the community.

"We just kick off and start walking as we pass by the houses and apartments and buildings, people are waving and honking and cheering, and you just feel like you're part of something bigger," said Holland.

Residents are encouraged to register for the walk before the event.

"(You can register) either online at alzheimer.mb.ca or by dropping by the Gordon Howard Centre to fill out a paper registration form. Then those who raise \$75 will receive an official walk t-shirt on the night of, and we hope that those who've participated in the past will wear theirs again," said Holland.

She hopes to see everyone who wants to participate in the walk.

"With this event, there's really something for everyone, and I think people who haven't participated before will be surprised to see how many people in the community show up and participate and maybe have had a family member impacted or are currently on the dementia journey. It's just a really special event for everyone to come together," said Holland.

She also wanted to thank sponsors Aaron's No-Frills for providing food for the barbecue and the Mighty Kiwi, who has made them their chosen charity for their May smoothie of the month, so \$1 from every Dreamsicle smoothie sold goes to supporting the walk and the Alzheimer Society.

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Car Show on the Ridge returns May 23

Fifth annual Woodridge event continues to fuel community projects

By Annaliese Meier

What began as a grassroots fundraiser has grown into a signature spring event for southeastern Manitoba, with the fifth annual Car Show on the Ridge set to return May 23.

Hosted by the Woodridge Community Club in partnership with the Woodridge Firefighters Association, the event will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Woodridge Community Centre and M.A. Queral Community Park.

Now in its fifth year, the show has raised more than \$28,000 since its inception in 2022, supporting a range of community projects and emergency services.

Funds raised in previous years have gone toward the purchase of a community-accessible automated external defibrillator, renovations to the Golden Star Games Room, construction of a heated ice rink shelter and the acquisition of firefighting equipment, including a thermal imaging camera and wildland gear.

Organizers say the event continues to grow thanks to strong volunteer support and participation from car enthusiasts across Manitoba.

"We've had an incredible response over the years," organizers noted. "It's an opportunity to bring people together to share their passion for vehicles while raising funds that directly benefit the community."

This year's fundraising goal will support additional firefighting equipment for the Woodridge Fire Department, along with continued upgrades to the community centre.

Among those planning to take part is local car enthusiast Richard Schellenberg, who will be showcasing his 1950 Chevy pickup — a project more than a decade in the making.

"I've owned this particular truck for the last 12 years and have been working on it for 12 years and counting



Richard Schellenberg turned his late grandfather's original tailgate into a custom bench, preserving a piece of family history.

— they're never done," Schellenberg said.

The truck carries deep personal meaning. His late grandfather once owned the same model, purchased new in the 1950s in a similar shade of blue.

"I do still have his original tailgate that we found in his old barn on the farm," he said. "We made a custom tailgate bench out of it, which he got to enjoy."

Rather than a traditional restoration, Schellenberg describes the build as a "rustoration," blending modern mechanical upgrades with the truck's original exterior.

"In my opinion you only get factory paint once, and mother nature just fine tunes it to perfection as the years go by," he said.

The process of updating a vehicle more than 75 years old comes with challenges, from sourcing parts to retrofitting modern components.

"It takes out-of-the-box thinking, patience and mechanically inclined friends to pull off something like this," he said.

For Schellenberg, the reward comes not only from the finished product but from the reaction it draws.

"Showing my vehicles gives me a feeling of pride," he said. "All the hard work, parts hunt-



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Classic cars, trucks and specialty vehicles line up during the annual Car Show on the Ridge in Woodridge, drawing enthusiasts and families for a day of community fundraising and automotive appreciation.

ing, late nights, head scratching and bruised knuckles is all worth it when you see people gawking and taking pictures."

He added that the experience often sparks connections with others.

"This usually leads to hearing a story about 'the truck' their grandpa or father had on the farm," he said.

The event will feature a wide range of vehicles, including classic and vintage cars, trucks, motorcycles, hot rods and specialty builds. Car show registration is by donation and includes a souvenir dash plaque and entry into a prize draw, while public admission is free.

In addition to the vehicle showcase, attendees can enjoy a full day of activities, including a BBQ lunch, beer garden, tailgate swap meet, silent auction, 50/50 draw and a "Chase the Ace" fundraiser.

Music will be provided throughout the day, and the Woodridge Fire Department will host a display highlighting its equipment and operations.

Awards will be presented in several categories, including best car and truck, best



A 1950 Chevy pickup restored in a "rustoration" style blends modern upgrades with its original patina finish.

bike, best import, best rat rod, best other and a people's choice award.

Organizers say the show is as much about community connection as it is about cars.

"This event is a win-win," they said. "Vehicle owners get to showcase their pride and joy, and the community comes together to support meaningful local initiatives."

The event will take place rain or shine, with a rain date scheduled for May 24.

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RBC supports emergency nursing education

By Annaliese Meier

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority is receiving a major boost to frontline healthcare training and digital patient care services thanks to a \$10,000 donation from RBC Foundation and Royal Bank of Canada (RBC).

Announced during National Nursing Week, the funding will help provide advanced emergency pediatric training to 29 nurses and healthcare staff connected to Selkirk Regional Health Centre and healthcare facilities across the Interlake-Eastern region.

The donation is part of a national healthcare campaign that will see RBC and the RBC Foundation contribute more than \$30 million to 93 hospitals across Canada in support of workforce development, patient care and healthcare accessibility.

Local healthcare leaders say the investment comes at an important time for rural healthcare systems facing staffing shortages and increasing patient demands.

“Staffing pressures in healthcare are felt everywhere, and rural communities face unique challenges,” said Patrice Lee, Director of Health Services. “Investing in education is one of the most effective ways to recruit and retain skilled professionals.”

Lee said the funding will allow healthcare workers to receive specialized emergency pediatric education

closer to home, eliminating the need for extensive travel and reducing barriers to professional development.

“By delivering training locally, we’re reducing barriers, supporting our teams and improving care for patients close to home,” she said. “We are grateful for RBC’s support in making this possible.”

The training initiative will include hands-on learning using advanced simulation equipment and mannequins that allow nurses to practice real-life emergency scenarios, including IV insertion and pediatric response procedures.

Healthcare educators within the IERHA say simulation-based learning is becoming an increasingly valuable tool in rural healthcare because it gives staff the opportunity to strengthen clinical skills in a safe environment before responding to actual emergencies.

The donation will also support the implementation of a region-wide online booking and patient messaging platform designed to improve patient access to care while reducing administrative workloads, wait times and missed appointments. The new platform will roll out in stages across the region over the next year.

Averill Stephenson, executive director of the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Foundation, said the donation will strengthen both clinical care and patient services across the region.

“Investing in both digital infrastructure and clinical capacity, this donation from RBC will help us support the IERHA in strengthening the full continuum of care, ensuring people receive timely, high-quality support in the communities where they live,” Stephenson said.

Stephenson noted the Selkirk Regional Health Centre continues to benefit from strong community support through donations made in honour of loved ones, by grateful patients and through commu-



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Staff with the Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority Acute Care Education team demonstrate advanced simulation equipment that will support emergency pediatric training for healthcare workers across the region.



IERHA staff practice IV insertion using a “Chester Chest” training mannequin, part of expanded hands-on clinical education supported by a \$10,000 donation from RBC and the RBC Foundation.

nity fundraising initiatives.

The most recent major contribution came on April 27 through the annual disbursement of the Selkirk Hospital (Equipment) Fund, held at the Selkirk & District Community Foundation. The fund provided \$46,658 for urgently needed acute care equipment.

Stephenson said the funding will support the purchase of mattresses, wheelchairs, monitors and rehabilitation equipment used throughout the hospital.

The latest RBC contribution also builds on previous support provided in 2024, when RBC donated another \$10,000 to help train internal educators throughout the region.

That earlier funding allowed healthcare staff to become certified instructors in programs such as Basic Life Support, Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course training and Trauma Nursing Core Course education, helping bring more advanced healthcare in-

struction directly into rural communities.

RBC Regional President Kim Ulmer said the campaign recognizes the essential role nurses and healthcare teams play in communities across Canada.

“National Nursing Week reminds us of the vital role nurses play in keeping our communities healthy,” Ulmer said. “We’re honoured to support nursing excellence and the strengthening of healthcare teams.”

Ulmer added the donations are intended to help hospitals address local priorities while building a strong and resilient healthcare workforce.

National Nursing Week, held annually in honour of nursing pioneer Florence Nightingale, recognizes the contributions nurses make to healthcare across the country. Nurses represent Canada’s largest group of healthcare professionals, with approximately 400,000 members nationwide.



“60 & Still Kick’n Reunion”

Left to right: Kenny Prychun, Tobias, Barb Pasaur & Sue Bakker
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Local Ukrainian dancer marks intergenerational impact with first Pryvit

By E. Antonio

This April's Manitoba Ukrainian Dance Festival marked an especially meaningful performance for one Stonewall family.

Ten-year-old Lucy Campbell performed her first Pryvit to the same song her mother, Alycia Campbell, danced her own first Pryvit to years earlier. Making the moment even more special, Lucy's Pryvit was choreographed by her aunt, Elena Modrzejewski, and longtime family friend Olivia Dubeski — two of Alycia's former students who were part of her very first Pryvit routine.

"It was pure joy to watch Lucy take the stage for her first Pryvit," her mom said. "You could see the pride on her face while she danced, and that was beautiful to watch."

The performance brought Alycia back to Lucy's very first dance class with the Selkirk & District Ukrainian School of Dance, and she said she is proud to see how much her daughter has grown over the years.

Lucy was invited to perform the Pryvit in recognition of her positive attitude and dedication during rehearsals.

"She loves dance and takes pride in knowing she's putting her best foot forward when she takes the



Lucy's mom, Alycia, stands with Lucy and her aunt Elena, who co-choreographed the Pryvit.

stage," her mom said. "Dance has given my life so much joy and colour. It's taken me places I would not have visited. It's allowed me to make lifelong friends. It's blessed me with strength and health as I age. And most importantly, you don't have to be perfect or the best to reap all those benefits if you love it. I want all of that for Lucy — I hope dance gives back to her the way it has for me."

Alycia said she first choreographed her routine in 2010 and immediately knew the music was something special.

With Pryvit serving as a welcoming dance that symbolizes hospitality and the fertility of the land, she said that the moment she first heard the piece, she knew the audience was in for a



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Lucy Campbell performs her first Pryvit with the Selkirk & District Ukrainian School of Dance to the same song her mom, Alycia, danced her first Pryvit to. Lucy's routine was choreographed by two of Alycia's former students who also performed in her original Pryvit.

Now, in 2026, hearing the music again and watching Lucy perform brought tears to her eyes.

"The fact that this piece stayed with them (Modrzejewski and Dubeski) as dancers, and then as instructors that they chose it to choreograph their first Pryvit, is an honour," she said. "It was a full-circle moment."

Dubeski said that, for her, one of the most meaningful aspects of Ukrainian dance is carrying on tradition between generations.

"Each step, rhythm and costume reflects a shared history, connecting dancers today with those who came before them," she said. "When those moments have a personal connection, it makes them even more meaningful."

For Modrzejewski, she said they approached the choreography knowing the importance and privilege the routine held, adding that it had lived with them for several years and they strived to recreate its impact on their students.

"Seeing Lucy and the rest of my students perform this piece onstage was the culmination of many hours of preparation and the dreams Olivia (one of two choreographers) and I had," she said. "Having the opportunity to watch Lucy from the wings, as my sister had watched me, and as our aunts and uncles had watched her, is now a memory I will return to fondly for the rest of my life."

For Lucy, stepping onto the stage brought a mix of nerves and excitement, especially as she performed alongside dancers in levels above her own.

Her favourite part of the experience was the opportunity to learn from and perform with them.

"They inspired me with the fast turns, the challenging combinations and the fun choreography," she said. "Dancing in this Pryvit made me feel like I was following in the steps of my family — my great-aunts and great-uncles, my mom and dad, my aunts and uncles, my cousins, and then me. I'm the next generation, and that makes me proud."

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McHappy Day raises funds to help families of sick kids



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Mayors and other members of our community teamed up to support McHappy Day and the Jail and Bail event that supported Ronald McDonald House which provides housing for the families of children who are ill or injured and getting care from pediatric hospitals. The event raised \$15,000 total, up \$6,000 over last year. This difference was largely due to efforts with the jail and bail. Pictured in the Jail and Bail, St. Andrews Mayor Joy Sul, St. Clements Mayor Debbie Fiebelkorn Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson, Inspector Chris Lambert and Constable Paul Human from our local RCMP, and Marcel Lemire. McDonalds employee Erik Anderson also volunteered his talents to the event singing his original song Making Dreams and Wishes Come True.



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Lakeside Quilters celebrating milestone 10th quilt show in Gimli

Two-day show May 29 and 30 at Gimli Recreation Centre

By Lana Meier

Quilters, fabric artists and sewing enthusiasts from across Manitoba will gather in Gimli later this month as Lakeside Quilters celebrates the 10th

edition of its popular quilt show.

The two-day Lakeside Quilters Quilt Show will take place May 29 and 30 at the Gimli Recreation Centre, featuring quilts and fabric art, vendors, spe-

cial exhibits, raffles and community displays.

This year's show carries special significance for the organization as members look back on more than a decade of quilting, creativity and community involvement in the Interlake region.

To mark the milestone, organizers are preparing a special history display

featuring memorabilia and highlights from the first nine shows. Among the featured pieces will be the prize-winning quilt from the group's inaugural 2012 show. "We wanted to celebrate how far the show has come and recognize the many quilters, volunteers and visitors who have supported us over the years," one of the group's organizers Mary Ann Stewart said.

One of the major features for 2026 is a special mini quilt challenge themed around the number "ten." Quilters have been invited to create miniature quilts measuring either 12-by-12 inches or 12-by-16 inches inspired by the theme.

Participants also have the option to donate their mini quilts following the show. Those pieces will be distributed as place-mats through local Meals on Wheels programs. Lakeside Quilters say promot-

ing quilting and encouraging creativity in the community has been one of the group's goals since it was formed. New to this year's event is a youth quilter category aimed at encouraging younger sewists under the age of 19 to showcase their work.

The category welcomes a variety of quilted creations including bed quilts, garments, bags and other quilted projects. Organizers say the response to previous shows has continued to grow. The 2023 event featured more than 100 quilts and attracted an estimated 550 visitors from across Manitoba and beyond.

Entries for this year's show remain open until May 22, and organizers expect another strong turnout of quilts and fibre art displays. Entry forms are available online and in printable format through the group's website. Community giving continues to play a major role in the organization's work. Donation quilts entered into the show will be distributed this year through the Gimli Seniors Resource Centre.

Since the show began, Lakeside Quilters has donated approximately \$14,000 to various Interlake organizations and community programs through proceeds raised from the event. Visitors attending the show will also have the opportunity to vote for their favourite entries in each category. The top three People's Choice winners will receive prizes and handmade quilted rosettes.

Along with the quilt displays, the event will feature vendors from across Manitoba selling fabric, sewing notions and quilting supplies. Guests can also visit the Fat 1/4 Café, catered by Mad Dash, enjoy the rainbow raffle and stop by the popular selfie station.

The Lakeside Quilters Quilt Show runs Friday, May 29 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, May 30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Gimli Recreation Centre. Admission is \$10 per day and the venue is handicap accessible. More information can be found at lakesidequilters.ca.

2026 NATIONAL ELECTION

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Your FARM



EMILI invites producers to upcoming Grosse Isle event

By Jennifer McFee

Calling all local producers — this event is just for you.

On Wednesday, June 10, EMILI is hosting Producer Day with Keystone Agricultural Producers. The event takes place at EMILI's Innovation Farms in Grosse Isle from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

EMILI works collaboratively with producers, industry, investors and innovators who share the vision of Canadian agriculture leading the world through transformative innovation.

As an industry-led non-profit, EMILI provides innovators with access to leading-edge equipment, technology and production practices, along with unbiased feedback on how their innovation works on a full-scale farm.

"EMILI was founded 10 years ago, in 2016, and launched Innovation Farms powered by AgExpert in 2022 to create space for innovation on a full-scale farm. EMILI's Innovation Farms provides innovators with access to leading-edge equipment, technology and production practices to increase productivity, sustainability and profitability across the agriculture and agri-food sector," said Leanne Koroscil, EMILI's Innovation Farms manager.

"EMILI's Innovation Farms currently operates in two locations in Grosse Isle and MacGregor. EMILI's

Innovation Farms Grosse Isle site is located on Rutherford Farms, a 5,500-acre grain and oilseed farm. Crops include spring and winter wheat, oats, barley, corn, canola, soybeans, field peas and forage peas. EMILI's Innovation Farms MacGregor site, which launched in 2025, is located at J.P. Wiebe Ltd., a 10,000-acre potato and grain farm with approximately 3,000 acres dedicated to potatoes."

The producer-only field tour aims to create space for farmers to ask questions and share insights about what matters to them.

"EMILI Producer Day is one of several field tours that EMILI hosts throughout the season to showcase new agricultural technologies, expand innovation opportunities, and increase understanding and adoption of digital tools," she said. "EMILI Producer Days are unique in that they are producer-only events."

During these events, producers get a firsthand look at how EMILI's Innovation Farms is advancing digital agriculture in the Prairies. They focus mainly on technology that's close to commercial-ready to ensure discussions and demonstrations are relevant to attending farmers, since they might be thinking about adopting new tech on their farms.

Attendance is limited to producers



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EMILI Innovation Farms manager Leanne Koroscil shares a presentation on ag-tech innovation with farmers at EMILI Producer Day.

to provide them an opportunity to learn about EMILI's work to reduce risks related to agricultural technology. At the same time, they can connect with other producers interested in ag tech, while also having the chance to ask and answer questions about the demonstrated technology without anyone trying to sell them products.

In 2026, EMILI will host two Producer Day events. The first will take place on June 10 in Grosse Isle. The other event will take place on June 18

in partnership with Elmer's Manufacturing at their site in Altona.

The Grosse Isle event will feature a half-day workshop featuring a producer panel that will share real-world experience and practical insights about adopting new on-farm technology. Attendees will also have the chance to exchange ideas with other producers and enjoy a free barbecue lunch.

The panel discussion will focus on adopting technology and driving innovation on the farm, while also highlighting how producers with different operations approach new technologies and how they believe these technologies make their operations more productive and sustainable.

Koroscil will moderate the panel with Andrew Doerksen, Hailey Jefferies and Jake Ayre. Doerksen is a partner at Beaver Creek Farms Ltd., a family-owned third-generation potato and grain farm near MacGregor. Jefferies is the co-founder and president of Prairie Fava, a Manitoba-based agri-food company. Ayre is vice-president of KAP and a producer at Southern Seed Ltd., a family-owned and operated pedigreed seed farm and retail business near Minto.

"During our 2024 event, attendees gained insight into how sensors benefit production practices, learned about the future of remote crop imag-

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> GROSSE ISLE EVENT, FROM PG. 18

ing and monitoring, and heard how EMILI uses drones to gain insight into crop health throughout the season," Koroscil said.

"At our 2025 event, producers learned new ways to optimize harvest and took part in a free combine clinic in collaboration with Bushel Plus."

At last year's event, organizers also took the time to ask producers what type of topics they'd like to focus on for future events.

"Our 2026 planning has centred around this feedback and is one of the reasons we are hosting two events this year. Our event in Altona will provide producers an opportunity to get behind the scenes at a made-in-Manitoba equipment manufacturer while learning about the results from EMILI's collaboration with them over the past few seasons," Koroscil said.

"Our event at Grosse Isle will include panel discussions and ag-tech

demonstrations centred around adopting new on-farm technologies, financing innovation and improving productivity — topics that we have heard are top of mind for farmers in our community."

In addition, Grosse Isle attendees can look forward to ag-tech demonstrations that highlight projects EMILI is working on this season with Crop Intelligence, TerraWave, John Deere and Redekop Manufacturing. These demonstrations will showcase how their technology improves farm productivity and sustainability.

EMILI Producer Day is free, but space is limited and fills up quickly. Producers are encouraged to register as soon as possible to avoid missing out.

Producers can visit EMILI Canada to learn more and register for EMILI Producer Day with Keystone Agricultural Producers.



Producers learn ways to optimize their combine calibrations as part of a free combine clinic with Bushel Plus as part of EMILI's 2025 Producer Day.

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Spring Home & Garden Guide



Spring is here! Have you prepared your home and yard to welcome it?

46 Griffin Way, West St. Paul - \$989,900
Set on a 1.33-acre lot in West St. Paul, this exceptional 2-storey residence offers a refined blend of luxury, space, and modern comfort. Meticulously updated throughout, the home showcases a stunning 2024 renovation featuring all-new flooring across the main and upper levels, a beautifully redesigned staircase with sleek glass paneling, and a fully reimaged kitchen complete with new high-end appliances. Thoughtfully designed for elevated living and entertaining, the home offers 5 bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms, including a primary retreat with a walk-in closet and 3pc ensuite. The finished basement adds valuable living space, ideal for a home theatre, gym, etc. Function meets style in the newly renovated mudroom, complemented by brand-new washer and dryer (2024). Outdoors, the property's fully landscaped grounds are enhanced by a sprinkler system (2019), while a pool installed in 2018 creates a private backyard oasis perfect for summer enjoyment. Car enthusiasts/hobbyists will appreciate the convenience of an attached double garage and a detached single garage, along with a powered shed for additional storage/workspace. A rare offering combining modern upgrades, generous space, and a premier location!

36 Donald Road, St. Andrews - \$1,099,900
Welcome to this stunning custom-built Mannington home set on a beautifully treed 1.63-acre lot in St. Andrews! Offering 1879 sqft of thoughtfully designed living space, this 3-bedroom, 2-bath residence showcases an inviting open-concept layout filled with natural light from expansive windows and centered around a warm, cozy fireplace that creates an elegant yet comfortable living area. The adjoining dining space flows seamlessly into the well-appointed kitchen, featuring sleek porcelain countertops and dual built-in ovens. The spacious primary suite offers a private retreat with a walk-through closet leading to a beautiful 3-piece ensuite complete with dual vanity. A bright sunroom extends the living space and opens onto the deck, providing the perfect setting to relax while taking in the serene views of the mature, tree-lined yard. The large, partially finished basement has a separate, private entrance with the potential for a secondary suite or a dream workshop with oversized windows. Additional highlights include a triple attached garage and an expansive lot surrounded by established trees, creating a rare sense of privacy while still being nearby city amenities!

2 Schubert Lane, St. Andrews - \$649,900
Welcome to this spacious 2-storey home offering 1930 sqft, ideally located in the sought-after Mapleton area of St. Andrews. Experience peaceful country living just minutes from the amenities, shopping, and recreation in Selkirk. The granite kitchen seamlessly connects to the living and dining spaces with easy access to the deck and pool, perfect for enjoying summer days at home! The home features 4 bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms, including a primary suite with a jetted ensuite. Carpeting adds comfort to the living room and upper-level bedrooms. A fully finished basement and a generous second-floor family room provide plenty of additional living space, all set within a private, treed lot with scenic country views. Outdoors, the property features two garages with the detached garage being insulated and heated for year-round use. The spacious deck leads to a newer above-ground heated pool with updated equipment (2024), ideal for entertaining and relaxing. Additional recent upgrades include new shingles on the home (2025). The beautifully landscaped yard is complete with fruit trees, adding to the charm of this fantastic property.

234 Mariners Way, East St. Paul - \$1,099,900
Experience true riverfront living in this exceptional custom-built home, where the water provides breathtaking backdrop to everyday life. West-facing windows fill the home with warm natural light, while unforgettable sunsets create the perfect evening setting. A grand foyer welcomes guests and opens to a stunning vaulted living room, highlighted by an elegant fireplace that anchors both the formal dining area and the beautifully designed chef's kitchen. Here you'll find expansive granite countertops, finely crafted cabinetry, and striking tray ceilings. Rich hardwood flooring leads to the spacious primary suite, complete with private access to the deck, a walk-in closet, and a spa-like 4-piece ensuite designed for comfort and relaxation. The bright lower level offers incredible flexibility, perfect for a home theatre, fitness space, or recreation area, and includes an additional bedroom, a versatile den, full bathroom, and generous storage. Outside, the meticulously maintained grounds, finished double garage, and highly desirable location just minutes from the city complete the package. An outstanding opportunity to own a truly special home!

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86043 Hwy 12 Road 42E, Brokenhead - \$669,900
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- **Air-conditioner.** Test your air conditioner to ensure it's in good working order and will keep you cool when a heatwave hits. Replace or clean the filters and evaporator coils by following the manufacturer's instructions. This will help optimize the efficiency of your system.
- **Windows and screens.** Check the state of your window screens and replace them if they've been damaged over winter. This will help you better regulate the temperature and humidity in your home on hot days. You should also make sure your windows open and close properly.
- **Attic and ceiling.** Look for signs of water damage to your attic or ceiling, including stains, peeling paint and mould. You should also check for signs of an animal infestation, such as nests, and take the necessary measures to remove them.
- **Roof.** Examine your roof for any damage sustained over the winter, such as missing or broken shingles, pooling water and thinning or unevenly distributed gravel. Plan the necessary



- **repairs accordingly.**
 - **Gutters.** Remove debris from your gutters and ensure that water is draining away from your home's foundation. You can also take this opportunity to check for cracks or leaks in your gutters that could compromise their efficiency.
 - **Foundation.** Look for cracks in your home's foundation and seal fine and hairline ones with an appropriate product. Hire an expert to evaluate cracks that are more than one centimetre wide.
 - **Outdoor faucets.** Turn on your outdoor faucets to check if the cold weather damaged your pipes. You can do this by covering the spout with your thumb. If you can stop the flow, there may be a hidden leak.
 - **Gardening equipment.** Sharpen the blades and check the oil levels in your lawn mower, chainsaw and hedge trimmer. Take inventory of your gardening tools and clean them as needed.
 - **Vegetation.** Collect broken branches and trim greenery that's grown too close to your home. Overgrown trees and bushes can damage your siding and give pests access to your home. Additionally, trim your perennials, especially if you forgot to do so last fall.
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Master the art of contrasts

Do you want to give your garden added visual interest without compromising on sophistication? Try embracing the spirit of yin and yang. Here's your inspiration to incorporate artful contrasts in your outdoor spaces.

COLOUR HARMONY

Commit to two complementary colours and apply them throughout your outdoor space—think blue and orange, yellow and purple or red and green.

DIVERSE TEXTURES

Textures contribute to your visual and tactile experience. Create a counterpoint with decorative

shrubs beside a stone retaining wall. Combine rustic garden furniture with luxurious fabrics and prints.

GEOMETRIC BALANCE

Soften industrial materials with the organic shapes of trees and flowers. The smooth, functional lines created by a concrete walkway are subtly balanced with a border of irregularly shaped stones.

COMPLEMENTARY LIGHT AND SHADOW

Create spaces where sunshine and shadow are the focus. A sundial feature tracks the sun's movement. Mature leafy trees provide soothing dap-



pled light.

Reach out to a local landscaper for help making the most of your outdoor space.

Transform your backyard into a wellness space

Do you ever wish you could have a spa-like experience without leaving home? You can create your own wellness space right in your own backyard. Here are some tips to inspire you.

WHAT DOES WELLNESS MEAN FOR YOU?

Do you need a workout space? Do you have a meditation practice? Are you a yoga or Pilates practitioner? Do certain religious or spiritual icons speak to you? Let your personal vision of wellness guide you in your backyard transformation.

INSPIRE SERENITY THROUGH CLEAN DESIGN

A tidy, uncluttered

space with clean lines creates a calming atmosphere. When you choose furniture or structures for your backyard, select items that eliminate distraction and promote contemplation.

INCORPORATE ORGANIC ELEMENTS

A strong relationship with the natural world goes hand in hand with a healthy body and mind. Plants are just one way to forge that connection with nature. However, you may resonate with other organic features, such as a stone garden, a fire pit or a water fountain.

BUILD THE SPA OF YOUR DREAMS

If space allows, why not construct your favourite spa experience? A sauna and cold plunge are so much easier to do every day when you have them right outside your back door. A simple wooden platform can become the perfect meditation or yoga space.

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Spring Home & Garden Guide



Low-maintenance landscaping gaining ground

By Annaliese Meier

As busy schedules leave less time for yard work, many Manitoba homeowners are turning to low-maintenance landscaping solutions that still offer colour and curb appeal.

Perennials are among the most popular choices for those looking to reduce upkeep. Unlike annuals, which must be replanted each year, perennials return season after season, making them a cost-effective and time-saving option.

"These plants are ideal for people who want a beautiful yard without a lot of work," said a local garden centre representative. "Once established, they require less attention than many other options."

Shrubs and small trees are also being used to create structure in landscaping designs. These plants provide long-term growth and can serve as natural borders, windbreaks or focal points in a yard.

Mulching is another key strategy in low-maintenance gardening. Applying mulch around plants helps retain moisture, reduce weeds and regulate soil temperature, cutting down on the need for frequent watering and maintenance.

Many homeowners are also incorporating decorative elements such as planters, garden art and pathways to enhance their outdoor spaces. These features can add personality without increasing maintenance requirements.

Choosing the right plants for Manitoba's climate is essential. Hardy varieties that can withstand temperature fluctuations and varying soil conditions tend to perform best and require less care over time.

Water conservation is also becoming a priority. Drought-tolerant



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Garden centres across Manitoba are seeing increased interest in low-maintenance landscaping options as homeowners look for attractive yards that require less upkeep. Perennials, shrubs, mulch and drought-tolerant plants are among the popular choices helping create colourful outdoor spaces with reduced maintenance needs.

plants and efficient watering practices can help reduce water usage while keeping gardens healthy.

Garden centres offer a wide selection of perennials, shrubs and landscaping materials suited to local conditions. Staff can assist customers in selecting plants that match their needs and experience level.

By focusing on long-lasting plants and smart design choices, homeowners can create attractive outdoor spaces that require less time and effort to maintain, allowing them to

spend more time enjoying their yards throughout the season.



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Selkirk Dance Association end of year performance



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Selkirk Dance Association students, shook their groove thangs, got on the floor, and spiced up everyone's lives at their 2026 year end performance on May 15.



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> MEAL IDEAS



Servings: 2
 2 cups cooked sushi rice
 2 radishes, sliced
 1 can Bumble Bee Snackers Sweet Heat Tuna
 1 mango, cubed



Rainbow Tuna Bowls

3 tablespoons shelled edamame
 1 avocado, sliced
 1/4 cup shredded red cabbage
 2 tablespoons thinly sliced scallion
 furikake, for serving
 Sriracha, for serving
 In two shallow bowls, layer rice on bottom then evenly divide radish, tuna, mango, edamame, avocado, cabbage and scallion. Sprinkle with furikake and Sriracha.



Servings: 2
 8 ounces tri-color shredded cabbage (coleslaw mix)
 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice (1 lime)
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 1/2 teaspoon sea salt

Bang Bang Tuna Sliders

1/4 cup mayo
 2 tablespoons sweet Thai chili sauce
 1 can Bumble Bee Snackers Thai Chili Tuna, included whole chili minced and reserved
 4 slider buns
 In small bowl, mix cabbage, lime juice, oil and salt.
 In another small bowl, mix mayo, chili sauce and minced chili from tuna can.
 On bottom of each bun, evenly divide layer of coleslaw followed by tuna. Drizzle sauce over top, to taste. Cap with top bun and serve.

Red Kiwi Ice Pops

4 Zespri RubyRed Kiwifruit, peeled
 pineapple juice (or fruit juice of choice)
 Dice three kiwis into small cubes. Thinly slice remaining kiwi and reserve.

Five steps to keep kids sun-safe for Sun Awareness Month

By News Canada

May is Sun Awareness Month, and it's also when soccer and baseball games and long bike rides kick into full gear. Active days have a way of stretching longer than you planned. You pack the water bottles, the extra socks, the snacks, and then the sun creeps up on you. For family fun that includes movement, sunscreen is an essential part of staying protected all day long.

Here are five things to remember before you head out the door.

Prepare before leaving the house. Start by applying sunscreen 15 minutes before you go outside.

"When families are heading out for sports, field trips or active summer plans, the best time to think about sun protection is before walking out the door," says dermatologist and mom of two Dr. Katie Belezny. "Start by applying a generous layer of SPF, about two tablespoons for the whole body and rub it in well so that you're well protected from the start."

Plan for sweat. If your kids are running drills, climbing or racing scooters, they're sweating—even if it doesn't look like it. Choose broad-spectrum UVA/UVB protection with SPF 30 or higher, and remember that towels and shirts can rub sunscreen off. Sunscreen should be reapplied after 80 minutes if they've been sweating.

Don't forget the grown-ups. Kids take their cue from you. When you top up your own sunscreen, they're more likely to cooperate with theirs. Using water and sweat-resistant sunscreens like Banana Boat Ultra Sport Sunscreen Spray SPF 50+ is an option for parents who are out-



side cheering or playing alongside their kids.

Build reapplication into natural breaks. Between games, do a quick scan of noses, cheeks, ears, backs of necks as well as shoulders. Use snack time or bathroom breaks as another opportunity to reapply sunscreen. Don't go longer than two hours before reapplying, or 80 minutes if they've been sweating.

Dress for the sun. Finish with simple add-ons for the family: brimmed hats, lightweight long-sleeves and shade breaks when the sun is strongest. Sun safe family fun doesn't have to be complicated. You just need something you can stick to consistently.

A little preparation can go a long way on busy summer days. By making sunscreen, reapplication and sun-smart habits part of the routine, families can stay focused on the fun while helping protect their skin outdoors.



In blender, blend kiwi cubes and pineapple juice until smooth.

Put sliced kiwi in ice pop mold and pour juice mixture over top. Freeze until chilled.



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Interlake family runs after daughter's rare diagnosis

By E. Antonio

An Interlake family is raising funds and awareness for the HSC Winnipeg Children's Hospital this May through the Million Reasons Run.

Million Reasons Run participant Dana Robinson and her family recently moved to East Selkirk after previously residing in Warren. This will be her third year taking part in the run following her three-year-old daughter Nellie's diagnosis with Xia-Gibbs Syndrome in December 2023.

"Nellie is a super happy girl who loves to be with and watch others," Robinson said. "She loves to swing, swim and play with bubbles, and has taught our family to slow down and enjoy the small things in life."

Xia-Gibbs Syndrome is a rare genetic disorder caused by a mutation of the AHDC1 gene. First identified in 2014, the Xia-Gibbs Society estimates only about 390 diagnoses have been made worldwide since its discovery.

Xia-Gibbs Syndrome affects the entire body, with symptoms including developmental delays, low muscle tone and intellectual impairments, although symptoms and severity vary from person to person.

Robinson first noticed Nellie's low muscle tone when she was three months old after she was unable to sit or hold her head up independently. While prenatal testing identified that Nellie would have some differences, doctors were not completely sure what the diagnosis would involve.

After she was born, Nellie spent one week in the NICU at HSC Winnipeg Children's Hospital and underwent genetic testing, which showed she had some genetic differences. When she was three months old, further advanced testing led to the Xia-Gibbs diagnosis.

"At first, it was relieving knowing we finally had answers and had a direction we could head in for supports," Robinson recalled of receiving the diagnosis. "It was also really scary because we didn't know anyone who had gone through this. We felt alone and it was really tough navigating through this life-impacting information."

Nellie participates in physical, occupational and speech therapy every six to eight weeks and is working with staff at the Specialized Services for Children and Youth centre to receive adaptive equipment such as a walker, stander and ankle-foot orthoses (AFOs). She only recently began sitting up unassisted and still needs to be carried or pushed in a stroller to get around.

Despite the delays, every milestone



Three-year-old Nellie lives with Xia-Gibbs Syndrome, a rare genetic condition impacting approximately 390 people worldwide.

she reaches is a moment to celebrate. "It's shown us to celebrate the positives in each day, whether big or small," Robinson said. "Every time she shows us she can do something is exciting and motivates us to keep working hard for her. Even though it's taken three years, her journey has been really inspiring."

Much of Nellie's testing has taken place at HSC Winnipeg Children's Hospital, including appointments with several specialists and surgery. Robinson said the support they have received from the health-care team has been phenomenal, and she wants to give back to the foundation any way she can.

"Right from the beginning, they've been there for us, and now it is time for us to be there for them. Anything that can help make the experience better is really important to me."

As a full-time teacher, Robinson said she has always felt drawn to supporting charities and fundraisers benefiting youth. After receiving Nellie's diagnosis, she said it made sense to enrol in the Million Reasons Run, a Canada-wide fundraising event supporting local children's hospitals.

Participants set fundraising and distance goals for the month of May, rallying support from friends, family and community members. Robinson has pledged to run 75 kilometres and raise \$1,500 this month. Since first joining the Million Reasons Run in 2024, she has raised \$4,255.98 for the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. She said the support she has received has already exceeded her expectations, and she is striving to surpass the goals she set.

"I think about how hard Nellie



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The Robinson family — from left: William, Andrew, Dana and Nellie — is supporting the Million Reasons Run this May to raise funds for the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba following Nellie's diagnosis with the rare genetic condition Xia-Gibbs Syndrome. Scan the QR code to support their fundraiser.

works each day, and it pushes me to work hard," she said. "Everyone knows someone who has been impacted by Children's Hospital. This is our time to support Nellie and other kids who need their services."

The Million Reasons Run continues

until May 31, with all funds raised in Manitoba donated to the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. To make a donation and support Robinson's personal fundraiser page, visit Dana Robinson fundraiser page.

Donations to Bear Clan



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A big thank you to Interlake Cremation Services who donated eight two-way radios to the Bear Clan to make our communities safer. Pictured here are: Selkirk Bear Clan's Cheryl Magnuson and Mike Calder, from Interlake Cremation Services Rick Kotaska and Jacqueline Bourbonniere, Malory Lockhart and Todd Harder.

New grads get a helping hand choosing future paths



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The 2026 Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School Career Fair took place earlier this month at the Comp. Organizations from all over the community gathered to be exhibitors providing students with meaningful insight into the diverse careers and pathways available to them after secondary school.



RCMP remind residents to be safe during Canada Road Safety Week

By May 12 to 19 marked Canada Road Safety Week right before people hit the road for long weekend

Katelyn Boulanger

Last week, just before the long weekend, Manitoba RCMP marked Canada Road Safety Week by reminding motorists how important it is to be safe on the road. Taking safety seriously while in a vehicle can have life or death consequences.

In a release from last week, the RCMP said that impaired driving, whether by drugs or alcohol, contin-

ues to kill or injure more Canadians than any other crime.

Substances that can affect a driver's judgment, coordination, and reaction time include alcohol, drugs, cannabis, and certain over the counter and/or prescription medications.

Last year alone, Manitoba RCMP say that they responded to 26 fatal accidents where impairment was confirmed or suspected, and they are awaiting final reports to confirm.

"Individuals who choose to drive while impaired are taking a needless risk that could have life-altering, if not life-ending, ramifications for themselves and others," said Insp. Robert Wuskynyk, of the RCMP D Division Traffic Services, in the release. "We are asking motorists to make the smart decision, plan ahead and ensure they have a designated driver or a safe ride home."

Manitoba RCMP are on the lookout for impaired drivers, with more than 2,000 apprehended last year, which is up from 2024.

Impaired drivers who are pulled over can face serious consequences like possible jail time, a licence sus-

pension and thousands of dollars in fines, legal fees and increased auto insurance rates. Impaired drivers whose actions cause a collision additionally could have to live with the consequences of potentially hurting or killing another person.

Motorists should know that impaired driving also applies to motorcycles, e-bikes, boats, ATVs, snowmobiles, and other forms of transportation.

"No matter your mode of transportation, you should not operate a motorized vehicle while impaired," said Wuskynyk. "It's not worth risking your own life and the lives of those you share the road, trails, or waterways with."

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Dawson Zeller of St. Andrews helped the Niverville Nighthawks capture the 2026 Centennial Cup national junior A championship in Summerside, P.E.I. Zeller finished the tournament with five goals.

Interlake trio shines at Centennial Cup

By Haley Cvar

The Niverville Nighthawks are Centennial Cup champions after defeating the Summerside Western Capitals 4-1 in Sunday's national championship final in Summerside, P.E.I.

Stonewall's Hayden Wheddon scored twice while Gimli's Adam Vigfusson added an assist as the Manitoba Junior Hockey League champions completed an unbeaten run at the 2026 Centennial Cup.

Wheddon opened the scoring at 8:07 of the first period, finishing off a setup from Vigfusson and Merik Boles.

Summerside answered with a short-handed goal by Jordan Shaw just over two minutes later to tie the game 1-1.

Wheddon restored the Nighthawks' lead midway through the second period with his second goal of the night off an assist from Boles.

Niverville added insurance late in the third period when Marlen Edwards scored at 14:34 off assists from Evan Panzer and Jase Konecni before Tyler Bernier sealed the victory with an empty-net goal.

Niverville goaltender Austin Dubinsky turned aside 34 shots in the win as the Nighthawks were outshot 35-20. Dubinsky was also named a game star.

The championship victory came one day after the Nighthawks rallied from a 3-0 deficit for a 4-3 semifinal victory

over the Toronto Patriots.

Evan Panzer, Marlen Edwards, Caylyb Moore and Merik Boles scored for Niverville in the comeback win, with Boles netting the winner late in the third period.

The semifinal berth came after Niverville earned a bye by finishing first in the round-robin standings with a perfect 4-0 record.

The Nighthawks closed out the preliminary round with a pair of high-scoring victories over the Canmore Eagles and Rockland Nationals.

Niverville defeated Canmore 6-4 in its third game of the tournament.

Vigfusson led the way with a hat trick while Wheddon recorded two assists and St. Andrews product Dawson Zeller added an empty-net goal late in the third period.

The Nighthawks followed that up with a 7-6 win over Rockland in a back-and-forth contest.

Wheddon and Zeller each scored twice for Niverville while Vigfusson added a goal and two assists.

Through six games at the Centennial Cup, Vigfusson and Wheddon each finished with 12 points. Vigfusson recorded seven goals and five assists and was named tournament MVP, while Wheddon totalled six goals and six assists. Zeller finished the tournament with five goals for the Nighthawks.

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East Selkirk's Simpson scores golden goal for Team Manitoba

By Kieran Reimer

East Selkirk's Kennedy Simpson helped Team Manitoba capture gold at the 23rd National Aboriginal Hockey Championships in Regina earlier this month, capping off a standout hockey season that also saw her earn rookie of the year honours in the Manitoba Women's High School Hockey League East Division.

The National Aboriginal Hockey Championships were held May 4-10 at the Co-operators Centre on Treaty 4 territory, with both Manitoba's U18 men's and women's teams winning gold medals.

Simpson, a Grade 9 student at Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School, suited up as one of the youngest players for Team Manitoba's U18 women's team after an impressive season with both the Selkirk Royals and the Winnipeg Avros White U15 AAA program.

She later scored the game-winning goal in Manitoba's 5-2 win over Alberta in the gold medal game.

"It was lots of fun," she said. "It was my first time ever representing Team Manitoba, and I was super nervous, but I'm really glad that I could represent my province. Especially to win, it was really cool to have that opportunity."

Team Manitoba opened the tournament with a 5-3 win over Alberta before defeating Nova Scotia 7-0, dropping its lone round-robin game 5-2 to British Columbia, and downing Saskatchewan 6-4 in its round-robin finale.

Despite the one loss, Manitoba finished third in the standings with a 3-1 record to advance to the semifinal against B.C.

Manitoba avenged its earlier loss with a 4-2 semifinal victory over B.C. before advancing to the gold medal game against Alberta, where it captured its second title in two years.

"After we lost to BC, I think everyone was pretty mad and obviously everyone wanted to win because they won the year before," she said. "Right after that we ended up playing BC again the next game for semis and no one wanted to lose. I think

that's a great attitude for everyone to have because we just came in and took it to them."

Simpson, who is of Ontario Métis heritage, contributed offensively throughout the tournament, recording four points in four round-robin games with two goals and two assists.

She added another two goals and one assist in two playoff games, finishing the tournament with four goals and seven points in six games, including being named player of the game in the gold medal game.

Her parents and grandmother were in attendance throughout the tournament.

"Being one of the younger players, she more than held her own," said her father, Graham Simpson. "To get player of the game in the gold medal game is a huge achievement, and to contribute offensively in that game was important."

The East Selkirk forward was also coming off a dominant high school season with the Royals, where she led the team with 37 points in 19 games, including 33 goals. Her performance earned her rookie of the year recognition in the league's East Division.

At the AAA level, Simpson also posted 50 points in 28 regular-season games with the Avros White U15 squad, adding another 12 points in seven playoff games.

"She's just driven, she's relentless," said Graham Simpson. "When she's got something to do, she's on it, and she just gets stuff done. She has a real strong personality and she's got goals. (Her) long-term goal is to get a Division 1 scholarship in the U.S. She attended some camps and some Canadian universities have already reached out because they can reach out, but no U.S. colleges can reach out until June 15, 2027."

Until then, Simpson will play the 2026-27 season with the Royals and the U18 Winnipeg Avros. Her plan is to skate in multiple camps over the summer but also take some time off to rest and recover from the busyness of the past season.

Also winning a gold medal last week was Cali Lavallee of West St. Paul.



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East Selkirk's Kennedy Simpson had the game-winning-goal and an assist in Manitoba's 5-2 victory over Alberta in the NAHC gold medal game. Simpson recorded four goals and three assists in six games as one of the youngest players at the NAHC.

Lavallee, who played this past season with the U18 Winnipeg Avros program, recorded six points in six games at the tournament, collecting three assists during round-robin play before adding one goal and two assists in the playoffs.

The forward entered the national championship following a strong season in which she recorded 40 goals and 27 assists for 67 points in 63 games for the Avros.

She also starred at the high school level with West Kildonan Collegiate, posting 45 points in 20 games this past season.

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Manitoba defeated Alberta 5-2 in the U18 women's National Aboriginal Hockey Championships gold medal game last Saturday at the Co-operators Centre in Regina. Manitoba went 5-1 at the tournament, losing only to BC in the round robin who Manitoba later eliminated in the semifinal round.

Steelers add NHL experience behind bench

By Lana Meier

The Selkirk Steelers are making a major addition to their coaching staff ahead of the 2026-27 Manitoba Junior Hockey League season with the hiring of former NHL player and veteran coach Josh Green.

While the organization clarified Green is not replacing head coach Hudson Friesen, the addition of the longtime professional player and coach is already being viewed internally as one of the most significant off-season moves the franchise has made in years.

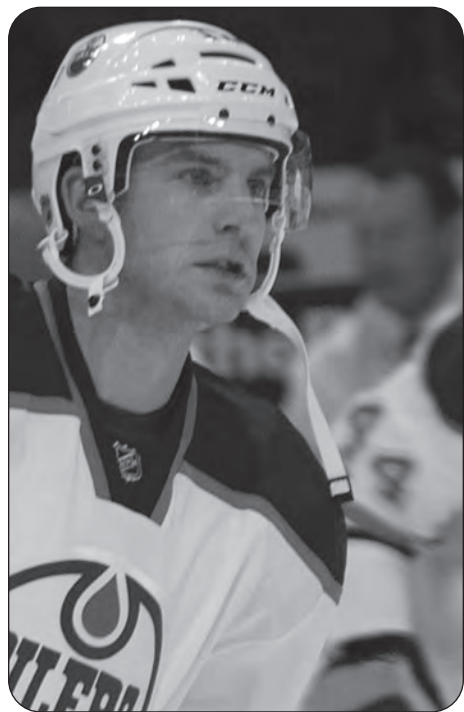
Steelers president Jordan Fillion said the opportunity to add someone with Green's experience was impossible to ignore.

"When GM Tim Schick told me that we had a chance to possibly hire an NHL player and a proven professional coach with proven results, it was a no-brainer," Fillion said. "We wanted to have Josh on our coaching staff. This immediately improves our organization."

General manager Tim Schick said he had known Green from their time together with the Winnipeg Blues organization and always believed he would be a major asset if the opportunity ever arose.

"I knew if we ever had the chance to get Josh it would be huge for the organization," Schick said. "Josh is one of the best people I know in the game of hockey."

Green brings decades of experience



Former NHL forward Josh Green, pictured during his playing career with the Edmonton Oilers, has been named the new assistant coach of the Selkirk Steelers ahead of the upcoming MJHL season.

to Selkirk, including more than 300 NHL games and coaching experience at the WHL and professional levels. During his playing career, Green suited up for organizations including the Los Angeles Kings, New York Islanders, Edmonton Oilers, New York Rangers, Washington Capitals, Calgary Flames and Vancouver Canucks.

Friesen, who recently signed an extension to remain the Steelers' head coach, said adding Green gives the organization another high-level hockey mind behind the bench.

"I am excited to have Josh join our coaching staff," Friesen said. "It is incredible how fortunate we are to have landed an NHL player and pro coach to our group."

According to Fillion, the search for a new coach began after the team parted ways with its defensive coach at the conclusion of last season.

"In our wildest dreams we never thought this would be possible to land Josh Green," Fillion said. "This is why we are so excited and could be one of the best off-seasons for our club in a long time."

Green said the Steelers organization and the people already involved with the team made the opportunity appealing.

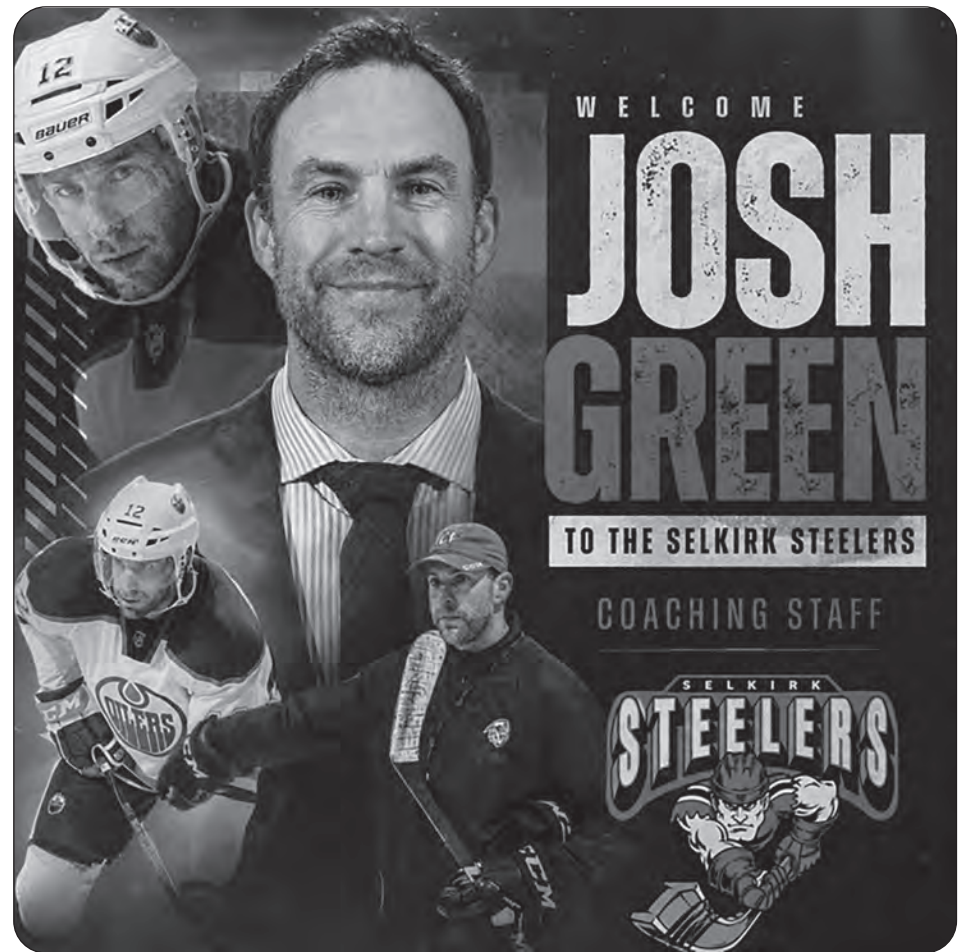
"What attracted me most to the opportunity with the Selkirk Steelers was the chance to be part of a proud organization with a strong hockey culture and passionate community support," Green said. "I'm also excited to get a chance to work alongside a fantastic coach that I've heard nothing but great things about in Hudson Friesen as well as Tim Schick, who I've had a great relationship with since we worked together years ago with the Winnipeg Blues."

Green said he wants the Steelers to play a fast, connected style of hockey built around accountability and teamwork.

"I like our teams to play fast, connected hockey where every player is competing and working together," he said. "We want to defend hard, pressure consistently, and make it difficult on opponents in all areas of the ice."

He added that many of the lessons he learned during his professional playing career continue to shape how he approaches coaching young players.

"One of the biggest lessons I learned from professional hockey is that consistency, preparation, and character matter just as much as talent," Green said. "The best players and teams are accountable, coachable, and willing to do the little things every day."



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New Selkirk Steelers assistant coach Josh Green brings more than two decades of professional hockey experience, including time in the NHL and junior coaching ranks, to the MJHL club ahead of the upcoming season.

Green said player development remains a major priority in his coaching philosophy.

"At the junior level, our job is not only to build a successful team, but also to help players prepare for the next level — whether that's college hockey, pro hockey, or beyond," he said. "I want players leaving our program as better hockey players, but more importantly as better people, teammates, and competitors."

That development focus aligns closely with the direction the Steelers organization says it wants to continue building toward.

"At the Selkirk Steelers our first focus is always on the betterment of the player on and off the ice," Fillion said. "Culture is everything and I believe Josh will be able to improve our culture and make all of us better."

Friesen added that Green's experience should especially help players hoping to move on to higher levels of hockey.

"We have had many Division 1 and most of our players advance to higher levels when they graduate from our program," Friesen said. "We believe Josh will just be able to help this advancement even more with his professional background."

Both Friesen and Fillion identified defensive play as an area the team hopes to improve heading into the new season, with Green expected to work closely with the defensive side of the game.

"I believe the area that needed the most improvement is the defensive side of our game and we are excited that Josh will be working with the defensive this season," Friesen said.

The organization also believes the hire sends a message to fans that the Steelers are serious about becoming more competitive.

"This hire sends a huge message to our fans and the community that we are serious and focused on getting better," Fillion said. "In the more than 50 years of the Steelers existence, this might be our biggest statement to our season ticket holders and fans."

Green said the Steelers ultimately felt like the right fit both professionally and personally.

"The Selkirk Steelers organization has a strong foundation, great people involved, and a real commitment to building something the right way," he said. "It felt like an exciting challenge and a place where I could make a positive impact on both the culture and the development of the players."

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Richard is moving and downsizing a lot of his items including a like new 2020 Kioti Yard Utility Tractor and snowblower with only 37hrs. Also featured in this auction is beautiful good quality household furniture, very large selection of tools, yard and garden items, antiques and collectibles plus much more! All of Richard's items are very well kept and in premium condition. Richard is moving to a smaller suite so there will be many more items to be added. This will be a large auction! Weather you are looking for a small tractor or tools to use on your acreage/furniture or vintage treasures including toys and lamps, this is one auction you won't want to miss!

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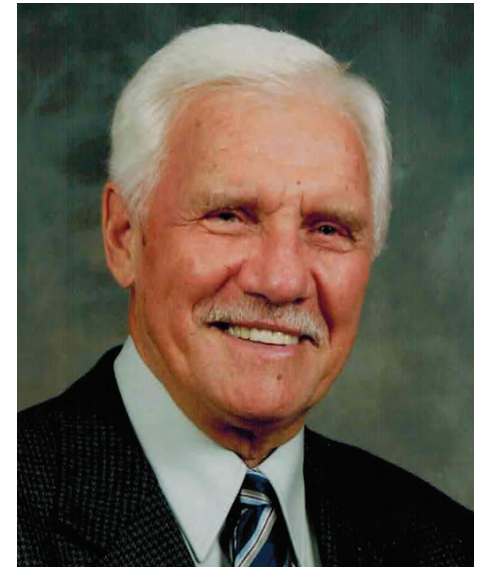


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H.R. (Butch) Kordalchuk
 May 20, 2025

We try to smile, through the sadness,
 And sometimes, through the tears,
 We remember all the joyful times
 Shared throughout the years.
 We try not to be unhappy
 Because you are gone from sight,
 We know that you still guide us each day
 And watch over us each night.

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-Jean and family

*Your memory will live forever
 Engraved within our hearts.*

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION

Red River Planning District

Under authority of The Planning Act, the Red River Planning District Board will hold a public hearing at the time and location listed below to hear from those who wish to speak in support or objection, or to ask questions. For more info on how to register for the public hearing please contact the RRPD at 204 669-8880.

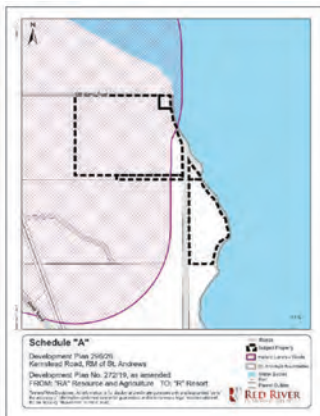
Wednesday
 June 17th, 2026
 5:30pm

Council Chambers
 3021 Birds Hill Road
 RM of East St Paul, MB

Note: property owners are responsible for notifying "tenants"

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Application File:	DPA 296-26
Applicant:	Landmark Planning & Design
Property Location:	Kernstead Road (Roll #641600, 641700, 641750, 641300, 641755)
Application Purpose:	To redesignate the subject lands to Resort to facilitate future subdivision and align the land use policy designation with their historic, present, and future land uses.



Current Designations	Proposed Designations
From: Resource & Agriculture	To: Resort

A copy of the above-noted proposal and supporting material is available on the Red River Planning District website at <https://www.redriverplanning.com/hearings.php> or by contacting the Red River Planning District in person during normal business hours Monday to Friday at 2978 Birds Hill Road, East St. Paul, by phone at 204 669-8880, or by email at info@rrpd.ca



OBITUARY

Wesley Edmund Sewell

Peacefully, on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at the Selkirk Betel Home, Wes Sewell, aged 91 years passed away.

In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place and a private family ceremony will be held.

Full obituary to follow.

Tributes: www.gilbartfuneralhome.com

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements.



OBITUARY

Ella Chenkie

1932 - 2026

A Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. at the Notre Dame Catholic Church, 269 Jemima Street, Selkirk, Manitoba.

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OBITUARY



Elizabeth Gudrun Kamer
April 28, 1931 – April 30, 2026
(Thidrickson Reykdal Kamer
Moeller Families)

*"Be not afraid, I go before you
always. Come follow me, and I will
give you rest." J.M. Talbot hymn*

Elizabeth passed away peacefully
with family at her side. She was
tough, but no heart beats forever,
even one this truly good.

Of Icelandic heritage, Elizabeth was
a dustbowl WWII farm kid in Netley
which instilled sensitivity, resilience,
and a strong work ethic. For a while

she lived in Toronto working as a hairdresser and taking art classes. Elizabeth returned home to help her parents on the farm which is where she met and married Joe at 28. She moved to the Kamer farm in Clandeboye and started a hairdressing business serving friends/clients from surrounding communities. As clients aged, Elizabeth began doing house calls saying they had supported her when she needed it and now, she could repay them. She charged an outrageous \$1 for a haircut. Somehow Elizabeth saved money to buy her own piece of land which remains in the family. After being told they would never have children, at 40 Elizabeth and Joe's daughter Margaret was born.

Family, community, and church were important to Elizabeth. Children and animals loved her. Her many talents included drawing, painting, sewing, knitting, cooking, baking, canning and growing vegetables in a massive garden. She read constantly and was interested in health and wellness, exercise, acupressure, vitamins, herbs, and even made her own natural remedies. Elizabeth cared deeply about the environment and valued education and feminism. She was always up to date on politics, local issues, and world events. Elizabeth was not impressed by the current world situation and believed that we can do better.

Elizabeth was predeceased by her husband Joe, parents Roonie and August, in-laws Frieda and Joe, brother Franklin and his wife Ida, sister-in-law Margaret and her husband Ralph, brother-in-law Ed and his wife Janet, nephew Blair (Lydia), and so many other beloved friends and family. Such is the great sadness of reaching 95 years old having loved and been loved by so many.

Elizabeth leaves daughter Margaret, son-in-law Jason, her greatest pride, granddaughter Kate (Eric), nieces and nephews Murray, Greg (Deb), Craig (Elaine), Candace (Brian), Leah (Colin), Carol (Jim), Roger, Janice (Bernie), David (Susan) and their lovely families.

Heartfelt thanks go out to the incredible team at Kildonan House Assisted Living and to the exceptionally kind, gentle, compassionate caregivers at Middlechurch Home.

A small service will be held this spring. We love you and will forever mourn the loss of your love, empathy, wisdom, and honesty; our moral compass.

Please consider making a donation to the Selkirk and District Community Foundation to honour Elizabeth and help the community. Or plant and tend something, she would like that.

"May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears." Nelson Mandela
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OBITUARY



Jean Margaret Lecoy (nee Smith)

With heavy hearts, on May 12, 2026, our mother Jean Lecoy passed away at the age of 86 years old.

Mom was predeceased by her parents Jacob and Sarah Smith, her husband Lawrence, and six siblings, along with her sons Leonard, Charlie, David and Earl, daughter Lynn, and grandson Alex.

Jean is survived by her brothers Bill Robinson and Edward Smith, son Raymond (Sharon), daughters Gail, Karen (Bob), daughter-in-law Jane, seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and interment will be scheduled for a later date.

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