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Left to right, Communities in Bloom attendees Donna Wilkins, Rose Bateman, Marie Waldron, Betty Fitzpatrik, Connie Blixhavn and Edie Brown get ready to check out a water-infused view of Selkirk. See coverage inside.

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The ladies share a laugh with Selkirk Coun., and pontoon Captain, Kelly





Communities in Bloom conference shows visitors a good time

By Austin Grabish

Selkirk made a splash when it hosted the provincial Communities in Bloom conference last weekend, especially when delegates took to the Red River on a pontoon.

Provincial judge Connie Blixhavn, who hails from Killarney, was enjoying the view from the pontoon and said her first trip to Selkirk was an impressive one.

"I love Selkirk. I've never been here before," Blixhavn said.

"Now I'll come back. It's much bigger than what you think it is."

While most of the conference was held within the confines of the rec complex, two tours gave visitors the opportunity to get outdoors and see our fair city.

Laurel Sarginson guided groups on a Selkirk Transit bus, giving them the land tour of the city, and Coun. Kelly Cook offered his pontoon to give them a glimpse from the waters of the Red River.

Cook was happy to volunteer his time and boat for the tours, which were do popular a fifth tour had to be added to the four scheduled.

"Anytime you can show people our water in Selkirk it's a bonus," Cook

The half-hour boat tour started at the boat launch inside Selkirk Park and showed visitors everything from historic places on the riverbank, to the Hydro generating station in East Sel-

The tour also showed guests community development projects such as the Kiwanis seniors complex, and dikes that were built to protect the city from flooding.

Selkirk Mayor Larry Johannson tipped his hat to Cook for allowing the judges and guests from the Communities in Bloom conference to view Selkirk from a different angle.

"I think it's fantastic," Johannson

Johannson said he would like to see more boat tours happening in Selkirk.

"We live on the river and we should be taking full advantage of it," he said. Johannson said he can remember when the MS Lord Selkirk took people on tours from Selkirk to the mouth of lake Winnipeg.

"I would love to see the Princess and Paddlewheel boats work out of Selkirk," Johannson said.

Johannson said he would love to see someone come forward with a plan to start that kind of venture.

"Let's take full advantage of the water."





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Soup Kitchen volunteer Sally Budolowski runs a tray of dessert out to the Communities in Bloom crowd Saturday night.

Selkirk shines as host of CIB conference

By Donna Maxwell

A year of planning came together last weekend and Selkirk's hosting of the provincial Communities in Bloom conference was a hit.

"It sounds like everybody had a good time which is all that counts," said Selkirk CIB member and conference organizer, Chris Carruthers.

"It went smashingly well."

In fact, Carruthers and CIB chairperson, Anne-Marie Kurbis, both received phone calls from locals and out-of-town participants who wanted to let them know how much they enjoyed their weekend in Selkirk.

"A few people have even phoned...to say what a great time they had," Kurbis said Monday morning.

"We couldn't have asked for a better space and we couldn't have asked for better weather for the outdoor events that were planned."

The two-day event at the Rec Complex banquet room featured speakers Friday night and a performance by Simpson's Follies.

Saturday morning and afternoon had more

kirk and pontoon boat tours on the Red River - courtesy of Selkirk Coun. 'Captain' Kelly Cook

- both of which were a hit.

In fact they had to add a fifth pontoon tour to accommodate the demand.

"People loved the pontoon boat ride," Kurbis

Carruthers said the meals were terrific too. "We got great reviews on the meals," he said.

Saturday morning breakfast was sponsored by the Selkirk and District Horticultural Society, snacks by the Selkirk Evangelical Lutheran Church, Saturday lunch was sponsored by Benjamin's Gourmet Foods and dinner was provid-

volunteers.

Kurbis said all the food was terrific and the Soup Kitchen volunteers did a terrific job with dinner.

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"It looked very elegant. They really worked hard," she said.

Saturday's dinner was followed by the awards banquet where Selkirk received four blooms.

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Selkirk stays put with four blooms

But determined to hit five next vear

By Donna Maxwell

It was a weekend of highs with just one low.

Selkirk played host to the provincial Communities in Bloom conference and awards last Friday and Saturday and by all accounts it was a great weekend.

But, Selkirk failed to capture that elusive fifth bloom and once again received four from the provincial judg-

"They make you earn it, that's for sure," said Chris Carruthers, the city's parks and rec manager and member of the Communities in Bloom com-

Committee chairperson Anne-Marie Kurbis said they all were hoping this year to be rewarded with five blooms the highest rating.

"We're disappointed of course that we only got the four," Kurbis said.

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Selkirk's Communities in Bloom committee, left to right, Carruthers, judge Macphee, Kurbis, Diane Mitchell, Roberta Chic, Beth Vitt, Connie Rapko, Debbie Kuypers and judge Skinner.

"The judges made suggestions where we need to get better...both judges said we're very close."

Communities in Bloom provincial judges Hugh Skinner and Glenda Macphee came through Selkirk on a rainy day in late July and toured the city. Kurbis said though both were impressed with improvements the committee had made over the previous year, they apparently didn't do enough to achieve the final bloom.

Following Saturday night's awards the judges again praised the Selkirk committee, Kurbis said, and offered advice for next year.

"They said we need to focus more on our heritage and urban forestry," Kurbis said.

She said the committee will go through the complete judges' report in the near future and begin working toward next year's competition.

Selkirk's CIB committee received

special recognition for its commitment to Communities in Bloom, and Kurbis said that commitment will continue.

She praised the judges too, for their availability and willingness to help.

"They are at the end of the phone for us to contact them and give us ideas," she said.

Carruthers was named to the provincial Communities in Bloom board Saturday night, which thrilled Kurbis.

"He's definitely the driving force behind our group," she said.

Wendy Menzies was also named to the board.

Two provincial board members, Brenda Cameron and Ken Ivy, stepped down from their positions on the board and received commemorative gifts at the awards ceremony.

AWARDS

National participants (those communities with five blooms)

Lac du Bonnet, Minnedosa, Dauphin, Boissevain, CFB Shilo, Brandon, RM of Killarney-Turtle Mountain and Neepawa.

Best child-run edible garden Sydney Enss

Provincial awards

Baldur – 5 blooms

Riverton – 4 blooms

Rossburn – 5 blooms

Carberry – 5 blooms Stonewall – 5 blooms

Swan River – 4 blooms

Thompson – 4 blooms

Selkirk – 4 blooms

Next year's Communities in Bloom provincial conference and awards will be held in Dauphin.





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Simpson's Folly entertains in the banquet room at the Rec Complex Friday night.

It's all in your backyard

MJ Feekes talks produce and Manitoba's plentiful bounty

When MJ Feekes was introduced to the Saturday afternoon crowd at the Selkirk Rec Complex they learned right away that this chef not only knows her way around a kitchen, she knows her way around the world.

Feekes, who owns Benjamin's Gourmet Foods and had just served lunch to the Communities in Bloom delegates, has competed in the culinary Olympics, and studied, taught and worked everywhere from Europe to South America.

But Feekes, and her assistant, daughter Emily-June, was plenty happy to be cooking and speaking in her hometown.

"Oh we love it. You know it's funny, I've been many places and done many things and I'm very proud to be from Selkirk and very happy to do things

"Often the local people get overlooked because we end up everywhere else doing stuff," Feekes said.

And she was happy to let them know about some things outside the restaurant that she enjoys.

"I was really excited to get to speak here. Half the audience are regular customers," she said.

"This is actually another big part of our life, doing all this other stuff. They just know us for pizza or lunch or whatever their favourite aspect is."

Feekes talked about 'Awesome Autumn Foods' and discussed countless ways to enjoy garden vegetables and gave some tips on how she and her family prepare things like pumpkins and what to do with vegetables to make them last longer.

She spent a lot of time talking about what to do with beans, which everyone has so many of this year.

"Last year was the zucchini year, this year it's beans," she said.

Whether the crowd knew it or not, Feekes is a strong proponent of using locally grown food and, though she admitted she's not much of a gardener, she's found area farmers who provide her with most of her vegetables.

She told the crowd that Benjamin's wood-fired pizza is made 100 per cent from local ingredients.

She's proud of it, and will tell you about it, but still says she does it simply because it's what she believes in.

"Should we change our menu to say that? No, we're not doing it because we want people to know we're doing



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The dynamic cooking duo of MJ and EJ Feekes served lunch and then discussed 'awesome autumn foods' for Saturday's Communities in Bloom crowd.

it, we're doing it because it's what we believe in. And I think that's really important," she said.

"You can't say it's all organic, (but) it's pretty close...I think it's more important to be local, support local."

And it's easier now than ever to use local ingredients, she said, noting even trout can be had from Watersong Farms just outside of Stonewall.

And, even if you can't get it from the farmer next door, Peak of the Market will ensure you're at least getting your produce from Manitoba.

"There's so much around that people aren't aware of," she said.



So much more than cold weather and mosquitoes

Pearce says communities are unique; we need to open our eyes and minds

By Donna Maxwell

Kaaren Pearce says if you know something about your community you need to say it loud and say it proud.

But unfortunately, often that grandiose style of boasting just isn't in our

"You know your community because you grew up there," Pearce said.

"But we don't tell other people."

Pearce, a provincial Communities in Bloom judge, spoke to those attending the provincial conference in Selkirk last Friday night on the topic of 'Using your landscape, celebrating your history and building your community'.

Pearce said people are notorious for assuming that what they grew up surrounded by is normal for not only themselves, but others too.

And that's just not the case.

Pearce grew up all across the country as a child in a military family and was pleasantly surprised when she moved here by our four seasons, which she loves.

"But (Manitobans) don't tell the world that, we tell them it's cold and we have mosquitoes," she said.

Pearce said people need to be open minded and promote the things in their community that they may take for granted but others would find interesting.

As someone who didn't grow up



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Pearce, with the hand-painted pot she received for speaking at the conference, says we need to brag about what makes our community special.

on the prairies, she was pleasantly surprised the first time she had beet leaves in dill sauce.

"I just about died. I would eat that forever. But I'd never had it before 'cause I'd never grown up with that type of plant," Pearce said.

"So it's not just the landscape but what kind of plants do people use and how can a community incorporate that into a tourist perspective."

There are endless things in your community that you can choose to promote, she said, and used New Orleans as an example with its cemetery tours. It's not just about the people who are buried there, but provides a chance to talk about the stone masons

and the incredible work they did.

Putting up signs – nice looking ones - to make sure visitors know what they're looking at is important too.

"That's one of the things heritage does, it tells a story," Pearce said.

When trying to sell your community, it's also important that you're not shy.

In fact, Pearce said you should down right brag about your community.

She gave a humourous example of a small town that literally had one resi-

The resident put a billboard on the highway with his photo on it, the name of the town and in bold letters Population 1.

She said a couple years later there

was a new sign proudly proclaiming, Population 2.

She challenged people to use their history to develop fun events that will draw people to the community and gave a perfect example for Selkirk, suggesting that if you have fur trading in your past, have a winter fashion show.

"The whole point was to try to get people to look at the idea of looking around your community and not just within," she said.

"What inspired your community? What are the strange connections, the little things people don't know that the locals take for granted, and then share and express that."



Water Tower Lands pass final hurdle

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Councillors defend sale, say Selkirk will benefit

By Donna Maxwell

It wasn't unanimous and two citizens were escorted out of council chambers Monday night, but shovels could be in the ground for the Water Tower Lands Development in a matter of days.

Council voted 5-1 in favour of selling the land – bordered on the north and south by Clandeboye and McLean avenues and on the east and west by Sophia and Jemima streets – to 6331017 Manitoba Ltd. for \$287,000.

The land will be developed and include a three-storey, 47-unit apartment building and a four-storey, 63-unit apartment building.

Coun. Pat Pruden was the lone dissenter in what she admitted would be a losing cause.

"I know I will lose this vote," Pruden said.

The third-term councillor said she wasn't opposed to the apartments but rather the fact that council didn't do enough to garner a better price for the land.

"In my opinion we're not aggressive enough," Pruden said, and added that council was "giving away cheap land".

The vote sparked outrage in two members of the audience and Jeff Erhardt and Dave Mclaren were both escorted from council chambers after several outbursts.

"I hope you can sleep well, you're giving away a piece of land that's been there 125 years," Mclaren said before leaving.

Council was voting on a resolution, which doesn't require a public speaking component.

However, residents were given the option to speak, providing they had new information and not something previously presented. Administration determined prior to Monday's meeting no new information had been supplied to them.

Council also gave third reading to a by-

law that will change the zoning of the property from Open Space to Residential Multiple Family Dwelling.

At third reading, there is also no requirement for public input, since that happens following first and second readings.

Coun. Duane Nicol said while he respected Pruden's opinion he had to disagree with her assertion that council should have tried to get more money for the land.

Also a third-term councillor, Nicol said today's council sold this property in the same way land has been sold in Selkirk for years on end.

"It was sold at assessed value...that has been our past practice," Nicol said.

And when compared to previous land deals, in both recent and ancient history, he said the Water Tower Lands sale doesn't come off so bad.

Nicol said the council that agreed to sell land to Walmart – with both him and Pruden on board – sold it at assessed value and then had to pay another \$400,000 to remediate the soil.

He also dug back to 1912 and the

deal that brought the Manitoba Rolling Mills to town.

The city's council, through its development corporation of the day, according to Nicol, gifted 30 acres of land, offered a 40 per cent tax reduction for 12 years and paid \$250,000 in cash to bring the mill to town.

"That was in 1912. In today's dollars, that \$250,000 would be worth, according to the Bank of Canada, over \$5.2 million.

"I can't even hazard a guess at what the land would be worth today."

Nicol said the Water Tower Lands will need no new infrastructure investment, because it's in the middle of the city and the 112 families that will live there will inject \$4 million in new economic trade into the city of Selkirk.

Johannson agreed with Nicol and said it's the right kind of development for Selkirk.

"This project is everything a sustainable community should be," Johannson said.

"Go up, don't sprawl. That's something our neighbours to the south of us have endeavored to do, is sprawl, and I think they're paying the price for that now with worn out infrastructure."

Coun. Ken Beerman told The Record after the meeting that council went beyond what's required in the Municipal Act and Planning Act to work with the public.

Council held two open houses, hired a consultant to deal with concerns and presented a new plan that addressed all concerns residents had, Beerman said, right down to reducing the possibility of light shining through windows

He took exception to Pruden saying council didn't do enough to get a better price for the land, citing previous practices and the fact today's council has developed a policy and land will now be sold at market value.

Still, Beerman maintained the price is irrelevant. The land will go from being a vacant piece of property that cost the city money to one that will generate taxes and bring an influx of people to downtown.

"I know this city hasn't seen anything in two decades now affecting downtown as much as this development will," Beerman said.

"And I believe this is just the start."

Big Bike in Selkirk this Saturday

By Donna Maxwell

The Big Bike Ride for Heart and Stroke returns to Selkirk this Saturday and organizers are looking for seats to fill the

Selkirk's Donna Cook, who was the top fundraiser in the Interlake region last year and recipient of a new bike for her efforts, has been gathering pledges again this year in hopes of raising another re-

cord-setting total.

Last year Cook raised just over \$3,000.

Earlier this week Cook was over \$900 for this year.

The Big Bike has been one of the Heart and Stroke Foundation's biggest fundraising events since it began in 1993.

Each Big Bike team consists of 29 dedicated riders and one driver who pedal through their community in support of HSF.

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he Selkirk Record July 22 1887 (Continued)

A complaint has been related before Chief of Police Tupper by some of our citizens about the disorderly way in which the half-breeds and Indians who get intoxicated has been conducting themselves in town lately. The carousing of both drunken men and women has become a nuisance lately, and it is hoped that Chief Tupper will see his way clear to have one of his force stationed here for a time, and wipe this nuisance out, as well as investigate the source from which they receive the liquor.

(The editor, Mr. James Stewart, freely disparaged minority groups, as above. Referring to recent improvements in Lower Fort Garry he belittled Jews: "Instead of the usual tawdry, slovenly half filled shelves with goods as antiquated looking as those in a Jew's marine store...")

The Lisgar House seems to be undergoing a renovation. The two young men from Winnipeg, Messrs. Donohue and McLaren, who have taken possession of it, are apparently intending to having it fitted up in first class style. The bar has been painted and put in order in the latest fashion, and the whole house has been thoroughly made new, and has a neatness about it which is refreshing. We hope the business of the place will remunerate them for their outlay.

July 29, 1887

From the reports of the Fishery Inspector of Manitoba we gather the following facts regarding the value of the Fisheries of this Province. As this forms one of the staple articles of trade in Selkirk the account will be interesting to people here. The strict regulations now in force with regard to catching them will we trust be a means of preserving this commodity. Following is the approximate yield of the fisheries of Manitoba and the North-West for the year

Quantity Value 2,697,597 Whitefish, fresh \$134,879.85 Whitefish salt 2,414. 16 398. Pickerel 263, 364. 10,534.56 Pike (Jackfish) 18,897.87 629,929 Sturgeon 900.00 18,000 Talible (sic) 94,296 1,904.92 Smoked fish 44.00 440 Mixed fish 150,532. 3,010.64 Total value of fisheries: \$186,979.84

The principal fishing places are on Lake Winnipeg, Lake Manitoba comes next. The rest are scattered throughout the country. One can readily see that the fish trade of Manitoba is a very important item and worthy of being preserved.

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i gang, this week I was thinking that I would find us some fishing stories along Lake Winnipeg's west shore.

But when I stopped by Chalet Beach on Saturday the white capped waves were so high it was plain to see no one would go out there in a boat.

I decided to find some folks in more sheltered, calmer waters along the Red and up by Breezy Point. As I drove along Breezy road you could see anglers sitting in lawn chairs by the river bank fishing.

I pulled into one of the trails and struck up a conversation with Ranaldo Bulatao and his family. Ranaldo showed me a nice bunch of fish they had caught. He said that this was the first time they had fished the Red and that they were very happy they had decided to come here. Ranaldo's son, Kim proudly held up a couple of large Drum for me to admire.

After a short visit I continued on my way towards the Point. As I drove along it really caught my attention that there were so many boats on the river and as I came upon the parking lot, I was surprised to see it was completely full of trucks and boat trailers.

There were anglers all along the shore but now another thing caught my attention as I got out of my truck because there stood a big red canvas ice fishing hut.

Smiling, I walked up to the family beside the hut and jokingly asked if they were trying to get a jump on winter fishing. The head of this crew, Pat Bancroft of Lac du Bonnet, laughed as

Good fishing and bad boaters



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Doctor Deanne Ruddock's 40-inch northern pike.

he explained the hut was a great way to keep the little ones out of trouble while the grown ups fished! While I was passing the time with the Bancrofts and some other families nearby, we couldn't help noticing the constant heavy boat traffic on Netley Creek and the Red.

Naturally, there were a good number of inconsiderate boaters who were going way too fast spoiling the enjoyment of other boaters and the shoreline anglers.

Maybe it's time we got some caution signs up along the shore telling people to slow down. It was also a bit sad to see so many of the Operation Clean Up garbage barrels knocked over with refuse strewn all over the place.

Since almost all of the barrels were dumped, it was obvious that wild animals had been looking for food at night. Later, driving back towards Selkirk, I saw an angler down by the river bank who gave me a wave so I stopped to say high.

My new acquaintance, Rick Schweier, who grew up in Selkirk and was now back after many years away told me he had been fishing at McArthur Falls at Lac du Bonnet lately and that it's been hit and miss there this summer.

Do you remember me saying that you never know when an unusual fishing story might come along? Well it happened again, that same evening when I went over to a neighbours' gathering of Don and Brenda Skorupski's 50th wedding anniversary in Petersfield.

A relative of Brenda's, Dr. Deanne Ruddock, told me her family has a cottage up at Sandy Lake north of Kenora and that they have always been dedicated anglers. As we talked fishing this very pleasant, down to earth doctor told me of a giant 40-inch northern pike she had caught this summer.

She sent me a picture of it and I'll tell you I was impressed!

Well, that'll kind of wind it up for this week my friends, I hope you have fun fishing this coming week and I'll talk to you again soon.







Go Further

Rotary Book Sale booked for two weekends

Sept. 20, 21 and 27, 28 at ARC Industries

By Donna Maxwell

The story of Selkirk Rotary Club's annual book sale is turning out to be a real best seller.

The sale began three years ago and in that inaugural year the service club's members really had no idea how it would go over.

They got their answer that very first year – it was a hit with people who wanted to donate books and with those looking for a good read at a good price.

In fact, for their first sale they received so many donated books they held a second sale later that year.

"That first year it was just like a mountain," Rotarian Jean Oliver said of the books they received.

"We've had them twice a year in the past but this year we're just doing it once."

That means there'll be no sale later in the year, but the sale will run over two weekends this month, Sept. 20 and 21 and Sept. 27 and 28.

The sale will be held at ARC Industries at 306 Jemima Street.

Oliver said it's a perfect location.

"It's wheelchair accessible," she said. "There's a ramp and an elevator."

Oliver said people have been dropping books off for the sale all year and that Matt and Ryan Bialuk, owners of Red Bomb fireworks, have been storing the books in their building, which Oliver appreciates.

"That goodness for those boys at Red Bomb for allowing us to store them there over the winter," she said.

"I'll betcha we've got 20,000 books... and we've got everything from Harlequin romances, to gardening books, cook books, westerns.

"You name it, there isn't a category we don't have. And kids books, we have lots of kids books."

The book sale raise more than \$11,000 in it's first year and \$9,000 in Year 2.

Selkirk Rotary supports international and local causes with the money, with almost \$60,000 going to just two Tri-S projects – \$30,000 to Community Living and \$27,000 to the children's section at the new Gaynor Family Library – in two years.

Rotary also sent two Comp graduates to a 10-day course at Global College University of Winnipeg and sent a junior and senior high student to a Rotary Youth Leadership Camp, all expenses paid.

Rotary gives an annual scholarship to an LSSD graduate and sponsors the Model United Nations Assembly in Winnipeg, and sends at least one team of four high school students to the week-long camp.

They also send one high school stu-



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Oliver checks out some of the books dropped off at Marlin Travel. The annual Rotary book sale takes place over two weekends this month, Sept. 20 and 21 and 27 and 28.

dent to a technology camp in Regina, one to an adventures in citizen camp in Ottawa and one to a science camp in Saskatoon each year.

Oliver said every junior high in the

Lord Selkirk School Division receives a Rotary Citizenship Award that comes with a cheque as well.

The group sends a yearly donation to Polio Plus, the Rotary international project to eradicate polio.

Selkirk Rotary has also contributed to the Selkirk Skateboard Park and the dialysis unit at the Selkirk Hospital







Bezan lends an ear while travelling riding

Town Tour good prep for fall session

By Dave Baxter

Selkirk-Interlake MP James Bezan travels the Interlake every year to talk to residents, businesses, municipalities and farmers, but so far on his 2013 Town Tour the main topic of conversation has come as a bit of a surprise to the MP.

Bezan is travelling to approximately 40 communities for his 2013 Town Tour, which started last Tuesday and ends today.

"It has been kind of surprising, but the big concern is Syria and whether or not the west gets involved," said Bezan. "That has really been the predominate issue."

Bezan, who is chair of the National Defense Committee, said Canada will support an American led attack of Syria"in spirit" but will not get in-

"Canada will not participate in any way in military action. Who ever is responsible, and we believe it's the Assad regime that is responsible for a chemical weapons attack that saw over 400 children killed, needs to be held to account, and we will be supportive in spirit of any action that other allies will take."

When it comes to local issues, Bezan said he has noticed that people and businesses seem to be feeling positive about the economy and local politics, and Bezan has also noticed optimism among those working in farming and agriculture.

"This year the harvest has been great. Prices have come down a little bit, but there are options when you have crop in the bin."

Bezan also said that cattle prices are another reason that people are

"As far as cattle prices go, is was up in Ashern at the auction sale, and the market was on fire. Some of the farmers that walked out of there you couldn't wipe the smiles off their

"There is some optimism and the outlook in agriculture is strong."

Bezan has also spent a lot of his Town Tour speaking with local municipalities and specifically about infrastructure needs and issues.

"Of course they are interested in



SELKIRK RECORD PHOTO BY DAVE BAXTER

Bezan had a few minutes in his office Monday morning between the thousands of kilometres he is travelling on his 2013 Town Tour



Reminder Notice Of Public Hearing

Applicant: Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation

HEARING:

The Public Utilities Board (Board) anticipates holding a public hearing of an application from Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation (MPI) for approval of rates and premiums for compulsory vehicle and driver insurance as of March 1, 2014. The hearing would take place at the Board's Hearing Room, 4th Floor, 330 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB (commencing at 9:30 a.m.) on September 24, 2013.

RATE IMPACT:

The Corporation is requesting approval for Basic Autopac vehicle and drivers licence insurance rates and premiums effective March 1, 2014, which, if approved, would result in a 1.8% overall increase in MPI's Basic premium revenue (excluding the impact of vehicle upgrades and an increased overall driver and vehicle population).

Actual vehicle and driver premiums would vary depending on claim and driving experience, insurance use, territory and vehicle rate group. Full particulars, including the rate impact and application, can be found on the Manitoba Public Insurance website www.mpi.mb.ca.

PARTICIPATION:

Parties wishing to submit a brief or to express comments at the hearing should contact the Board Secretary (204-945-2638 or 1-866-854-3698, toll free).

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Interested parties should take note that the Board does not have jurisdiction over the MPI lines of business denoted as Extension or SRE, or as to MPI's Driver and Vehicle Licensing operation.

Persons seeking further information as to MPI's application, or with respect to the Board's process, and/or wishing to address the public hearing in French should notify the Board Secretary by September 16, 2013. As well, interested parties may examine MPI's application and supporting materials, either at the offices of the Corporation or on its website, or the Board's office.

DATED this 7th day of August, 2013.

H. M. Singh

Secretary The Public Utilities Board







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Bill 18 good for schools and students: superintendent

Comp has had gay straight alliance since 2005

By Dave Baxter

Manitoba's proposed new anti-bullying bill has been controversial in the province for a number of reasons, but the man at the top of the Lord Selkirk School Division says it will be a positive for the school division and the

The Public Schools Amendment Act (Bill 18) has called for public schools to enact a number of measures that they hope will help curb bullying in

A clause in Bill 18 has been criticized by some religious groups, because it will require public schools to accommodate students who want to start anti-bullying clubs, including gaystraight alliances.

Scott Kwasnitza, the superintendent of Lord Selkirk School Division, said he supports Bill 18 because ultimately he wants kids in his school division to always feel like they are in a safe place when they are at school.

"Bill 18 is about promoting awareness and tolerance and about providing a safe environment for students," said Kwasnitza. "Every student deserves to walk into a school and feel a sense of safety, regardless of background, religion or sexual orienta-

Kwasnitza was the principal at The Comp back in 2005 when the high school instituted a GSA, and said it is a positive for the school, because it is another way to promote tolerance.

"We started it in 2005 because there



Lord Selkirk School Division superintendent Scott Kwasnitza holding the division's code of conduct that he believes Bill 18 will help reinforce.

was a teacher who felt very strong about it. I remember having the conversation with the teacher and she said 'are we prepared to allow students to be bullied because of their background?' and the answer was no.

"It challenged some thinking, but

at the end of the day we moved ahead with it."

Although the idea of GSA's is now front-andcentre in Manitoba because of Bill 18, Kwasnitza said it is something they have had for such a

long time that it is simply something that is a part of the division.

"That's getting a lot of focus right now, but we have had it for eight years and it's a non-issue. We are proud we welcome all students. The emotional focus seems to be around a couple of issues, but for us at the end of the day kids deserve to be safe in school.

"We are not trying to shape beliefs or force beliefs on people. We are trying to say that our kids deserve to be safe."

Another criticism of Bill 18 is that it is far too vague on what is considered bullying, but Kwasnitza said those who work in the schools would still have the ultimate authority over how to deal with specific situations.

"With bullying you will often hear about zero tolerance and people think it will take discretion away from the administrator, but we still have to take the specific situation into consideration. Zero tolerance does not necessarily work, so where we are aware of a bullying situation we will always engage in an investigation to try and get the facts before deciding what action to take.

"There is talk that Bill 18 is moving towards zero tolerance, but I personally don't see it. We need to have discretion, and principals are ultimately responsible for discipline at the school level."

Kwasnitza also said a huge part of dealing with bullying has become finding ways to deal with what kids are doing and saying online.

"In Bill 18 there is a section on cyber-bullying. Lots of the bullying we see now is on social media and it's not just a school issue that just happens on school grounds."

When trying to fight cyber-bullying Kwasnitza said it is more important than ever for parents to get involved.

"We need the parent and families to work with us. One of the keys is

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Bill 18 good for schools and students: superintendent

communication, so if a kid is on a computer on Saturday night threatening someone on the internet, there is a shared responsibility."

Kwasnitza admitted that cyberbullying is still a relatively new concept so schools across Manitoba are working on ways to deal with it.

"It's a bit of a grey area, but if things are happening outside of school hours and they are having a negative impact on the school setting then we have an obligation to deal with it, but we can't navigate what they are doing on the computer on their own time, and that is where the shared responsibility comes in."

Kwasnitza said one of the reasons that bullying can be so difficult to fight is because both students and parents are often afraid to come forward, but he believes that ultimately coming forward with information is one of the keys to fighting the problem.

"We hear parents say, 'well we don't actually want you to do anything because it might get worse.' Well it never gets better if you do nothing."

In the end Kwasnitza believes Bill 18 is simply reinforcing much of what the Lord Selkirk School Division is already implementing through its code of conduct.

"Bill 18 enforces what we have felt all along. Students deserve to be safe at school and there should be a caring environment and an outlet where they can feel comfortable to talk to people."

Along with working to fight bullying, Kwasnitza said the division is looking at proactive ways to teach kids about tolerance at a young age. Six new part-time elementary counsellors have been added to the division's staff, and will work with elementary school kids on socialemotional issues and on issues of bullying.

"Putting that support in is a way that we can get results at an earlier stage rather than reacting to it later. They will do a lot of proactive bullying discussions and take the opportunity to educate kids."

Hearings discussing Bill 18 began Sept. 3 at the Manitoba Legislative Building and are expected continue for 11 days. A total of 317 people have signed up to speak at the hearings.

Bill 18 expected is to go to a vote in the legislature by mid-September.

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what is happening in the new-year with the New Building Canada Fund and how it is applied," said Bezan. "And I am encouraging all my municipalities in their riding to prepare to go forward with shovel ready projects, and have everything engineered and costed out, so they can make the application on the

Bezan said he hopes municipalities continue to use the Building Canada Fund to help fix and renovate aging community buildings.

"I am proud that we have brought forward programs to help with community places and dollars that are going into rinks and arenas and soccer fields. Especially in rural Manitoba, these places are so important. It's where people go to meet and stay fit and active."

Bezan said he was meeting with Selkirk council on Monday night, and said he knew a big topic of conversation would be efforts to get the MS Lord Selkirk II out of the Selkirk slough, but Bezan said although he can offer advice, there is currently nothing he can do on a federal level.

"It is an eye sore and a safety issue, but unfortunately it is not in a federal waterway. It's on the slough and not the Red River, and it is moored on City of Selkirk

Bezan said that if the owner of the ship was not known or if there was no owner, than the receiver of wreck could get involved, but the city is still aware of who owns the ship.

"The city of Selkirk is in the driver's seat and the owner is still known. I have suggested to the city to determine if owners are still responsible for the ship and through bylaw, they can force the owners to clean it up, or they can clean it up and charge back on the

Bezan also said it is the province that decides if the ship is an environmental hazard, but said he sees no evidence to support that.

"The province has done tests and there is no leakage of any fluids, and the chemicals to fight the fire a few years back have all dissipated."



Learn Cree, Ojibway, or Michif Language

The Aboriginal Peoples Program Languages Initiative and the Selkirk Friendship Centre-Aboriginal Language project are offering an Aboriginal languages program. The program will offer Cree, Ojibway and Michif languages. The classes will be held at the Selkirk Friendship Centre one evening per week starting in September 2013.

The class will run from 5:30 – 8:30 Wednesday evenings. Each language will run for 8 weeks

The first language class will run from September 25 – November 13, 2013 (Cree). The second intake will be November 20/2013 – January 22/2014 (Ojibway). There will be no classes during Christmas school holidays. Classes will resume January 8/2014. The third intake will be January 29/2014 - March 19/2014, (Michif).

The classes are free to persons who are committed to attend regularly.

Interested persons are asked to call Marie Walker at the Selkirk Friendship Centre at 204-482-7525 to enroll for the program.

20 participants will be chosen for each intake.

Bezan said when it comes to the MS Lord Selkirk II, it is not a case of the federal government trying to pass the buck to other levels of government, but instead there simply isn't anything he can do from a federal level.

"I can't go outside of my jurisdiction. I'd love to see it cleaned up and I want this damn thing out of here as much

Bezan also said he has talked to people about current scandals that have rocked the Senate.

"The No. 1 national issue I'm hearing about is the Senate and how irate people are with (Mike) Duffey and (Patrick) Bruzeau and (Pamela) Wallin and I'm just as mad as anybody else about a few individuals who were greedy and should be punished.

"People are mad and I am mad as hell too."

Bezan said he believes his Town Tour, which ended Thursday, is a key to his preparation for the fall session of Parliament.

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A new face at Little Britain

By Dave Baxter

There's a new minister at an historic St. Andrews church and she hopes the people of the community embrace both the message she's preaching, and the beautiful and historic building she's doing it in.

Rev. Shelly Manley-Tannis started working at Little Britain United Church in July, but after being on holidays for most of August, feels like she's just getting settled in her new role now.

Manley-Tannis previously spent six years at a United Church in the south end of Winnipeg that she said was the newest United Church building in the city.

Now that she has moved to a church that was built in 1874, and is a provincial heritage site she wants to embrace the beauty and history of the building.

"I want to help this community celebrate the gifts that they have, and one of the gifts is obviously the location and the history, so I want to figure out ways to use the location and share it with the community," said Manley-Tannis.

Manley-Tannis studied history and Canadian studies before moving into the Theology field, so she said she understands that the building is something that should be celebrated, but also thinks the church remains a bit of a well-kept secret.

"This is a provincial heritage building, but I just think there are so many people in this area that don't even know about this place. I have worked in museums in the past and even worked as a costume interpreter, so I would love to help develop that here,



CITY OF SELKIRK 2013 HIGH PRESSURE SEWER CLEANING, SEWER MAIN TELEVISING, AND CATCH BASIN CLEANING TR-2013-10

Separate Sealed Tenders, clearly marked "2013 High Pressure Sewer Cleaning" will be received by the undersigned at 200 Eaton Avenue, up until 2:00 PM, Local Time on Thursday, September 26, 2013 for the furnishing of all labour, equipment and miscellaneous material required for the City of Selkirk's 2013 High Pressure Sewer Cleaning, Sewer Main Televising, and Catch Basin Cleaning.

Tender packages are available the Department of Operations, 739 Sophia Street, Selkirk, Manitoba during normal business hours or by request at operations@cityofselkirk.com.

All inquiries related to Tenders should be directed to Mr. Dennis Whall, Manager of Public Works at 785-4942.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Wayne Miller

Interim Chief Administrative Officer

City of Selkirk 200 Eaton Avenue

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Rev. Shelly Tannis Manley stands inside historic Little Britain United Church in St. Andrews.

and even connect with Lower Fort Garry somehow."

Although Manley-Tannis is interested in celebrating the church's history, she said she understands that is not the main focus of her work at Little Britain. She is not only the church's minister, but also works one-on-one with people as a spiritual advisor.

"I meet with people one-on-one that aren't necessarily even from the church. I'm a companion to help people listen for the holy in their life. It has similarities to counselling but not like a crisis thing. It's like a long-term relationship with some people."

Manley-Tannis said she is not looking to change how things work at Little Britain, but instead wants to con-

tinue the tradition of a congregation that she said has been around since 1852.

"I don't have a sense of needing to change. I have a sense of what they are looking for is what I have to offer. I want to offer what is really important to the people of the community and also reach out to the wider community."

Manley-Tannis also said she does not specifically want to focus on growing the number of people that walk through the doors, but instead believes if she does her job properly, that will take care of itself.

"Numbers should never be the priority. If you focus on reaching out and doing what you do well and having a healthy community, than you probably will increase your numbers, but sometimes we can get so focused on numbers and money that we forget why we are doing what we are doing."

Manley-Tannis also admits that negative stereotypes can often be attributed to churches and organized religion, and she wants to work to help remove those stereotypes.

"I think I am a good community builder and can put a positive face on what can often be seen from the outside as stuffy or judgmental."

Little Britain United Church is located at 5879 Hwy. 9 just south of Lower Fort Garry National Park in St. Andrews. All are welcome to their worship service every Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

To learn more about Little Britain United Church go to littlebritainunit-edchurch.ca.



CITY OF SELKIRK WINTER SNOW REMOVAL TENDER NO. TR-2013-09

Sealed Tenders, clearly marked, "WINTER SNOW REMOVAL" will be received by the undersigned at 200 Eaton Avenue, Selkirk, Manitoba, up until 2:00 p.m., local time, Thursday, September 26, 2013 to supply labour and equipment for the removal of snow during the 2013-2014 winter season.

Specifications and Tender Forms will be available at the City's Operations Department, 739 Sophia Street, Selkirk, Manitoba, or request a copy by emailing operations@cityofselkirk.com.

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Ruptash ready for Terry Fox this Sunday

By Donna Maxwell

Brad Ruptash is in the habit of setting goals these days and when he achieves one it's a big deal.

He got to see his son, Kyle, graduate from the Comp this year and he's looking forward to watching his 16-year-old daughter Alicia do so in the near future as well.

It might be something most parents take for granted, but when Ruptash was told six years ago that he had liver cancer, seeing his kids graduate seemed unlikely.

This is Ruptash's second go around with the disease. He was diagnosed with colon cancer in 2000 and after a year of chemotherapy he was cancer free for five years.

So when he was diagnosed this time he decided to dig in for a fight and, well, anyone who knows Ruptash will tell you – he's quite the fighter.

He's still fighting, but he's lost a few friends that he's met at chemotherapy.

"They succumbed to it. I guess they just didn't want to fight anymore," he said.

"To me, I don't know, I'll never give up fighting."

And since he's met his goal of seeing his son graduate, he's got some more.

"They told me I'd never live to see my son graduate and I did," he said.

"I try to set goals for myself...I want to go skydiving. I've always wanted to do that, but none of my friends will do it with me, so I'll have to wait till I find someone who will."

Ruptash, 52, who'll cut the ribbon to start the Selkirk Terry Fox Run Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. in Selkirk Park, has refused to let cancer take his life.

He's Stage 4 and on permanent disability, and he'll admit he has days when he doesn't feel great, but life



SELKIRK RECORD PHOTO BY DONNA MAXWELL

Ruptash, with run organizer Jana Pringle, will cut the ribbon to start this year's run.

for Ruptash still includes everything he loves.

The family goes camping as often as possible, and while some might grumble about the wet and cool weather we had for much of the summer, you won't find Ruptash complaining, or cancelling his camping.

"Who cares?" he says with a grin.

"If it rains, it rains.

"Every weekend I can, I'll go."

He's looking forward to October when the family will head to Birds Hill Park to celebrate his wife Nadine's birthday.

Ruptash has also been busy travelling. He went to Las Vegas for the first time last year and then headed off to Minneapolis to watch his daughter dance.

"You know what, it was the best time I had in my life," he said of the Vegas trip.

"I had a riot. I've never been down there before."

He's hoping to get to Vegas again, and laughed and said the Airmiles he earns off his prescription medication just might get him back.

Ruptash said he's a big proponent of living life "one day at a time" and not sweating the small stuff.

"You can't sweat it. If crap happens, it happens."

While many of us count down the days to retirement from our jobs, Ruptash said that's one of his biggest losses due to the cancer.

"Do I wish I didn't have cancer? Yeah, 'cause I'd rather be working. I loved my job at Lotteries."

He keeps busy doing yard work, and though he has to take breaks while cutting the lawn, he's learned that's just the way it is.

"I could probably do everything but then I'd be pushing it and I'd pay for it later on."

He'll be at Selkirk Park this Sunday to start the Terry Fox Run, and his family and friends will be there to run in his honour.

And if Ruptash has it his way, he'll be around for many more occasions – that's his goal anyway.

"I try because I want my kids to have a father and I want to annoy my wife a little longer," he laughed.

Registration for the Terry Fox Run is a noon. The run starts at 1 p.m.

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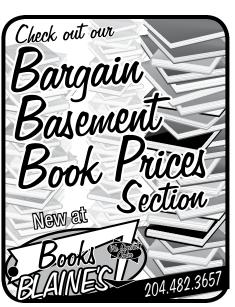


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Young legs will be pumping for Terry Fox



TwoZeroFour owner Mellen wanted at least 50 kids for the run; he just might get his wish

By Donna Maxwell

It looks like there will be a healthy kid component at this year's Terry Fox Run in Selkirk Park this Sunday.

Chris Mellen, owner of TwoZeroFour Skateshop, was offering free sunglasses to youth who raised a minimum of \$50 in pledges for the run and his goal was to get 50 kids.

Fifty kids raising at least 50 bucks each would mean \$2,500 for Terry Fox.



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Mellen and shades – there's still time to get a free pair, just raise \$50 for Terry Fox and you're in.

Early this week Mellen was about half way to his goal and had given out dozens of pledge forms to kids who'd come into his store.

"The response has been extremely surprising," Mellen said.

He's now started a team on the Terry Fox site (www.terryfox.org) and he's encouraging kids to either join his team or start one of their own.

"Either one, it doesn't really matter," he said.

"The bottom line is all I care about."
But, if you join Mellen's team – simply called TwoZeroFour Skateshop – he can see if he reaches his goal of

Selkirk kids raising \$2,500.

And, you'll boost his team, which as off Monday had just two members.

"So far it's just me and my mom," Mellen said.

But he was pleased to report mom, also known as Fran, had raised \$195 to date.

Anyone who wants to join TwoZero-Four's team go to www.terryfox.org and click on the 'team' link and follow the prompts from there.

The Selkirk Terry Fox Run is this Saturday in Selkirk Park. Registration is at noon with the run starting at 1 p.m.





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Gwen Fox Gallery volunteer Joy Hryciw admires Paul Salnikowski's piece 'Dave' on Tuesday at the gallery, while the piece 'Zola' by Judy Sutton can be seen in the background. The Gwen Fox Gallery All Members' Show takes place all September and will feature work by gallery members. A reception for the All Members' Show will be held this Friday from 6-8 p.m.

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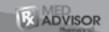








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Create a check list – If you go to your local bookstore there are books dedicated to wedding checklists; or go online and look up wedding checklists for ideas. This will help keep you organized and make sure you don't forget any of the little details for your big day.

Stay on budget - Every wedding needs a budget. Whether it is an elaborate or a low-key holiday wedding, the hardest part of planning can be tracking your expenses and making sure you're not over spending. Creating a budget spread sheet can be a lifesaver when it comes to costing things out, not to mention keeping track of accrued expenses. Be sure to include as much detail on your spreadsheet that will have a cost allocated to it like the cost of your dress, the number of guests invited to smaller expense items like shoes, jewelry and printing costs for mass booklets. If you don't keep track of what you're spending, you may end

up paying a lot more for your one day event than you wanted to.

Follow up with suppliers – Be sure to confirm details and arrival time at least a week before the wedding, including transportation reservations such as the limo.

Make a timeline package – If you don't have the luxury of a wedding

planner, take the time to create a timeline of your wedding day events. Make sure it includes contact information, location addresses like where the church is, where the photos will be taken and cell phone numbers of the bridal party. Don't forget to include maps and highlight key times of when and where people should be. This will help to ensure that everyone involved in the wedding, like the photographers, MC or the DJ, know where to be, when to be there and how much time they have in between. Make sure to send out the timeline to all those involved in the wedding. It never hurts to give it to a trusted friend to keep everyone on schedule. They can do the worrying and you can take the time to enjoy your spe-







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dinner or dessert. Whatever you do — 1. No surprises — do it right: It's do it right. The last thing you want are hungry guests and not enough food to tations for your rehearsal dinner, but go around. If it's a late affair, chances are that you're guests have already to make sure that your guests will eaten, you can't go wrong with an inknow exactly where and when the ternational coffee station and a dessert bar where guests can create their own

2. Make sure the "right" people are invited: You should invite all those who will take part in the wedding ceremony to the rehearsal dinner, including spouses or dates of all adult attendants, as well as parents and grandparents of the bride and groom. It is a nice gesture to also invite out-oftown guests that you may not see very often and who have traveled a distance to join in your special celebration.

3. Make it a little different: the rehearsal dinner should have a different style from the wedding menu. Since the wedding is often referred to as the "bride's day", why not make this occasion the "groom's day." How about a Hawaiian Luau dinner which is an easy going way for the two families and their guests to mingle and get to know each other? Or consider a barbecue cookout prepared by the groom and the groomsmen. If it's a warm day, refresh your guests and treat them to a smoothie station, or cold soup station, which could include chilled cucumber, gazpacho and peach.

If the wedding is going to be casual affair, host a sit-down formal rehearsal.

Starting off with some hors d'oeuvres either passed and circulated among the guests by a wait staff or set up a "grazing station" of appetizers where guests can walk around and mingle with each other before dinner. If the guests are feting the groom, a meat carving station and a pasta bar will provide a hearty meal.

4. Create an "ice breaker", especially if this is the first time the two families are getting together: These gatherings can be stressful, especially if family members are only meeting each other for the first time and have different interests. Start the evening with an "ice breaker" or a conversational piece for guests, such as displaying the bride and groom's baby pictures, showing an amusing family movie or video. Discover the singing talent in the family with Karaoke, or in the case of an outdoor dinner reception, setting up a game such as croquet or mini golf, will also add to the guests' opportunity to get to know one another and for all to enjoy the lighthearted evening. Consider hiring a comedian, or a fortune teller to entertain your guests.

5. For a dessert, surprise your guests with the groom's cake at the rehearsal dinner. The caterer can decorate the cake in various shapes and styles to match the groom's personality or a particular interest or hobby. The groom can provide input on the style and the flavour, after all, who can resist a deep, double-chocolate fudge cake?





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Dressing the flower girl

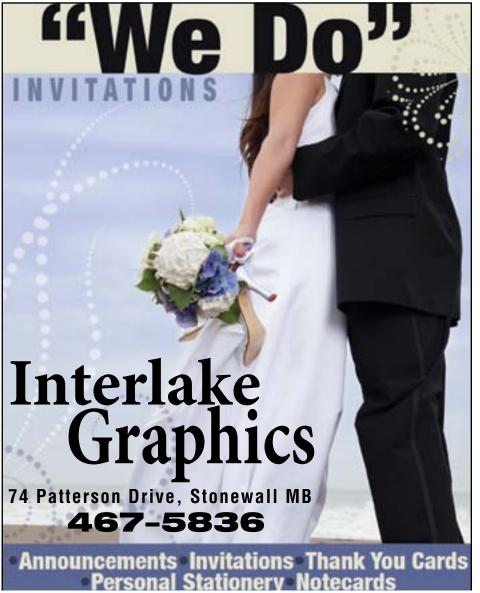
The ideal flower girl is aged 3 to 7 and is usually a younger sister, a niece, a young cousin or the daughter of a friend. Make sure the child you have chosen is mature enough to play the role without difficulty. She must be able to carry a basket full of flower petals or a small bouquet resembling that carried by the bride, and she must preceed the bride down the aisle.

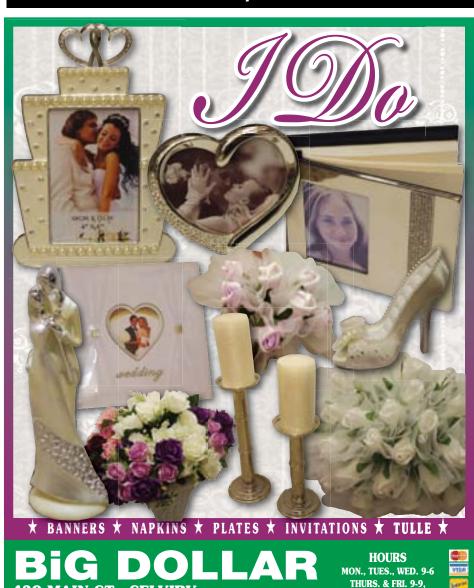
The flower girl's dress should be in the same style as the bride's. Generally, it is

entirely white with shoulder straps or short sleeves and made of silk, satin or some other material similar to that worn by the bride. The dress is usually accompanied by a tasteful headdress, or the flower girl may wear flowers in her hair. In the case of flowers, they are most often the same as those used in the floral arrangements. This season, translucent white gloves seem to be a preferred part of the flower girl's wardrobe.

In the case of jewellery, the flower girl often wears earrings and a simple necklace. It is important that the jewellery be delicate and subtle. The same is true of make-up, which, if used, should be applied lightly. Simplicity is, after all, the essence of a flower girl's beauty.







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About one year before the wedding

Reception hall

Lots of options are open to you, such as a hotel reception room, restaurant, boat, vineyard, golf club, or marquee tent. Depending on your budget, think about the style of wedding you'd like and choose a suitable venue.

Caterer

When booking a caterer, don't forget to talk about all the details of the meal. Will the kitchen be on site? Will taxes be charged? Can they make the cake as well?

Celebrant

Meet with the celebrant (priest, registrar, or other official) to ensure that he or she will be available on the date set for your wedding and to see which documents you will need to supAbout six months before the wedding

• Music and MC

Now you will have to book a master of ceremonies (MC) as well as a DJ or orchestra. This is an important step, as the MC will create the mood of the evening. Choose someone who will respect your tastes and requirements.

Clothing and accessories

Now's the time to think about purchasing and fitting the wedding dress, the groom's tuxedo, and accessories, such as shoes. Make sure you order your wedding bands at this time.

Photographer

Book the services of a professional photographer in order to have a lasting record of your wedding day memories. Unfortunately, a friend or family member, however well-intentioned, is rarely able to produce quality photos.

About three months before the wedding

Decorations and flowers

Decorations, flowers, and the bridal bouquet should be ordered now. Ensure that the style and colours of these elements complement each other.

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Reserve the services of a chauffeur with a luxury car. Arriving in a limousine, a convertible, or an antique car is a great way to start your big day.

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Refreshing change at Lockport School

Water dispensers good for kids and environment

By Dave Baxter

The kids at Lockport School have a cool and tasty new way to help the environment, and spend a little less money on drinks while they are in class this year.

Thanks in part to a \$2,000 grant from the Selkirk and District Community Foundation, Lockport School has installed three Elkay EZH2O bottle filling stations that dispense carbon filtered and refrigerated water.

On the first day of the school year, the school also gave every student their own water bottle they can use to refill water from the dispensers as many times as they want.

A digital counter on the dispensers lets staff and students know exactly how many water bottles they have prevented from being used and thrown away.

Grade 8 teacher Carly Henaire said staff at the school knew the kids were not thrilled about the water coming out of the regular fountains, and said a lot of water bottles were being bought from vending machines at the school, or brought from home and thrown away.

"We were looking at doing something sustainable for the school this year and for a way to create some positive change," said Henaire. "The water here is something they weren't super happy about, so we started looking at what we could do."

Henaire also said they wanted to find a way to decrease the number of water bottles that were being bought

"The water in the machines is \$1.50 so that's expensive for kids, plus you are constantly throwing those things



Grade 8 students Robin Marchuk, Janet Clegg, Dede Rooney, Soren Christensen, Emily Boryskavich and Charlotte Wilmott are enjoying the water that comes out of the school's new water dispensers.

out so we wanted to make a change."

Even though Henaire said the school works to make sure kids are recycling as much as possible, it is still better for the environment if students are buying fewer plastic bottles.

"Yeah a lot of times people are recycling them, but even the energy it takes to create them is huge."

Henaire said the water coming out of the new dispensers is miles ahead of what came out of previous fountains in terms of taste and refrigeration, so it will be a reason kids will want to use them for their drinking water.

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For some of us who have grown up around and have been involved in agriculture, this concept of an "Open Farm Day" may seem strange, but with less and less people having any real connection back to farming and agriculture this is a great opportunity to meet some of the farm families that produce our food.

Agriculture continues to be a major industry in our province, touching the lives of all Manitobans in some

There are a number of local farms and agricultural tourism operations from the Interlake area that are participating in Open Farm Day.

Plum Ridge Farm and Helstrom Performance Horses, both west of Winnipeg Beach, Waldbee Natural Honey Farm Inc, and Chorney's Farm, both in East Selkirk are a few of the farms in our area that will be participating in the tour. Use the website www.openfarmday.ca to find these farms and plan your trip, or contact your local Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives (MAFRI) office for a guide. You might want to go further afield and meet producers in other areas of the province as well. Take a sneak peak at what's in store for you by viewing You Tube videos from participating host farms (on website).

For avid Geocachers, an added activity this year is the placement of caches at several host farms. Find the cache and then visit the host farm on Open Farm Day. Search for OFD2013 on www.geocaching.com to find the participating host farms' caches.

Good luck and have fun in your travels as you meet the many farm families that are part of Open Farm Day!





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Tip: To create a foamy top on your latte, much like your favorite coffee house creation, prepare as above. Then carefully transfer hot mixture into blender container; cover with lid and then hold down lid with folded towel or potholder. Blend for 1 minute.

Preparation

Heat oven to 425°F. Lightly grease a large cookie sheet.

Unroll dough; press to a 12"x 12" square. Using a sharp knife, cut dough into 4 squares; cut each square diagonally in half, forming 8 triangles. Transfer triangles to cookie sheet.

Combine oil and garlic; brush over triangles; top with cheese.

Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until golden

Preparation Time: 10 minutes Bake Time: 12 to 14 minutes Makes 8 triangles

Veggie Slaw

Ingredients

Dressing

3/4 cup canola oil

6 tablespoons cider vinegar

2 tablespoons sugar

2 tablespoons coarse mustard

2 tablespoons poppy seeds 2 teaspoons celery seeds

Salt and black pepper to taste

Vegetables (or substitute 2 pounds precut slaw mix)

1 head curly cabbage (Savoy or napa), shredded

1 small head red cabbage, shredded

1 pound carrots, shredded 2 colorful bell peppers, thinly sliced 1 cup thinly sliced sweet onion

Preparation

Whisk together dressing ingredients. Toss with vegetables, season to taste and marinate in refrigerator at least 30 minutes before serving.

Serves 8

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Shrimp and Cauliflower Curry medium-high heat. Sauté cauliflower and

2 tsp (10 mL) vegetable oil

3 cups (750 mL) small cauliflower florets

1 onion, thinly sliced

2 tbsp (25 mL) mild Indian curry paste or powder or 45 mL (3 tbsp) mild Indian curry paste or powder

2 cups (500 mL) no-salt-added canned

12 oz (375 g) raw large shrimp, peeled and deveined

1 cup (250 mL) frozen green peas, thawed 2 tbsp (25 mL) cornstarch

1 1/2 cup (375 mL) 2% plain yogurt Chopped fresh cilantro or mint

Directions

In a large non-stick skillet, heat oil over

onion for about 5 minutes or until onion is softened. Add curry paste and sauté for 1 minute. Add tomatoes and bring to a boil, stirring. Reduce heat and boil gently, stirring often, for 8 minutes or until cauliflower is almost tender.

Stir in shrimp and green peas. Whisk cornstarch into yogurt and gradually stir into pan; simmer, stirring constantly, for about 3 minutes or until sauce is thickened.

Serve sprinkled with cilantro or mint, over brown basmati rice or whole wheat

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Household hazardous waste now has its space

RER will take it every day of the week

By Austin Grabish

Residents living in Selkirk and the surrounding areas now have a place to go when they need to dispose of their hazardous household waste ma-

Responsible Electronics Recycling now has a full-service hazardous waste depot, and it's the first to open in the province, according to RER manager Karen Keppler.

Up until now RER only accepted electronic waste such as old computers and fax machines. But now because they have the proper facilities they can take common household waste like chemicals, batteries, paint, cleaning compounds, and fluorescent

Keppler says the opening of the depot – which takes place Sept. 16 – is a step in the right direction.

"It's a big enhancement and also a huge encouragement to keep it (hazardous waste) out of the landfill," Kep-

Up until now there were only one or two days out of the year when people could dispose of their household hazardous waste, Keppler said.

She said this posed a problem for people wanting to get rid of their waste right away.

"If it's six months till the next hazardous waste day someone might slip a can of paint into their garbage," she

"We have to handle it (the hazardous waste) carefully and properly.

"If you went to a landfill in 2008 you would see all sorts of computers and other electronics."

That's why electronic waste was the first kind of garbage to be accepted by RER four years ago when they first

"We kind of went by the biggest need first," Keppler said.

But accepting electronic and hazardous waste isn't the only thing RER wants to do.

"We want to be an eco centre," Keppler said.

She explained that eco centers take anything that needs to be recycled including mattresses and furniture.

"It's not a complete picture yet," Keppler said.

Right now RER is only receiving about 60 per cent of household waste that is recyclable which leaves the other 40 per cent of waste going into our landfills and rivers.

That is why the non-profit group wants to build a blue box recycling centre that would accept recyclables from households in surrounding areas without a blue box pickup pro-

Residents can start dropping off their hazardous household waste now at the new depot.

The public is invited to come to the grand opening of the new facility this Monday, Sept. 16 at 11 a.m.

"We'd love to have some people come out and see our place," Keppler

Responsible Electronics Recycling is located inside the Selkirk Industrial Park at 511 Robinson Ave.

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Bobby J tourney comes through for Foundation

Great golf and five grand for Community Foundation

By Donna Maxwell

Whacking a golf ball around and raising cash sounds like a perfect day.

Throw in sunshine and enough breeze to keep the temperatures in line and that's what Century 21 Bob Jefferson and Associates Realty did last Thursday for their annual golf

The tournament was held at Selkirk Golf and Country Club and raised \$5,000 for the Selkirk and District Community Foundation.

In 16 years the tournament has raised just over \$83,000 for the foun-

"I was happy with it," organizer Bob Jefferson said.

"Everything went well. Diane (Thomas) always does a wonderful job and the staff at the golf course are

Community foundation executive director Bev Clegg was thrilled once again with the day.

"It was another great year," Clegg

"Century 21 and Bob are always so generous with us. It's so humbling re-

Clegg had a foursome in the tourna-



Bill Bodman and Bob Jefferson present a cheque for \$5,000 to Community Foundtion board member Heather Hogg following last Thursday's Century 21 Jefferson and Associates Realty golf tournament.

ment – her husband Ron Clegg, business partner from KMJ Builders Dave Boivert and foundation board mem-

ber Heather Hogg – and they picked up the award for most honest golfers. "The funny part was I thought we

golfed pretty good," Clegg laughed. Winners of the tournament were the Jason Boyd foursome.

Refreshing change at Lockport School

"It's carbon filtered and refrigerated. Before the water was lukewarm, and anything colder is going to be a lot more appealing."

Lockport School principal Daryl Loeppky said he believes that having a digital counter on the dispensers, showing how many bottles would have been used instead, will be a visual way to show the kids how the machines are helping, and be a motivator for them to keep using

"We are two days into the school year and each dispenser is already at about 350 water bottles so it's already going fantastic and that counter shows them water bottles they are keeping out of the landfills, so it's real and tangible for the kids," said Loeppky.

Paula Stupsky, the mother of a Grade 9 student at the school and vice-chair of the Lord Selkirk El-

ementary School Parent Advisory Committee, said she hopes students will now drink more water, and stay away from drinks that are less healthy.

"The quality is so good that I think there is less of a chance the kids will go for juice at the vending machine or bring pop from home," said Stupsky. "It's always good for kids' health when they drink more water."

Staff and parents may be fans of

the new dispensers, but so are stu-

"Last year the water was really warm and it had a real metal taste to it," said Grade 8 student Dede Rooney. "Now it is colder and has a much better taste, so I won't use as many water bottles now."

Lockport School is a junior high with approximately 418 grades 7-9 students, and is located at 129 Lockport Rd.

Royals crowned U of W tourney champs - again

By Brian Bowman

The players and coaches may be different throughout the years, but there is one thing that is the same at the annual University of Winnipeg varsity girls' volleyball tournament.

At the end of the day, the Selkirk Royals are crowned the tournament champions.

Selkirk won yet another tournament title at the downtown university in Winnipeg as they cruised to a 2-0 (25-20, 25-19) sweep over the Linden Christian Wings in Saturday's championship game.

"I thought the girls did a great job against Linden Christian," said Royals' head coach Chad Whiteside after the tournament. "We made some adjustments when we played them a second time, noticing their tendencies, and we made some adjustments which worked out for us."

Whiteside felt his girls did a very good job playing together as a team for, in many cases, the very first time. That team cohesiveness, he said, was nice to see in the first action of the season.

"We had great energy at times," he enthused. "It's a big space at the Duckworth so it's hard, at times, to communicate in there. But the girls made a conscious effort to stay vocal and that really paid off."

Selkirk finished first in its pool Friday evening and, after being repooled Saturday, the Royals placed second (behind Linden Christian and ahead of Killarney and Dauphin).

In the playoffs, Selkirk played a crossover match in the quarterfinal against Steinbach and swept them 2-0 (25-15 and 25-14). The Royals then reached the finals after an exciting 2-1 semifinal win over Dakota. After losing the first set 25-18, the Royals stormed back to win the next two by scores of 25-17 and 15-5.

With several new faces on the floor for the Royals this season, last weekend's tournament victory was a fantastic way to set the tone for the season.

"It was a great way to iron out some of the wrinkles and it was a good test," Whiteside said. "We know we have to keep the win in perspective, though, and my girls know there are still some teams out there on the horizon that we'll meet that are really going to be tough for us. We know we have our work cut out for us but it's nice to get one (tournament win) under your belt."

Looking ahead to this season, the Royals expect to be very competitive, once again, with a bevy of talent on the floor. Libiero Kailey Evans, who was selected as the U of W tournament MVP, and setter Baylee Gunter, named an all-star last weekend, will both play key roles with this year's team. Other players expected to see plenty of court time are left-side Mikaela Morelli, middle Kier Fey, and left-side Cede Schindler.

The KPAC schedule had not been released at press time but the Royals will be back in action this weekend at a Crocus Plains' tournament in Brandon and then will host their own tourney on Sept. 27-28. In October, Selkirk will compete at tournaments in Spruce Grove, AB (Oct. 10-13), West Winnipeg (Oct. 18-19), and St. Vital (Oct. 31 – Nov. 2).



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Selkirk Royals' Raegan Telke (14) and Allison Alcock (8) go up for a block against St. James during tournament play Friday evening.

Larters wins rural division at Interclub championship

By Brian Bowman

The Larters foursome of Justin Mikulik, John Schmidt, Brent Jesson and Derek Samagalski combined to win the Rural Division at Golf Manitoba's Men's Provincial Interclub Championship at Southwood Golf & Country Club in Winnipeg on Sept. 3.

Larters finished at 19-over 235 (112-123), six strokes better than Minnewasta and Shilo and seven

better than Portage.

Teulon Golf & Country Club's foursome of Dennis Vande, Greg Melnichuk, Bob Sylvester and Ken Stadnek placed fifth at 35-over 251. The Selkirk team of Michael Cybu-

liak, Dylan Fredborg, Rick Setter, and Scott Salmon was ninth after a 54-over 270 (140-130).

The City Division winner was Southwood while the city runner-up was Niakwa.

Selkirk native representing Canada in Czech Republic

By Brian Bowman

Zane Clarke's summer has been a busy one – and his schedule got even more interesting this week.

Clarke is fresh off winning three medals – a gold and two silver – at the Canadian Sprint Canoe Kayak Championships, which were held in Montreal from Aug. 27-31. He won the gold in the U17 men's K1 1000 and earned the silver in both the K1 200 and K2 1000 races.

"I'm pretty happy with the medals because it's been a long season," said Clarke, who also recently competed at the 2013 Canada Summer Games and the World Junior Championships, last week. "But I thought I could perform a bit better even though I pulled off a gold and two silver, so I'm not complaining."

Last year, Clarke won a pair of gold medals at nationals.

Clarke, 17, is currently representing Canada at the Olympic Hopes Regatta in Racice, Czech Republic. Last month, Clarke won a gold medal in a K4 1000 event at the Canada Summer Games.

"That race was hard," Clarke, 17, recalled of the first-place finish at the Canada Summer Games. "All that was going through my mind was just quit – this sucks. We had

a crew of 20 and 21 year olds racing against us. It was a high level of competition and we won by .05, which is very very, close. It was a relief to win and it was relieving to know that we gave it our all and it was enough.

"I was terrified that it was just not going to be enough but the teamwork and the hard work paid off."

Clarke said the experience of competing at the Canada Summer Games was a fantastic one.

"It was awesome to go to a multisport game and talk to other people in other sports," he enthused. "It was a fantastic experience."

Clarke will, no doubt, have another great experience this week when he races for Canada at the Olympic Hopes Regatta. Clarke said he is slowly realizing the great strides he has made in the sport while he represents Canada against international competition.

"This will be my first racing trip with Canada out of the country because the junior worlds were in Canada," Clarke explained. "I'm really excited to see the whole competition out there. I hope to win a couple of medals. I have faith in my team and myself that we could do that."

To help with travel costs for Clarke, there will be a fundraiser (which will feature door prizes) that will be held Oct. 19 at the Selkirk Golf & Country Club. Tickets can be purchased by calling Bonnie Clarke at 785-8494 or by visiting Who's Next Hairstyling at 238 Manitoba Ave. in Selkirk.



Clarke captured a gold and two silver medals at nationals and is currently representing Canada at the Olympic Hopes Regatta in Racice, Czech Republic.

Lowrie paddles way to medal podium at nationals

By Brian Bowman

By the time the 2013 Canadian Sprint Canoe/Kayak Championships were over, Stefanie Lowrie certainly knew her way to the medal podium.

After winning five medals – four of them silver - Lowrie, 16, could not have asked for a better performance on a national stage. The Selkirk native's third-place finish came in the gruelling U17 C1 6,000-metre individual race.

"Our coach trains us for long distance so I was ready for a long dis-

tance," said the Grade 11 student at the Comp."I was looking to do well and it was really hot that day, 42 with the humidex, and there were 30 girls in that race."

Lowrie's four silver medals came in the junior women's C4 500-m, U17 C2 1,000m, U19 C2 1,000m, and the U17 C4 1,000m races. Her outstanding performance opened a lot of eyes at the nationals.

"I didn't think I would come home with five medals," Lowrie enthused, "because last year (at nationals) I only got one (medal) and that was in a team boat."

Lowrie felt extensive training and experience helped her improve in her medal haul at this year's nationals.

"I was at the Canada Summer Games as well and I did well there, so I had a really hard summer of training," Lowrie said. "I think I got stronger as an athlete."

Lowrie is hoping that added strength will push her to the next level in her sport as she strives to make next year's junior world event. She also is looking to earn a spot at the Olympic Hopes Regatta

"That would be a huge goal," Lowrie, who paddles twice a day for two hours each practice session during the summer, stressed.

Lowrie's next stop in the sport will take her south to Perdido, Fla., in March for a three-week spring training camp with Team 'Toba. But the trip isn't going to be all fun in the sun.

"It's a lot of hard work," Lowrie warned. "We practice three times a day and I think I did 480 kms (in the water) last year in a month."

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Steelers all business last weekend

Selkirk plays four exhibition games in three days

By Brian Bowman

The Selkirk Steelers got in a lot of hockey last weekend - playing four games in just three days - to give the coaching staff plenty of opportunity to evaluate players.

The result was one victory and three one-goal losses, including a shootout defeat against the Steinbach Pistons.

"They were close games, evenly matched, which was good," said Steelers' head coach/director of hockey operations Ryan Smith Monday afternoon. "When you're drawing up your lineups in the exhibition season, you're hoping that it's a game that you can evaluate and the teams are fairly even."

On Sunday, the Winnipeg Blues edged the Steelers 4-3 as the visitors overcame a 3-2 third-period deficit. Liam Bilton tied the score at 3-3 early in the third and then Devon Skoleski netted the eventual game winner at 14:58.

The Blues took a 1-0 first-period lead on a power-play goal from Jackson Keane but the Steelers fought back with a pair of goals in the second. Mac Burnstead tied the score early in the middle frame and then Carson Rybuck struck on the power play at 7:03.

Winnipeg's Carter Comeau then pulled the Blues even with just 20 seconds left in the second.

Selkirk was 2-for-8 on the power play while Winnipeg was 1-for-6. The Steelers outshot the Blues 48-26.

"(Sunday's) game was a very good game," Smith said, "probably the best game of the weekend."

Last Friday, the Steelers lost 4-3 to the Blues in a game that featured mostly rookies (and looked pretty sloppy at times) as Scott Rowswell scored the eventual game winner with just 1:02 remaining in the third period. That goal came 3:25 after Selkirk tied the score at 3-3 on a Carson Rybuck shorthanded marker.

The teams were tied at 1-1 after 20



The Selkirk Steelers' Dale Goodbrandson (18) hopes for a rebound from the Blues' Luke Ushakas during exhibition action last Friday in Selkirk.

minutes as Winnipeg's Zack Court (on the power play) and Selkirk's Graham Philip traded goals. Rowswell and Devon Skoleski then gave the Blues a 3-1 advantage before Cico Lisi tallied at 18:39 of the second.

On Saturday, the Steelers had a very busy day with a pair of games. In the afternoon, Selkirk was edged 2-1 in a shootout by the Steinbach Pistons.

Tyler Anderson, Ryan Edevold and Colton Veloso scored for Steinbach in the shootout while Carey Morrison was the lone Selkirk shooter to tally. In regulation time, the Pistons' Colin Boudry opened the game's scoring just 34 seconds into the contest. Morrison tied the score at 1-1 at 5:39 of the first period. The Steelers outshot the Pistons 35-18 for the game and 13-5 in the third period.

Later that evening, the Steelers doubled the Blues 4-2 at the MTS Iceplex, helped out by a strong first period by the Steelers.

Matt Hughesman, Codi Lashewicz, Brian Dies and Ty Kraus scored for Selkirk in the win.

"We had a few more veterans in the lineup Saturday," Smith noted, "sprinkled in each game."

Selkirk continued its exhibition schedule last night in Virden against the Capitals and then will host Virden on Friday at the Selkirk Rec Complex (7:30 p.m.). On Saturday, the Steelers will travel to Steinbach to face the Pistons.

"The Virden game (on the road) will be an interesting one to see how the guys react," Smith said.

The Steelers, meanwhile, still had quite a few bodies in camp at press

time but their roster will be pared down significantly after this weekend. Selkirk did have one less body than expected in camp, though, as goaltender Patrick Johnson chose not to report to the Steelers' camp.

Selkirk had acquired Johnson, 20, from the SJHL's Melfort Mustangs back in the summer. Johnson also has spent time with the WHL's Saskatoon Blades.

"We expected him to be here and compete for a spot," Smith said. "But he decided not to (show up at camp) and that's his decision not ours, obviously. That's very disappointing and whenever a player doesn't show up it's disappointing and everyone has their own reasons and he has is. Moving forward, we still have guys in camp that we're looking at."

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Snagging gold at Founders

Selkirk natives lead Gryphons at national tournament

By Brian Bowman

A pair of local lacrosse players had a golden moment recently at the 2013 Founders Cup.

Tanner Singleton and Danny Fiebelkorn, both Selkirk natives, led their Manitoba Gryphons to a gold medal on the B side of the Founders Cup, a national championship which was held from Aug. 19-25 in St. Norbert.

Manitoba snagged the gold with a convincing 12-1 victory over Quebec on Aug. 25. To reach that gold-medal game, the Gryphons outscored SWAT

"It was a good game and everything worked really well," said Singleton, a second-year player with the Gryphons. "Our (goaltender) was playing well and all of our top guys, our '92s, played good – everyone was clicking well."

Fiebelkorn said that final win was a big one for the Gryphons' program.

"Manitoba has never had the best lacrosse teams and stuff like that, but this year we had a good team and we just worked hard all year at practice and we finally came together at Founders and pulled through," he said. "Throughout the season, we had our ups and downs and we went through a couple of streaks where we lost to teams we shouldn't have lost to and we beat teams we weren't expected to beat. Then, in the playoffs, we did (well) in the first two rounds and swept both of the teams and then we fell apart in the semifinals and lost two games straight

Singleton said winning a medal at the Founders Cup was a great way to end their season.

"It feels good because we didn't have as good as a showing last year at Founders," Singleton noted. "It was nice to have a good record and get a medal here at home. (Playing at home) definitely sparked us because we didn't have to drive at all to go to Founders. We went home to our own beds every night and got a good sleep and we also had a home crowd watching us."

In pool play, Manitoba posted a 2-0-1 record. The Gryphons defeated Quebec (15-5) and SWAT (13-7) and then played to an 8-8 draw with ILA.

Singleton said there was a big difference for him playing in his second season with the Gryphons, which compete against teams from Alberta and Saskatchewan in the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse League. Manitoba compiled a solid 12-7-1 record in the Tier 1 – South Division.

"In my first year, I basically spent the whole year learning but this year I was able to provide a little bit of leadership and I knew what my role was and I just went out and did it," said the 5-foot-6, 145-pound Singleton. "Being a smaller player, I would get picked on but you just have to hold your own. If you don't back down guys recognize that."

Fiebelkorn, meanwhile, completed his first season with the Gryphons and did a good job as a rookie. Both Singleton and Fiebelkorn played with the Tri-S Wizards' lacrosse program before making the transition to the Gryphons.

Fiebelkorn said it was, at times, a challenge competing against bigger, older competition.

"It was something different than what I'm used to," Fiebelkorn, 17, a Grade 12 student at the Comp, admitted. "It was a lot different calibre than what I was used to...and it's a lot better passing - no one is dropping passes and it's a lot better lacrosse."

Fiebelkorn was quick to praise



Manitoba Gryphons' Danny Fiebelkorn (left) and Tanner Singleton, both Selkirk natives, led their team to a B-side gold medal recently at the Founders Cup.

the efforts of Dave Gill and the Wizards' lacrosse program, which gives kids from the Tri-S area a chance to play lacrosse. That program is invaluable in teaching younger players the

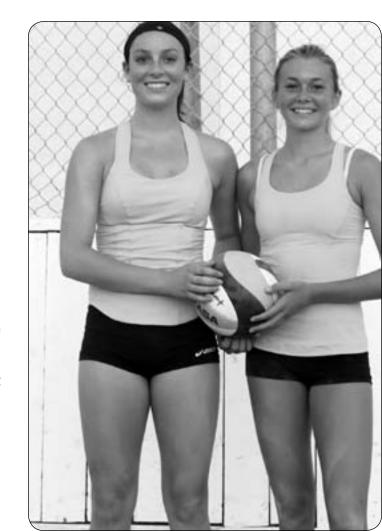
"They taught me a lot about lacrosse, the plays and the skill," Fiebelkorn noted. "I started eight years ago, or something like that, and when I came into the game I really had no clue. What I had going for me was my speed, but the Wizards taught me how to stand up for myself because I was a smaller guy. They were a big part of me wanting to play lacrosse and go places.

"I give them a lot of credit for my success."

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The family of Steven Henry would like to thank their many friends, relatives and neighbours for their kind expression of sympathy extended to them during their time of need. Your flowers, cards, food and prayers were deeply appreciated. Thank-you to Ginny Coleman for her inspiring service and Sandra Richardson for providing the music. Thank you to Cloverdale Church UCW for providing the delicious lunch and to Gilbart's Funeral Home for their assistance.

OBITUARY

Sophie Morwick

On September 5, 2013, Sophie Morwick, aged 83, passed away peacefully in Teulon, MB, surrounded by her family.

Fiercely independent, strong-willed, and intensely private, Sophie lived life on her own terms. A long-time wildlife enthusiast who loved birds and flowers, she would often go camping by herself to enjoy the peace and quiet of nature.

A sometimes gruff and stoic exterior belied a kind and generous heart. Known for her beautiful singing voice, Sophie was modest about all her accomplishments. Her friends and family were often recipients of her exquisite petit point needlework, with compliments self-consciously brushed aside.

A life-long parishioner of the Notre Dame Catholic Church in Selkirk, she was a member of the Catholic Women's League (CWL) and often on the parish council. Sophie believed strongly in her faith, saying her prayers every night with her beloved husband's She never liked a fuss made over her and always wanted to do everything herself. In her last year,

she built a new network of friends, charming her Home Care "ladies" with stories of her youthful (mis) adventures, time spent in the air force, and love of her family. Special thanks to the brigade of women who helped Sophie last as long as she did. Heartfelt thanks to Dr. Michael Loudon and the nursing staff at Teulon Hospital. Their exceptional

compassion and kindness towards Sophie made her end-of-life journey a comfortable and peaceful experience. A Memorial Mass will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in the Notre Dame

Roman Catholic Church with Fr. Stan Gacek officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

Gilbart Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements. www.gilbartfuneralhome.com



OBITUARY

Gudlaug (Lauga) Adalheidur Magnusson 1914 - 2013

Peacefully, Lauga passed away at the Selkirk Betel Home September 7. She was born on a grain and cattle farm October 15, 1914, in a small Icelandic community near Sinclair, Manitoba, the daughter of Thorgrimur Olafsson from Borganes, Iceland and Gudrun Rosa Thorsteinsdottir from Leira, Iceland. In 1929, Lauga came to Winnipeg to attend the Jon Bjarnason Academy. She stayed in her beloved West End for 83 years. In the Depression, she lived and worked as a caregiver with wonderful families of the Icelandic West End. In 1940, she married her former JBA teacher Agnar Rae Magnusson. They shared their love and support for one another until Agnar passed away in 1996.

Lauga learned to read Icelandic when she was three. Reading fueled her passion for telling stories about Icelandic "littlafolk" that shared their farm; how a prairie blizzard would be presaged by dreams of a white stallion, galloping in from the northwest; what it was like in a boarding house full of Winnipeg Icelanders in the Depression.

Lauga enjoyed the people that came into her life: family, friends, relatives visiting from faraway places like Iceland and California. She celebrated with conversation, infectious laughter, chocolate, vinarterta, and good coffee in her house on Garfield.

She emphasized the value of education, the arts, having a career and being financially independent. Lauga gave much love and support to family and friends and was much loved in return. She and Agnar warmly welcomed their daughters' friends into the family home.

Lauga is survived by daughters Maria June Jones of Selkirk (Gerald), Anna Rae Magnusson of Winnipeg, Augusta Lynne Magnusson of Toronto (Paul Stevens), and Janis Olof Magnusson of the West Coast, grandsons Brian Thor Jones and Eric Christopher Jones, and many nephews and nieces. She was predeceased by her husband Agnar Rae, her sisters Sigga Wiem, Stina Burke, and Arros Metheringham, brother Olafur Olafson, and son-in-law Jack Dobb (Janis).

The family would like to express their gratitude to the wonderful staff at the Betel Home in Selkirk for their loving care of our mother. Also to the Home Care workers in Winnipeg who looked after her so well, our deepest thanks.

A celebration of Lauga's life will be held at 2:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 13, 2013 at Neil Bardal Funeral Centre, 3030 Notre Dame Ave., Winnipeg. Interment at Brookside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to a charity of your choice.

OBITUARY



Donald W. Andrey B.Sc., P. Eng. (Civil)

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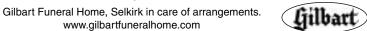
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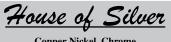
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River's Edge Run participants FREE
(Breakfast is served in the big tent north of Skinner's River Road)

Rivers Edge RUN

Half Marathon and 30K Marathon: Start time 8am

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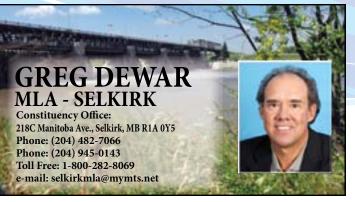
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SATURDAY September 14







Kids Kooky Krafts Korner: 1-6pm

Join the flock and make a pelican hat! Mold a traditional clay pot the way our earliest ancestors did. Fashion yourself some cool bling to wear...

or just play some crazy games

Discover our Red River Roots: 1-6pm

See displays chronicling early business in the region and our local transportation history; learn more about the St. Andrews Lock and Dam; discover some historical gems in St. Clements; and find out what the St. Clements Heritage Committee is doing to promote local history!

Make an old-fashioned clothespin doll to take home!

St. Clements Fire Fighters: Check out the equipment and learn what it takes to be a firefighter!

Little Spirit Bear Dancers perform at 1pm

Henna and Glitter Tattoos with Abracadebra: 2-6pm

Mr. Mark brings you his zany musical madness: 2pm

Diamond Disc Dogs leap into action at **4pm**. Arff! Woof! Good dog! **PLUS!!**

Vertical Adventures lets you reach for the top on the climbing tower! Noon-6pm Bring a Tin for the Selkirk Food Bank Bin: Noon-6pm (Bin is located next to the face painting tents near the park entrance.)

WHEELHOUSE

entertains in the beverage tent from **6pm**

Fireworks!! Saturday evening at dusk. Kaboom!



SUNDAY September 15:

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Story time

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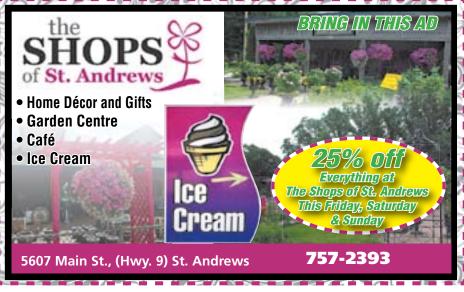
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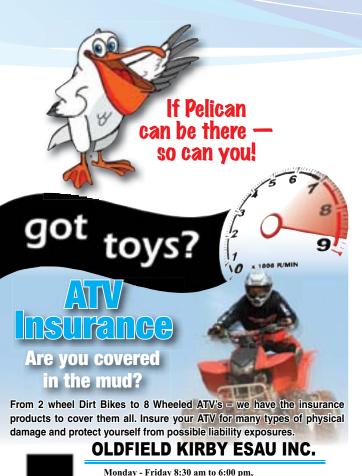
Get our your rod and reel and join the fun! If you catch the winning fish between 4pm Friday September 13th and 4pm Sunday September 15th you could take home the top prize of \$20,000!

Entry tickets available NOW through Noon Sunday, September 15th.

\$10 per person.

Available at: Enns Brothers, Fas Gas, Harry's Foods, Lockport General Store, Lockport Inn, Oldfield Kirby Esau, Ricky's All Day Grill, Skinner's Highway 44 and Skinner's River Road.

Full contest rules available on-line at www.lockportmanitoba.ca/festival



Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

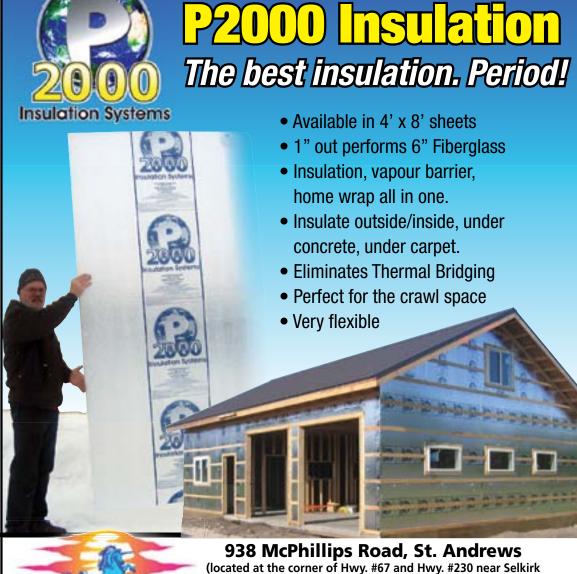
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A BIG THANK YOU

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