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W.P. Sandin students stay awake for a good cause



Emmalynn LaMotte and Hunter Tremblay race over the final hurdle of the inflatable obstacle course brought into the W.P Sandin Public High School gymnasium for Friday night's Wake-athon. The fundraiser brought in \$2,000 for the school's fitness centre.

It was a little after 4 p.m. when the *Chronicle* walked into W.P. Sandin High School's gymnasium, where about 60 students were racing through an inflatable obstacle course as quickly as possible.

It was just the beginning of what was going to be a long night for the students (and for their supervisors), who were all participating in the school's Wake-athon fundraiser.

A regular event for the school over the past number of years, the Wake-athon requires students to fundraise at least \$75 to participate. In return for their efforts, they get to spend the night at the school, taking part in a wide range

of team-based activities and games.

"The spirit of competition lends to team building, laughter and great memories that the kids reflect on throughout the year," said Nicole Philp, one of the teachers who oversaw the evening's festivities.

"Part of what I love about this event is not just the fun and games, however, but also watching the interaction between students from Grades 6 to 12. It is a unique opportunity for these relationships to develop between our senior and junior kids, and both age groups value the experience."

Calling the Wake-athon a huge success, Philp said her best guess was that

the students managed to raise in the neighbourhood of \$2,000.

In the past, the proceeds raised through the Wake-athon have gone to notable local causes, including Parkland Integrated Health Centre, Happy Hearts Childcare Centre, and the purchase of a new light and sound system for the school's gym.

This year, the funds raised will stay within the school, where they will assist with upgrades to the facility's fitness centre.

According to reports given at a recent School Community Council meeting, much of the equipment in the fitness centre is no longer safe to use.

There are also concerns about making the fitness centre more inviting to the school's female students.

Following up on this bit of fundraising, W.P. Sandin High School's Student Leadership Council will be holding its second-ever Humboldt Broncos Memorial Street Hockey Tournament this Sunday, April 7.

A barbecue will begin at 11:30 a.m., with the hockey tournament slated to start at noon.

Last year's tournament, which was organized within days of the Humboldt Broncos bus crash, raised \$15,000 for STARS. The proceeds from this year's tournament will also go to STARS.



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Community continues fight against teacher transfers



The transfer of W.P. Sandin High School teacher Nicole Philp has become a rallying point for the community, which is hopeful that it can convince the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division to revisit its policy for transferring rural teachers.

A lot can happen in a week.

Just last Monday, members of the community gathered at a meeting of the School Community Council (SCC) for W.P. Sandin High School to express concern about the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division's (SRPSD) decision to transfer four local teachers – two of which are being moved to schools in different communities.

Among those being transferred are Nicole Philp, who is moving from W.P. Sandin to Wild Rose School, Heather Hladun, who is moving from Shellbrook Elementary school to Canwood Community School, Lana Kyliuk, who is moving from Shellbrook

Elementary to W.P. Sandin, and Janelle Verbonac, who is moving from W.P. Sandin to Shellbrook Elementary.

Within a day of that SCC meeting, Philp's transfer, in particular, had become a rallying point for the community.

And, seemingly overnight, posters reading "Save Mrs. Philp" were taped to garbage bins all over town, and a "Keep Mrs. Philp" sign, now with dozens of signatures on it, was put up across from the high school.

However, the community's concern goes beyond the loss of one teacher. It's about the SRPSD's policy for transferring teachers, and, more specifically, procedure 5 of that policy,

which reads "In the event that a teacher is to be transferred, discussions will be held with the teacher and school administrator(s) prior to the transfer being implemented."

Leaders of the group rallying behind the four affected teachers, including Shellbrook town councillor and former teacher Bruce Clements, argue that the SRPSD failed to give the teachers proper notice before finalizing their transfers.

"The teachers here in Shellbrook were treated unprofessionally. They were blindsided, thrown under the bus, humiliated and embarrassed in front of their peers," he said last Monday.

"This is unacceptable behaviour. Teachers deserve to be treated professionally, as real human beings with real emotions. Not as machines."

While the question of followed policy has been a focal point for the community's concerns, broader questions of the policy's

appropriateness for smaller communities like Shellbrook have also been asked.

This has prompted calls for the SRPSD to not only review the transfers of the four affected teachers, but also to review its transfer policy altogether, and reshape it to better take into account the realities of small towns.

"Teachers that are committed to our community, and who live in our community, shouldn't be transferred out unless they request a transfer, or there is an accountability issue," Clements said.

"This policy must change. We don't want students travelling to Prince Albert or elsewhere, like a number of years ago."

These policy questions were the crux of the agenda, when Clements, along with Yvonne Groenen (the Shellbrook and Districts Chamber of Commerce representative), and Sam Miller and Teri Smith (the school community representatives), met with SRPSD director of education Robert Bratvold to discuss the transfers on Friday afternoon.

Calling that meeting, which went on for the better part of three hours, "respectful" and "productive", Clements said that he and his fellow attendees walked away feeling as though they had been heard by Bratvold.

After explaining the SRPSD's guiding rationale for teacher transfers, Bratvold maintained that procedure 5 of the SRPSD's transfer policy had been followed (and he repeated this statement to the *Chronicle* Tuesday morning).

Bratvold also explained that teachers are reminded

that they may be transferred at staff meetings, and when they complete their happy forms (a list of schools they'd be open to being transferred to). He added that teachers are also told of the transfer decisions, given an explanation for the transfer, and given supports to ease their reassignment.

Clements said that he and his fellow attendees countered that this isn't the same as having a one-on-one sit down with the school division's superintendent of human resources or the school principal prior to the transfer being finalized – which is what is suggested in the language of procedure 5.

However, in his statement to the *Chronicle* Tuesday morning, Bratvold clarified what is meant by "one-on-one" discussions.

"The one-on-one discussions that a principal has with staff when the transfer is determined is about how the teacher can be supported in the transfer," he said. "The nature of that discussion will depend on the context and the needs of the staff member."

According to Clements, Bratvold conceded at Friday's meeting that there may be a disconnect between the interpretation of the procedure, and that it needs to be looked at. However, he also maintained his belief that the school division's policy is "good and effective".

He noted, though, that improvements could be made.

Bratvold also provided information on the appeals process that is open to all teachers, starting with the superintendent of human resources, then moving onto himself, and finally

onto the SRPSD board.

Additionally, teachers can file grievances with the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation – and according to some reports, two of the four affected teachers have chosen to do so.

After this, Clements reported, there was further discussion of the transfers, and their impact on the teachers, their families and the broader community.

"We believe we made a positive impact on Mr. Bratvold," Clements stated in a summary of the meeting sent out to members of the community.

"We impressed on him the seriousness and sensitivity of the situation here in Shellbrook, and made him aware of how this applies to all teachers employed by SRPSD. The challenge is now in his hands, and we will find out what kind of a leader he is."

While this meeting was an important step in the community's fight to have the four transfers, and the SRPSD's transfer policy itself, revisited, Clements states unequivocally that it was only the first of many.

Clements is encouraging members of the community, including parents, students, and other concerned citizens, to write letters to Bratvold, expressing their concern over the transfers. Those letters can be given either to Clements himself, or to SRPSD trustee John McIvor.

Clements delivered six such letters to Bratvold personally at Friday's meeting, and hopes that he will have even more in time for an upcoming SRPSD board meeting on Monday, April 8. There, community leaders will continue the community's fight against the transfers.

Shellbrook Minor Sports

AGM

Tuesday, April 9th – 7 pm

Shellbrook Elementary School Gym

We will be discussing the possible impact of the SHA Atom Hockey Proposal (2020/2021)

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Canwood & District Health Services Co-operative

Annual Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019

Canwood Legion Hall

Supper 6:30 p.m. ~ Meeting to Follow

\$10/person ~ Everyone Welcome!

*****A resolution to have a review of the financial books instead of an audit will be voted on by the members present at this meeting!**

Please come out and show your support for your community clinic.

If you have any questions please call Donna at 1-306-468-7040

Report from the Legislature

Members of the Legislative Assembly have been debating the 2019-20 Provincial Budget – a responsible and sustainable plan to balance the budget this year, and in the years to come. The debate, however, brought forward some questionable remarks from the NDP's newest MLA who defended the former government's closure of 176 schools and 52 hospitals by saying, "Maybe those places should have been closed." He even suggested that our protective services "don't prevent crime", they only respond to it.

While these comments are completely out of touch with Saskatchewan, perhaps they shouldn't come as a surprise from the same group of people who have supported the Trudeau carbon tax from the very beginning. Your Saskatchewan



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Party MLAs are fighting the federal carbon tax and standing up for Saskatchewan by putting forward and passing a budget that strikes the right balance between keeping taxes low and providing quality services for our children, families, and seniors; important investments in urban and rural Saskatchewan; and

for building our economy and creating jobs.

One of the highlights in this year's budget is our commitment to improving mental health services across the province. Funding for targeted mental health and addictions initiatives increases by nearly \$30 million, representing the largest ever commitment to mental health services in Saskatchewan.

Another highlight is a \$100,000 commitment to Legions and ANAVETS branches across Saskatchewan to assist the important work of supporting veterans and honouring the memory of our fallen heroes. Details on the program and application process are being finalized with guidelines to be announced later this spring.

The new provincial budget is the right balance to



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and investments in infrastructure; and a budget that strikes the right balance for Saskatchewan.

The Government of Saskatchewan appreciates the commitment and sacrifices of Canadian Armed Forces veterans and will be offering hunting and angling licences at no cost to recognize their contributions. The new initiative applies to veterans who were honourably discharged from the Armed Forces and is available to Saskatchewan and Canadian resident veterans. More information on this opportunity, including eligibility requirements and how to apply, can be found at saskatchewan.ca or by calling the Ministry of Environment Inquiry Centre at 1-800-567-4224.

Melting snow and rising temperatures give us reason to believe we've put a long

and cold winter behind us. It also means it's time to start planning for recreation and relaxation in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks. Campsite reservations for the 2019 season begin Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 a.m. with seasonal bookings. Reservations open at 7:00 a.m. on April 4 for group camping sites, and April 8 to 18 for nightly sites.

Due to high demand for these sites, a queuing system will be used to ensure a fair process. For a smooth booking process, campers are urged to create a new account and become familiar with the new system prior to reservations opening. All reservation information, including tutorials for creating a new account, are available at saskparks.com by clicking "Important 2019 Camping and Reservation Info".

Federal carbon tax arrives in Saskatchewan

No, it wasn't a bad April fool's joke.

As of April 1, the federal government's carbon tax is now in effect in Saskatchewan, bringing with it higher prices at the pumps, higher home heating costs, and, very likely, other additional expenses for the province's residents.

Predictably, the arrival of the controversial "price on pollution" was met with criticism from the Saskatchewan Party, as well as an announcement.

In a press release issued Monday morning, the government announced that it would not charge provincial sales tax (PST) on the federal government's carbon tax on SaskPower and SaskEnergy utility bills. It also lambasted the federal government for charging the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on top of the carbon tax, calling it "a tax on a tax."

"Even as our government is fighting this harmful tax in court, the federal government is imposing their carbon tax on Saskatchewan families, communities, and businesses," Premier Scott Moe said in a statement. "While the federal government is making you pay GST on top of this tax starting today, our government has ensured that you will not be paying PST on the federal carbon tax."

As of Monday's implementation of the carbon tax, the price per litre of gasoline was anticipated to climb by 4.6 cents. Meanwhile, the cost per litre of diesel was projected to climb by 5.5 cents, and the price per cubic metre of natural

gas was expected to rise by 3.9 cents.

While the true impact of the carbon tax, both in terms of carbon emission reductions and cost of living increases, won't be known until the carbon tax has had more time to send ripples through the economy, there remains a deep divide about what it will accomplish in the long-run.

On the one hand, its proponents argue that the increased cost to fuel up will spur people to choose more fuel efficient vehicles, change up their commutes, or complete environmentally friendly retrofits of their homes.

Opponents of the carbon tax, however, contend that it will make life more difficult for most Saskatchewan families without having an appreciable impact on overall emissions. Most goods, after all, travel by truck, and trucking companies will have to pass their increased costs onto businesses, who will then pass on the additional costs to consumers.

"This is another example of the federal government making it more difficult for Saskatchewan businesses to be competitive," Finance Minister Donna Harpauer said in a statement. "Our government has been clear in its court challenge

that we believe the imposition of the federal carbon tax is a violation of the Constitution and has no place in Saskatchewan."

In February, the Government of Saskatchewan presented its position to the court of appeal that the imposition of a carbon tax is unconstitutional. It is still waiting for the court to rule.

While it waits for that ruling, the government has vowed to continue to act on its made-in-Saskatchewan Prairie Resilience climate change strategy, which it calls "an effective plan to help our province address climate change."

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL

Village of Parkside

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Village of Parkside for the year of 2019 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the following days: Tuesdays, April 9, 2019 to May 8, 2019.

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

Any person who wishes to appeal against her or her assessment is required to file his or her notice of appeal with: The Assessor, Village of Parkside, Box 48, Parkside, Sask. S0J 2A0, by the 8th day of May, 2019.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2019
Assessor Gwen Olson

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“Blast from the past”

I came across an old column from exactly fifteen years ago that I thought might be worthy of a second look. Call it a Blast From the Past, if we're allowed to use that expression.

OK then, from April 5, 2004:

There's no point thinking we've seen everything, because, as sure as heck, as soon as we think we have, something is sure to come along and fold the envelope back.

Oh, am I not supposed to use that expression?

I ask because the powers-that-be have just released their report on the most over-used expressions and I think moving the envelope back was one of them. Of course, it wasn't near the top of the list. That was reserved for “at the end of the day”, which, presumably, was used when things were all over.

Second on the list was “at this moment in time”, which is only slightly different than the old “at this point in time” which topped the list some time ago, like maybe last year. It always did seem like a verbose way to say “now”.

When you think about it, “at the end of the day” probably replaced “when all is said and done” when someone realized that “when all is said and done” was itself overused.

To make that realization, one would have to “think outside the box”, which, if it hasn't been on the list yet, is probably due to be.

What isn't clear to anyone is when an expression passes from being fresh and original to ordinary and humdrum to downright offensive in its overuse.

Who gets to decide?

I guess in the long run, at the end of the day, if you want to stay away from the wailing sirens of the Language police, you'll avoid these and other clichés like the plague.

But that isn't what we started out to talk about.

Very recently, a news report showed up telling us that the elk in Waskesiu are going to be trained to be afraid of humans.

That isn't our usual perception of elk and other wild animals, but the truth of the matter is (is that a cliché?) many wild animals have become so used to humans that they become a nuisance, and an unpredictable nuisance at that.

What is easily forgotten in all this is the fact that elk, deer and other animals are not tame animals; they are merely acclimated to humans. Try getting between Momma elk and Baby elk and see if you have built up a mutual trust and respect with the beast.

So, to solve the problem, we're going to make a pile of noise using bangers and those other things the Conservation Officers use – and let's hope that after the budget fallout settles down we still have some of those guys left. Maybe we'll have the guys, but no equipment, except for a few pairs of those thundersticks that are all the rage at sporting events and political conventions.

You know what we're talking about. They make a heck of a lot more noise than mere applause. They are the perfect accoutrement in our North American culture, where silence is to be feared – and, avoided like the plague – at any large gathering.

Go to a hockey or basketball game, every stoppage in play results in a barrage of loud music – good stuff, some of it – that makes you wonder if the coach is able to tell his players anything over the din. Cotton-eyed Joe, be damned.

Noise and unruly fan behavior have reared their ugly heads (is that a cliché?) at curling matches and golf tournaments, as well.

Invariably, someone is right there to yell “you da man” just as a player makes contact with his golf ball – and sometimes even before. Such is the need for the yahoo to be the one to be visibly and audibly noticed by everyone in the area and out there in TV land that the need for decorum can be damned.

Like, who cares! Behave!

I swear, some people just aren't happy unless they wrap themselves in a blanket of stupid.

Pardon me for seeming so cranky. It's the end of the day and at this point in time, I've fallen outside the box.



Some folks just don't get small towns

It goes without saying that the past few years have been tough for oil workers in the prairies.

Not only have thousands of them lost their jobs due to forces that are entirely beyond their control, they've also been abandoned to their fates by a federal government that doesn't seem to understand their importance to Canada's economic wellbeing – or, worse, that is only willing to go to bat for workers who live in ridings where it can win votes.

Still, in the professional world, it's hard to argue that anyone has it worse than teachers.

In Ontario, the Conservative government of Premier Doug Ford is waging a war against the province's teachers – and by association its students – that could see the elimination of all-day Kindergarten, increased class sizes, and, likely, even more cuts to come down the road.

In B.C., meanwhile, the situation has apparently gotten so bad for teachers that the province now finds itself facing hundreds of teaching vacancies (and it isn't the only province or territory in that situation).

Indeed, it seems that, regardless of what province they choose to work in, teachers can always count on provincial governments to not fully appreciate them. And, when they aren't being knocked around by the government of the day, they can always expect to take a beating from the general public.

They're called lazy, underqualified, overpaid, or worse.

They're accused of having some nefarious secret agenda to brainwash and indoctrinate our children, and transform them into Starbucks latte-sipping, ivory tower-dwelling, progressive elitists.

And, when the usual insults don't suffice, there's always that old joke about teachers, that “those who can *do*, and those who can't *teach*.”

Never mind that many of us couldn't imagine a worse incarnation of hell than being stuck in a classroom with 20 to 30 children who would, literally, rather be anywhere else in the world.

Never mind that teachers must endure verbal, and sometimes physical, abuse from those same children, and, most of the time, can do nothing about it.

Never mind the countless hours that teachers spend outside the classroom, devising lesson plans, grading assignments and tests, running extracurricular activities, and volunteering their time elsewhere within their communities.

Here in Shellbrook, at least, we seem to understand and appreciate what it means to be a teacher. We understand that nearly every person in our community is an integral part of the fabric of

our community, and that the loss of even one person is a profound loss for all of us.

Finally, we understand that we need to fight, tooth and nail, for what we have, if our community is to remain vibrant and viable for generations to come.

Unfortunately, though, this understanding isn't shared by the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division (SRPSD), which has so callously decided to transfer four Shellbrook teachers to different schools against their wishes – including two who are being moved to schools in different communities.

It's easy to understand why the SRPSD, being located in an urban centre, doesn't quite get that a small town teacher's experience might differ from that of a teacher in Prince Albert, where a school transfer means little more than a change in commute.

Small communities like Shellbrook have had countless opportunities to learn that large governing bodies, and even provincial and federal governments, seem to think that they can paint small towns with the same brush as cities.

But what's not acceptable, or understandable, is the SRPSD ignoring its own policy for transferring teachers, by failing to properly consult with them before implementing the transfer.

In the same policy that governs the SRPSD's transfer decisions, one of the first lines states that “The Division believes in providing a working climate that fosters high morale.”

Transferring teachers, against their wishes and without consultation, from the small towns in which they have chosen to live, work, raise their families and contribute to their community, is not the way to foster high morale. Nor is it the way to create strong schools and strong communities.

True, there are circumstances in which a transfer might be necessary, and the SRPSD is within its rights to transfer teachers when said need arises.

But, as others in our community have stated eloquently and passionately over the past two weeks, the SRPSD should take into account the wishes of the affected teachers as well as the broader implications for the affected school and community, and consider that above and beyond its primary objective of transferring a body to fill a teaching gap.

For a small town like Shellbrook, losing a teacher is more than just losing a teacher. As leaders from our community continue to make the community's case to SRPSD board members, one hopes that they can be made to see their mistakes, and that they will have the courage to rectify them.

But even if they don't, we will continue to fight for our own.

No matter how long it takes.



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China Canola crisis requires co-operative approach

You've likely read this in this space before, but it sure bears repeating right now: a commodity trading province like ours is often at the mercy of world politics.

It's easy to get caught up in local, provincial or even national politics, thinking that it's the only thing that's important.

But China's sanction against Western Canadian canola now serves as prime example of how we need to understand how the world stage can directly and severely impact us right down on the farm in Saskatchewan.

But we need to learn something else, if we are to effectively handle this event.

We need to understand political differences have to be put aside in order to develop the most reasoned

and effective strategy to deal with issues.

More local bickering isn't helpful.

After restricting the purchase of canola from Canada's largest grain company, Richardson International, China moved last week to ban canola exports from all Canadian exporters, according to the Canadian Canola Council of Canada.

China cited the presence of "hazardous pests" in its decision to stop purchasing from Richardson. No tests confirmed the presence of any pests, fuelling long-held suspicions that this about something very different.

"We have been seeing this develop over a period of time as opposed to the decision that was made earlier in China to impose a restriction on one company," Jim



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Everson, the Canadian Council's president, told the Western Producer.

Many believe that this is directly related to the detention of Huawei chief financial officer Meng Wanzhou, who was detained in Vancouver in January at the request of the United States.

Currently, China buys 40 per cent of Canada's canola seed and oil and meal exports – a massive \$3.6 billion in 2018 in the Western

Canadian economy.

However, an important question remains: Just what it is the best way to address it?

Unhelpful would be to localize this international political fight by making it all about Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the other failings of his federal Liberal government.

So far, that's exactly what the Saskatchewan Party has avoided doing.

"There's going to be a point where the prime minister is going to be need to be directly engaged," said Trade and Export Development Jeremy Harrison told reporters last week.

"Right now, we're going to be working with the national government to try and find a resolution because this is such an important economic issue for our province."

For a dyed-in-the-wool partisan like Harrison, a bipartisan, multi-government-level co-operative approach isn't easy.

Nor is working closely with federal Trudeau government appealing to a lot of Western Canadian farmer.

It may seem, easier to fall into line with federal Conservative leader Andrew Scheer, and just add the China canola crisis to Trudeau's ever-growing list of failings.

But even if the canola mess could be strictly blamed on Trudeau – which, in this case, it really can't – this would be an unproductive approach.

Because of this, Saskatchewan Premier Scott Moe also recognized the need to sheath his sword last week, and have what seemed to be a produc-

tive strategic telephone conversation with the Prime Minister on the matter.

"I have every reason to believe he is taking this seriously," Moe said of Trudeau.

Like Harrison and Everson, Moe agreed the emphasis right now has to be on high-level, nation-to-nation talks and demonstrated research science to debunk Chinese allegations about Canadian canola safety.

As Harrison put it: "We're going to be supportive of efforts they make, but we think that they do need to be engaged at the diplomatic and political level on this, and continuing to engage at the scientific level as well," he said.

Really, it's what we should do if we are serious about resolving this mess.

YOUR TWO CENTS

Absolute need for role models

Dear editor,

Because of a deep affection for parliamentary democracies, and equal respect for committed legislators, I used to take high school students to the "Leg" in Regina. That was decades ago, when I ran United Nations seminars in Sask.

Students were startled by antics such as heckling, name calling, and hostile antics.

It had not changed.

Later, I was privileged to talk to you "young

bloods" to Ottawa to view parliament at its best. My wards were dismayed to observe collegial disrespect at its finest as they witnessed pretentious playacting, shouting, and worse. One of my students asked me, "They get paid for this, Mr. Rebin?"

Hardly the stuff of role models.

Even later, I took a long shot and, with my wife, Delva, led a contingent of Saskatchewan scholars to the United Nations itself. Seated in the general assembly as "guests", we witnessed partisanship at its worst. Our students call the experience "scary".

As we struggle for peace in a war-torn world, it doesn't hurt to remind those privileged to be in elected office that our bright lights are looking to us for leadership.

It can start here – and well it should.
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Blaine Lake, Sask.



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Phase two of Shellbrook rink renovations begins



The boards at the Shellbrook Recreation Complex have been dismantled and removed, and work to remove the floor is expected to begin this week, as phase two of the Steering Committee's renovations gets underway.

With the spring thaw officially on, work on phase two of the Shellbrook Recreation Project Steering Committee's renovations to the Shellbrook Recreation Complex is underway.

Steering Committee project manager Amund Otterson says the hard physical labour of re-

moving the glass and demolishing the boards began in earnest last Tuesday evening, with members the Parkside Community Club volunteering their time.

In return for its volunteerism, the Parkside Community Club will be allowed to repurpose the old boards for the

outdoor rink in its community.

"They've put us ahead of schedule, really," Otterson said. "The volunteers have been great."

Of course, with the Shellbrook Recreation Complex being a community facility, and the renovation project being a community proj-

ect, the Parkside Community Club wasn't the only organization to lend a hand over the last week.

Members of the Shellbrook Kinsmen have also volunteered their time, as have members of the Shellbrook Pentecostal Assembly, and a handful of others.

The town of Shellbrook has also gotten behind the project, giving the committee two employees to assist with the work, and Otterson says the Steering Committee has another person in its employ, who is helping with the dismantling of wood components, such as framing and decking.

Volunteer equipment has also been available to the Steering Commit-

tee, with Livewire Electric, Roland Riel, and Jeff Ledding stepping up to the plate.

With the demolition work started on Tuesday, more volunteers returned Thursday evening to extract and haul away the boards. And, now that that's out of the way, Otterson says the next step is to begin work on demolishing the rink's floor surface.

"The brine solution has been removed from the refrigeration so that we can cut up the floor," he said, adding that this work would begin "experimentally" this week, given the workers' relative inexperience with removing large amounts of concrete.

On the funding side, there's more good news

for the Steering Committee. Just a few short days after it received a \$70,000 from the Hockey Day in Shellbrook Committee, the first disbursement of \$300,000 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has come through.

That \$300,000 is part of the larger \$750,000 grant awarded to the Steering Committee through FCM's Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program, which awards money to projects that achieve certain emission reduction targets.

For the Steering Committee, the arrival of the first disbursement marks a welcome end to more than a year of negotiations with FCM.

Priestley reappointed to Leask Housing Authority

Valerie Priestley has been reappointed to the Leask Housing Authority Board of Directors. Other members of the board of directors are Jennifer Kreese, Tracy Henderson, Irene Cyr and Diane Harris. Priestley is chairperson.

The Leask Housing Authority is a community-based organization that provides daily management of 22 housing units constructed and operated

under the terms of a federal provincial municipal cost sharing agreement.

Social Services Minister, Paul Merriman, paid tribute to the volunteers who manage the social housing projects in their community. "This local hands-on approach ensures that the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation responds effectively to the needs of each community."

Saskatchewan has a network of 260 housing authorities and more than 1,400 volunteer members who assist with management of housing units throughout the province for seniors, low income families and persons with disabilities.

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Modern lawn care wastes precious resources

Recently there was an interesting post on one of the social media outlets many of us visit about the common home lawn, and why we have them.

I reposted the item, but the next day it was gone, which may mean the accreditation was incorrect. But the basic gist was something that was worth some thought.

The meme questioned why we work so hard to maintain a non-na-

tive grass lawn that is a monoculture, (the cultivation of a single crop in a given area), and use a significant amount of fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides in the process? I might also add the question about the amount of water poured onto lawns just in Canada in a year, let alone worldwide.

Certainly the idea of pesticide use is one we need to consider for something non-essential

like a lawn, when we are increasingly aware of the importance on bees in pollinating food crops.



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Moving forward, it is rather obvious water is going to become a resource we will need to manage better, in particular potable water. It stands to reason lawns will need to be a long way down the allowable usage – some might argue the outright wastage – of our water resource.

So why do we spend so much time and resources to the grass in our front yard, a space we rarely use for more than looking at?

A little Internet search and I found this at www.todayifoundout.com

“Turns out, the grass lawn is a status symbol has its origins in European aristocracy. The very first lawns were grassy fields that surrounded English and French castles. Castle grounds had

to be kept clear of trees so that the soldiers protecting them had a clear view of their surroundings. It wouldn’t do for enemies to be able to sneak up on the castle through the forest.

“It is believed that such lawns were deliberately cultivated around English and French castles starting in the 16th century. However, it’s thought that chamomile and thyme were commonly used at this point for these deliberate lawns, instead of grass. Both are great alternatives that require less maintenance than traditional turf grass.”

The same site also noted; “a man named Frederick Law Olmstead, the “father of American landscape design”—who you might

know as the man who designed Central Park in New York—was also designing suburbs where each house had its own little lawn. This further popularized the idea that houses should have grass lawns.”

So the lawn had a historic basis. But today it is something that is culturally ingrained, having little more than an aesthetic reason for existing. It is not unusual for people to follow societal influences from buying diamonds rings at engagement, to celebrating a made up holiday such as Valentine’s Day, but in the case of lawns the use of the water resource and application of chemicals makes it a questionable practice, especially as society questions how farmers grow their crops.

Ladies’ Healthcare Auxiliary meeting highlights

Submitted by Norma Dahl, Healthcare Auxiliary president

The Ladies’ Healthcare Auxiliary held its March meeting with a noon luncheon. Six members and one guest were present.

New business was to elect a new secretary, and Mary Stieb was elected.

The Auxiliary also discussed a memorial donation from Auxiliary member Norma G. It was decided that the Auxiliary would purchase a park bench in her memory, and place it at the nursing home.

Trina Chamberlain, recreation co-

ordinator for the nursing home, gave a short talk on new rules for food preparation, and also on Volunteering – “A Lesson Well Learned”.

On behalf of the Auxiliary, we presented Beulah N. with a gift for her many years as a member, and also as dedicated volunteer.

Also, Trina presented Beulah with cards done by the elders of the nursing home.

Beulah is moving to Alberta to make her new home.

The afternoon was spent visiting and saying “good-bye” to a wonderful friend.

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Studio 747 dancers garner accolades in competition



A real show-stopper at Studio 747's mini showcase in March, Haiden Sanchez and Teanne Couture's hip hop duet was a big hit with Prince Albert Dance Blast judges, earning a "most outstanding" accolade and a platinum grade.

For the young dancers of Studio 747, March and April mean only one thing: competition, competition, and more competition.

The dancers, who were last seen showcasing their talent and perfect-

ing their routines for an appreciative audience at Studio 747's second annual mini showcase, had a busy March, including showings at three competitions.

First, the studio represented the community at

the Prince Albert Dance Blast (March 7 to 10), then it travelled to the Maximum Elite Elevation Tour in Saskatoon (March 16 and 17), and, after that, it went to the Prince Albert Festival of Dance (March 27 to 31).

Though the *Chronicle* has yet to obtain results from those last two competitions, the Dance Blast results are in, and Studio 747 certainly did its community proud.

All told, 23 of the studio's routines, ranging across all age and dance categories and including solo numbers, duets, and small and large group dances, earned "Most Outstanding" awards.

Those solo numbers earned prizes of \$25 apiece, while duos were worth \$25 per dancer, and small and large groups earned \$100 and \$200, respectively.

In other accolades, Jersey LaMotte earned a "Most promising" award for her jazz solo (and \$25), and two of the studio's routines won group awards in the age 15-and-up category (and \$100 apiece).

Dance Blast also saw scholarships given to a handful of Studio 747 dancers.

Jersey LaMotte earned the ALIST Scholarship while Teanne Couture received the Pure Dance Scholarship, Madeline Grenier brought home the CDTA Partial Scholarship, and Haiden Sanchez's hip hop solo earned him the Empower Scholarship.

Lastly, looking at the studio's scores, 11 routines received platinum accolades (meaning they earned scores of 95 or higher). No less impressive, 28 routines received gold accolades (meaning they earned scores ranging between 85 and 94).

For this, and for the dancers' performances at other competitions, Studio 747 owner Kelly Woodley says he couldn't be prouder.

"It has been an phenomenal experience to watch all their hard work come to life on stage," he said.

"Each dancer has performed their best, and have left it all on the stage. I am blessed to work with such a talented, supportive, and humble team of young dancers."

With three competitions down, the dancers of Studio 747 have two more left on their busy schedules.

First up is the Onstage Dance Festival in Humboldt from April 11 to 14. That's followed by the Battlefords Dance Festival from April 23 to 27.

Once that's all said and done, Studio 747 will end its season with its annual year-end recital. The two-day performance will run Friday, May 3 at 7 p.m., and Saturday, May 4 at 2 p.m.

Bantam Elks cap off season with league title

It wasn't a perfect season for the Bantam Shellbrook Elks, but the team managed to finish strong, nonetheless, by topping the Prince Albert Storm two games to none in the Saskatchewan Valley Minor Hockey League finals to become the 2018-2019 league champions.

After racking up a 17-1 record over the course of the regular season (good enough to top the league standings), the Bantam Elks made it to the league finals by sweeping the Highway 41 Defenders, and then Prince Albert Cyclones in the first and second round of the postseason, respectively.

This set them up with the PA Storm, who earned a 12-5-1 regular season record and finished second in the league standings.

To their credit, The Storm made the Elks work for the league championship by keeping them to only 5 goals over the course of two games. However, they couldn't seem to get on the board, dropping game one in Shellbrook 1-0, and game two in Prince Albert by a score of 4-0.

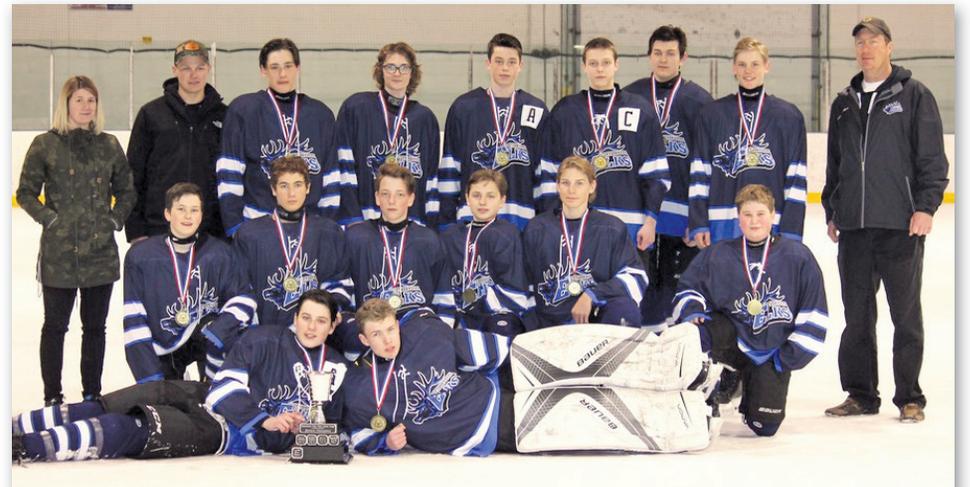
In that game one match up, the Elks' only offensive highlight came early in the first period, courtesy of a goal by Torr Gosselin and an assist by Braidan Onishenko.

Despite taking five penalties throughout the third period, the Storm managed to keep the Elks from extending their lead late in the game. However, that lone Elks goal from the opening minutes of the game would prove to be more than enough, thanks to a solid outing between the pipes from Shellbrook netminder Carson Ledding.

Ledding's play would be just as strong in game two of the best-of-three series, allowing the Elks to jump out to a 1-0 lead in the last couple minutes of the opening frame. Jase Martin scored the game opener (and game winner), on an assist from Ben Lafond.

With the PA Storm on the ropes, the Elks would step on the gas in the second frame, rattling off three goals to push the score to 4-0.

Onishenko struck first, scoring an unassisted marker four minutes into



The Bantam Shellbrook Elks, the 2018-2019 Saskatchewan Valley Minor Hockey League champions.

the period, and Gosselin would follow up just after the midway point of the frame. Moe Norsten and Devin Benjamin earned assists on the play.

Filling in the Shellbrook scorecard, Dawson Horner tallied the final Elks goal of the season, earning assists from Onishenko and Gosselin on the play.

"It was an honour coaching these boys they were a very talented group," said team coach Lauren Cromartie.

"We battled through a lot of adversity this year, so it was nice to see them give it their all at the end, and finish off the year with a league championship. It was well deserved."

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The Norway and Denmark displays.

Crafters showcase their artistry

A "show and tell" at Wapiti's Canwood Library Branch on Crafter's Choice Tuesday, March 26 at 10 a.m., had a number of talented crafters displaying their artistry.

A Scandinavia afternoon

A well attended af-

ternoon of tea, coffee, curated snacks, books, and materials celebrating Scandinavia was enjoyed by library members and visitors on Wednesday, March 27, beginning at 2 p.m.

We were especially honoured to welcome a 99-year-old guest, plus one gentleman who was born in and lived in

Denmark many years ago.

Displays depicting Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden were viewed, followed by visiting and discussion of trips to Scandinavian countries.

Snack time gave opportunity for the tasting of pickled herring, lelse, flatbread, rice



Librarian Judy Stempien is fully prepared for cookie decorating with Friday after school youngsters, during activities from February.

meal, fresh-baked bulla (bubble) bread, Danish apple cake, pepperkaka and more.

Two fundraiser draws were made.

First, Lila Olson donated her original framed painting, and Mary Adrian was the lucky winner.

Second, a five-piece cheese serving set, donated by Lynn Sten, was won by Donna Wyatt.



Lorean Nichol's crocheted cable cardigan, in Bernat softee chunky yarn, coordinated beautifully with the shelving background of the books.

Spiritwood RCMP warn about online safety

The internet is an incredible social and educational tool. However, Spiritwood RCMP would like to remind parents and family members of the need to take a proactive approach to protect children from online sexual exploitations.

Within the last few years, there has been an increase in the number of reported cases involving youth in self/peer exploitation.

In most instances, online conversations start off as what appear to be friendly conversation and can then quickly progress to sexual conversations.

Teens may initially feel flattered and curious about these conversations and think it is harmless. However, some teens can be tricked into thinking they are actually in an online relationship with the other person.

What you can do:

As parents and family members, it is important to have conversations with your children about the risks associated to social media and technology.

- Talk to them about what programs and sites they are using, and why they are using them.
- Become familiar with the apps that they use, and that come pre-installed on their phones.
- Monitor the amount of time they spend on the internet.
- Consider parental controls that limit access to certain apps and internet sites.
- Edit privacy settings to restrict access to accounts your children use.
- Have them use the internet in an open space such as the kitchen or living room where you can observe what is going on.
- Discuss with them the risks of chatting with people online that they don't personally know.
- Tell them that people don't always tell the truth and may not be who they say that they are online.
- Reassure them that you are always there to

help, even in a tough situation, and they should never listen to someone telling them not to tell their parents.

• Explain to them that live-streaming can be recorded, and that pictures stay in cyber space even once they think they have deleted them. Pictures and videos can be forwarded over and over again.

For more information, please visit the following resources:

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Atom 2 Elks win PA League title



Atom 2 Elks, from back left: Assistant Coaches: Travis Keyowski, AJ Ahenakew, Kevin Kreese Head Coach: Greg Muller, Kash Ferster, Dustin Lamontagne, Peyton Ahenakew, Davin Schmitz, Tucker Danberg, Lane Keyowski, Aiden Tait, Jesse Kreese, Blake Fisher, Cashian Sandry, Reese Galloway, Xander Dupuis, and Matt Muller (goalie).

By Jenn Kreese
The Shellbrook Elks Atom 2 team wrapped up a terrific hockey season at the Prince Albert Minor Hockey City Championship this past weekend.

They started the playoffs with a first-round bye and they succeeded in an 8-2 and 8-1 win over the Prince Albert Vikings in the second round. For the final round, which took place Saturday and Sunday morning at the Kinsmen Arena, they were up against the Prince

Albert Serpents.

After the first period of the first game, the score was 1-0 for the Elks, but they worked together and came out with a 7-1 win on goals from 5 of their players.

The final game on Sunday was hard-fought by both teams, but the Elks were victorious in a 4-1 finish for the league championship.

This title was well deserved, as the Atom Elks finished off the season with a 28-0 record. Throughout the season, they also at-

tended 3 tournaments in which they won 8 out of 9 games, winning the A side championships in Spiritwood, our home tournament in Shellbrook and the B side in Perdue. This involved playing teams from Spiritwood, Meadow Lake, Martensville, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Melfort and Kerrobert.

The coaches credit the team's success to their hard work, skill improvement and teamwork throughout the year.

Op-ed: Government tells campers to take a hike

By David Forbes

One of my favourite reasons for living in Saskatchewan is the beautiful landscape my family and I get to enjoy at our provincial parks. I love camping and I've thoroughly enjoyed bringing my children and now my grandchildren to several parks across Saskatchewan. Our favourite is Cypress Hills – how can you not love the gorgeous scenery, hiking, birding, and so many other activities available?

What's even better about Saskatchewan's provincial parks is how accessible they are. The variety of passes available at reasonable prices makes these places the perfect spot for people to unwind and relax.

These accessible and family-friendly parks are the latest amenities to come under fire by the government. In late 2018, the provincial government told campers to take a hike when it comes to 2019 park fees. Annual park entry permits are being hiked from \$65 to \$75; weekly permits are going up from \$35 to \$40. Full service and electrical sites will go up \$2 per night. Seasonal campers will see an increase from \$2,100 to \$2,600 for an electrical seasonal site. Non-electrical sites now cost \$1,400 instead of \$1,100 and economy sites will increase from \$900 to \$1,100.

Camping is one of the few affordable recreational activities left in Saskatchewan. It provides children with the opportunity to learn new skills. Parents and children can bond without the distraction of work and technology. With

these fee increases, fewer families, especially lower-income households, will be able to access these amazing parks.

In addition to this cash grab, the government has taken away the option of a three-day pass. With only a certain amount of vacation days per year, low-income families may not be able to commit to a full-week pass. Once again, this makes accessing our provincial parks harder for Saskatchewan people.

With these changes, many will be impacted, including school groups. With cuts to education and a fixed budget from school boards, schools only have a certain amount of funding for out-of-school activities. Camping gives students the chance to gain hands-on experience outdoors through hiking, building a fire, pitching a tent, and so on. These fee increases and the loss of a three-day pass will inevitably make it harder for school groups to access our provincial parks.

This is clearly a gift from the Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport to the Minister of Finance to try to overcome the deficits caused by years of mismanagement and overspending. It's a clever trick, but like the PST increase in the 2017 budget, it will harm all of us. Saskatchewan people keep paying and paying for this government's spending habits. Parks should be affordable for everyone. The Sask. Party government should scrap these fee hikes.

As summer approaches, Cypress

Hills is calling my name, as I'm sure it is many others. While we dream of warmer weather, I hope the sunny days warm the cold cockles of the government's heart and they restore the 2018 prices and passes for the 2019 camping

season. Provincial parks are for all of us. Everyone should be able to enjoy them, no matter their income.

David Forbes is the NDP MLA for Saskatoon Centre and the critic for Parks, Culture and Sport.

Spiritwood RCMP seek missing Witchekan Lake FN youth

On March 30, 2019, 13 year old Aiden Keenatch was reported missing to Spiritwood RCMP. Keenatch is residing on Witchekan Lake First Nation and was last seen on March 30 at 2 p.m. on Witchekan Lake First Nation, walking to an unknown location.

Aiden Keenatch is described as an Aboriginal male, 154 cm tall and 54 kg in weight, with brown hair and brown eyes. He was last seen wearing a black jogging outfit.

Spiritwood RCMP are seeking the public's assistance in locating this missing person, if you see Aiden Keenatch or know of his whereabouts please contact the RCMP 306-883-4210 or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit a



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Canada's Andreescu joins tennis elite

Virtually out of nowhere, Canada has a new sports sensation.

Only a few people outside of her Romanian family and close friends had heard of tennis player Bianca Andreescu before she made it to the final of the Auckland Open in New Zealand in January, showing up on the sports world's radar with wins over Venus Williams and Caroline Wozniacki along the way. Two months later, the 18-year-old from Mississauga was thrust into a mini spotlight in the world of pro tennis and given a berth in the main draw at the BNP Paribas championship in the Palm Springs community of Indian Wells, the closest thing to a major that's not a major as there is in professional tennis.

It was a true Cinderella story. Win after win after win put her into the final against the seventh-seeded and world No. 4 Angelique Kerber of Germany, a three-time Grand-Slam winner and overwhelming favourite. But the clock didn't strike midnight before Andreescu scored a 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 win

over Kerber, who has \$28.1 million in career earnings, for the first Women's Tennis Association (WTA) victory ever by a Canadian. She wore the proverbial gown right into the post-match press conference, where she caused a bit of a scene by asking if she could use "the F word" before being told no, of course not, and proceeding to tell the world that it was "crazy," but she was the "effing champion of Indian Wells."

OK, so the prudes in the crowd may not like her language, but she was giddy and giggly and shocked and \$1.35 million richer. (Her career earnings prior to her victory were \$350,000.) Andersen said her goal at the start of 2019 was to make enough money to enable her parents to travel with her.

Mission accomplished. In spades — not to mention in lobs and aces and terrific winning smashes.

Less than six months ago, Andreescu was ranked 243rd in the world. Making the final in Auckland and winning at Indian Wells has led to a lofty world ranking of 24th.



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She is one of a strong group of Canadians, including Denis Shapovalov, Félix Auger-Aliassime, Vasek Pospisil and Eugenie Bouchard who are turning Canada into a world minipower in the sport.

Bouchard was the fresh face in tennis two years ago, but has faded back into the pack. Here's hoping Andreescu follows a different, more successful path. Maybe all the way to No. 1.

• Broadcaster David Feherty, during NBC's coverage of the Players Championship: "Tommy Fleetwood looks like a homeless guy who just robbed a Nike store."

• TC in BC: "Bryce Harper

is going to find out just how tough Philly fans are. For \$330M, they will boo you for taking a called strike."

• Andy Ruther, on Twitter: "Mike Trout signs \$430 million extension with Anaheim Angels. Deal also includes his very own lane on the 405 freeway."

• Norman Chad of the Washington Post, on Twitter: "BREAKING — Duke No. 1 overall seed in NCAA Tournament. Zion Williamson pledges to stay enrolled in school through April 8."

• Comedy writer Alex Kaseberg: "In the NCAA tournament, 14th seed Yale lost to third seed LSU 79-74. After the game, LSU celebrated with barbecue while Yale went to their rooms and conjugated Latin verbs."

• Kaseberg again: "New England Patriot's owner, Robert Kraft, has been offered a deferred prosecution

deal in his sex spa case. The legal definition of a deferred prosecution deal means 'What we offer rich guys.'"

• RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "QB Teddy Bridgewater turned down a possible starting gig in Miami to stay with the Saints as back up to Drew Brees. Same old song: a Brees over troubled Bridgewater."

• Currie again: "St. Mary's upset Gonzaga 60-47, ending the Bulldog's six-year run as WCC champs. Seems the Gaels had a zig for every Zag."

• Dwight Perry of the Seattle Times: "Pioneer of the Nile, the 13-year-old sire of Triple Crown winner American Pharoah, died unexpectedly at WinStar Farm right after performing his breeding duties. How quickly? The poor stallion was barely halfway through his cigarette."

• Comedy writer Brad Dickson, via Twitter, on the ever-widening college-admissions

scandal: "It's now alleged that Lori Loughlin and her husband bribed an official \$250,000 to get their not-so-bright dog into obedience school."

• Patti Dawn Swansson in the River City Renegade, on recent media outbursts by Oilers' CEO Bob Nicholson and Senators' owner Eugene Melnyk: "Time was when Humpty Harold Ballard provided the National Hockey League with its soundtrack for stupid. Now we get it in surround sound."

• Swansson again, on the Nicholson suggestion that Toby Rieder's lack of offence is responsible for the Oilers missing the playoffs: "I didn't even know Toby Rieder existed until Nicholson went off on him, but now I know where we can find him — under a bus."

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

Pies in the face raise funds for Shellbrook Food Bank

By Dave Bodvarson

On Friday March 29, 2019, Shellbrook's local youth group came up with a creative way to raise funds for the Shellbrook and area Food Bank.

Deb Rudolph came up with an idea of a pie in the face to get people to pledge cash for the Food Bank.

Dwight Rudolph, who is a good sport and has a heart for those in need, agreed to take a pie in the face, or, rather, 13 pies to be exact. For every 52 dollars raised, a pie was thrown, because Dwight turned 52 that day.

Appreciation goes to Dwight, and to Michelle Smith, who leads this group and those who help. About \$700 was raised. Great work by youth group. The ministerial commends the youth for seeing the need of helping those who are less fortunate.

The Shellbrook and area Food Bank can always use donations. We have a place to store food, and we buy the perishable items when we fill a hamper. In the months of January and February, we spent over \$700.



Deb Rudolph gives Dwight Rudolph one of 13 pies to as part of a Shellbrook Food Bank fundraiser. The stunt raised about \$700.

On Saturday May 11 at 10:30 a.m., the Shellbrook and District Ministerial is planning a live auction. If you have good or new items you would like to donate, contact Dave Bodvarson 306 747 7235 or Dave Whalley 306 747 2804.

We will have a debit machine on site for your convenience. A barbecue lunch will be available. Depending on weather we will hold the auction in the Shellbrook Pentecostal Assembly parking lot, or inside.

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GOOD NEWS

THE PRODIGAL SON IS ALWAYS WELCOME!

By Dave Whalley, DLM(R)
First United Church, Big River

After reading the parable about the prodigal son in Luke 15, I wonder if you have heard about the father who was telling his 6-year-old son about the prodigal son at bedtime. They discussed how the young son had taken his inheritance and left home. He lived high on the hog, until he had nothing left. Finally, when he couldn't even eat as good as the pigs, he returned home and his father welcomed him. When the father finished the story, he asked his son what he had learned.

The young child answered, after thinking for a moment, "Never leave home without your credit card." That is one way to try and make ends meet, and I'm sure that some people wish it was that easy to leave home, but anyone who really has run away to a "far country" knows that it is not that simple. Geographical fixes never work.

The results of living away from God are always disastrous and nothing can prevent the consequences from catching up with us. The farther away we run, the worse the destruction becomes. Let's take a look at this very interesting story that Jesus tells. Let us look at the three main characters in this story and learn something about ourselves and our creator. The father in this story represents God in my view. The Creator has a non-interference policy. We hear people say, "Why doesn't God do something about this or that? Why doesn't God stop people from hurting other people?" But God has given us the awesome gift of free will. When we want to rebel, we don't want anyone trying to control us. We can look at this story and see the foolishness of this boy. We think we are invincible, and are immune from the destruction that takes place in other people's lives.

One thing that begins to dawn on us as we continue to read the story is that the father

has been looking for his son all along. When his son finally does appear in the distance, the father recognizes him immediately and takes off running toward him. There is not the slightest hint of a lecture or ridicule.

Let's look at the second person in the story. It is interesting that this young man thought he was on his own. "It's my life and my money," he told himself. It says that he "squandered his wealth in wild living." He was living off of his father's resources the whole time. The worst part of this young man's life is not that he went away to the far country and spent the father's resources in sinful living. No, the worst part of this young man's life is that he never developed a relationship with his father. He never understood how much his father loved him. He would not believe that his father wanted the best for him and had great plans for him.

We might be tempted to blame all this on the father, but remember that the father in the story represents God. God is love and wisdom. If the father had been controlling and manipulative, he would never have let the son go in the first place.

The younger son decided to go back to his father and say: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you." That's all it takes, and when we come to that place, we too are ready to go back home to our God. After all, the younger son had spent his inheritance and he didn't deserve anything else. But the father in the story puts a ring on his finger and a special robe on his back. So, it becomes obvious that the father has other ideas, and has no intention of making him a servant.

Well – there is a third person in the story – another son. He was the eldest. He never left home. When his father asked him to do something, he did it. He had full expectations of being the head of the estate and inheriting everything that was left. He was glad that his younger brother was gone. It would be easier now. He felt a little smug. He had earned it. There was only one problem. He shared a critical character flaw with his younger brother; he had not really developed a loving relationship with his father. He was dutiful and faithful. When the father showed that he still cared for his way-

ward brother, he became angry and bitter.

Like the older brother, it is easy for us to become bitter and angry that parties are being thrown for those who were out in the worldly life. It sort of galls us that Jesus said, "I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:10). Jesus originally told this story to show there is hope for everyone, and that it is not a question of whether we deserve to be in the father's house, because the truth is that none of us do.

The most likely ending to the story was that the older brother became increasingly bitter against the father and left his house, and the younger brother inherited everything.

We've seen a wonderful picture of what God is like. God regrets our rebellion, runs to us when we return, and restores us when we repent. But there are some of us today who need a different word from this parable. We aren't the wayward son; instead we feel the pain of the father.

Some of us are parents and grandparents who have prodigals in our lives. Our son or daughter may be distant from us because of rebellion, a disagreement, a bad relationship, or they may have just walked out of our life. If you are in that condition, I have a word of comfort for you today. To parents of prodigals, I would say:

God understands our pain. God knows and cares. God is the suffering father in this parable.

2. Don't jump in the pigpen to rescue them. In this parable, the father didn't go to the pigpen and try to pull his son out. The son had to realize his own mistake.

Let them know the door is open. Never slam the door and tell your child they are never welcome back into your home. Let them know you'll leave the light on for them, whenever they are ready to reconcile.

True fellowship can never be restored until your prodigal one has returned with forgiveness in their heart. They may return, but, if they don't reconcile, your problem is not solved; it's only aggravated.

So, parents of prodigals don't give up! God never gives up, so why should you!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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CANWOOD: Canwood & District Health Services Co-operative *Annual Meeting*, Wednesday, April 10, 2019, Canwood Legion Hall. Supper 6:30 pm ~ Meeting to follow. \$10/person ~ Everyone Welcome! ***A resolution to have a review of the financial books instead of an audit will be voted on by the members present at this meeting! Please come out and show your support for your community clinic. If you have any question please call Donna at 1-306-468-7040.

SHELLBROOK: Shellbrook Theatre Movie Night, Fri., Apr. 12, Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse. Doors Open 7 p.m. Showtime 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5

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Going vertical in the garden

By Patricia Hanbidge

Spring is on the way! Now is the time to take a moment to say – where is my garden going this season?

Space in the garden is always a challenge so this spring, I encourage you to “reach for the sky and go vertical!” You might be wondering what I mean by vertical gardening which is simply exploiting the vertical space instead of relying on the horizontal which is the more traditional way to garden. Going vertical will give you more space but it is also a way to make your garden more attractive and more accessible. Imagine harvesting strawberries while standing straight up – instead of crawling along the ground.

If you are an avid garden grazer then vertical gardening has even more advantages. The fruit or vegetables that you harvest will be cleaner as they are not in direct contact with the ground. You will also find that you are losing less fruit/vegetables to moisture and rot again due to less contact directly with the soil. Air circulation is definitely better as well as any breeze will waft through those plants that are vertical. The

only drawback to going vertical is you may have to water more often. However, perhaps it is the ideal time to install a simple irrigation system that suits your personal needs!

From the perspective from one who was rural and now is urban – adjusting to a much smaller space and still managing to grow everything desired is challenging. How do you make the best use of the space you have? One solution that is definitely worth trying is to go vertical. Any plant that is a sprawler, a natural climber or needs staking can easily be grown vertically – with the suitable support.

Vertical elements can be utilized as working functions of the garden. They work well to screen unpleasant areas in the landscape; can provide shade or shelter from the wind; can soften stark vertical surfaces; can define use areas in the garden and can provide movement.

Looking outside right now to your garden space might help to encourage you to think about going vertical. If you think of the trees in your landscape, they are an element that is always visible.

If you incorporate other vertical elements in your garden, then those too will always be visible in every season - from both inside and out. After all, enjoying the garden in winter, we most often enjoy the view from inside your home where it is warm. Thus, elements need to be more prominent as they are not viewed in close quarters.

Think about incorporating some structure that has beauty itself. Ensure that the structure is suitable for the plant material it supports. Some easy plants to use for your vertical garden include: cucumbers, sweet peas, tomatoes, melons, peas, pole beans, black-eyed Susan vine, morning glory climbing snapdragons, hyacinth bean, nasturtium, passion flower, grapes, Virginia creeper, hops, and more!!! Just ensure that you supply the suitable structure and remember that some plants need to be tied to the structure while others entwine themselves to the support.

So, this season..... look ahead and plan to grow your future and go vertical!!

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