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Shellbrook Food Bank raises \$2,300 at live auction



The barbecue eats kept auction-goers at the Shellbrook and Area Food Bank's first-ever live auction fundraiser full up, but they didn't do much to diminish their appetites to bid on some unique and interesting items.

Their numbers may have been few, but those who attended a live auction benefit for the Shellbrook and Area Food Bank at the Shellbrook Pentecostal Assembly on Saturday sure made a big difference by opening up their hearts, and their wallets.

All told, the 20 or so people who bid on auction items, which were auctioned off by volunteer auctioneer Jack Hills from Big River, helped raise \$2,300 for the Food Bank to assist those in need.

And others, who partook of some good old fashioned barbecued eats, certainly did their part too.

"I was quite pleased, because this is the first time we did it," said Dave Whalley, treasurer of the Shellbrook and Area Food Bank.

"We got support from places we never would have expected," he added, noting that, on top of Hills from Big River, they also had Lorne Ridgeway and Marilyn Smith from Christopher Lake donate their

time to the cause.

The \$2,300 raised through the live auction and barbecue is undeniably good news for the Food Bank. As is the support the event received from local businesses and individuals, who donated items for the auction, and the volunteers who helped collect and sort the goods, or grill up food.

However, Whalley notes that recent years have seen reliance on the Food Bank's services increase by between 40 and 50 per cent. And, though

the Food Bank isn't wanting for willing volunteers, he says that increased usage is making the Food Bank's stores, and its bank account, difficult to maintain.

"We're giving out about \$700 to \$800 a month in food. There's more people in need now, and we just don't have the money to do it monthly. That's why we only do it about six times a year for an individual," he said.

With social services and other support programs fac-

ing cut backs in recent years, making it harder for vulnerable families and individuals to make ends meet, Whalley says it's important to remember that "we are our brother's and sister's keepers".

"There are a lot of children who are affected by it too. How can they earn when they go to school hungry?"

Anyone wishing to donate to the Shellbrook and Area Food Bank can get in touch with Whalley, or any of the other ministers in the community.

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Kinettes' Mother's Day brunch serves up appreciation

Those who perhaps forgot to buy a mother's day gift had one last chance to remedy that grave mistake – and show a little appreciation for all the things that moms do – when the Shellbrook Kinettes hosted their Mother's Day Brunch at the Shellbrook Community Hall on Sunday morning.

An annual event for the past four years, the Kinettes' Mother's Day Brunch was introduced to replace a similar community event that had been held in the past. And as it turns out, the Kinettes weren't the only ones to see the need for a special day to treat moms, as attendance at the brunch has always been strong,

and the menu seems to keep expanding.

This year, Kinette Tasha Cyr says the traffic was almost always steady, but never overfull, as Kinettes and volunteers from the Shellbrook Skating Club (who were paired with the Kinettes through MJW Chartered Professional Accountant's Strength Through Numbers Program), served about 220 people throughout the day.

And while French toast was back on the menu for a second year, this year's newest addition was scrambled eggs. Together, the two items joined delicious offerings of sausage, ham, pancakes, and hash browns, and

desserts of muffins and squares, which were made and donated by the Kinettes, or Jell-o and pudding.

Helping to add to the variety of the menu once again was Shellbrook Bigway, which donated a pre-cut fruit tray to the brunch. Meanwhile, the Shellbrook Flower Shop helped the Kinettes spruce the hall up, by cutting them a good deal on carnations.

"This relieves a huge cost and a huge amount of work," Cyr said. "We are very thankful for these two local businesses."

Though some final bills are yet to come in, Cyr says the continued support of the community and local businesses helped this

year's Mother's Day Brunch raise about \$2,000 for the Kinettes. And, while Cyr says the Kinettes don't have a specific project in mind for the funds, she promises that it "all stays within our community."

Next up for the Kinettes is a partnership with the Shellbrook Kinsmen and Shellbrook Minor Sports that will see a comedy night added to the Shellbrook Sports Days festivities over the June 1 weekend.

The comedy show, featuring six comedians, will be held at the sports grounds the evening of June 1, with doors opening at 7:30 and the show beginning at 8:30. The show will be followed

by a DJ.

"I think it a fantastic addition to Minor Sports Days, which run that whole weekend," Cyr said. "Hopefully the weather co-operates for the weekend."

Tickets for the show are \$25, and are available at Woodland Pharmacy, Designers Edge and the Shellbrook Motel. They can also be found on the Shellbrook Kinettes Facebook page, or by emailing shellbrookcoedy-night@gmail.com.

In the meantime, Cyr says anyone interested in learning more about the Kinettes, or in joining their ranks, can reach them on Facebook, or via email at: shellbrook_kinettes@hotmail.com.

PLAYSAFE: Don't Let It Happen to You

The War Amps new "kids-to-kids" safety video, featuring stories from young amputees who have lost limbs in accidents, delivers the hard-hitting but positive message: "Spot the danger before you play!"

Visit waramps.ca/playsafe for the video and safety resources.



Newspaper readership changing, but still strong

Nine out of ten.

According to the seventh annual Newspapers 24/7 Report from News Media Canada, that is roughly how many Canadians read a newspaper, in either its print or digital format, at least once per week – this, despite continued discussion and debate about the current state, and the future, of the Canadian newspaper industry.

The yearly benchmark of Canadian newspaper readership, gathered through a survey conducted by Totum Research in February of this year, found that 88 per cent of Canadian adults read a newspaper on any platform, a three per cent increase over the first-ever survey in 2012.

"Given heightened levels of global mistrust, we're seeing a clear and continued affinity for the reliable reporting that newspapers provide," said Bob Cox, chair, News Media Canada in a release. "Newspapers continue to be the go-to source for credible, trusted and independent news, in both print and digital formats."

Unsurprisingly, digital newspaper readership continues to increase year-over-year, and the 2019 report found that 83 per cent of newspaper readers are accessing at least some of their newspaper content online.

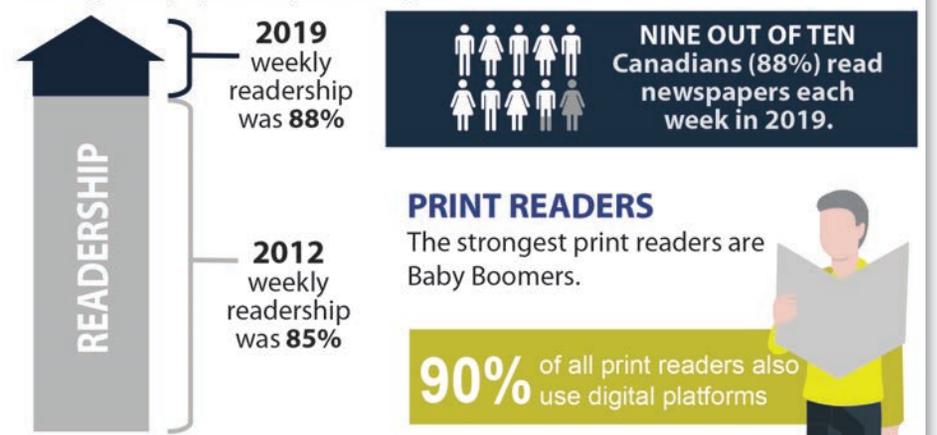
However, contrary to the common narrative that print media is going the way of the dinosaurs, the majority of these digital readers are using digital news content to supplement, rather than replace, their print newspapers. Indeed, according to the survey's findings, nearly six out of 10 adults continue to read print editions of newspapers on a weekly basis.

Additionally, 52 per cent of newspaper readers access newspaper content from both print and online sources, and 34 per cent of newspaper readers read across four platforms (print, laptop/desktop, phone, and tablet).

"This year's research clearly demonstrates that both print and digital newspaper sources play a unique and distinct role in the lives of Canadians," said Claude Heimann, president, Totum Research in a release. "For example, it's clear that people like to start their day with the comprehensive and in-depth reporting of a print newspaper, and then stay up-to-date on breaking news on digital as the day progresses.

GROWTH IN WEEKLY READERSHIP

Access to digital news platforms has only increased Canadians' access to news content, and consequently more Canadians than ever are reading newspapers, in print or digital formats.



The report confirms that most print reading happens early in the day and later in the evening, and that Boomers are the most avid print newspaper readers (67 per cent read on newspapers).

Meanwhile digital reading, especially on mobile devices, is more consistent from morning to night and across all demographics.

Finally, the research specifically looked at the newspaper reading habits of younger Canadians. And, while Millennials are blamed for many things, the death of newspapers shouldn't be one of them.

According to Totum's research, 88 per cent of Millennials read newspapers weekly, accessing newspaper content primarily through their mobile phones.

More information on the Newspapers 24/7 study is available at www.newsmediacanada.ca.

Notice of Call for Nominations By-Election: Village of Leask

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

Councillor: Village of Leask (1 Vacancy)

will be received by the undersigned during regular business hours May 17th, 2019 to May 31st, 2019.

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Local youth takes singing talent international

By Jordan Twiss

Janaya Fuller's story begins much like any other singer's.

"I started singing when I was very, very young. By the time I could talk, I was singing," says the 18-year-old, who is originally from Shellbrook.

"When I was young, it was the feeling and the connection to the music that really drew me to singing. And I feel it was something that I was meant to do," she adds, conceding that it might sound a little clichéd.

Since falling in love with music and singing, Fuller has pursued it with a near single-minded focus. She began private vocal lessons when she was six or seven, and worked her way up through Royal Conservatory lessons to the Grade 7 level.

Then, as a student at Prince Albert's Rivier Academy (until its closure in 2017) and École St. Mary, Fuller continued to be heavily involved with music, joining multiple school bands and choirs, and participating in musicals.

Under the tutelage of her high school music teachers, Lauren Lohneis and Kayleigh Skomorowski, Fuller says she developed a particular passion for choral training and singing that eventually paved her way to becoming a member of multiple Saskatchewan Music Educators Association Provincial Hon-

our Bands and Choirs.

This, in turn, led to her meeting with, and being conducted by, Scott Leithead, the artistic director and conductor for the Edmonton-based, world-renowned Kokopelli Choirs.

"[Mrs. Lohneis] had Scott when she was in high school, and she said that the charisma of his presence, and the way he can conduct a choir, and the knowledge that he has is so profound that it will blow your mind," Fuller recalls, admitting that she was a little sceptical at first.

But when she, too, had the opportunity to be conducted by Leithead as a Saskatchewan Honour Choir Member, she says her life and goals changed.

"I looked up Kokopelli on YouTube, and I don't even know how I felt. They're just an absolutely incredible choir. Then, having Scott actually conduct us... I made my ambition, my goal, that I would move to Edmonton to join Kokopelli," she says.

That goal was realized in September of 2018, when she successfully auditioned for Kokopelli. And, to make the move more practical, Fuller enrolled in the University of Alberta in Edmonton, where she is majoring in political science with a minor in music.

While admitting that being so far from her small-town home of Shellbrook was difficult for the first month or so,



Shellbrook's Janaya Fuller will soon be bound for Portugal with the Kokopelli Choir.

Fuller says that she has made a community for herself both in her residence at the University of Alberta, and in Kokopelli.

And through this adversity, and in learning how to manage her own time, she says she's grown by leaps and bounds as a singer.

"This year, I have made more improvements as a singer than I ever have in my entire life," she says, noting that the traditional choral training through Kokopelli has been gruelling, but invaluable. "I've definitely learned how to use my instrument since I've joined

wasn't enough, Fuller will soon be taking her voice across international borders, when she and Kokopelli travel to Lisbon, Portugal to perform as a showcase choir at the 2019 World Choral Expo from July 27 to Aug. 1.

Calling the opportunity to perform on a global stage both "insane" and an "honour," she says she's most looking forward to meeting with other international choirs and seeing what they bring to the table.

"I'm very ready to hear some different cultural choirs, and to hear how they can implement their practices and sounds and languages into their music," she says.

And while Fuller is representing her hometown and her province internationally, she says she's also eager for the opportunity to bring some Canadian prairie culture to her fellow choirs.

"I always say with pride

that I'm from a little town in Saskatchewan called Shellbrook. That's where I got my beginnings in singing, and I'm so happy to have come from such a great place."

Before Fuller and the rest of her choir members can fly to Portugal, they've been tasked with raising \$75,000 to cover the costs of the trip for themselves and their chaperones.

Fuller says she's hopeful some hometown businesses and individuals will lend a hand, so that they can "join" her on the road as sponsors.

Anyone wishing to donate can do so at www.atbcares.com/donate by typing "Kokopelli" in the search bar, then World Choir Expo in the comment box. As an added benefit to donating this way, ATB will match 15 per cent of every dollar donated.

For more information on Kokopelli Choirs, visit www.kokopellichoirs.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555

Public Notice is hereby given that the Council of the RM of Big River, No. 555 intends to adopt a bylaw pursuant to Section 207 of the *Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw No. 1A/16 known as the Zoning Bylaw.

INTENT
To amend zoning district map to by rezoning 4 lots from LR2 - Medium Density Lakeshore Residential District to LR1 - Low Density Lakeshore Residential District to accommodate two separate parcel consolidations.

AFFECTED LANDS
In NW-12-57-07-W3, Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Plan 82B12420 and Lots 23 and 24, Block 6, Plan 82B12420 Pickerel Point Subdivision in the Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555 shown in the sketch below within the bold line.

REASON
The reason for the amendment is to accommodate two requests to consolidate titles.

PUBLIC INSPECTION
Any person may inspect the bylaw at the RM Office on any judicial day between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Copies are available at a cost of \$1.00.

PUBLIC HEARING
Council will hold a public hearing on June 10th, 2019, in the Board Room at the Big River Community Centre at 606 First Street north, Big River, SK at 3:00 pm. Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the municipal office before the hearing.

Issued at Big River this 16th day of May, 2019.
Donna Tymiak
Rural Municipal Administrator

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“And so it begins...”

The season is almost upon us. I'm not sure how it started, but since time immemorial in this neck of the woods, the high school graduation season begins right about now.

I call it a season because although graduation activities – such as exercises, grand march, parties – take but a single day, the preparation for “the big day” begins so much earlier. Some of the preparation has already taken place, what with “grad dress shopping” being as important as it is, and booking appointments for hair, makeup, nails and whatever else appointments are needed for.

The season really starts ramping up with the parties. It used to be that every class in every town had a pre-grad party, to which all their friends from

other schools would feel compelled to attend. And the pre-grad party of one class was also deemed to be the pre-pre-grad party of another. I'm not sure how many “pre's” there were. I usually lost count at three. Although some may have been just considered ordinary parties and hadn't yet been elevated to the pre- variety.

I never understood the attraction of it, but teenagers seem to get pretty excited about it all. I suppose it's fun to see teenagers get excited about something. Although, as one of their teachers,

I always hoped it would be things like the sciences, history and English literature they were getting excited about.

I was a teacher. I had my delusions.

Those who went through my classes will know that I was never a big fan of graduation. I often tried to convince a class that they should start a new tradition by cancelling graduation. My suggestions were never popular.

Their biggest and most heartfelt reason for not wanting to cancel is that they couldn't imagine a life without a high school graduation. It was something that had been a part of the culture of the school and the community since time began. People began looking forward to it as soon as they entered the school in the first grade.

Well, maybe not really that soon. But I've encountered many students who, once they reached the final grade, felt that they had made it and that all they needed to do was show up every day – or most of them – until their big day.

However, once the “big day” comes, it is exciting for us adults, parents, teachers and friends to see how these young people can look so grown up in formal attire, and it's also exciting and gratifying to see the awards and scholarships being handed out to young people who seem to have the next part of their journey mapped out. They have been paying attention to what their high school years were supposed to be about.

I bring all this up now because by this time next week, we'll be on our way to Grande Prairie for the graduation of our granddaughter, Bounce. We were up there last year around this time for the graduation of our grandson, Bump.

We'll get to see family that we haven't seen in five months, and when it all comes right down to it, maybe that's the best reason for having a graduation. It brings family together in a fun atmosphere. I can't wait.

... YUP... THAT'S CARBON TAXABLE ALRIGHT...



Trespassing law treats symptoms, not causes

In life, there are things we choose or are led to believe that aren't, in fact, true – such as the age-old belief it takes our bodies seven years to digest swallowed bubble gum.

Then, of course, there are things that we believe, or even know, to be true, despite the lack of evidence or statistical proof that they are true. For instance, many believe, based on the stories that we hear from our friends and neighbours, that rural crime is a genuine problem in need of a remedy in Saskatchewan, even if such crime isn't as frequently reported by the RCMP or the media as it ought to be.

Fortunately – or, rather, unfortunately – the latest crime data from Statistics Canada, released last week, has given rural Saskatchewan residents the required proof to state, unequivocally, that they've been right all along.

Saskatchewan does have a rural crime problem.

Not only that, but when it comes to rural crime, Saskatchewan has the worst per capita crime rate of all provinces.

And by a large margin, to boot.

Looking nationally, the StatsCan report found that there was an average of 6,210 criminal code violations per 100,000 people in rural areas in 2017. By stark comparison, Saskatchewan's rate was 13,829 violations per 100,000 people, or more than double the national average.

What's more, rural crime in Saskatchewan is actually more common than it is in the province's urban centres, where there were 10,138 violations per 100,000 people – the province's urban crime rate was also double the national average of 5,051 violations per capita.

And, as if that weren't enough, the crime severity index, which measures the relative seriousness of reported crimes, was 17 per cent higher in rural areas than in urban areas, according to the report.

Of course, for every cloud there is a silver lining.

And for this particular storm cloud, that silver lining is the fact that rural crime in Saskatchewan has actually dropped by 13 per cent since 2009. Similarly, the crime severity index has declined by 7 per cent in that same time period.

Moreover, it could also be argued, as Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities president Ray Orb contends, that the seemingly high level of crime in rural Saskatchewan can be attributed to an increase in crime reporting.

“Part of the reason why we did see a spike in rural crime was the fact that rural people weren't necessarily reporting that [previously],” Orb told the CBC. “We've been encouraging,

along with the RCMP of course, encouraging people promoting that reporting system.”

Of course, when it comes to crime statistics it's near impossible to ever get a full picture of the state of things, because there are always far too many unknowns and variables for one to draw any concrete conclusions.

But it seems safe to say, with at least some certainty, that the Sask. Party government's recently passed trespassing legislation, which requires anyone looking to access private land to seek permission from the owner, won't do much to make things better.

In fact, it might only succeed in making things worse.

In rural Saskatchewan, where everyone knows everyone, most folks already abide by the unwritten social rule that they shouldn't be somewhere they don't belong or aren't wanted.

Codifying that unwritten rule into a formal law could serve to further embolden already tense and fearful rural landowners to defend their property with force – rather than doing the safe thing by calling 9-11 – and endanger everyone in the process.

Beyond this potentially lethal consequence, the new trespassing law won't reduce criminal activity. Criminals are criminals because they don't have any regard for the law, and all that will change with this law is that these criminals will have another charge added to their rap sheets.

More importantly, though, this trespassing law – like much of the Sask. Party's crime policy – fails to address the circumstances that drive one to a life of crime.

True, the implementation of the province-wide Protection and Response Team (PRT) has improved police visibility in rural areas, which has undeniably been a boon for overstretched and understaffed rural RCMP detachments.

The PRT has even seen a great deal of success in the two years since it was first created. And, for that, it deserves a great deal of credit.

But this success has been in cramming even more people into already crowded prisons, rather than preventing criminal activity outright.

What's needed, more than enforcement, is sustained provincial and federal funding to improve access to mental health, addictions, and social services resources. This wouldn't stop all crime, but maybe then the most vulnerable people of this province wouldn't feel as though they have no recourse but to turn to crime.



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News Editor

Report from the Legislature

The Spring Sitting of the Legislature has been a busy season of representing our constituents and constituencies, proposing ideas, engaging in debate and passing legislation to improve the lives of Saskatchewan people.

The Government of Saskatchewan is passing legislation that better balances the rights of rural land owners and members of the public. Most notably, it moves the onus of responsibility from rural land owners to individuals seeking to access their property.

Under the new legislation, those wishing to access a rural land owner's property for recreational purposes will need to first gain access from the land owner. Land owners will be able to provide consent for activities on their land through posted signs.

We believe this will promote communica-



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tion with rural land owners, while still giving Saskatchewan people the opportunity to take advantage of our rural landscapes for outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, snowmobiling and hiking.

The legislation will come into force after the necessary regulations are developed.

Innovation Saskatchewan is working with the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities to develop a

technological solution to promote contact between land owners and those seeking access to private property. The Innovation Challenge will select a successful applicant to develop their solution over a 16-week residency period.

One of the highlights of the 2019 Provincial Budget is our government's record investment in mental health and addictions services.

Recently, we announced that Saskatchewan paramedics and other first responders will benefit from \$250,000 in funding for mental health and addictions programming.

EMS providers and volunteer medical first responders are on the frontlines of medical care and are exposed to a high number of stressful situations. This funding will help to set up supports that best address their mental health needs.



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From market access and equalization to pipelines and the carbon tax, your Saskatchewan Party government is standing up for Saskatchewan.

We are standing up to protect and open market access for Saskatchewan exports; to fix Canada's flawed Equalization program; and against harmful federal government policies, like Bills C-48 and C-69, which threaten industries and families in our province.

While we are disappointed with the recent ruling at the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal, we will continue to stand up on behalf of the people across our province who are opposed to the federal government's ineffective, job-killing carbon tax.

The Court of Appeal ruling was a 3-2 split decision. Two judges provided a detailed, dissenting opinion that the carbon tax is unconstitutional. There are strong grounds for an appeal and we look to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada.

We are grateful for all of the organizations and the provinces that intervened in this case on Saskatchewan's side, and we are grateful for Saskatchewan Justice and our two outstanding constitutional lawyers who presented Saskatchewan's case.

Meanwhile, other provinces are also pro-

ceeding with their own court challenges. Saskatchewan plans to intervene in each of these cases.

The Trudeau carbon tax is bad economic policy; it is bad environmental policy; and our government's fight against it will continue.

Our province already has a plan – a Prairie Resilience plan – to fight climate change; to reduce emissions; and to do it without a carbon tax.

The NDP has called our fight against the carbon tax “a pointless crusade”. Their leader even said they “applaud” the Trudeau carbon tax. These comments prove that the NDP is out of touch with Saskatchewan.

I want to thank small business owners, farmers, energy sector workers, and all hard-working families for their support as we continue this fight.

YOUR TWO CENTS

Canada desperately needs affordable pharmacare

Dear Editor,

Every prescription comes with a placebo effect. A placebo effect is the patient's expectation of efficacy. If you doubt the placebo effect is real, consider Health Canada's requirement that new drugs be proven better than a placebo.

Meet Patrick. He developed high blood pressure after his farm failed even though he earned income off-farm as a bus driver. His doctor prescribed a pill for high blood pressure. He was shocked at the prescrip-

tion's cost and realized he could not afford it. Patrick has zero chance of benefiting from either the placebo effect or the drug and he has a high chance of higher blood pressure knowing he cannot afford the prescription.

Truly, “an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.” Canadian taxpayers can pay for an ounce of prevention, Patrick's blood pressure pills, or a pound of cure, Patrick's stay in an intensive care unit after his heart attack.

Canada is the only country invested in pounds of healthcare without ounces of drug coverage. In the fall election, ask your candidates if they support pharmacare. If they do, check which type of pharmacare they support. If they support safety net or fill-in-the-gap coverage, ask them why not comprehensive universal coverage? It would effectively provide equitable coverage while reducing drug costs for all of us.

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Shellbrook, Sask.

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Hike raises \$50,000 for Rose Garden Hospice

In spite of the cold and blustery conditions on Saturday, May 4, between 30 and 40 people showed up for the Rose Garden Hospice Association's second annual Hike for Hospice, to do their part in raising the \$4 to \$5 million needed to complete the project.

What's more, though Dennis Ulmer, vice president of finance with the Rose Garden Hospice Association, says that not even he had much fun walking the five, 10 and 15 km trails, he adds that the hike still turned into an unqualified success.

All told, the second edition of the Hike for Hospice brought in \$25,000, which will be matched by philanthropist and Canadian Tire Prince Albert owner, Malcolm Jenkins.

Ulmer says this, coupled with the nearly \$20,000 raised through

last year's Hike, a \$500,000 donation from Jenkins, and Fred Trach's donation of land for the Rose Garden Hospice (valued at \$300,000), puts the Rose Garden Hospice Association in a good starting position.

And while he concedes that the association will have to continue hosting hikes for many years to come, he says he's confident that the community support will be there.

"People are beginning to understand more and more the importance of having a hospice in the area," he said of the current community support for the hospice, calling it a "Godsend".

The Rose Garden Hospice will be a not-for-profit organization committed to providing care for terminally ill patients and their loved ones, with a focus on 24-hour nursing care and symptom and pain manage-



Canadian Tire owner Malcolm Jenkins presents his Hike for Hospice matching donation to members of the Rose Garden Hospice Association.

ment.

The facility is envisioned as a free-standing 10-bed facility, with self-contained guest rooms, and two self-contained family rooms to allow family members to stay with their loved ones.

Noting that the Prince Albert area was one of the birthplaces of modern healthcare in Canada, responsible for the beginnings of community clinics and changes to how doctors are funded, Ulmer says the Rose Garden Hospice will put the area back on the

map for the provision of healthcare services.

"There are a number of free-standing hospices in eastern Canada, and also in British Columbia and Alberta. This is a catch up to other areas," he said. "It will be the first free-standing one in Saskatchewan, as I understand, and we expect our recipe will probably be followed by other centres in Saskatchewan."

Having witnessed children and grandchildren being born, Ulmer says the Rose Garden Hospice will emphasize offering

the level of care that goes into safely bringing a life into this world to those who are leaving it, and also to their families and loved ones.

"A lot of people maybe don't completely understand hospice care. The emphasis is on all types and qualities of care. That's one of the best things we can do for an individual when they are leaving this world," he said.

With a good chunk of funding already raised for the capital costs that come with building the

hospice, Ulmer says there's still no concrete timeline for the facility's completion.

That said, he notes that if the rest of the funding could be raised by Dec. 31 of this year, the facility could be built in a year and a bit, which would put them ahead.

"At this point we can't say for sure, but we will do the best we can and the community support that we have been receiving has been outstanding. We expect that to continue, and hopefully we're not too far away."

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The Saskatchewan Weekly Newspapers Association, in partnership with SaskPower and the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, is pleased to announce the names of the 2019 recipients of the Junior Citizen of the Year Award.

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Free trade waters getting muddied

It appears agriculture could once again be headed to a time when government policy determines the market for commodities with little consideration of supply and demand given.

It was not that long ago Canadian producers were nearly crushed as this country fought for market share with the confederates of the United States and the European Union literally buying market share via subsidies to buyers, and dollars to their producers.

The world had seemed to evolve past such craziness with numerous free trade

deals inked between countries, most notably in Canada the initial North American Free Trade Agreement.

The basic premise of free trade is simple at its heart, countries that excel at the production of an agricultural product should have access to markets without mounts of tariffs impeding such trade.

For a country such as Canada that is an important concept because producers here are good at production, and exporting product is essential.

But governments are again starting to muddy the waters of such trade with policies



CALVIN DANIELS

that are purely political in nature.

In part, no doubt, the change is being fostered by a more protectionist attitude, which we see south of the

49th parallel under American president Donald Trump.

And of course there is the startling decision by the United Kingdom to leave the European Union, a decision that will have effects rippling well into the future regarding trade including in agricultural products.

Canola prices declined for days in a row recently following a Tweet from Trump. Trump tweeted he would hike tariffs on imports from China, accusing China of dragging out trade negotiations. The tariffs were threatened as a way to speed up the trade

talks, in other words impeding the usual movement in trade as a hammer to get what the American president wants.

Perhaps because of its importance agricultural trade has always been an area that is dealt with differently than the trade in other commodities.

Take for example the European Union's decision to exclude agriculture from current free trade talks with the United States. European Union members have given European Commission the go-ahead to start free trade

negotiations recently, but only on eliminating tariffs on industrial products.

There is significance in that tactic by the EU that reflects back to a European desire to control farm production after the starvation that occurred through two world wars, and of course with farm products outside the framework of a larger agreement, there is still the ability to use it as a political chip.

Most things are cyclical and we can only hope a return to an atmosphere of freer trade soon returns for the good of the farm sector.

Protecting trade in a protectionist age

By Cam Dahl,
President of Cereals Canada

The world has become protectionist. There is, justifiably, much focus on issues with China. But it is not just China. Canadian agriculture commodities are blocked in India, Italy, Saudi Arabia, and Vietnam and face issues in key markets like Peru. Countries are turning inward, finding new ways to block trade. How do we protect our trading relationships when the rules of trade have been thrown out the window?

A critical component of protecting our trade is using the dispute resolution tools that are part of the agreements we have signed. Canada has a very competent diplomatic service that works with our scientific regulators to help resolve issues that threaten to block trade. The value of these efforts, which almost always occur behind the scenes, cannot be overstated. However, this dedicated work cannot combat the political agendas that are driving protectionism. There are times when we need to move out of the back rooms of diplomacy and publicly defend ourselves.

Canada is the only G7 country that has a free trade agreement with every other G7 country. But when our partners put up trade barriers the question quickly becomes "so what?" What good are trade agreements when countries refuse to follow them? We have tools at our disposal through the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) to challenge Italy's protectionist country of origin labelling requirements. But these tools have not been utilized. We are also able to initiate WTO dispute resolution processes with China, but have not chosen to do so.

Dispute resolution processes are long and can be expensive. But the willingness to defend trade agreements sends an important signal to other would-be protectionists, namely Canada is willing and able to defend itself if it is bullied by countries pursuing a protectionist agenda.

Canada also needs to be engaging in proactive measures to prevent trade barriers from

cropping up in the first place. This will take resources – time and money – from both industry and government.

One of the ways to proactively prevent border closures is to work together with importing countries to build their regulatory capacity. Canada exports wheat to almost 100 countries around the world. Some customers, like the United States and Japan, have well developed science and risk-based regulatory systems that facilitate open trade. But this does not apply to the majority of the markets to which we export.

If regulatory systems are not well-developed, or lack the human resources necessary to implement a science and risk-based approach, they can become vulnerable to political or activist interference. When these systems are responsible for approving the importation of Canadian grains, oilseeds and special crops our agriculture sector becomes vulnerable.

Canada needs to develop outreach and development programs that are focused on increasing the science and risk-based regulatory capacity in key markets. Examples include, growing markets in West Africa, Bangladesh, new partners in the Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement and neighbors in Latin America.

The mandate of regulatory agencies like the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) should be adjusted to explicitly include regulatory capacity building in key export markets. And the agencies need to be given dedicated funds and people to carry out this work.

Trade barriers can also arise because of a lack of understanding of the sophisticated nature of Canada's production and logistics systems and the regulatory oversight that helps ensure we continue to deliver safe, high quality food. For example, there are markets for Canadian crops where the capacity and technology employed in Canadian on-farm storage exceeds that of the importing mills. Many concerns raised in these markets are already addressed within the Canadian value chain. Bringing regulators from these markets to Canada, to gain a better understanding of the capacity of the Canadian

system, would go a long way to preventing barriers to trade from arising.

There are other areas where additional proactive focus can help prevent future trade disruptions. This includes work through international bodies like CODEX. We need to continue efforts to reform of the WTO. And we need to be a leader in the development strong science-based rules that will facilitate the trade of new varieties developed through new plant breeding techniques. All of these options require revisions to the mandates of regulatory agencies to explicitly include facilitation of trade and new resources, money and people, dedicated to proactively preventing non-tariff trade barriers.

We have entered a new age of protectionism.

A new barrier to agriculture trade is brewing someplace in the world. I don't know where, I don't know what commodity will be hit next time, but in our current environment I am sure it is coming. When new barriers arise, Canada needs to be ready to quickly and actively respond using the dispute resolution tools we currently have available. We also need to see governments and industry cooperatively engage in capacity building, regulatory exchanges and other proactive trade facilitative measures aimed at preventing barriers from rising up in the first place.

World attention has shifted away from multi-lateral cooperation. This is not good for Canada. We need to adjust our focus and resource allocation to address the new reality.

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RCMP urges everyone to join Crime Watch Advisory Network

Saskatchewan residents now have a way to get involved with the fight against crime in the province, and all they need is a landline, a smart phone or an email address to do their part.

Funded by the provincial government, the Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network initially launched in southern Saskatchewan on March 7 as partnership between the province, the RCMP, SUMA, and SARM. But it has quickly expanded to cover all communities in the province.

With the Crime Watch Advisory Network, RCMP detachment can issue an advisory when they become aware of an incident or a crime. That advisory will then be sent to anyone who has joined the Network on the platform of their choosing.

In the first month af-

ter the Crime Watch Advisory Network's launch, an estimated 5,500 people signed up to receive alerts and be in the know about crimes or incidents in their communities and areas.

What's more, signing up is free and only takes a few minutes. All you have to do is go to www.saskrimewatch.ca to register. Then, just select which RCMP detachment area(s) you want to receive notifications from, and how you want to receive them - whether it be via text message, email, a text to voice phone call or the app (note that while the app is available, it is not required).

The provincial government and the RCMP are encouraging anyone and everyone to join the Crime Watch Advisory Network, whether they be residents, busi-

nesses, or other organizations. They also note that there are no prerequisite, such as being part of an existing crime prevention group, to sign up.

"The concept of the program is simple: sign up to receive advisories from your local RCMP and assist us by serving as the 'eyes and ears' of your community."

"This network, along with existing crime prevention groups, programs, and strategies, helps to create an environment where all of us contribute to community safety. Crime prevention is the most effective when we all work together."

Again, the RCMP and provincial government encourage anyone and everyone to sign up to be a part of the Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network at www.saskrimewatch.ca.

Canwood Royal Purple Elks raise flags for funds



Back Row, L-R: Eileen Hamborg, Linda Young, and Lorraine Benson. Seated, L-R: Art Young and Richard Schwehr. Front: Grade 1 and 2 classes.

By Donna Lovberg

The Canwood Elks and Royal Purple Elks held their Annual "Fund For Children" Flag Raising Ceremony.

This is held every year on the first Monday in May to bring awareness to the Fund for Children Association that the Elks and Royal Purple Elks

donate to in order to help children with medical problems.

It is specifically for children with speech and hearing difficulties but can be accessed for other children's health problems. Mr. Richard Schwehr's Grade 1 and 2 classes joined us in our celebration.



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GOOD NEWS

BEEN DOWN THAT RIVER

The Mackenzie River is also known in the local languages as the big River. I believe the French call it the great River. It is some long River. It flows about 1,700 kilometres or over 1,000 miles.

As a young man of 19 or 20, I had the chance to go down the Mackenzie to Inuvik and also up the Mackenzie to Hay River. I worked

on a Coast Guard Vessel called the Nahidik, which means "passage finder."

The Mackenzie does get wide in places but if my memory serves me right it also gets shallow in spots.

I am writing this article some 40 years later so things are a little sketchy.

What I find interesting is that the Macken-

zie River is named after a Scottish explorer Alexander Mackenzie. That is not the interesting part, this Scottish explorer actually called this River "the River of disappointment." Now that is intriguing.

Mackenzie actually thought the River he was travelling on would reach the Pacific Ocean, or at least he hoped that. But on

July 14, 1789 Mackenzie reached the Arctic Ocean. The River he named the 'Disappointment River' would be renamed in his honour.

I have been down that River both literally and figuratively. But I am not alone. There are plenty of people who have had disappointments, even some are mentioned in the Bible. Some even make the

11th chapter of Hebrews, which has been referred to as the 'faith chapter.'

The key is not to live there.

King David is mentioned in Hebrews 11. If anyone had disappointments, it was David. I am not sure you would confess things like this, David says in Psalm 3:2 "Many are they who say of me, 'There is no help

for him in God."

I love King David for many reasons and one is this, he decided not to live in his disappointments. He says, "But You, O Lord, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head" (Psalm 3:3).

Blessings,
Pastor David Bodvarson
SPA

New risk for boaters this season

(NC) Many Canadians love boating with family and friends and often get caught up in the fun of it. Transport Canada is warning about a new safety risk this year – operating a boat while under the influence of drugs.

Although operating a boat while impaired has long been an illegal offence under the Criminal Code of Canada, this is the first summer that cannabis is lawful and more easily available for purchase. That's

why it's important that everyone understand the hazards of boating while impaired.

Consuming drugs on a boat is a lot more dangerous than most people realize. Fatigue, sun, wind and movements of the boat can

numb the senses, and drugs can intensify these effects, reducing your reaction time and judgment. Drinking alcohol also increases these effects, so both should be avoided if you're going to navigate the waters.

Each province has its own regulations

governing the consumption and transportation of alcohol and drugs on board a boat. It's important to note that it's illegal to operate a boat while impaired by alcohol or drugs as you could have your driver's license revoked.

This summer, keep

in mind that you are responsible for your safety, as well as that of everyone else on board. Don't put people's lives at risk. Stay safe by making sure you are always ready and alert.

Find more information at www.canada.ca/rental-boat-safety.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

BLAINE LAKE: Wapiti Library - Books, Movies, Magazines, Children's Section, Internet, Printing, Study/Meeting Space, Proctor Service, Community Programming. Hours: Wednesday 12 pm - 6 pm; Friday 1 pm - 5 pm; Saturday 12 pm - 4 pm. Contact us for more info 306-497-3130, www.wapitilibrary.ca.

CANWOOD: Canwood Branch of Wapiti Regional Library. Regular Library Hours - Tues. 1 - 5 p.m., Thurs. 10:00 a.m. - 4 pm & Friday 1 - 5 pm. Storytime: Fridays 2 pm. Play cards the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2 pm. Crafter's Choice the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 10 am.

DEBDEN: Wapiti Library hours: Monday 3 pm - 7 pm; Tuesday 11 am - 4 pm. Librarian: Aline Hannon

LEASK: Wapiti Library Hours: Tuesday 1 pm - 5:30 pm; Friday 10:30 am - 5 pm; Saturday 1 pm - 5 pm.

MARCELIN: Wapiti Library is open Tues. 2 pm - 6 pm; Thur. 2 pm - 8 pm; Sat. 10 am - 2 pm. For information on all your library needs, please contact 306-226-2110.

SHELLBROOK: Shellbrook Branch of the Wapiti Library located at 105 Railway Ave., West (Provincial building). Library Hours: Mon. 2 - 6:30 pm; Tues. 2 - 8 pm; Wed. 2 - 8 pm; Thur. 2 - 6:30 pm; Fri. 9 - 4 pm. Children's Story Time: Fri. 10:30 am (Sept - June).

SHELLBROOK: Shellbrook Theatre Movie Night, Fri., May 24, Welcome to Marwen. Doors Open 7 p.m. Showtime 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5

LEASK & CANWOOD: Walter Willoughby Horticultural Society – Bedding Plant Sales. Leask: Community Hall, Wed., May 22 (10 - 2). To book a table call Muriel 306-466-2026. Canwood: Curling Rink, Mon., May 27 (10 - 2). To book a table call Hilda 306-468-2659. Both sales will have pork on a bun lunch!

SHELLBROOK: Saskatchewan Aboriginal Ministries Gospel Concert 2019, Shellbrook Pentecostal Church (SK), 61 - 2nd St. W. (near RCMP). Sat., May 25, 2019 - 6:30 pm. Offering received for SAM Camp; Variety of singers; Potluck lunch to follow (bring your favourite dish to share). For more info, contact: Deloris Netmaker 306.716.0754; Eric Bekkatla 639.470.1085; Dave Bodvarson 306.747.7235.

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Powdery mildew and other garden problems

By Sara Williams

Powdery mildew (*Erysiphe* spp.) is a common fungal problem in flowers, fruits and vegetables.

Although it is unsightly and can reduce yields, it is seldom lethal. Infection rates are worse during periods of hot weather and high humidity.

Powdery mildew can be seed borne but generally overwinters on diseased plants and is spread by wind.

Shade and crowded, dense growing conditions tend to promote powdery mildew's development and spread.

Symptoms include small, white talcum powder-like spots on the foliage as well as yellowing leaves that may turn brown and eventually shrivel.

Powdery mildew (PM) can be managed by growing cultivars that have been bred for PM resistance or tolerance. Seed packets should be labeled as such. Among the tolerant cultivars recommended by the University of Saskatchewan are:

Cucumber: 'Dasher II', 'Diva', 'Eureka', 'Fanfare', 'Marketmore 76', 'Summer Top', 'Sweeter Yet', 'Intimidator', 'Speedy', 'Pioneer', 'Zapata', 'Eclipse', 'Tasty

Green', 'Sweet Slice', 'Lafayette', 'Indigo', 'Fancipak', 'Jackson Classic', 'Cutter', 'Cobra', 'Thunder', 'Stonewall', 'Talladega', 'General Lee'

Melon: 'Primo', 'Goddess', 'Aphrodite', 'Eclipse', 'Ariel', 'Athena', 'Odyssey', 'Crete', 'Doral', 'Fastbreak', 'Halona', 'Sugar Cube', 'Magician', 'Magic Wand', 'Aladdin.'

Pumpkin: 'Earlichamp', 'Magic Lantern', 'Mystic Plus', 'Gargoyle', 'Gladiator', 'Warlock', 'Iron Man', 'Cannon Ball', 'Field Trip.'

Squash: 'Bush Delicata', 'Honey Bear', 'Golden Glory', 'Payroll', 'Autumn Delight', 'Tay Belle', 'Celebration'

Pea (use early maturing varieties): 'Oregon Giant', 'Cascadia', 'Sugar Sprint', 'Knight', 'Legacy', 'Encore', 'Bolero', 'Super Sugar Snap', 'Sugar Lace II', 'Mr Big', 'Maestro', 'Oregon Sugar Pod II', 'Ambassador', 'Sabre'

To prevent powdery mildew, ensure that the vines are grown under good light conditions with good air circulation; avoid dense plantings. Avoid excessive fertility, especially nitrogen. Seed early while conditions are still cool.

Keep plants well watered but avoid wetting the foliage. Mulch to conserve soil



moisture. Remove crop residues immediately after harvest. Practice a three-year rotation.

Blossom End Rot is not a disease but a common "disorder" of tomatoes caused by a calcium deficiency during fruit formation due to uneven watering or drought stress.

Symptoms of Blossom end rot include water-soaked areas at the blossom end of the tomato fruit which later turn black, become sunken and leather-like. Early fruits, during periods of rapid growth, are more likely to be affected than later fruits.

Blossom end rot is most prevalent during periods of

hot dry weather, affecting green and immature fruit.

Like other nutrients, calcium enters the plant dissolved in the soil water. If there are fluctuations in soil moisture, the calcium does not get to where it is needed by the developing cells in the tomato fruit.

Most prairie soils contain ample calcium: it is the uneven watering that causes the problem. Applying lime to soil in order to increase soil calcium levels is not recommended: the lime will increase our already high soil pH, creating additional problems.

Blossom end rot can be prevented by planting after

the soil has warmed up. Irrigate regularly (1 inch per week) so that there is even soil moisture and thus a constant supply of calcium is reaching the developing tomato fruit.

Ensure that your tomatoes have sufficient phosphorus and potassium, but avoid an excessive application of nitrogen. Mulch the soil to conserve moisture. Avoid root damage to the tomatoes by close hoeing or tilling.

Bolting is another disorder caused by high temperatures, generally exceeding 28°C and increased day length. Lettuce and spinach are especially affected by bolting under high tempera-

tures.

When this happens, plants form a flower stalk that elongates and "bolts" upward. Bolting can be prevented by planting susceptible vegetables early when temperatures are cooler.

Bolting resistant cultivars:

Lettuce: 'Summertime', 'Yucaipe', 'Green Forest', 'Sangria', 'Nevada', 'Simpson Elite', 'Vulcan', 'Brunia', 'Odyssey', 'Lasting Green', 'New Red Fire', 'Crunchy', 'Esmeralda', 'RedSalad Bowl'

Spinach: 'Tortoiseshell', 'Tye', 'Santorini', 'Bloomsdale'

Sara Williams is the author of many books including Gardening Naturally, Best Trees and Shrubs, and Best Groundcovers and Vines with Hugh Skinner, Creating the Prairie Xeriscape, and with Bob Bors, Growing Fruit in Northern Gardens. She gives workshops on gardening topics throughout the prairies.

This column is provided courtesy of the Saskatchewan Perennial Society (SPS; saskperennial@hotmail.com). Check our website (www.saskperennial.ca) or Facebook page (www.facebook.com/saskperennial) for a list of upcoming gardening events.

OBITUARY

Nellie Baun



BAUN – Mrs. Nellie
1917 – 2019

Nellie May Baun (Dubray) passed away on April 29, 2019 in Shellbrook, SK, at the age of 101 years and 335 days of age. Nellie was born on May 29, 1917 in St. Louis Saskatchewan to Adolphus and Margaret Dubray. She grew up in a typical family of the time with 2 brothers and 4 sisters. After being raised

on the family farm Nellie decided to become a teacher and attended Normal School where she received her certifications. She taught at the Boro Green School from August of 1941 – 1945. During these years she met Victor Baun and they were married on July 20 of 1945.

They began their life together on the farm in Canwood, Saskatchewan. Their first child Douglas was born on June 23, 1947. Joyce and Richard Mattson joined the family in 1948 and Dennis was born on May 13, 1952.

They lived a full life together enjoying many family activities, from berry picking and trips to British Columbia in the summer to the many hockey games which occupied the winter months. Nellie loved living on the farm and if she wasn't looking after her children you could find her tending to the animals or

working in her gardens.

After her husband Victor passed away in November of 2005, Nellie moved into the Golden Acres Senior housing in Canwood where she enjoyed the amenities of a small-town living. She lived alone and unassisted till she was 93 years of age. Nellie then moved into Parkland Terrace Nursing Home in Shellbrook, SK, and later into the new Parkland Integrated Health Centre. The wonderful care she received in both facilities was unparalleled. The staff were patient and understanding and it was evident how much they cared for her. As a family we would like to thank them for their compassion and kindness throughout the last years of her life.

She was also a kind and loyal friend and neighbor.

After 101 full years of life, she was the mother to 4,

grandmother to 8 and great grandmother to 15 and great great grandmother to 1.

Nellie is lovingly remembered by her children, Joyce Holman of Lloydminster, SK, Doug (Stephanie) Baun of Shellbrook, SK, Richard (Margaret) Mattson of Mont Nebo, SK, Dennis (Vicki) Baun of Canwood, SK; her grandchildren, Carlyne Clayton and children, Brandon, Brady, and Jenae; Cherie (Corey) Skarpinsky and children, Curtis (Hilory), Allison (Morgan) and their daughter, Brooklyn, Nikita, and Erika; Jolene (Todd) Skauge and children, Jayden, Ethan, and Kendal; Derrick (Sherry) Mattson and children, Tyler, and Taylor; Jenny (Lovyl) Zweifel and children, Justus, Cheyenne, and Brett; Gregory (Kylie) Baun and son, Carson; and Kyla Baun; her sister-in-law, Audrey Martindale; as well as numerous

nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives

and many friends made over 101 years!

Nellie was predeceased by her parents, Margaret Hourie & Adolphus Dubray; her husband, Victor Baun (2005); her granddaughter, Marnie Baun in 1986; her sisters, Martha (Rudolph) Bremner, Lily (John) Racette, Dolly (Bill) Mattson, and Marjorie (Chester) Bird; her brothers, Louis (Emma) and Robert (Minnie) Dubray; as well as numerous in laws and other relatives.

There was a Funeral Service held for Nellie on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 1:00 pm from the Mont Nebo Hall with Doris Wideen-Bazley officiating. The hymns were led by Elaine and Robert Heibigner, eulogy was read by Kyla Baun, special music was shared by Stephanie Baun, Nikita Skarpinsky and Gerry Bremner. Shared memories

were read by Cherie Skarpinsky, Jolene Skauge, Carlyne Clayton, and Jenny Zweifel. Honorary pallbearers were all those who knew Nellie and shared in her life's journey. Active pallbearers were Tyler Mattson, Brandon Clayton, Justus Zweifel, Gregory Baun, Jayden Skauge, and Curtis Mayoh. Nellie was laid to rest in the Aaseral Cemetery beside her husband Victor, and her beloved granddaughter Marnie.

In lieu of tributes, memorial donations may be made in memory of Nellie to the Shellbrook & Districts Health Services Foundation. Family and friends wishing to send online condolences are welcome to visit www.beaulacfuneralhome.com Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral Home, Tammy Smart, Funeral Director, Shellbrook, SK 306-747-2828.

Wacky trail toward the Stanley Cup

Experts agree there's something in the air, or in the water, or in the pre-game meals, that's causing havoc in this year's Stanley Cup playoffs.

These are the same experts, of course, who predetermined that Tampa Bay Lightning would breeze to the title, probably taking out Western Conference champion Calgary Flames in an exciting final.

Yeah, right! Tampa — out. Calgary — out. Defending cup champion Washington Capitals — out. Sidney Crosby and his playoff-hardened Penguins — out. Vegas Golden Knights, last year's Cup finalists — out.

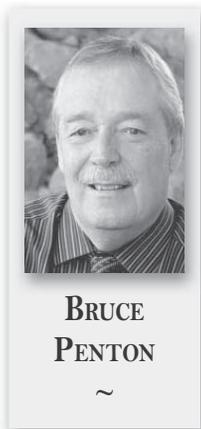
What was left among the final eight was like a ballroom full of Cinderellas. Only the clock never struck midnight. The underdogs just kept dancing the night away.

The only 'sure' thing left standing after round one of the playoffs were the Boston Bruins, which means they were likely to be

in jeopardy against the Columbus Blue Jackets, one of many teams which cause fans to do a double take and TV executives to take daily valium pills by the handful.

NBC Sports, trying to grow the game in the U.S. and doing a pretty good job of it, along with CBC and Sportsnet in Canada, have no desire to see a St. Louis-Carolina Stanley Cup final. They wouldn't be too enthused with Dallas-Columbus, either. New York Islanders — who surprisingly went out in four straight to Carolina after sweeping Pittsburgh in the first round — might have struck their fancy, because they represent one of the biggest hockey markets in the U.S., but the Islanders have been downtrodden for so long they have little in the way of TV lustre with the general population of hockey fans.

Second-round matchups featured Boston-Columbus; Islanders-Carolina; St. Louis-Dallas; and San Jose-Colorado.



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PENTON

Not a single No. 1-seed among them. All four wild-card qualifiers advanced to Round 2. The Eastern Conference final four featured teams that finished 2-4-7-8 in the regular-season standings; a similar story in the West, as the final four survivors finished 2-5-6-8.

With what has transpired in this wild and wacky playoff season of 2019, it would not surprise me in the least to see Colorado and Columbus, two No. 8 seeds, battle it out for all the marbles come June. Network executives might be tempted to leap off tall buildings if that were to

happen, but it would forever solidify the sporting mantra that the playoffs are a whole new season.

• Patti Dawn Swanson of the River City Renegade, on sports superstars in Toronto: "So who gets the first statue, Vlad the Gifted or Auston Matthews? Inquiring sculptors would like to start their chisels."

• Gene Collier of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, after word circulated that Kentucky Derby favourite Omaha Beach was scratched from the race due to a throat ailment: "He's a little hoarse."

• ABC's Jimmy Kimmel, introducing guest Tom Brady: "And if for some reason we lose power tonight, if the lights go out, don't panic. Just bathe in the glow of Tom's perfectly white teeth and beautiful blue eyes. He will get us through it."

• Norman Chad of the Washington Post, on Twitter: "I like my chances in 'Jeopardy!' heads-up against this brainiac James Hol-

zauer if all the clues are in pig Latin."

• Jack Finarelli, at sportscurmudgeon.com: "Ever since Peyton Manning retired after winning the Super Bowl with the Denver Broncos in February 2016, the Broncos' QB situation has been stranded at the intersection of chaos and mayhem."

• Comedy writer Jim Barach: "The Raiders are concerned that moving to Las Vegas could be a problem with recruits. Not the gambling or the booze as much as keeping them in shape and away from the buffet tables."

• RJ Currie of sports-deke.com: "We are gathered today to note the passing of another Grand Slam curling season: Ashams to Ashams, brush to brush."

• Currie again: "The CFL's Hamilton Ticats have chosen a new Pigskin Pete to cheer their team. Not to be outdone, the Winnipeg Blue Bombers hired another grief counselor."

• Headline at TheOnion.com: "Kobe Bryant confident he could still berate teammates for 20 minutes a night."

• Dwight Perry of the Seattle Times: "The fumble-fingered Mariners entered May on pace to commit a whopping 187 errors this season. So if the M's host a Sesame Street Night this season, chances are it'll be brought to you by the letter 'E'."

• Marty Burtwell, via Facebook, on the Rockets' complaints about officiating in Game 1 against Golden State: "Out of habit, I am sure James Harden argues with the staff at Foot Locker."

• Bob Molinaro of pilotonline.com (Hampton, Va.), on Baltimore pitchers giving up 3.2 home runs per in their first 13 games at Camden Yards this season: "The Orioles' staff would be less of a danger to itself if it worked with live hand grenades."

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

Skavlebo captures SHSAA Provincial Badminton gold



Shellbrook's Marissa Skavlebo is a SHSAA Provincial Badminton singles champion.

In sports, there are championship titles that are earned through tough victories and even tougher losses, and, more rarely, there are titles that are claimed so dominantly that they seem as though they were fated.

For W.P. Sandin High School student Marissa Skavlebo, who wrapped up her badminton season in Swift Current on Saturday, May 11 with an SHSAA Girls Singles Provincial Championship title, the 2018-2019 campaign has decidedly been the latter.

As coach Devon Thorpe explains, Skavlebo was in her first year of eligibility for provincials. Despite this, she began her run to her seemingly inevitable provincial title by going undefeated at the conference, district, and regional competitions — indeed, she never so much as lost a game.

Bringing this undefeated record into Swift Current on Saturday, Skavlebo would continue her undefeated run by going 3-0 in the round robin draw

to finish atop pool A heading into the playoffs.

Pitted against Estevan's Ruth Pecson in the semi-finals, Skavlebo didn't let up, scoring victories of 21-16 and 21-15 to earn her place in the finals against Moose Jaw Cornerstone's Kenzie Behrns.

The first game between Skavlebo and Behrns may have been one of the closest Skavlebo had all season, but with continued strong play, she was able to serve and smash her way to a 21-19 victory.

Game two, meanwhile, was another dominant victory for Skavlebo, as she earned her provincial title by a score of 21-14.

Skavlebo was the first athlete from W.P. Sandin High School to represent the school in badminton provincials in over a decade.

"We are extremely proud of Marissa, and all the hard work she has put into our program," Thorpe said.



Shellbrook's Marissa Skavlebo serves the birdie, in action from the SHSAA Provincials in Swift Current.

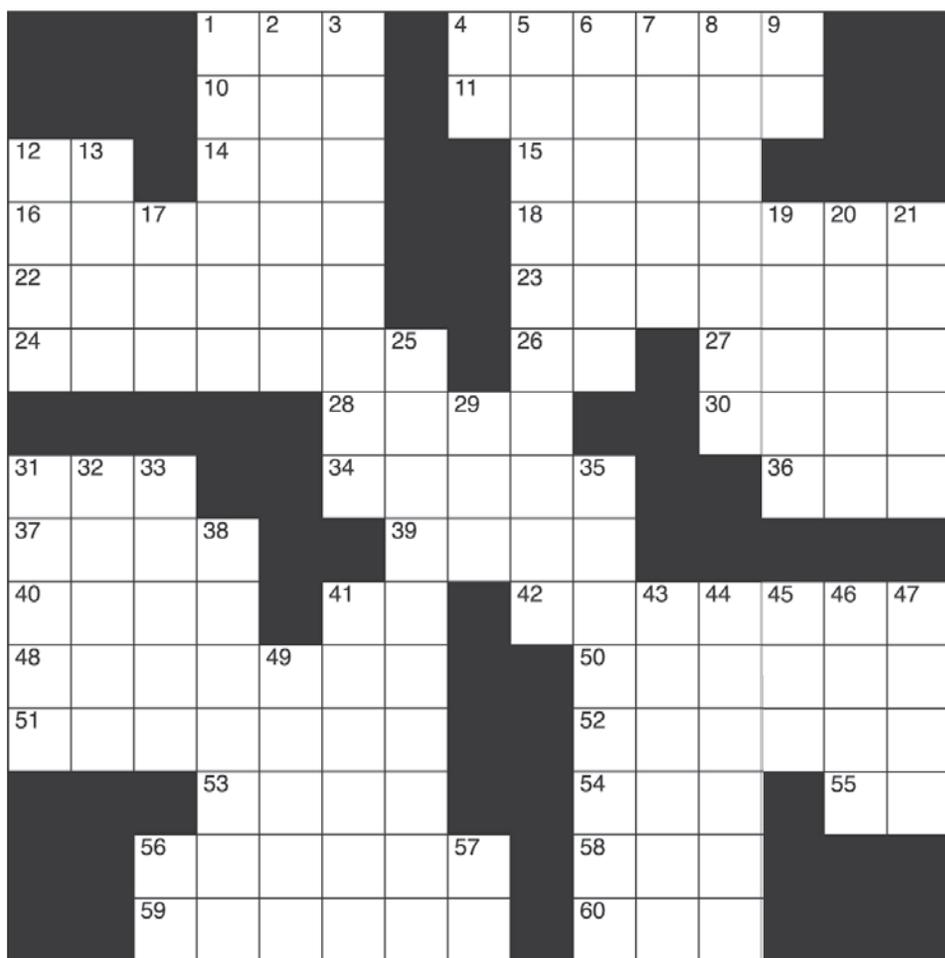
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Candace Pepper & Geoff Reed



Clark and Lenore Pepper of Shellbrook, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Candace, to Geoff Reed, son of Arlen and Marnie Reed of Regina. The wedding to take place next year.

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Maintains possession of
- 4. Other side
- 10. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 11. Lawn buildup
- 12. Southeast
- 14. Negative
- 15. Greek temple pillar
- 16. Blue
- 18. Pointless
- 22. Complete
- 23. Supervisor
- 24. Where kids bathe
- 26. Radio frequency
- 27. Cruel Roman emperor
- 28. Young woman (French)
- 30. Within
- 31. Civil Service Commission

34. Sarongs

- 36. Father
- 37. It grows on heads
- 39. A Spanish river
- 40. Boundary
- 41. Contains music
- 42. Causes to feel sorrow
- 48. Used to restrain
- 50. Fictional kids character
- 51. South American country
- 52. Devote resources to
- 53. Beginner
- 54. Everyone has one
- 55. University worker (abbr.)
- 56. Resist an attack
- 58. Unifying Chinese dynasty
- 59. Blood-sucking African fly
- 60. CNN's founder

CLUES DOWN

- 1. ___ and her sisters
- 2. Smear or rub with oil
- 3. Holy places
- 4. Indicates position
- 5. Drives around
- 6. Price
- 7. Semiaquatic mammal
- 8. With three uneven sides
- 9. Sacrifice hit
- 12. Covers a wound
- 13. Jaguarundi
- 17. Works produced by skill and imagination
- 19. A way to improve
- 20. River along India and Nepal border
- 21. Hairnet
- 25. DePaul University athletes
- 29. Bachelor of Laws
- 31. Game of skill
- 32. Holy man
- 33. Cylinder of tobacco
- 35. Most ingratiating
- 38. Repeats aloud
- 41. Red wine
- 43. Debilitating tropical disease
- 44. Entirely lacking
- 45. Female sheep

- 46. Where a bird lives
- 47. Stalk that supports the capsule
- 49. Cutlery
- 56. Symptom of withdrawal (abbr.)
- 57. Delaware

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