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Kipling CAO retires after 20-years serving residents

By **Connie Schwalm**
Grasslands News

It began as a good job. It became a rewarding and gratifying career.

For over the past 20 years, Gail Dakue has been CAO for the Town of Kipling. Now, as she prepares to retire this week, Dakue finds herself looking back over those years with satisfaction.

Dakue says that although she assumed that she would move into an administrative position in a rural municipality after completing her training, opportunity instead led her to the Town of Kipling.

“I was married and living on the farm here, and I’d taken the Administration Course when the kids were young. Back in the 80’s farming was challenging, and the idea was that I’d at some point be able to get into an administrative position close to home.

“Originally, I thought I’d like to go into Rural Administration, and I had filled in at the RM of Kingsley previously. But there were Administrators in both the RM of Kingsley

and Hazelwood that were very much long-term. So, that wasn’t an option.

“It happened that the Town of Kipling Administrator went on leave. The woman working at the Front Desk became Acting Administrator. I was asked to come in and I started at the Front Desk. But then, that person went on Maternity Leave and decided not to return after her leave was done. So, I applied for the Administrator position – and been in that position since.”

In the years since then, Dakue says that she has seen the position become something much larger than the job she originally took on.

“The job has really changed in so many ways over the years. There’s been an expansion of the role, that includes more provincial reporting, resident concerns, project management, so it is busier than it used to be.

“The Administrator’s role is to work with Council and implement their decisions.

If Council sets a policy or wants a project done,

it’s the CAO’s job to implement that. An administrator also manages the day-to-day operations of the Town. That means we make sure things are getting done – the grass is getting mowed – the pool is being opened – that kind of thing. We also manage the staff and the facilities.

“That means you’re managing very interesting but complex ‘organization’. That’s especially true since we took over primary management of recreation. That meant that the Town now looks after the Pool, Arena, Ball Diamonds & Parks and Community Centre as well as the airport, Professional Building, library and the Town itself. All of these are important, and to the people who use a particular facility, that one is very important.

“A CAO also has a responsibility to the residents of the community. And as well, we have a responsibility to upper levels of government and legislation. So, there are really three areas that a CAO is responsible to.”

Fulfilling that role has often meant that Dakue has had to watch her well-planned daily schedule fly apart in the face of circumstance. But she notes that this has also been one aspect of the position which made it interesting.

“I like the fact that things are always changing, every day. When you come in the morning, you might have your day planned. But you never really know what that day is going to end up looking like. That’s what I like the best. This job is never mundane.

When she is no longer walking through those familiar doors to start her day, Dakue says that it will be the people who greeted her every day that she will miss the most.

“I will miss my staff most of all. Kelly (Kish) and Christina (Weeding) have been with me since

- GAIL DAKUE, 13

A job well done

As Gail Dakue retires from her position as CAO for the Town of Kipling this week, she looks back on the highlights of what has been both a challenging and a rewarding career.

Borderland Co-op records \$123 million in sales

By **Chris Ashfield**
Grasslands News

Borderland Co-op held their annual general meeting in Moosomin on May 23 where members were provided with the audited financial statements from the last year as well as updated on several major projects currently underway by the organization.

Total sales for the last year were just under \$123.4 million, down from the \$132.7 million the year prior. The decrease was mainly attributed to the price of fuel being lower than last year and a drop in sales in home and building materials.

“The previous year’s average selling price per litre was \$1.49 cents/litre and this year the selling price dropped to an average of \$1.31 cents/litre. That 18 cent decrease multiplied over the 39 million litres of fuel sold this year represents a \$7 million dollar sales decrease just due to the change in the price of fuel. When comparing the litres sold year over year, our litres increased 800,000 litres, or almost \$1 million dollars,” said Shannon Dickens, the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for Borderland.

“The second area where sales dollars have declined is in home and building materials. During the COVID lockdowns, there was a significant increase in DIY projects, home renovations and yard improvements. Over those couple of years and trickling into 2022, we saw the highest ever spent in our lumber and hardware departments as members were improving their homes. Now that we are through those times, spending habits have returned to normal and sales in these areas have also normalized,” added Dickens.

On the expense side, there was a \$3 million increase in expenses when compared to last year due to a few different factors, including two increases to the minimum wage – \$1.19 increase in October 2022 and another \$1 increase in October 2023.

“This increase equates to additional wage expenses of approximately \$1 million dollars annually when comparing the same employee hours used year over year,” said Dickens.

Projects and renovations also attributed to the increase in expenses including the new Whitewood Dairy Queen that opened in October 2023, new car wash equipment at the Moo-

somin C-Store, interior renovations at five out of the six Food Store locations and the implementation of new Electronic Price Labels in all of the Food stores.

Taking into account the drop in revenue and the extra expenses due to new projects and renovations, Borderland ended the year with a local loss of operations of \$2.858 million, compared to a local savings of \$731,000 last year. But when adding in the FCL Loyalty program rebate of \$0.04 cents per litre and the FLC patronage on all purchases from FCL, Borderland ended the year with a savings just under \$2.44 million.

The board approved a total of \$1,952,650 to be returned to members in the form of patronage of which 60 per cent is paid out and the remainder is applied to the member’s equity account, unless the member has already reached their \$10,000 equity cap or if the member has applied as an over-age member. In those cases, 100 per cent of the allocation is paid out.

Following the patronage payout, Borderland ended the year with \$486,000 in savings

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Conquering Everest: From Balcarres to top of the world

By Alan Hustak
Grasslands News

An electrical engineer originally from Balcarres has carried Saskatchewan's flag to the top of the world.

It took Landry Warnez four days to reach the 29,035 foot summit of Mount Everest on May 12. He admitted he had some reservations about continuing the ascent after he

saw his first dead body on the slopes.

"The night I went up two other people died," he told Grasslands News in a telephone interview from Saskatoon. "But I've always been drawn to looking for adventure, right, and that is something I wanted to do at this point in my life. But it is great to be home, I missed my family and my friends in the two months I was away in Nepal. But it is pretty

amazing," he said.

The 28-year-old mountaineer took a year off to prepare for the climb. Warnez said he trained in a gym and by climbing mountains in Canmore, Alberta.

"He's always been like that, kind of adventurous," says his father Greg who runs a lumber yard in Balcarres. "I worried a lot more about his safety on Everest than he did. But it all went good. He's back,"

The best time to make the ascent is in the spring when the weather is clearer and less windy. But that is no assurance that it is safe. At least five people have died, and three others are still missing since the beginning of this climbing season. Landry says about 200 bodies are still on the mountain. But he is no rookie when it comes to climbing mountains.

"You can't go all the way up the first time. Your body has to get used to the altitude," he explained. "So you do one rotation about halfway up the mountain to camp three, and then you come down."

The biggest thing to worry about when you go back up again he says is cardio.

"You are climbing between eight to 12 hours a day, multiple days on end.



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Top of the world

Balcarres' Landry Warnez carried the Saskatchewan flag with him out of a sense of prairie pride when he climbed the world's highest peak.

With Everest the risk (of dying) is really highlighted internationally when people die. But I obviously felt it was a risk I was willing to take."

He said he wasn't making a political statement when he took the green and yellow provincial flag

with him.

"There was no motive, I have a lot of pride in where I'm from. A lot of people in Saskatchewan supported me, so I just did it."

Getting to the top wasn't the end of it.

"You are ecstatic, but

you also realize you still have quite the challenge (to climb down) to just get off the mountain."

His next venture he said is to climb Canada's tallest mountain Mount Robson. It's only 12,989 feet, small by comparison to Everest.

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Scene safety becoming an issue for emergency personnel

By Chris Ashfield
Grasslands News

A growing problem is emerging at motor vehicle accident scenes throughout Saskatchewan as impatient drivers and curious bystanders are causing serious and sometimes dangerous problems for emergency personnel at the scene.

Two major incidents in Yorkton and Lumsden over the May long weekend brought the issue to the lime-light and resulted in public pleas being made online from both fire departments, asking people to respect emergency personnel on accident scenes and follow the direction.

On May 20 Lumsden fire department responded to a serious motor vehicle collision on Highway 11 and had to stop traffic in order to land STARS air ambulance on the roadway. While STARS was on the ground and tending to the patient for transport, a Audi tried to go around the stopped traffic and was stopped by firefighters doing traffic control. About 10-minutes later, as the helicopter was lifting off and the firefighter looked away, the Audi took off and blasted by the firefighter almost striking them.

According to a witness named Pat who made a post online about it, one of the firefighters, "tried to get the vehicle to stop by hitting it with a stop sign as it went by but this person was not having it. They peeled out, leaving tire marks, and then flew down a side street before anyone could follow them."

The driver did leave the scene but the license plate was apparently provided to RCMP to follow up on.

That same day in Yorkton, during a serious two vehicle motor vehicle accident on Broadway Street West, an incident with a bystander resulted in the fire chief issuing a public plea to respect emergency scenes and not take photos or videos.

In his online post, Fire Chief Trevor Morrissey wrote that it is very disheartening for first responders to have people taking photos of accident scenes, when people are at their most vulnerable. He said emergency personnel try to barricade and continuously ask/tell people to leave the marked area out of respect for those involved and their families. But on this day, his request was met with disrespect by a man who felt the need to walk through the barricades to get a complete video of the accident scene. When asked to leave the scene, Morrissey said the man responded with "it's a free country" and

that as the fire chief "You work for me buddy!"

In his response online, Morrissey wrote, "I do not work for you, I work for me, my family, and at that very point in time I was working for four families who were going through life changing events. No matter the circumstances those lives all changed in an instant, we were entrusted to keep their privacy and maintain an area free of disruption for examination. When the responders left that evening, we didn't go home and watch videos and look at pictures with our friends, we remembered the countless times we were required to help people in these situations, we thought about the families at about 2 a.m. knowing that they should be in bed sleeping but were not. We wondered if there was anything we could have done better, faster, or different."

The fire chief then posted his phone number for the gentleman to call him if he wished to discuss it further.

"I am asking the public to be respectful, put your phone down and try to pick someone up that needs it," he added.

Many other departments also report similar problems at emergency scenes, including Whitewood Fire Department, which responds to approximately 50 to 60 calls a year, many of which are accidents.

According to Fire Chief Bernard Brulé, responding to accident scenes on the highways seems to have become more dangerous for all emergency personal in recent years. He says the largest problem is primarily semi drivers that don't slow down to 60 km/h and in some cases, include people trying to drive through the accident scene even while the road is closed.

"Unfortunately, a lot of the semis on the highway are from other provincial jurisdictions where the rules are different when passing emergency vehicles so they often don't slow down," said Brulé "We have also had people try to drive around our barricades and through accident scenes where there has been a fatality because they don't want to be late to where they are going. In either type of situation, they are putting all emergency personnel at risk and in some cases almost hitting them."

According to Staff-Sergeant Dallyn Holmstrom with the Broadview RCMP, in the event that someone is interfering with a collision/crime scene and affecting the ability for emergency responders to complete their respective jobs or if they have affected the integrity of the scene they could be charged criminally with Obstructing Justice under Section 139 of the Criminal Code. If



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Obey the rules

Shane Thompson with Whitewood Fire Department points to a stop sign while doing traffic control at an accident earlier this year. Firefighters throughout Saskatchewan are seeing an increase in motorists not obeying emergency personnel at accident scenes.

convicted, the person could face a maximum sentence of up to 10 years in jail if the circumstances were serious.

"In most circumstances, we deal with this behaviour as extremely disrespectful and ignorant to all parties involved; especially, because the people who may be involved with the collision/crime could be having the worst day of their lives and/or potentially just lost a loved one," said Holmstrom.

Drivers also face stiff fines if they do not slow down for emergency vehicles that are parked on the side of the road with their emergency lights activated.

For a driver on the double lane highway going 110 km/h past emergency vehicles they will receive a \$650 fine plus their license will receive three demerit points against it. For drivers on a single lane highway passing emergency vehicles at 100 km/h, the fine would be \$570 plus three demerit points to their license.



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Cadet squads participate in annual ceremonial review

By Sarah Pacio & April Dahnke
Grasslands News

Members of local cadet corps concluded their year of training with

ceremonial reviews last weekend.

Army, Sea and Air Cadet programs are affiliated with the Canadian military and the Royal

Canadian Legion. They offer youth ages 12 to 18 an opportunity to experience military-style training, develop leadership skills and make positive contributions to their community through volunteering and other initiatives. The annual review ceremony conducted within each cadet corps showcases the knowledge and skills that participants have gained during the course of the program.

The Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps #346, B Company, in Wolseley celebrated a successful year with its 6th annual review ceremony on May 25. Cadets gathered with family and special guests in front of the Wolseley Town Hall/Opera House on Saturday afternoon. Wolseley High School Principal Christine Schoenroth conducted a review of the corps; Wolseley Navy League Branch President Alisha Hinz, along with unit staff, presented awards and promotions to the cadets. Other guests included MLA Steven Bonk, Royal Canadian Legion members and Navy League of Canada Saskatchewan



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Sea Cadets

The 346 Sea Cadet Corps, B Company, in Wolseley hosted its annual review ceremony outside the Town Hall on May 25.

Division Past President Don Landree. In addition to this year's training achievements, seven outstanding cadets were offered summer training courses and staff positions at Cadet Summer Training Centres across Canada in Quadra and Vernon, B.C., Rocky Mountain, Alta., and Whitehorse, Yukon.

The Royal Canadian Air Cadet Corps #691 Hawk based in Indian Head also hosted its annual review ceremony last weekend. Family and friends joined cadets in front of Memorial Hall for the ceremony on Sunday afternoon. The event celebrated the cadets' 65-year anniversary in the community. It provided

an opportunity for retired Major Peter Garton to conduct a review of the cadets and to present promotions and awards to them. This included the presentation of the Walter Ayers Esprit de Corps Award to Norah St. Louis of Grenfell. The program was followed by a barbecue at the Indian Head Museum.



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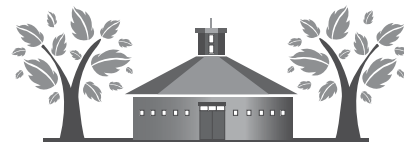
Air Cadets

Retired Major Peter Garton (left) presented the Walter Ayers Esprit de Corps Award to Norah St. Louis (right) of Grenfell at the 691 Hawk Air Cadet annual review ceremony in Indian Head on May 26.

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Household Hazardous Waste Day

On June 6, 2024, you can drop off certain leftover pesticides, toxics, corrosives, flammable liquids and physically hazardous products for free in Indian Head. The province's new household hazardous waste (HHW) program is partnering with municipalities and local governments to provide collection services through one day collection events, free of charge to consumers. Accepted materials can be dropped off at the Town of Indian Head Maintenance Shop at North Railway Avenue & Water Street between the hours of 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information on what will be accepted, please visit www.productcare.org/products/hhw/saskatchewan/

Town of Indian Head to Host "Riders on the Road"

Join us on Saturday, June 8 as we host "Riders on the Road" in Indian Head! Riders on the Road is a family-friendly watch party held during a Roughrider road game. The Saskatchewan Roughriders and their partner McDougall Auctioneers, will arrive on site to help "Riderize" our community by bringing out the Cheer Team, the 620 CKRM Rider Pep Band, Gainer the Gopher, inflatables and more! There will be more details coming soon so be sure to check the Town website. The party starts Saturday, June 8 at 4 p.m. at Memorial Hall. Admission is free and food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Harvest Hoedown Craft Show & Sale October 19

The Harvest Hoedown Craft Show & Sale is now accepting vendor applications. The deadline to apply is June 30! This year's Show will be Saturday, October 19th, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To apply, please email harvesthoedowncommittee@gmail.com

2024 Swimming Pool Season is Here

We are working hard to get the swimming pool ready for the 2024 season. You can now view the 2024 Pool Guide and register for swimming lessons on the Town website. We are planning on an opening day of Saturday, June 1! Be sure to follow us on Facebook at [@indianheadswimmingpool](https://www.facebook.com/indianheadswimmingpool) for all the most recent updates.

Volunteer for the Indian Head "Bloom Brigade"

The Town of Indian Head is seeking volunteers to join the "Bloom Brigade" this summer! Volunteers will help with watering hanging baskets, maintaining flower beds, and pruning trees at the community orchard. We are looking for individuals who are passionate about gardening and are willing to donate their time to keep our community beautiful. This is a great opportunity to get involved with your local community and make a positive impact.

Do a little or do a lot - every little bit helps. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meagan:

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Show Your Town Pride!

We have new Town of Indian Head promotional items available for purchase at the Town Office and at the Tourist Booth! Pick up t-shirts, bunny hugs, mugs, keychains, pins and more! We are adding more throughout the season so be sure to keep checking back for new products.

Sunshine, Smiles, and Western Styles at Parade Days

The Town of Indian Head is very happy to be holding Indian Head Parade Days once again this year June 22 & 23! The weekend will include many of our favourites including the parade, family activities, tours, cabaret featuring Tayler Tluchak and Travis Dolter, and wrapping up with the Flatland Cruisers Show 'n' Shine. We're excited to announce the theme for this year's Indian Head Parade Days: "Sunshine, Smiles, and Western Styles"! Dust off those cowboy boots, grab your hats, and join us on June 22nd & 23rd. Let your creativity shine as you decorate your floats, businesses, and homes in true western fashion.

Upcoming Events

- June 1 – St. Andrew's United Church Steak Night
- June 6 – Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day
- June 8 – Minor Ball Day
- June 8 – Riders on the Road Watch Party
- June 12 – Access Community Barbeque
- June 14 – IHHS Graduation
- June 22 & 23 – Indian Head Parade Days
(see full list of events on Town website)
- June 26 – Theatre in the Park "The Reel Whirled"
- August 2-4 – Indian Head Reunion

Do you have a great community event coming up? Let us know about it! You can have your event featured on our Community Events webpage by emailing your details and poster to indianheadcdc@sasktel.net. Don't forget to schedule your community event on our sign at least one week before your event date.

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Over \$90,000 in charitable gaming grants coming to area

By Jacob Miller
Grasslands News

Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan (LGS) has provided a total of \$92,695.39 in charitable gaming grants to community groups and organizations in the area for the fourth quarter of the 2023-24 fiscal year.

Communities within the Grasslands News publishing area receiving grants include Balgonie (\$10,317.32), Bangor (\$468.13), Broadview (\$2,605.01), Cupar (\$125), Edenwold (\$1,132.49), Emerald Park (\$1,350.07), Fort Qu'Appelle (\$10,965.33), Grayson (\$1,306.04), Grenfell (\$573.75), Indian Head (\$3,504.32), Ituna (\$3,588.49), Kelliher (\$1,044.50), Kipling

(\$783.75), Lemberg (\$132.50), Mclean (\$742.27), Melville (\$24,588.55), Montmartre (\$1,333.25), Neudorf (\$353.75), Pilot Butte (\$7,325.76), Qu'Appelle (\$268.13), Stockholm (\$893.84), Vibank (\$1,600.75), Wawota (\$4,231.65), White City (\$9,319.44), Whitewood (\$1,691.92), and Wolseley (\$2,449.38).

"Charitable gaming grants are one of the ways that our government ensures that the proceeds from gaming are invested back into Saskatchewan communities," said Laura Ross, Minister of Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan. "These grants support charitable activities and organizations across the province, including various community foundations, sports and cultural groups, programs that provide growth and enrichment to Saskatchewan people of all ages and backgrounds."

Grants were paid to charitable groups and organizations in more than 250 Saskatchewan communities.

Groups and organizations in good standing that conduct licensed charitable gaming activities

such as bingos, raffles, breakopen ticket sales, Texas hold 'em poker tournaments and Monte Carlo events receive these quarterly grants. They are equal to 25 per cent of the net revenue raised by each charitable event, to a maximum of \$100,000 per group or organization annually.

The charities don't have to apply to LGS for the grants. Instead, the amount of each grant paid by LGS to each charity is calculated by the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority (SLGA) based on financial reports and other information submitted by the group or organization. Groups can apply through SLGA's charitable gaming licensing process.



Lions' Award

Broadview resident Norm Nicholson (right) was presented with the Lions Club International Milestone Chevron Award for completing 45 years as a Lions member. President Don Little (left) made the presentation at the Broadview and District Lions meeting on May 27.

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Correction

Sales at our Lady of Sorrows garage sale in Fort Qu'Appelle brought in slightly less than was reported last week in the issue. This year's garage sale, which is one of the biggest parish fundraisers, collected \$7,531.89, not the \$10,000 that was estimated.

WHS grads to hold community-wide parade

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

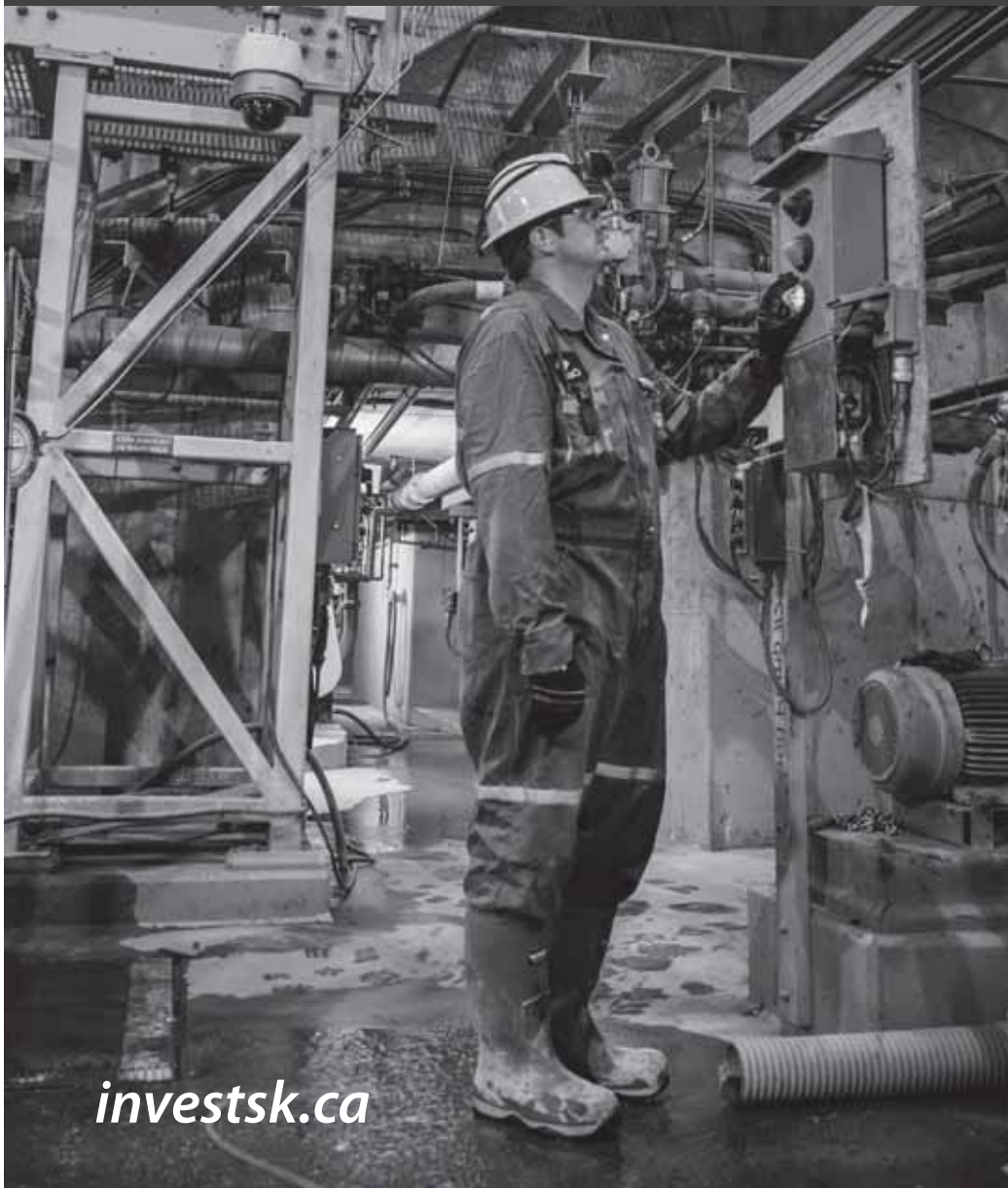
Graduation ceremonies are happening in many communities as the school year comes to an end for 2024 and the Grade 12 students celebrate their last year at their home schools.

This year, the graduates of Whitewood School are celebrating by organizing a community parade. For the last few years, the graduates have paraded through many streets in town allowing people to see who the

graduates are and to admire their formal attire. This year, the graduates are opening the parade to businesses, organizations, groups or individuals that would like to join, making it a larger parade for not only the graduates but also for the enjoyment of everyone.

Whitewood graduation will be held on Saturday, June 8 in the Whitewood School gymnasium at 2 p.m. for 17 students. Following the ceremonies, the graduates will make their way to the start of the parade route at the Whitewood Community Centre. The parade is hoped to begin at around 4 to 4:30 p.m.

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“For the cause that needs assistance; for the wrong that needs resistance; the future in the distance and the good that we can do.”

Our past, our present, is what makes our country today

The topic of renaming Dewdney Avenue in Regina is again being debated by their city’s council.

At the same time, an opinion article is circulating in news sites titled ‘We owe the Second World War generation a debt of gratitude’ by Mark Milke, volunteer president of the Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary and president of Aristotle Foundation for Public Policy.

We cannot dispute, as Milke states, “It’s popular these days to cancel historical figures when their views do not precisely mimic our own. Thus, those who practice deliberate historic amnesia rename streets, bridges, and entire neighbourhoods or remove statues to satisfy an Orwellian need to block out what they assume is a blot on the human species – the men and women who came before us and built Canada.

“But go down that road and one can inevitably cancel any figure in history who might have accomplished anything useful despite having error-prone views on some other subject.”

In the case of Dewdney Avenue in Regina, the topic has been brought up before, ever since the city reached out in 2019 about what Regina could do to follow through on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s calls to action. Parks and pool names were changed from Dewdney to Buffalo Meadows in 2021.

The street is named after Edgar Dewdney, who in 1881 was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the NWT, a position held in conjunction with that of Indian commissioner. His use of withholding rations as a device to impose state authority on First Nations is often cited as the reason compelling Indigenous people to settle on reserves, adopt agriculture and send their children to mission schools.

To have a street named after you, some feel is an honour and some also feel that Edgar Dewdney should not be honoured.

Others feel the costs associated with this change would be too great and the inconvenience of all residents on the street to change their addresses on all means that display location (utility bills, credit cards, etc.) would be too disruptive and would not benefit the reason for the request of the name change, that being honouring Truth and Reconciliation. Those wanting the name change state reconciliation is priceless.

Milke states in his opinion piece, “As we approach the 80th anniversary of D-Day (June 6 on the beaches of Normandy, France), we should resist skipping over difficult history and cancelling historical figures in favor of self-righteous, moral self-congratulation.

“Every Canadian should remember those who died in the war ... that group includes the thousands of Indigenous Canadians who served in both world wars,

hoping that Canada would one day treat them more justly than it had to date. It also includes Canadians of every ethnicity, religion, and colour who came to Canada in successive immigration waves, believing that Canada was where they and their children could succeed.”

These comments are not being published to influence or disagree with a change of a street name or to be disrespectful to people’s beliefs, but as support in Milke’s reasoning regarding honouring D-Day – that crucial time in defeating Nazi Germany and ending one of history’s most evil regimes. We owe the Second World War generation a tremendous debt of gratitude.

We cannot judge the past and casually dismiss the efforts of previous generations, including the many varied ethnic people who reached achievements that should be commemorated rather than being condemned for their flaws, which we all have.

Critics of our history and country may believe they have reached moral virtue but should not be allowed to dismiss the efforts of previous generations who built a freer, more prosperous world.

History should be learned from and not buried so beneficial changes can occur.

We must remember – our past, our present, is what makes our country today.

Sask. must deliver on its pledge to post all municipal finances online

By Gage Haubrich

Canadian Taxpayers Federation

If you want to find out how the provincial government is wasting your money, you only need to head to the government’s website and check out the latest budget.

But if you want to find out how your rural municipality (RM) or town is spending your tax money, you might have a tougher time tracking down those numbers.

Now, the vast majority of RMs in Saskatchewan do a great job of making financial statements available to local taxpayers. But it’s still important to get rid of any bad apples left in the barrel.

To help these municipalities and ensure transparency, the provincial government needs to start posting the financial statements of all municipalities online.

It’s something the provincial government used to do.

For no apparent reason, the government shut this transparency off in 2008.

Then, in 2019, former

government relations minister Lori Carr said a new web portal would be coming in 2021. Now it’s 2024, but that web portal still doesn’t exist.

Back in 2019, the minister said that online portals would provide the “ultimate transparency from every level of government.”

It’s baffling to understand why, three years later, the provincial government still hasn’t followed through on its promise. Because it already has the documents. Any kid in junior high can set up a website. The government could start putting these documents online tomorrow.

Every year, every municipality in the province, from the largest city of Saskatoon down to the resort village of Candle Lake, is required by law to send their financial statements to the provincial government.

Regina doesn’t need to do any legwork. It just needs to get one bureaucrat to upload the documents.

Other provinces are already doing it. Alberta

and Ontario have websites where taxpayers can easily access municipal financial statements. First Nations communities in Saskatchewan and across Canada also routinely publish financial statements online.

It’s not complicated. We know because the Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) did it. After the government failed to follow through on its promise, the CTF took matters into its own hands and released an online database where taxpayers could find the financial statements for all the province’s municipalities.

Recently, the CTF submitted a freedom of information request to the Saskatchewan government for all the most recent provincial municipal financial statements to update its database. While this is the provincial government’s responsibility, we are trying to bridge the gap.

In a report based on the request, the Saskatchewan Privacy and Information Commissioner, the independent official who makes sure the govern-



ment is being transparent, noted that the government should be: “making financial statements and auditor’s reports it receives from municipalities available to the public.”

It’s kind of embarrassing the government even needed the commissioner to point out something so obvious.

It was already a no-brainer that the government should post these statements online, but when the person whose job is to ensure transparency calls out the provincial government, it should

stop dawdling and start posting documents.

Taxpayers deserve to easily know what the money they send to any level of government is being spent on.

Take the rural municipality of Wilton. According to the most recent documents, the Reeve of Wilton made \$83,495 in 2021. In the same year, the Reeve of Turtle River, the rural municipality to the north, made \$15,450.

Having access to these important documents allows taxpayers to ask important questions. For

example, why is one reeve making more than five times as much as the reeve next door? There may be a reasonable explanation, but taxpayers need easy access to that information to ask these questions.

Taxpayers have a right to know how local governments are spending their money, and they shouldn’t have to fight for basic financial records. The government needs to follow through on its promise and finally start posting this vital information online for all Saskatchewan taxpayers to access.

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Saskatchewan watching for zebra mussels after Clear Lake discovery

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

It was one lake, one boat.

The recent findings of zebra mussels, an invasive species, in Clear Lake, MB waters resulting in the ban of boats for the summer of 2024 has Saskatchewan watching for any westward spread.

Parks Canada has been monitoring the lake for evidence since 2011 and last November, researchers found 48 living zebra mussels, one of the most ecologically devastating aquatic invasive species in the country, clumped on a piece of rope.

This discovery in November resulted in a Parks Canada ecologist and a team of federal, provincial and First Nations scientists huddled in huts on the frozen lake working their way in a methodically orchestrated relay for more evidence of the mussels. The winter testing program was “unprecedented,” according to Parks Canada. Typically, aquatic invasive species monitoring takes place in the summer, when water is easier to access, and species are generally more active. Parks staff had already started to ramp up its testing regime after a routine sample taken in the summer of 2022 came back positive.

As the ice melted, testing frequency increased. Samples were taken from 28 lakes in the Riding Mountain region. The 2023 summer season also came with new rules for boaters: anyone who wanted to use a boat on Clear Lake was required to get their vessel inspected by park staff and attest the boat hadn't

been in any other lakes. Inspected boats were fitted with aluminum tags; if the boat was taken to any other water body, the tag would be removed, and the boat could not come back.

The early November discovery of positive DNA in several samples from the federal lab to Parks Canada resulted in the search that found the clump of mussels on the piece of rope.

Concern of transferring within the lake from one boat launch now increased the concern of the transfer out of the lake to other bodies of water.

Being a very small window to possibly intervene the spread of these creatures, one week prior to the May long weekend, Parks Canada issued a controversial edict banning recreational watercraft – including motorboats, kayaks, canoes and paddleboards from the lake.

Once the zebra mussel take hold in a body of water, they are nearly impossible to get rid of. This would result in devastating impacts on tourism, infrastructure and the environment. Much of eastern Canada and the United States already have been invaded.

Zebra mussels are among the 100 most invasive species across the globe. The tiny mollusks are recognized by their striped shells, a few millimeters long (about the size of a fingernail) that can reproduce – fast. A single female mussel can produce up to one million eggs per year that float until they find a solid surface to cling to.

These millions upon millions of mussels mean less food for smaller fish species that feed on the

main source of food, the microscopic algae, leading to steep population decline.

They may improve water quality by filtering out floating nutrients, but they tend to avoid toxic algae and can contribute to dangerous blue-green algal blooms that are associated with risks to people and animals and can cause beaches to shut down entirely.

Their tendency to cling to vital infrastructure like water intakes, irrigation pipes and power plants can create staggering maintenance costs.

They can travel between lakes that are not connected by hitchhiking with humans. Their larvae are impossible to see so they sneak onto boat hulls, trailers or anything else that spends time submerged in water and can survive for several days outside of water.

Many provinces provide funding for boat-cleaning stations at popular recreation spots and some mandate boaters stop at provincially run inspection stations before launching in new waters. Many have been restricting or banning boat access altogether. Some require visitors to fill out a permit each time they launch a canoe, kayak, paddleboard or inflatable toy in a lake or river.

If travelling between lakes this summer, be sure to check out the rules in the areas you will be visiting. Fines for breaching rules can range from under \$200 to more than \$2,500 in Manitoba. In Alberta legislation has made it mandatory since 2015 for drivers transporting a boat of any kind to stop at watercraft-inspection

stations and have fines up to \$100,000. Last year, the Okanagan Basin Water Board in B.C. called on the provincial government to ban U.S. boats from crossing the border to stop the spread of zebra mussels.

Testing programs at Clear Lake in Manitoba's Riding Mountain National Park may be coming back negative at present which shows that the lake is not totally infested with zebra mussels and hopefully the population is isolated. That is a positive sign as isolated mussel outbreaks can be contained and, if caught in time, eradicated.

Canada approved potash as a pesticide treatment for zebra mussels in 2022. Potassium in potash is safe for humans but kills sensitive zebra mussels. (A down-side: potassium will kill native freshwater mussels too, Higgins says.) The mussels can also be eliminated with benthic mats – essentially large tarps – that starve the mussels of oxygen and nutrients over a period of several months.

The biggest barrier to treating water bodies for zebra mussels is cost. The more the mussels spread, the more expensive treatment gets.

A spokesman for the park says it would cost upwards of \$500 million to treat the entirety of Clear Lake, but a small infestation can be managed in a cost-effective way such as the boat ban. The boating restrictions are temporary measures, he stresses. If new data show it's safe to re-open the waters, Parks Canada will re-evaluate the rules.

In the meantime, Wall says park staff feel the weight of their responsibility, not only to Clear Lake, but to the many interconnected waters it touches.

“I cannot hear that this is a lost cause,” the spokesman stated. “I just can't take it. We have to try.”

Gene Hauta

It's a Strange World

A pair of Taiwanese men claimed that cold temperatures caused frostbite which resulted in the amputation of one man's legs. The students, identified as Zhang and Liao, both 23, are now facing criminal fraud charges in part because, “Taiwan is a subtropical region, and cases of severe frostbite requiring amputation due to natural climate factors in the flatlands are unheard of.” Zhang, who had lost a lot of money trading cryptocurrency, **took out eight insurance policies** in the days before immersing his legs in a bucket of dry ice for about 10 hours. He initially claimed to have frozen his legs while riding a scooter at night. While his policies totalled over \$1 million, he only received \$7,200, which was immediately taken back. They're charged with fraud, as well as aiding and abetting serious injury. The investigation did reveal that the pair rode on a scooter in Taipei on the date in question. However, it was a trip to buy the dry ice that eventually froze his legs.

David Rush, the man who calls himself “one of the most prolific Guinness World Records title holders on the planet,” just established a new record. I don't suggest trying this at home.

Rush **balanced a running lawn mower on his chin** for

nine minutes, 17 seconds to earn his latest Guinness honour in his quest to set a new record by being the holder of the most concurrent world records. Rush

had tried to break this particular record a few years back, but his time of three minutes, 52 seconds was disqualified because the lawn mower he was balancing didn't have a grass clipping bag attached. As for those concurrent Guinness titles, Rush now has 165. The record, held by Silvio Sabba, is 180.

In India, it is suspected that a gang has been conning people, probably hundreds of people, but not a single person has filed an official complaint, likely because of shame. “Mangesh Kumar” (a pseudonym for a news story) said he was **offered 1.3 million rupees (US\$15,650) to get a woman pregnant**.

Since he only makes about 500 rupees a day, he jumped at the chance. But first, he had to pay 799 rupees to register, then more and more as deposit, taxes, and fees. He received paperwork, including a “Pregnancy Verification Form” with what looked like a copy of Oprah Winfrey's signature. All he had to do to get the first half a million rupees was to pay tax on that before it would be released. At that point, Mangesh demanded a refund. He was warned that he would be arrested if he didn't pay the tax. In the aftermath, police have arrested eight suspects and are seeking another 18 in connection with the scam.

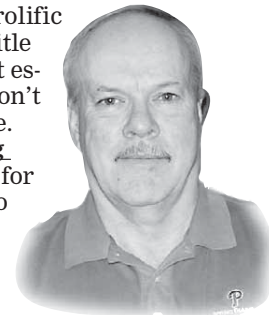
A few schools have **removed bathroom mirrors** because so many students were leaving class to film TikTok videos. I've been told there is “a TikTok genre, dating back at least five years, in which students use school bathrooms as film sets for dance routines, lip-syncing clips, or critiques of unclean lavatories.” School bathrooms have also become “arenas to stage, film and post videos of bullying, physical assaults on schoolmates and acts of vandalism.” Another sign about the state of our society.

Apparently, **lightning can strike** in the same place **twice**. In Massachusetts, Christine Wilson's incredible lottery winning streak is proof, with two \$1-million wins just 10 weeks apart. In both cases, Wilson took the cash payout option of \$650,000 before taxes. Wilson said she planned to buy an SUV and to boost her savings.

A Swiss Army Knife without the knife? Well, that's what's coming. Victorinox, the company that makes the iconic multitool gadget, said that a **new version of the Swiss Army Knife** is being designed without a blade. Instead, it will be souped up with additional tools and extras for cyclists. The company's response comes amid what a judge recently called a “plague of knife crime” around the world, with nations getting stricter on what kind of knives are permissible to carry in public. There are currently 400 or so versions, including one tool that has more than six dozen functions.

The Boy Scouts of America is changing its name for the first time in its 114-year history and will become **Scouting America**. It's a significant shift as the organization emerges from bankruptcy following a flood of sexual abuse claims and seeks to focus on inclusion. The organization has been steeped in tradition, but has made seismic changes and now allows gay youth and girls. “In the next 100 years we want any youth in America to feel very, very welcome to come into our programs,” said Roger Krone, who took over last fall as president and CEO. The organization currently serves about a million youth, including more than 176,000 females. Membership peaked in 1972 at almost 5 million.

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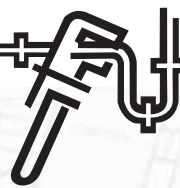


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Secret gardening tips

Green Flowers

By Patricia Hanbidge

Trends in the garden are always changing. One of the most popular trends are green flowers which are most often described as lime or chartreuse. Green flowers are unusual and can lend a degree of sophistication to the garden.

Generally, we think of green as a cool, restful colour, but most of the flowers are a rather arresting hot chartreuse – definitely not a colour that recedes! Chartreuse is a combination of warm yellow and cool green and believe it or not they actually look good with almost every other colour in the garden. Try some mixes and matches that suit your personal tastes. Give a try at pairing green flowers with bright pink or orange as it seems to make the colours simply pop and will for sure grab lots of attention. Scarlet red flowers might be overwhelming when paired with chartreuse, but try some cool blue and red-purple instead and see the result!

Start the year out with green and grow 'Spring Green' tulips in your garden. This cultivar is considered a late blooming tulip with white blooms lightly feathered with green. Another fun selection is 'Greenland' which is pink with a light feather of green.

Nicotiana is one of the most popular garden flowers. It comes in many colours but is available in a very bright lime green. It gives an airy look to the garden as the lime cultivar has slightly smaller flowers than is usually associated with nicotiana. It is a great choice as a contrast plant.

There are many zinnias that are wonderful to grow in any of your hot, drier areas. Try 'Envy' which is a lovely double or semi-double pale green bloom that turns ivory as it ages. Pairing this one with dark purple nearby is stunning. Another zinnia that is larger is 'Benary Giant Lime' which is 4 feet tall with flowers up to 4 inches in diameter. The flowers are fully double.

A fun selection is 'Emerald Tassels' Love-lies-bleeding which has pale green hanging inflorescences about three months after sowing. These plants get to be a stunning three to five feet tall.

Purple coneflower 'White Swan' has white flowers with green cones in the middle. As they mature they turn a dark, chocolate brown. 'Green Envy' has large four inch flowers that emerge a nice lime green that develops a rose-pink flush tipped with lime green. 'Green Jewel' has



Nicotiana

greenish quilled petals and 'Coconut Lime' has short white double petals surrounding a fuzzy green centre.

Lady's mantle has not only great foliage but frothy clusters of frothy chartreuse blossoms. It is a wonderful perennial for the shady areas of your garden.

There are many of the daylilies that can grace your garden green and bring forth the easy charm of low maintenance. Try 'Lime Frost' with creamy green flowers or 'Frozen Jade' with creamy blooms flushed with a lime green centre. 'Green Flutter' is a cheery canary yellow with a bright green throat.

A very lovely, short-lived perennial is Heuchera 'Greenfinch' that grows to about two feet in height. It produces incredible

airy little bells that are sulphur-green. This selection will self-sow.

Last but not least are the famous green flower Bells of Ireland. It is annual in nature and grows about two feet tall. The blooms are strangely beautiful leafy-green bracts that hold the true flower which are tiny white blooms inside. This plant has a unique scent that you might find attractive. They dry easily so are considered everlasting.

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Understanding Pierre Poilievre – Biography raises questions

By Alan Hustak
Grasslands News

Pierre Poilievre is riding high in public opinion polls and could be the country's 24th prime minister but most Canadians don't know very much about him.

Grasslands News received an advance copy of Andrew Lawton's biography Pierre Poilievre, *A Political Life*, (212 pp, \$35.95) that will be in bookstores this week. Lawton's book raises as many questions about Poilievre as it answers.

"His career is still unfolding. It is impossible as this stage to present a complete picture of Poilievre's life," writes

the author, who is a broadcast journalist.

The book portrays the Opposition Leader as being a right wing "message machine" since he was a teenager; politics and little else has been "his hobby, his life."

Born to a 16-year-old Calgary high school student who named him Jeff Farrell, he was adopted as an infant by two school teachers, Donald and Marlene Poilievre. He was raised by his foster parents until he was 12 when his dad came out as gay and the couple separated. His mother was active in conservative party politics and from the age of 14, Pierre Poilievre was groomed by Preston Manning and Jason Kenney to be a "message machine" for Western alienation and became a "tax fighting" fundraiser for the party.

As a kid his favourite book was the dictionary, which he read from cover to cover to master his vocabulary to become an undeniably great communicator. He attended the University of Calgary but cut short his studies to go to work as an intern in Ottawa for Stockwell Day who was then the Reform Party's foreign affairs critic. He learned French and when he was 20, he put his ambitions to be prime minister on record. Five years later he was elected to Parliament in the Ontario Riding of Nepean-Carleton as a member of the Conservative Party of Canada. His starting salary was \$141,000 a year. He quickly made his reputation in Parliament as "an attack dog."

The year Poilievre was first elected to the House of Commons Justin Trudeau was just beginning his political ascendancy. Then Prime Minister Stephen Harper made Poilievre his parliament secretary, then appointed him to cabinet first as Minister of State and then as Minister of Employment and Social Development.

One source in the book is quoted as saying that as a minister Poilievre was "insufferable," to work with and had a hard time retaining staff. He embarrassed the government by suggesting that First Nations' chiefs had too much power and objected to payments being made to compensate residential school survivors. He apologized later for the remarks, but the damage was done.

After Harper's government went down to defeat in 2015 conservative opposition leader Andrew Scheer made Poilievre finance critic in his shadow cabinet where

he began to develop a national social media profile as a fiscal hawk. Although he had a 12-year relationship with conservative party strategist Jenni Byrne, he eloped to Portugal in 2017 to marry Anaida Galindo, a Venezuelan born political staffer who is fluent in three languages. They have two children. Their eldest daughter has been diagnosed with autism and doesn't speak.

Andrew Scheer lost the 2022 election and Erin O'Toole took over as leader. O'Toole found Poilievre difficult to deal with in caucus and removed him from his post as the party's finance critic. O'Toole campaigned on the need for a carbon tax savings account and lost the 2021 election. Then the COVID-19 pandemic hit, inflation rose at an alarming rate, and Poilievre took advantage to rail against COVID restrictions. He embraced bitcoins as a way of opting out of inflation, threw his support behind the trucker's Freedom Campaign that paralyzed Ottawa and used it as a stepping stone to oust O'Toole as leader.

With support from Andrew Scheer, Poilievre went on to win the leadership in 2022. His catch phrases like "Axe the Tax" have caught on with the public. But he avoids tough questions about policy and has made mincemeat of many reporters who have tried to question him.

"His crusades against the CBC, the press gallery and the Bank of Canada suggests he doesn't believe institutions are above reproach," writes Lawton.

Former leader Andrew Scheer, who will almost certainly have a plum cabinet position if Poilievre wins the next election, believes reporters "concoct and contrive" narratives to hurt Conservatives.

Should Poilievre become prime minister no one knows what to expect.

"He has been so shrewd and calculating in his political career that even his friends have wondered at times what is real and what is persona," Lawton concludes. "What makes Poilievre difficult to pin down is that he doesn't fit easily into the traditional category of conservative leaders. In many respects he is the legacy of Preston Manning, comfortable with a bottom-up style of politics."

That approach makes him a shoo-in in the west but has yet to stand up to the rigors of a national campaign.

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People being encouraged to run for municipal councils

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It is an election year for towns and cities in Saskatchewan and whether you are in a rural municipality, town or city, when it comes to elections it is often difficult to find people to put their name forth.

To help encourage people to be more involved in municipal elections, the

Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), alongside their member RMs, want to encourage all rural residents to consider running for municipal council. Many RMs are experiencing vacancies on councils, and this presents an opportunity for individuals to get involved with the issues that directly affect daily life for the people in

rural Saskatchewan.

"If you live in rural Saskatchewan, chances are you've met or chatted with a local member of council. That's probably because you also know them as the cattle rancher that lives down the road, or the teacher who taught you in high school, or as one of the hockey moms you see at the arena on Saturday mornings," says Ray Orb, SARM President. "Our rural communities need diverse voices, and we are committed to providing information, training, and resources to support more people getting involved in municipal councils."

Most of the hesitations people have about running for council have to do with outdated stereotypes and flat-out myths, such as not being an expert on municipal government, not having political experience, being more of a listener than a talker, or about the amount of time it takes to get involved.

To help dispel these stereotypes and myths, SARM has created a video that is posted on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TA7PZQEmDaQ>

To answer more questions about running for council, including how and when to file nominations, head to the Government of Saskatchewan's website and search for "Running for Municipal Council."

Busy weekend at Agri-Park

By Jacob Miller
Grasslands News

Melville & District Agri-Park Association is hosting their second annual Summer Kick off this weekend (June 1 to 2).

The two-day event features activities for all ages including a trade show, kids carnival, petting zoo, chariot races, kids chuckwagons, chuck wagon races, and the cabaret featuring Kendra Kay.

The event starts on June 1 at 10 a.m. with the trade show, kids' carnival, and petting zoo. Chariot races begin at 1 p.m. followed by kids chuckwagon races at 4:30 p.m. and chuckwagon races at 5.

Gates for the cabaret open at 8:30 p.m. with the event starting at 9:30. Tickets for the cabaret cost \$35 and can be purchased at the Agri-Park office or at the Gate. In case of rain the event will be at the Merv Moore Sportplex.

June 2 starts the day off with youth gymkhana at 10 a.m., with the trade show, kids' carnival, and petting zoo occurring at the same time. Chariots start up at noon, followed by open gymkhana. Kids chuckwagons are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. with chuckwagons starting at 4.

There will also be a beer garden starting at 12 p.m. for both days of the event.

Tickets for the Summer Kick Off can be purchased in person at the Agri-Park office or at the gate. Adults (18 and over) cost \$25 for the weekend or \$15 for the day. Youth (13-17) tickets cost \$5. Youth 12 and under are free.

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Standing Buffalo F.N. builds new water treatment plant

\$14.3 million project kicked off with traditional Dakota water ceremony

By Alan Hustak
Grasslands News

Although two gold painted shovels were on hand for the occasion, Standing Buffalo First Nation dispensed with a sod turning ceremony on Tuesday, May 28 to inaugurate the start of construction of a new \$14.3 million water treatment plant in favour of a traditional Dakota water ceremony.

"Water has a spirit and that spirit has been tainted, has been polluted with all the chemicals that have been put into it," explained knowledge keeper Keith Ryder, who conducted the ritual. "Ceremony is a big part of our language and our culture, and I am grateful that we have leaders who respect the connection our ancestors had to the water, to the skies and to the land," he said.

Chief Rodger Redman told the assembled crowd that, "for too long we have been held down by the Indian Act and we break free from that oppression through our ceremonies."

Redman says the new facility being funded by the federal government will

secure the health and safety for the First Nation.

"We anticipate having a good, plentiful supply of safe drinking water in our community. This project will ensure that we have the water pressure necessary for our current and future needs including supporting economic development projects that we are planning on the First Nation."

The new treatment plant replaces an outdated facility and will include two new water wells and a connecting water line. Construction will be managed in association with Sal Engineering, Associated Engineering and CCR Construction. It is expected to take two years to complete.

"The essential infrastructure is a crucial step towards the Government of Canada's path to reconciliation," the Minister of Indigenous Services Patty Hajdu said in a statement that was read during the event. "The new state of the art water treatment system will make equitable access to clean drinking water a reality for the Standing Buffalo Dakota Nation."



Water ceremony

Chief Rodger Redman guided little warrior Chekiyapi Linklater Redman, 4, through a traditional Dakota water ceremony to mark the start of construction of a water treatment plant on the reserve.

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Council Meeting

The next Town of Fort Qu'Appelle Council Meeting is Thursday, June 13 and Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 7 p.m. at the Town of Fort Qu'Appelle Municipal Building.

Road Work

Road work on Boundary Avenue South from Highway #10 to Broadway Street has been completed. ASL will be continuing the road work on Bay Avenue South from Highway #10 to Broadway Street and should be completed by May 30, 2024.

Road work on Boundary Avenue from Broadway Street to the Bridge will begin June 3, 2024 and should take approximately eight (8) days to complete. The Town thanks all residents and business owners for your cooperation while this work is completed.

Garbage & Recycling

Garbage days are Tuesday and Friday every week. The collection calendar is available in the office, website or Facebook Page. A friendly reminder that garbage needs to be put in your green bin for pick up and needs to be out by 7 a.m. on collection day. Please ensure your cart is away from other objects and vehicles. You have 24 hours to remove your bin from the street once collection has been completed.

Recycling days are June 6, 2024 for Area A and June 20, 2024 for Area B. Please review the schedule and map on our website or Facebook page for more information.

REMINDER that May 23, 2024 recycling pick up for Area B for Bay Avenue South ONLY will be picked up on June 6, 2024 due to the current road maintenance on Bay Avenue South. Overflow bins have been placed on the intersections of 4th Street, 5th Street and 6th Street.

Campground

The Fort Qu'Appelle campground is NOW Open for 2024. To reserve your campsite please visit our website at: www.fortquappelle.com then click the Campground Tab and follow the on-screen prompts. Enjoy the summer!

Attention All Local Artists

The busy tourist season will soon be upon us and the Town of Fort Qu'Appelle tourist booth is now open.

The Town will be providing space for any local area artist to display two (2) of their works for sale. Space will be limited; therefore, works larger than 36 inches by 30 inches cannot be displayed. Artists will be responsible for hanging their own pieces and for the sale of the art work. You will need to supply business cards for further contact with customers.

The artists will be required to sign a waiver which can be seen at the Town Office. Inquires can be directed to the email below:

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Windthorst Horticulture Plant Sale a busy success



By **Connie Schwalm**
Grasslands News

All of the energy and enthusiasm of spring was evident at the Windthorst Horticultural Society's annual 'Plants & More Sale' which took place at the Windthorst Recreation Centre last Saturday.

Over 150 people came out to browse through the annuals and perennials that local greenhouses as well as members of the Horticultural Society had on offer. The wide variety of plants available made finding that perfect addition for you garden a pleasantly complicated

task (which of course meant that one simply had to buy more plants).

Other vendors had a variety of unique, hand-crafted items available and several home-based businesses had items available for purchase as well.

The Windthorst Public Library was also on hand, with a book sale featuring some valuable resource material for those wanting to take on a DIY project or explore a new craft this

summer. Younger people attending the sale took advantage of the opportunity to construct some elaborate creations at the library's Lego Table.

Lunch was also available at the event. So, after shopping, many took the time to sit back, have a bite to eat and enjoy visiting with friends and neighbours – thus making the 'Plants & More Sale' the perfect way to kick off the 2024 Gardening Season.



Getting ready for spring

The Windthorst Horticultural Society's annual 'Plant & More' Sale held last Saturday gave eager gardeners the opportunity to find that perfect addition to add to their garden this season.

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Taekwondo students

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Members of the Moose Mountain WT Taekwondo Club took part in Test Day held at the Kipling School Gym on Sunday, May 26th with Grand Master Kim in attendance. Pictured in the front row, from left, are: Hope Collado, Daxton Draper, Odin Rygh, Tyrell Guilloux, Hans Collado, Eli Lyons. Middle row, from left, are: Sara Manns, Parker Dash, Eiden Cacho, Grand Master Kim. Back row, from left, are: Shelby Larose, Isaac Teuw, Logan Khounnaraj, Joshua Shoemaker, Liam Teuw, Dion Draper, Isaiah Kimball, Kenneth Strahl, Gian Collado, Master Ferch.

Gail Dakue retires after 20-years as town's CAO

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the beginning. I will really miss working with them and the rest of the staff. I've had the chance to work with excellent councils and mayors over the years, and I will miss that too. I've had the chance to work with so many really good people."

Dakue says that she has also derived great satisfaction from being able to work on projects that have helped the community grow.

"Kipling has changed a lot in the past 20 years. The projects that I've worked on with Council – there were a lot of them, and some of them were big ones – really helped the town to grow.

"My favorite project was likely the upgrade to the Water Treatment Plant. The project resulted in better tasting water and more importantly we've met Saskatchewan Drinking Water guidelines for safe drinking water.

As she moves into retirement, Dakue says that she looks forward to seeing Kipling continue to grow, adding that she would like to see two new projects take shape in the future.

"I'd like to see the town continue to move forward and see more economic development happening here. As far as new facilities I'd like to see here, it would be nice to have a Splash Park in Kipling. I think that would be a real benefit to the community. Council has been recently discussing a park again, so perhaps we will see this happen in the near future. My grandkids are now too old for a Splash Park, but other people have kids and grandkids who aren't!

"I'd also like to see a proper Municipal Office built in Kipling, so that all of our staff could be housed in one spot. I think that would translate into an efficiency of services for the public. If you want something to run efficiently, you have to be ready to invest in it, and there is funding available for something like a Municipal Building. I think Kipling is at the point now where we've improved our water, expanded our lagoon, we have our new hospital and fire station built. So, I think a new Municipal Office would be a natural next step, and I think it would build community spirit to have that."

Although she looks forward to spending more time traveling, volunteering and being involved with family 'projects', Dakue says that she is grateful to have been involved with so much of the work that has helped Kipling to become the strong and prosperous community that it is.

"I've really enjoyed this job. It's been a great career. But it's time to go and do something different. It is hard to step away from something that's been such a big part of my life. It will be a shock to slow down and not be so busy. But it will be a good shock."

"It has been a profound privilege to work with supportive Councils and an amazing staff over the last 20 years, on projects that have really enriched our community. And I want to thank all of them along with all of the residents in this community for their trust, support, and for allowing me to have that chance to contribute towards making Kipling a great community."

Borderland Co-op presents service awards

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before income tax. After tax, the local saving was \$417,244, compared to \$1,651,000 last year.

Jason Scheen, CEO of Borderland, took time during his report to provide an update on the Rocanville Food Store initiative which could eventually be rolled out to other Borderland food stores. The project, which was completed in January, saw the consolidation of dry goods to provide more floor space for fresh produce and meats. The Click and Collect system was also improved.

"The results of this have exceeded expectations and are very exciting to see," said Scheen. "To date, over-all sales are up 15 per cent which is well above the 8 per cent growth we conservatively projected. An interesting stat is that despite the reduction in overall items in the center store (dry grocery) to gain an additional aisle of space for fresh, sales in this area increased by 5 per cent which is what we

hoped to achieve as part of this initiative."

Scheen said as the year progresses and once the results are validated, the concept can be replicated to revitalize and keep not only Borderland's rural food locations alive but also other communities who face the same struggles in food stability and sustainability.

One other major project Scheen touched on is the construction of the new C-Store and cardlock in Kipling that began construction earlier this month. He told members that the project is being executed by Borderland's facilities team opposed to the traditional model of hiring an outside general contractor. Doing so brings down costs to make sure the project is feasible in smaller communities such as Kipling.

"Cost of construction compared to the size of the market served is usually the biggest hurdle in being able to bring a new facility to life in our smaller communities. We

cannot get away from the ever-increasing costs and red tape associated with the regulatory demands around construction so we must challenge the model and processes within to bring the cost of projects down so we can continue to invest in good opportunities. Our goal is to save \$750,000 to \$1 million compared to traditional methods. To date, we are on track to be in that range," said Scheen.

Board president Lawrence Swanson also spoke about the challenges of the costs of projects in rural communities, touting the fact that making many of these projects possible has been because of Borderland tackling issues differently and thinking outside the box.

"Small community projects are a challenge to build and maintain simply because of the cost. We are primarily a co-op serving small communities and finding ways to move forward to be successful is one of our main goals," said Swanson.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, three long time service awards were presented to board members. Chris Ashfield was recognized for 18-years of service, Stan MacMillan for 24-years of service and Rob Hill for 26-years of service.



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Rodeo Development Camp

Learning how to make those eight seconds count

By **Connie Schwalm**
Grasslands News

Eight seconds does not sound like very much time. But as anyone who has climbed over the side of a bucking chute and eased onto the back of a bronc that plans to mess with your day will tell you – a lot can happen in eight seconds.

Last weekend, sixteen young bareback and saddle bronc riders came out to the Rodeo Grounds in Kennedy to take part in the Rodeo Development Camp hosted by Rodeo Development Canada / Prime Time Rodeos.

This is the third year that the camp in Kennedy has given riders the chance to learn from veterans like Brady Dinwoodie, Richmond Champion and Orin Larsen.

Jesse Lawrence (Rodeo Development Canada) says that as in past years, the emphasis has been on making sure that the number of students attending the camp is kept at a level which allows each rider to receive good instruction.

“We have 16 students this year. Originally, we had 20 registered, but some pulled out due to injury. We try to cap attendance at the camp at 20 (with ten riders focusing on bareback and ten on saddle bronc). If we had more than that, we’d need more instructors. We want to keep that ratio so that everyone here gets good instruction.”

Blake Rasmuson (Moosomin, SK.) was a beginning rider at the camp last year. He credits the training and support he received both at the camp and afterwards for helping him to have a very successful first season that culminated in him winning third in the Novice Saddle Bronc Riding at the CCA Finals last October.

“This is my second rodeo season and my second time here. When I got here for the first time last year, I’d just started. This is a good school to come to. They have different levels of horses. Some are beginner horses, and some are better horses that you can get on and try.

“I’m back again for the second time because this school is close to home. Brady is a good friend of mine and so is Prime Time Rodeo. And every time they see you – on the road or at a rodeo, they’re excited to see you do well. It’d just cool to have somebody on your side, right beside you the whole way.”

Philip Fath (Moosomin, SK.) also came to the camp as a beginner for the first time last year and says that his experience at the camp this year was “better yet.”

“I’d been on saddle horses but never been on a bucking horse before I came here last year. I just kind of started off here and they put me on the right horses. I was riding broncs at some local CCA

rodeos last summer and I’ll be doing that again this year. Now I’m back and enjoying it again.”

While Karson Durane (Indian Head, SK.) has experience riding bulls, he says this camp gives him the opportunity to try his hand at bronc riding too.

“I’ve been to fifteen bull schools. This is my first time at a bronc school though, and they’ve helped me out so much – taught me everything. I’d recommend this school to anyone, even if you’re just starting out.

I thought I’d try this out and it’s a lot different. You have to get to know a lot more and pay a lot more attention. But you can ride both bulls and broncs if you want, and that’s what I’m thinking I’ll do. That will keep things interesting.”

Caleb Butler (Roblin, MB) says he has been “rodeoing since I was eight” but has found his first-time experience at the camp this year to be worthwhile.

“Some of the things they talk about here might be stuff you could pick up as you go. But learning it here from these instructors is a big help. They have guys here that know what they’re doing, and they make sure that you’re not making mistakes.”

Thomas Lucas says that although that he has “done a fair bit of rodeo back home in Australia” and attended rodeo schools in that country,



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Out of the chute

Bronc rider Blake Rasmuson (Moosomin) at the start of what was an impressive ride during the Rodeo Development Camp hosted by Rodeo Development Canada / Prime Time Rodeos held at the Kennedy Rodeo Grounds last weekend.

he felt the camp in Kennedy was a “great opportunity to knock the rust off and refresh everything.”

Ben Fogerty, another experienced cowboy from Australia, says that the instructors at this camp helped him make a breakthrough in improving his skills.

“To be able to come and

learn off of these top fellas is great. I told them yesterday about something I’ve always struggled with - and they fixed it - after just talking a bit and having me spend time on the Spur Board. The first ride I did here yesterday was the best ride I’ve ever had.

Houston Stover (Qu’Appelle, Sk.) is also a more experienced rider

who is training for rodeo while attending college in the US. He says that attending this camp would benefit anyone.

“I’ve probably been to about ten schools or camps like this one. I go to college in Glendive, Montana and I get on broncs and team-rope down there too.

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Sports Column – Darcy Gross

Gross Misconduct

What's wrong with the Toronto Blue Jays?

It seems like not too very long ago, folks were talking about the Jays as if they were one of the top teams in the Major Leagues, and perhaps they were.

Everything pundits said about the Jays seem to emanate in glowing terms about how they needed to keep this group together and that they're only going to get better.

If you've sidled up to the TV lately, you know that this group, once the envy of many a team in baseball, might not be the team that everyone thought they were.

Bo Bichette at one point looked like a hitting machine and while he still has his moments, there seems to be a whole lot more moments in between his own moments than there once were.

Vlad Guerrero has been tearing the cover off the ball lately, but he's playing like Michael Jackson – a man who wore a glove on one hand for no apparent reason – when he's fielding his first base position.

It seemed like if you were able to keep these two guys together, the sky was the limit, but that certainly hasn't been the case, at least not yet.

One thing the Blue Jays do have, is a ton of pitching. They can stay in just about every game as long as Kevin Gausman, Jose Berrios or Yusei Kikuchi have their good stuff.

Even Alek Manoah picked up a win, and in impressive fashion, but, even if these guys all pitch their hearts out, the Blue Jays still need to score runs, and to do that, they need an approach at the plate and some sort of identity, and so far this year, they haven't been able to come up with one.

If you look at some of the moves this team has made over the last few seasons, it'll definitely leave you scratching your head in disbelief.

It seems like the management tandem of Mark Shapiro and Ross Atkins spend all winter looking for the bargain basement players who might be able to resurrect their careers with a change of scenery, but for the most part, it's easy to see why some of these players didn't sign elsewhere.

The perfect example would be Daulton Varsho, a fleet outfielder with decent power and fairly solid fielding ability who's batting average usually hovers around .210.

I don't think you need to be any sort of baseball expert to understand that that's not good enough.

Kevin Kiermaier is another guy who will give you solid innings while he's wearing his glove, but could barely hit sand if he fell off a camel.

It's also interesting to note that the Jays didn't sign Kiermaier until quite late, probably thinking they'd be able to get a different player to patrol centre field, but when those attempts fizzled, they brought back the many time gold Glover.

Can anyone else recall when the Jays had three catchers and two of them were playing really good while the other seemed to be waiting in the wings for his chance to shine?

While that guy, Gabriel Moreno, was playing in the World Series last year, the Blue Jays had the oft injured Danny Jansen and pudgy Alejandro Kirk left to fight it out for catching duties.

Jansen just recently came off the disabled list and has been pounding the ball all over the place, while Kirk hasn't returned to his plate presence from two seasons ago.

This year the Blue Jays added an aging Justin Turner, light hitting Isiah Kiner-Falefa and the portly Daniel Vogelbach to the mix, but so far, it's looking like another failed experiment.

On paper, this team doesn't look that bad. It looks like they'd be capable of putting up some solid numbers and hit for power, but so far, they can't seem to all get on the same page at the same time.

Any team with this much pitching shouldn't go through so many bad stretches, especially in regards to wins and losses.

If you've been a baseball guy for a number of years, it would be surprising if you thought that John Schneider was the best guy to be leading this team.

He's a little on the wishy-washy side in this scribe's estimation and he's getting pushed around by someone in the front office who is in love with analytics.

I'm not saying it's too late for this team, but they're going to need to go on a big run to get back into the playoff picture.

Whether they have the will to be better could be the key.

Teeing it up for youth sports tourney

By Jacob Miller
Grasslands News

The Melville Golf and Country Club will be the host of the Teeing it up for Youth Sports fundraising Golf Tournament on June 28. The tournament is a celebration of Melville's Damon Severson and a fundraiser for Melville Minor Hockey, Melville Comprehensive School athletic programs.

Event co-chairperson, Doug Kreklewich, explained what the event is about.

"Primarily, the event is about celebrating a local sports hero, Damon Severson. We invited him to be our special guest, and he graciously accepted," said Kreklewich. "Additionally, we are using the event as an opportunity to raise some funds for youth sports – specifically minor hockey and Melville Comprehensive School athletic programs – both organizations in which Damon participated in while growing up in Melville. We'll be having a fun, non-competitive, Texas scramble golf tournament – with a steak supper, live and silent auction, and a live question and answer period with Damon."

Severson grew up in Melville and has played multiple sports within the community. Beyond hockey he played baseball, basketball, badminton, and more. Severson was drafted 60th overall in the second round in the 2012 National Hockey League (NHL) draft to the New Jersey Devils. Severson played his first game with the Devils in the 2014-15 season. Severson played with the Devils until June 9, 2023, where he was traded to the Columbus Blue Jackets.

"I think it's time for our community to have some type of formal recognition and celebration of Damon's

success. He has played in the NHL since 2014, and recently signed a long-term deal with the Columbus Blue Jackets – he has also played for Team Canada in three world championships, winning two silver medals," said Kreklewich. To honour Severson during the tournament, they will be unveiling a painting of Severson that was painted by local artist Wally Oucharek. "The painting will then find a permanent home, on the Wall of Fame, at the CN Community Centre – next to the likes of former NHL players, Sid Abel and Tim Cheveldae," explained Kreklewich.

"I am hoping folks will come out for some fun and to show Damon how proud we are of him – it's a very great accomplishment to make it all the way to the NHL and to play internationally for your country. It's also a great opportunity to raise some money – whether you participated in minor hockey or MCS sports yourself, or had a child do so, this would be a great reason to take part in the tournament. All the money raised will be going back into youth sports."

The tournament is open to all ages, but those under 18 years of age need to be golfing with a parent or guardian. Participants can sign up as a foursome, twosome, or an individual. The entry fee is \$100 per player, which includes your golf and steak supper. The golf starts at 1:30 pm, with sign in between 12 and 12:30 pm.

The tournament will also feature a live and silent auction featuring some hockey memorabilia with Severson donating some signed jerseys and sticks from various players in the league – including some of his own items.

Kreklewich added that they are not looking for sponsorships from businesses for the event and would rather get as many people out to the tournament as possible.

Sports Column

Is it next-year country for Blue Jays?

By Bruce Penton
Sports Columnist

The Major League Baseball season has just passed the quarter pole, and it might already be next-year country for the Toronto Blue Jays. Could a rebuild begin by trading either Vladimir Guerrero, Jr., or Bo Bichette, or both?

Hope springs eternal every year, but here we are approaching the middle of June and the Blue Jays, in perhaps the toughest division in baseball, are sitting dead last, needing fairly strong binoculars to see the American League East-leading New York Yankees.

Pitching-wise, the Jays are strong, and with the recent performance by Alek Manoah, who went seven innings May 19 for his first victory since last August, the staff could be the catalyst that turns the Jays' season around. Jose Berrios, Chris Bassitt and Kevin Gausman provide the Jays with a solid nucleus, and the others filling out the rotation, Yusei Kikuchi and Manoah (fingers crossed) fill out a relatively reliable five-man group.

But at the plate? When the Jays' are on offence, Vincent Price should be the public address announcer. It's not pretty. Of MLB's 30 teams, Toronto stood 27th in runs scored and 23rd in home runs at the end of May. If the team was in a rebuilding phase, those numbers might not matter, because better days would be ahead. But better days might be in the rear view mirror with this group, because the supposed heavy hitters are hitting puffballs.

Take George Springer.

for example. Yes, please, take him, as comedian Rodney Dangerfield would say. In 2021, Springer was a big-name free agent signee from the Houston Astros, and the Jays guaranteed him \$150 million over six years. This year, he's making \$24,166,666 and after the May long weekend, Springer was batting .194 with three homers and eight runs-batted-in through Toronto's first 47 games. Next year, and again in 2026, he'll pull down salaries in that \$24 million range and by then he'll be 36 with likely even more diminishing skills.

The only Blue Jay with a respectable batting average through May 25 was Guerrero, Jr., who was hitting .289 with five home runs. Guerrero, Jr., hit 106 homers in the previous three seasons (35 per year average) but is on pace for a mere 16 this year. Shortstop Bichette, a career .294 hitter going into this season, was plodding along in the .230 range before hitting a bit of a hot streak. Both young stars (Guerrero, 25; Bichette 26) have been the subject of trade rumours and are free agents after the 2025 season.

Mark Feinsand of MLB.com wrote in mid-May that it "seems inconceivable" that Toronto would

move either Guerrero or Bichette. Sportsnet, in fact, reported that the Jays have engaged in talks around major league baseball about a blockbuster trade involving both Guerrero, Jr., and Bichette. They're stuck with Springer and his massive contract, but could start rebuilding by dealing their two young stars.

Heresy? Perhaps, but it might be the only way out of the mess in which the Jays find themselves.

• Steve Simmons of the Toronto Sun: "What's really missing from this Jays season — a schedule with 162 games against the White Sox."

• Headline at Canadian satirical website The Beaver.com: "Toronto's expansion WNBA franchise mathematically certain to win their league championship before Leafs do."

• Comedy guy Steve Burgess of Vancouver: "LinkedIn says my profile was searched by the Dallas Vigilantes Arena Football Team. Better late than never, I suppose."

• Headline at fark.com: "Watching every Dallas Cowboys game this season will cost \$808.86 on various TV and streaming services, thanks to the new NFL licensing model. \$807.86 sounds like a lot of money, but that's less

than four hot dogs, eight beers and a pretzel at the game."

• Scott Michaux of Global Golf Post, on Tiger Woods' recent play "The last seven official results since the 2022 PGA for the 48-year-old Woods are: WD, MC, T45, WD, WD, 60th and MC. Age is undefeated."

• Super 70s Sports: "I'm gonna tell my grandkids there was once a simpler world where college conferences actually made sense."

• Another one from Steve Burgess: "The Canucks are out. Now there is nothing left in my bleak existence but waiting for the Garfield movie."

• Swiped from Steve Simmons' column in the Toronto Sun: "49ers' Nick Bosa on the calmness of his quar-terback, Brock Purdy: 'He reminds me of Scottie Scheffler, except he didn't get arrested.'"

• RJ Currie of sports-deke.com: "Canada's two PWHL playoff teams were eliminated in Round 1, so no championship for a Canadian women's hockey team. Congratulations, ladies: you have achieved parity with Canadian men's teams."

- Care to comment:
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Melville Slo Pitch League 2024 Schedule - Revised with Byes

Date	Time	Home	Away	Location
May 29	6:30 p.m.	RAMRODS	Unicorn Stampede	Father Tom
May 29	6:30 p.m.	Jayhawks	Whitecaps	RP1
May 29	6:30 p.m.	Crushers	The Runs	RP3
May 29	6:30 p.m.	The Reel Hi-Lite	Scared Hitless	RP4
May 29	6:30 p.m.	Hi-Lite Reel	Sakimay Redbulls	SP2
May 29	BYE	Back Door Sliders		
June 5	6:30 p.m.	Unicorn Stampede	Crushers	RP1
June 5	6:30 p.m.	Sakimay Redbulls	The Reel Hi-Lite	SP2
June 5	6:30 p.m.	The Runs	Hi-Lite Reel	RP4
June 5	6:30 p.m.	Scared Hitless	Jayhawks	RP3
June 5	6:30 p.m.	Whitecaps	Back Door Sliders	Father Tom
June 5	BYE	RAMRODS		

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Stoughton soccer tournament promotes the sport to area kids

By Ashley Scarfe
Grasslands News

It was a busy weekend for Quad Town soccer families as they traveled out to Stoughton to participate in the 7th annual Stoughton Soccer Club's Fun Tournament. With 47 teams from across southeast Saskatchewan competing, even the rain on Sunday couldn't dampen spirits.

The tournament is organized by Erin Clark, the President and Founder of the Stoughton Soccer Club. Clark, who played for team Manitoba before moving to Saskatchewan, says events like the Stoughton fun tournament help promote the game and bring awareness to the sport.

"I think it's starting to grow more, and these types of events help it grow more and promote it," Clark says. "I think then other people come and see it too and are like 'hey I can do this sport. This looks like fun.'"

Putting on large scale events like the fun tournament is not for the faint of heart. Clark says she begins planning in January

by putting the word out as well as lining up sponsors and teams to come play.

"It makes soccer as a whole grow for all of us rural people. It's really great to have all of these teams come together playing different teams they never play. It's really great to grow the sport of soccer in southeast Saskatchewan."

Approximately 600-700 kids competed in the tournament on the weekend, with their ages ranging from under seven to under 18. Teams as far as Langenburg came out for the two-day event.

"When we first started, we only played a few teams in our tournament," Clark recalls. She says they started off with 15-20 teams in their first year.

Vibank resident Katie Lang made the trip out to Stoughton on Saturday to cheer on her son, Dexon, who is currently in his third year of soccer. This was their first time coming out to compete in the tournament. Dexon's U7 team played Redvers and two Carlyle teams. At the end of his third match, Dexon

was awarded an MVP medal - one of three handed out to his team throughout the day.

Lang says the trip out to the tournament was a positive experience for her family and she looks forward to heading back next year to participate again.

"I think it's good to expand and see other kids too. Meet new friends," Lang says. "He loves being able to play the actual game. He learned a lot and now he gets to put it all to use."

Quad Town Soccer sent four teams to Stoughton this year with their U7-U11's playing on Saturday and their U13 team playing on Sunday. Despite the rain, the U13s made the most of their experience.

Their coach, Crystal McRae, has been involved in soccer since 2012 when her son was four. She started coaching in 2013 and has been a consistent figure in the Quad Town soccer scene ever since. This year marks her third year being involved in the Stoughton tournament.

"It's always a highlight of the season for our teams," McRae says.



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Soccer tournament

Quad Town U7 team took on Redvers on Saturday afternoon; one of three games they played throughout the day at the Stoughton Soccer Club's Fun Tournament last weekend.

"During the event it's lots of fun, laughs, great soccer and camaraderie among the teams. Everyone benefits and comes together in the spirit of sportsmanship, community and fun. It's awesome."

For its two days of games, the Stoughton tournament pays \$3,000 in referee fees, swag bags for the players and medals. In previous years, the club raised money through food

sales and a canteen. This year, the club hired five food trucks to cater the event. In lieu of food sales to help shoulder some of the costs, the club opted for a 50/50 whose ticket sales amounted to \$4,000. Clark says they also rely on donations from the community to help ease some of the financial burden.

"We don't charge an entry fee for the teams that most tournaments do - be-

cause we want to try and get as many teams and clubs as possible," Clark explains. "A lot of these rural clubs can't afford to pay entry fees. This just helps to offset the cost."

Anyone interested in joining soccer for next year's tournament can keep an eye on their local recreation board pages or contact the Stoughton Soccer Club for more information.

Rodeo Development Camp held in Kennedy

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But I'd recommend this school to anyone who wants to ride. Experience doesn't matter. All of them are good teachers and there's always something you can learn about riding bareback or broncs."

However, for young riders like Kenton Francis from Nekaneet First Nation (now living in Regina) having the opportunity to try something new, coupled with a chance to spend time pursuing his passion, has brought him back to this Rodeo Development Camp for the third time.

"This is my third year; I've been coming since they started. I did bareback riding for the first two years. But this time I'm trying saddle bronc because I'm planning to do both. So, coming here gives me the chance to work with these guys, and learn what I need to know, so I can do that.

And this is a lot of fun too. I love the rodeo lifestyle. But I can't do much in Regina. So, I love getting out here."

Lawrence says that observations like

this from participants demonstrates that whether a rider is getting on the back of a bucking horse for the first time or hoping to improve their skills and move forward into a higher level of competition, the instruction they receive at the Rodeo Development Camp in Kennedy can help them to make that crucial eight seconds count.

"We have two bareback and two or three bronc riders that have never been on before. That's an important part of what the camp is about - making this accessible for anyone.

"But we really are gearing this to be - not just for beginners - but for people who are at a higher skill level too. Along with helping those who are just getting started, what we'd really like to do is help people make the change from amateur to pro. We provide good horses, good instructors and video replay that means everyone can get good feedback. That helps people improve, no matter what their skill level is. Everyone can get a tune-up."



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Challenge Cup 2024

Football players from Indian Head (top), Melville (above left) and Fort Qu'Appelle (above right) were a part of Team Saskatchewan during the 2024 Challenge Cup against Team Manitoba in Foam Lake, SK on May 20. Players from the area included Indian Head High School Broncs Riley Chambers, Conner Webster, Boston Miller and Lachlan Pollock, Melville Comprehensive School Cobras Lukas Buzash, and Fort Qu'Appelle Bisons Nozumu Sinclair. Team Sask lost 44-33 giving Team Manitoba their first Challenge Cup win since its inception.

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101-year old Saskatchewan author publishes two new books

Submitted
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KAY PARLEY

Author, artist and educator Kay Parley of Regina is still going strong at the age of 101. In June, she will be publishing two new books:

• *Flash-In-The-Sky Boy* recounts the early days of William Wallace Gibson of Wolseley, Saskatchewan, who would go on to become Canada's first aviator. Using memories of conversations with her father, who knew Gibson, and snippets from his personal diaries and her own letter exchanges with the enterprising man himself, Kay Parley weaves a tale of Billy Gibson's childhood experiments and first adventures into

the fascinating world into flight.

the challenges of climate change today, this is a remarkable, one-of-a-kind collection.

Kay Parley is the author of the critically acclaimed memoir 'Inside the Mental: Silence, Stigma, Psychiatry, and LSD' about her time at the Weyburn Mental Institute in the 1950s, first as a patient, and then as a psychiatric nurse, which was profiled in The Leader-Post.

She is also the author

of the magical novel *The Grass People* about a world tucked out of sight beneath the leafy plants and tall grass we walk by every day.

Kay continues to pen a regular column for Folklore Magazine and The Wolseley Bulletin. A talented painter as well, her works have been exhibited into her nineties.

Join us for a JOINT book launch celebrating the work of Kay Parley on Sunday, June 9th, from 2 to 4 p.m., at The Bentley, 3105 Hillsdale Street, Regina, SK.

Assessment Roll

Rural Municipality of Chester No. 125

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll of the Rural Municipality of Chester No. 125 for 2024 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the following days:

Monday to Thursday, May 31st, 2024 to July 5th, 2024.

A bylaw pursuant to section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal against his or her assessment is required to file his or her notice of appeal, accompanied by a \$50.00 appeal fee, which will be returned if the appeal is successful, with The Assessor for the RM of Chester No. 125, P.O. Box 180, Glenavon, SK S0G 1Y0, by the 5th day of July, 2024. Secretary of The Board of Revision:

**Western Municipal Consulting
c/o Kristen Tokaryk - P.O. Box 149, Meota, SK S0M 1X0.
secretary@westernmunicipal.ca**

Dated at Glenavon, Saskatchewan this 31st, day of May, 2024.

Brittany Knoll, Assessor

Notice of Found Horses

RM of Indian Head No. 156

Pursuant to the Stray Animals Act, notice is hereby given that two (2) horses have been found within the RM of Indian Head.

A description of the animals is as follows:

2 stud horses

If these are your animals, please contact the R.M. office at 306-695-3464, or rm156@sasktel.net prior to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

Tracy Luscombe, Administrator
May 28, 2024



NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Municipal Election

Resort Village of the District of Katepwa

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

MAYOR: Resort Village of the District of Katepwa
Ward No. 1 Sandy Beach, **Ward No. 2** Katepwa Beach and **Ward No. 3** South Katepwa
Number to be Elected: 1

Councillor: Resort Village of the District of Katepwa
Ward No. 1 Sandy Beach
Number to be Elected: 2
Ward No. 2 Katepwa Beach
Number to be Elected: 3
Ward No. 3 South Katepwa
Number to be Elected: 2

will be received by the undersigned on the 22nd day of June, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 41 Elm Street, Katepwa Beach and during regular business hours 9:30 a.m. to Noon - 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. from June 3rd to June 21st, 2024 at the District of Katepwa Office at 41 Elm Street, Katepwa Beach.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the following location: District of Katepwa Office, 41 Elm Street, Katepwa Beach.

Dated this 31st day of May, 2024.

Andrea Ehrmantraut, Returning Officer

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Stolen truck torched, golf cart thief arrested

Melville / Ituna Detachment
S/Sgt. T. L. Adams

Reporting period: May 21 to May 28
Melville and Ituna detachment area had 64 occurrences over the past week.

Traffic

During this time, Melville and Ituna Detachments responded to 20 reported traffic occurrences or traffic stops that resulted in six Charges and 12 Warnings.

Melville RCMP were on patrol on Highway #10 west of Melville and observed a black Chev Silverado that appeared to be traveling at a high rate of speed in a 60 kph zone. Rader confirmed the vehicle was traveling at 139 kph. The male driver from Kamsack was charged under the Traffic Safety Act, 199(1)(b) and received a \$316 fine.

Break & Enter-Theft/Mischief Dangerous Driving

RCMP were dispatched to a hit and run that took place in Melville on Thursday, May 23, 2024. The complainant was south bound on Queen Street in Melville and a black truck side swiped the passenger side of the complainant's vehicle. RCMP continue to investigate.

RCMP received a complaint from the Melville golf course that the beer cart had been stolen. RCMP located and arrested 28-year-old Patrick Mather on the cart. Mather was charged with Possession of Property obtained by crime, Theft of other Motor Vehicle and Possession of a Scheduled I Substances. Mather was remanded for court.

RCMP received a dispatch to assist Melville Fire attending a white Ford F-150 Super Cab on fire, five miles north on Highway #47 and two miles west on Ban-

ner Road. RCMP attended and located the burning truck with no plates. Inquiries with SGI identified the registered owner and later learned to be stolen from Yorkton. The vehicle was stolen sometime over night on May 24, 2024 from a business on York Road in Yorkton. RCMP continue to investigate.

A call was received at the Melville RCMP Detachment using VoIP advising that there had been suspicious charges on a VISA Credit card in the amount of \$499 and \$1,400. Directing the recipient to press #1 and speak with an Agent. Crime Watch sent out to advise community of the scam.

Thieves targeting fuel, tools and trucks

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Broadview RCMP issued a statement earlier this week asking people to be on the lookout for suspicious vehicles or persons in the RM of Silverwood, RM of Willowdale, and RM of Kingsley. RCMP said there have been numerous thefts reported involving fuel, vehicles, and tools. The thefts have been taking place

over night. The suspects may possibly be travelling in a stolen red 2008 Chevrolet 2500 truck, a stolen black Ford F-350 Dually truck or a white van.

Residents are being asked to lock their vehicles and fuel tanks and if you see any of these vehicles or any other suspicious activity please call the RCMP immediately at (306) 696-5200, call 310-RCMP for immediate response, or you can call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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Public Notice

Public notice is hereby given that the Town of Fort Qu'Appelle intends to adopt a bylaw to amend our District Official Community Plan under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map in The Village of Lebre's Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT: To amend the Calling Lakes District Plan to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map of the Village of Lebre's Zoning Bylaw.

REASON: To accommodate The Village of Lebre's new Flood Hazard Map included in their Zoning Bylaw.

AFFECTED AREA: the proposed amendment will apply generally to all member municipalities of the Calling Lakes Planning District Commission, specifically the members surrounding Mission Lake.

PUBLIC INSPECTION: Any person may inspect the bylaw to amend the District Plan at the Town Office 136 Boundary Avenue S., Fort Qu'Appelle, SK and statutory holidays. Copies of the bylaw are available at a cost. The District Plan is available to view on the website www.4callinglakes.ca copies of the District Plan are also available at cost.

PUBLIC HEARING: Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday June 13, 2024, in the Council Chambers located at 136 Boundary Avenue S., Fort Qu'Appelle, SK to hear any person or group that want to comment on the proposed amendment. The Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing.

Issued at the Town of Fort Qu'Appelle, May 23, 2024.

Don R. McLeod RMA CAO (Interim)
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Rexentre Concession Proposal

The Town of Fort Qu' Appelle is seeking to enter into an agreement with a Contractor to provide canteen services at the Rexentre. The agreement would be for the 2024/2025 Rexentre operating season (mid-September 2024 to March 31, 2025, depending on when playoffs end) with special arrangements for other events.

The Contractor would have full use of the canteen area and canteen equipment for the purposes of providing service for Rexentre events.

Interested parties are asked to submit a proposal in writing providing details on the following:

- Contact information;
- Fee that will be paid to the vendor (Town). The Town prefers a monthly fee schedule;
- Hours open for business. The Town expects a minimum service covering all Fort Knox and minor hockey games and special events. The canteen should be open a minimum of 45 minutes before scheduled events and close not earlier than 30 minutes at the conclusion of the events.
- List of products to be sold and proposed price list.
- Cleaning services. The Contractor will be responsible for all canteen and canteen equipment cleaning after each use; garbage pick-up in the mezzanine area; floor cleaning during events in the lobby area; and wiping of lobby area tables and bleachers.
- Supply of cleaning supplies; and
- Any other information that may enhance your proposal. Due to the ongoing presence of COVID-19, the Town expects more frequent cleaning and disinfection of commonly touched areas.

Proposals should include how the Contractor will meet this requirement.

Proposals close 12 p.m. noon, Wednesday, July 10, 2024. The lowest or any bid may not necessarily be accepted. Sealed proposals will be opened and reviewed at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, in the Municipal Office Council Chambers.

For more information, please contact Don R. McLeod, CAO, (Interim) at the Town Office 306-332-5266 or by email at fortcao@sasktel.net.

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Several communities holding garage sales

By Elaine Ashfield
Grasslands News

This Saturday and Sunday, June 1 and 2, are going to be fun and interesting days for many shoppers looking for some deals when they head out to browse through the many garage sales being held in several communities.

The communities have decided to make a day of garage sales for the lookers by hosting a 'Community Wide Garage Sale' in their locations. Whitewood, Broadview and Grenfell are all hosting a day for people to host their individual garage sales while Melville is hosting

a two-day City-Wide Garage Sale. This allows interested people from their own community as well as from visiting areas to jump in their vehicle or on their bike or scooter to travel from one garage sale site to another, all on the same day.

The Whitewood Community Garage Sale starts at 9 a.m. and maps of the town and location of participants will be available May 30 at the Borderland Co-op Grocery Store. The Catholic Women's League will be providing lunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Whitewood Community Centre. Previously, it had been stated that people could rent tables in the arena on this day, but this

has changed; there will be no garage sale tables at this rink this year.

Broadview's Town Wide Garage Sale will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The garage sale map can be picked up at the library (525 Main Street) and other various locations.

Both Whitewood and Broadview have around 15 individual garage sales reported to be shown on their maps of sites.

Grenfell is also inviting people to browse their garage sale sites on June 1 as well as making a stop at the Grenfell High School for their famous Book Sale/Swap and a barbecue being held by Grenfell Band Parents from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. where you can

stop by for a burger, slice of pie or a book and help support the local band students. Borderland Co-op is a sponsor for the barbecue.

Melville's City-Wide Garage Sale is on Saturday and Sunday, June 1 and June 2. Registration of garage sales to be included on the map must be done by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 31. Registration forms are available at City Hall and CNCC. The maps will be available June 1 and June 2.

If you happen to miss out on this weekend's

garage sales, the community of Kennedy is having their town wide garage sale the next Saturday, June 8 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Groups and individuals wanting to do bake tables or display other items are welcome. There is no charge and organizer Tammy Hall says they have space if you are not located in town. To get on the list, message Tammy. Prior to press time, there were already 5 signed up in the smaller community so it could be well worth your visit to Kennedy on June 8.

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Sunday, June 2:
June 8: 7 p.m. Worship at Trinity, Lemberg

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5th Ave. E. & King St.
Rev. Brian Mee, 306-335-7611
website: firstunitedmelville.org
June 2: 11 a.m. Worship with Rev. Brian Mee
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Ph. 306-728-2347
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10:30 a.m. Worship Service
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258 - 10th Ave. W.
Ph. 306-728-3971
Pastor Ronald Shumba
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June 1: 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. Barbecue
June 2: 10:30 a.m. Worship
June 3: 8:00 a.m. Kitchen Cleaning

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Corner of 3rd Ave. E. & Manitoba St.
Fr. Basil Malowany
basimalowany@gmail.com
306-540-5102
Sunday, June 2:
11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Followed by Blessing of Graves
Sunday, June 9:
11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

MELVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
473 - 8th Ave. W.
Office Ph. 306-728-5022
Pastor Jon Pettinger
Associate Pastor: Jesse Darby
Sunday:
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship Service
Online services can be found at:
www.melvillebaptist.com

ST. HENRY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
729 Main St. - Office
Ph. 306-728-5702
Res. Ph. 306-728-2305
111 - 8th Ave. W.
Father Michal Pajak
Saturday Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10:00 a.m.

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BETHANY EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY CHURCH
5th Ave. W. & Queen St.
Church Office Ph. 306-728-5001
June 2:
Worship at 10:30 a.m.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
(Lutheran Church - Canada)
502 - 4th Ave. W. - Church Office
Ph. 306-728-5689
Email: zlcpcastor@myaccess.ca
www.zionlutheranmelville.com
Sunday, June 2:
11 a.m. Worship Service
Church of the Lutheran Hour heard Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on 940 CJGX Radio, Yorkton

Whitewood & Area Churches Welcome You

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Worship Service ~ 10:30 a.m.
Thursday - Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Wednesday Kids Club - 3:30 p.m.

EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Service - 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Youth Group - 7 p.m.

Rev. Dr. James R. Graham

ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father Tomy Mandapathil
Saturday, June 1:
5:00 p.m. Mass

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Sunday, June 2: 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, WAPELLA
June 2:
No Worship Service

WHITEWOOD UNITED CHURCH
June 2:
2:30 p.m. Communion Service

Indian Head Church Welcomes You

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH
801 Buxton St. - Indian Head, SK
306-695-3838
Sunday Services 11 a.m.
*Family Play Group - Mondays, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon
*Living with Cancer Support Group 2nd Tuesday of the Month



Growing in Faith Together

Kipling Churches Welcome You

KIPLING CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
417 3rd Street South
Office: 306-736-8268
Sunday Services 10 a.m.
email: pipestoneparish@sasktel.net

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102 Nelson Ave. - 306-736-2237
email: kwpc@sasktel.net
Services Held 1st and 3rd Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Minister will vary

KIPLING PEOPLES CHURCH
701 3rd Street - 306-736-8992
Website: kiplingpeopleschurch.com
Pastors: Kevin & Merodee Hassler
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship and Children's Ministry

ST. ANNE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
418 First St., Kipling
Pastor: Father Joseph Villamartin
306-538-2163
Saturday, June 1:
Mass 6:30 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
400 3rd St. South, Kipling
306-736-2447, Doris
306-424-2604, George
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

BEKEVAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
102 Nelson Ave.
(in Kipling United Church)
Sunday Worship in person 11:30 a.m.
Rev. Devon Pattemore
Lay Person/Service Leader
306-736-2479
bkbernat@gmail.com

PARKLAND BIBLE CHURCH
309 3rd. St. South, Kipling
306-736-2421
parklandagc@sasktel.net

Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Worship Service
Thursday: 9 a.m. - 12 noon
Coffee with Pastor
Wednesday: 10 a.m. Mom's Group

Fort Qu'Appelle Churches Welcome You

VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH Fort Qu'Appelle
Sunday service 10:30 a.m.
Service is also available on YouTube and will be livestreamed. Please call the church at 306-900-0600 for information regarding COVID-19 regulations or check our website: valleyalliance.ca

ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
202 Bay Ave. S.,
Phone - 306-551-6213
Hall Contact - 306-331-6720

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH
194 Bay St., Fort Qu'Appelle
Rev. Jo Mader, 306-332-4455
Sunday School & Service 10:30
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Teddy's for Sick Kids

Melville First Responders raised a total of \$1,215.90 for Teddy Bears Anonymous from their free pancake breakfast that was hosted on May 25 at the Melville Fire Hall. The funds raised will be used to purchase 243 factory cello sealed teddy bears for Teddy Bear Anonymous who will give them to sick kids.



TAX ENFORCEMENT LIST

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LAJORD NO. 128
PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Notice is hereby given under *The Tax Enforcement Act* that unless the arrears and costs appearing opposite the land and title number described in the following list are fully paid before July 31, 2024, an interest based on a tax lien will be registered against the land.

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

Description of Property	Title Number	Total Arrears*	Cost	Total Arrears and Costs
SW 23-13-17-2 EXT 0	122584417	\$1,059.76	\$425.00	\$1,484.76
BLK/PAR A-PLAN 102202669 EXT 0	153648131 154483599	\$34,538.27	\$728.00	\$35,266.27
LOT 4-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108627509	\$192.03	\$341.00	\$533.03
LOT 5-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108627521	\$771.18	\$341.00	\$1,112.18
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108522963	\$192.03	\$341.00	\$533.03
LOT 8-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108522985	\$2,983.03	\$341.00	\$3,324.03
LOT 12-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108523065	\$330.31	\$341.00	\$671.31
LOT 29-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108523245	\$172.05	\$341.00	\$513.05
LOT 30-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108627543	\$172.05	\$341.00	\$513.05
LOT 31-BLK/PAR 3-PLAN 59462 EXT 0	108627565	\$172.05	\$341.00	\$513.05
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 7-PLAN 75R30095 EXT 0	128095656	\$2,546.44	\$425.00	\$2,971.44
LOT 14-BLK/PAR 10-PLAN 101627489 EXT 0	148603967	\$3,495.31	\$425.00	\$3,920.31
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 15-PLAN 101957744 EXT 0	136676425	\$3,359.36	\$425.00	\$3,784.36
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 8-PLAN BC887 EXT 2	153447633	\$2,558.05	\$425.00	\$2,983.05
LOT 23-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN B3490 EXT 4	156449627	\$1,054.11	\$425.00	\$1,479.11
LOT 24-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN B3490 EXT 0	156449616			
LOT 30-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	143835228	\$1,394.93	\$425.00	\$1,819.93
LOT 31-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	143835240			
LOT 32-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	143835262			
LOT 33-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	143835307			
LOT 34-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	143835341			
LOT 17-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	153902538	\$3,470.31	\$425.00	\$3,895.31
LOT 18-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	153902527			
LOT 19-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	153902561			
LOT 20-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	153902460			
LOT 7-BLK/PAR 4-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	140772641	\$821.60	\$425.00	\$1,246.60
LOT 8-BLK/PAR 4-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	140772652			
LOT 9-BLK/PAR 4-PLAN BD4099 EXT 0	140772674			
LOT 1-BLK/PAR 9-PLAN BC887 EXT 0	155867394	\$702.79	\$425.00	\$1,127.79
LOT 2-BLK/PAR 9-PLAN BC887 EXT 0	155867406			
PLAN 102404742 EXT 0	156544780	\$139,763.04	\$425.00	\$140,188.04

* Penalty is calculated to the date of the Notice and will continue to accrue as applicable.
Dated this 22nd day of May, 2024.
Lynette Herauf, Administrator

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ONE AD, SIX NEWSPAPERS: All classified ads appear in the Fort Qu'Appelle Times, Indian Head-Wolseley News, Kipling Clipper, Melville Advance, Whitewood-Grenfell Herald Sun and Quad Town Forum

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DIETZ – Darcy Allen, Oct. 27, 1966 - June 2, 2019.

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-Ralph Waldo Emerson

-Loved and missed by Chuck and Doris, Karen, Mark, David and families.

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FOR SALE – Poulan 18 in. chain saw. Call Lorne at 306-730-6445.

For Sale

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–Poulan 21" push-type lawn mower with Briggs and Stratton engine. \$100.

–Denver guitar, red color, snark tuner, picks, sheet music book, 2 chord books. New, asking \$100.

All items located in Whitewood

306-853-7056

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Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE at 22 Quebec Drive, Melville on Friday, May 31 from 2 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, June 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. M7-1p

Coming Event

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Poll shows seven in 10 Canadians want more carbon tax exemptions for farmers

Submitted
Grasslands News

rector. “Canadians know that keeping costs down for farmers helps lower costs at the grocery store for all of us.”

The federal government exempts its carbon tax from gasoline and diesel used on farms. Members of Parliament are currently considering Bill C-234, which extends the carbon-tax exemption to include natural gas and propane used on farms. Farmers use these fuels to dry grain and heat barns.

The Leger poll asked Canadians if they support taking the carbon tax off natural gas and propane used by farmers.

Results of the poll show:

- 39 per cent strongly support
- 31 per cent somewhat support
- 8 per cent somewhat oppose
- 7 per cent strongly oppose
- 15 per cent don't know.

Without any relief, the carbon tax on natural gas and propane will cost farmers \$1 billion by 2030, according to the Parliamentary Budget Officer.

“MPs need to get farmers and families relief now and take the carbon tax off all farm fuels,” said Franco Terrazzano, CTF Federal Director.

Ottawa needs to listen to Canadians and stop charging farmers carbon taxes that make all of our lives more expensive.”

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation released Leger polling showing 70 per cent of Canadians support a carbon tax exemption on propane and natural gas for farmers.

“The poll is clear: the vast majority of Canadians want the government to get farmers relief from the carbon tax,” said Gage Haubrich, CTF Prairie Di-

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RM of North Qu'Appelle No.187
SASKATCHEWAN
Valley of Festivals

PUBLIC NOTICE

RM of NORTH QU'APPELLE NO. 187

Public notice is hereby given that the Rural Municipality of North Qu'Appelle No. 187 intends to adopt a bylaw to amend our District Official Community Plan under the Planning and Development Act, 2007, to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map in The Village of Lebre's Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT: To amend the Calling Lakes District Plan to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map of the Village of Lebre's Zoning Bylaw.

REASON: To accommodate The Village of Lebre's new Flood Hazard Map included in their Zoning Bylaw.

AFFECTED AREA: the proposed amendment will apply generally to all member municipalities of the Calling Lakes Planning District Commission, specifically the members surrounding Mission Lake.

PUBLIC INSPECTION: Any person may inspect the bylaw to amend the District Plan at the RM of North Qu'Appelle office 136 Company Avenue S., Fort Qu'Appelle, SK from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday to Friday excluding Thursdays and statutory holidays. Copies of the bylaw are available at a cost. The District Plan is available to view on the website www.4callinglakes.ca copies of the District Plan are also available at cost. The Village of Lebre Zoning Bylaw may be inspected at their village office 12 Place D'Eglise, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday excluding statutory holidays or request a copy by email or review on their website www.lebret.ca.

PUBLIC HEARING: Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 11th, 2024, at 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 136 Company Avenue S., Fort Qu'Appelle, SK to hear any person or group that want to comment on the proposed amendment. The Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing.

Issued at the Rural Municipality of North Qu'Appelle, May 24, 2024.

Gwen Lowe, Administrator

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RM of Grayson No. 184
Province of Saskatchewan

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Description of Property	Title #	Total Arrears	Costs and Advert.	Total Arrears & Costs
Lot 01 Blk/Par E Plan 69R03590 Greenspot	108285251	\$794.14	\$5.65	\$799.79
Lot 04 and Pt of 05 Block 2 Plan M3718 Sunset Beach	154695673, 154695640	\$1,087.41	\$11.30	\$1,098.71
Lot 02 Blk/Par 01 Plan 69R35479	128107728, 128107740	\$1,382.84	\$11.30	\$1,394.14
SE 29 19 06 W2	145029348	\$723.06	\$5.65	\$728.71
NW 21 21 06 W2 BLK/Par A Plan 101681210 Ext 12	123350611	\$6.12	\$5.65	\$11.77
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Dated this 31st day of May, 2024.

Sarah Dietrich, Administrator

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NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Resort Village of B-Say-Tah

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office of:

Mayor: Resort Village of B-Say-Tah
Number to be Elected: one (1)

Councilor: Resort Village of B-Say-Tah
Number to be Elected: four (4)

Will be received by the undersigned on the 22nd day of June, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Resort Village of B-Say-Tah Office, and during regular business hours from June 3, 2024 to June 21, 2024 at the Resort Village of B-Say-Tah Office, 842 Broadway St, Fort Qu'Appelle, SK.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the Resort Village of B-Say-Tah Office.

Dated this 31st day of May, 2024.

Richelle Haanstra,
Returning Officer

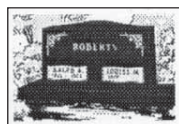
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Indian Head/Montmartre RCMP busy with many different calls

Indian Head / Montmartre Detachment Cpl. Miles Kelly

Reporting period: May 20 to May 25

Indian Head and Montmartre detachment area had 73 occurrences over the past week.

Traffic

RCMP gave out 17 Provincial Traffic Safety Act tickets, 11 Provincial Traffic Safety Act warnings given, and one Inspection Ticket handed out.

Mischief/Theft

May 20, 2024 - RCMP received a report of small children outside playing without supervision. The complainant was concerned for the children's safety. RCMP attended the residence, confirmed the mother was home and all was well.

May 21, 2024 - A call to the detachment from an Indian Head resident stating that she parked her vehicle in front of her apartment at 7:30 p.m. last night and at 7:40 a.m. this morning it was gone. The suspects were unknown and keys were not left in vehicle. RCMP made patrols but was not able to locate.

A 9-1-1 call in the RM of South Qu'Appelle about a suspicious person that entered a local farmer's yard asking for assistance. The complainant believed this might be a male who was in a stolen vehicle fled on foot from police yesterday. RCMP attended and arrested the subject who provided a false name to police. The male was later released from custody to appear in Indian Head court at a later date.

An adult male from Qu'Appelle reported a semi hauling a sprayer on the back deck that has oversized, tires hanging over the sides, speeding going around 90 kph in 80 kph zone. The semi is possibly white, unknown company name, no pilot vehicles and complainant had to pull over to avoid being hit. Fort Qu'Appelle members were notified as it most likely in their area by now, however Fort Qu'Appelle were busy with a priority complaint. The evening shift members patrolled but did not locate.

A telephone call to the Indian Head RCMP Detachment from an adult male who is travelling on Highway #1 near

Qu'Appelle. The complainant passed a Black GMC Terrain licence plate 483MMS and then the vehicle flew past him & slammed on the brakes. The vehicle turned off at Qu'Appelle giving the complainant the finger. The complainant said he would come back to Saskatchewan to be a witness for court.

May 22, 2024 - Indian Head RCMP received a telephone call from a resident in Qu'Appelle reporting while at the gas station in Qu'Appelle he saw a male wondering around outside who appeared to be looking for cigarette butts. The worker at the store had never seen this male before. The complainant then noticed the male came from the back alley on a brand new fat tire bike and head down main street. RCMP located the male who had warrants out of B.C. Warrant was executed and he was released to attend court there.

Later on this same day, a resident of Qu'Appelle reported her bike stolen sometime during the day. She advised she posted this information on Facebook and an employee of the gas station contacted her to advise the male from earlier most likely was the one who stole her bike. Members were able to locate the bike at a gas station in Grenfell and returned it to the rightful owner.

A telephone call to the Indian Head RCMP Detachment from man reporting flames & black smoke east of Indian Head on the North side of Highway #1. It was just brush being burned at the old airport.

Another telephone call to the Indian Head RCMP Detachment from employee of a medical facility reporting that she just had a conversation with patient who stated "I wish I had a gun". The complainant was quite concerned about this comment and that the patient may be a risk to themselves or someone else. RCMP members attended and after investigation transported the person to a hospital as it appeared to be a medical situation and not criminal in nature.

A complainant attended the Indian Head Detachment regarding a B&E that happened back between Oct 1-26, 2023. The complainant had been away during this

time and when he came home the screen from his window on his deck was gone and the metal bars of the window were broken. Reporting for information as he wasn't aware of any suspects and no video surveillance available.

A resident of Indian Head attended the Indian Head RCMP Detachment with a Birth Certificate for a female that she found in her back yard. Attempts are being made to locate owner.

May 23, 2024 - A telephone call to the Indian Head RCMP reporting a kid did not get on the school bus this morning and was walking in and around a house in town and it looked like he was carrying a rifle. Members attended and called the homeowners who advised their child should be at school. Members looked in the back yard and noticed several gophers running around and later learned youth was using a pellet gun to try and shoot the gophers before getting on the bus to go to school.

A report of an unknown male with a guitar has been in Indian Head for the last several days, sometimes playing guitar in front of the Petro Canada. Rumours say that he is sleeping in the recycling bin at Indian Head Chrysler at night. Members made patrols and located the male who advised he was trying to get to the east coast for family related matters and was presently stuck in Indian Head awaiting a ride from family. The man was polite and cooperative, mentioned how nice the residents of Indian Head had been to him and that he just collected \$48 after playing guitar outside of the local Petro Canada gas station.

A call to the Indian Head RCMP Detachment from a Qu'Appelle resident reporting that sometime during the night of May 14th, items were stolen from his garage. Mountain bike, air compressor & grass trimmer. The investigation is ongoing.

Another call from a resident of Qu'Appelle reporting a green car has been on the west side of Qu'Appelle for a week. Looks like someone was living in the vehicle. RCMP attended and located the owner who advised he was in town hoping to speak with someone. The member advised the owner it would be best if he tried other means to make contact.

A wallet turned into the detachment. Sask ID card for a male and \$520. The RCMP later attended the residence of the prospective owner, however, the owner refused to identify himself, then accused the RCMP of break and enter into his residence and stealing his wallet. The owner eventually signed for the property, took his wallet and confirmed that no money was missing.

May 24, 2024 - A 9-1-1 call reporting

an uttering threats occurrence. RCMP attended and obtained statements from the victim and witnesses. The subject of the complaint was located soon after and released on conditions to have no contact with the victim and to appear at Indian Head Provincial Court at a later date to speak to the charges.

A report to Indian Head RCMP that an employee at the Domo Gas Station in Qu'Appelle had some kids come into the store who were banned. RCMP attended and the unknown people were gone. Nothing criminal occurred.

Indian Head RCMP received a call to remove an unwanted person from a residence. They have asked the person to leave but he won't. The complainant then called right back, stating the person had left the residence and they do not require the RCMP.

A report of someone that hit a deer with their vehicle. The vehicle was still drivable, the driver left the location and called because they thought the deer was still on the road. No further calls regarding the deer.

A report of a male who appeared intoxicated and asleep at the back door of her residence. RCMP attended, located the male and arrested him for mischief. The male had warrants out of Regina Police Service. The male was lodged in cells at the Detachment until he was sober and released on documents compelling him to Court for the Regina charges.

May 25, 2024 - A report of someone being cut in the face during an altercation at an establishment in Indian Head. RCMP met the victim at the Indian Head Hospital and obtained photos of the injury. During this time, the victim was unsure if she wanted to provide a statement regarding the call.

A report of someone who may be breaching release conditions regarding a no contact condition in Mclean.

There was a Speeding/Traffic complaint on the streets of Wolseley, as well as dirt bike & ATV driving complaints in Qu'Appelle.

A resident of Indian Head reported an unknown male sitting on a bench on Dewdney Street near the post office. They recognized the male and description given sounded like it was the same male from previous files who was trying to get to the east coast. RCMP conducted patrols and were unable to locate.

Kids playing in an open area beside Water Street in Indian Head, located some drug paraphernalia. RCMP attended and retrieved needles, spoons and band aids which were disposed of.

TAX ENFORCEMENT LIST TOWN OF BALCARRES PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Notice is hereby given under *The Tax Enforcement Act* that unless the arrears and costs appearing opposite the land described in the following list are fully paid before the 30th day of July, 2024, an interest based on a tax lien will be registered against the land.

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

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Roll Number	Lot	Block	Plan	Title Number	Total Arrears	Advert. Costs	Total Arrears & Costs
00000216	15-16	19	H546	142802715, 142802759	\$5,441.94	\$94.86	\$5,536.80

Dated this 31st Day of May, 2024.

Victoria Smith, Treasurer



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the District of Katepwa intends to adopt a bylaw to amend our District Official Community Plan under the Planning and Development Act, 2007, to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map in The Village of Lebret's Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT- To amend the Calling Lakes District Plan to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map of the Village of Lebret's Zoning Bylaw.

AFFECTED AREA - The proposed amendment will apply generally to all member municipalities of the Calling Lakes Planning District Commission, specifically the members surrounding Mission Lake.

REASON - To accommodate The Village of Lebret's new Flood Hazard Map included in their Zoning Bylaw.

PUBLIC INSPECTION - Any person may inspect the bylaw at the District of Katepwa office located at 41 Elm St., Katepwa Beach, between 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays. Copies are available at cost. The District Plan is available to view on the website www.4callinglakes.ca copies of the District Plan are also available at cost.

PUBLIC HEARING - Council will hold a public hearing on June 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 41 Elm Street, Katepwa Beach to hear any person or group that want to comment on the proposed amendment. The Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing.

Issued at the District of Katepwa on May 31, 2024.

Andrea Ehrmantraut
Chief Administrator Officer
District of Katepwa



PUBLIC NOTICE Village of Lebret

Public notice is hereby given that the Village of Lebret intends to adopt a bylaw to amend our District Official Community Plan under the Planning and Development Act, 2007, to accommodate the Flood Hazard Map in The Village of Lebret's Zoning Bylaw.

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REASON: To accommodate The Village of Lebret's new Flood Hazard Map included in their Zoning Bylaw.

AFFECTED AREA: The proposed amendment will apply generally to all member municipalities of the Calling Lakes Planning District Commission, specifically the members surrounding Mission Lake.

PUBLIC INSPECTION: Any person may inspect the bylaw to amend the District Plan at the Village of Lebret, 12 Place de L'Eglise between the hours of 12:30 PM and 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday. Copies of the bylaw are available at a cost. The District Plan is available to view on the website www.4callinglakes.ca copies of the District Plan are also available at cost.

PUBLIC HEARING: Council will hold a public hearing at 1:30 PM on June 20th, 2024 in the Council Chambers located at 12 Place de L'Eglise, to hear any person or group that want to comment on the proposed amendment. The Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing.

Issued at the Village of Lebret this 27th day of May, 2024.

Samantha Gillies,
Administrator

Make the most of your ride during ATV Safety Month

Submitted
Grasslands News

All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) off-roading is a thrill and an adventure, but it's important to keep safety in mind while you are enjoying the fun.

"June is ATV Safety Month, and a great reminder to take a few moments to think about safety to ensure all your ATVing adventures are enjoyable and fun," said John Meed, General Manager of the Saskatchewan All Terrain Vehicle Association (SATVA). "Those few moments will keep your family safe and make the most of your ride this summer."

ATVs are a great way to experience the Saskatchewan outdoors. Riding an ATV allows you to explore off-road trails,

forests, and scenic landscapes that you might not otherwise experience. The feeling of freedom as you navigate through nature is invigorating. To ensure you make the most of your ATV experiences, here are a few safety tips to keep in mind.

Always Wear a Helmet

Properly-fitted protective gear is essential to ATV safety. This includes a helmet, eye protection, gloves, boots, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt.

Make a Plan

Let a family member or friend know where you're going, and when you expect to return. Carry a cell phone and bring a first aid kit.

Don't Attempt Risky Maneuvres

If a rider attempts un-

even terrain, the ATV can easily roll, trapping the rider and causing severe injuries. Never attempt any trail or path that appears too difficult or makes you feel uncomfortable. Know your limits and avoid tricky maneuvers and risky situations. Never speed or make sharp turns. Since ATVs are not designed for roads, steer clear of roads and streets unless for quick crossings.

Never Double-Up

Unless your ATV is designed for more than one person, never add a passenger. Adding a person to an ATV designed for one driver can change the dynamics of the vehicle, especially when climbing or descending hills or when maneuvering around obstacles. This can result in a roll-over.

Never Combine Drinking or Drugs with ATVing

Impairment reduces reaction time, affects judgement and significantly increases the risk of dangerous incidents. Operating an ATV while impaired is illegal, even on private property, and can result in a DUI charge.

Make Regular Stops to Inspect the ATV Exhaust

Avoid tall grass or brush as hot exhaust can be a fire hazard. Inspect

your ATVs exhaust regularly for grass and debris build-up as it can quickly cause a wildfire when knocked off while driving. Consider fitting your ATV with a spark arrestor to prevent sparks from escaping into dry grassland and forest areas.

Take In an Approved Safety Course

Riders aged 12 to 15 and anyone who doesn't have a driver's license must complete an approved safety course, or be super-

vised by someone who has had their drivers' licence for at least a year.

"ATV off-roading has many benefits. It's fun. It's a great way to get outside. It brings family together. It's a wonderful way to enjoy camping and hunting. And it's a year-round activity.

To enjoy the excitement of ATVing, always remember to Ride Smart, Ride Safe by putting safety first," said Meed.

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Exploring the alternatives with naturopath Dr. Wendy Davis

By **Connie Schwalm**
Grasslands News

Often it is our most fundamental treasures, those things that no amount of money can purchase, that we take for granted.

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But when our health falters or fails and something happens that makes life inside our own bodies a struggle, we can find ourselves desperately searching for help.

Many are finding that help and the resources that enable them to not only cope successfully with the health issues they have, but regain their ability to live well, through the kind of treatments offered by naturopathic doctors like Dr. Wendy Davis.

Dr. Davis is a naturopath, who is originally from Orangeville, Ontario. She received her training in Naturopathic Medicine in that province, came to the Windthorst area and established the Harmony Health Clinic in 2016.

The clinic offers a variety of different therapies and Davis says that from the beginning, the clinic has been busy, and notes that she has seen a steady increase in the number of people coming to seek alternatives.

"At Harmony Health Clinic, I offer acupuncture and intravenous therapy, as well as nutrition and lifestyle counseling. There is also another naturopath at the clinic who does a lot of mental health work. Another woman there does live blood cell analysis. We also have a woman at the clinic who does Light Therapy for pain, inflammation, and mental health. And there is a massage therapist, counsellor, a nurse practitioner and a woman who does waxing and aesthetics at the clinic too.

"The clinic has grown unbelievably in the past few years. Knowing that this area was lacking in doctors, I felt the clinic would be well-received here when I started, and it was. Some people were skeptical about it, but you would have that any-

where. It was busy from the start.

"I see, on average, twelve patients every day. That includes local people, as well as some who drive two or three hours to see me. I have patients who come here from Regina and Yorkton. I also do a lot of virtual consultations with patients who are five or six hours away.

Davis says that the patients she sees come to her with a wide range of health concerns.

"There is also a huge mix of patients coming to the clinic. We see everything from the common cold to cancer - everything that a conventional doctor would see.

I see a lot of general health and wellness issues as well as concerns related to hormones. I also have patients dealing with cancer, autoimmune disease, anxiety and depression and everything in-between.

No matter what the health concern is that has brought the patient to her, Davis says that she begins by gathering the information that will allow her to discern the underlying cause.

"Conventional medicine really focuses on treating symptoms. A naturopath tries to get to the root cause of what is happening, while still helping to mitigate the symptoms.

"I ask about sleep, stress, digestion, hormones, past mental history, family health history, vaccination status and anything and everything else, so that I can get a sense of what is going on with a person. And I will ask for bloodwork as well.

"This is also mind-body medicine. I look at both the physical and mental health of the person. For example, I pay attention to the gut-brain axis. There is more serotonin in a person's gut than in their brain. So, anybody who has gut problems will almost always have anxiety or depression. That's why antidepressants on their own often don't work.

Davis says that the biggest drawback to choosing alternative therapies is cost, and notes that she



Dr. Wendy Davis - Naturopath

must work within the limits imposed by the province.

"The biggest drawback for patients is financial. A lot of people find they do have coverage, but the initial cost has to be paid out of pocket. It isn't covered by the province the way conventional treatment is.

"There are also some limits on what naturopaths can do in this province. We are able to diagnose diseases and we are able to prescribe nutraceuticals (herbs, vitamins and minerals). But we are not able to prescribe pharmaceuticals and we aren't able to refer patients to specialists. We also can't refer people to have various tests done."

Nonetheless, Davis says that naturopaths practicing in Saskatchewan are finding that the number of people seeking help through alternative therapies is growing.

"There are around 40 naturopaths practicing in this province, mostly in the main hubs (Regina and Saskatoon). Every one of them is busy and it's going to get worse. People are willing to do anything to get better, whether that means seeing a naturopath, homeopath or nutritionist. All non-conventional therapies are getting busier because

and sustains improved health and wellness. It is also great for kids, because having them start looking at their own health and taking responsibility for it early is an amazing benefit for them.

"The naturopath and the patient can work together to achieve that. But it's only a collaborative insofar as the patient is willing to do the work required. That's why, when I talk with a patient about diet, lifestyle and supplements, I always ask if there is anything they do or don't want to try or anything they've tried in the past that they don't want to do again. There are always options. But the patient has to be willing to do the work or else it won't work. They have to be invested in improving their own health and wellness.

Although skepticism about alternative therapies continues, Davis says that far greater benefits would come if the need for both alternative and conventional medicine was recognized.

"I think that this is primary health care for a lot of people, because so many don't have access to a conventional physician. But we can play a supportive role for somebody who is undergoing conventional treatment as well.

"The fact is that we need both conventional and alternative treat-

ments. I just wish that there was more openness and willingness to work with naturopathic doctors among those practicing conventional medicine. There is still a lot of resistance to alternative therapies in general, and it would be such a huge benefit for people if that need for both was recognized and accepted."

However, no matter which approach a person chooses, Davis says that they must be ready to assume greater responsibility and regain their control over their own health and wellness.

"People need to take their power back and start educating themselves - looking at their diet, lifestyle and the level of stress that they're dealing with - or they're going to suffer. We didn't use doctors 150 years ago the way that we do now. And, in many ways, people used to have a better sense of what they were doing when it came to their own health.

"Now, we too easily give up our power to the conventional medicine system, which means that decisions about options are taken out of our hands. So, a person must be prepared to learn about the alternatives that are available and advocate for their own health. Because, if you are expecting someone else to do that, you won't get very far."



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