

# Shellbrook Chronicle & Spiritwood Herald

VOL. 109 NO. 5 PMR #40007604

Thursday, February 4, 2021

www.shellbrookchronicle.com | www.spiritwoodherald.com

## Town of Shellbrook gears up for Winter Festival



In the lead-up to the Winter Festival, a mystery box was set up outside the Shellbrook Town Office and filled with snow. Soon, the cube of snow within will be turned into a snow sculpture.

Hoping to kick the winter and COVID-19 blues to the curb, while including as many people as possible, the Town of Shellbrook is introducing a Winter Festival to its roster of annual community events.

Spearheaded by Town of Shellbrook Recreation Director Jessica Kernohan, who received brainstorming help from some active volunteers within the community, the four-day Winter Festival will run from Friday, Feb. 12 through Monday, Feb. 15.

Though the finer details of many of the events still need to be ironed out, the list is impressive thus far and offers something for just about everyone.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a toll on people's physical and mental health. We plan to give Shellbrook and the surrounding area opportunities to participate in positive programming," Kernohan said.

"We hope to achieve complete inclusivity with programming by offering outdoor activities, physical activities, at home activities and family centered activities within our

community that accommodate comfort levels and follow all COVID regulations."

Over the course of the four days, families looking for opportunities to get outdoors will be invited to attend a drive-in movie, strap on their skis for some cross-country skiing at the Hidden Hills of Shellbrook Golf Course, learn or practice their archery (for children), and try out Canada's latest winter sport, crokicurl, in the W.P. Sandin High School yard.

Other offerings include a homemade toboggan race over at Centennial Park's sliding hill, winter and Valentine's Day-themed scavenger hunts, sleigh rides and fireworks.

For those who want to take part from home there will be take-home activity kits, which include opportunities to win prizes, at-home snow sculpting (with the hopes of planning a community tour like the Shellbrook Kinettes' Twinkle Tour), an online cooking class, and a livestreamed Bingo.

Finally, organizations besides the town will be getting in on the festivities, as the

Shellbrook Public Library will be hosting its second Story Stroll. Meanwhile, the Shellbrook Kinsmen and Kinettes will celebrate Kin Day of KINdness by hosting public skating at the outdoor rink from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 15, as well as a drive-thru barbecue at the Lucky 7 building in front of the Richardson Pioneer Recreation Centre.

Kernohan says any new attractions, or updates to those currently listed, will be posted on the Facebook pages for the Shellbrook Winter Festival and the Town of Shellbrook.

"The mission of the Shellbrook Winter Festival is to organize an annual winter festival that incorporates outdoor family-oriented activities in the Shellbrook region to generate a high quality economic, tourist and social event that residents are proud of," Kernohan said.

While family friendly fun may be the main focus of the Winter Festival, Kernohan offers reassurances that the events will also strike the balance between fun and safety, and adhere to all public health restrictions.

To this end, masks will be required for attendees over the age of two and participants will be asked to use sanitizer at the beginning and end of activities (using provided sanitizer or their own). Additionally, activities will be split into timeframes to allow for small groups and ensure it's possible to maintain proper physical distancing, and prospective participants are asked to self-monitor for symptoms and stay home if they're sick.

With the Winter festival just around the corner, Kernohan says one of the key ingredients for the event's success will be volunteers. To this end, she and the organizing committee are still looking for volunteers to fill slots at activity stations on Feb. 13, 14, and 15.

Those interested in lending a hand can contact Kernohan at 306-747-4949, or [recdirector@townofshellbrook.ca](mailto:recdirector@townofshellbrook.ca).

As for those looking to join in the festivities, they can register online through the Shellbrook Winter Festival Facebook Page, or the Town of Shellbrook website.



# TAIT INSURANCE GROUP INC.

On-Line  
Quoting

**Changing Temperatures Causes Changes To Road Conditions – Drive Safely**

*We can help you with an Auto Pak to "Lower your Collision/Comprehensive Deductible" and "Increase your Liability Protection"*



TOLL FREE: **1.877.898.8248 (TAIT)** Shellbrook ❖ Canwood ❖ Leask ❖ [www.taitinsurance.ca](http://www.taitinsurance.ca)

# Spiritwood sewer work expected to start this spring

The Town of Spiritwood has two major infrastructure projects being funded through the federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF). The Sidewalk Repair project was started in summer of 2020 and is expected to be completed in 2023. The Sewer Repair project is expected to start this spring, weather permitting.

The 10-year Canada-Saskatchewan Agreement on the transfer of Federal Gas Tax Revenues was signed on Aug.

23, 2005. It provides Saskatchewan municipalities funding for environmentally sustainable infrastructure investments on a per capita basis.

The GTF is expected to provide around \$616.9 million over 10 years to municipalities in Saskatchewan with \$292.7 million being administered in from 2014-15 to 2018-19 and the remaining \$342.2 million from 2019-20 to 2023-24. Allocations are based on

census figures with the current allocation having been determined from 2016 Census figures. The allocation to Spiritwood for this period (2019-20 to 2023-24) was \$279,195.40.

The Town of Spiritwood has divided their allocation between two projects aimed at addressing aging infrastructure. The Sewer Repair project is estimated to cost \$190,000 while the Sidewalk repair project is estimated to cost

\$115,950.

The Town of Spiritwood had hired a company to camera the sewer mains and identify which locations were priority for upgrade or repair. The engineer recommended 4 areas on the west side of town and 1 on the east side of town.

As of yet, the town has not made a posting seeking a tender for the Sewer Repair Project, so the contractor has not been determined.

## Highlights of a Shellbrook town council meeting

Shellbrook's town council met for its regular meeting via teleconference on Monday, Feb. 1.

In attendance were Mayor Amund Otterson, councillors Bruce Clements, John Hughes, David Knight, Cheryl Ledding, Brent Miller, and Kathleen Nording, and the town's CAO, Kelly Hoare.

Mayor Otterson called the meeting to order at 4 p.m., and council began by approving the agenda for the meeting and adopting the revised minutes of its Jan. 18 regular meeting. After this, council quickly moved on to other business.

Providing an update on the town's recent partnership with the Prince Albert Rural Water Utility to explore the idea of building a water treatment plant and a water pipeline to Shellbrook, councillor Miller reported that a press release has been sent out and already garnered a great deal of interest.

Miller said one of the responses came from the Deputy Minister of Government Relations, who had received a call from Premier Scott Moe. Mayor Otterson, meanwhile, added that he'd been drafting a letter to any other relevant government ministries that may want to know about the potential project.

In other reports, council discussed tentative plans to move the old Rayside School building to Kinsmen Park and transform it into a building to house artifacts from the Shellbrook Museum. Councillor Miller mused about the idea of forming a group to raise funds to make the building look like it used to, as well as cover the costs of relocating it and setting it up to store arti-

facts.

In recreation items, it was reported that the Shellbrook Kinettes are exploring the idea of setting up disc golf in Centennial Park. Elsewhere, councillor Clements reported that Shellbrook Minor Sports and the Shellbrook Skating Club are planning to continue using the rink until the end of the season. While nothing has been made official, it appears the Curling Club is finished for the season.

Finally, though golf season is still a ways off, councillor Miller reported that the board for the golf course approved spending for a cold storage shed to store equipment, as well as for a new mower and some additional golf carts. Miller said the board is expecting another busy season, as people look for things to do during the pandemic.

Rounding out the reports, Mayor Otterson informed council that the town's two new physicians, Drs. Kamran Mohebbi and Sukvir Guhman, have hit the ground running at the clinic. Additionally, the town is currently hosting two medical students.

Shifting to new business, council carried a motion to send a letter to the Ministry of Highways to express its concerns about the safety of Highway 3 from Shellbrook to Prince Albert, and the potential dangers posed by increased truck traffic. The concerns stem, partially, from the two fatal accidents that occurred on the highway in December.

Next, council carried motions to appoint councillor Miller as the chair of PARWU, and to approve the PARWU authority guidelines, which set out the rules around spending any funds for the water treatment

plant and pipeline project.

Moving on, council carried a motion to transfer \$36,011.99 into reserves. The motion was made upon recommendation from the Recreation Committee, and the funds will be used for capital improvements in 2021.

Continuing to discuss local facilities, council agreed to allow private rentals of the Shellbrook Community Hall and the Shellbrook Theatre on a case-by-case basis. It also carried a motion to award the contract for the electrical work on the shed set up for the Lucky 7 Draw at the Richardson Pioneer Recreation Centre. That work is valued at \$12,419.63, before taxes.

In a few last items, council approved the budget for the Shellbrook Winter festival, waived water bills at the Shellbrook Senior Citizen's Centre for the year (because the group can't fundraise), and waived interest charged to Minor Sports and the Shellbrook Skating Club in the amounts of \$205.23 and \$89.84, respectively.

Finally, council agreed to request an extension of up to six weeks on the bid for tenders for the first phase of the water treatment plant upgrades. Those upgrades, including the installation of a third greensand filter, the servicing of existing filters, and upgrades to piping, are expected to be carried out this year.

Having nothing further to discuss, council adjourned for the evening, with Tuesday, Feb. 16 set as its next meeting date.

### R.M. OF BIG RIVER NO. 555 Employment Opportunity Permanent Seasonal Office Assistant

The RM of Big River, No. 555 is accepting applications for a Permanent Seasonal Office Assistant. This position has full time seasonal hours, Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and requires a highly motivated, detail oriented individual with high standards in ethical conduct in the performance of their duties. The successful applicant can expect the employment to begin after March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and run until the end of October in any calendar year.

Interested applicants will require excellent public and communication skills, experience in computer applications (in particular Microsoft Office) and skills related to administrative practices and procedures.

Qualified persons are invited to submit their resume detailing education, experience, qualifications, salary expected and three work-related references to the:

RM of Big River, No. 555  
Attention: Donna Tymiak - Administrator  
Box 219, 606 First Street North  
Big River, SK S0J 0E0  
Phone (306)469-2323 Fax (306)469-2428  
Email: [rm555@sasktel.net](mailto:rm555@sasktel.net)

Application must be received by the Municipal Office by 9:00 a.m., February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021.

Prior to an offer of employment, this position will require the successful applicant to provide a current and satisfactory criminal record check.

We thank all applicants, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

### Telemiracle 45

Shellbrook Telemiracle Fundraiser will be an **ONLINE** auction this year – *no town canvas!*

**Auction is February 8 – 14**

*Bidding starts on the 8th and ends at 1pm on February 14th*

**Auction site: [32auctions.com/KinTelemiracleauction](https://32auctions.com/KinTelemiracleauction)**

People can also make personal donations, cheques made out to Kinsmen Telemiracle, mailed to: Shellbrook Kinettes, Box 147, Shellbrook, SK S0J 2E0

### Administrator, Village of Leask

The Village of Leask is currently accepting applications for the position of Administrator. The ideal candidate will possess an Urban Standard Certificate or a willingness to learn and obtain a Standard Certificate from the Urban Board of Examiners is necessary.

- Experience in Microsoft Office and general computer applications is essential with knowledge of Munisoft municipal software considered an asset.
- Must possess strong leadership and communication skills

#### Compensation/Benefits:

- Salary will be based on UMAAS salary schedule &/or qualifications and experience
- The Village offers a full benefit package through SUMA and an excellent pension package through MEPP.

Applicants should submit a cover letter and detailed resume including references (3) and salary expectations by email to: [village.leask@sasktel.net](mailto:village.leask@sasktel.net) Box 40, Leask Sask S0J 1M0 prior to 4:30pm on February 15, 2021.

### PUBLIC NOTICE R.M. of Canwood No. 494

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the R.M. of Canwood No. 494 intends to adopt a bylaw under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, to amend Bylaw No. 2003-7, known as the Zoning Bylaw.

**INTENT:** The proposed zoning bylaw amendment will add regulations for sand and gravel operations and setbacks required for all structures, shelterbelts, earth piles, dugouts, gravel pits, and machinery storage in the Agricultural Residential District.

**AFFECTED LAND:** The affected lands are those zoned in the Agricultural Residential District.

**REASON:** The reason for the amendment is to add regulations for sand and gravel operations and provide setbacks for several types of development not currently regulated in the Agricultural Residential District.

**PUBLIC INSPECTION** Any person may inspect the bylaw by contacting the R.M. of Canwood No. 494 office during regular office hours. Copies of the bylaw will be made available by regular mail or electronically.

**PUBLIC HEARING** Council will hold a public hearing on February 16, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. The RM will be implementing an alternative format for this public hearing in response to COVID-19. Any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaw is encouraged to submit written comments prior to the meeting. Written submissions may be sent by email to [rm494@sasktel.net](mailto:rm494@sasktel.net), by Canada Post a minimum of 4 business days in advance of the hearing or dropped off at the RM office during regular office hours. For anyone wanting to submit verbal comments, please contact the RM office by February 10, 2021, to make arrangements. Verbal submissions will be accommodated through pre-scheduled teleconference times.

Issued at the R.M. of Canwood No. 494 on January 28, 2021.

Lorna Benson  
Rural Municipal Administrator

# COVID-19 restrictions extended to Feb. 19

With new daily COVID-19 cases in Saskatchewan seemingly stabilizing around the 250 mark, Premier Scott Moe has extended Saskatchewan's current COVID-19 restrictions to at least Feb. 19.

"The goal throughout all of it is, yes, to control the COVID spread but also to keep as much of our community, our economy, to keep as many of our jobs operating as possible," Moe said.

"[We want to] keep our kids in classrooms if it's at all possible and has been for the majority of the winter here. That's always the goal, to keep things as normal as possible but control the spread of the

virus."

The current public health measures were set to expire on Jan. 29. But while he says those measures appear to be working, and more measures aren't necessary, Moe said they will need to remain in place "a while longer."

Under the current restrictions, which began rolling out Dec. 17, 2020, private indoor gatherings are limited to immediate household members only, but single individuals are permitted to meet with one household of less than five individuals. Outdoor gatherings, meanwhile, are limited to 10 people.

Casinos and bingo halls re-

main closed, while personal services, such as hairdressers and barbers, massage therapists, and tattooists, are still limited to 50 per cent capacity. Restaurants and bars, meanwhile, are limited to seating four people per table and licensed establishments must stop selling alcohol at 10 p.m.

On the retail side, smaller stores must reduce their capacity to 50 per cent, and large retail locations, identified as stores with more than 20,000 square feet, are limited to 25 per cent capacity.

Event venues, conference facilities, arenas, arts venues, museums, movie and live theatres and banquet facilities

may still have events up to 30 individuals. However, all guests must be seated for the duration, and food and drink are not permitted unless explicitly stated in the order.

Concurrent services may not occur within multiple locations in one facility.

Elsewhere, sports leagues and activities remain suspended, but those aged 18 and under may gather in groups of eight for practices, with a maximum of two coaches also in attendance.

Finally, visits to long-term care and personal homes are still suspended, except for compassionate reasons.

These restrictions will be re-

viewed on Feb. 19, and eased, extended, or tightened depending on current COVID-19 transmission rates.

In addition to holding the line on COVID-19 restrictions, Moe has also spent the past week or so sending a stronger message on enforcement of the rules after multiple bars and restaurants in Saskatoon and Regina were issued fines for violations.

"I have asked that we increase enforcement on those who chose to break the rules," he said, adding that fines are the last resort.

"What we really need and what we really desire is compliance."

## *Ahtahkakoop RCMP investigate report of male with a firearm*

A 30-year-old man from Ahtahkakoop First Nation is facing a number of charges following an incident involving a firearm near the Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation School

On Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, at approximately 10:30 a.m., Ahtahkakoop RCMP received the report of an adult male allegedly carrying a firearm near the Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation School.

Further information indicated a vehicle had driven off the road and struck a fence across a field near the school. Once the vehicle came to a stop, the adult male was seen leaving the vehicle allegedly carrying a firearm. The adult male was then seen walking toward a residence across the road from the school. The incident was observed from the school and as a precaution, the school initiated a lock-

down.

Ahtahkakoop RCMP attended the area and established a perimeter around the residence the individual was believed to have entered. Big River and Spiritwood RCMP detachments were called to assist.

Once a secure perimeter was established, police made contact with the occupants of the residence.

Seven occupants were located in the residence. Among those individuals, officers were able to identify and locate the 30-year-old male who was the subject of the initial complaint. The male was arrested without incident. An unloaded firearm was located inside the residence and seized by police.

There were no shots fired during this incident and no indication the

school or students were at risk.

As a result of the incident, 30-year-old Riley Fenton Ahenakew of Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation has been charged with the following offences: uttering threats, possession of a weapon dangerous to public, possession of scheduled drug, unsafe storage of a firearm, possession of a firearm knowing

serial number defaced, possession of firearm while prohibited, and possession of a firearm without licence.

Riley Ahenakew made his first court appearance by phone Friday morning and was expected to be held in custody until his next provincial court appearance on Monday, Feb. 1 in Prince Albert.

What happens when you don't advertise?

# Very little.

# Connect to Your Highways



Reach out to the Highway  
Customer Service Centre  
at **1-844-SK-HIWAY** or  
[saskatchewan.ca/skhiway](https://saskatchewan.ca/skhiway)

Remember — don't drive distracted.

## COVID relief dollars left on the table at our expense

When, at some yet unknown date, we emerge on the other side of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be left with the all-important question of whether or not those responsible for combatting the pandemic did enough (or too much) to keep us safe.

Around the world, and even within different jurisdictions within Canada, governments have taken varying approaches to flattening the curve and limiting the spread of COVID-19, and, often times, it's been near impossible to tell what's worked, what's failed, and why.

In the early days of the pandemic, the Atlantic provinces formed a bubble and kept those outside the bubble from entering. For the first few months these provinces had single isolated cases here and there, and even now, after the bubble has popped, they've seen the fewest cases and deaths in Canada by a large margin (PEI, for instance, has reported just 110 cases and no deaths).

Here in Saskatchewan, the Sask. Party government took a fairly standard approach to fighting COVID-19 by shutting most of the province down, even in the early days when cases numbers were low.

Cases and deaths remained relatively low in the province in those early months. But, predictably, as the province was re-opened, and people wearied of government restrictions, the case numbers began to drift upward, paving the way for the surge of the second wave in the fall.

Since the surge began, Premier Scott Moe and his government have had two overarching goals: to keep life as normal as possible, by keeping the province open for business, and to keep people as safe as possible.

With new case numbers stabilizing around 250 cases per day in recent weeks, Mr. Moe believes that his govern-



JORDAN  
TWISS  
~  
News Editor

ment's current public health measures, which were recently extended to Feb. 19, are working to curb the virus' spread, making further restrictions unnecessary.

"We don't need additional restrictions. What we need is everyone to adhere to these ones for a little while longer," Moe said during an interview on the Gormley show.

Barring a sudden explosion of new cases in the province, it seems this is as locked down as we're going to get – even if there's plenty of reason to question whether current measures are working.

Only time, and the gift of hindsight, will tell us if Mr. Moe's government is striking the correct balance between safeguarding public health and keeping the economy afloat. However, a new report from the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives suggests it's not doing anywhere near everything it could be doing.

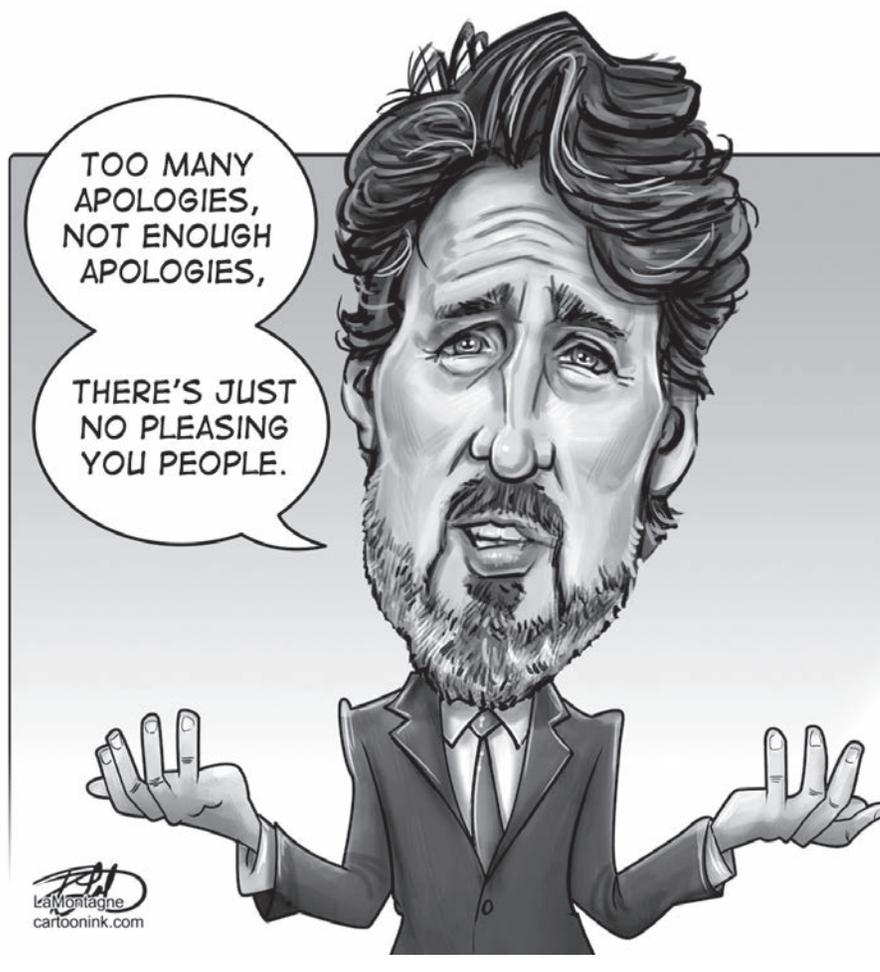
The report, titled Picking up the Tab, highlights the federal and provincial COVID-19 measures implemented throughout 2020 and finds that Saskatchewan is leaving millions of dollars in potential pandemic relief measures unspent.

In addition to its own \$160 million in unspent COVID-19 contingency funds, the Sask. Party government has failed to apply for nearly \$100 million in federal relief dollars.

This funding includes \$49.4 million for wage top-ups for the essential workers the government is so committed to keeping gainfully employed, as well as \$31.3 million to improve safety at long-term care facilities, which have been areas of concern for nearly a decade.

Aside from leaving millions on the table, Mr. Moe's government also seems content to let the federal government pick up the tab.

Of the \$9,000 being spent on COVID-19 relief measures per Saskatchewan resident, the province is covering just 10



per cent, or \$900. When it comes to the federal essential worker wage top-up, the province is only contributing 5 per cent of the funds, when it's meant to be contributing 25 per cent.

It's the same story almost across the board.

In healthcare, the province is contributing just 2 per cent of the \$1,200 being spent per person. For education and childcare it's contributing 8 per cent of the \$120 per person to help facilities adapt to COVID-19. And when it comes to helping businesses adapt to the pandemic, it's supplying only 6 per cent of the \$3,300 being spent per business.

Responding to the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives' report, the province predictably took issue with the author's findings, most notably with the classification of its \$1.3 billion infrastructure plan as "unallocated contingency funds." However, it also questioned the claim that Saskatchewan is one of six provinces without plans to spend the available long-term care funding.

"It is the position of several provinces,

including Saskatchewan, that federal health funding would more appropriately be directed through the Canada Health Transfer, which has been subject to chronic underfunding by subsequent federal governments," Jim Billington, Premier Moe's communications director, wrote in a statement.

While the question of adequate funding – and the proper channels for said funding – is a valid one, a global pandemic seems like the wrong time to be seeking answers.

What's more, it seems the Sask. Party could use the help, given that the provincial ombudsman has been called to investigate a for-profit long-term care home that has been the site of more than 40 COVID-related deaths.

There's something to be said for fiscal prudence. No one wants to see our government balloon the deficit like Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has.

But when we look back at how the Sask. Party government handled COVID-19, it will be hard to say it did everything it could.

### Shellbrook Chronicle

Serving the Communities of Shellbrook, Canwood, Debden, Big River, Parkside, Leask, Marcelin, Blaine Lake, Holbein, Mont Nebo, Mayview

### Spiritwood Herald

Serving the Communities of Spiritwood, Shell Lake, Leoville, Chitek Lake, Mildred, Rabbit Lake, Medstead, Mayfair, Bapaume, Belbutte, Glaslyn

A Division of Pepperfram Limited Publications  
Mail Registration #07621

Published Every Thursday Morning

P.O. Box 10, Shellbrook, Sask. S0J 2E0  
Phone 306-747-2442 or Fax 306-747-3000

Editorial: chnews@sbchron.com  
Advertising chads@sbchron.com

### C. J. Pepper, Publisher

Jordan Twiss, Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter  
jordan@sbchron.com

Alison Sullivan, Spiritwood Herald Reporter  
(306) 841-8317 or ali.sully81@gmail.com

Meghan Penney, Composition/Pagination  
& Advertising Sales chads@sbchron.com

Karen Stene, Bookkeeping/Reception  
accounting@sbchron.com

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;

Friday, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 to 4 p.m.;

Advertising Deadline: Fridays at 4:00 p.m.

websites: www.shellbrookchronicle.com  
www.spiritwoodherald.com

The contents of the Shellbrook Chronicle and Spiritwood Herald are protected by Copyright. Reproduction of any material must be done so with expressed permission of the publisher.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: In the interest of readers of this newspaper, we will publish opinions of our readers. Letters To The Editor are most welcome; however, they must be signed and include writer's contact information and will only be published with the writer's name on it. Letters should be limited in length and be typed or clearly written. We reserve the right to edit letters depending on available space.

Member of



# Minutes of a Village of Canwood meeting

(Where necessary, the following minutes may have been edited for clarity or brevity)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Village of Canwood, held at the Canwood Elk's Hall, Seniors Room, 640 2nd Avenue East, Canwood, Sask., on Monday, Dec. 21, 2020, was called to order by Mayor Thompson at 9:37 a.m.

Present: Mayor – Robert Thompson, Deputy Mayor – Svend Hansen, Councillor – Lorne Benson, Ken Moar and Ron Willner, and Administrator – Erin Robertson.

Delegations: 10:57 a.m. to 11:10 a.m., Dean Anderson, Maintenance Manager – verbal update on Public Works

Willner: That the minutes of the Dec. 7, 2020, Regular Meeting of Council be Minutes approved as presented. Carried

Hansen: That we issue Cheques 5176 to 5212, Other payments totalling \$46,450.64, as detailed on attached List of Accounts for Approval, and December payroll advance from the general account. Carried

Thompson: That we move to in-camera at 9:50 a.m. to discuss Strategic Planning and Human Resources and ask that the Administrator remain in chambers. Carried

Let the minutes note that Administrator, Erin Robertson declared a conflict as it relates to the Human Resource top-

ics being discussed during the in-camera and left Council Chambers at 10:01 a.m.

Thompson: That we move out of in-camera at 10:25 a.m. and ask the Administrator to rejoin the meeting. Carried

Committee Updates: Highway 55 Waste Management Corporation – verbal report provided by Robert Thompson and Lorne Benson.

Moar: That the correspondence be noted and filed:

- WCB 2021 Premium Rate Notice;
- Government of Saskatchewan congratulations, assist and information letter;
- Canwood and District Bus Association Financial Statement ending October 31, 2020;
- Government of Saskatchewan COVID Isolation and Support Plan;
- Water Security Agency COVID Contingency Plans. Carried

Thompson: That we

agree to purchase an electrostatic disinfection unit for use at Village owned facilities from Kleen Bee, Prince Albert, Sask., for a cost of \$1,195, plus applicable taxes. Carried

Benson: That we make the following appointment for the 2021 year as follows;

Canwood Regional Park Board: Svend Hansen. Carried

Willner: That we agree to allow the Administrator to process the 2020 year-end expenditures and budget items prior to the January 2021 meeting with all payments to be verified by the Mayor. Carried

Moar: That we authorize the Administrator to add any utility accounts that are 60 days past due onto the appropriate tax roll. Carried

Hansen: That Council Indemnity Remuneration rates for 2021 to be as follows:

- Mayor \$130.00 per council meeting;

• Councillors \$120.00 per council meeting;

• Full day meetings \$130.00;

• Half day meetings (2-5 hours) \$80.00;

• Two hours or less meetings \$40.00;

• Mileage \$0.45 cents per kilometer. Carried

Hansen: That we agree to provide a cost-of-living increase to the hourly rate of the Village's permanent full-time employees in the amount of 1.9% commencing Dec. 29, 2020. Carried

Thompson: That we purchase Co-op gift certificates in the amount of \$100.00 each for Gail Westgard, Trevor Kvinlaug and Marty Wilson. Carried

Benson: That we approve the Development Permit 2020-03, Lot 6, Block 4 Plan Y3516, Ext. 0, for the installation of an elevator. Furthermore, this approval is contingent with compliance to Zoning Bylaw No. 2/1993 and approval of

Building Permit application from the Municipal Building Inspector. Carried

Let the minutes note that Administrator, Erin Robertson presented to Council the one proposal received for snow removal at the Elk's Hall.

Moar: That we agree to contract Mervin Bobryk, Canwood, Sask., to clear snow as required at the predetermined sidewalks at the Canwood Elk's Community Hall for a flat rate fee of \$50 if snow has to be shovelled or \$25 if just sweeping. Carried

Thompson: That we agree to refund the pur-

chase price of \$25 to the purchaser for Plot 82 at the Canwood North Cemetery, as the plot is no longer required. Carried

Moar: That we agree to enter into an agreement commencing Jan. 1, 2021, with Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency and authorize the Mayor to sign in duplicate, the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency Fire Dispatch Services Contract #REC00213. Carried

Willner: That we adjourn at 12:57 p.m. with the next meeting to be Jan. 18, 2021, commencing at 9:30 a.m. Carried

## R.M. OF MEDSTEAD NO. 497

### SEASONAL GRADER/EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITION

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 invites applications for an experienced full time Seasonal Grader/Equipment Operator. The Seasonal Grader/Equipment Operator will be responsible for public works operations, organizing their own schedule and work duties, have good communication skills and be able to prepare and maintain reports as directed by the Council. Pay rates depending on experience.

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 is located in central Saskatchewan located approximately forty five minutes north of North Battleford.

Applicants must possess a valid Class 5 driver's license and have skill and experience in maintenance and operation of heavy equipment including grader, dozer, buggy, tractor, mower, rock picker and mulcher.

Submit written resumes stating experience, expected wage, two references and a current driver's abstract by 4:00 p.m. on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. All resumes shall be marked "Seasonal Grader/Equipment Operator Position" and mailed, dropped off at the address below or emailed to [rm497@sasktel.net](mailto:rm497@sasktel.net).

R.M. of Medstead No. 497  
Box 12  
Medstead, SK S0M 1W0

Council thanks all applicants for their interest in this position but only persons selected for interviews will be contacted.

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 reserves the right to reject and refuse any or all expressions of interest.

## R.M. OF MEDSTEAD NO. 497

### SEASONAL MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITION

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 invites applications for an experienced full time Seasonal Maintenance/Equipment Operator. The Seasonal Maintenance/Equipment Operator will be responsible for mowing this municipality's ditches, rock picking, mulching in conjunction with the grader operators, installing and repairing signs and other jobs as directed by the Reeve. Opportunity may be present in the future to move into a grader operator position. Pay rates depending on experience.

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 is located in central Saskatchewan located approximately forty five minutes north of North Battleford.

Applicants must possess a valid Class 5 driver's license and have skill and experience in maintenance and operation of equipment including tractor, mower, rock picker and mulcher.

Submit written resumes stating experience, expected wage, two references and a current driver's abstract by 4:00 p.m. on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. All resumes shall be marked "Seasonal Maintenance/Equipment Operator Position" and dropped off at the RM Office, mailed to the address below or emailed to [rm497@sasktel.net](mailto:rm497@sasktel.net).

R.M. of Medstead No. 497  
Box 12  
Medstead, SK S0M 1W0

Council thanks all applicants for their interest in this position but only persons selected for interviews will be contacted.

The R.M. of Medstead No. 497 reserves the right to reject and refuse any or all expressions of interest.



**Ditch the dish**

Switch to **maxTV Stream** and get tons of great entertainment for only **\$19.95/mo.**

Conditions apply.

**maxTV**  
STREAM

**SaskTel**  
Today is the day

**It's Easy**  
to place  
a classified!

Phone  
**306-747-2442**

Fax:  
**306-747-3000**

Email:  
**chads@sbchron.com**

# Minutes of a Town of Spiritwood special meeting

(Where necessary, the following minutes may have been edited for clarity or brevity)

The special meeting of the Council of the Town of Spiritwood was held via Sasktel Teleconference on Dec. 16, 2020 at 12:15 p.m.

In attendance were Mayor Gary von Holwede, Councillor Bryan Wingerter, Councillor George Pretli, Councillor

Kiera Andres, Councillor James Bedi, Councillor Brad Nemish, and CAO Rhonda Saam. Absent was Councillor Shannon Beaulac.

A quorum being present, Mayor Gary von Holwede called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Councillor Kiera Andres declared a conflict and left the meeting at 12:16 p.m.

Bryan Wingerter: That we offer Prairie Centre Credit Union their asking price of \$239,000 to purchase the property with the office building on Lot 9 & 10, Block 3, Plan AP518 with the condition of approval on Dec. 22, 2020 from public notice to borrow money for the purchase, condition of funding approval, and a possession date of Dec. 31, 2020; And, That we give public notice as per

Resolution number 2020-0363, and Bylaw No. 444/08, that a Special Meeting will be held Dec. 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via teleconference call to discuss borrowing money to purchase an office building. Seconded by Jim Bedi. Carried.

Brad Nemish: That this meeting be adjourned at 12:41 p.m. Seconded by George Pretli. Carried.

## *Governments fund livestock and forage research in Sask.*

The provincial and federal governments have announced \$7.5 million in funding for livestock and forage-related research through Saskatchewan's Agriculture Development Fund (ADF). This includes more than \$4.1 million in funding for 24 livestock and forage-related research projects and nearly \$3.5 million in operational funding for the Prairie Swine Centre and the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO) at the University of Saskatchewan.

"Despite challenges such as the COVID-19 pandemic, our farmers continue to make sure Canadians and people around the world have access to our high-quality food," said Agriculture and Agri-food Minister Marie-Claude Bibeau. "The projects will help to advance important research so our farmers can find even more sustainable and efficient ways to produce this food and continue to grow the sector."

"Through the ADF, producers benefit from research into new forage varieties, improved livestock feeding systems and management of animal diseases that drive industry growth," Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister David Marit added. "This year's projects will expand the growth potential of the industry



The Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission is a new ADF industry partner this year.

"Saskatchewan alfalfa seed producers are pleased to be able to participate in the co-funding of important forage research projects, including development of a salt-tolerant alfalfa cultivar adapted to western Canada," Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission Director of Research Wayne Goerzen said. Goerzen also noted that this research will benefit producers across the prairies.

In addition to funds committed by the federal and provincial governments, livestock and forage research projects announced this year are also receiving nearly \$324,000 from the following partners: Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association, Saskatchewan Forage Seed Development Commission, Saskatchewan Alfalfa Seed Producers Development Commission, SaskMilk and Alberta Milk.

"With renewed support from the ADF, the Prairie Swine Centre will continue to generate and deliver novel research results from our Engineering, Nutrition and Ethology Research Programs," Prairie Swine Centre CEO Murray Pettitt said. "This funding will directly benefit the Saskatchewan pork value chain. In the past 15 years, our research program has contributed an average return on investment of \$4.10 per pig/year to the industry, and the funds enable us to attract additional research funding for the benefit of the industry."

The ADF is supported through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a five-year, \$388 million agreement between the federal and provincial governments to invest in strategic initiatives for Saskatchewan agriculture.

For more information, including a full list of funded projects, please visit [www.saskatchewan.ca](http://www.saskatchewan.ca) and search "Agriculture Development Fund."

by exploring topics such as water quality, cost of production, diagnostics supports, animal health, forage production, quality and breeding. Innovation helps our producers meet the Saskatchewan Growth Plan objectives of increasing livestock cash receipts to \$3 billion and increasing value-added revenue to \$10 billion by 2030."

Support from the ADF is awarded on a competitive basis to projects that create future growth opportunities and enhance the competitiveness of the industry.

This research will impact producers across commodities with studies that benefit bees, bison, beef cattle, swine, poultry, dairy cattle and sheep. For example, one project led by Kerri Finlay will look at how removing sulphates from agricultural ponds improves cattle health. Another project led by Dr. Murray Jelinski will use watering bowls to study antimicrobial resistance. Kathy Larson will lead a project that will examine how cow/calf producers are using production and financial data to make management decisions on their operations.

**Classifieds Work!**

**PLACE YOUR AD TODAY!**

**Shellbrook Chronicle  
Spiritwood Herald**

Ph: 306.747.2442 • Fax: 306.747.3000  
Email: [chads@sbchron.com](mailto:chads@sbchron.com)

### \$7.5 Million Investment in Livestock and Forage Research in Saskatchewan

The Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan through Saskatchewan's Agriculture Development Fund is investing more than \$4.1 million for 24 livestock and forage-related research projects and nearly \$3.5 million in operational funding for the Prairie Swine Centre and the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization.

These projects will help our producers meet the Saskatchewan Growth Plan objectives of increasing livestock cash receipts to \$3 billion and increasing value-added revenue to \$10 billion by 2030.



**Nadine Wilson**  
MLA for Saskatchewan Rivers  
[saskrivers@sasktel.net](mailto:saskrivers@sasktel.net)

**Hon. Jeremy Harrison**  
MLA for Meadow Lake  
[jharrisonmla@sasktel.net](mailto:jharrisonmla@sasktel.net)

**Hon. Scott Moe, Premier**  
MLA for Rosthern-Shellbrook  
[scottmoe.mla@sasktel.net](mailto:scottmoe.mla@sasktel.net)

# AGRICULTURE

February 4, 2021

www.shellbrookchronicle.com | www.spiritwoodherald.com

Shellbrook Chronicle & Spiritwood Herald 7

## Bioplastics show great potential

We live very much in a disposable society.

We buy something, use it until it breaks, a newer model catches our eye, or we simply become tired or bored with and we toss it.

There are of course those among us who are diligent recyclers, everything that can be reused, repurposed and recycled carefully segregated in the garbage bins with an eye to protecting the planet's future, but they remain in the minority.

Even in a small city such as Yorkton garbage is an issue.

The rules and regulations for landfills become more and more stringent,

so smaller communities often give up on trying to keep pace, instead loading trucks and hauling to larger centralized landfills such as Yorkton. Whether that is a positive for the environment in terms of fossil fuel consumed in the hauling, or in the life expectancy of highway covered, is another question, but it makes a bigger pile of garbage in the centralized location, and that means ultimately more room will be needed.

Now imagine the issue in Toronto, or New York or Los Angeles. The daily waste has to be staggering based on population alone.



CALVIN DANIELS

Of course not all garbage is created equal.

Among our daily refuse plastics are particularly nasty in terms of the environment because it simply does not go away.

It can take 400 to 500

years for a plastic bottle or plastic coffee pod to decompose in a landfill.

It's hard to fathom that the bottle you toss today because tap water doesn't cut it to drink will be kicking around a landfill, or floating in the ocean in the year 2600.

Of course the one bottle you toss is not the issue, until you realize it is one of millions of tons of plastic produced annually, the vast majority destined to be tossed at some point.

A recent Western Producer article note, in 2019, the world produced 368 million tonnes of plastic, and estimates from National Geo-

graphic suggest only nine percent of all plastic is recycled.

While this is not good news, it may be an opportunity.

Scientists, investors and companies are turning their attention to bioplastic as a possible replacement for traditional petroleum-based products that simply do not degrade.

"Bioplastic is made from renewable feedstocks such as corn, sugar cane and other agricultural crops, and some degrade in months or years rather than hundreds of years," noted the WP story.

The market, if it can be

captured, is massive. "Last fall, Fortune Business Insights said the global market for bioplastic could reach US\$20 billion by 2027 — growing at a rate of 17 per cent annually," states the WP story.

Canola meal might be one 'renewable feedstocks'. Currently, primarily used as a livestock feed, the meal, more or less a left over by-product of oil extraction, could find a higher value home as the base for bioplastics.

It's an exciting opportunity that has an upside for both the canola sector and the planet.

## New tech helps farmers monitor mental health

Innovation Saskatchewan, in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture, have unveiled a new tool for agricultural producers to track their mental health.

The mobile app, Avail, was developed by Saskatoon-based Bridges Health and offers producers a confidential system for actively recording and analyzing their mental health, accessing online resources such as articles and videos, and finding and accessing care providers in their communities. The app encourages regular check-ins and allows producers and their care providers to find patterns in the data they log.

"Mental health in the agriculture industry is a priority for the Government of Saskatchewan, and we know farmers and ranchers face unique challenges when it comes to accessing mental health services," Innovation Saskatchewan Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Avail helps address many of those concerns, and provides a made-in-Saskatchewan solution for producers looking for support in tracking their mental health."

Calls to the Farm Stress Line show producers are looking for resources to maintain their mental health. In 2019-20, the toll-free line received more than 1,000

calls.

"Producers face a number of factors that are out of their control, many of which can have a negative impact on mental health," Agriculture Minister David Marit said. "This tool allows producers to take an active role in monitoring their mental health and accessing supports."

As winners of the 2020 Innovation Challenge, Bridges Health at <https://www.bridgeshealth.com/> received \$10,000, as well as a 16-week residency to develop Avail. They presented Avail to government and industry offices during a digital presentation.

"As a company founded and based in Saskatchewan, the agriculture sector touches both our business and our families," Bridges Health Vice President Leon Ferguson said. "We are honoured to have this opportunity to work with government and partners to develop and advance this mental health and overall wellness tool."

Innovation Challenges encourage Saskatchewan-based tech companies to find innovative answers to issues facing the public. Previous projects introduced tech responses to rural crime, online permissions for hunting and fishing on private land, and tracking landfill waste.

PRINCE ALBERT LIVESTOCK SALES  
A division of Northern Livestock Sales



To consign cattle or  
for on-farm appraisals  
please contact Brent,  
Glen, Boyd or Frederick

**Fri., Feb. 12, 2021**

Bred Cow/Heifer & Pair Sale 1:00 p.m.

**Mon., Feb. 15, 2021**

Presort Sale 9:30 a.m.; Regular Sale 1:30 p.m.



Producers wishing to market cattle prior  
to sale day please contact the  
office 306-763-8463 for delivery.



Your independently owned & operated livestock marketing  
facility - working with the producers' best interest in mind

FEEDER FINANCE PROGRAM AVAILABLE - Please contact Glen

Brent 306-240-5340 • Glen 306-960-4732 • Boyd 306-841-7998 • Frederick 306-227-9505

Office 306-763-8463 ~ Fax 306-763-4620

For market info visit: [www.northernlivestocksales.ca](http://www.northernlivestocksales.ca)

MEADOW LAKE LIVESTOCK SALES LTD.



To consign cattle or  
for on-farm appraisals  
please contact  
Brent, Blair or Brody

**Wed., Feb. 17, 2021**

Regular Sale 9:00 a.m.

Presorted Internet Calf Sale 11:00 a.m.

Producers wishing to market cattle prior to sale day  
please contact the office 306-236-3411 for delivery.



Your independently owned & operated livestock marketing  
facility - working with the producers' best interest in mind

FEEDER FINANCE PROGRAM AVAILABLE - Please contact Brent

Brent 306-240-5340 • Blair 306-240-9883 • Brody 306-240-6504

Office 306-236-3411 ~ Fax 306-236-3412

Email: [mlstockyards@sasktel.net](mailto:mlstockyards@sasktel.net) ~ market info visit: [www.mlstockyards.com](http://www.mlstockyards.com)

# February filled with programming at Shellbrook Public Library

By **Dian Campbell**

February is Aboriginal Storytelling Month in Saskatchewan, and this year Wapiti Regional Library is welcoming Chad Solomon to share more of his Rabbit and Bear Paws stories.

In accordance with COVID-19 regulations, the event will take place online through Google meet on Feb. 11, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. This is a free event, but attendees must register and receive the password by contacting Commser-vices@wapitilibrary.ca.

Chad Solomon and his "Rabbit and Bear Paws" crew were in Shellbrook in 2019. They are a wonderful team that highlights aboriginal life and culture.

Take Home Story Time Kits are available at the Library for families looking for stories and crafts for their children. February themes are Families, Monsters, Valentines and the ABC's. Take home kits are available anytime, all you

need is your library card. Don't have a card, we can help with that too. Library cards are free for all residents of Shellbrook and the Shellbrook R.M.

We have two adult book club meetings in February (on ZOOM). Our evening book club will be Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. The afternoon book club will meet Friday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m. Our afternoon book selection is "Charlie Muskrat" by Harold Johnson. For more information or to join, call the Library at 306-747-3419 to receive the ZOOM link.

Shellbrook Public Library will be joining in the Town of Shellbrook Winter Carnival, with its second edition of our "Library Story Stroll". Watch for the colorful Story Boards along Main Street. Stroll along and read the FUN story of "Mr. Goats Valentine" by Eve Bunting.

Trevor Miller Sun Life Financial was the sponsor of our WiFi service for the

Month of January 2021. Our February sponsor is R&D Tax Service. These sponsorships make free WiFi service available in Shellbrook.

Interested in being a sponsor? Your sponsorship gets you a month's free

advertising at the Library. WiFi users must come in to get the password and we gladly tell everyone about our sponsors.

For more information contact the library.



New take-home story kits are available at the Shellbrook Library through the month of February.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**SPIRITWOOD:** Wapiti Regional Library - Limited Capacity. Tuesday 9 am - 5 pm; Wednesday 9 am - 5 pm; Friday 9 am - 5 pm

**LEOVILLE:** Wapiti Regional Library - Appointment only. Wednesday 10 am - 4 pm; Thursday 10 am - 2 pm

**SHELL LAKE:** Wapiti Regional Library - Curb Side Pickup. Tuesday 12 pm - 4 pm; Wednesday 12 pm - 4 pm

**BLAINE LAKE:** Wapiti Library - Appointment only. Wednesday 11 am - 6 pm; Friday 11 am - 5 pm; Saturday 10 am - 4 pm. Contact us for more info 306-497-3130, www.wapitilibrary.ca.

**BIG RIVER:** Wapiti Library - Curb Side Pickup. Monday 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm; Wednesday 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm; Friday 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

**CANWOOD:** Canwood Branch of Wapiti Regional Library. Appointment only. Tuesday 10 am - 4 pm; Thursday 10 am - 4 pm; Friday 12 pm - 4 pm. Call 306-468-2501 to book a slot.

**DEBDEN:** Wapiti Library hours: Appointment only. Monday 2 pm - 7 pm; Tuesday 10 am - 4 pm. Librarian: Aline Hannon

**LEASK:** Wapiti Library & Legacy Gallery Hours - Limited Capacity. Tuesday 10:30 am - 5 pm; Friday 10:30 am - 5 pm; Saturday 1 pm - 4 pm

**MARCELIN:** Wapiti Library - Appointment only. Tuesday 2 pm - 7 pm; Thursday 2 pm - 8 pm; Saturday 9 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: Limited capacity - Monday 2 pm - 6 pm; Tuesday 12 pm - 8 pm; Wednesday 2 pm - 8 pm; Thursday 12 pm - 6 pm; Friday 9 am - 4 pm.

**SPIRITWOOD:** Spiritwood Area Recreation, Culture & Sport Inc. Biennial Community Auction will be ONLINE for the 2021 year! Starting the first week of March, running multiple weeks. Join the group on Facebook @ SARCS Online Auction. Any questions or if you'd like to make a donation, please call Kaeli 306-883-2176.

**SHELLBROOK:** Telemiracle 45 - Shellbrook Telemiracle Fundraiser will be an ONLINE auction this year - no town canvas! Auction is February 8 - 14, Bidding starts on the 8th and ends at 1pm on February 14th. Auction site: 32auctions.com/KinTelemiracleauction. People can also make personal donations, cheques made out to Kinsmen Telemiracle, mailed to: Shellbrook Kinettes, Box 147, Shellbrook, SK S0J 2E0

## TRIPLE YOUR ADVERTISING

We'll advertise your important community event in our Community Calendar

FREE for two weeks prior to the event with purchase of a

2 column x 2" Display ad for only:

**\$60<sup>00</sup> plus G.S.T. - A savings of over 30%**

Available to Non-Profit & Community Organizations Only

Call Now For Further Details

"Don't miss out on letting your Community and others know of your event!"

**Shellbrook Chronicle & Spiritwood Herald**

Box 10, Shellbrook, SK S0J 2E0

Ph: 306-747-2442 • Fax: 306-747-3000 • Email: chads@sbchron.com



[www.shellbrookchronicle.com](http://www.shellbrookchronicle.com)  
[www.spiritwoodherald.com](http://www.spiritwoodherald.com)

## PRAISE & WORSHIP

Regular services, Sunday school and special services will be listed.

### PARTNERS IN FAITH

Lutheran/United/  
Christchurch Anglican,  
137-2nd St. W.  
Spiritwood  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Rev. Sarah Urano

### UNITED /ANGLICAN

Worship Services  
Glaslyn  
Time is on the sign  
Rev. Kun Kim  
Rev. Don Skinner

### CATHOLIC SUNDAY

Spiritwood - 11:15 a.m.  
Leoville - 9:30 a.m.  
Chitek Lake - Closed for  
the Season  
Everyone Welcome  
SATURDAY  
Shell Lake - 2:00 p.m.  
Medstead - 6 p.m.  
Father Ramel Macapeia

### PARTNERS IN WORSHIP

Shell Lake  
Online Worship  
306-841-7333  
Pastor Sarah Urano

### SEVENTH DAY

ADVENTIST  
407 - 2nd Ave .E.,  
Shellbrook  
Sat., 9:45 am -  
Sabbath School  
Sat., 11:00 am - Worship

Broadcast on  
VOAR 92.1 FM  
Pastor Liviu Tilihoi  
306-747-3398

### MENNONITE BRETHREN

Glenbush  
10:00 am - Sunday School  
Worship 10:50 am

### FIELDS OF HOPE (HOFFNUNGSFELDER) MENNONITE CHURCH

Glenbush  
Worship - 11:00 am

### BETHEL

Medstead  
1st Sunday, 10 am -  
Worship  
Pastor David Jensen  
3rd Sunday - 10 am  
Worship  
Pastor David Jensen

### Gideons International of Canada

Battlefords Camp  
Phone Art Martynes  
(306) 389-4633

### EVANGELICAL FREE

Mont Nebo  
Wed., 7:30 pm -  
Bible Study & Prayer  
Sun., 10:30 am - Worship  
Pastor Bill Klumpenhower

### LAKELAND COMMUNITY CHURCH

Spiritwood  
Sun., 11 am - Worship  
Service & Sunday School

### BELBUTTE FULL GOSPEL

11 am Worship Service  
1st Sun., 7:30 pm  
- Hymn Sing  
Pastor Floyd Berg

### COWBOY CHURCH

Spiritwood  
Every Wednesday Night  
7 pm  
Spiritwood Legion Hall  
Pastor Rick Martin

# Sask. extends small business supports

The government of Saskatchewan has announced a further extension to the Saskatchewan Small Business Emergency Payment (SSBEP) program. The program was originally launched in April 2020, then renewed in December 2020. With this extension, businesses will be eligible for an additional payment for January 2021.

"Small and medium-sized businesses in the province continue to face challenges due to the global COVID-19 pandemic," Trade and Export Development Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Our government believes support for businesses is vital, and the extension of this program for the month of January 2021, as well as the other programs available, will help as we continue to move through this challenging period and toward economic recovery."

Business restrictions in public health orders have been expanded since the SSBEP program was renewed in December and businesses are encouraged to re-evaluate their eligibility for both the December and January payments.

The SSBEP program has provided \$5.9 million in assistance to 1,521 applicants for the December period. With the public health order extended, more businesses in the province have been impacted. This phase of the program will accept applications for the December and/or January payment until March 2, 2021.

Applicants will be eligible for up to \$5,000 per month in funding, and those who quali-

fied for the December intake of the SSBEP will not have to re-apply for January. However, businesses will be contacted to attest that they remain eligible for the January payment.

For more information on the SSBEP program, businesses can visit [www.saskatchewan.ca/small-business-emergency-payment](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/small-business-emergency-payment), call 1-800-667-6102, or email [ssbep@gov.sk.ca](mailto:ssbep@gov.sk.ca).

Saskatchewan businesses are also reminded about other support programs available.

The Strong Recovery Adaptation Rebate (SRAR) reimburses eligible small businesses for investments made to adapt their business to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. Financial assistance includes a payment of up to \$5,000 for 50 per cent of total eligible business-adaptation investments made by the applicant prior to February 28, 2021. Eligible expenditures include establishing physical barriers or reconfiguring space to operate safely, providing services through digital tools, providing different services or products, and shifting to delivery or curb-side services. The application deadline is March 31, 2021. For more information on the SRAR, businesses can visit [www.saskatchewan.ca/strong-recovery-adaptation-rebate](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/strong-recovery-adaptation-rebate), email [srar@gov.sk.ca](mailto:srar@gov.sk.ca) or call 1-844-800-8688.

The Re-Open Saskatchewan Training Subsidy (RSTS) is currently accepting applications. This temporary training subsidy

provides businesses with financial support to train employees as they adjust to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The RSTS reimburses eligible private-sector employers 100 per cent of employee training costs up to a maximum of \$10,000 per business, which will help employers adapt to the impacts of the pandemic and safely align business activities with the re-opening of Saskatchewan's economy. The application deadline has been extended to March 31, 2021. For more information on the RSTS, businesses can visit [www.saskatchewan.ca/training-subsidy](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/training-subsidy), call 306-964-1005 for Saskatoon and area, or 306-787-4677 for Regina and area, or email [cansaskjobgrant@gov.sk.ca](mailto:cansaskjobgrant@gov.sk.ca).

For more information on all of the provincial government support for business, as well as information on federal government programs, businesses can visit <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19-businesses>.

Businesses that have been fined for non-compliance with public health orders will not be eligible to receive support under these programs.

## PIHC elder celebrates 103 years

By Trina Chamberlain

Despite COVID-19 restrictions, birthday occasions are still enjoyed at Parkland Terrace (PIHC).

Grace Kennedy's 103rd birthday was celebrated with her family via Zoom. Her party started with Joe, a close family friend, playing and singing Happy

Birthday through a video recording. The Aspen Avenue elders and care team then performed their version of the Happy Birthday song using egg shakers. Following the greetings Grace and others in the house enjoyed a slice of Dairy Queen Ice Cream Cake. As you can see in this picture, she was delighted!



Grace Kennedy, a resident of Parkland Integrated Health Centre's long-term care home, recently celebrated her 103rd birthday.

## PRAISE & WORSHIP

Regular services, Sunday school and special services will be listed.

### LUTHERAN CHURCH

Zion - Canwood  
Sunday School,  
Worship Sunday, 11 a.m.  
St. John's - Shellbrook  
Sunday School,  
Live-stream worship  
service on Facebook,  
Worship Sunday, 9 a.m.  
Rev. Emmanuel Aristide

### PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Parkside  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
Pastor Daniel Mooseely  
306-747-3572  
Shellbrook  
Adult Study  
9:30 a.m.  
Sun., 11 a.m. - Worship  
Pastor David Bodvarson  
306-747-7235  
Canwood  
11:00 a.m. - Worship  
Pastor Glenn Blazosek  
306-468-2138  
Leask Gospel Tabernacle  
Sunday 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor Lorne Valuck

### SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Currently meeting in homes on Sunday morning & Wednesday evenings  
Parkside 306-747-2309  
Leask 306-466-4498  
Marcelin 306-226-4615

### PRESBYTERIAN

Mistawasis  
Sunday worship  
11:00 a.m.  
Rev. Katherine Bretzclaff

### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

Parkside  
11 a.m. - Worship

### ANGLICAN CHURCH

Leask - All Saint's  
Sunday, 9 a.m. - Service  
St. Andrew's - Shellbrook  
Sunday, 11 a.m. Service  
Canwood - Christ Church  
Sunday, 11 a.m. - Service  
2 p.m. Service 2nd Sunday  
of the month  
Rev'd Eyad Ajii  
306-980-5916

### UNITED CHURCH

Shellbrook - Knox United  
Sun., 10 am - Worship  
306-747-3434  
Student Minister  
Jon Worrall  
Big River  
Sundays  
10 a.m. - Worship  
at Anglican Church  
Rev. Dave Whalley  
306-747-2804

### MENNONITE

BRETHREN CHURCH  
Blaine Lake Gospel Chapel  
109 Railway Ave. W.  
Blaine Lake  
306-497-3316  
Pastor: Rick Schellenberg  
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.  
Worship

### EVANGELICAL FREE

Big River  
11:00 a.m. - Worship  
Bible Classes 9:45 a.m.  
Summer: 10:30 a.m. - 12  
306-469-2258  
Youth Nite: Fridays  
Mont Nebo  
Bible Study & Prayer  
Sun., 11:00 a.m. - Worship  
Pastor Bill Klumpenhower

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

Debden  
Sun. Mass - 9:30 a.m.  
Fr. Dong Doan  
Big River - Sacred Heart  
Sun., 11:30 a.m. - Mass  
Whitefish  
Sun., 2:30 p.m. - Mass.  
Victoire  
Sat., 7:30 p.m. - Mass.  
Fr. Dong Doan  
St. Agatha's - Shellbrook  
Mass - Sunday 9 a.m.  
St. Henry's - Leask  
Mass - Sunday - 11 a.m.  
Mistawasis  
2nd & 4th Sundays, 1:30 p.m.  
Fr. Phong Tran

### SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

407-2nd Ave E, Shellbrook  
Sat., 9:45 a.m. - Sabbath School  
Sat., 11:00 am -Worship  
Broadcast on  
VOAR 92.1 FM  
Pastor Liviu Tilihoi  
306-747-3398



## Junior Citizen of the Year Scholarship

For over the past four decades The Saskatchewan Weekly Newspapers Association, in partnership with SaskPower and with the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, have recognized the youth of Saskatchewan through the Junior Citizen of the Year Award.

These prestigious awards are given to youth who:

- Have a positive lifestyle
- Have had the ability to overcome life's challenges
- Have a strong sense of caring and responsibility
- Are dedicated to community and school
- Inspire others
- Are between the ages of 8 to 18

This year four deserving youth will receive \$3000 bursaries to use towards their post-secondary education. Nominate someone from your community today.

Visit [www.swna.com](http://www.swna.com) for further information and nomination forms

Nominations close March 31, 2021




# Shellbrook Chronicle & Spiritwood Herald



***your local newspapers and more***

*Your supplier for:*

- Rubber Stamps
- Embossers
- Signs
- Cards - *Wedding, Anniversary, Thank You, Etc.*
- Paper Supplies
- Photocopying Paper
- Photocopies  
*- Full Color & Black/White*
- Brochures
- Invoices & Forms
- Business Cards
- Envelopes
- Printing of All Kinds
- ***Customized Computer Forms***

## Competitive Pricing

***“We’re Your Local Rural Printer”***

**Ph: 306-747-2442 • Fax: 306-747-3000**

**Email: [chads@sbchron.com](mailto:chads@sbchron.com)**

## Springer a great addition for Blue Jays

Hey, George Springer. Welcome to Canada. Leave your trash can back in Houston, but bring that big bat, that outstanding glove and the leadership for which you're known.

Toronto Blue Jays made one of the biggest splashes of baseball's off-season in mid-January by signing Springer, one of the most coveted free agents on the market. The 31-year-old Springer said he would agree to perform for the Jays for the next six years in exchange for \$150 million (U.S.) flowing into his bank account. The fresh and powerful new look of the Jays' lineup is giving Canadian fans reason to believe that it could be 1992 and 1993 all over again in World Series lore.

Suddenly, undoubtedly, the Blue Jays have one of the best teams in baseball. Their outfield is crowded with all-star calibre skill, but while manager Charlie Montoyo can play only three outfielders at a time, the overflow beyond the in-

field gives general manager Ross Atkins a stack of potential trading chips that even poker star Daniel Negreanu would envy.

After the Springer news flashed across the baseball world — one day after Toronto nabbed free agent closer Kirby Yates, one of the best in the game — one U.S. journalist projected a potential Jays' lineup on opening day (and if this team isn't World series bound, then Rob Manfred is commissioner for life): CF Springer; 2B Cavan Biggio; DH Randal Grichuk; SS Bo Bichette; 3B Vladimir Guerrero, Jr.; 1B Rowdy Tellez; LF Lourdes Gurriel; RF Teoscar Hernandez; C Danny Jansen. Then put last season's big free-agent acquisition, Hyun Jin Ryu, on the mound and the 1927 Yankees in their prime might be begging for mercy.

Springer played a key role in Houston's World Series championship of 2017, a title that evolved into a major controversy a year later when pitcher



BRUCE  
PENTON

Mike Fiers, a former Astro-turned-Oakland-A, spilled the beans about technological cheating that involved banging a trash can a certain way to signify to the batter what pitch was on the way. A few higher ups in the Astros organization lost their jobs, but players were somehow insulated from the negative fallout. It was Springer, remember, who was the World Series MVP that year.

Jays' fans will enjoy watching Springer and his new mates in action, whether it's in person in Toronto (unlikely), in Buffalo (where the Jays' home base was last year);

or on TV, where Rogers' ratings are expected to skyrocket, bringing in plenty of advertising dough and making those huge contracts more manageable.

Yes, it could be a great Spring(er) in Canada this year.

• Blogger Chad Picasner, on veteran (and chubby) third baseman Pablo Sandoval: "In his day, Pablo was very good around the plate — both home plate and the dinner plate."

• Michael Clair of MLB.com, on the late Dodger manager Tommy Lasorda's run-in with mascots Youppi, Phillie Phanatic and San Diego Chicken: "Probably for the best that Lasorda never appeared on 'Sesame Street.'"

• Peter King, of NBC.com, on the challenge facing new Jacksonville coach Urban Meyer after 17 years of success coaching college football: "Meyer's about to learn that Akron's not on the Jags' 2021 schedule but Seattle and Buffalo are."

• Olivia Jones, on Twitter: "11-year-old son (raised a Canucks fan) has randomly decided to start cheering for the Leafs . . . he's now free to a good home."

• Comedy writer Alex Kaseberg: "Kansas City Chiefs QB Patrick Mahomes said he went through concussion protocol. That is the good news. The bad news is that he made the announcement into a banana while on the toilet in a bathroom stall."

• RJ Currie of sports-deke.com: "A spicy peanut butter six times hotter than the strongest chili was being sold in England under the label Instant Regret. No, wait — that may be the name of a new Jacksonville Jaguars season ticket package."

• From fark.com: "NFL confirms that it will be proceeding with its Super Spreader event in February, but it's going to limit infections to only 22,000 people or so."

• Dwight Perry of the Seattle Times: "Yogi Berra, the late Yankees

legend, is about to get his own commemorative postage stamp. New U.S. Postal Service motto: It ain't delivered till it's delivered."

• Nets coach Steve Nash, to reporters, on why he'll manage James Harden's minutes early on: "We don't want to run the batteries down on our new Christmas present this early."

• Chad Picasner again, on Urban Meyer taking the Jaguars' head-coaching job after twice quitting college gigs for health reasons: "Of course, the best treatment for that is money. . . I'm sure he feels better already."

• Mike Hart of the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, after trash-talking Rams cornerback Jalen Ramsey and Packers wideout Davante Adams got into some pre-game chirping before their NFC playoff game: "Ramsey, of course, has never been diagnosed with lockjaw."

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

## Minutes of a Village of Shell Lake meeting

(Where necessary, the following minutes may have been edited for clarity or brevity)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Shell Lake in the Province of Saskatchewan held on Monday Dec. 21, 2020 at 9 a.m. in the Village Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Anita Weiers, Councillor Greg Ardagh, Councillor Joe Delisle, Councillor Dillan Simonar, Councillor Al Sulymka and Tara Bueckert, Administrator.

A quorum was present and Mayor Anita Weiers called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Ardagh: That the agenda be accepted with the additions. Carried

Sulymka: That the minutes of the Nov. 16th, 2020 meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

**Business arising from minutes**

- Christmas lights are plugged in
- Lights at shop are installed — lights that Councillor Simonar had brought did not work
- Clean fill has been burned for the second time

• Pumps at lift are still not working  
**Maintenance Report**

- Maintenance: Could use more gravel
- Getting price for radiator for tractor
- Put in all 12 new diffusers for the new lagoon in the new year
- The backhoe is leaking oil
- There is a 2002 Chevy 1 ton truck with hoist, has 240,000 KM, asking price is \$7,500

Sulymka: That the Village of Shell Lake purchase the 2002 Chevy 1 ton truck with hoist for \$7,500. Carried

Delegation: John Duncan attended the meeting at 9:15 a.m. to 9:20 a.m. Items discussed were: Allowing 4 campers for the condo owners. Each of the 4 condo owners are allowed to have a camper stored on the property and allow for a 2 week stay according Recreational Bylaw.

**Administration Report**

- Had complaints from Thomson and Keller about snow being piled onto their fence and doing damage — will take a look in the spring time — send letter
- Kenton Klein had claimed that he had to plough his street to get to his place, would like \$100 be taken off of his util-

ity bill — no, he should have approached council or contacted administrator about ploughing his street, we don't charge for ploughing

• A ratepayer had phoned complaining about her one neighbour had talked to her about her dogs barking

• Received a call from Highways apologizing about not contacting the Village about closing the access road into town, will make sure we are notified in future

• An employee was overpaid by \$688.00 for overtime hours, give allowance for gloves

• Sign needs to be replaced at end of Main Street playground

Delegation: Mike Hall attended the meeting at 9:38 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Items discussed were: Letter that was sent to Mr. Hall about his building not complying to the Zoning Bylaw. He will be adding on, will have an engineer stamp drawings.

**Alderman Report**

- The sand we are using will freeze need sand with calcium — order from Highways
- Erickson property — is there oil spill —

contact University about testing oil

• Waiting on warranty about pumps for lift station

**Mayor Report**

• Zoom webinar coming up — would like council to attend if they can

• Vivian Weiland won't be renting the log cabin anymore

• SaskPower were in town

• Wendy Penner will be available in January to Mentor the administrator

Simonar: : That we hire Wendy Penner for \$50 per hour to Mentor the administrator. Carried

Sulymka: That the reports be accepted as presented. Carried

Delisle: That the financial statements for November 2020 be approved. Carried

Ardagh: That the Accounts Payable is accepted as presented. Carried

Simonar: That we accept the correspondence as presented and filed. Carried

Simonar: That we sign the Fire Dispatch Contract with the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency. Carried

Weiers: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 a.m. Carried

## OBITUARIES

*Eunice May Adamson*

Eunice May Adamson, late of Shellbrook, SK peacefully passed away January 29, 2021 at the age of 97 years, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer.

She is survived by her sons Jim (Margaret) and Warren (Lorraine); her grandchildren Wendy (Ker-

ry), and Jana (Josh); Daniel (Cindy), Sarah (Carl), her great grandchildren Jensen (Matt), Tyler, Addison, Lucas, William, Caden and Connor. She is also survived by her sisters, Clarice, Joyce and Beatrice, as well as numerous nieces, nephews.

Eunice was predeceased by her husband William, her brother Floyd, her sisters Bernice and Francis, as well as William's two brothers and six sisters and their spouses.

Eunice was born at home near Admiral, SK on January 6, 1924. In 1931, the family moved north eventually ending up in the Mossy Vale District, near Nipawin, SK. She worked at Pas Trail store and talked about how she walked 12 miles to go

home on weekends. She met her husband William Adamson at a lumber camp where they both worked. They married May 12, 1944 and had 2 sons, Jim and Warren. In 1959, the Saskatchewan Power Corporation bought them out and they purchased the Lindsey farm north of Shellbrook. Eunice and Bill farmed together for many years. Eunice was a true pioneer woman who could bake bread, feed hogs, gather eggs, and calve out a cow all before lunch.

She worked alongside Bill driving the grain truck, stooking bales and helping him fix machinery, all while growing a garden that produced enough to feed them and their friends. She and Bill loved to play board games with their friends and neighbours. Family and friends were always welcome, and Eunice prepared delicious food for anyone who came to the farm. She rarely found a recipe she didn't try.

In 1976, Warren and family built a house just to the north of the farmyard. Eunice was very happy to have her granddaughters close by and spent a lot of time with Wendy and Jana. Our family jokes about how

she would send Wendy and Jana home for lunch and they would be back before Gramma and Grampa had eaten theirs. Along came Dan and Sarah and Eunice and Bill were able to make some trips to Toronto area to spend time with their newest grandchildren. In later years she went on two cruises with Jim and Margaret.

Eunice loved to be the family's historian and had an incredible memory for details. Family was her number one priority. Eunice never felt old, she remained interested in people of any age and could relate to anyone. Her musical talent was a gift she shared by singing in the church choir

for 53 years and playing keyboard for the local care homes and nursing home residents.

Eunice had to say goodbye to Bill in 2007, and she missed him dearly. She was able to carry on without him with the help of her family and friends. In November of 2019, Eunice decided to move into Shellbrook, where she resided until her passing.

Family and friends wishing to send online condolences are invited to visit [www.beaulacfuneralhome.com](http://www.beaulacfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral home, Fred Pomrenk, Director, Shellbrook (306-747-2828).

*Jean Person*

PERSON – Jean

Jean Agnes Person, the youngest daughter of Edgar and Irene (Altstadt) Duvall, was born in Big River, Saskatchewan on September 21, 1965. Jean spent her youth in the Rabbit Bluff schoolhouse where she enjoyed biking the gravel roads and having sleepovers with friends. Jean started school in Debden in 1971; she often laughed about how she was accidentally enrolled in French immersion! In 1979, she moved with her family to Canwood on Main Street. She finished her schooling in 1983 at Canwood High School. In her teen years, she did a lot of babysitting and worked at the Co-op.

She married Darrell James Person in 1984. She started working at the C&H Store until she became a mom on December 23, 1989, to Melissa Dawn. The following June they moved to Nordale and on October 16, 1991, had their son Dillon James. On March 17, 1994, she gave birth to their son Zachary William. A few months later they moved to Prince Albert on 32nd Street where the kids started school.

During her time living in Prince Albert, she completed her G.E.D. and worked at SIAST in the evenings. She was known for throwing the best birthday parties and get-togethers for her kids, friends, and family. If you ever popped in at their house, you would likely see Jean making a craft with her kids, or elbow's deep in her famous bun dough.

In 1997, Jean and her family moved to 3rd Street East in Shellbrook. Jean and Darrell spent many happy years raising their children and going on many local adventures and camping trips. In 2004, they embarked on a new challenge of building their own home on an acreage on Highway 55. Jean worked at the nursing homes in both Shellbrook and Canwood as an Environmental Service Worker, Laundry Service Worker, and Dietary Aid for 17 years. In 2014, she joined Back to Your Roots Soil Solutions with Edible Get-Ables as the Market Garden Manager, where she helped to build the garden and greenhouse from the ground up. Jean was very proud of this accomplishment in the 6 years that she worked there. This was a testament of the hard worker she was all her life, and everyone knew that if you wanted a nice place to have a cup of coffee and buy some fresh vegetables, to go and visit Jean at the garden.

Jean was known for being a teacher. This influenced her two eldest children who received Bachelor of Education degrees. Her youngest child received a Masters of Environment and Sustain-

ability; influenced by Jean's love for working in the dirt. She attended as many graduations, celebrations, recitals, performances, plays, and concerts that she could. Jean was always so proud of her children.

In 2015, Darrell and Jean, now empty nesters, decided they wanted to move their lives to the property they owned in Blue Heron at Fish Lake. They bought a modular home, and with the help of the family, Fish Lake became the hub for many. In this time, Jean and Darrell began to vacation to the tropics and enjoyed seeing different parts of the world together. When they were home, Jean and Darrell could be found sitting on the deck watching the pelicans, around the fire with friends, riding the pontoon boat on hot days, or playing Crokinole and other games with their family. Jean was always ready with a hot cup of coffee and a smoke to discuss all of life's mysteries and provide advice to those who asked (and sometimes those who didn't!).

Jean was best known for her playful pranks, her infectious laughter, and her zest for life. She was a problem-solver and often "MacGyver"-ed solutions to problems nobody else could solve. Jean wasn't afraid to get her hands dirty and try a new recipe, a small building venture, or operate new equipment and tools. She was always trying to find the next best kitchen gadget to give to her siblings. She had a passion for facilitating fun experiences for her young nieces and nephews and the other little children in her life. They would catch frogs,

color pictures, do scavenger hunts, and play many games together. Her friends would always laugh when she would invent her own ways of thinking about concepts which became affectionately known as "Jean-isms," because she claimed she knew "almost everything." She also had an uncanny intuition which she called her "ooga-booga" moments.

Jean was predeceased by her father William Edgar Alexander Duvall, her mother Irene Louise Duvall, her infant brother Dale Edward Duvall, her father-in-law Lorne Person, and her brother-in-law Lorne Ashby.

Jean will be thoroughly missed and remembered by her husband Darrell Person; her children Melissa (Cody) Chretien, Dillon Person (Marley Duckett), and Zachary Person; her siblings Sharon Ashby, Joyce Duvall, Susan (Dennis) Person, Janice (Sid) Bohmann, and Sheldon (Stacy) Duvall; her mother-in-law Dorothy Person; her sister-in-law Lenore (Dennis) Kuchirka; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

A small graveside service will be held for close family and friends at Stump Lake Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of tributes, memorial donations may be made in memory of Jean to the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Family and friends wishing to send online condolences are welcome to visit [www.beaulacfuneralhome.com](http://www.beaulacfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral Home, Tammy Smart, Director, Shellbrook, SK. 306-747-2828.

*René Joseph Goudal*

GOUDAL – René Joseph

René was born on November 20, 1937, passed away on January 25, 2021 at Abbotsford, BC.

He was raised and lived most of his life in Shellbrook, Saskatchewan. He is survived by his wife Betty of 61 years, his children Cy and Jackie, Darcy (Wendy) and his grandchildren Ryan, Renae (Travis) and their children Tatum and Evander.

Left to mourn their loss are his siblings, Norma Dahl, Marie and Ed Lachner, Brenda and Earl Larson and Gord Goudal, Irene and Ron Bushell, Vi Martin, Lily Smith and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

René was predeceased by his parents Ellenora and Ernie Goudal, his

sisters Elaine Kerr and Carol Reutlinger and his brother's in-law Edwin Weiss, Dennis Dahl, Douglas Smith, Jack Kerr and Richard Martin.

René is fondly remembered by his friends and the many community organizations he was a part of: The Shellbrook Elks, Kinsmen, Golf Club, Curling Club and Waskesiu Golf Club.

René loved to golf and curl and enjoy his Waskesiu time for close to 35 years. He enjoyed going for a boat ride and having a wiener roast or fish fry around the campfire or having a party of friends on the deck at the cabin. He and Betty retired from R&B Foods in 2003 to spend their winters in Hemet, CA. René could not just sit around so he started working part-time at the Waskesiu Golf Course where he was Marshall and Starter for 11 years. In 2014, René and Betty moved to Abbotsford, BC.

A memorial service and interment will be held in Shellbrook at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in René's name to the Town of Shellbrook – Recreation Centre or Golf Course.

# Shellbrook Chronicle BUSINESS DIRECTORY

306-747-2442 • chads@sbchron.com

### ACCOUNTING

**Weberg Accounting Services**

Andrea Weberg  
CPTP, DFA-TSS

306-747-2244  
Shellbrook

### FUNERAL SERVICES

*Beau "Lac"*  
FUNERAL HOME

"Faces you know, people you trust at a time you need them the most"

306-747-2828 (24 hrs.)  
101 Railway Ave. W., Shellbrook, SK

Monument Sales & Pre-arrangements Available

Shellbrook – Spiritwood – Big River – Debden  
Prince Albert – Canwood – Leask  
www.beaulacfuneralhome.com

### INSURANCE

**TAIT INSURANCE**  
Group Inc.

email: office@taitinsurance.ca  
www.taitinsurance.ca

Shellbrook 306-747-2896  
Canwood 306-468-2227  
Leask 306-466-4811

1-877-898-8248 (TAIT)

General, Health & Hail Insurance  
Motor License Issuer

### PLUMBING

**SHELLTOWN**  
PLUMBING & HEATING

Courteous, professional, reliable, plumbing, heating, gas fitting services

Ph: 306-747-4332  
Shellbrook, Sask.

**LENNOX**

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

### ELECTRICIAN

**J&H Electric**

Residential, Commercial & Agricultural  
Wiring & Trenching  
Skid Steer Service

Jake Verbonac  
306-747-9073

Serving Shellbrook & Surrounding area

### FUNERAL SERVICES

**Shellbrook Funeral Home**

82 Main Street  
Available 24 Hours  
306.747.2494

Visit us online  
www.ShellbrookFH.ca

Monument Sales and Pre-Arranged Funerals

Shellbrook's longest serving Funeral Home!

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

# Spiritwood Herald BUSINESS DIRECTORY

306-747-2442 • chads@sbchron.com

### CONSTRUCTION

**LAKE COUNTRY CONSTRUCTION**

Your Local New Home Builder

- General Contractor
- New Homes - Design/Build

Serving Spiritwood & surrounding area

Cell – 306-883-7003  
Murray Loewen

### CONSTRUCTION

**CO-JACK CONSTRUCTION LTD.**

- Complete Building Renovations
- Kitchens • Bathrooms
- Basements • Painting • Decks
- Insurance Claims
- Free Estimates

BRAD PEARSON  
co-jack@sasktel.net  
CELL: 306.824.0184

### ELECTRICAL

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • FARM • INDUSTRIAL

**3D ELECTRIC**

Glen Jantz  
306-984-7634, Leoville  
gcjantz@gmail.com  
Licenced & Bonded

### HEARING

**SPIRITWOOD HEARING CENTRE**

Call today for your Hearing Test!

1-306-883-3997

Hearing Aid Sales and Services  
101 Main Street, Spiritwood

### PLUMBING

**Jake's**  
Plumbing & Heating

Furnaces, boilers, water heaters & softeners, garage unit heaters, air conditioners, reverse osmosis systems, fire places, gas fitting and more

Red Seal Interprovincial Journeyman Plumber  
Licensed General Gasfitter

Guaranteed workmanship  
306-280-0743

### REAL ESTATE

**HS**

Heather Sarrazin, REALTOR®  
LAKE COUNTRY'S LOCAL REALTOR®

**RE/MAX of the Battlefords**

Licensed to trade in residential, agricultural, and commercial real estate.

306.883.7449

### TRUCKING

**NORTH COUNTRY TRUCKING LTD.**

Grain, Fertilizer, or Pellet Hauling  
Call/Text: 780-872-3324  
Email: Northcountry06@outlook.com  
Owners: Ed & Faryn Anderson

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

### ADVERTISE HERE

*This Space Is Waiting For You*

Keep Your Business In The Public Eye And A Quick Reference At Your Customer's Finger Tips.

Call Today:  
306-747-2442

# SERVICE CALL

Your Guide to Home Services & Repair Professionals



# THE CLASSIFIEDS

14 Shellbrook Chronicle & Spiritwood Herald

www.shellbrookchronicle.com | www.spiritwoodherald.com

February 4, 2021

**Phone**  
306-747-2442

**Fax**  
306-747-3000

**Email**  
chads@sbchron.com

P.O. Box 10, Shellbrook, SK S0J 2E0  
Advertising Deadline - Friday: 4:00 p.m.

**Subscriptions**  
\$75.00 + \$3.75 (GST) = \$78.75/year

## Shellbrook Chronicle

Reaching over 10,000 people weekly.

Personal Classifieds:  
\$16.00 for 20 words + 20¢ additional words for the 1st week.

Additional weeks: \$8.00/week + GST.

Classified Display:  
\$26.00/column inch. Minimum 2 column inches - \$52.00 + GST.

For All Other Advertising  
Please Contact Our Office at:  
Ph: 306-747-2442 or Fax: 306-747-3000

Email:  
news: chnews@sbchron.com  
advertising: chads@sbchron.com

## SWNA Blanket Classifieds

Reaching over 6 million people weekly.

Cost for 25 words:

Saskatchewan market.....	\$209.00
One Zone .....	\$86.00
Two Zone .....	\$123.00
Alberta market .....	\$269.00
Manitoba market .....	\$189.00
BC market .....	\$395.00
Ontario market .....	\$439.00
Western Ontario .....	\$155.00
Central Ontario .....	\$129.00
Eastern Ontario .....	\$145.00
Northern Ontario .....	\$90.00
Quebec market	
English .....	\$240.00
Atlantic market .....	\$200.00
Across Canada .....	\$1,977.00
Also Available: Quebec (French) .....	\$986.00

## Career Ads

Reaching Over 600,000 People Weekly

Rates: \$7.79 per agate line

Size: 2 col. x 2" .....\$424.00

Deadline for Booking/Material  
Friday at 4 p.m.

Contact the Shellbrook Chronicle

306-747-2442

or Email:

chads@sbchron.com

All prices plus applicable taxes.

## NOTICE

This newspaper accepts advertisements in good faith. We advise that it is in your interest to investigate offers personally. Publications by this paper should not be taken as an endorsement of the product or services offered.

## NOTICE

### Notice of Statement of Dissolution and Notice to Creditors

Be advised that on November 18, 2020, the members of Glenbush & District Feeder Co-operative Ltd. passed a special resolution authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the co-operative under the provisions of *The Co-operatives Act, 1996*. The resolution was approved by the Registrar of Co-operatives on November 23, 2020.

Be further advised that:

Julie Hagen of Box 214, Medstead, Sask. S0M 1W0 was appointed liquidator.

Be further advised that:

- any person who is indebted to the co-operative is to render an account and pay to the liquidator any amount owing at Medstead, Sask. by February 15, 2021;
- any person who possesses property of the co-operative is to deliver it to the liquidator at Medstead, Sask. by February 15, 2021; and
- any person who has a claim against the co-operative, whether liquidated, unliquidated, future or contingent, is to present particulars of the claim in writing to the liquidator not later than two months after the first publication of the notice.

Liquidator of the Co-operative

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Estate of Norman Lorne Doucette, late of Spiritwood Saskatchewan, deceased. All claims against the above estate, duly verified by statutory declaration and with particulars and valuation of security held, if any, must be sent to the undersigned before 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021.

Executor  
Shirley Doucette  
Shelley Goller  
PO Box 411  
Spiritwood, Saskatchewan  
S0J 2M0 2-06

## LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

BLACK AND RED Angus Yearling and 2 yr. old Bulls on moderate growing ration. Adrian or Brian and Elaine Edwards, Valleyhills Angus - Glaslyn, SK. PH: 306-441-0946 or 306-342-4407. 21-25

## FARM FOR SALE

FARM FOR SALE - NW 34-50-04-W3, RM 494, phone for details: 306-350-1530 2-06

## FARM LAND FOR RENT

FARM LAND FOR RENT for 2021 harvest. Sturgeon Valley farm. Phone Gunnar Slemming 306-714-7997 1-05

## Zero In On New Employees Classifieds Work!

306-747-2442



**\$8.00 for each additional week • Additional words 20¢**

## Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald

306-747-2442

email: chads@sbchron.com

## The Classifieds Have Everything You Are Looking For!

- For Sale • Wanted • Miscellaneous
- Autos • Recreation Vehicles
- Livestock • Feed 'n Seed • Land
- Houses • Pets • And More!!

**20 words for only \$16.00 plus GST**

### Notice of Statement of Dissolution and Notice to Creditors

Be advised that on November 18, 2020, the members of Thickwood Hills Feeder Co-operative Ltd. passed a special resolution authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the co-operative under the provisions of *The Co-operatives Act, 1996*. The resolution was approved by the Registrar of Co-operatives on November 23, 2020.

Be further advised that:

Julie Hagen of Box 214, Medstead, Sask. S0M 1W0 was appointed liquidator.

Be further advised that:

- any person who is indebted to the co-operative is to render an account and pay to the liquidator any amount owing at Medstead, Sask. by February 15, 2021;
- any person who possesses property of the co-operative is to deliver it to the liquidator at Medstead, Sask. by February 15, 2021; and
- any person who has a claim against the co-operative, whether liquidated, unliquidated, future or contingent, is to present particulars of the claim in writing to the liquidator not later than two months after the first publication of the notice.

Liquidator of the Co-operative

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the estate of MAUREEN RITA GARAND, late of Shell Lake, Saskatchewan, deceased. All claims against the above estate, duly verified by statutory declaration and with particulars and valuation of security held, if any, must be sent to the undersigned before the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

NOVUS LAW GROUP  
Barristers & Solicitors  
1200 Central Avenue  
Prince Albert, SK S6V 4V8  
Attention: Bill Cannon  
Solicitors for the Estate  
2-05



## Make Money With The Classifieds

Sell your stuff with a little help from the  
**Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald**

20 words for only  
**\$16.00 plus GST**  
**\$8.00 for each additional week**  
• Additional words 20¢  
**306-747-2442**  
chads@sbchron.com

## THE Classifieds

small ads

**BIG deals**

20 words for only  
**\$16.00 plus GST**

**\$8.00 for each additional week**  
• Additional words 20¢

**Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald**  
**306-747-2442**  
chads@sbchron.com



- Buy a computer system.
- Buy a new - used vehicle.
- Buy that rare coin for your collection.

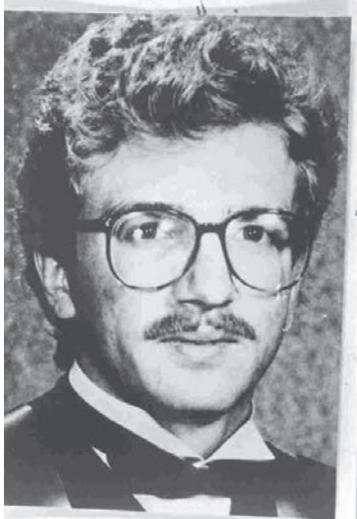
**Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald**  
P: 306.747.2442 • F: 306.747.3000  
E: chads@sbchron.com

**Place your Classified Today!**

1st week 20 words **\$16.00**  
Extra words **20¢ each**  
2nd week **\$8.00**  
Plus GST

Phone: **306-747-2442**  
Fax: **306-747-3000**  
Email: **chads@sbchron.com**

**Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald**



**Missing: Emerson Grant Dobroskay**

Date of Birth: Mar 13, 1967    MISSING SINCE: Oct 28, 1988  
FROM: Vancouver, BC    Height: 5' 7"  
Weight: 126 Lbs.    Hair: Light Brown  
Eyes: Brown    File: 3070 SR

CHARACTERISTICS: Emerson has freckles, scars, birthmarks: Slight mark below left eye. Right forearm has dog bites scar. Slight bulge inside right index finger, prone to acne. Walks with a slight shuffle. Has a built up front tooth.

PARTICULARS: Last seen leaving the bar on the University of British Columbia campus.

Anyone with information, please contact Local Police or Child Find at 1.800.513.3463 or 306.955.0070  
All calls are confidential - you do not have to leave your name



*A Missing Person is Everybody's Responsibility*

# blanket classifieds

The SWNA and its Member Newspapers cooperatively deliver your message to more than half a million readers every week.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Heavy Duty Mechanics** required:

Late model, clean CAT, JD equip; winch, dump, gravel trucks, and trailers. Both camp and shop locations; R & B provided

**Wage negotiable. Clean drivers abstract a must.**

Send resume and work references to: Bryden Construction Box 100, Arborfield, Sk. S0E 0A0; Fax: 306-769-8844 Email: brydenconstruct@xplornet.ca www.brydenconstructionandtransport.ca

**PROVINCE-WIDE CLASSIFIEDS.** Reach over 550,000 readers weekly. Call this newspaper NOW or 306-649.1405 for details.

## FEED AND SEED

Buying/Selling **FEED GRAINS** heated / damaged **CANOLA/FLAX** Top price paid **FOB FARM**

**Western Commodities** 877-695-6461 Visit our website @ www.westerncommodities.ca

**HEATED CANOLA WANTED!!**

**GREEN CANOLA SPRING THRESHED DAMAGED CANOLA FEED OATS WANTED!!**

**BARLEY, OATS, WHT LIGHT OR TOUGH SPRING THRESHED**

**HEATED FLAX WANTED!!**

**HEATED PEAS HEATED LENTILS "ON FARM PICKUP"**

**Westcan Feed & Grain** 1-877-250-5252

## HEALTH

**HIP/KNEE Replacement?** Other medical conditions causing **TROUBLE WALKING or DRESSING?**

The Disability Tax Credit allows for **\$2,500 yearly tax credit and up to \$50,000 Lump sum refund.**

Apply NOW; quickest refund Nationwide! Providing assistance during Covid.

**Expert Help: 1-844-453-5372**

## FARM STRESS LINE

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS OF STRESS, THE FARM STRESS LINE IS AVAILABLE 24/7 AT

**1-800-667-4442**



## LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

Nordal Limousin & Angus 2021 Bull Sale. Feb. 18 Saskatoon Livestock Sales Saskatoon Sk. offering 87 2 Yr.old Limousin ,Black Angus & Red Angus. Catalogue online at www.nordallimousin.com Contact Rob Garner 306 946 7946. Rob Garner Box 85 Simpson SK. S0G4M0.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS ONLINE

**BELIEVE IT?**

Don't fall victim to sharing fake news about COVID-19 online.

Learn the four simple steps that will help you **SPOT fake news online.**

Watch the video at [SPOTfakenews.ca](http://SPOTfakenews.ca)

### HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS ONLINE

**HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF FAKE NEWS!**

The global COVID-19 pandemic means learning how to SPOT fake news has never been more important.

**Protect yourself** with media literacy in 4 simple steps.

Watch the video at [SPOTfakenews.ca](http://SPOTfakenews.ca)

Advertisements and statements contained herein are the sole responsibility of the persons or entities that post the advertisement, and the SWNA and membership do not make any warranty as to the accuracy, completeness, truthfulness or reliability of such advertisements. For info visit [www.swna.com](http://www.swna.com)

## NOTICES

### HARSH REALITY #4

**From 2007-2018 the West made 75% of the money for ALL of Canada.**

**The East spent 87% of ALL of Canada's money.**

And in the past four years, they have been crippling our energy sector, the financial engine of Canada.

**Want to learn more or volunteer?**

Contact [info@maverickparty.ca](mailto:info@maverickparty.ca) or go to [maverickparty.ca](http://maverickparty.ca)

**MAVERICK** FREEDOM [maverickparty.ca](http://maverickparty.ca)

Authorized by Chief.Agent@MaverickParty.ca

**FREEDOM**



**R.K. HEGGIE GRAIN** EST.1959

Serving Western Canada for over 60 years

Purchasing all Feed Grains

Sask: (306) 562-0419

Alberta: (800) 265-9886



## BLANKET CLASSIFIEDS

49 Local community newspapers

Over 450 communities, including 13 cities

Combined circulation of over 300,000

SASKATCHEWAN WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS ASSOCIATION  
W: [www.swna.com](http://www.swna.com) E: [classifieds@swna.com](mailto:classifieds@swna.com)  
P: 306-649-1405



THIS AD ONLY \$599.00



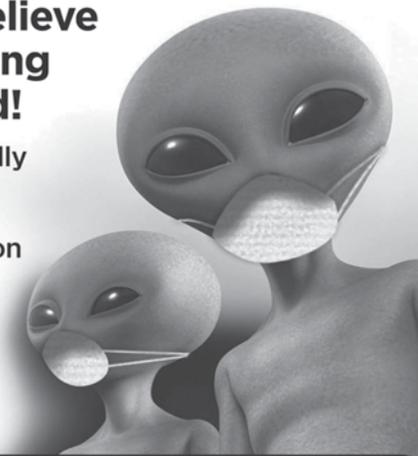
With a readership of more than half-a-million, **Classifieds** are your key to unlocking the largest pool of potential employees in Saskatchewan.

## BLOGGER BLAMES ALIENS FOR COVID-19

Don't believe everything you read!

Think critically and look for varying viewpoints on COVID-19.

Does the story seem designed to get people talking - could it be clickbait?



Watch the video at [SPOTfakenews.ca](http://SPOTfakenews.ca)

What happens when you don't advertise?

Very little.

# Underutilized perennials for the garden: Part 3

By Sara Williams and Jackie Bantle

In the final part of our series on underutilized perennials, we focus on four uncommon perennials that should be more readily available to Prairie gardeners.

## Bloodroot

Native from Manitoba to Nova Scotia, both the common and the botanical names refer to the red root sap that was once used as a dye by Indigenous Peoples. If ever a flower deserved the term “ephemeral,” it is bloodroot. Once in bud, grab a cup of tea, a comfortable garden chair and a book of poetry. You have about 48 hours in which to sit and enjoy it. The flowers close at night and the petals soon fall. Nevertheless, it

is breathtakingly gorgeous, especially the double form ‘Multiplex.’

The cup-shaped white flowers with orange-yellow stamens are 7 cm in diameter and held on stalks of about 10 cm. The double-flowered form lacks stamens and is longer lasting.

The basal leaves are as lovely as the flowers. Heart to kidney-shaped, lobed, and 15 to 30 cm across, they appear vertical before they unfold. By mid-summer, bloodroot has entered dormancy and disappeared.

This is a wonderful plant for a shaded border or woodland garden located in a protected location. They do best in evenly moist but well drained soil to which gener-



Beautiful white, cup-shaped flowers of bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis* ‘Multiplex’) in spring. Photo credit: Sara Williams.

## NOTICE TO OUR READERS

Please take only as many newspapers from our newspaper bins as need to be read.

If you're looking for newsprint paper, please contact us and we can arrange a bundle(s) of recycled paper for your use at no charge.

Contact us at 306-747-2442.

Thank you for your understanding.

Shellbrook Chronicle  
& Spiritwood Herald

ous amounts of organic matter have been added.

## Propagation

Bloodroot spreads slowly by rhizomes and can be propagated by careful division or by seed sown outdoors in the fall. The seed requires a cold period to ensure germination. Plants are available from NVK Connon Nurseries and Canning Perennials; both located in Ontario.

## ‘Goldsmith’ dwarf variegated comfrey

Here is a beautiful and well-behaved selection of comfrey that belies the reputation of the better known but wildly aggressive, rampant and invasive species. Once reputed to heal wounds, the common name, comfrey, is from the Middle English word cumfrie and the Old French fegier, meaning to cause coagulation of wounds. ‘Goldsmith’ is a variegated hybrid of unknown parentage.

It forms a low clump of light green variegated leaves about 30 cm in height. Red buds mature to soft blue, bell-like flowers in drooping clusters from late spring to early summer. It has a rhizomatous rootstock.

‘Goldsmith’ is ideal for a shaded border or woodland garden. Remove any portions that revert to green.

## Propagation

It is propagated by division or root or stem cuttings. Plants are available from NVK nursery.

## ‘The Beatles’

This is an ornamental grass. Its appearance is reminiscent of the haircuts sported by the famous British band; cute, slightly curly mop-head. The short runners gradually form a colony of narrow green foliage about 20 cm in height. This is a well-behaved, hardy and very adaptable grass that will do well in sun or shade on a variety of soils. It is very drought-tolerant once established. It should be much more readily available.

## Propagation

‘The Beatles’ spreads by division. Unfortunately, we were unable to find any nursery carrying this plant. If you have

more luck than we do, please let us know.

## Giant white fleece flower

The giant white fleece flower was introduced to North American horticulture by Wolfgang Oehme, a German landscape architect who gained fame for his promotion of ornamental grasses. This is indeed a giant of a perennial, but it is exceedingly well behaved and non-spreading. Native to the high elevation, gravelly slopes of China and Japan, it is the one that visitors always ask about.

Forming large, vase-shaped clumps, the giant white fleece flower produces enormous, fluffy spikes of creamy white flowers in July on stems 200 cm and higher! By September the flowers have muted to a soft tan. The large, pointed, green leaves compliment the flowers.

It will thrive in sun or shade in a variety of soils from dry to moist. It is extremely drought-tolerant once established. Use this as a specimen plant or at the back of a border.

## Propagation

Plants are available from Vesey’s Seeds in PEI and Paramount Nursery in Ottawa, Ontario.

Good luck with your perennial shopping. Happy Gardening!

This column is provided courtesy of the Saskatchewan Perennial Society (SPS; [saskperennial@hotmail.com](mailto:saskperennial@hotmail.com)). Check our website [saskperennial.ca](http://saskperennial.ca) or Facebook page ([facebook.com/saskperennial](https://facebook.com/saskperennial)).



Mass planting of *Caryx caryophylla* ‘The Beatles’. Photo credit: Sara Williams.



White Fleece Flower (*Persicaria polymorpha*) in early August, 1.5-2 m high. Photo credit: Sara Williams