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Mickey Moose and Project 11 visit Evolution Dance Company

By Sydney Lockhart

Selkirk's Evolution Dance have been working with Project 11 to create engaging cross-curricular proactive videos targeting Manitoba's English Language Arts and Health Education outcomes. Project 11 is inspired and created in honor of #11, Rick Rypien, former player of the Winnipeg Jets and Manitoba Moose. It is available to support students in Kindergarten to grade 4 (English or French) and in grades 5 to 8 (English) with virtual tutorials educating students about Mental Wellness.

Evolution Dance instructor Liane Prenovault and two of her students

Madison and Ava taught Mickey Moose dance and movement in videos that will help young kids find an outlet to relieve stress.

"They made ten short videos that teachers will have access to, students are learning different dance moves and how to be playful and silly and if we're feeling stressed dancing can help us loosen up," said Suzi Friesen, Director of Educational Programs for True North Youth Foundation.

Weekly lessons and daily activities have been designed to help support students and teachers in bringing mental health awareness, along with positive coping skills into their lives. In addition to the Mental Wellness lessons, there are over 160 daily activities promoting healthy lifestyle practices that teachers can access and incorporate into their class: yoga, Indigenous dance, fun with fitness, art energy, music and rhythm, fun with food, relaxation techniques, laughing yoga, mindful movement, Tai Chi, music and movement and mindful moments.

These Selkirk dance videos will be added to the collection of music, movement, art energy, cooking, and mindful moment videos available across the province.

To date Project 11 is in 415 Manitoba

schools, with over 50,000 Manitoba students in the program.

They have also trained over 2200 kindergarten to grade 8 teachers to teach the program and help their students.

"In a way the pandemic was a blessing in disguise, families had more access to the program and bringing the conversation outside the classroom, it's something we can talk about within our home too," said Friesen.

She added that she's had students and their families continue to use the curriculum videos to improve communication amongst themselves and deal with the stress of the pandemic together.

Triple S Fair and Rodeo looking forward to next year

By Katelyn Boulanger

Though the Triple S Fair and Rodeo, which was scheduled for July 10-12 this year, had to be cancelled due to Covid-19 the fairgrounds are still seeing use this summer.

"It was a little strange [not to open this year]. I'm sure that everyone else is in the same boat. The Fair and Rodeo has been happening in Selkirk for a number of years. In Selkirk Park this would have been the 54th consecutive rodeo that we've had," said Rea Pennington, president of the Triple S Fair and Rodeo.

The Fair and Rodeo has however been taking place in Selkirk for more than 54 years, so long in fact that even Pennington is not sure when the first event took place.

This year, what with restrictions on gathering sizes being put in place due to Covid 19, they've had to scale down some events and cancel some like their annual pony club camp and the rodeo all together.

"We have some barrel racing jackpots on Wednesday evenings. We've had two or three so far and we'd like to have a few more over the summer. We do have a potential for a mounted shooters show in August that so far hasn't been cancelled," said Pennington.

With all events that they are hosting this year at the fairgrounds, safety is being taken into consideration to minimize contact between people.

"With our barrel racing, we've restricted to a certain number of participants and online registrations and online payments. We're trying to minimize contact as much as possible," said Pennington.

Even though they've had to scale back offerings this year, the fairgrounds are still being maintained as they would have been before.

"We're doing annual maintenance like we would normally do. We were lucky enough to acquire a student grant from the Manitoba Metis Federation so we have our students on-site doing regular work maintaining the grounds, picnic tables, bleachers etc. They're here for about eight weeks," said Pennington.

There is also some uncertainty about

what they will be able to offer in the future as it is dependant on restrictions lifting surrounding Covid 19 but Pennington is hopeful.

"We're hoping that we get back to running our Fair and Rodeo next summer but I don't think that anyone could put a precise answer on that at this point."

He would like residents to know

that it is still business as normal even though there are fewer events on the grounds.

"We hope that we get a little more opportunity [from this time] to maintain some of our stuff to a higher standard and get some painting done and buildings repaired and get ready for next year," said Pennington.





Gwen Fox Gallery opens Reflections Exhibit

Latest exhibit will be up until August 22

By Katelyn Boulanger

Artists Jo Smoley, Isaac Imasuen, Willy Carleton and Joan Ewonchuk are teaming up for the August exhibit at the Gwen Fox Gallery combining many types of art into the gallery's latest collaboration.

"After all of this isolation to come to Gwen Fox and walk around and to see the art and the life through artists eyes is something that everybody should do for their health. I think that getting [people] out of their homes [safely] and to see what people are doing is really an important thing," said Smoley.

The artists decided to name the exhibit Reflections as their art reflects on their ideas and imaginings.

"For myself, reflections is my way to show my passions and celebrations of nature and the things around us in celebration," said Smoley.

Imasuen is an expressionist and impressionist artist who works in acrylic and charcoal.

"I like expressing myself. The way that I see it is the way that I put it out," said Imasuen.

Carleton is a fiber artist who's been working on pieces that deal with loss and grief

"My work reflects things that have happened in my life which I think tht other people can identify with. It's basically [about] loss and grieving and the stages that we go through when we loose someone or a job or our health," said Carleton.

Ewonchuk is an acrylic artist who not only paints on canvas but has started

to use her talents to decorate skates. "I love nature so I do a lot of nature things and add a lot of whimsical stuff in their as well," said Ewonchuk.

Smoley says she is an experimenter as an artist working in alcohol ink, watercolour, acrylic, and having those designs not just on canvas but printed on other products like scarves.

"I love to try new ideas and work with the chemistry of paints and see what happens when you mix them together," said Smoley.

In total, the four artists are going to be exhibiting 76 pieces of art.

The artists hope that their art brings happiness and joy to the viewers while also connecting with them and the things that we've been going through as we all navigate the new normal that is being safe during Covid 19.

This new normal and the worry that comes along with a change like this can sometimes affect people's ability to be creative but these four artists have continued to work throughout the pandemic thus far. To get through their blocks each have their own strat-

"I go for a walk. It doesn't matter where. Just go down the street, look at the nature, the people, the buildings, the flowers, and the trees," said Ewonchuk.

"I went back to basics. I was working huge canvases before and being super creative, and exciting, and adventurous but during the pandemic my father left us and we had a lot of issues with his illness so that I only prepared cards and I brought some of the origi-

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Above: (Left to right) Willy Carleton, Joan Ewonchuk, Jo Smoley, and Isaac Imasuen are exhibiting their art at the Gwen Fox Gallery in the month of August. Below: Carleton with some of her fiber art representing the four stages of life reflected by the four seasons.



nal cards that I worked on just to continue my creative side but it was all I could manage," said Smoley.

"The pandemic isn't easy for artists but being an artist is an avenue for you to derive or to create new art. As an artist it gives you an opportunity to create more knowledge," said Imasuen. The August exhibit started on July 28 and will continue on until August 22.

"I invite [people] out for a wonderful afternoon drive to Selkirk and to a wonderful little gallery that has an amazing history to fill their hearts and a fabulous gift shop so that they could find a little gift for someone they love," said Smoley.



Market Returns!



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The D.O.G Days Market is back at the Selkirk Waterfront and, though it's a little different this year with directional flow and hand hygiene changes implemented, residents can still access all of the local products and services that they've come to expect. The market will run every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until the end of August.

Blast off August long with Red Bomb

By Sydney Lockhart

Red Bomb Fireworks is hosting a tailgate party in Selkirk this August long for families to have an explosive weekend.

With an outdoor capacity and social distancing in place, Red Bomb Fireworks decided to use their yard space to host the inaugural event and sale.

"We want people to have some sort of fun for August long weekend because there isn't much going on in the public sphere," said Matt Bialek of Red Bomb Fireworks.

Ten different food trucks will be spaced out on the yard including Blue Haze BBQ, Gorilla Fries, Wings & Fries, Lemon Train, Tot Wheels, Taste_of_de_Island, Kyu Grill, Diversity Food Services, Firebird Grilled Chicken & Smokies, and Willy Dogs.

There will also be a DJ booth by Twilite Productions for musical entertainment.

Bialek said physical distancing will v

be implemented, and a limit of 100 people will be allowed on the yard at once with staff monitoring attendance numbers to ensure everyone's safety is a top priority.

There will not be full seating areas provided to make sure that attendees are following public health guidelines.

Red Bomb Fireworks also has new inventory and large sales going on that weekend such as Buy 1 Get 1 Free and Buy 1 Get 2 Free on select fireworks.

"It will be a fun atmosphere where people can buy their fireworks, grab their lunch take it and go," he said, "We've always had the want to do something different here in Selkirk."

The tailgate party will be on August 1 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at 609 Greenwood Avenue in Selkirk.

For more information go to https:// www.facebook.com/redbombfireworks.



Resident speaks out about fraud calls

By Katelyn Boulanger

Selkirk resident Murielle Bouchard would like to let her neighbours know that fraud calls continue in the area and hopes more awareness will stop people from potentially being taken advantage of.

"The first couple of times I thought, 'This is a fraud,' and I hung up but it was consistent so I thought that I would have a quick look and check it out. So I did and sure enough [it was] but what was tricky about this one was that it was a local number," said Bouchard.

The number that she received the call from was 204-485-4710, however, fraudsters have been known to be able to change their numbers so any local number that calls and you can't identify could be a potential fraudster. This technique of making it seem like a fraudster is calling from a number that they are not is called spoofing.

"Basically what happened is that you get a call saying 'This is Service Canada,' or something about a fraudulent claim and then it gives you the option to press 1," said Bouchard.

From there she was connected to a

person who asked for her name and her social insurance number. Bouchard started to ask questions about who this fraudster was and so they hung up on her.

"This isn't a new story. This has occurred before. Fraud is fraud but I'm just concerned that people that are vulnerable right now are going to be caught up in this and they are going to give this person all kinds of money thinking that it's Service Canada," said Bouchard.

Service Canada is not the only government agency that fraudsters use to confuse people who answer these calls as the names of the RCMP, the Department of Justice Canada, and the Canada Revenue Agency are all used regularly in fraud calls when it is not them. None of these agencies will ever call asking for money and gift cards and if you are contacted by them in any way they should always already know your name and other personal information so you should never supply that to them.

Bouchard thinks that these calls may be more likely to happen now as more people are out of work and being giv-

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en CERB support.

She feels frustrated when she receives calls like this because she has had a previous experience where an attempted fraud was made on her and found out that it is somewhat difficult to report fraud until a person has been taken advantage of.

"I went to the RCMP depo and I said that I am being defrauded as we speak here and I was basically told that until a crime is committed there is nothing that we can do. You can call the [Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre]," said Bouchard.

When she called the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre last summer she was unable to get in touch with a person and was directed to their website to submit her claim. "I tried to report it on that website and again it was a nightmare so I just gave up," said Bouchard.

She also believes that having people directed to a website is a bad idea as many frauds target older Canadians who may have less access to the internet.

Currently, due to Covid 19 the Canadian Government has closed down its call centre completely.

"I just wanted to warn people about it. It's nothing new but I just wanted to warn people that it's occurring," said Bouchard.

To report a fraud at the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre's website visit antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/ report-signalez-eng.htm.

No putters at Netley



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Kevin Aime (left) and Denise Campbell from Petersfield each achieved a hole in one on the same scorecard at Netley Creek Colf Course on July 9. Aime got his on the 9th hole and Campbell sunk hers on the 12th achieving the 1 in 10 million feat.



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State of our Region

A word from your elected representatives

By Katelyn Boulanger

As it is more difficult to get out and about in our communities the *Selkirk Record* has launched the State of our Region series to keep us connected.

In this edition you will hear from MP James Bezan as well as Dr. Alan Lagimodiere and Jeff Wharton, our regional MLAs, who will speak about the economy, infrastructure, and their thoughts on how we're doing.

James Bezan



James Bezan, MP for Selkirk-Interlake-Eastman

1. What are the main infrastructure projects in your region that the provincial/federal government are currently working on? How are they going to improve the community that they are in? What are the timelines for these projects?

I am always supportive of local infrastructure projects that are being proposed in our riding. When Conservatives were in government, I was proud to announce on average a dozen infrastructure projects a year in our riding. Unfortunately, under this Liberal government, there has not even been a dozen projects rolled out in the last five years!

The Liberal track record on infrastructure spending prior to a global health pandemic was dismal. In 2017, the Parliamentary Budget Officer (PBO) found that the Liberals had spent only half of the promised infrastructure money. In 2018, when the PBO requested the Trudeau Liberals' infrastructure plan, they found that it does not exist. In 2019, when the Parliamentary Budget Officer requested a list of all specific project commitments under the Investing in Canada Plan, the Liberal government was unable to provide the data.

However, I believe municipal infrastructure projects are one of the best ways for government to assist with the economic recovery and I will keep encouraging the federal government to invest in shovel ready projects in our riding.

2. Covid-19 has had a large impact on how our communities come together. How do you think residents are handling the changes they've faced?

I am extremely proud of how well Manitobans have come together to flatten the curve. A huge thank you to all the health care and essential service workers who have been working around the clock to keep everyone safe and supplied during this pandemic. Manitoba has only gotten to this phase of reopening because we came together as a province. I am confident that Manitobans will remain diligent and keep abiding by the recommendations of public health officials so we can continue to keep our curve flat and not need to reinstate restrictions.

3. What would you say to residents that are concerned about our economy in light of Covid-19?

Unfortunately, Justin Trudeau still has no plan. Throughout the COV-ID-19 pandemic, Justin Trudeau has been either wrong or extremely slow to act every single time. His failures have cost Canadians – from being too slow to close our borders, too slow to roll out aid programs and wrong not to fix the gaps in them, and wrong to raise taxes on Canadians who were already struggling to make ends meet.

Canadians cannot afford Justin Trudeau to be wrong when it comes to our economic recovery.

Before the pandemic, the Liberals racked up \$87-billion of deficit over their first four years in government. Now, there is no plan to restart the economy. There is no plan to return to fiscal responsibility. And without these plans, how can we continue to fund healthcare, infrastructure, national defence and everything else?

Conservatives have repeatedly pushed the Liberals to deliver an economic update and be transparent about Canada's finances. They finally released their Economic and Fiscal 'Snapshot' on July 8th which confirms that the deficit has exploded to \$343-billion. That is the equivalent of every Canadian – man, woman and child – each taking on a \$90,000 mortgage. On top of that, the total net federal debt has surpassed \$1-trillion this year for the first time ever.

Under Justin Trudeau, Canada is falling behind. We have the highest unemployment in the G7. We are the only G7 country to lose its AAA credit rating. And, we are the only G7 country without a recovery plan.

Handing out billions of dollars to Liberal insiders won't restart our economy, but that's exactly what Justin Trudeau continues to do.

Meanwhile, Conservatives will fight to get Canadians the help they need and for a transparent plan from Trudeau to guide Canada's recovery.

4. Are there any incentives that local businesses affected by Covid-19 restrictions are able to qualify for?

Since the pandemic began, Conservatives have been putting forward constructive solutions to help Canadians. Our goal has been, and continues to be, to help get workers and local businesses back on their feet as quickly as possible. We know that our economic recovery will be driven by Canadians' hard work, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit.

I have heard from business owners that continue to struggle now as Manitoba reopens. Part of this is due to employees not wanting to return to work if it means losing their CERB. Conservatives will continue to be the voice for small business owners and push for adjustments to make it easier for them to get back on their feet.

For more information on the programs available including the Canada Emergency Business Account and Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy, I encourage business owners to go to my website jamesbezan.com.

5. Final Comments.

For anyone continuing to struggle as we begin to recover from this pandemic, please reach out to my office. I am here to serve you and make sure your voice is heard in Ottawa.

Dr. Alan Lagimodiere

1. What are the main infrastructure projects in your region that the provincial/ federal government are currently working on? The two main projects are applying chip seal to various loca-

tions to PTH 9 from PTH 4 to 3.0km North of Clandeboye – Elkhorn, Carberry, and Selkirk Areas and PTH 9 traffic signal



Dr. Alan Lagimodiere MLA for Selkirk

replacement at PR 410 (St. Andrew's Road).

2. How are they going to improve the community that they are in?

Our government is committed to improving Manitoba's transportation infrastructure to ensure the safe and reliable flow of both people and goods across the province. These projects will improve the quality of life for commuters, ensuring continued safe transportation; and the secure transport of goods through our region. They will also help restart Manitoba's economy and ramp up construction as the province moves forward through the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. What are the timelines for these projects?

The contract for PTH 9 from PTH 4 to 3.0km North of Clandeboye was recently tendered and awarded. The traffic signal replacement at the intersection of PTH 9 and PR 410 has been completed.

4. Covid-19 has had a large impact on how our communities come together. How do you think residents are handling the changes they've faced?

I am proud of our community for the efforts displayed during the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic. Businesses un-

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Northeast Red Watershed District GROWs Wetlands

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The Northeast Red Watershed District (NRWD) will work with local landowners to restore and enhance 200 acres of wetlands and riparian areas in the next two years thanks to a new conservation funding program announced by the Province on July 24. Major funding for the first year of Growing Outcomes in Watersheds (GROW) was announced by the Province of Manitoba, including more than \$5.6 million for 20 conservation projects, 16 of which will be funded by the new GROW Trust. Manitoba's watershed districts are partnering with farmers to "farm the best, conserve the rest" supported by annual incentive payments from the GROW Trust.

"Providing an incentive for producers to conserve their marginal lands makes good sense for everyone," says Verner Johnson, owner of Johnson Farms located in the Northeast Red Watershed District (NRWD). "Having

producers help shape and implement the program through the Watershed Districts will be a key to the success of the program in terms of uptake and utilizing local knowledge."

NRWD is receiving a total of \$250,000 for their two-year project "NRWD GROW Program". Support for this project is provided via the new GROW Trust and the Conservation Trust, both of which are Manitoba Climate and Green Plan Initiatives endowed with The Winnipeg Foundation and administered by Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation, through a competitive annual granting process.

"Watershed management is an important part of our Made-in-Manitoba Climate and Green Plan," said Agriculture and Resource Development Minister Blaine Pedersen. "Local expertise, the commitment of landowners and the support of our partners will help ensure these projects protect our water quality, sustainably manage our natural resources and leave a sustainable legacy for all Manitobans to enjoy."

The NRWD had to secure funds and in-kind work within their own organization as well as partners and landowners for the project to be eligible for the GROW Trust funding.

"A combination of prime agricultural lands and urban sprawl are prevalent in the watershed," says Colin Gluting, NRWD manager. "By entering into incentive-based agreements with current landowners, the NRWD will be able to preserve the areas to provide ecological goods and services such as water quality and biodiversity. Our watershed drains into the Red River and into Lake Winnipeg. Water retention, enhanced wetlands, and riparian area management will all contribute to lessening the phosphorous transfer into Lake Winnipeg from the surrounding lands."

letter to the editor

Letters to the Editor: letters@selkirkrecord.ca

In the July 23rd edition of the Selkirk Record an ad was placed referencing a decision of Selkirk Council to vote against the Manitoba Metis Federation's (MMF) fireworks display. As head of Council, I would like to take this opportunity to provide your readers with some important context to that decision.

The City of Selkirk was invited to participate in the MMF's firework celebration of the 150th anniversary of Manitoba's entry into Confederation. Receiving the invitation just seven days to prior to the event, city administration quickly prepared a proposal for Council to consider. In the City of Selkirk, fireworks are prohibited without formal approval by Council.

Administration had the proposed plan to Council at the first opportunity following the invitation, which was two days before the planned event. To put that into context, Canada Day takes months of planning to prepare for the fireworks and to work out the logistics of event and

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crowd management, insurance and site preparation for safety and security. Council had a good and thorough discussion about the event. Questions and concerns were raised about the measures taken to ensure public safety in this time of global pandemic. As your readers will recall, we cancelled our annual Canada Day celebrations only two weeks prior due to safety concerns. Unfortunately there wasn't enough time to gather more information or take further steps to address all the concerns raised.

I want to ensure your readers that Selkirk Council gave this proposal due consideration and then reached the decision to not accept the offer to host the display. While the vote was not unanimous, the decision is that of Council as a whole. We made it together, with the best of intentions and with the safety of citizens as a top priority.

Council makes hundreds of decisions in a term. Each member of council is asked to vote according to

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their conscience, with the good of the community in mind. This can sometimes mean that not everyone votes the same way. That's a good thing. It means council is considering different points of view and evaluating the decisions with many different factors in mind.

While it's unfortunate we were not able to participate in this activity, the City of Selkirk certainly recognizes the critical role the Metis people played in the founding of Manitoba. We are extremely proud to work with the MMF every year to celebrate Indigenous Days in our community. Today we proudly display banners and flags celebrating Manitoba's 150th anniversary in our downtown in partnership with the MMF. There are many other examples of our past great work together, and I am confident that there will be many more opportunities in the future.

- Larry Johannson, Mayor, City of Selkirk

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der the public health act have found creative ways to keep our residents safe while operating. Residents have stepped up to assist one another through this very difficult time.

Life has become challenging under this new normal and the only way for a community to get through is to be kind and support one another, be safe and follow public health orders. Our community has embraced all three.

5. What would you say to residents that are concerned about our economy in light of Covid-19?

Manitoba is well-positioned to recover from the economic effects of Covid-19, and this is not by accident. The combination of our strong public health care system and prudent, responsible management of our finances have once again made Manitoba a home of hope.

A number of new incentives have been introduced by our government to help businesses hire new employees and students, and bring employees back to work as part of #Restart-MB, Manitoba's roadmap to recovery.

The Manitoba Gap Protection Program (MGPP) for business provides a one-time \$6,000 non-interest-bearing forgivable loan to Manitoba small and medium-sized businesses that have experienced hardships in Manitoba as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and related to public health orders.

The Manitoba Job Restart Program helps individuals safely return to their jobs and provides a taxable financial benefit. Furthermore, we have expanded the 'Back to Work' wage subsidy program, providing additional financial support for businesses.

The Summer Student Recovery Jobs Program offers a wage subsidy to Manitoba employers to support the hiring of high school and postsecondary students. The Non-Profit Summer Student Incentive Grant is available to eligible charities and nonprofit organizations that apply for the Summer Student Recovery Jobs Program.

The latest Labour Force Survey from Statistics Canada shows Manitoba leads the country in student employment and has recorded an increase of 28,900 in overall employment from May to June.

The best way to combat the economic fallout of COVID-19 is to grow the economy, and that is exactly what our government will do through the RestartMB plan. Nearly three-quartersof-a-billion dollars will be invested in infrastructure and road projects to connect communities and create jobs.

6. Are there any incentives that local businesses affected by Covid-19 restrictions are able to qualify for?

Manitoba Gap Protection Program

The \$120 million Manitoba Gap Protection Program (MGPP) for business provides a one-time \$6,000 non-interest-bearing forgivable loan to Manitoba small and medium-sized businesses that have experienced hardships in Manitoba as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and related to public health orders.

The loan is forgiven on December 31, 2020 if recipients declare at that time they have not received any nonrepayable Covid-19 federal supports greater than \$6,000

Manitoba Job Restart Program

The Manitoba Job Restart Program (MJRP) provides a taxable financial benefit to a maximum of \$2,000 to a Manitoban who:

Safely returns to work for a cumulative 30 hours/week with one or more eligible employers

Voluntarily stop collecting Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB), the Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB) or similar COVID-19 financial support programs delivered by the federal government

Eligible program participants will receive a total of four payments, for total supports of \$2,000. Funds are direct-deposited into program participants bank account.

Manitoba Back to Work this Summer Program

The Manitoba Back to Work This Summer initiative is a hiring program aiming to ease the road ahead of recovery for Manitoba businesses. The program is open to all private-sector and non-profit employers and covers 50 per cent of wage costs between July 15 and Oct. 31.

Employers can be supported to hire up to 10 workers to a maximum of \$5,000 per worker and \$50,000 per employer. This program is open to applicants of the Summer Student Recovery Jobs program and Back to Work this Summer Program.

Manitoba Summer Student Recovery Program

The Summer Student Recovery Jobs Program promotes the hiring of high school and post-secondary students who have been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The program provides wage subsidies to employers from the private and not-for-profit sectors to employ students aged 15 to 29.

Employers are able to receive a reimbursement of \$7 per hour up to a maximum of \$5,000 per student employed between May 1 and September 4, 2020. Employers can be subsidized to hire up to five students.

In addition to the \$7 per hour reimbursement, Charities and Not-for-Profit Organizations are also eligible to receive \$6,000 under the Non-Profit Summer Student Incentive Grant as long as they hire at least one student Full-Time equivalent under the Manitoba Summer Student Jobs Recovery Program, for at least 8 weeks.

Commercial Rent Assist Support

To enhance federal rent assist program with funding for commercial operations in Manitoba.

Other Initiatives Taken

Deferring provincial income tax and corporate income tax filing deadlines to Aug. 31.

Accelerating the removal of \$75 million in annual PST from residential and business properties, effective July 1.

Extending tax filing deadlines for small and medium-sized businesses with monthly remittances of up to \$10,000 on March 22 and this is expected to support more than 20,000 businesses.

Final Comments.

I would like to thank all the residents for the roles they have played in helping us face the challenges presented by the Covid virus. Their efforts have positioned Manitoba and our region to be in a very positive position to get our region our communities and our families back on track.

Jeff Wharton



Jeff Wharton MLA for Red River North

1. What are the main infrastructure projects in your region that the provincial government is currently working on.

As part of the re-starting of the provincial economy during the Covid 19 pandemic the Manitoba government, through the Building Sustainable Communities program, provided 10 million dollars in grants to support 344 projects for community development province-wide. This included a total of \$75,000.00 for the Community Park 150 Project in the R.M. of St. Clements and \$101, 014.00 for projects in the RM of East St. Paul. The R.M. of East St. Paul also received \$75,000.00 for the Marconi Line Trail which will connect the RM of East St Paul with the trail system in Winnipeg as well as existing trail system to South Beach Casino.

Along with these projects as part of the Manitoba Restart Program, Manitoba is increasing infrastructure investments. In Red River North, \$60,000 has been earmarked for asphalt highway resurfacing with thin lift overlay on PTH 101 from PR 204 to PTH 59. This project has started and is anticipated to be complete in 2022. 2. How are they going to improve the

community that they are in?

These projects will improve the safety and well being of our communities today and well into the future. The Manitoba Government is committed to working with municipalities to stimulate our economy and bring more Manitoban's back to work.

3. What are the timelines for these projects?

The roadwork on PTH 101 has already started and is anticipated to be completed in 2022. The Sustainable Communities projects have commenced with some of them anticipated to be completed in 2020 while others will be multi-year projects.

4. Covid 19 has had a large impact on how our communities come together. How do you think residents are handling the changes they've faced?

This new normal that we find ourselves in has created significant challenges for many of us in how we educate our children, how we continue to do our jobs and how we interact with each other. It has inspired creativity, fortitude and resilience among all of us and I believe our communities and those that reside in them have risen to the challenges that they have been faced with.

5. What would you say to residents that are concerned about our economy in light of Covid 19?

Our government is committed to making life more affordable for Manitoban's and we especially want to ensure we are supporting families and businesses during these difficult times brought on by Covid 19. Manitobans know that our Government will ensure that as we slowly reopen our economy, we will also focus on ensuring a clear path back to balance, as we all face a growing Covid deficit close to 3 billion dollars. Over these past months, our government has introduced several measures which will save Manitoban's over \$80 million dollars at a time when they need it most. We have also introduced a new hiring program to get Manitoban's back to work and to ease the road to economic recovery for individuals and businesses.

6. Are there any incentives that local businesses affected by Covid-19

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restrictions are able to qualify for? Our government has introduced a number of incentive programs that local businesses and individuals affected by Covid 19 restrictions can apply for such as:

- Manitoba Gap Protection
 Program
- Student Wage Subsidy
- Student Jobs
- Support for Non-Profits
- B2B Manitoba
- 500 Million Infrastructure
- Back to Work
- Mental Health Supports
 Business Resources Section

• Business Resources Section To name a few. More information on these programs can be found on our website at manitoba.ca/CO-VID19

7. Final comments

It is a great privilege and a pleasure to be able to serve the great folks of the Red River North Constituency. This September we are very excited to be opening our new Constituency office near Walmart in West Selkirk. Stay tuned for an invite to our open house coming later this fall.

\$800,000 chip seal surfacing project

Improves safety and ease of movement

Submitted by the office of Alan Lagimodiere, MLA for Selkirk

Alan Lagimodiere, MLA for Selkirk, alongside St. Andrews Mayor Joy Sul and the council of the RM of St. Andrews, is proud to announce the PC Government's plan to invest \$800,000 to chip seal sections of Provincial Trunk Highway (PTH) 9 from PTH 4 to 3.0km north of Clandeboye, Manitoba. "PTH 9 is one of our province's most important north-south economic corridors, and this is excellent news for our constituents who regularly travel along it," said Lagimodiere. "This project will increase traveler safety and improve traffic flow while supporting the economic development of Selkirk and surrounding communities."

This high-performance chip seal project will involve resurfacing weak

areas, applying two seals to protect pavement from water damage and extend pavement life. Allowable loading will remain at A1, as this work is meant to preserve the quality of the existing road.

This work is set to begin on July 20th and is expected to be completed later this summer 2020.



RECORD PHOTO BY MICHELLE BALHARRY Pictured left to right: Councillor Kristen Hoebee, Mayor Joy Sul, Dr. Alan Lagimodiere, Councillor Russ Garvie, and Councillor Matthew Prychun at the announcement of the \$800,000 chip seal project.



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Thank you from Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen

Submitted by Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen

Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen has continued to serve the public during this unprecedented time of COVID-19. We served approximately 18 960 people including children and seniors last year. From January to June of this year, we've provided 9481 people with a lunch. Although things might look a little different at 368 Jemima Street, the Memorial Hall, individuals are still being provided a lunch Monday - Friday. On Thursdays, people that are in need can take a small bag of groceries home.

In these trying times, we would like to thank the wonderful community of support we have encountered. Many people have remembered our mission and are offering assistance to us.

We the board would like to thank the following people and organizations that have given time, financial aid, food or supplies to Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.

- Red River Co-op Selkirk Grocery
- Baron's Meats Lockport
- Aaron's No Frills Selkirk
- Netley Hutterite Colony
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- Winnipeg Harvest
- Youth for Christ volunteers Selkirk

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• Numerous individuals that donated the \$200.00 ment as part of the Pandemic financial relief

• Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen Volunteers - Every volunteer we have is so valuable. We are so very thankful for Beverly Terhorst and Barbara Pasaur for their leadership and Fiona Lawson for making



RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED cheques they received from the Federal Govern- Cutline: (left) Barbara Pasaur and Faye Drummond volunteering at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.

this transition safe and effective.

If you are interested in learning more about Our Daily Soup Kitchen or want to donate to Our Daily Soup Kitchen, please visit ourdailybreadselkirk.org

There are many ways you can help us feed the hungry. If you are able to and interested in volunteering, please call Terhorst at 204-338-3361

Manitoba dealing with 74 active cases of COVID-19

Public health officials stress that community spread remains low

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Public health officials announced six new cases of COVID-19 on Monday on top of another 10 cases identified over the weekend.

That brings the total number of labconfirmed positive and probable positive cases in Manitoba to 400.

Manitoba's total active caseload as of Monday was 74. A total of 319 Manitobans have recovered from COVID-19 since the pandemic began this spring.

Three people were in hospital at the start of the week, two in intensive care. Seven Manitobans have died due to the virus.

An additional 1,393 laboratory tests were completed on Friday, 1,581 on Saturday, and 808 on Sunday, bringing the total number of tests completed since early February to 84,967.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate in Manitoba is at 0.45 per cent.

Health Minister Cameron Friesen urges people to focus on that low rate. "It's a truer representation of the risk

in Manitoba" than is the daily number of new cases, he said in an interview last week.

Manitoba had gone nearly two weeks without any new cases of CO-VID-19 before the numbers began to climb once again in mid-July.

While the numbers have gone up significantly since then, nearly all of the new cases can be traced to travel or close contact with known cases, Friesen said, stressing that public health officials are not alarmed by the recent increase.

"While the numbers have climbed the last number of days, clearly we know that a lot of this spread is attributable in sub-populations," Friesen said. "So that gives us a certain confidence. We know where the cases emerged and the people who tested positive are now self-isolating. That's good news for all Manitobans. The spread of COVID-19 through our communities is still very limited."

PHASE 4 BEGINS

Manitoba entered Phase 4 of its plan to ease COVID-19 restrictions on Saturday.

The government unveiled its updated plan last Thursday after hearing back from over 50,000 Manitobans on the draft plan proposed earlier in the week.

Friesen said they took Manitobans' concerns about relaxing some restrictions too early to heart.

"People had strong opinions," he said, explaining people were given the chance to weigh-in on the draft plan through a telephone town hall and an online survey."We've listened

... we're endeavouring to make sure that our plan going forward relies on the advice of experts in public health but also reflects the views of Manitobans."

To that end, the province dropped the idea of relaxing the 14-day selfisolation requirement for travellers from eastern and southern Ontario, Quebec, and Atlantic Canada.

It also put the plan to increase the maximum sizes for indoor and outdoor public gatherings on hold for now. Those numbers remain at 50 for indoor gatherings and 100 for outdoor ones.

Walk-up counter service in bars, beverage rooms, brew pubs, microbreweries, and distilleries will also have to wait for a future phase.

What did change on Saturday was

Manitoba announces support for crime prevention programs

Submitted by Manitoba government

The Manitoba government is investing nearly \$160,000 in new funding through the Federal Proceeds of Crime (FPOC) Fund to support crime prevention programs, Justice Minister Cliff Cullen announced last week.

"The Manitoba government is taking money made through illegal activity and re-investing it in community-based crime prevention programs that support public safety," said Cullen. "I'm pleased to announce this support, which will help to ensure these programs have the tools they need to help keep Manitobans safe. Our government appreciates the efforts of the hard-working and dedicated volunteers who help strengthen our communities."

The Citizens on Patrol Program (COPP) is receiving a \$110,000 grant from the province. It is a community-based crime prevention initiative in which volunteers help deter crime by serving as additional eyes and ears for their communities and local law enforcement. The funds will be used to purchase safety items such as high visibility vests and other items to support the program.

"This funding will allow us to support communities who want to have this program in place, by supplying vital patrol equipment, training resources, and community crime prevention signage," said Detlef Hindemith, chairperson, Manitoba Citizens on Patrol Program. "We currently have 55 groups with more than 500 members that help maintain and create safer neighbourhoods. The program is a proven crime prevention strategy, utilizing trained citizens to watch for suspicious criminal activities, documenting and reporting to law enforcement, and by being a visible presence in the community."

The province is also providing an additional \$48,000 to Crime Stoppers to support youth programming, advertising and incentives for tipsters. Crime Stoppers pays cash rewards for information that leads to the solution of crimes, and is a combined effort of the police, media and the public. Funding will be divided between Winnipeg and Brandon at \$25,000 and \$11,000 respectively, with the remaining funding going to efforts in the rest of the province.

"As we are a non-profit, volunteer-based program, we greatly appreciate the relationship we have with the province and are thankful for the funding provided," said Rick Thomson, chair, Brandon Crime Stoppers. "This funding allows us to be more visible in the community and to provide information to various school programs. We believe any tip is a good tip and keeping the community safe is our goal."

In Manitoba, cash and proceeds from the sale of forfeited property are deposited into the Criminal Property Forfeiture (CPF) Fund, which is used to:

• compensate victims of the unlawful activity that led to the forfeiture of the property;

• provide funding to the Victims' Assistance Fund;

• promote safer communities by investing in specialized equipment/training for law enforcement agencies; and

• promote safer communities by providing funding to law enforcement agencies for community initiatives.

The province also maintains the FPOC fund, which is generated from forfeited proceeds of crime through the prosecution of federal offences in Manitoba. The monies

"THIS FUNDING WILL ALLOW US TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES WHO WANT TO HAVE THIS PROGRAM IN PLACE" received from Canada are then re-allocated to activities related to crime prevention, including victim services, law enforcement and community initiatives such as drug prevention education.

Since 2011, more than \$16 million has been distributed to law enforcement agencies and

community initiatives through the CPF fund, which includes the FPOC and Victims' Assistance funds.

For more information about criminal property forfeiture, visit: www.gov.mb.ca/justice/com-msafe/cpf/index.html.



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131st Icelandic Festival of Manitoba – Icelandic at Home

Submitted by Kristine Sigurdson

Islendingadagurinn is many things to many people, but at the heart, it's the celebration of Icelandic culture and heritage. This year, despite the COVID-19 situation affecting our ability to host in-person festival events, we will continue to celebrate and bring people together from across the street and around the world with the virtual festival - "Icelandic at Home / Heima er Best (Home is Best)"

"The Icelandic Festival was provided with the unique opportunity to reach and involve people around the world like we have never done before," says Icelandic Festival President, Jenna Boholij. "We've received heartfelt messages from people across the continent who are thrilled with the chance to attend the festival virtually this year."

The Icelandic Festival has created a series of online videos and virtual events that will connect people to the Icelandic community and culture in a meaningful way. The virtual festival content and information can be found on icelandicfestival.com, through the festival's social media channels, and on the Shaw Spotlight Channel.

Arts and culture are important aspects of Icelandic heritage and both will continue to be showcased this year. This year's virtual fashion show video will highlight traditional dress from Iceland. The virtual art show will feature photos and descriptions of the Icelandic Festival Purchase Collection. This includes winners of the annual art show, since its inception.

The virtual Icelandic Culture and Heritage Pavilion features videos on how to make delicious Icelandic delicacies; Rullupylsa, Vínarterta and Pönnukökur. After you've had your fill of those treats, practice your Icelandic with the "Kaffi Tími - Conversations in Icelandic" video, and learn a new phrase or two. Aspiring writers can join Ben Sigurdson, literary editor

and drinks writer, for a video interview with best-selling Icelandic crime writer, Yrsa Sigurðardóttir.

Music lovers will be able to enjoy video performances from Canadian and Icelandic musicians throughout the weekend. The Music on the Rooftop video, shot in beautiful Johnson Hall in Gimli, features music from Todd Martin, Aaron Shorr, David Landreth and Cody Iwasuik. The Saturday Nite Music from Iceland video takes us on a musical tour around the island. The Alternative Folk Festival video, shot at the West End Cultural Centre, features performances by Manitoba musicians: D.Rangers, Leaf Rapids, Efflo and The Mariachi Ghost.

Thanks to support from our friends at Visit Reykjavik and Visit Westfjords, we will feature videos that give you an inside view of Iceland, in "Ask an Icelander: Westfjords," and "Reykjavik for Insiders."

Explore the rich history of Islendingadagurinn, and Icelandic immigrants in the Parade History video, and the Icelandic Winnipeg Tour video, with Stefan Jonasson.

We are proud to host a virtual Traditional Program, and bring video greetings from the Icelandic Festival President, Jenna Bohoilj, Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor, Janice Filmon, The 2020 Fjallkona (Queen of the Festival), Anna Stevens, Premier of Manitoba, The Honourable Brian Pallister, President of Iceland, Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, Consul General of Iceland, Guðmundur Árni Stefánsson, and M.P for the Constituency of Selkirk Interlake Eastman, James Bezan.

Our Toast to Canada, Iceland's Minister of Justice, Áslaug Arna Sigurbjörnsdóttir, will make an exciting announcement, and Jóel Friðfinnsson, an active member of the Icelandic-Canadian community will follow, with the Toast to Iceland. The program will feature musical performances by Icelandic mezzo-soprano Hanna Dóra



RECORD FILE PHOTO Vikings parade down Centre Street at last year's Icelandic Festival.

Sturludóttir, accompanied by pianist, Snorri Sigfús Birgisson.

The Viking Park Connectivity project has begun, together with the RM of Gimli and Betel Home Foundation. This project will connect Viking Park in Gimli to 1st Avenue and Centre Street, creating a parklike feel. Donation and recognition opportunities will continue to be available at a variety of levels.

Speaking of Vikings, Islendingadagurinn wouldn't be complete without them - look for special guest appearances throughout the virtual festival videos.

The 52nd annual 10 Mile, second annual 5 Kilometre, and 28th annual 1 Mile races are still taking place - virtually! Over 215 runners have registered so far to run and submit their times between July 19th and August 2nd, 2020, with ages ranging from 7 years old to 83 years old. The 5 Kilometre is sold out for the second year running, but spaces are still available in the 10 Mile and 1 Mile races. Runners can register at icelandicfestival.

com

In keeping with tradition we will continue to print our festival program, and offer festival souvenirs and merchandise through our online store and gift shop in Gimli.

Those looking to get into the festival spirit can take part in our Sandcastle photo contest, Family Scavenger Hunt and Lawn Parade contest.

We were able to host the virtual festival for all to enjoy with the support of our sponsors, including the Government of Canada, the Government of Iceland, the Province of Manitoba, the RM of Gimli, Honest Agency, Icelandair, Iceland Naturally and other corporate and individual donors.

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly affected the festival financially, and any donations are greatly appreciated. Please donate via the website, the office, and facebook.com/ icelandicfestival.

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that movie and stage theatres and casinos are now allowed to operate at 30 per cent capacity.

Faith-based services are also limited to 30 per cent capacity, but the province has eliminated the need for sub-groups within church buildings.

Residents of personal care homes and long-term care facilities also saw visitation rules relaxed somewhat. They are now able to designate two support people who can visit with them in their own rooms at the same time.

"Public health officials will be reviewing possible adjustments to these things on a week by week basis," Friesen noted. "We will be making additional changes based on the health situation at the time.

"It is not a return to normal," he stressed. "We are in this for some time."

The minister said Manitoba's continued success in dealing with COVID-19 comes from people's commitment to doing what it takes to protect themselves and others.

"Our plan to reopen Manitoba has been working, but our success in the future is going to rely on the willingness of Manitobans to continue to do the right things," he said. "To comply with the rules, wash their hands, stay home if they're sick, don't go into gatherings over sizes that aren't prescribed."

Everyone Welcome!

Gimli Filmfest movie review



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White Lie is a 2019 Canadian drama film written and directed by Yonah Lewis and Calvin Thomas. The film stars Kacey Rohl as Katie Arneson, a university student who fakes a cancer diagnosis for the attention and financial gain, but gets caught up in having to maintain her lie.

By Sydney Lockhart

Katherine Arneson has a secret. She doesn't have cancer; she's been faking it the whole time. This is the main storyline of the feature film White Lie that was part of the Gimli Film Festival this past week. Directed by Yonah Lewis and Calvin Thomas and starring Kacey Rohl this film tackles themes of deception, mental illness and love.

The character Kathrine Arneson, a university dance student, is made to look from the beginning of the film like she is going through chemotherapy, she has a bald head throughout the whole film.

It's unclear if it is intentional that details of a cancer patient were left out. It made it very unrealistic that Arneson was fooling anyone, as anyone who has witnessed someone sick from chemotherapy would recognize that if their head goes bald their eyebrows and eyelashes would fall out too.

She also had quite a healthy glow for someone who has supposedly mak-

ing people believe she been sick for ten months.

Aside from the fact that a few more believable details could have been added to sell her lie, the film was overall very enticing.

The lie Arneson told everyone screamed mental illness to the viewers, childhood trauma leads her down a road to deception which she seems to convince herself is supposed to be her reality.

The film was shot beautifully, and it used lighting to set the mood in every scene.

While the beginning of the film was a bit slow with minimal dialogue the film picked up, drawing emotion from the viewer who has slowly and unknowingly grown attached to secondary characters.

I would recommend this to anyone who loves a film that pulls on the heartstrings, with not only love for some characters, but a hatred for others.



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Netting a new market: commercial fisher delivering his catch right to city doorsteps

By Patricia Barrett

Imagine having a Lake Winnipeg commercial fisher pluck a fish out of a net for you, process it then personally deliver it to your doorstep in the city while COVID-19 keeps you housebound.

Well, Trevor Kristjanson is your man. Instead of laying down his net in despair when COVID destroyed the restaurant and hospitality market in America where the majority of the much sought-after Lake Winnipeg pickerel ends up, the 30-year-old fisher worked during the spring fishing season and created his own market for his catch.

With his partner Marie-Eve Sabourin, Kristjanson established an online company called New Iceland Fisheries and began delivering smoked and vacuum-packed frozen fish directly to Winnipeg households a couple of times a week.

"I'm not going to say COVID was a good thing for business, but to be honest it probably spurred me on to do something I've kind of wanted to do for a while – which was a consumer-based delivery model," said Kristjanson, who lives south of Gimli. "This ended up being good for business and I'll stick with it even after COVID."

As far as he's aware, he's the first Lake Winnipeg fisher who has come up with this novel way around the coronavirus's decimation of their lucrative American markets. And the nice thing about personalized service is that customers can find out where their food came from and who handled it.

"I am actually catching your fish, processing it myself and delivering it to your door, so it really is a true lake-to-plate experience," said Kristjanson. "There's no middleman; when I deliver your fish, you actually get to meet the person picking it out of the net."

Although the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation is still buying (during fishing seasons) certain species of fish from commercial fishers, it's primarily selling it to the less profitable retail market.

Kristjanson, who's also an independent filmmaker (he's associate producer for Ice Vikings), comes from a long line of Icelandic commercial fishers



RECORD PHOTO BY BJORN JAKOBSON

Trevor Kristjanson bought a refrigerated truck and personally delivers the fish he catches to city households a few times a week.

(he's fifth generation) who never say die when faced with a challenge. He said he started selling his fish in April using social media.

When he became overwhelmed by demand, he and Sabourin decided they had to set up an e-commerce website – with help from Gimli-based graphic design company Swell Creative – to let residents with a city postal code place orders and pay for fish online. He also bought a refrigerated delivery truck.

Kristjanson offers a variety of fish, including pickerel, pickerel cheeks and wings, whitefish, perch, silver bass, tullibee, northern pike and smoked fish such as goldeye. Come the fall fishing season, he'll be able to offer fresh (not frozen) fish.

With the recent spate of new COVID cases, Kristjanson said he'll continue to minimize contact with customers when he delivers.

"I'll wear a mask and leave it on the front porch," he said. "And if they won't be home, I'll instruct

them to leave a large cooler outside and I can put the fish in that."

With a burgeoning new business, Kristjanson has bucked the COVID trend of temporary layoffs and job losses. He's even hired staff to help with deliveries.

"I was able to retain the [fishery] employees I had pre-COVID. I had three staff and I actually hired a fourth staff person to help me with deliveries as the business grew," said Kristjanson.

He's considering offering delivery to Selkirk, given that it's on the way to Winnipeg, he said, but he's still working out how he would coordinate deliveries to different rural municipalities should Interlakers begin demanding the same service he's offering city folks.

For more information about New Iceland Fisheries' offerings, visit newicelandfisheries.ca

Increase in speed-related serious driving offences

Submitted by MPI

Far too many drivers are travelling at dangerous speeds, endangering the lives of other motorists on Manitoba roadways, according to Manitoba Public Insurance.

Over the last three months April to June a total of 148 speed-related Serious Driving Offences (SDO) have been forwarded to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. This is a 60 per cent increase compared to the same time frame in 2019 when 93 SDOs were forwarded to MPI by Manitoba police agencies.

As per the Drivers and Vehicles Act, speed infractions (50 km/h or more over the limit) are one of several offences that must be reported to the Registrar. After receiving the Serious Offense Notice roadside, drivers are given five business days to contact MPI to schedule a Show Cause Hearing.

MPI statistics report that about 90 per cent of these Show Cause hearings result in licence suspension, which is based on the speed recorded on the ticket and the person's driving history. Length of license suspension can range from several months to multiple years.

"About one in five road fatalities last year in Manitoba had speed as a contributing factor," said Satvir Jatana, Vice-President, Employee and Community Engagement, Manitoba Public Insurance."The CO-VID-19 pandemic has contributed to reduced traffic volumes on Manitoba roadways. Unfortunately, many drivers seem to think this is an opportunity to speed and travel at very dangerous speeds."

Of the speed-related SDOs forwarded to MPI, the average speed from April to June, 2020 was 59km over the posted speed limit. The highest speed recorded was 98km over the limit (178 in an 80 km zone).

"Such high-risk driving behaviour is a risk to everyone who travels our roadways. Innocent people should be allowed to travel safely," said Jatana.

Police agree that high speeds present a danger to the general public.

"The Winnipeg Police Service continues to see drivers risking their lives and the lives on others on the roads by driving at excessive speeds," says Inspector Gord Spado, Traffic Division, Winnipeg Police Service.

"Speeding increases the risk of losing control of the vehicle, particularly during evasive maneuvers, and has a negative impact on reaction time and stopping distance, not to mention severity of injury and damage. We will continue to conduct speed enforcement through both traditional and automated means to enhance road safety for all road users."

Police agencies in rural Manitoba also have safety concerns on rural roadways.

"Every day, our officers are seeing irresponsible drivers risking their lives, and the lives of others, by driving at incredibly high-rates of speed," said Inspector Chris Moore, Officer in Charge of Traffic Service for the Manitoba RCMP. "Our officers will continue to conduct traffic enforcement across the province to hold these drivers to account for their actions and to make our roads safer for all."

Katie Cares' Beanie Baby program back up and running

Cuddly bundles of fur are providing joy, comfort once again in local hospitals

By Ashleigh Viveiros

Hundreds of cuddly stuffed animals were delivered to health care centres across southern Manitoba last week to bring a measure of comfort to kids receiving treatment.

Katie Cares' Beanie Baby program is back in action after being abruptly halted in March due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Katie's Cottage executive director Ruth Reimer says the loss of the program founded by her late daughter was a blow to the charity.

"We know, more than anything else that Kaitlyn started, how important this program is to children, to families," she says, noting Kaitlyn experienced firsthand how much love and support the simple gift of a teddy bear can mean for a child in the hospital. "We're so thrilled to be able to get this going again."

As COVID-19 restrictions began to ease in recent weeks, Reimer reached out to Southern Health-Santé Sud to see if there was a safe way to get Beanie Babies into the hands of our area's youngest patients once again.

"First of all, they have to be brandspanking new," Reimer explains. "So they come packaged and when our staff gets them they have to be masked, have to have washed their hands, and they're gloved when han-

dling them."

Staff put a sticker on the Beanie Babies to identify them as a gift from Katie Cares and then vacuum-seal them for delivery.

"So that parents do know if that sticker is on there that it's come from Katie's Cottage and we've taken all the precautions we can," Reimer says.

Katie Cares usually delivers upwards of 2,500 Beanie Babies throughout the year. After the five-month hiatus, they sent out 590 to replenish the stock at hospitals and other regional medical facilities.

The feedback has been immediate and positive.

"The response on Facebook and on Instagram has been how much people appreciate getting them,"Reimer says.

When Kaitlyn was dealing with her cancer, receiving small gifts like this were a sign that people were thinking of and rooting for her.

"It brings so much joy and it let's them know that whatever's going to happen to them-whatever the procedure is-they have something to

hold on to for support," Reimer says. While the Beanie Babies are back bringing smiles to kids' faces, the Katie Cares gift bags, which are filled with various time-passing activities and toiletries, are still on hold for now. There's no easy way to sanitize all



Katie's Cottage staffer Colleen Mourant carefully packages Beanie Babies for delivery to kids in local hospitals.

the different items in those bags for delivery to the hospital, Reimer explains.

"The Beanie Babies, already, are a great, great step and I'm grateful to [CEO] Jane Curtis and to Southern Health that they're allowing that," she savs.

That said, Katie Cares does have special gift packages for children dealing with serious illnesses that can be put together at the request of the family.

"If a child is sick and I hear about it then we can make a personal visit to that home, which we've done through COVID," Reimer says, noting one severely ill young patient received an iPad recently to help them pass the time while they heal.

For details on that program, contact Katie Cares at 204-312-8445.

viewing for two more weeks GFF extended run offers filn

Submitted by GFF

GFF announced Monday the launch of GFF Extended Run, which will allow anyone from the general public to stream select GFF 2020 Films for two more weeks after the Festival ends.

As part of GFF Extended Run, anyone from the general public can purchase individual tickets to stream 13 feature films and seven shorts programs - including the Best of Fest Audience Choice Award Winner - Driveways.

The GFF Extended Run kicked off Monday morning at 12:01 a.m. and will run for two weeks until Sunday, Aug. 9 at 11:59 p.m. You can only purchase individual tickets to these screenings as the GFF 2020 passes are no longer valid. It costs \$10 to unlock one film.

The lineup for the GFF Extended Run includes Anbessa which follows a young Ethiopian boy who creates his own reality as a lion when displaced by a huge condominium

complex. The Earth is as Blue as an Orange, Film About a Father Who, and Keyboard Fantasies: the Beverly Glenn-Copeland Story + Q&A are also in this stand-out lineup. Visit the GFF Extended Run to see all the whole lineup.

We want to know how GFF 2020 went for you. Please visit GFF's Audience Survey to tell us your thoughts on this year's online Festival.

And the Award Winners Are ...

GFF has the pleasure of announcing the Award Winners for the 20th annual Festival. Thanks to Joy Wood and Gled Vid Investment for their generous sponsorship of GFF's Awards Presentations for 2020!

Best Manitoba Director Award, sponsored by the Directors Guild of Canada - Winner Madison Thomas (Ruthless Souls)

On the Rise Award: Best Canadian Director to Watch, sponsored by IA-TSE 856 - Winner Matthew Rankin (The Twentieth Century)

by APTN - Winner The Body Remembers When the World Broke Open by Elle-Máijá Tailfeathers & Kathleen Hepburn

Achievement in Acting Awards, sponsored by ACTRA Manitoba -Winner Mary Galloway (Ruthless Souls) and Milos Mitrovic (Tapeworm)

Best MB Short Film Jury Prize - Winner Northstarling by Daniel Gerson & Trevor Mowchun

Best MB Short Film Audience Choice Award, sponsored by Manitoba Film & Music - Portage Place by Tiff Bartel

Best Canadian Short Film Jury Priz - Winner Now is the Time by Christopher Auchter

Best International Short Film Jury Prize - Winner Mthunzi by Tebogo Malebogo

Grand Jury Prize, sponsored by Al Shell - Winner The Body Remembers When the World Broke Open by Elle-Máijá Tailfeathers & Kathleen Hep-

Honourable Mention: Echo by Rúnar Rúnarsson

Honourable Mention: The Wolf House by Joaquin Cociña & Cristóbal

GFF is also excited to announce the Pitch Competition winner AND the Best of Fest Audience Choice Award winner!

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Winner: Driveways by Andrew Ahn Thank you for making Gimli Film Festival's 20th year such a huge success. We are proud to say that GFF 2020 was truly one of the most comprehensive online film festival's in the world. Now sit back and enjoy the **GFF Extended Run!**





Yield: 1 flatbread

1 flatbread, any variety

3 tablespoons Sabra Classic Hummus

1/2 cup fresh arugula, rinsed and dried

4 ounces thinly sliced, cooked flank steak

1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese thinly sliced red onion (optional) salt, to taste



Yield: 1 flatbread

1 flatbread, any variety

2 tablespoons basil pesto (prepared or homemade)

2 tablespoons Sabra Classic Hummus

3-4 white button mushrooms

2 tablespoons corn (fresh or frozen) 3 spears asparagus, cooked until just tender

Cauliflower Steaks with Grapes

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes

Servings: 4

1 large head cauliflower, leaves trimmed off

3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided

2 teaspoons finely chopped rosemary

1/2 teaspoon coarse salt

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, divided

1 cup halved California grapes

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2 tablespoons chopped, toasted pistachios Heat oven to 450 F.

possible. Place on sheet pan and brush

Cut stem off cauliflower and cut remaining head crosswise into four 1-inch-thick slices, keeping as intact as

Steak and Blue Cheese Flatbread

pepper, to taste

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Heat grill (or oven) to 450 F; bake flatbread 3-5 minutes until it begins to crisp.

Spread hummus onto flatbread. Layer arugula (reserving 3-4 leaves to garnish), steak and crumbled blue cheese. Top with onion, if desired.

Place on grill, close lid and cook 3-5 minutes (if using oven, broil approximately 2 minutes).

Add salt and pepper, to taste, before serving.

Vegan Garden Flatbread

1/4 cup vegan mozzarella cheese, shredded olive oil

red pepper flakes (optional)

salt, to taste pepper, to taste

Heat grill (or oven) to 450 F; bake flatbread 3-5 minutes until it begins to crisp.

Spread pesto, followed by hummus, over flatbread then layer mushrooms, corn and asparagus. Top with shredded mozzarella cheese.

Place on grill, close lid and cook 3-5 minutes (if using oven, broil approximately 3 minutes).

Drizzle with olive oil; sprinkle with red pepper flakes, if desired. Add salt and pepper, to taste, before serving.



sides with 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil. Sprinkle with rosemary, salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Roast until browned and tender, about 25 minutes.

Combine remaining olive oil, remaining pepper, grapes, olives, parsley and pistachios. When cauliflower is roasted, transfer to serving plates and top with grape mixture.



Servings: 4

Couscous: 1 cup Israeli couscous

- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/2 cup carrots, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 cup parsley, leaves only

1 1/2 teaspoons ras el hanout (Moroccan spice blend)

an spice blend) 1 teaspoon salt

Chicken:

2 chicken breasts (8 ounces each) 1 tablespoon barissa paste

1 tablespoon harissa paste 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

1 teaspoon salt

Vinaigrette:

1/4 cup green California grapes 1 lemon, juice only

1 preserved lemon, rind only

1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

2 tablespoons cilantro, chopped



Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 5 minutes Servings: 4

1 can (15 ounces) chickpeas, rinsed, drained and patted dry

- 1 cup California grapes
- 1 tablespoon peanut oil
- 11/2 teaspoons mustard seeds
- 1 teaspoon cumin seeds
- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds
- 1/4 teaspoon salt, divided



Moroccan Grape and Grilled Chicken Bowls with Grape Vinaigrette

salt, to taste

ground black pepper, to taste 1 cup red California grapes, halved 1/2 cup sliced almonds, toasted

To make couscous: Cook couscous in boiling salted water. Drain, rinse with cold water and combine with olive oil. Add carrots, tomatoes, parsley leaves, ras el hanout and salt. Mix well and set aside.

To make chicken: Heat grill to medium-high heat.

Rub chicken breasts with harissa paste, olive oil and salt. Grill on both sides until just done. Set aside to cool. Slice into 1/4-inch slices.

To make vinaigrette: In blender, puree green grapes, lemon juice, lemon rind, olive oil and cilantro until smooth. Add salt and pepper, to taste.

Toss couscous mixture with vinaigrette and portion into four bowls. Top with sliced chicken, red grapes and almonds.

Spiced Chickpeas and Grapes with Yogurt

1 pinch red pepper flakes

1 cup low-fat Greek yogurt

1 tablespoon lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest 1/2 garlic clove, grated

2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

2 tablespoons thinly sliced scallions In large bowl, mix chickpeas and grapes.

In small skillet, warm oil over medium-high heat until shimmering. Add mustard seeds and cover. Cook until seeds stop popping then add cumin and fennel seeds; cook until fragrant, about 1 minute. Stir in 1/8 teaspoon salt and pepper flakes; pour over chickpeas and grapes. Mix well.

In separate bowl, stir yogurt, lemon juice, lemon zest, garlic and remaining salt. Spread on serving platter and top with chickpea mixture, cilantro and scallions.

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18U, 15U Pirates continue hot streaks

By Brian Bowman

The North Winnipeg Pirates are on a roll.

North Winnipeg's 18U team increased its winning streak to four games after a convincing 9-3 victory over the Bonivital Black Sox in Winnipeg Minor Baseball Association "AAA" action on July 21.

Pirates' righthander Tyler Smith earned the complete-game victory, allowing three runs on three hits and three walks. He struck out nine Bonivital batters.

Offensively, the Pirates were led by Dylan Duguay, who went 4-for-4 with two doubles and 5 RBIs.

Wyatt Whitwell also had a strong game, going 3-for-5 with 2 RBIs

North Winnipeg hosted the St. James A's in a doubleheader this past Tuesday but no scores were available at press time.

The Pirates (7-5) will host Winnipeg South this Friday and next Tuesday. First pitch for both games is 7 p.m.

In 15U action, North Winnipeg defeated the Interlake Orioles 8-7 last Friday at the Sunova Centre.

On July 22, the Pirates blasted the Bonivital Black Sox 10-3.

North Winnipeg, now 8-1 and in first place in the eight-team league, will have just one game this week when it visits the St. James A's on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The 13U Pirates, meanwhile, lost 11-9 to the St. James A's last Thursday.

On July 21, North Winnipeg's game against Winnipeg South was postponed. The Pirates (3-5) played the Bonivital Black Sox this past Tuesday and will host Red River on Friday (6:30 p.m.) at the Sunova Centre.



Keenan Allen slides safely into a base.

RECORD PHOTO BY KEN ALLEN

Two triathlons for a good cause

By Jennifer McFee

This might make you out of breath just to think about it.

A local athlete plans to complete two Olympic-distance triathlons to raise funds for a good cause.

Lee Stewart had qualified to be part of Team Canada for Triathlon Canada, and she was supposed to be competing at the ITU World Triathlon Championship in Edmonton this summer. Due to the pandemic, the event could not take place as planned.

Instead, Stewart will swim for 1,500 metres, bike for 40 kilometres and run for 10 kilometres — not once but twice — as part of the Challenge for Life, which is a fundraising event that will be held virtually this year for Cancer-Care Manitoba.

Participants in this event have the option of covering 20 kilometres or undertaking 200 minutes of exercise between Aug. 1 and 20.

Stewart joined the team called Taylor's Troops, led by local woman Taylor Dibley. Dibley, a friend of Stewart's daughter, was diagnosed with blood cancer a week after her 29th birthday. At press time, Taylor's Troops was one of the top community teams, having raised more than \$5,000 for the cause. In addition, Stewart's nephew Tyler Evans of Brandon is also battling cancer.

"These are two young people hit with a difficult diagnosis. I'm going to do one race for each of them," said Stewart, who lives between Stonewall and Stony Mountain.

"Normally I would have been going to Edmonton in August to compete in the Worlds for Team Canada. While I've got this lovely Team Canada uniform, I thought I'd put it on and do the Olympic-distance race that I had been planning to do in August as my Challenge for Life."

All funds raised through Challenge for Life stay in the province to help with cancer prevention, early detection, research, treatment and patient programs.

"The Challenge for Life is essentially

something that anyone can do if they wanted to take part in it," said Stewart, a teacher at Warren Collegiate Institute.

"You can choose whatever you want to do. You can walk, run, swim, rollerblade. My daughter is doing it as well. All the money stays in Manitoba and goes to CancerCare."

Although Stewart is disappointed to miss the chance to compete with Team Canada, many current issues help to put everything into perspective for her.

"Missing the race was very disappointing but there are so many other things going on in the world right now. This is making me realize that it's a pretty small problem," she said.

"Hopefully we can get back to it. I've been swimming and biking and doing all those things this summer to stay healthy and maybe I'll get another chance at it."

Anyone who would like to donate towards the cause can go to the Challenge for Life website at support.



RECORD PHOTO SUBMITTED Lee Stewart will complete two Olympic-distance triathlons in support of two friends battling cancer.

cancercarefdn.mb.ca and search for Taylor's Troops or for Lee Stewart's individual page.

Senior men's soccer clubs start seasons with losses

By Brian Bowman

The Tri-S Strike Force is now 0-2 on their season.

Tri-S was defeated 5-2 by SCM Academy in Manitoba Major Soccer League 7th Division action last Friday evening in Selkirk.

Hyhram Dueck and Khamis Abdallah scored for the Strike Force while Martin Pilomeno (two), Patrick Eruja, Owen Readym and Darren Reimer replied for SCM Academy.

In the Strike Force's season-opening 4-3 loss to Scrubs United on July 17, Awad Ramadan Adam, Ryan Carey, and Jairo Barrios scored for Tri-S.

Tri-S will host the Purple Cobras this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Selkirk Recreation Complex.

Meanwhile, Selkirk FC hosted

the Hanover Kickers on Monday in MMSL 1st Division action but no score was available at press time.

On July 21, Selkirk FC was edged 2-1 by Lions FC as Devin Racicot scored in the losing cause.

Christopher Bailey and Adenis Brown replied for Lions FC.

Selkirk FC will continue its homestand this Thursday when they host Bandits FC. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

In Winnipeg Women's Senior Soccer League 2nd Division action, the Tri-S Strikers were shut out 3-0 by the Gateway Celtic last Thursday evening in Winnipeg.

Tri-S, now 0-2, will play Heat FC on Wednesday (8 p.m.) at Shaughnessy Park.



RECORD PHOTO BY BRETT MITCHELL

A Hanover Kicker player attempts to block the ball kicked by Selkirks' Brandon Medina in MMSL 1st Division action July 27.

Interlake Blue Jays blast St. Boniface

By Brian Bowman

The Interlake Blue Jays played one of their best games of the season against the St. Boniface Legionaires Sunday evening at Fines Field.

Interlake blasted St. Boniface 10-0 in Manitoba Junior Baseball League action to snap a three-game losing streak.

Last Friday, Interlake lost 15-4 to the Pembina Valley Orioles in Stonewall. Pembina Valley led 8-2 after the first inning and 11-3 after four innings.

Interlake's Ben Anderson scored twice while Liam Allen and Keenan Allen also crossed home safely.

Anderson and Liam Allen each had a run batted in.

On July 22, the Blue Jays were edged 7-6 by the Carillon Sultans. Carillon

trailed 4-3 in the fifth inning when they turned the game around with four runs.

Interlake's Andrew Everitt had a strong game, going 3-for-4 with three runs scored and 2 RBIs. Other Blue Jays' runs were scored by Liam Allen (two) and Cole Olfert.

Interlake's Jeremy Wasileski knocked in three runs while Jayden Allary had the Blue Jays' other RBI.

Interlake, now 7-6 and in fifth place in the eight-team league, will hit the road for four consecutive games.

The Blue Jays will battle the Elmwood Giants on Wednesday (7 p.m.), Winnipeg South Friday (7 p.m.), and the first-place Altona Bisons on Monday (1 p.m. and 4 p.m.).



RECORD PHOTO BY JOANNE PROCTER

Keenan Allen slides into home plate safely as the Interlake Blue Jays defeated the St. Boniface Legionaires 10-0 in Manitoba Junior Baseball League action last Sunday in Stonewall.

Collings cards 74 on opening-round

Staff

Breezy Bend's Garth Collings, who lives in Matlock, carded an openinground 3-over par 74 at the Men's Senior Championship on Monday in Carman.

His round included three birdies (on hole Nos. 9, 14, and 18) and 10 pars. St. Boniface's Mike Walker led after 18 holes with a 70, which was two

strokes better than Elmhurst's John

Multan.

Round two was played on Tuesday (no scores were available at press time) and then the tournament wraps up Wednesday.

Correction

Staff

In last week's edition of the Selkirk Record, Selkirk FC's Garion Lefteruk was misidentified in a soccer photo. The Record apologizes for the error.

MJHL's Neepawa Natives changing their name

Staff

The Manitoba Junior Hockey League's Neepawa Natives are changing their name.

Neepawa will begin the process of looking for a new team name and logo after the team's board of directors decided it was time for a change. The decision was made on July 21 and announced the following day. The new name will go into effect for the 2021-22 season.

The process of changing the name will include research and input from different community members, stakeholders, and fans of the team. "We appreciate your patience and support as we go through this process," read a statement on the team's website. "Going forward, we want the focus to be on the work we do in our community and our commitment to improving on the ice as we prepare for the upcoming season." Neepawa has been a member of the MJHL since 1989.

The Morden Redskins of the South Eastern Manitoba Hockey League are also debating a name change while the NFL's Washington Redskins and the CFL's Edmonton Eskimos recently announced they are making changes.

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Regarding Zoning By-law Amendment No. 4324 The Council of the R.M. of St. Andrews, under the authority of The Planning Act, will

hold a Public Hearing at the Municipal Office Council Chambers, 500 Railway Avenue, Clandeboye, MB, on Tuesday August 11, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., at which time and place the Council will receive representations and objections, if any, from any persons who wish to make them in respect of By-law No. 4324, being an amendment to the R.M. of St. Andrews Zoning By-Law No. 4066, as amended. The general intent of By-Law No. 4324 is to rezone the subject property at 46 Minchull Road (Being Part of N.W. 1/4 SECTION 1-15-4 E.P.M.) from "A80" Agricultural General Zone to "SR" Seasonal Residential Zone within R.M. of St. Andrews Zoning By-law No. 4066. An illustration of the subject property has been provided below. This By-Law amendment is to facilitate a future residential development application for this subject property.

A copy of the above by-law and supporting material may be inspected between 8:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Red River Planning District, 806-A Manitoba Avenue, Selkirk, Manitoba. Seating at the planning public hearing will be limited to 8 people to accommodate social distancing. We ask that you contact the municipal office at 204-738-2264 or info@rmofstandrews.com to register your in-person attendance. Planning meetings will be available live through YouTube The link will be provided at www.rmofstandrews.com. We request the public email info@rmofstandrews.com by 2 p.m. the day of the meeting to register to speak via telephone, and/or provide written comments to register whether you are for or against the application. During the meeting questions or comments can be emailed to tim@rmofstandrews.com

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The Vendor under Power of Sale is informed that the property consists of a one story single family home built in 1951 and is 1,112 square feet with a finished basement. It also has a detached garage. The property is 70% residential and 30% commercial as the Post Office takes up a portion of the home and is run out of this property. No additional information is available as the property remains owner occupied.

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TERMS OF SALE

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OBITUARY



Maxine Geller

On July 19, with her children by her side, our mother Maxine Geller passed away peacefully at the age of 63. Maxine passed after a brief time with cancer, and a truly beautiful life.

She will be forever remembered by her children Mathew (Madison), Jesse (Brett) and Sean (Cassie); granddaughter Sawyer; sister Shelly (Bill), and brothers David (Jill) and Phillip (Robin). She will be dearly missed by her countless friends both in Canada, Brazil and abroad. Maxine was predeceased by her mother and father, Norma and Norman Geller, and step father Vince Hardy.

Born in Winnipeg, Maxine grew up in a busy, love filled household with her twin brothers and older sister. Maxine was always the boss, and ruled with an iron fist - or wooden

spoon - by cooking in the kitchen or breaking it over her brothers head. Maxine learned to ride a bike in Transcona, before moving with the family to Garden City at age seven. With devoted parents, her family overcame the hardships of a mixed marriage to build a truly beautiful life with a summer cabin at Winnipeg Beach. She graduated from Garden City Collegiate in 1974 while working as a Winnipeg Beach camp councillor, lifeguard and at Reitmans to support her education. Upon graduation she enrolled at the University of Manitoba to begin studying to become a teacher. She wanted to make a difference.

Teaching was Maxine's passion beginning in the Winnipeg School Division. Maxine began her career at Sisler, with stops in Grant Park and Stanley Knowles before moving on to become the first female principal of a high school in the Interlake School Division. Forever a learner, she earned her pre-masters while raising her children. Maxine would never accept no for an answer. As a female in the male dominated profession of school administration, she helped write, accredit, and implement the first high school hockey program as a certified course while principal at Warren Collegiate. Maxine created the dream schedule - Home Economics, hockey, lunch, gym, spare. After accomplishing her goals in the Interlake region, she rejoined Winnipeg as a principal with stops at Gordon Bell, Elmwood, Champlain and Harrow. Maxine was dedicated, respectful, and above all researched - she read, endlessly. Many of her closest friends were met in the halls of these schools, yet it was the children who gave her purpose and her greatest joy.

At Sisler, she met her Old Ladies of the Lake - a group of women dedicated to spending an annual weekend every summer, for over 40 years, laughing, learning and loving the art of teaching together. Maxine was in charge of steaks, tarot cards, and makeovers. She was determined to lead her own school as a principal, and hire all of her friends. Although none of her "ladies" were able to work for Maxine, they all remain honoured to have known her and call her a friend. Rarely can you develop a life long friend, never mind a group of them.

Early in her teaching career on a blind date she met her future husband Ron with whom she would raise a family. Married in 1985, Maxine accepted Ron's undercover policing career with open arms - and lots of bandages. Maxine said marrying a cop, and a career as a teacher, prepared her for children. Mathew, a gift from God, was the test. A colicky, cluster feeding, never quiet, glued-to-her-side baby was her life's biggest hurdle. Maxine cleared this with ease. Five years later, she took all her new and learned skills to raise Jesse... and never had to use them. Jesse, a sea of calm, was the gift the family needed to help Maxine live with and overcome breast cancer in her late 30's. The Chemo Savvy dragon boat team was instrumental in helping her recover emotionally and physically from her time with cancer. Maxine, through love of family, came to love hockey. Still unsure of what an offside truly was, she rarely missed a game or a tailgate party during her boys endless hockey 'careers'. In a house dominated with three men, Donna was brought in as a reinforcement. Hired as a nanny to help while Maxine kicked cancer, Donna became a second mother to Jesse, a stern aunt to Matt, and a sister to Maxine in every sense of the word. You can't mention Maxine's family without Donna.

Ron and Maxine's marriage lasted for almost 20 years, due in no small part to Maxine's kind soul and eternal belief in forgiveness. Although it didn't last, years later a renewed friendship did. Holding hands until the day she passed, displaying the power of family, and the pride they both shared for their children.

Maxine's love of travel, adventures and new culture was a life time affair starting with a school trip to England at age 14. The welcome addition of her children was not a deterrent, but rather an opportunity to redefine "road trip". Driving the family from BC to Ontario to Florida (non-stop) was a yearly occurrence. Maxine visited every province in Canada, and over 20 countries, volunteering at a school in most - whether by design or by simple curiosity. Maxine shared this with her family, friends, and in her later years, complete strangers. She climbed to Machu Picchu and the Great Wall of China, by herself, in her late 50's! Well at least that's what you saw in pictures. Maxine felt her parents every step of the way.

Maxine's career never ended. Forever an educator, near her retirement from school administration she worked as the president of Canadian Association of Principals before beginning a two year term as the chairperson of the Council of School Leaders with the Manitoba Teachers Society. She gave back and continued to educate the next generation of teachers by educating at the university level in Winnipeg at the U of W. In 2016, Maxine received a Manitoba Education Research Network Special Contribution Award, although she would rather show you the booklet kids made for her when she left Champlain School. All of this culminated with a Director of Academia position at an international school in Brasilia, Brazil. Leading a team of 300 staff and 1600 children seems like an incredible feat, but Maxine handled it with grace, humility, and with the level of dedication required to teach in a foreign language. Maxine brought down Darryl Fox - Terry's brother - to spread the Terry Fox story and fundraising activities to a new country - Maxine, always moving forward. She held this position up until her passing, only returning to Canada to be with her family when her body finally failed her.

Maxine's professional achievements pale in comparison to the beautiful children she raised, and family she has built. Her son's Jesse, Mathew and Sean were the source of her proudest moments. Maxine's heart only grew with the late addition of Sean. She had three sons, even if she only birthed two. With Mathew married to Madison, baby Sawyer making Maxine a Bubbee courtesy of Sean and Cassie, and Jesse's engagement to Brett days before her passing allowed her to rest knowing her son's had beautiful souls to compliment them through this life.

To Maxine, the word family was a verb and not a noun. Friends of different colours and faiths have become her brothers, sisters and children over time. Maxine's true family stretches from coast to coast and down to Brazil. You didn't have to be a Bell or a Geller to be family to Maxine.

Mom believed this life was just one of many. In this life, she was the best dressed, fancy hat wearing, stubborn-smart, humblyalways-right, ref-my-son-would-never-take-a-penalty, heels-for-every-occasion, wine drinking, tequila shooting, star chasing, sun kissed, globe-trotting, forever-forgiving, tarot-card-reading, laughing hippie, student, teacher, mother, lover, friend, sister you will ever meet.

We don't know what you will do in the next life Mom, but we know they are darn lucky to have you. We'd like to think that maybe, just maybe, you've taught us everything we need to know. But we know that simply just isn't true. There will be moments when you are here, nudging us in the right direction - stubbornly - and we will smile.

In keeping with Maxine's wishes, please consider making a donation to the Cancer Care Foundation of Manitoba or your local women's shelter in her name.

A celebration of her life, open to all friends and family of Maxine, will be held at the Rainbow Stage in Kildonan Park on Friday, July 31 at 11 a.m. Provincial COVID guidelines will be followed and face masks will be mandatory, the venue has ample space for social distancing. In advance, please bring a signed copy of this form to the venue to allow for a quicker entrance process: https://rainbowstage.sharepoint.com/:w:/s/SDriveFolders/EdEa8U1RZ3FNkP6frn6YCOIBa16bd-Qwmu5Zv66hweeAJQ?e=4%3AoojilQ&at=9. Please dress casually and colourful in honour of Maxine. Condolences may be left on her tribute wall at www.gilbartfuneralhome.com.

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