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Award-winning Canadian filmmakers Mike Hoolboom, left, and Sandy Wilson offered their top Gimli Film Festival film picks and personal favourites. See story pg. 10.

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Gimli murder victim Evan Engbaek mourned by friends

By Patricia Barrett (with files from Lana Meier)

In a small community where everybody knows each other, the news of Evan Engbaek's death last week spread quickly, leaving many in shock and disbelief.

The 18-year-old Gimli man who "always had his friends' backs" died on Second Avenue near Centre Street July 25 after having been stabbed in broad daylight, his bicycle lying on the pavement next to him.

Evan's closest friends said he was a good-natured young man who was loved by his classmates at Gimli High School, which he attended for most of his senior years.

Evan played hockey with the Gimli Vikings and loved to wheel around town on his bicycle, showing his friends some of the daredevil moves he perfected at the skate park near the Recreation Centre.

Blaze Bonkowski said he and Evan became close friends after a dirt bike accident at the Gimli racetrack left Evan with a ruptured bowel. Bonkowski stayed with Evan, comforting him until an ambulance arrived.

"Ever since that day, we had been like brothers, hanging out almost every day," said Blaze. "He could always be seen riding around Gimli on his

bike or at the skate park doing tricks. He was loved at school. He could always make you laugh whether he was trying to or not, whether it was his actions or his words."

Blaze said Evan used to come to his house every day for lunch.

"I'd be having chilli," said Blaze, "and the only thing he ever really wanted was peanut butter and jam sandwiches."

Blaze shared a few of his favourite memories of the "well mannered, sweet kid" who loved to turn wheelies.

"One time he was trying to paint his bike a different colour, so he pulled out the angle grinder and started grinding his bike down in his underwear. Sparks were flying everywhere," he said. "Driving around Arnes in his family's side-by-side usually ended with him flipping [it] either on its side or upside-down. But we would never tell anyone that we flipped it."

Jordan Woytowich said his friend was a "super-nice guy" who'll be missed by everyone in the community.

"He was always welcomed into homes because everyone's parents liked him so much," said Jordan. "He was very quiet and shy at times, but he also had a lot of fun with his friends. He was always at one of two



A memorial is set up at the spot where Evan died.



Evan Peder Engbaek and his dog Louie.

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places: the hockey rink or the skate park. But he also did bum around the beach lots. He loved the beach."

RCMP labelled Evan's death a "murder" and arrested a suspect a day after the stabbing. But on July 27, the force issued a news release saying it had released the suspect and that no charges had been laid. On July 28, they re-arrested the same individual — identified as a 16-year-old male — and charged him with second-degree murder.

RCMP spokesperson Tara Seel said the force is unable to divulge detailed information about the motive because it's an ongoing homicide investigation and they're in the process of establishing the facts.

"There are a lot of rumours flying around right now, but we are just not in a position in the investigation to provide any specifics," said Seel, referring to innuendo and unsubstantiated statements that have appeared on various social media platforms.

In an interview with CBC last week, Evan's parents said their son had recently been living at a Winnipeg treatment centre to help him break free of

a drug addiction. He returned home "clean" and ready to make a fresh start.

Although violence may be par for the course in Winnipeg, it is highly uncommon in Gimli.

Mayor Randy Woroniuk said he heard about the stabbing soon after it occurred and visited the crime scene.

"I saw the bike and I thought somebody dropped it there, but obviously it was worse than that," said the mayor. "Gimli is a nice community and this is an isolated incident. This does not happen often here."

He said he had asked an officer whether the stabbing was a random act.

"Is someone running around with a knife?" he said. "And they [RCMP] said, in their opinion, there's no public safety issue. I've been here 20 years and I don't remember a stabbing. We raised our three children here, and we never worried about crime. We still don't worry about crime."

Keenan Kowalski, who played hock-

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Peguis Food Cupboard promotes healthy eating with Winnipeg Harvest help

By Patricia Barrett

The harvest was in last Wednesday at the Peguis Mall, where staff and volunteers with the Peguis Food Cupboard had set out boxes of fresh vegetables for community members.

Fresh produce at a reasonable price is hard to come by, especially in far-flung communities, and people were stopping by to pick up lettuce, sprouts, tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers that had been generously provided by a Winnipeg food bank.

"The vegetables come from Winnipeg Harvest," said Sylvia McKay, director of the Peguis Food Cupboard. "We have a truck that goes to Winnipeg to pick it up. And the band has a certain amount of money we use to buy macaroni, spaghetti, tomato sauce and soup, those kinds of things, so we can keep our people fed."

Winnipeg Harvest, which helps the hungry and tries to find long-term solutions to end poverty, donates food and other household items to various First Nation communities in the Interlake.

A 2015 national survey of food bank users found that Manitoba, overall, had a 3.4 per cent increase in use compared to the past year. That year,

Winnipeg Harvest distributed 13.7 million pounds of food, according to its website.

The Peguis Food Cupboard has been in operation for about five years, serving about 3,000 individuals, families and children, according to its website. It was started by Dawn Nykoluk and Mary Favell with help from McKay.

Peguis also started a community garden project in 2012 as a way to promote agriculture and healthy eating, and provide a measure of food security in the community, which has about 10,000 members. The garden's harvest is shared at special events.

"We have a dinner and they give the elders the vegetables," said McKay.

The weather hasn't been co-operating this year and the gardens — as well as home gardens — are not as robust as they'd normally be.

"They're growing slow this year," said a passerby. "I have a little garden at home. What's not growing quickly enough is tomatoes and cucumbers. But we're eating our potatoes already. I've got beets growing, carrots, green beans and onions. Last year, they had a wonderful garden here and the elders shared in it."



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Peguis food bank director Sylvia McKay (left) and staff member Roxanne McCallum helped set out boxes of fresh vegetables at the Peguis Mall last Wednesday. Winnipeg Harvest helps a number of First Nation communities obtain healthy food.

> ENGBAEK, FROM PG. 2



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A bicycle lies in the street on Second Avenue near the Gimli Theatre where 18-year-old Evan Engbaek died after being stabbed. RCMP arrested a 16-year-old male and charged him with second-degree murder.

ey with Evan, remembers his friend for his positive attitude and down-to-earth and affectionate nature.

"To me, Evan was one of the kindest, most open-hearted kids you'd ever meet. Anytime I'd ever see him, he'd go out of his way to come talk to me

and give me a hug or a handshake," said Keenan. "He would always have mine and anyone else's back no matter on or off the ice. I am humbled and honoured to say that this kid was ... one of my best and closest friends."

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Manitoba Lieutenant-Governor Janice Filmon gets planting in Gimli

By Patricia Barrett

Janice Filmon, Manitoba's lieutenant-governor, dropped by Gimli Beach last Thursday with a shovel in tow to celebrate the arrival of a new species of maple tree that will be able to withstand Manitoba's acidic soils.

When she took office in 2015, Filmon came up with a "sustainable way" to recognize Manitobans who've contributed to the vibrancy of life in the province. Rather than bestowing medals on notable citizens, the lieutenant-governor will have a red maple planted in their honour.

"What I want to do is plant trees for people who are being recognized throughout the province with different awards, such as the Order of Manitoba.

"I decided during my term in office I wanted to do something that was sustainable, something that would beautify our province," said Filmon, who spent her summers in Gimli as a child and has a vacation home here. "And I promised to get 150 planted during Canada's Confederation of 150 years."

The lieutenant-governor has far surpassed that number.

"I'm probably going to hit 276 by the end of the year," she said.

In keeping with the country's democratic tradition, Filmon gathered feedback from people in the Office of Opportunity for the naming of the tree.

"It wasn't just me," she said. "Everybody put in their suggestions. It was a combination of ideas, the whole idea of celebrating."

They came up Regal Celebration Maple.

"Regal" was chosen in honour of the lieutenant-governor's office and "celebration" for celebrating Manitobans,

she said.

Chris Hornby, the municipality's parks and recreation manager, said 32 red maples were planted in the community.

The red maple is a hybrid that took Jeffries Nurseries of Portage la Prairie about 20 years to develop. The company breed hardy western maples with bright red maples from Eastern Canada.

"The tree itself started with a silver maple in the acidic soil of Manitoba, and it had to be cross-breed with others," said Filmon. "And, ultimately, the purpose was to create a red maple tree for the province of Manitoba. This will be 40 feet tall and 30 feet wide [at the crown]. It will be bright red."

Gimli is not the only community to receive the maples. About six others thus far — including Dauphin and Brandon — have planted the specially bred maple.

"We also planted one for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Bird's Hill Park," said Filmon, "[and] at The Forks by the Canadian Human Rights Museum, a place for understanding and coming together."

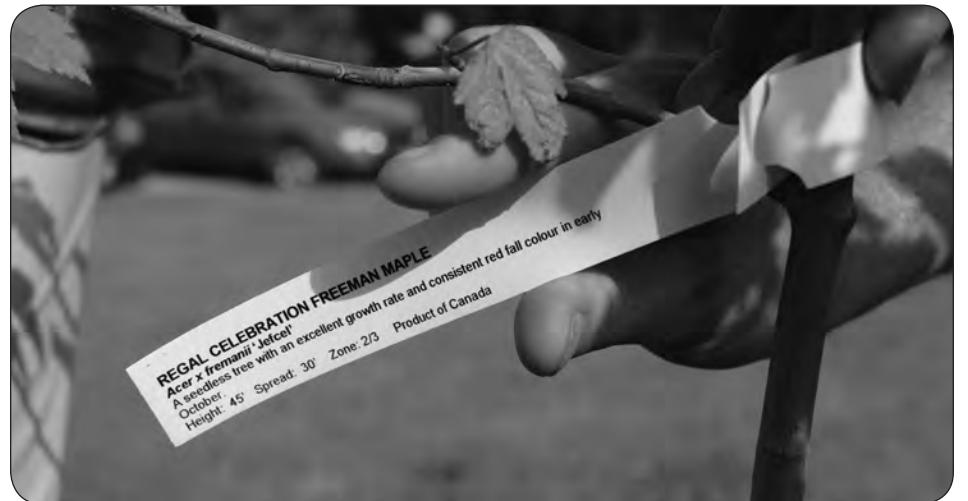
Students were among those singled out for special recognition and as a way to teach them about beautifying the environment.

"Ten trees have been planted on the grounds of the legislature to represent the 10 students that were part of the Imagine a Canada project ... about reconciliation," said Filmon. "The 10 finalists were from Grade 2 to Grade 12, boys and girls, Indigenous and non-Indigenous — and they would blow your socks off with what [they]



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Lt.-Gov. Janice Filmon delivered 32 red maples to Gimli. Chris Hornby (left), Coun. Danny Luprypa and Mayor Randy Woroniuk.



The hybrid maple will turn red in the fall and is a new species of maple tree that will be able to withstand Manitoba's acidic soils.

had to share."

One of the maples (which do not represent any Gimlite in particular) is

located by the south-end beach wash-

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Auditor general releases apprenticeship report

Staff

There's room for improvement in the management of Manitoba's apprenticeship program.

That's the finding of auditor general Norm Ricard, who released a report with 20 recommendations last week.

An audit revealed gaps in the oversight of training, both in school and in the workplace. The auditor general also pointed to weak planning and performance measurement for the apprenticeship program, as well as gaps in monitoring the apprentices' progress.

In general, apprentices spend 80 per cent of their time on the job and the remaining 20 per cent in school. The

auditor general determined that Apprenticeship Manitoba, which monitors the program, focused more on participation in the apprenticeship system instead of on making sure that apprentices had work experiences that were safe, suitable and properly supervised.

From 2006-07 to 2015-16, the number of active apprentices grew in Manitoba from 5,850 to 11,307, but the number of people completing the programs remained the same without any upward change.

"Apprenticeship Manitoba could do a better job of monitoring each apprentice's progress through the system and following up with those fail-

ing to progress," Ricard said in a press release.

Through Apprenticeship Manitoba, employers are required to track apprentices' work hours, but they don't need to track what type of work they do — in spite of provincial legislation that requires employers to report that type of information.

At the same time, the auditor general noted that Apprenticeship Manitoba doesn't ensure that school courses meet accreditation requirements.

"Without sufficient assurance that instructors have the required qualifications and that the facilities, tools and equipment meet the course requirements, the quality of training is

at risk," he said.

Since 2010, Apprenticeship Manitoba has spent \$2.7 million to develop online courses; however, few online courses have been offered and enrolment has been low in this stream.

Further, the report indicates that Apprenticeship Manitoba doesn't provide adequate occupational forecasts for its trades.

"Without information on the supply and demand for the various trades, investments in training may be misaligned and fail to meet the needs of industry," Ricard said, noting that he is pleased that Apprenticeship Manitoba has acknowledged the value of the 20 recommendations.

Another piece of the infrastructure puzzle

Staff

Local communities are on the road to smoother travel, with government funds paving the way to improved infrastructure.

On Tuesday, July 25 at the RM of Rockwood office, Municipal Relations Minister Eileen Clarke announced a \$12-million investment in municipal roads, including many in Interlake communities.

The Municipal Road Improvement Program, developed in partnership with the AMM, provides 50-50 cost-shared funding for municipal road projects. These projects include the construction of new roads as well as renewal of existing roads. Addressing many different issues, the projects range from main streets and back lanes to campgrounds and industrial park corridors.

This year, a total of 188 projects received approval in 99 municipalities.

Locally, the RM of Gimli will get \$225,000 for a number of projects (Second Avenue Goldfield to Centre; Second Avenue South; Fifth Avenue Amisk to North Fifth Avenue; Sixth Avenue South of Barney Thomas; Amisk Drive; Lake Avenue Amisk to North Fifth; Thompson Drive; Seagram Road Extension).

Meanwhile the Town of Winnipeg

Beach will receive \$60,000 for the Stroll Way rehabilitation project.

"Our Progressive Conservative government understands that municipalities and local residents depend on investments in important infrastructure projects such as these," said Gimli MLA Jeff Wharton "Improving our road and transportation infrastructure ensures that goods and services continue to flow efficiently across Manitoba, which helps to grow our communities and the provincial economy."

The RM of Bifrost-Riverton will receive \$100,000 for work on Road 130N. The RM of West Interlake will also get \$100,000 for Ashern back lane relocation; Broadway renewal project (Ward 1); Murphy Road renewal (Ward 1); and Ward 2 road infrastructure renewal.

Nearby, the RM of Rockwood will receive \$225,000 for work on Road 1E from 81N to 82N; Road 6E; Road 74N from Road 4E to 5E; Road 94N; and for street paving in Stony Mountain.

Funds will also be going to the RM of Woodlands, which will receive \$100,000 to realign and reconstruct Road 82N between 15W and 16W, as well as for work on Road 82N between Road 16W and 17W and Road 82N between Road 7W and Main Street.

In addition, the City of Selkirk will receive \$377,566 for construction work on McLean Avenue, Pacific Avenue and Sophia Street.

On behalf of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM), president Chris Goertzen thanked the provincial government for partnering on the project and making it a priority.

"We look forward to the success of this program in our local communities," said Goertzen, the mayor of Steinbach.

Meanwhile, AMM executive director Joe Massey noted that the funding is "another piece of the infrastructure puzzle that our communities need."

Minister Clarke outlined the evaluation criteria, which focused on projects that address increased economic activity, extend asset life, improve public safety, and have a regional or community impact.

"Investments in our road and transportation infrastructure ensure that both goods and services continue to flow efficiently throughout our province," she said.

"Our government recognizes the importance of investing in our municipal infrastructure, which helps foster long-term, sustainable growth for our communities."



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Gimli MLA Jeff Wharton was joined by Winnipeg Beach's Mayor Tony Pimentel to make the announcement at an event at Stroll Way and River Avenue in Winnipeg Beach last Friday.

letters

What is the future of the old Selkirk hospital

I've recently received communication from community members asking about the future of the old Selkirk hospital.

Recent newspaper articles have correctly reported that Interlake-Eastern RHA is currently accepting proposals for a feasibility study to determine our ability to continue operating the former Selkirk hospital. Some letter writers have expressed concern with the RHA contemplating the short-term future use of the facil-

ity as a transitional care environment for those awaiting personal care beds in the region. I am writing to provide assurance that the region is focused on providing safe, comfortable and enjoyable long-term care for those awaiting placement in a personal care home.

The option of repurposing space within the former Selkirk hospital is being explored to determine whether we might be able to achieve the sense of community and companionship

offered by personal care homes within a former hospital setting. The feasibility study will determine whether the former hospital is safe and appropriate for such alternative uses and will identify the investment required to ensure a safe and comfortable environment for those requiring transitional care. Our commitment remains to providing the best possible care to our residents. Should the feasibility study suggest we proceed with using the former hospital for this alternative purpose, we will bring the personal care home environment to this transitional care space.

Ron Van Denakker
CEO, Interlake-Eastern Regional
Health Authority

Correction

In the July 27 edition of the *Express Weekly News*, we published the article "Massive Community Wide Garage Sale next weekend in Eriksdale" and reported that Keith Lundale is organizing a community cook-off at 4 p.m. to round out the day's events.

However, in actual fact, there is no cook-off this year and the event was something Lundale was thinking of implementing at some point in the future but not this year.

The *Express* apologizes for any confusion this might have caused.

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Fishermen just want to have fun

Greetings, friends.

There's a narrow outlet called Drunken Creek by Silver Harbour on the southwest side of Lake Winnipeg. Oh, the new homeowners in the area would probably want the creek's name changed to something nicer, but the families who settled the place scoff at the idea.

Well, that's where I wound up early last week and saw a chap tailgate fishing off the bank with two boys. I pulled into the grass beside them and asked how the fishing was. The father, Ravi Gupta, a quick-witted fellow, shook his head saying they were still fishless after a day's angling.

"But tell him about last summer here when we caught all those perch, dad," Ravi's eldest son Jayden, a likable, excited string bean of a kid, put in.

"Yes," Ravi took up the story. "A school of perch swam into our fishing area, and as fast as I could bait the boy's pickerel rigs and get them back in the water, two more would strike."

"We caught and released a whole bunch but kept some for lunch," added Little Lennox, Ravi's thin brown-haired youngest.

As I left them, Ravi pulled up a catfish. I laughed as he spread his arms to the sky with mocked displeasure on his face.

A few days later, I was in Selkirk and met David Gilbert.

Now here is a guy who has been a committed angler all his life. We happen to be looking out over the banks of the Red River as we spoke and I could see the fondness in his eyes for the river.

"When we were kids, my friends and I spent every moment we could around those banks, fishing if we felt like it or just horsing around. More than once, we came home wet having fallen into the water but we always seemed to explain our way out of it to our parents."

His love for fishing in different places has expanded now.

Not long ago, he was fishing with his father Wes on the Winnipeg River. It was hot with the blinding sun reflecting off the water. Around noon, the men began to think the fish had gone to the colder bottom waters when David felt his line was snagged. He tightened his drag and hauled in some line. It wasn't snagged. Father and son looked at each other questioningly as David continued hauling and reeling in. Then it broke surface, a long gigantic walleye. It



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David Gilbert of Selkirk with his prize walleye caught in the Winnipeg River.

came close to the boat, rolling lazily on its side and then erupted, thrashing, sending sprays of water into the air. Tail high, it dove for the deep, David's line screaming off the reel. He loosened his drag a bit, letting the fish run. With not much line left on the reel, thankfully the fish stopped. The experienced angler that David was, he started again, slowly, purposely hauling and reeling in. This time, when the fish rose by the boat, they could tell it was tired. Dad netted the pickerel into the boat for a picture and then released it, making sure it could swim.

A week or two ago, I drove east of Seven Sisters Falls on the 307 till I reached a favourite little spot of mine by Caribou Creek. There's a small dock and parking lot there, and when I pulled in I saw a guy with his family fishing off the dock. I got out of my car and asked this fellow — who looked like no stranger to the outdoors with his greying handlebar moustache, rugged features and powerful stance — if he had a fishing story for us.

It turned out he, Arnie Brown, was from Rankin Inlet and remembered a close call when he and a friend had been out fly-fishing. With bare rock bottoms, the waterways in

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Community irate over dismantled Narrows boat launch

By Jeff Ward

The removal of a boat launch in the Narrows has drawn the ire of some residents who believe the launch was for public use.

Narrows West Lodge CEO Chad Olafson owns the boat launch on the north side of PTH 68 just before the bridge over Lake Manitoba. Olafson said his grandfather built the original iteration of the launch in 1971. In 1998, Olafson rebuilt the launch, which remained until the flood of 2011. Floodwaters kept the launch under water for some time before receding, but another flood in 2014 submerged it yet again.

Olafson recently invested \$150,000 to rebuild the marina and boat launch at the lodge. He said he decided to remove the old launch because it was dangerous and unsightly.

Some Narrows residents are upset because they've continued to use to boat launch, and now that it's gone, they have to use Olafson's launch.

At the regular meeting of council on July 20, Barbara Hecko said during her delegation that the community wants council to step in and "facilitate controlled management over the area."

Olafson made an elaborate presentation to council during his delegation

at the same meeting in which he explained his case and how he has permits and ownership over the launch. The boat launch is on public reserve land, which has compounded the issue. Olafson added that the reason no one has been charged since 2011 to launch a boat was because there was no boat launch to charge for as the launch was under water. The price to launch a boat and park for the day is \$15 at the Narrows West marina.

"People started to get mad because we started charging again but, in fact, we've always charged to launch your boat," said Olafson.

"During the flood years, the launch was under water, and when it was sticking out, it wasn't in good shape. There was nothing to charge for, but people used it anyway. Ironically, we've been charging the same fee to launch since it was built in 1971."

As far as the municipality goes,

there is no debate as to who owns the boat launch. Reeve Randy Helgason said Olafson owns the launch and he remembers launching his own boat there and paying a fee back in the day. Helgason said he believes much of the confusion comes from residents believing the boat launch was a public launch and, in fact, there has never been a public boat launch.

"It's not a public boat launch. The lodge charged to launch boats there for a number of years. The land is public reserve land though and the municipality owns it," said Helgason.

The issue has had some in the community angry for quite some time and has even sparked some into spray painting obscene comments on the boulders used to block the launch.

Another resident at the meeting, Linda Major, said that one of the reasons they're so upset is that Olafson took apart the boat launch and blocked it off to the public without telling anyone what he was doing or why.

"He did it on the fly. No one realized

what he was doing until it was done," said Major.

"I don't think it's fair that he would do that to a perfectly good boat launch we were using and then funnel us all to his new one that isn't very good at all and then charge us to use it. It's not right."

Major called it a "blatant attack on the community" and said the response from the community on this issue speaks volumes. Helgason agreed that in all his time on council he's never seen a turnout from the Narrows community like this before. Helgason said that outside of the 16 people at the meeting, there have been dozens of phone calls and emails sent to the RM on this matter and he knows the issue is contentious.

Olafson insists he isn't trying to harm the community by taking apart the boat launch. He feels that the old launch was "inherently dangerous" and was more a hazard than anything else. He said he isn't sure why he has been cast as the villain in this particular story.

"This is a couple of bad apples, new residents who went out of their way to

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Controlled crop residue burning authorizations in place

Submitted

Manitoba Agriculture reminds producers who choose to burn crop residue that authorization is required from Aug. 1 to Nov. 15.

Daily authorizations are issued by 11 a.m. based on weather and smoke dispersion conditions. Night burning continues to be banned year-round.

The daily authorization will indicate if burning is permitted or not, and the start and end times allowed for that day. These depend on weather conditions and can change. Depending on conditions, burning may not be authorized for the entire province.

In addition, a burning permit is required at all times in the rural municipalities of Rosser, Headingley, St. François Xavier, Cartier, Macdonald, Ritchot, Taché, Springfield, East St. Paul and West St. Paul. The City of Winnipeg is responsible for issuing permits to farms located within its boundaries. Farmers must follow all other provincial and local regulations when burning crop residue.

Burning permit applications and more information are available from the toll-free information line at 1-800-265-1233, online at www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture or from Manitoba Agri-

culture offices.

Manitoba's controlled crop residue burning program was introduced to protect public health and safety while allowing farmers to deal with difficult straw management problems. Farmers must ensure they burn crop residue safely. The regulation is enforced by environment officers and the RCMP and penalties for failing to comply can result in fines of up to \$50,000.

Many producers use alternative methods of dealing with crop residue, such as chopping and spreading the straw or listing straw they have

for sale on the Manitoba Hay Listing Service. More information on these practices is available on Manitoba Agriculture's website.

Steeprock Bay Bible Camp volunteer tragically drowns

Staff

The RCMP underwater team recovered the body of a 17-year-old who went missing and drowned near Steeprock Bay Bible Camp last week.

The camp is 400 kilometres northwest of Ashern near Sopotaweyak Cree Nation. The teen, who was volunteering at the camp as a cabin lead-

er, was reported missing to the RCMP in the evening on Thursday July 25.

Witnesses said they last saw the teen swimming out to a floating dock but never saw him resurface.

RCMP found the body of the teen two days later. CBC reported that the boy's family was at the camp last weekend while divers searched the

waters. His identity is unknown at this time.

Ferlin Abrahamson, chair of the board for the Bible camp, said that the camp staff and board have been busy doing grief and shock care since the incident. Abrahamson wrote in an email that the "pain is real."

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IERHA put patients in danger by diverting paramedics from Winnipeg hospitals

By Larry Kusch

The Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority is being accused of threatening the safety of patients after temporarily directing its paramedics to avoid Winnipeg hospitals.

On July 13, the authority’s emergency medical services director, Louise Alarie, wrote a memo ordering patients within the region — apart from apparent stroke victims — be first transported to and treated at the nearest regional hospital.

It meant someone requiring emergency assistance just north of the Perimeter Highway, for instance, would be taken to Selkirk or Stonewall when, in the paramedics’ judgment, it would have been best for them to go to Concordia Hospital, Seven Oaks General Hospital or Health Sciences Centre, all in Winnipeg.

The authority rescinded the order Wednesday after strong pushback from paramedics — and, also likely, from patients, although the health authority wouldn’t say that Thursday.

An authority source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said paramedics were “pretty hot” about the directive, which prevented them from using their judgment on where to transport patients.

The protocol was issued in the wake of the Manitoba government’s announcement it will eventually close the emergency rooms at Concordia and Seven Oaks hospitals in north Winnipeg, sparking speculation the two decisions were linked. However, there is no evidence of that yet.

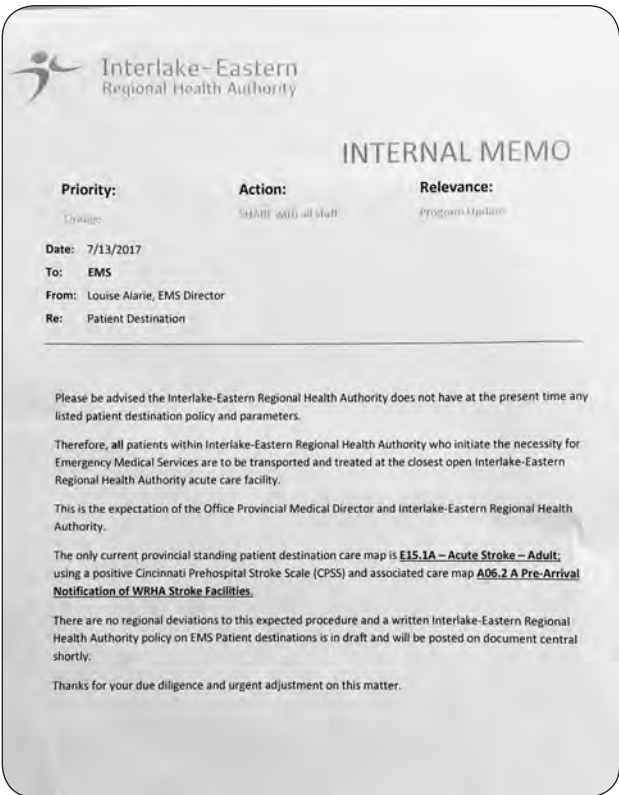
During the two weeks the directive remained in effect, some 911 callers, including those with heart conditions, balked at the idea of being taken to a local hospital and arranged their own transportation to Winnipeg after signing a waiver form, sources said.

Some paramedic crews defied the directive, the *Free Press* was told, transporting patients to Winnipeg. They said city hospitals appeared unaware of the Interlake authority’s edict — something the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority confirmed Thursday.

The Interlake-Eastern region has had a severe doctor shortage for several years, necessitating temporary ER closures at various hospitals. A Gimli baby who fell and injured her head while the edict was in effect was transported to Selkirk instead of Children’s Hospital in Winnipeg. (The Gimli hospital was diverting patients at the time, reportedly because either no doctor was available or it was short of beds.)

Sources said paramedics would normally have taken the child directly to Children’s. And, about a half-hour after the child arrived at hospital in Selkirk, staff there arranged for the baby to be taken to Winnipeg.

“Why would an RHA suggest that you don’t take



Interlake-Eastern RHA EMS director Louise Alarie, patient destination letter of July 13, 2017.

a patient to the hospital that can look after them the best? It is ludicrous,” said Michelle Gawronsky, president of the Manitoba Government and General Employees’ Union, which represents paramedics.

The temporary policy could have had serious implications for victims of vehicular crashes, especially those occurring just north of the Perimeter, Gawronsky fumed. Any serious collision would normally result in patients transported directly to the province’s main trauma centre — Health Sciences Centre, she said.

“Why are we putting patients at risk to drive further away from where the patients are going to get the best care?” Gawronsky said.

The Interlake authority would not agree to an interview about the memo Thursday. In an email to the *Free Press*, a spokeswoman portrayed the original directive as being poorly worded, creating a misunderstanding among staff.

“The original memo was misleading — all patients should be transferred to the nearest facility that can offer the most appropriate care. The memo attempted to ensure services are being provided in the most appropriate manner for our residents, but that does not always mean taking patients to an (Interlake-Eastern) facility. Sometimes, appropriate care is located in Winnipeg (depending on the case),” communications associate Lita Savage-Murray said.

“Because the memo dated July 13 gave a different

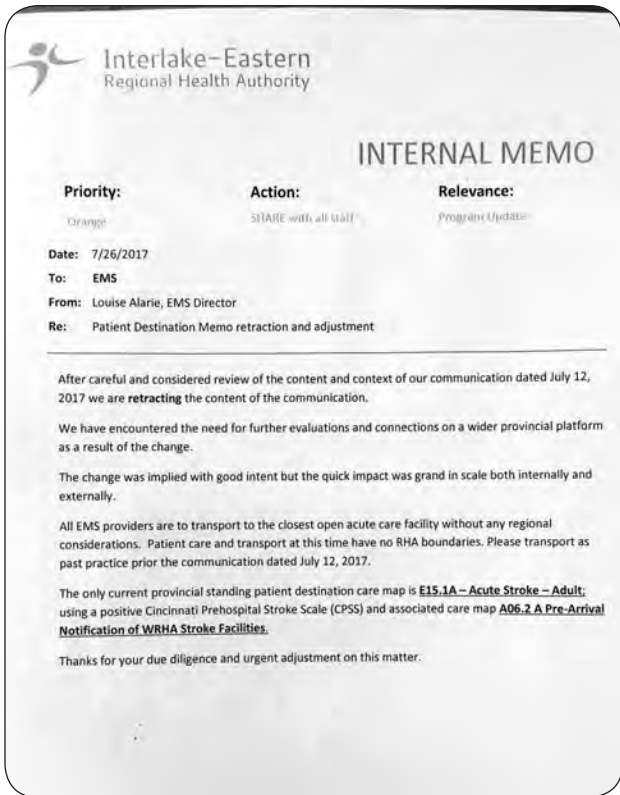
“I had about 10 five-gallon pails of sap,” said Luprypa as he and Mayor Randy Woroniuk joined the lieutenant-governor for the celebration. “It was a lot work. That’s why I quit doing it.”

The lieutenant-governor didn’t just plant and run: she inquired after the maintenance of the almost six-foot tree.

“Who’s going to water this baby?” she said.

“Our beach patrol,” said Hornby.

“The beach patrol?” she asked quizzically. “They know that I’m here, eh, that I’m watching them?”



Alarie patient destination retraction letter of July 26, 2017.

impression, it was retracted in the second memo dated July 26. The second memo should have clarified the intent is for EMS staff to transport to appropriate service delivery in the shortest amount of time as possible given the circumstances,” she said. “We always strive to deliver health-care services closer to home for our residents and not rely on facilities in Winnipeg unnecessarily.”

However, the union strongly disputes the region’s explanation. More than a dozen paramedics immediately raised their concerns to management, including Alarie, who penned both memos, Gawronsky said.

“If senior staff at (Interlake-Eastern) knew about the error and consequences but didn’t take corrective action, that’s a very serious breach of ethical standards,” she said.

The *Free Press* left messages requesting an interview with provincial EMS medical director Anthony Herd, who was said to be in support of the original memo. Herd didn’t respond.

According to its website, the authority covers 61,000 square kilometres and more than 124,000 people, with its borders extending east to the Ontario border, north to the 53rd parallel, west to the eastern shores of Lake Manitoba and south to Winnipeg’s north Perimeter.

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> PLANTING, FROM PG. 4

rooms and is well protected from the fury of Lake Winnipeg.

“We’ve planted it along the line of existing trees,” said Hornby. “These ones have done well, obviously, over the years, and we put four ... a little farther from the lake.”

In about 20 years, Gimlites may find Coun. Danny Luprypa up a ladder tapping the trees for maple syrup, which he used to make.

“I have a water system in place and we water them every day,” Hornby reassured her.

The trees will be for everybody to share and enjoy, said Filmon, and will hopefully teach people to respect the natural world.

“Everybody has sat under the shade of a tree they didn’t plant, so in terms of a legacy piece and beautifying [the environment] and something sustainable — that’s what this is all about.”

Eriksdale to unveil community marker at Creamery Days

By Jeff Ward

A new community monument recognizing the first settlers to Eriksdale will be unveiled to the public for the first time during Creamery Days Fair and Rodeo Aug. 18 to 20.

The monument has been a labour of love for members of the Eriksdale Creamery Museum board who have been working on the marker for three years. The community monument is being built by Brookside Memorials and will pay tribute to the Erickson family who named the town over 100 years ago.

Jonas Erickson settled in the area in 1906 and his wife Matilda followed in 1908. The family was given the privilege of naming the area and chose Eriksdale as the name after learning that there already was a town named Erickson.

The monument will sit at the site of Manny's Shack, which is land the Erickson's son Peter Emmanuel settled on in 1905. His shelter would become an overnight refuge for newcomers to the area before settling their own homesteads. Sweetland said that part of the reason it's taken so long to accomplish this task was to make they got the history right.

"We worked with the great-grandson of Jonas, Greg Erickson, to make sure we got the history accurate," said Sweetland.

"He came for a visit a few years ago and we took him to the site of the shack that still has the foundation on it. After he left, Nicole Jeffers sent me an

email talking about putting a marker there to indicate what that spot is and what it means to Eriksdale."

Mark and Nicole Jeffers are the current owners of the land that the foundation of Manny's Shack rests on. They gave consent to build the marker as Sweetland explained that the Jeffers felt it was an important piece of Eriksdale history. To be able to walk into a field and point to the exact spot where the town of Eriksdale spawned from is a remarkably profound feeling for history buffs.

The Jonas family would move to Vancouver in 1917 and donated the land they owned so that a hospital, now known as the E.M. Crowe Memorial Hospital, could be built. And although the family didn't stay long in Eriksdale, their decision to locate there at all was the catalyst in putting the town on the map.

"It's really quite amazing when you think about all they had to do to start a life back then. The railway, when they arrived, only went as far as Oak Point so they had to walk the rest of the way to their quarter of land. They bought land sight unseen. There were no roads or street lights back then, people had to hand dig their wells for water," said Sweetland.

It's even more fitting that the monument is being unveiled this year as Canada 150 celebrations have the entire country looking back at our history. For Eriksdale residents and for locals passing through, having a marker that says 'Here's where it all began' is important.

"WE WORKED WITH THE GREAT GRANDSON OF JONAS, GREG ERICKSON TO MAKE SURE WE GOT THE HISTORY ACCURATE."



Jonas Erikson was born in Norrsundet Hamrange, Sweden September 16, 1849. He came to the Eriksdale area in 1906. He was the second settler. His wife Matilda came in 1908 with their two youngest boys Hilmer and Edwin. Three of their other children; Emmanuel, Erika & Emil, settled in the area as well.

Jonas was given the privilege of naming the town because the railway, when it was constructed, went through his land about 1910. Since Erikson was already a name of a town, he chose the name of Eriksdale. When moving out of the area in late 1916 early 1917 Jonas donated his land to build a hospital and the town. He and his wife moved to Vancouver to help out their oldest son Karl & his wife Taylor and their 6 kids.

Their second oldest son Peter Emmanuel (Manny) was the first settler in 1905. He built his home here where this pile of rocks is. It became known as "Manny's Shack" where newcomers to the area would find shelter for the first few days. Manny moved away in the late 1920's.

This site has the last stones of the foundation for "Manny's Shack". From here you can see the Hospital and the business area of town built on the land donated by his father Jonas.

EXPRESS PHOTO SUBMITTED BY ANDREA SWEETLAND

Eriksdale will have a new community monument recognizing the first settlers the Erickson family who named the town over 100 years ago.

"The settlers that came to this area proud moment for us," said Sweetland. helped formed the country. This is a land.

Unsightly property bylaw updated in RM of West Interlake

By Jeff Ward

At the regular meeting of council on July 20, second and third reading was given to a bylaw that expands the RM of West Interlake's ability to deal with property deemed "unsightly."

The bylaw requires that land be kept maintained in a safe and clean condition and failure to do so could result in fines. The bylaw existed in both of the former RMs of Eriksdale and Siglunes but hadn't been updated after the West Interlake amalgamation.

Reeve Randy Helgason said that councillors wanted to update the bylaw to allow so that it's current. He

said that this isn't a widespread issue, but in the past there have been abandoned lots that needed attention. The bylaw gives the municipality the ability to maintain those lots and charge the land owner through their taxes for services rendered.

"In most cases, we're just talking about weeds and grass growing long," said Helgason.

"Sometimes people move away and they own land but don't maintain it properly so we charge them to do it. The point is we want the town to appear clean and inviting to people who may want to move out here, and if lots

are in bad shape, it's just not appealing."

Properties that have derelict or run-down shacks or old homes on them are also included as part of this bylaw, as well as dangerous holes or other excavation. The bylaw states that if they are "dangerous to public safety or property, or because if it's unsightly condition, the designate officer may give written order."

Helgason explained that the municipality has to make contact with the owner first before they take matters into their own hands. If the owner doesn't comply with the order to

clean up, then council can choose to do it on his or her own.

Ward 1 Coun. John Wainwright said in Eriksdale it's not a rampant problem either, but there are circumstances where this bylaw will be enforced. He added that the bylaw is being updated to make sure that if council does have to proceed with fines that there aren't any loopholes.

"We would like to keep the town looking nice, and most people understand that and it's something we won't use often. But we needed to update the bylaw to make sure it can be properly enforced," said Wainwright.

Film buffs and filmmakers reveal their top movie picks at GFF

By Patricia Barrett

Film buffs and filmmakers shared their top movie picks during the opening reception of the 17th Annual Gimli Film Festival last Wednesday at the Waterfront Centre.

The GFF is the largest rural film festival in Canada, showcasing feature films, documentaries and short films from Manitoba, Canada and across the world.

Canadian experimental filmmaker and writer Mike Hoolboom, who has made more than 50 films and won a 2017 Governor General's Award for Visual and Media Arts, called Winnipeg filmmaker Guy Maddin's *My Winnipeg* a "masterpiece."

His favourite moment is the scene "where his sister is talking about running into the deer and his mother is certain that she's used this as her first sexual experience and is berating her for it," laughed the Toronto-born filmmaker. "Not to mention the decimation of the hockey arena where he says he was born. And he conflates that with the death of his father and selling out to the NHL. The elimination of the rink and the death of his father – it's an insanely ingenious conflation of these real events."

Acclaimed B.C. screenwriter and filmmaker Sandy Wilson, who won six Genie Awards for her 1985 film *My American Cousin*, cited John Cassavetes' *Faces*, a 1968 classic depicting the soullessness of married life.

"That one took my breath away," said Wilson, who, along with Hoolboom, helped the *Express* find the best photographic light on the outdoor patio. "That's what made me think, 'Oh, my God, I want to make movies like that.'"

It wasn't hard understand why Sue Stewart was chosen as a GFF volunteer. Her vast repertoire of film knowledge spans North America, Latin America and Europe.

"I like to support the presentation of films in Gimli because they do such a good job here," she said. "I think they fill a gap in film presentation in Manitoba because, generally speaking, there aren't very many foreign films shown commercially in the province."

Like Wilson, Stewart cited Cassavetes' *Faces* as one of her favourite all-time films.

"Another one of my big favourites is the *Gold Rush* by Charlie Chaplin," said Stewart. "The visual and physical humour is just great. He was an amazing acrobat and dancer. And I love Czech films. *Kolya* won the Academy Award for best foreign film. And *Closely Watched Trains* was made in '66 just before the Iron Curtain really came down on Czechoslovakia."



GFF Chair Janis Johnson (centre in white jacket and trousers) with board members and volunteers.

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GFF volunteer Sue Stewart (left), with board member Syndi Prokopich, is an avid film buff.

Between breaks, Stewart said she'll be taking in some of the Indigenous films that are part of the festival's line-up.

Retired provincial conservation officer and Gimli Mayor Randy Woroniuk, no surprise, picked an animal-themed film as one of his favourites.

"*The Birds* sticks with me because I first saw it as a child, and I remember looking at it through squinted eyes," said the mayor, who intends to hit the sand Friday night for a free beach-side screening of Alfred Hitchcock's 1963 horror flick. "Then as I got older, I thought it's not a scary movie. To me, it has a deeper meaning. It's nature going after mankind."

The grisly scene in which the birds make a hash of a man's eyeballs is the mayor's favourite.

"It's so horrifying. You don't expect birds to do that to you," said Woroniuk. "But I've been attacked by robins, and my grandmother's rooster went for my feet."

Woroniuk, who brought greetings from the municipality, charmed the celebrants with a true-life story of baby ravens atop the A-Spire Theatre and then cleverly segued into a film pitch.

"I have a movie script ready," he



From left, ESD's Robert Arnason, MLA Jeff Wharton, Coun. Danny Luprypa, Coun. Thora Palson, Mayor Randy Woroniuk and waterfront manager Kristin Strachan.

said, causing everybody to laugh. "It's about how a Ukrainian game warden became the mayor of an Icelandic town. If anybody wants to buy it, I'm here."

Gimli MLA Jeff Wharton, who was about to become a four-time grandpa during the opening ceremony, brought greetings from the province.

"The Gimli Film Festival is an important part of Manitoba's media production industry, which ... generated approximately \$127 million in economic activity in 2016 and 2017 alone," he said. "Over the past 10 years, the production industry has attracted over \$1 billion."

Retired Conservative senator Janis Johnson, who grew up in Gimli, was honoured by Lt.-Gov. Janice Filmon and politicians for having had the vision to launch the festival in 2000.

"When I look outside and I see this beautiful lake," said Johnson, who received a Canada 150 medal from MP James Bezan, "and I think of all the happy days people are having when they sit down and watch films here, I just think how lucky and fortunate we are. And how lucky I was to be a part of this and ... follow my little dream and put Gimli on the cultural map with other film festivals in this country."

> GET FISHING, FROM PG. 6

Rankin Inlet are very clear. They were bringing the float plane into dock after fishing. Arnie, standing on the plane's float, rope in hand, jumped for the dock missing it by "that much." In seconds, he found himself up to his neck in ice cold water. Right beside his head was the dock and on the other side, the plane's float was coming to meet his face. Instinctively, he

dove under the freezing water. Looking up, he could see the underbelly of the plane. He swam under it to the dock, crawled up and, shivering, tied the plane off.

The things that happen to people when they're just trying to have a little fun fishing!

We'll see you by the water. Till next week. Stay cool.

Lockport dig unearths new clues about First Nations heritage

By Lindsey Enns

An ongoing excavation project is helping provide a glimpse into the way First Nations people lived near Lockport nearly 400 years before the first European settlers arrived.

Leigh Syms, Manitoba Museum curator emeritus, University of Manitoba Department of Anthropology adjunct professor and the co-ordinator behind the Lockport Heritage Park Project, says they are helping show that local First Nations were far more sedentary than once thought.

"It's forcing us to completely change our understanding of First Nations," Syms said during a earlier interview with the *Express*. "These people were fishing ... but they were also planting their own crops and raising materials, digging storage pits.

"They were planting ... corn and beans and other plants and had sufficient successes that they were building storage bins."

Previously it was believed that First Nations were fishers and hunters that would follow their food sources rather than spend time in one location. But Syms says they have found evidence of the tools that were used and of the plants that were there along with proof of the storage bins.

"What we're trying to do is make this better known," he said. "The site itself is a very ancient site. It dates back at least three or four thousand years."

University of Manitoba students started extracting artifacts from the site, located along the river's edge in Lockport Heritage Park, last spring while following up on research done in the '80s that showed First Nations had constructed storage bins.

"This site is phenomenally important. It's just unbelievable that a site so important ... is so poorly known," Syms said, adding they have been working closely with nearby First Na-



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University of Manitoba students take part in a dig at a site in Lockport last summer. The students helped uncover things such as clay pottery used by First Nations people 400 years before European settlers arrived, following up on research done in the '80s that showed First Nations had constructed storage bins.

tions communities. "When we were excavating last spring, nobody knew about this."

Syms added their research has also helped enhance the important role of women in First Nations families. Men would hunt while women would take care of the plants, he said.

Syms said they have sent the artifacts they have uncovered so far to Lakehead University for further scientific analysis.

Once this project is complete, Syms predicts it will "completely change the general understanding and appreciation of the richness of First Nations heritage." He said they hope to wrap things up sometime this fall.

The research project is also being featured in a television documentary about First Nations agriculture that

is currently underway and is expected to be released sometime this fall. He added the documentary will be made available to schools as a teaching school.

The Selkirk and District Community Foundation provided a grant of \$10,000 to the project to help facilitate scientific analysis of materials discovered at the site and the documentary. But Syms admits a project of this magnitude can be costly.

"Certainly over \$100,000 worth of time and effort has gone into it when you include volunteer time," he said. "We've had just a phenomenal amount of donated time.

"It couldn't have happened without all of this work ... we've had just tremendous support."



Province seeks input on pot legalization options, opinions

Staff

The province has issued an expression of interest (EOI) to determine options and possible participants in the new cannabis industry.

"In anticipation of the legalization of cannabis, we have taken a proactive approach to addressing our primary concern, which is the health and safety of Manitobans," Justice Minister Heather Stefanson stated in a release last Thursday. "In addition to this focus, we also recognize there are many questions to be answered regarding distribution, regulation and quality

control.

"This EOI will help us source potential solutions to these important questions and further engage Manitobans on an approach to legalization that works best for our province."

Stefanson added the purpose of the EOI is to determine marketplace interest and capability to provide, full or in part, services for the production, distribution and retail of cannabis that will meet the needs and standards of the cannabis industry in Manitoba.

She said the EOI will seek input from respondents on their understanding

of the requirements of the Manitoba cannabis industry, a detailed work plan to fulfil those requirements, proposed costs, commitment to corporate responsibility, economic benefits, method of age verification, status as or relationship to a company holding a Health Canada Cannabis Production Licence and details of any additional services they may provide.

"The federal government has been clear in its intention to legalize cannabis by July 1, 2018," added Stefanson. "Our government is focused on responsibly managing this signifi-

cant change in public policy. We are concerned about the federal government's deadline but we will continue the work that needs to be done to implement the legalization of cannabis.

"As we await further clarity from the federal government, this EOI will help us gather the information necessary to help protect the public health and safety of all Manitobans."

The EOI is now live on the online Canadian public tendering service, merx.com.

Deadline for submissions is Sept. 8.

Fishers to decide future of FPMC

Federal government consultations underway

By Patricia Barrett

The federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans won't be making a decision anytime soon on what a new Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation will look like until it meets with fishers in communities across the province and beyond to obtain their feedback.

DFO director of strategic partnerships Katerina Daniel visited Fisher River Cree Nation July 26 to find out how fishers feel about the corporation the province wants to divorce.

In August 2016, the provincial Conservatives announced their intention to remove Manitoba from the Freshwater Fish Marketing Act and a few months later hired mediators from the hog industry to act as fisheries envoys.

Despite repeated claims from the province's Sustainable Development Minister Cathy Cox that she had consulted with the feds about cutting ties with FPMC, Daniel said the province "did not consult with us or talk about it beforehand."

"We were told last summer when they made the announcement that that was the direction they were going in," said Daniel, who advises DFO Minister Dominic LeBlanc. "We, like you, are kind of reacting ... to their decisions and their timelines and trying to prepare for when they actually do withdraw."

Fisher River was the first community to signal its intent to stay with FPMC, signing a contract earlier this year.

John Binding, who oversees FPMC's field operations in southern Manitoba, said Norway House, Grand Rapids and Matheson Island have also signed contracts.

"The overall view we get is ... 95 per cent of fishers want the status quo," he said. "[But] they want us to tweak a lot of things, and that's how we're going to move forward."

Daniel said the federal government will base its decision on how the corporation will operate after it hears from fishers in about 22 communities.

"There hasn't been a decision made or a recommendation made yet," she said. "We're coming in earnest to hear what community members and fishers ... would like to see in the future."

What FRCN Chief David Crate would like to see is a stop to the province's Bill 23, which will remove Manitoba from the act.

The decision to open the market to

private fish buyers was made without taking First Nation concerns into account, he said, and that its genesis lay in "discussions" MP James Bezan had had with a minority of fishers on Lake Manitoba.

"At that time, they [Lake Man.] also supported the provincial PC party... to open up dual marketing," said the chief. "I guess the best-case scenario for our fishers is for the province to withdraw the bill."

First Nations make up the majority (85 per cent) of Manitoba's fishers, and they stand to lose a number of benefits if FPMC folds.

FRCN's fishers cited concern over possible changes to quota entitlements, lack of fish stock monitoring, loss of freight subsidies, loss of loans for equipment purchases, lack of support for young fishers entering the trade, loss of FPMC infrastructure (sheds, totes), no profit-sharing and low fish prices.

FRCN's director of operations Sam Murdock said the loss of federal EI benefits would not only devastate fishers economically, but also unduly burden the community.

"If the corporation is gone, that [EI] relationship disappears," he said. "Our fishers require EI during the off-season. If they don't have that, where else can they go? That means they come to the band office, they're on welfare, and that puts a burden on the First Nation. A study undertaken ... shows it would be \$600,000 a year. Where are we going to find that money? Is it fewer roads, less housing?"

One of the fishers' major concerns is Cox's threat to deny FPMC a licence to operate in Manitoba.

"The province controls the licensing," said Chief Crate. "If that's the case, what the fishers will be left with are these new companies or buyers."

Daniel said the province "will have that right at some point. We have asked the province about that, if Freshwater gets a licence to operate or not. They have indicated they have no plans in the near term [to deny]. If it came down to that, we'd have to address that. I can't say we have a plan to act on it because it's not something we anticipate will happen."

One fisher was nervous about that response: "Maybe the [federal] government should plan on it just in case they [province] do get rid of Freshwater. Look what they're doing to us right now."



Katerina Daniel from DFO.



Walter Sinclair, president of McBeth Fisheries.



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FRCN Chief David Crate speaks with NDP MLA Rob Altemeyer, who helped delay Bill 23.

If FPMC is allowed to operate within an open market regime, fishers recommended it cut costs at the executive level and increase the representation of First Nations on its board.

Fisher River Coun. Vince Crate asked Daniel if DFO has seen the envoys' report, which the province promised to make public by spring.

Daniel, who had accompanied (as observer) envoys Perry Mohr and Gerry Friesen on many of their tours, indicated the report may be damning to the Tories.

"We have asked repeatedly of the provincial government whether they're going to release that report," she said. "As you know ... I was with them for quite a few of those meetings, so I'm very aware of what was being said. And we took lots of notes. I don't know exactly what's in the report. I haven't seen it. But having been with the envoys, and having heard all of you in all the communities, I have a pretty good idea of why they're not super keen on releasing it."

NDP MLA (Wolseley) Rob Altemeyer, who attended the meeting, said the party recently submitted a request

under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for access to the envoys' report.

The province can take up to two months to respond, he said. In the meantime, he'll continue to advocate for fishers and help them prepare for upcoming committee hearings on Bill 23.

"This a wonderful opportunity to put pressure on the provincial government," he said, referring to the hearings. "They will probably happen in the first half of October."

Altemeyer said fishers can call the clerk's office at the legislature to register to speak at the hearing, or they can submit written statements or petitions that will become part of the hearing.

Daniel will continue to visit fishing communities on behalf of the DFO.

"The needs of First Nation communities and fishers are very important to my minister and to this [Liberal] government," said Daniel. "Even though this is a ... provincial area of jurisdiction, we take this seriously and that's why we're here. We want to hear from all of you."

Couple brings beloved dance hall back to life

By Ligia Braidotti

A Gimli family is bringing back to life a, beloved to many and once forgotten, dance and music hall.

Elaine and Darrell Klym bought the Farmers Hall building, located on Highway 231, two miles west of Highway 8 in the RM of Gimli, in 2006. The couple said they do renovations as a hobby and the Farmers Hall was on their radar for quite some time.

"The floor was all sunk in, there was a big puddle of water, there was a hole in the roof, each of the wings was kind of sagging, and they were falling down," Elaine commented.

"We started peeking through the windows and wanting to get inside and take a look at it, and we started wondering if they would sell it to us and we could try our hand at renovating it and see what would happen."

The United Farmer's Community Hall did so and Elaine and Darrell got trades people to check if the structure was safe and sound and started working on it. The project was the biggest one the couple took on so far. The building has been finished with hardwood floors and barn board walls. Most of the furnishing are the original ones which the couple restored.

The renovation caught the attention of many community members who had a connection with the building and many offered to help out in the restoration.

Darrell himself spent time at the old dance hall while growing up on his grandparent's farm across the field from the Farmers Hall. The retired electrician said he remembers the countless times he went to the event centre to see his father perform with the local band Sunset Boys.

"I remember coming to a lot of parties, watching him play and falling asleep on the benches here and being carried home," Darrell said.

When they started renovating the place, the Klyms weren't sure what kind of business they would run in there. It was by listening to the community's feedback, comments and memories of the place that they decided to bring Farmers Hall back to life.

Three seasons ago, they got their banquet hall licence and started renting the space to weddings and social events. This year is the first time the couple is running it as an entertainment venue for concerts. The season has been a significant learning experience for Elaine and her husband, she said.

"It's been a lot of musicians stopping by that got us thinking about how can we open this as an event centre," Elaine explained.

"We're learning a lot about advertising, promoting, liquor licensing, working with musicians and agents. We're learning as we go along."

They kicked off the season on May long weekend



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Elaine and Darrell Klym are the proud owners of the Farmers Hall. The Gimli couple have completely restored the original United Farmer's Community Hall built in the 1920s.

with local musicians Jaxon Haldane and Little Miss Higgins.

Farmers Hall rents the space for weddings, live entertainment, dance bands, community events, family functions, birthday parties and fitness events. They also hold Old Time Dances on the last Wednesday of the month from 1 to 4 p.m.

"This is something new for us, but we are finding that the old folks will appreciate the place. It's nice to be able to put something back into the community with a little bit of work and getting some positive feedback," Darrell added.

They offer a prep kitchen for caterers to use when they do an event. However, it is not a fully functioning kitchen. For concerts, the kitchen functions as a canteen, with hot dogs, popcorn, pre-prepared pizza, chips and drinks. For rental and contact information for the Farmers Hall, go to www.farmer-shallgimli.com.

The Ins & Outs and the Pink Socks will be playing on Aug. 4 and 5 respectively at 9:30 p.m. The Ministers of Cool are playing on Sunday, Aug. 6 at 8 p.m. Tickets are available for purchase at H.P. Tergesen & Son's Store (82 1 Ave.) in Gimli. On Aug. 18, the Lake Winnipeg Foundation will be holding their Lake Bash 2017, a fundraiser that features live mu-



Farmers is a hopping social hall regularly booked for old time dances, family gatherings and events showcasing local bands.

sic, food, a cash bar and a silent auction. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased at www.lakewinnipegfoundation.org/tags/farmers-hall.

> BOAT LAUNCH, FROM PG. 7

cause me some misery. I have the right to do what I want to do on the marina where the water starts. But they're not forced to use my launch at the lodge. There are three other launches within a half a mile of here," said Olafson.

Helgason said that given the strong message from the community he's seen, he does think it could be a good idea to develop that area into a public boat launch. He said the launch, much like the Silver Bay

one to the north, would be free to use and maintained by the municipality. Olafson said it wouldn't bother him to have the municipality develop a launch across from his own.

Major said the community is interested in taking on some of that responsibility themselves if it means getting their boat launch back.

"We would be willing to maintain that area down there —donate picnic tables, benches and plant shrubs to make it nicer. People are still launching their boat there today," said Major.

Helgason said that investment in the area won't happen anytime soon, nor is it a guarantee, but he is looking at the process of what it would take to get that job done.

"There are a lot of people in the Narrows in the summer and many of them go for boating activities. We had a lot of paper thrown at us during the meeting so we have a lot to discuss but we're considering putting a boat launch in that location," said Helgason.

Gimli Film Fest celebrates Canada, brings in big crowds

By Maggie Wysocki

The largest film festival in Manitoba took over Gimli's little beach-town last week, transforming it into a hub of movie lovers, makers and watchers.

"I am always amazed by the buzz and conversations in Gimli due to the power of film. Films inspire, engage, and empower," said Gimli Film Festival (GFF) director Leona Johnson. "I love the passion of not only our film fans that come every year but the passion of our volunteers and sponsors who keep giving it more and more."

From July 26 to 30, the festival played 134 films, including 72 short films, 36 narrative features and 26 documentaries.

Like GFF's previous 16 editions, this year's event showcased both local and international films. But there was one aspect that Johnson said made this

year different than most: a focus on celebrating Canada.

"The additional day of screenings on Wednesday to celebrate Canada 150 not only recognized the exceptional work of Canadian filmmakers that forged the way for the film industry in Canada but also highlighted these brilliant classic productions," she said.

Though supporting Canadian filmmakers has always been part of GFF's mandate, the festival made it an even larger focus this year, incorporating more Manitobans into the workshops and Q&A periods.

"We honoured Norma Bailey this year, who is hugely successful, and that was really great to see," said GFF media manager Amy Harrison, referring to the Gimli-born director who has showcased some of her films at the Cannes Film Festival in France.

Eriksdale PCH seniors visit museum to see historical quilts



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Mae Poston turned 101 years old in March. She is the oldest resident of the Eriksdale Personal Care Home and was a student at Nord School as a young girl. Seven seniors from the PCH visited the Eriksdale Creamery Museum last Friday to see the quilts detailing the town's history. The Canada 150 Quilt commemorates the school houses in the area that were merged into the Eriksdale School. PCH residents were very interested to see the quilts and discuss the history of their town with museum staff.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY ANDERS KUUSSELKA

Miles Crossman, left, and Nicola Baldwin were the winners of the RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Competition.

"Filmmakers being present at the screenings is where that festival magic is made. Only at a festival can you be with the person who's made the movie," Harrison added.

Celebrating Canada 150 didn't only lead to patriotism at the festival but to bigger attendance numbers too. In total, over 10,800 people attended this year's event, and indoor-screening ticket sales went up 12 per cent from 2016.

The hot weather definitely played a factor, said Johnson but it was the great programming she believes was the real reason for the big crowds.

Highlights from this year's festival:

A number of films and events were at or near capacity at this year's Festival, including the 48 Hour Film Competition; the Directing and Acting Workshop with Sean Garrity; *The Salesman*; *Becoming Bond*; *A Better Man*; and *RUMBLE: The Indians Who Rocked the World*.

The 2017 Gimli Film Festival Audience Award - Best of the Fest - went to Raoul Peck's *I Am Not Your Negro*. The Social Justice Film Series fan-favourite profiles the impact of literary treasure James Baldwin and his Civil Rights contemporaries. Each feature-length film in the GFF is eligible to receive the Audience Award. The festival-going public casts their vote to choose the most popular film

in each year's festival.

2017 Awards Reception:

A number of awards were handed out at the GFF closing reception, held at the Gimli Pavilion on Saturday. GFF was happy to once again congratulate RBC \$10,000 Emerging Filmmaker Competition winners Miles Crossman and Nicola Baldwin, and 48 Hour Film Contest Audience Award-winning project *As We Are* from director Julie Epp. The film festival's founder and chair The Honourable Janis Johnson presented the Alda Award to celebrated Manitoba director Norma Bailey. Derek Mazur and Joan Scott were this year's recipients of The Jack Clements "Livin' the Dream" Lifetime Achievement Award.

The Gimli Film Festival would like to thank the tirelessly dedicated volunteers. A team of nearly 100 volunteers who contributed over 1,400 hours of time to support the festival's success.

The Gimli Film Festival is supported by The Burns Family Foundation, RBC Royal Bank, Telefilm Canada, the Province of Manitoba, the Canadian Government, the RM of Gimli, The Asper Foundation, BellMTS, ChangeMakers, Gimli Pharmasave, IBAM, and William F. White International.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year for the 18th annual Gimli Film Festival, July 25 to 29, 2018.

Brewery toasts to Lake Friendly's 'No Water No Beer' campaign

By Jessica Worb

While you're sipping on an ice cold beer this summer, Lake Friendly wants to remind you that without clean water, there wouldn't be any beer to drink.

"Often when we think about the health of our water, we think just about Lake Winnipeg," explained Colleen Sklar, Lake Friendly executive director. "We really have to start to understand that this is more than recreation and beaches; it is about our economy."

Lake Friendly, which was an initiative created in 2009 by the leaders of the South Basin of Lake Winnipeg in response to the deteriorating water quality, aims to create awareness about the issues facing Lake Winnipeg and other fresh water lakes around the globe.

"We all relate to water and it's our job to protect it," stated Sklar.

As a part of their new #nowaternobeer campaign, Lake Friendly created thousands of coasters in hopes it will create conversations both in person and on social media.

Brazen Hall, a new kitchen and brewery located in Winnipeg, is one of the 150 restaurants participating in the campaign. Brazen Hall has eight original beers on tap, which means they use copious amounts of water to brew their beers.

"When you look at beer, it's 95 per cent water, so it's a big part of it," explained Jeremy Wells, head brewer at Brazen Hall. "Most breweries use anywhere between two to three volumes of water for every one volume of beer, which means it takes two to three times more water to make just one bit of beer."



EXPRESS PHOTO BY JESSICA WORB

Kristján Kristjánsson, pictured left, and Jeremy Wells, pictured right, of Brazen Hall, a new kitchen and brewery in Winnipeg, is one of the 150 locations on board with Lake Friendly's No Water No Beer campaign.

Kristján Kristjánsson, Brazen Hall owner and Lockport area resident, says that being environmentally cautious is crucial to their business. They have stopped using straws because of the impact they have on the lake and fish, and they also use LED energy efficient lighting. Those are only two of the many other initiatives they have taken on.

"We are always looking to add recycling elements to our business," said Kristjánsson. "For me, I look at our lakes and I ask myself 'What is it going to be like in the future for my kids and future generations?'"

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Said another way, the job of your suspension system is to maximize the friction of your tires to the road. If your suspension is failing, not only will you be in for a rough ride, but your safety is also compromised when you come across rough terrain at higher speeds.

Suspension systems should continue to operate effectively for many years and tens of thousands of kilometers, holding your tires' foot print on the road. Eventually components do wear out, but how long that takes depends a lot on how and where you drive. And different components wear at different rates, so it's important to familiarize yourself with all parts of your suspension system.

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Gimli Film Festival movie review: The Commune

By Patricia Barrett

Anyone who grew up in the 1970s will probably recall that era's vogue for communal living and Coca-Cola commercials with hippies on a breezy hillside proclaiming everyone can get along just fine if they learn to sing in perfect harmony and raise a few snow-white turtle doves.

But Danish director Thomas Vinterberg's 2016 film *The Commune* shows a darker side to group living, income sharing and collective child-rearing.

Partly informed by Vinterberg's own childhood experience in a commune – with a lot of fiction thrown into the mix – the film suffers from moments of absurdity and actors searching for a throughline.

Anna Moller (Trine Dyrholm), a news anchor who's mobbed for autographs in the street, is the instigator of the communal lifestyle, convincing her architect husband Erik (Ulrich Thomsen) to invite six people (friends and strangers) to live with them in a mansion he recently inherited.

Erik is dead-set against moving into the house (the heating bill would be astronomical), and he doesn't want to share his wife and daughter with other people.

"We'll lose one another in a big house," he says in a prophetic line that gives it away too soon.

But all it takes to convince him, apparently, is a wistful stroll around his old stomping grounds and a harbour the spitting image of Gimli's, as well as Anna's pleas for "change" and "I need to hear someone else speak."

The couple, along with their 14-year-old daughter Freja (Martha Sofie Wallstrom Hansen), move in and promptly set up interviews with prospective lodgers.

That Erik goes so far as to march people he's known for all of 10 minutes down to a lawyer's office in order to sign over the rights to his house is kind of a stretch, but maybe it had

something to do with that group swim in the nude.

Some of the lodgers don't have jobs (or we just can't figure out what it is they do exactly) and can't pay rent. But that's OK. Erik pays for everything – the bills, food, copious quantities of booze and fags – and revels in the collective spirit because this is what sharing is all about.

At one booze-fuelled meal, Anna happily proclaims, "I feel like you're my family now." The problem is we've no idea how she and Erik have arrived in their new emotional happy place, and unsure of what they're getting in return given the choppy screenplay.

The supporting cast has little function other than to provide moments of melodrama and comic relief. For the most part, they sit around the table and drink the bottle dry. Ole (Lars Ranthe) could have been a serious commentary on cult leaders with his daily grilling of each member's feelings and the secret torching of their possessions.

Erik takes his newfound freedom too far when one of his architect students chides him for belittling another student's plan to build teepees (representative, ironically, of communal living), and who – because all female students are oversexed and want to shag a spleen-venting prof – makes a play for him.

How could any married man resist? Emma (Helene Reingaard Neumann) is his wife's lookalike, but 20 years younger. And she doesn't demand to hear "other voices," only his.

Not quite what Anna had envisaged, no doubt. Sharing your house, yes; sharing your husband, no. But her receipt of the news is sublime, betrayal and terror burbling beneath a calm exterior.

Erik: "It just happened." Anna: "Are you leaving me?" Erik: "No."

OK, he's not leaving you. Perhaps it's perfectly logical then for her to sug-



gest the mistress shack up with them. Because sharing is the golden rule, the group votes in favour of having Emma move in – and into the room next to Anna's bedroom, where she can hear them puffing and groaning all night.

It may also be perfectly logical for Anna to take her doppelganger on a shopping spree, tell her "Erik has a right to pursue his passion" then go on to have a nervous breakdown seconds before she's due to read the news.

The real victim, however, is the daughter Freja, whose primary role is observer and caretaker of the young son of one of the couples. In her practical striped Butterick turtleneck, she seems to silently recriminate the

drunken, free-wheeling adults. But we lose the turtleneck after she catches her father and Emma tidying up after a tryst; she runs off to have sex with a boy from school.

The desperate lengths lovers will go to is played out under the mellow hues of the communal table when Anna asks for permission to share her husband's sexual services because "he knows how to hold me."

With the rift in the commune finally hitting the fan, the group moves to expel Anna from their house, the final verdict laid in Freja's lap.

Any family striving to keep the unit intact at all costs will usually sacrifice the wailing lamb.

Memories car show to benefit grieving parents

By Maggie Wysocki

The late Candace Morgoch would be proud if she could see how her parents' fundraiser, the annual Memories Show N' Shine Car Show, has helped so many other families dealing with the death of a child.

"She'd be ecstatic. I know she would love it," said Candace's mother, Sharon Morgoch, who has organized the event for the past 14 years alongside her husband, Johnny.

The annual event, which is set for Sunday, Aug. 13 this year, fundraises

for The Compassionate Friends of Winnipeg, an organization that provides counselling and other resources to bereaved parents.

Over time, the event has evolved from starting in the Morgoch's backyard to being hosted in Lockport and now taking place at the Selkirk Waterfront.

"More and more parents come out who have lost children so we know we're doing something right. It gives them purpose," Sharon said.

Though the event is in support of be-

reaved parents, Sharon says it's really just a day of fun for everyone.

Last year, the show raised more than \$14,000 and she says it keeps getting bigger.

"Over 600 cars showed up last year and we even had to turn some away," Sharon said, encouraging this year's participants to show up as early as 8 a.m. to make sure they can reserve a spot.

Registration will be open from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. and the show will run from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. showcasing

old, classic, antique and street-rod rides.

Afterwards participants are invited to enjoy a barbecue, listen to a Patsy Cline tribute by Laurie Sutherland and enter to win silent auction prizes.

The show will also feature the crowd favourite "engine blow" where participants bet a toonie to see how long an old car without gas will run for.

Sharon said her favourite part of the day is "everyone coming together and working together."

I Am Festival aims for transformative experiences

By Jennifer McFee

A local festival invites participants to unplug in nature while nourishing their mind, body and soul.

The second annual I Am Festival will be held at Ignite Retreats in the Teulon area from Aug. 18 to 20. The festival's main mandate is to create transformative experiences for all who attend.

The concept began with a conversation in a canoe three years ago among three friends who were enjoying the scenic pond on the Teulon acreage. Maurice and Tracy Thibodeau of Ignite Retreats and wellness coach Keith McPherson chatted about the possibility of creating an opportunity for people to connect with themselves, with others and with nature.

Their vision became a reality through the already-popular I Am Festival, the first of its kind in Manitoba.

In its inaugural year, more than 200 people attended, and this year the capacity can accommodate up to 400 festival-goers.

For McPherson, I Am Festival is still somewhat of a hidden gem that is ready to be discovered.

"It's actually more than just a festival because it's really like a retreat. Some people will go to places like Hawaii or Mexico and take a retreat weekend with a certain presenter. We wanted to create something in our community that had that essence of rejuvenation and personal retreat experience," he said.

"So it's quite an awesome opportunity for people to immerse with some world-class presenters in the middle of Teulon and enjoy the nature and beauty in our province."

This year, the festival will feature



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Teulon will play host to the second annual I AM Festival from Aug. 18 to 20. The three-day festival will offer local presenters, live music, yoga workshops, stand-up paddle board yoga and more.

a variety of yoga classes, including paddleboard yoga on a beach pond. Guests can also look forward to plenty of presentations with speakers ranging from psychologist Dr. Doug Tatarzyn to psychic medium Lisa Scriven.

Musical performances will add to the ambiance with contributions from Juno Award winner Don Amero, songstress Sheena Grobb, and the Dirty Catfish Brass Band. As well, Renowned visual artist Willow Wolfe will teach a painting workshop.

"There's something for everyone," McPherson said. "There's so much going on."

For Tracy Thibodeau, she shares in the enthusiasm for the upcoming event.

"We're super excited about it this year. It's definitely grown beyond what we envisioned. We moved out here five years ago and part of the vision of the property is to create a space for people to escape to," she said.

"When we met up with Keith and fell in step with what he was working on, it just started to grow and grow. The festival came to fruition and it's been growing. It's amazing what happens when you just open up space for people to step into."

They listened to feedback from people who wanted to share the festival experience with their families, so they also created I Am Family Camp. For the first time, families can enjoy a weekend filled with camping and connection at Ignite Retreats from Aug. 11 to 13.

"The agenda is amazing. We have Fred Penner coming. We've got a female empowerment coach on site. We've got therapists from Hawaii," Thibodeau said.

"And there's swimming, kayaks, canoes, tug of war and those types of things too, so it should be a really incredible experience for families. We have child care available so parents

can drop their kids off in Kids Club and then attend some workshops. As well, there's lots of family time scheduled too."

Unserviced camping is available on site for both I Am Festival and I Am Family Camp with spots available for tents, RVs and everything in between. For families without camping gear, the festival organizers can help them to get set up with a shelter system called ShiftPods.

"We're just so honoured to be able to open up this space because it really makes a difference for people. It's beautiful to watch," Thibodeau says.

"We also want people to know how great Teulon is. This is such a great community and it's super supportive."

To buy festival passes or for more information about I Am Festival and I Am Family Camp, visit www.iamfestival.net. More information is also available by emailing info@iamfestival.net.

St. Laurent Day Camp providing great summer experience for youth

By Jeff Ward

A summer day camp organized by the St. Laurent Recreation Commission is giving area youth the chance for daily adventures, fun and games in a safe environment and all for a relatively low cost.

The camp is beginning its fifth week next Monday, Aug. 7, and organizer and recreation director Wendy Scharf said that she's seeing an increasing popularity each week. Scharf said that in the early goings, the attendance started slow, but over the last two weeks, the numbers have continued to climb to an average of 12 kids per day. The camp has a maximum of 25 spots for kids, and Scharf believes

that they will likely see 20 kids a day on average.

The prices are \$50 per child for the week or a \$10 a day drop-in fee. That covers all of the activities for the day like sports, games, arts and crafts designed for an age range of 5 to 12 years old. Parents are responsible to supply their child with a lunch and a water bottle. Camp days are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the St. Laurent Recreation Centre.

"This is not a privilege program. We want to keep youth active and I think reducing our price makes it easier for parents to enrol their kids," said Scharf.

"In our area, we have lots of big fam-

ilies, so while \$50 a week isn't expensive, we do need to think about families of three and four where that does become much more difficult. The rec commission is non-profit and my job is to facilitate programming at an affordable rate in the community."

The program offers value to the teenage youth working as camp counsellors for the summer. Scharf said that leadership and mentoring opportunities would add new skills for those youth looking for personal development in a fun summer job.

Scharf said that it's important for her to create a space that encourages development in social skills and interpersonal relationships while also hav-

ing youth participate in health and wellness thinking. Being active outdoors and discussing healthy eating tips are all smaller pieces of the pie when it comes to this summer camp.

"It really will be an adventure everyday and I know that kids are having a lot of fun already. There is almost endless value to this day camp, and I hope to see more parents enrol their kids over the next few weeks," said Scharf.

Parents interested in registering their child can do so with a cheque or in cash at the RM office or by dropping in Monday morning and speaking with Scharf in person.

For more information, email wendy.healthandwellness@gmail.com.

Walk for Water fuels fight for a healthier Lake Winnipeg

By Maggie Wysocki

Close to 100 people in the Village of Dunnottar walked along Lake Winnipeg last Sunday, but it wasn't your typical summer beach stroll.

It was part of the Lake Winnipeg Foundation's (LWF) 10th annual Walk for Water, meant to raise awareness and support for the second largest watershed in Canada.

The five-kilometre walk raised \$5,384 and was a great indication of how many more people are getting involved, said Alexis Kanu, LWF executive director.

"I asked how many people were here for the first time and dozens of hands shot up," she said referring to her opening speech before walkers set off at the Dunnottar Community Club. "I'm so encouraged by what we've done over the last 10 years. It's because of all of them that we are where we are."

Among the many new participants, were returning walkers too, including Heather Anderson who has participated in every walk since it first started in 2007.



EXPRESS PHOTO BY MAGGIE WYSOCKI

Close to 100 people kicked off the 10th annual Walk for Water last Sunday in the Village of Dunnottar, raising \$5,384 towards the support and protecting of Lake Winnipeg.

"My family's had a cottage here for 62 years, so we have a vested interest in this amazing lake," she said.

Over the years, Anderson has watched how the walk's evolved and grown, starting off with only a dozen or so Dunnottar residents.

"It becomes more and more organized and gives us really great lake information," Anderson said.

Before the event started, LWF provided walkers with pamphlets and resources on the lake's health. A portion of this year's funds will go towards the community-based monitoring network that collects water samples and analyzes them for phosphorus concentration.

"We have six districts participating and lots of citizen volunteers who

want sampling. We are super excited about what this data," said Kanu.

The 2017 Walk for Water followed less than a week behind the feds announcement that it will invest \$25.7 million in the Lake Winnipeg Basin Program, which is part of \$70.5-million in funding allocated for freshwater protection in the 2017 budget.

Eriksdale getting ready for annual Creamery Days Fair and Rodeo

By Jeff Ward

Organizers are in their final few weeks of preparation for Eriksdale's annual Creamery Days Fair and Rodeo and it's looking to be a weekend packed with fun events.

Since expanding from a one-day event to a full weekend with the help from the Heartland Rodeo Association the event has become more popular and has brought out more people to the area. The event takes place Aug. 18 to 20 and is in its 13th year.

Organizer and museum board member Andrea Sweetland said that this year there will be no shortage of activities for families to enjoy. The Manitoba Barrel Racing Association will kick off the weekend's events with a jackpot horseshoe tournament. A pancake breakfast, market garden, Canada 150 themed parade, community monument dedication, barbecue, kids' zone, museum tours and so much more will fill the rest of the weekend. Sweetland said that groups start meeting in January to go over ideas and scheduling to iron out all the details for the event.

"Every group looks after each of their portions and it all comes together for a fun weekend," said Sweetland.

The event began as a way to get

people to come down to the museum grounds and explore the history of Eriksdale. Walking through the creamery paints a picture of what life was like back when the community first started to grow. And now that the event has continued to grow more and more new people are experiencing the museum and some even the town for the first time.

With it being the year of Canada 150 the museum board is hoping that interest in the history of the country will become an interest in the history of Eriksdale. The inclusion of historical quilts and the new community monument, Sweetland said, will have people talking.

"There is a lot of community pride in our local history. It's nice to be able to bring something out that's getting people talking. The quilt helped and the monument will help. Making history exciting is what we're trying to do," said Sweetland.

Of course the rodeo events are crowd pleasers as well and present incredible competition of some of the best riders around.

"Having the rodeo people on board has helped grow this event and become bigger than we ever expected,"



EXPRESS FILE PHOTO

Barrel racing will kick off the Eriksdale Creamery Days Fair and Rodeo on Aug. 18.

said Sweetland.

Admission to Aug. 18 events are free as are Aug. 19 events at the Creamery Museum. The McEwen Park Rodeo

Grounds admission is \$10 per day or \$25 for a family pass. Tickets can be purchased at the gate.

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Interlake to compete at Bantam 'AAA' baseball provincials

Staff

The Interlake Blue Jays will have a chance to see how they fare against the best Bantam "AAA" baseball teams in the province this weekend.

Interlake will be competing at the Bantam "AAA" provincials, beginning Friday and continuing through Sunday, in Morden.

Interlake has been placed in Pool 1 of the nine-team tournament with four other teams.

The Blue Jays will begin play Friday (8:30 a.m.) against Midwest and then will play Winnipeg South later that day at 4 p.m.

On Saturday, Interlake will clash with St. James at 1:30 p.m. and South Central at 6:30 p.m.

The other pool consists of North Winnipeg, Oildome, Bonivital and Carillon.

Tie-breakers, if needed, will be played Sunday at 9 a.m., followed by the semifinal games at noon.

The championship game is slated for 4 p.m.

The Bantam "AAA" provincial winner will advance to Baseball Canada's 15U National Championship in Summerside, PEI.

The finalist, meanwhile, will attend the westerns in Kamloops, B.C.

Impact having a ball



EXPRESS PHOTO BY LANA MEIER

The Interlake Impact's Eric Harder goes high up in their air during MMSL action against Elmwood FC last Friday in Winnipeg. The two teams played to a 3-3 draw.

Collings to represent Manitoba at senior golf nationals

By Brian Bowman

Garth Collings is used to competing on a national level.

And he'll get another opportunity in September when he represents Manitoba at the 2017 Canadian Men's Senior Golf Championship in Kahnawake, Que. The Matlock native will be joined on Team Manitoba by Mike Walker and Brent Clague.

Collings earned the right to compete at the nationals after finishing second at Golf Manitoba's Senior Championship last week at the St. Boniface Golf Club in Winnipeg.

Collings carded rounds of 77, 75, and 75 to finish at a solid 11-over 227. That was three strokes back of Walker (73-73-78) and one better than Clague (77-78-73).

Walker led by six strokes over Collings, Elmhurst's Brian Katchnowski and Bel Acres' Dwayne Heinrichs heading into the final round on July 26.

Rounding out the top five were Vardon Golf Club's Randy Westby and Katchnoski. Both wrapped up the 54-hole event at 16-over 232.

At the women's senior provincial at St. Boniface, Southwood's Rhonda Orr won the title by a comfortable 11 strokes over Barbara Manslanko of the Rebel Creek Golf Club.

Orr carded rounds of 75, 85, and 85 for a 23-over 245.

Rounding out the top five were Southwood's Matty Leung (259), Kenogamisis Golf Club's Karen Saaramaki (261) and St. Charles' Kim Ross (261).

The provincial team members that will compete at the 2017 Canadian Women's Senior Championship at the Humber Valley Resort in Little Rapids from Aug. 22-24 are Orr and Leung. The third person had not been announced at press time.



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Matlock's Garth Collings, far left, will be representing Manitoba at the 2017 Canadian Men's Senior Golf Championship in Kahnawake, Que., next month.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 194 of The Municipal Act, that the report of the Municipal Auditors and related Financial Statements for the year 2016 for the RM of Gimli have been deposited in the office of the Rural Municipality of Gimli at 62 2nd Ave, Gimli, Manitoba and are available for inspection by any person or their agent between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive.

Any person or their agent, at their own expense, may make a copy thereof or extracts therefrom.

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Randy Woroniuk
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Rural Municipality of Gimli

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 - Ditch cleanout and installation of culverts, road construction.
- Sidewalk Construction within the Village of Riverton
 - ~ approx. 85 meters
 - Destruction and complete removal of current sidewalk and reconstruct new sidewalk.

Tender packages are available at the Main Office or through email. Sealed bids marked with "the project name" and clearly displaying the bidder's name will be received by the undersigned until **1:00 pm on August 16, 2017.**

The municipality reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities and informalities therein, and to award the project in the best interest of the municipality in its sole discretion..

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ARBORG BIFROST PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

ATTENDANT & MAINTENANCE POSITION

The Arborg Bifrost Parks and Recreation Commission exists to foster and promote quality recreational facilities and programs for the Town of Arborg and RM of Bifrost/Riverton. The Recreation Commission is requesting applications to fill an attendant/maintenance position primarily at the Arborg and District Arena with a requirement to perform maintenance at other facilities as required.

Length of Employment: September 15, 2017 – March 30, 2018.

This position will be part-time with the opportunity for it becoming full-time (year round) after March 30th.

Interested candidates can contact Tom Chwaliboga at the Recreation Office for more information or a detailed job description.

Please submit resume to:

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Box 555
Arborg, MB
R0C 0A0
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TOWN OF ARBORG PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVISION

Public Notice is hereby given that the 2018 Assessment Roll for the Town of Arborg will be open for public inspection during regular business hours at the Municipal Office at 337 River Road no later than August 8, 2017. Applications for revision may be made in accordance with Sections 42 & 43 of *The Assessment Act*.

APPLICATION FOR REVISION 42(1) A person in whose name property has been assessed, a mortgagee in possession of property under section 114(1) of *The Real Property Act*, an occupier of premises who is required under the terms of a lease to pay the taxes on the property, or the assessor may make application for the revision of an assessment roll with respect to:

- a) liability to taxation;
- b) amount of an assessed value;
- c) classification of property; or
- d) a refusal by an assessor to amend the assessment roll under Subsection 13(2).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS 43(1) An application for revision must:

- a) be made in writing;
- b) set out the roll number and legal description of the assessable property for which a revision is sought;
- c) set out which of the matters referred to in Subsection 42(1) are at issue, and the grounds for each of those matters; and
- d) be filed by
 - i) delivering it or causing it to be delivered to the office indicated in the public notice given under Subsection 41(2), or
 - ii) serving it upon the Secretary, at least 15 days before the scheduled sitting date of the Board as indicated in the public notice.

The Board of Revision will sit to hear applications on **Wednesday, September 13th, 2017 at 10:00 AM** in the Town of Arborg Council Chamber, 337 River Road.

The final date on which applications must be received by the Secretary of the Board is **Monday, August 28th, 2017.**

Dated at Arborg, in Manitoba, this 3rd day of August, 2017.

Lorraine Bardarson, Secretary
Board of Revision
Town of Arborg
Box 159 - 337 River Road
Arborg, MB R0C 0A0



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2	6	7	2	9	5	1	8	8
8	9	2	8	1	2	6	5	4
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Sudoku Answer

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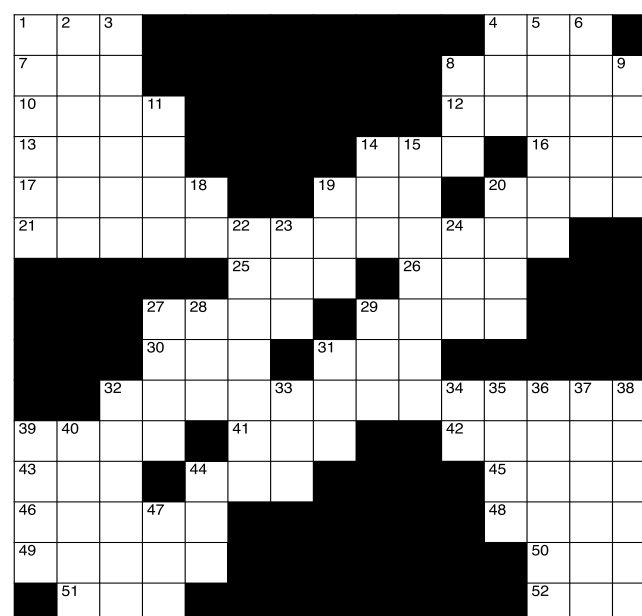
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CLUES ACROSS

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- Woman (French)
- "Incredible" TV veterinarian
- Volcanic craters
- Geological times
- Ghana's capital
- Any small compartment
- Conductance unit
- Athens, Georgia, rockers
- Plant of the arum family
- Hawaiian dish
- Pop
- Imparting of information
- Take in solid food
- Dutch banking group (abbr.)
- Contemptible
- Peak
- Play a role
- Yuck!
- Diversion
- ___ and groan
- Helps little firms
- Large, edible game fish
- To do so is human
- Supervises interstate commerce
- Basics
- La Cosa Nostra
- Mens' neckwear
- Buddhist shrine
- Midway between north and northeast
- Wood
- Hair product

CLUES DOWN

- Induces vomiting



- Matador
- A way to travel on skis
- ___ and cheese
- Indicates long vowel
- Made a mistake
- Chinese chairman
- Indigenous people of the Philippines
- Slender
- Extinct, flightless bird
- Japanese conglomerate
- Of (French)
- Rate in each hundred (abbr.)
- Unit of loudness
- Most organized
- 007's creator Fleming
- Computing giant
- American singer Aimee
- Shock treatment
- Ottoman military commander
- Urban Transit Authority
- Too much noise
- Type of blood cell
- Home of football's Panthers (abbr.)
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Notice is hereby given that a hearing of the Highway Traffic Board will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in Room B6, Brandon Provincial Building, 340 - 9th Street, Brandon, Manitoba.

PERMITS - PART I - SECTION 9 H.P.A. AND PART III - SECTION 17 H.P.A. 4/068/103/A/17 - LAKE MANITOBA NARROWS LODGE LTD.

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Farmer's Market Salad with Sweet and Spicy Dressing



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Salad:

- 1 green apple, diced
- 1 red apple, diced
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced green onion
- 1 cup chopped baby kale
- 1 cup sliced Napa cabbage
- 1 cup sliced red cabbage
- 1/2 cup golden raisins

Dressing:

- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 tablespoons hot sauce
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 teaspoon celery salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

In small bowl, whisk together all ingredients. Store in refrigerator in airtight container up to 3 days.

Beef Burrito with Pepper Jack Cheese and Black Beans



Total time: 9 minutes

Servings: 6

- 1/2 pound ground beef sirloin
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1 cup chunky salsa, divided
- 2 cups cooked brown or white rice
- 6 whole-wheat tortillas (9 inches each)
- 1 can (15 ounces) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (11 ounces) corn kernels, drained
- 2 cups shredded pepper jack cheese
- sliced green onion, including green

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In medium, nonstick skillet, brown ground beef and garlic over medium heat (break beef mixture up into smaller chunks with spatula). Drain fat and stir in 1/2 cup salsa; set aside.

Spread 1/3 cup rice on center of tortilla, leaving 1/2-inch border. Scatter about 2 tablespoons beans and 1 1/2 tablespoons corn over rice. Spread 1/3 cup beef mixture and 1/4 cup cheese over corn. Top with 2 teaspoons salsa and a few slices green onion. Fold in two opposite edges of tortilla 1 inch each and roll up. Place seam-side down on microwave-safe dish.

Repeat with remaining tortillas. Place burritos in microwave oven and heat 1 minute, or until heated through. Serve with remaining salsa.

Summer Pizza Snack



Recipe courtesy of Cindy Heins, Heins Family Farms

Total time: 22 minutes

Servings: 12

- 1 tube (8 ounces) crescent rolls
- 1 tub (8 ounces) low-fat cream cheese

- 1/4 cup light mayonnaise
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

3/4 cup sliced cherry tomatoes
1/2 cup sliced black olives
1/2 cup chopped broccoli florets
1/2 cup chopped cucumber
Heat oven to 375 F. In 9-by-13-inch baking pan, spread out crescent roll dough. Seal seams together to form one large rectangle across bottom of pan. Bake 10-12 minutes, or until lightly browned. Cool on rack.

In small bowl, mix together cream cheese, mayonnaise and garlic powder. Spread evenly over entire cooled crust. Top with mozzarella, tomatoes, olives, broccoli and cucumber. Cut into 12 squares and serve.



Honest Actions

others what we think they want to hear, rather than what we really believe? Let's face it, there are a lot of lies floating around out there.

So what do we do if we want truth in our relationships? The first, and most difficult thing, is to move out of our denial about any lying we might be doing. We can tell those with whom we want honest relationships, that we are moving into our truth, and invite them to do the same. If we want to do this in safety, we must agree that we will receive truth gently, even if we do not like what we are hearing. A punishing response will not encourage truth. Others must be able to trust us with their truth.

If you cannot be truthful in a relationship, then it is not really a relationship in a meaningful sense, but rather a kind of charade. If someone is not being truthful to you, then you are being discounted.

In either case, you must ask yourself If lying, or putting up with lying is worth the energy it takes. Loving honesty between people can be very energizing, even when difficult. So I may be time to begin gently speaking your truth, and invite others to do the same. It is more effective by far, than standing, and waiting, just around the corner, with a big stick.

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A parent asked me if I would talk about lying behavior. A basic element of trust in any relationship depends on hearing the truth from the other. Once someone has lied to us, it is very hard to have total faith in what they say in the future. Even though we may have decided to forgive and forget, nagging doubts may pop up from time to time.

Why do people lie? Generally it is to avoid unpleasant consequences. Perhaps they have done something that they know would bring an angry response, or they want to do something that they know would create disapproval. Lying seems to be the easy way out.

Where did this idea come from? Could it be that as a child they overheard an adult making a polite excuse to get out of a social engagement? Or perhaps a parent told the child to tell the person on the telephone that they weren't home. Maybe Mom or Dad said the chocolates were all gone, and then the box mysteriously re-appeared a couple of days later.

Lying behavior is learned, and we need to openly acknowledge how much of it there is around us. How often do we say "yes" when we really feel "no"? How often do we keep silent, when we really feel there is an injustice? And do we ever tell



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- 2 packages (9 ounces each) frozen sweet peas, thawed
- 3 garlic cloves, chopped
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

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- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/16 teaspoon table salt
- freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 cucumber, sliced into 1/4-inch rounds.

Place peas and garlic in food processor; with processor running, pour oil through food chute in slow, steady stream, processing until smooth.

Stir in lemon juice and salt; season with freshly ground black pepper, to taste. Cover and chill 2 hours.

Serve with cucumber slices.



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