



Scott Moe wins first mandate in landslide



Premier Scott Moe gives his victory speech to a small gathering in Saskatoon, while his wife, Krista, looks on. *Photo by Brandi Klein.*

In a crushing defeat for Ryan Meili and the opposition Saskatchewan NDP, Premier and Rosthern-Shellbrook MLA, Scott Moe, has received his first public mandate since taking over leadership of the Saskatchewan Party in 2018.

Monday's election brought to an end the month-long campaign for both leaders. And, while the polls leading up to election night all predicted a fourth Sask. Party majority (something not seen since the days of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation in the 60s), they underestimated just how decisive the reigning government's mandate would be.

Even on the day before the election, pollsters predicted the Sask. Party would lose three of its 46 seats, and the Sask. NDP would pick-up four seats to increase its count to 17.

Instead, as of Tuesday morning, the Sask. Party had claimed 44 seats and was leading in six other constituencies, while the NDP had shored up only nine ridings and carved out slim leads in two others. Should those counts hold true, that would give the Sask. Party 50 seats in the legislature to the Sask. NDP's 11.

The Sask. Party also claimed a decisive victory in the overall vote count, receiving 242,638, or 63.13 per cent of the

total vote. Meanwhile, the Sask. NDP earned 112,263 ballots, or just 29.21 per cent of the vote (though, more than 61,000 mail-in ballots still need to be counted, meaning the results won't be finalized until after Nov. 7).

The Progressive Conservative Party of Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Green Party, the Saskatchewan Liberal Association, and the fledgling Buffalo Party of Saskatchewan all proved to be non-factors in the election, with none of their respective party leaders managing to win their races.

Taking a deep dive into the constituency by constituency results, Premier

Moe was able to win a landslide victory in Rosthern-Shellbrook, earning 80 per cent of total votes and besting the Sask. NDP's Trina Miller by more than 4,000 ballots.

The same could not be said of Meili, who, as of Tuesday morning, was trailing the Sask. Party's Ryland Hunter by a razor-thin margin of 83 votes in the Saskatoon-Meewasin race.

Looking at the Meadow Lake contest, Sask. Party incumbent Jeremy Harrison managed to retain his seat. He claimed 72 per cent of the vote, besting the Sask. NDP's Harmonie King by 2,800 ballots.

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It was a similar story in the Saskatchewan Rivers constituency, where Sask. Party

incumbent Nadine Wilson was re-elected with 63 per cent of the vote. She beat out the Sask. NDP's Lyle White-

fish by nearly 2,500 votes.

While Premier Moe had originally planned to end his campaign in Shellbrook, he instead opted to host a small gathering in Saskatoon.

After polls closed at 8 p.m., and as the ballots were counted, it quickly became clear there was much cause for him to celebrate.

"I gotta tell you, I'm feeling pretty good tonight," Moe said in his victory speech, before quickly reiterating his government's promise to continue its fight against the federal carbon tax.

"There was a number of voters, many of them in rural constituencies, that used their vote this election to ex-

press their frustration with the federal government. And to those voters, I want to say, I hear you. We will be unrelenting in our in defending our Saskatchewan industries and our Saskatchewan people."

Meanwhile, in his brief concession speech, Meili said his volunteers and fel-

low candidates ran a great campaign but that "it wasn't enough this time."

"For those who voted for change — because there are thousands upon thousands of people across Saskatchewan who voted for change tonight — I want to tell you, this is not the end. This is the beginning."



In spite of the late fall chill, Premier Scott Moe and his wife, Krista, chose to walk to the polling station to cast their ballots on Monday morning.



Premier Scott Moe cast his ballot at Shellbrook's W.P. Sandin High School on Monday morning.

McIvor, Bloom faceoff in school board election

After 11 years as the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division's (SRPSD) trustee for Subdivision 4, representing Shellbrook Elementary School, W.P. Sandin Public High School, and Wild Rose Public School, John McIvor finds himself in a contest for his seat.

A former teacher who spent the final 23 years of his career teaching in Shellbrook, where he still resides, McIvor became a trustee on the SRPSD's board of education in 2009.

With this school year being unlike any other, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, McIvor feels his experience makes him the best choice for Subdivision 4 trustee.

"This year has been a new experience for all of us. Schools, businesses, and home life have been at the center of the COVID-19 pandemic," he said in a bio submitted to the SRPSD.

"I believe I have the background and desire to help our division move forward post COVID-19 and into the future," he added, offering reassurance that the school division is doing everything in its power to protect students, staff, and communities.

McIvor's opponent in November's school board election will be Cher Bloom, who is also a long-time resident

of Shellbrook.

Bloom grew up on a Canwood area farm, and graduated from Canwood Public School in 1994 before becoming a dental therapist. She began her career in La Ronge, along with her husband Curtis, and her work took her throughout the far north of the province, including Uranium City, Stony Rapids, Pinehouse Lake, and Weyakwin.

She and Curtis remained in La Ronge until 2002, and had a son, Jackson, and a daughter, Makenna, before moving back to the Shellbrook area. After this, Cher began as an instructor at the National School of Dental Therapy, and taught there until starting work at the Shellbrook Dental clinic, where she continues to work part-time.

With her children having spent all their school years in Shellbrook prior to pursuing their post-secondary studies, Cher felt now was the time



John McIvor



Cher Bloom

to run for Subdivision 4 trustee.

"With education always being important to me, I decided to put my extra time as an empty nester towards something I am passionate about and run as school board trustee for the Shellbrook/Wildrose area," she said in her bio.

Advanced polls for the Subdivision 4 election will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 4. Voters can cast their ballots at Shellbrook Elementary School between 12 and 8 p.m.

Election day, meanwhile, is Monday, Nov. 9. Ballots can be cast at Wild Rose Public School, Shellbrook Elementary School, and the Parkside Heritage Centre between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

In other school division election news, Bill Gerow was acclaimed as Subdivision 5 trustee, representing schools in Canwood, Debden, and Big River.

A former teacher and principal with more than 30 years experience, Gerow has been trustee since 2016.

TOWN OF SHELLBROOK



NOTICE OF POLL

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that:

1. A poll has been granted for the election of Mayor and Councillors (2)
2. Advanced voting will take place on Wednesday, the 4th of November, 2020 from 12:00pm (noon) until 8:00pm at the polling place listed below.
3. Voting will take place on Monday, the 9th of November, 2020 from 9:00am until 8:00pm at the polling place listed below.
4. I will declare the results of the election at the Town of Shellbrook municipal office on the 10th day of November, 2020 at the hour of 9:00am.

Polling Place

Shellbrook Elementary School gymnasium

Address

101 3rd Ave E, Shellbrook, SK

Dated this 20th day of October, 2020

Kelly Hoare, Returning Officer

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For Mayor – Village of Canwood on November 9 @ Canwood Elks Hall

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**Mayor: 1
Councillors: 6**

I hereby give public notice that no voting for the said office(s) will take place and declare the following persons are elected by acclamation:

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Shannon Beaulac, Councillor
James Bedi, Councillor
Brad Nemish, Councillor
George Pretli, Councillor
Bryan Wingerter, Councillor
Kiera Andres, Councillor**

Dated at Spiritwood, this 21st day of October, 2020.

Rhonda Saam,
Returning Officer

Spiritwood Recreation Centre up and running

The Spiritwood and Area Recreation Centre has been slowly reopening its doors to the public.

The mezzanine has been available for rentals since Sept. 9 with Yoga, Dance class, and step fitness all starting up. Hockey players and skaters were able to hit the rink again Oct. 26, curlers should be back out sweeping Nov. 2, and bowling is hopefully reopening Nov. 2.

The centre reopening will not come without some added restrictions and guidelines to ensure public health orders are being followed. Masks are mandatory in all areas of the facility and patrons should practice social distancing. There is a limit of 30 persons allowed in each cohort at a time.

In order to ensure that a support parent will be able to enter the facilities at all time, only

one support parent is allowed to attend curling, hockey, and skating with the athlete at a time. Adjustments may be made throughout the season to accommodate further lifting of restrictions.

Skating, hockey, and curling athletes will be allowed to remove masks upon entry onto the ice surface, however bowlers will always need to wear their masks. There will be a

flow throughout the facility with an entry door and an exit door for each area of the facility.

Maps are posted at www.spiritwoodrecreation.com, and the facilities management is encouraging those wishing to visit the facility to visit the website to understand the facility's flow and guidelines prior to coming to the centre.

"The plan will be updated as new things come to light with Sask

Health Guidelines," says facilities manager Glenalda Saam.

Masks will be mandatory for everyone entering and exiting the facility and mandatory sign in sheets will be placed at all entries to help with contact tracing and social distancing.

The mezzanine is

available for meeting rentals as long as guidelines are being followed. No tournaments are being allowed at present.

No food will be served in the facility at the present time. Ice service for drinks will be available for curlers, and the bowling alley will have table service available.

Five candidates vying for Shellbrook town council

What a difference two weeks can make.

After the Town of Shellbrook's initial call for nominations for town council yielded only four candidates, five new nominees have thrown their names into the hat for the two seats left vacant.

That means Shellbrook residents will be heading to the polls for both council and mayoral elections for the first time in years.

In by acclamation following the first round of councillor nominations are John Hughes, David Knight, Brent Miller, and Kathleen Nording.

Competing for the two unfilled council seats will be Larry Batten, Trevor Boettcher, current councillor Bruce Clements, Peter Halayka, and Cheryl Leding.

Meanwhile, as previously reported, the mayoral race pits newcomer Donovan Kultgen against Amund Otterson. Otterson has been a Shellbrook town councillor since 2007.

The mayor's seat was left empty after current and long-time Mayor, George Tomporowski, chose not to run for re-election.

Joining Tomporowski in not running for council again are councillors Lyle Banda and Lois Freeman.

Advanced polling in the Shellbrook election will be held at Shellbrook Elementary School on Wednesday, Nov. 4. Voters can cast their ballots between 12 and 8 p.m.

Election day, meanwhile, is on Monday Nov. 9. On that day, voters can mark their ballots at Shellbrook Elementary School between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, masks are recommended at polling sites, but not mandatory at this point in time. However, voters will be required to use provided hand sanitizer upon arrival.

Voters will be provided a single use pencil to

mark their choices, and all surfaces will be cleaned regularly throughout both the advanced poll and regular poll dates.

Voter registration forms can be found online and printed at www.townof-shellbrook.ca, or picked up in-person at the Shellbrook town office. Voters are urged to fill out their forms at home, to ease congestion and limit exposure at the polls.

While forms can be filled out in advance, they must be signed and witnessed by the returning officer at the polling station.

The results of the election will be posted Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 9 a.m.

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Division No. 1 Councillor

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that provision has been made for an advance poll.

Advance Poll Voting will take place on Saturday the 31st day of October, 2020 between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm at the Shell Lake Legion Hall located in Shell Lake, SK.

And that I will declare the results of the election at the RM of Spiritwood municipal office on Tuesday, the 10th day of November, 2020 at the hour of 8:30 am.

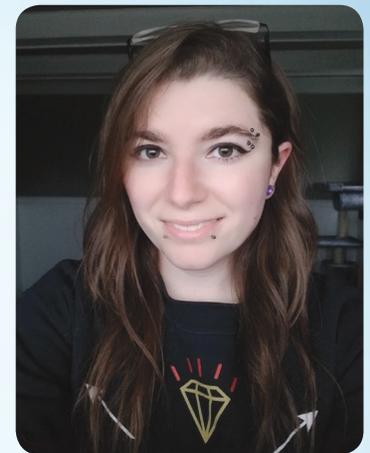
Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

Colette Bussiere
Returning Officer

MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENT



Jordan Twiss



Meghan Penney

Publisher Clark Pepper is pleased to announce the appointments of **Jordan Twiss, Reporter/Editor** and **Meghan Penney, Production Specialist** to the positions of **Co-Managers** for the **Chronicle Herald Newspaper**.

Both Jordan and Meghan each bring their own specialties to the newspaper and we welcome them onboard.

Shellbrook Chronicle Spiritwood Herald

No federal election is the best of many potential bad outcomes

If there's any solace to be found in the raging dumpster fire that is 2020, it's in the knowledge that we won't be going to the polls for a third time in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To be fair, most in Saskatchewan would have loved the opportunity to bring down Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his Liberal federal government.

However, an election at this juncture would have been akin to a game of roulette. And, with pollsters putting Mr. Trudeau's Liberals anywhere from four to eight points ahead of Erin O'Toole's Conservatives, the ball may very well have landed on red.

Some may scoff at the absurdity of Mr. Trudeau receiving another mandate



JORDAN TWISS

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News Editor

from Canadians, whether it be a minority or, heaven forbid, a majority.

However, his current opponents are a weak and money-starved NDP under Jagmeet Singh, and a Conservative party whose leader has yet to put his own personal stamp on his leadership.

This is hardly the climate for unseating Mr. Trudeau's government — a fact he likely knew when he turned his opposition's attempts to revive the WE Charity investigation into a confidence vote.

Understanding this, the result of last Wednesday's vote, while unpalatable, seems like the best of many potentially unpleasant outcomes.

True, we now have to live with Mr. Trudeau, at least until the next confidence vote.

True, the investigation into the WE Charity boondoggle has been quashed again — this time with the threat of an election, instead of by the prorogation of parliament.

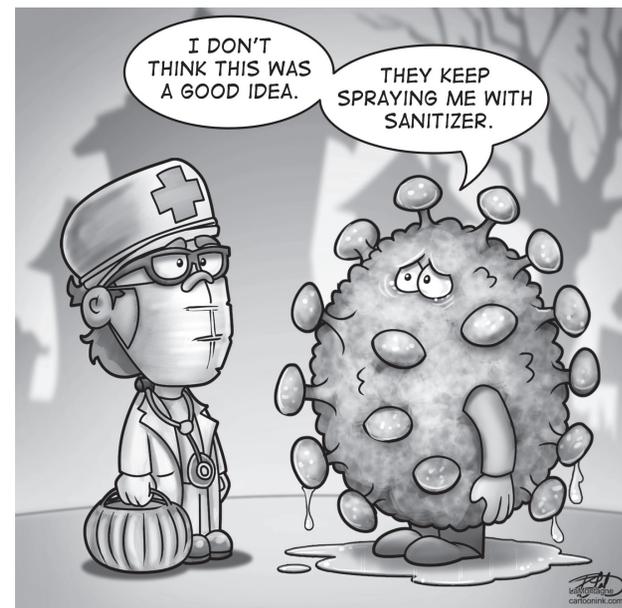
But, odds are, going to the polls wouldn't have solved any of these problems (even if doing so had delivered the

Conservative government Saskatchewanians are hoping for).

Had Mr. O'Toole been handed the reins of his own minority mandate, this, effectively, would have left Ottawa in the stalemate it's currently stuck in, forcing his government to look to other parties to prop it up.

Barring a monumental shift in political identity by the Liberals, the NDP, or the Bloc Québécois, such support wouldn't have been given to Mr. O'Toole's government without deep concessions on its part. And, more likely than not, Canadians would have received no concrete answers on the WE file, and ended up heading back to the polls for yet another election.

Lost among all this electioneering and partisan



politicking, would be the needs of the Canadians who are struggling to make ends meet through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Truly, this would be the worst possible outcome for everyone, given the upward trajectory of cases in Saskatchewan and across Canada over the past couple of weeks.

Mr. Trudeau retaining his

tenuous hold on power may be far from an ideal scenario. But it's also far from the worst outcome.

With an election off the table for now, Mr. O'Toole should focus on establishing himself as Conservative leader and holding Mr. Trudeau accountable.

If he does this, it will only be a matter of time until his opportunity arises.

Hidden Hills is an asset to Shellbrook

Recent comments from Shellbrook Mayoral candidate Donovan Kultgen have been misleading and require clarification.

First a brief history of the golf course starting with the generous offer from Milt and Aggie Sterling to make available land which some of the golf course exists on today. The golf course started with the use of their land at no cost to the town in 1956, 20 years later the town purchased the land for \$20,000 payable over 3 years. The golf course and its operations has primarily operated itself through its membership, green fees, cart rentals, tournaments, numerous fundraising events and endless hours of volunteerism. The course over the last 65 years has seen many changes, the existing clubhouse a joint venture of the golf course and the Shellbrook Fish and Game Club was built and finished over a number of years as fund raised monies

were able to complete it. The project started in 1983 with \$11,600.00 in fund raising and a \$15,000 grant from the town. In 1984 another \$15,000 grant was received from the Provincial Department of Culture and Recreation. In following years through various fundraising and volunteer equipment and labour the community had contributed \$79,500.

In 2007 the town had the opportunity to purchase land to the west of the golf course and allocated some acreage to expand the golf course. At that time the golf club took on a re-designed expansion of the course along with newer grass greens and a modern computerized irrigation watering system. The town loaned the club \$225,000 interest free, payable over 15 years to facilitate the capital expenditure. The course once again held many fund raisers to pay this back. \$162,104.41

had been paid back to date as of 2019.

This year the golf club received a generous donation from the Joe and Velma Ell estate. It was for \$153,000.00. Over the years the remaining portion of the "Sterling" land was farmed and the Sterling family allowed a needed maintenance shop to be built, along with a driving range and an area for equipment storage, all on their land. The golf course board of directors saw the opportunity to buy the portion of land that this all existed on. The preference was for the golf course to purchase only the required needed land of approximately 6 acres but when the land was put up for sale the full 41 acres was being sold as one complete parcel. To secure the land being used by the golf course and for the town the decision was made to purchase all.

The land was purchased for \$150,000 from

these funds. In return, the \$62,895.95 was forgiven. The Town therefore netted an approximate \$90,000 value.

So over the 65 years there is no doubt the town has loaned the golf course small amounts of money for necessary equipment purchases always being paid back and did receive some allocated land to the west for expansion of the golf course.

Its total annual operations are funded by the golf club with the town incurring no operational cost to the taxpayer. The town owns the Golf Course and it is a valuable recreation asset to this town and has been built proudly primarily through fund raising events, donations, and 1000's of volunteer labour hours since 1956.

On behalf of the Hidden Hills Board of Directors,
Co-Chairs Clark Pepper, Judy Krakalovich

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SRPSD enrolment numbers feel effects of COVID

In what has, thus far, been a school year unlike any other in recent history, the numbers are in for the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division (SRPSD). And, as is to be expected, they appear to reflect the ongoing reality of the COVID-19 pandemic.

While the Ministry of Education won't be using enrolment numbers to determine funding levels for school divisions, SRPSD director of education, Robert Bratvold, says the division still collected and verified the numbers as usual.

For all schools but one in the coverage area of the *Shellbrook Chronicle*, the enrolment numbers are (unsurprisingly) lower than in years previous, bringing an end to five years of student body growth in the area.

Starting in Shellbrook, W.P. Sandin Public High School's student body is down to 211 students from 219 in the 2019-2020 school year. Shellbrook Elementary School saw a similar drop in enrolments, dipping to 189 from 194 last fall.

Wild Rose Public School, meanwhile, effectively held

steady with 87 students enrolled this year, compared to 88 in 2019-2020.

Canwood Public School saw the steepest decline in total students, dropping to 119 students from 162. Deben Public School had the second largest decline, losing 18 students to sit at 147 enrolments.

Finally, TD Michel Public School is down 16 students, having a total of 124 enrolled.

The outlier on the list is Big River Public High School, which saw enrolments increase to 106 this year, up from 101 in the 2019-2020 school year.

"It is difficult to make any accurate comments on the reasons for the changes, but we know that some are certainly COVID related," Bratvold said.

"Several families across the division have expressed concern over possible COVID transmission in communities or in schools. Some of those families have children who are not returning to school in person yet."

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the SRPSD has set up a Distance Learning Centre.

While the hope is that all students will eventually return to in-person learning when parents feel it's safe, Bratvold says there are currently 394 enrolled at the Distance Learning Centre.

He couldn't say, however, how many students from area schools were among those taking advantage of distance learning opportunities. He also couldn't say how many students from First Nations have been unable to enrol due to COVID-19 safety plans implemented by their communities.

Though the COVID-19 pandemic looms over the school year, Bratvold feels it's important to reassure parents that the SRPSD and its schools have "thorough and effective" plans in place to minimize the spread of the virus while "maintaining a rich learning environment."

Furthermore, while the pandemic is limiting community involvement with schools, Bratvold urges the public to stay connected



Shellbrook Elementary School teacher Dianne Thorpe leads her students into the school, after walking them through the COVID-19 protocols.

of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students entering the school system.

Finally, he says, there's the question of the broader communities surrounding the schools.

"I know that schools work hard, along with the many RM Councils and Town Councils and various community organizations, to keep the communities strong and that is helpful for enrolments as well," he said.

For more on the SRPSD, and its protocols and procedures to protect students from COVID-19, visit www.srsd119.ca.

with schools and students. "Schools have careful plans in place to reduce the chance of COVID transmission so in person visits to schools are less likely," he said. "However, our society and our communities are stronger when children and youth feel the connection and guidance of the communities in which they live."

Looking beyond COVID-19, Bratvold adds that one other factor that influences yearly enrolment

is demographics, meaning, simply, the number of Grade 12s who graduated compared to the number

ELECT

JOHN McIVOR

Trustee – Subdivision 4
Sask. Rivers Public School Division

ADVANCE POLL
Nov. 4 – 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.

ELECTION DAY
Nov. 9 – 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

AT SHELLBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sturgeon Lake FN declares COVID-19 outbreak

As COVID-19 case numbers continue to rise across the province, the Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation has been declared the site of an outbreak.

On Wednesday, Oct. 21, the Northern Inter-Tribal Health Authority (NITHA), a partnership between Prince Albert Grand Council, Meadow Lake Tribal Council, Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation and Lac La Ronge Indian Band that is responsible for delivering northern health services, reported it had found and increasing number of confirmed cases in the First Nations community.

At the time, the organization said there were 49 active cases in its North Central area, where Sturgeon Lake is located. And, just two days later, NITHA issued a potential COVID exposure warning to anyone who has been at the Sturgeon Lake Health Centre at any time between Oct. 11 and 19.

Along with the outbreak declaration, NITHA has

asked everyone in the community to wear face masks, wash their hands, and stay home if they are sick.

Anyone experiencing COVID-19 symptoms is asked to self-isolate in their home and call health authorities.

NOTICE OF POLL AND ADVANCE POLL Town of Big River

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that:

- (1) A vote will be held for the election of:
Mayor: Town of Big River
Councillor: Town of Big River – one (1) to be elected
- (2) **Voting** will take place on:
• the 9th day of November, 2020, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Big River Community Centre, 606 1st Street North, Big River, SK
- AND
- (3) **Advance Poll** will take place on:
• the 3rd day of November, 2020, from 2:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Big River Community Centre, 606 1st Street North, Big River, SK
- (4) I will declare the results of the election at the Town of Big River Municipal Office on the 10th day of November, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

Dated at Big River, Saskatchewan, this 26th day of October, 2020.

Noreen Olsen
Returning Officer

Proper identification will be required when you attend the polls. Additional information and a full list of voter ID options can be found at the following website: www.saskatchewan.ca/government/municipal-administration/elections/voting

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Bruce Clements for Shellbrook town council

My name is Bruce Clements. My wife Diane and I, along with our one month old daughter, moved to Shellbrook in 1973 where I taught in the high school. We raised our five children here in this wonderful town. We became totally immersed in our

community. I coached a number of team sports, served on numerous committees, became a member of several service clubs and volunteered for many events in support of our community. Outside of my teaching career, I supported my wife in our small business operation for 18 years.

During our 47 years in this community, I served on Town Council from 1991 to 1997 and again from 2007 until present. I had planned to step back this election and let other individuals take a seat on Council, but when not enough candidates stepped forward I decided to throw my hat in

the ring again. I honestly enjoyed my role as Councillor and still have the desire and enthusiasm in

promoting our community as being, "A better place to grow."

We are blessed in this

town with many talented people who are committed to providing places where people can come

together and enjoy life. We have groups like the Street Fair Committee, Hockey Day in Shellbrook Committee, Recreation Steering Committee, Business Improvement & Development Committee, and more, each with their own vision of making Shellbrook a vibrant place to live. They all look to Town Council for proper procedure and direction. I believe it is our role on Council to bring these bodies together to create a common vision and understanding of the type of community we are trying to build, and to recognize the importance of everyone's role.

In development of this vision I would also like to include the Sask Rivers School Division. Their decisions in hiring and placement of staff have a direct impact on our community. Keeping local teachers in local positions as opposed to having them transferred out of town is more beneficial to our community and adds a valuable dimension for the small town way of life.

I have a deep commitment to the youth in our community in providing a home where they feel respected and where their views are heard. I have been approached with the idea of a Student Youth Council being formed through the school to get our young people involved in civic life. They would look to Town Council for mentorship and I would support this initiative completely.

If elected to Council, I will strive to foster healthier communication with residents, businesses and community organizations. One of the toughest challenges of being a municipal official is managing expectations — our own and those of our residents — from the smallest of issues to those that are enormous. It is a constant struggle to find the balance, but I will not back down from the challenge.

I am committed to openness and honesty as your representative on Council. If I am elected, you can count on me to listen to your concerns and follow up on your behalf.



Rhonda Clark wins June's Dessert of the Month



The Spiritwood Public Library continues to play catch up with their dessert of the month draws that were postponed due to the pandemic. Kathleen Gatzke created a beautiful dessert for June's draw which was won by Rhonda Clark.

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT OF POLL

Living Sky School Division No. 202

Whereas a poll is not required pursuant to *The Local Government Election Act, 2015*, for the office of Board Member for Living Sky School Division No. 202, Subdivision 1, 4, 5, 6, Town of Battleford, & City of North Battleford.

I HEREBY give public notice that no voting for the said offices will take place and the following persons are elected by acclamation:

- SUBDIVISION 1 (Spiritwood) – Kenneth Arsenault
- SUBDIVISION 4 (Unity) – Ronna Pethick
- SUBDIVISION 5 (Macklin) – Kim Gartner
- SUBDIVISION 6 (Luseland, Kerrobert) – Bernadette Heintz
- SUBDIVISION Town of Battleford – Glen Leask
- SUBDIVISION City of North Battleford – Richard Hiebert
Rocky Omelchenko
Shaun Weber

Dated this 9th day of October, 2020

Allie Raycraft
Returning Officer

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT OF POLL

Light of Christ Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 16

Whereas a poll is not required pursuant to *The Local Government Election Act, 2015*, for the office of Board Member for Light of Christ Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 16, Subdivision Spiritwood, Unity and North Battleford.

I HEREBY give public notice that no voting for the said offices will take place and the following persons are elected by acclamation:

- SUBDIVISION Spiritwood – Glen Gantefer
- SUBDIVISION Unity – Gerald Beres
- SUBDIVISION North Battleford – Stephanie Merkowsky
Gary Nolin
Jose Pruden
Brandy Pyle
Adrienne Welter

Dated this 9th day of October, 2020

Allie Raycraft
Returning Officer



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This year's Remembrance Day service will be held outside at the Shellbrook Cenotaph Park @ 10:45 am



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COVID-19's impacts will linger in free trade

When the world shudders from a major event, and the COVID-19 pandemic is certainly a major event, countries tend to look inward as fear sets in.

That is at least on the surface and seems a logical response. Certainly here in Canada we look at the border restrictions which limit travel to and from the neighbouring United States as a good thing given the seeming lack of control, or even a hint of a plan to deal with the pandemic, from state-to-state, all the way up to the president's office south of the 49th parallel.

But, trade needs to be

maintained.

Economies today are almost all integrated across borders, meaning raw materials are often gathered from one country, processed in another, with the product sold in various other countries. Close a border for any reason and the system shudders.

Here in Canada agriculture producers are fully aware of that after the beef industry was generally brought to its proverbial knees when Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE), was first found in an Alberta cow in 2003, with export markets closed in reaction.



CALVIN DANIELS

The situation is of course different with COVID-19. The fear is that movement of people, and even products, can increase the likelihood of disease transmission.

Certainly in this household, a book package sent from Britain

will go into a period of isolation, then disinfecting, before being opened. Is that being overly cautious? Perhaps, but it is a non-onerous effort that comes down to being better overly cautious, than on a ventilator.

So, if we in this household are being cautious, it's easy to understand why governments are looking at domestic production being easier to ensure safe than those from half a world away moving through various hands before arriving.

So to read on www.producer.com that according to the World Trade Organization, between October 2019 and

May 2020, G20 economies implemented 154 new trade or related measures, finding 95 to be trade-facilitating and 59 as trade-restrictive, is hardly surprising.

But, for Canada, a producer of much that cannot possibly be consumed domestically, trade is essential, and the freer of barriers that trade is the better.

The increase in protectionist policies around trade create those barriers, and that COVID-19 has increased such rules and regulations is not good news for producers here.

The situation is made more concerning here

since the general mood of the US under President Donald Trump is to be more protectionist, even before the COVID pandemic struck.

And, in Europe the decision by the United Kingdom to pull out of the European Union, itself largely a protectionist effort, muddies the waters across the EU in terms of trade and more importantly in terms of trade access.

The impact of COVID has of course been felt in practically every facet of our lives this year, but the impact of free trade may be a facet where the effects are felt the longest.

Cheryl Ledding for Shellbrook Town Council

My name is Cheryl Ledding and I have let my name stand for a Shellbrook town council position.

I was born and raised on a farm in the Shellbrook area. I received my education in the Shellbrook schools, before attending the University of Saskatchewan where I received my Bachelor of Education Degree.

I am currently teaching at Shellbrook Elementary School. I am presently part of the Shellbrook Minor Sports Executive and have served as President for two years. I also belong to the Shellbrook Figure Skating Executive.

I was fortunate enough to play all minor sports in the Shellbrook facilities. Over the

years, I have had a direct role in the refurbishment and improvement of our recreation facilities, to where they are equal to or better than most towns our size.

With three of my own children, I am very interested in maintaining these facilities and promoting future changes.

I now feel it is time to expand

my focus, and work towards making the same improvements to our roads, water and other infrastructure in Shellbrook. I have experience in budgeting and dealing with unions, which will also be very beneficial.

I look forward to working with the Mayor and other Council members to better the town.



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Jerry of Jerry's Barber Shop in Leask retires after 51 years

By Norma Galambos and Diane Harris

Jerry Heinbigner grew up on the family farm in the Hague district. When his father passed away, he continued to help his mother on the farm. He attended Kelsey Institute in Saskatoon in 1967, obtaining his barber/hairstylist certificate. In 1968 he operated a barbershop in Hague.

That year, Jerry married Shirley Friesen, whom he met when she moved to Hague from Saskatoon when she was in grade 12. Her parents had purchased her grandparents' farm near Hague.

Soon after, the young couple had an opportunity to move to Leask. In 1969 Jerry's sister, Gladys and brother-in-law, Ray, purchased the bowling alley and hired Jerry and Shirley as managers. Jerry set up a shop within the facility and began his 51-year career as a barber in Leask.

Jerry kept his prices affordable. His original price for a haircut was \$1.00 for adults, \$.75 for students,

and \$.50 for kids. The cost of a haircut in 2020 was \$10.00. In the early years, Saturday nights were especially busy at the bowling alley/barbershop, as stores stayed open late, and everyone came to town.

In 1974, when the bowling alley was sold, Jerry built a barbershop on Main Street, which opened in 1975.

Shirley worked at the Royal Bank and McHansons' Hardware Store. In 1990, the barbershop housed a Sears office with Shirley as the Catalogue Agent until her retirement in 2005.

Jerry accommodated his clients' schedules. They often booked last-minute appointments when they saw him on the street or at coffee row.

He gave the youngsters a five-stick pack of Juicy Fruit gum as a treat after a haircut. They were anxious to get their haircut so they could get the gum. Jerry recalls kids eating the entire pack by the time their dad finished getting

his haircut. He continued giving out five-stick packs of Juicy Fruit until they were no longer available in Canada. Jerry then began giving a bag of chips to his young clients. This thoughtful gesture left a lasting impression on many people. Clients travelled from many communities or returned after moving away to get their hair cut by Jerry.

In 1987-1988, Chris Donohue apprenticed with Jerry in order to obtain her Journeyman's License as a hairdresser.

Jerry was active in the community serving on the village council for two terms and the Wheatland Lodge and Leask Medical Clinic Committee. Jerry is an avid golfer and was on the club board. He served 35 years with the Fire Department and 43 years with the Lions Club. Jerry and Shirley participated in the "Street Dramas" held during the homecoming celebrations. In retirement, Shirley has been a member of the Lutheran Ladies Quilting Club, the Legion Quilting Club and the Wheatland Lodge Auxiliary.

Together they raised two sons; Carey, born in 1971 and Dean in 1974, who now reside in Moose Jaw. Jerry



and Shirley have three grandchildren: Brooke, Keira and Jesse.

Jerry's Barber Shop remained open until March 18, 2020, when the province implemented closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic. A compromised immune system due to asthma led Jerry to decide to retire.

In some families, five generations share memories of going to Jerry's for a haircut. His clients feel a bit lost without him.

Over the past 51 years,

Jerry greeted his clients in a warm and friendly manner and listened to countless stories.

Congratulations, Jerry, and best wishes on your retirement.

Jerry says he appreciates his many loyal clients from the local and surrounding communities, who have been both his clients and friends over the past 51 years.

Bev Breland for Blaine Lake Town Council

My name is Bev Breland. My husband and I have lived in Blaine Lake for the last 21 years. In this time, we raised 3 children, owned and operated a business for 9 years, and have been actively involved in community development serving on various boards (16-43 Waste Management Corporation, Blaine Lake Library Board, Blaine Lake Chamber of Commerce, St. Andrew's Parish Council) committees (Blaine Lake Community Association), and municipal appointments (Blaine Lake Alderman 2001-2004; 2016-present).

I value honesty, integrity and transparency when it comes to taxpayers' hard earned dollars. As such, I am seeking re-election to ensure your voice continues to be represented at the table. My priorities include improving infrastructure, the continuation of essential services, and collaboration among the sectors to ensure the safety, security and health of our residents.

I am a committed and loyal person; in order to be an effective town representative, I take the time to listen to you, the community members, and bring your opinions and perspectives to town council.

It is crucial that you exercise your right to vote on November 9, and vote Bev Breland.



NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT OF POLL

[Section 82 of The Local Government Elections Act, 2015]

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CANWOOD NO. 494

Public notice is hereby given that:

Richard De Bruijn was nominated for the office of Division Five and is the only candidate; therefore, no voting for the office will take place on November 9, 2020.

Dated at Canwood, Saskatchewan this 22nd day of October, 2020.

Lorna Benson
Returning Officer

Notice of Poll

[Section 81 of The Local Government Election Act, 2015]

The Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555 Municipal Elections 2020

Public Notice is hereby given that:

- 1) A vote will be held for the election of Reeve for the Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555 and for a Councillor for Division No. 3 for the Rural Municipality of Big River, No. 555.
- 2) The vote will take place on Monday the 9th day of November, 2020, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at:

REEVE POLL AT:	The Big River Community Centre, 606 First Street North, Big River, Saskatchewan.
DIVISION No. 3 POLL AT:	The Big River Community Centre, 606 First Street North, Big River, Saskatchewan.

3) I will declare the results of the voting at the Municipal Office on the 10th day of November, 2020, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

Dated at Big River, Saskatchewan this 15th day of October, 2020.

Donna Tymiak
Returning Officer

You will be required to provide identification when you attend the polls. For additional information on voter ID options please visit: <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/municipal-administration/elections/voting#acceptable-voter-identification>

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Please note: Submissions will be accepted up until the November 5 edition of the Chronicle & Herald, and **must** be submitted by 4 p.m. the Friday before you'd like your bio to appear.

Larry Batten for Shellbrook Town Council

Good day! My name is Larry Batten, and I am running for Shellbrook town councillor. I was born and raised in a family of six children in Kingston Ontario. I worked as an automobile technician at a G.M. Dealership from 1978 till

1986. I then began working for a home medical firm as a technician. This is where I met my wife, Kris, and we began our family. I was offered a job in the Toronto area. Here, I installed and serviced private and public elevating and mobility

devices for the physically challenged. Soon, I became Service Manager of High Technology Mobility. I met so many amazing clients that made me humble in their presence.

The years passed, the children grew up, they

moved west to follow their career paths and it was time for us to follow. We retired, sold our home, and moved to Shellbrook. When we arrived in our new home town, we fell in love with the people. They are so friendly, courteous and willing to help at any time. The town of Shellbrook has so many great people that we should be proud of.

We started going to the Pentecostal Church, where we were welcomed with open arms. Pastor Dave found me volunteer jobs that I was more than willing to do. He had me cutting concrete, pulling apart boards at the arena, and delivering for the community food bank. It felt good to be part of the community. I enjoy giving back to the town.



Why do I want to be a councillor? I see the infrastructure falling apart with high taxes that are paid by merchants and home owners. I see the water/sewer systems failing on a steady basis. The roads and walkways are in great need of re-

pairs. I am hoping I can bring a new perspective to solutions to help the community to overcome these problems that are putting a financial strain on its citizens.

This is why I would like you to vote for me, Larry Batten.

Trevor Boettcher for Shellbrook Town Council

I was raised on an acreage near Holbein. I attended Shellbrook Elementary School and W.P. Sandin Composite High School. I was active in both extracurricular sports and Shellbrook minor hockey throughout my school years. I graduated in 1990. I spent my university years in Camrose, Alberta, attending Augustana University College, and in Edmonton, where I completed a marketing diploma. In 1993, I married Pam Helm, and in 1994 we moved home to begin raising our family in the community in which we were raised, a move we've never regretted.



acting as president for four. I've also enjoyed coaching all three of my sons, and their friends, in minor hockey and ball for a combined total of 12 years.

My wife taught at the elementary school for 15 years. She currently teaches at W.P. Sandin. An academic elementary and secondary Shellbrook schools education served our boys very well. Our eldest is currently completing a doctor of chiropractic degree in Minneapolis, with plans to return to Saskatchewan very soon. Our middle son is enjoying a successful and busy career as a realtor, and our youngest is living it up in Grade 9 at W.P., playing every extracurricular and organized sport he possibly can.

Shellbrook is my home. There is no other place in which I'd rather live and raise my family. With the exception of university, I have lived my entire life in this community.

I cherish the small-town, local perspective; our actions are guided by a genuine care and concern for people and business. We take pride in who we are, collectively, and what we have to offer. I would be honoured to serve my community as a member of your Shellbrook Town Council.

For the duration of my working career, I have worked in the vehicle sales and financing industry in Shellbrook and Prince Albert. I am currently employed at Lakeland Ford in Prince Albert. In my lake community, I have served on the Sunnyside Cooperative Board of Directors for 8 years. In my home community, I've spent many years volunteering in a variety of capacities. Aside from organizing and chairing various community fundraisers, I was a member of the Elks Club for 15 years, chaired the Ag Fair for four years, and sat on minor sports executive for ten years,

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 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.

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 - 3 pm; Thursday 10 am - 4 pm; Friday 1 pm - 5 pm

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 - 5 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 - 6:30 pm; Tuesday 12 pm - 8 pm; Wednesday 2 pm - 8 pm; Thursday 12 pm - 6:30 pm; Friday 9 am - 4 pm.

SHELLBROOK: Shellbrook Theatre Movie Night, Sat., Oct. 31, Watch for Halloween special. **COVID-19 Protocols:** Wear mask until seated. Contact tracing, name, phone number. 80 attendees allowed. No outside food. Doors Open 7 p.m. Showtime 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. Doors open 1:30 p.m. for 2 p.m. Matinee.

CANWOOD: Canwood Regional Park 2020 Annual General Meeting - Monday, November 16, 2020, Canwood Legion Hall, 7:00 pm. Everyone Welcome! However, limited space due to COVID-19 restrictions! Please phone Ruth at 306-468-4661 to reserve a seat. Bring your ideas!!

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Municipal Election: What Shellbrook has to offer

**Submitted by
Diane Clements**

In this Municipal Election cycle it is exciting for us in Shellbrook to actually have a slate of multiple candidates that puts us into the position of having to vote for mayor and councillors. It is cause for reflection on how our town has been doing over the past several years. We have to think about what suits us, or where we would like to see changes and improvements.

My reflection has caused me to weigh the pros and cons of living in this small town, and has prompted me to ask the following questions:

What is it that attracted you to move to the Town of Shellbrook? What were your reasons in choosing this particular community?

If you have moved here and have remained here for several (or many) years, what is it that keeps you here? Is it because this community has continued to grow over time despite the fact that we are in such close proximity to the larger centers? Or is it because we are so close to Prince Albert and you can commute to a place of work? Is it due to the fact that Shellbrook offers many essential services, professional services, or recreational services? Is it because Shellbrook provides a great educational setting within our schools? Is it because there is a hospital and medical services? Is it because we have an active Doctor Recruitment Committee? Is it because you have a place of worship available to you? Is it because of a combination of all or some of the above?

Why do you think this community has been able to grow and to hold on to these services over the years, when many other small towns have reduced their services because their population has migrated to larger centers?

When a town not only provides the basic living essentials, but also provides extra amenities that make life enjoyable, people will take a second look and decide that this would be a great place to live.

Shellbrook has been largely built on the backs of volunteers – people with ideas and a collective passion to create and sustain a place to raise children and call home.

Our governing forefathers recognized the need for increased and improved facilities over time and stepped forward to help create spaces for the people to come together.

Many of these extra amenities are what draw new residents to our community.

Many of these facilities would not have been made possible without an abundance of dedicated volunteers. This visible thriving community is what continues to bring people here. We are strong due to the support of our businesses, our service clubs, our community volunteers and supporters, and our town councils.

We have a very extensive and attractive list of services in Shellbrook:

- K to 12 Schools
- Doctor Clinics
- Hospital & Long Term Care Facility
- Stars Helicopter landing location
- Dental Clinic
- Child Day Care
- Therapeutic Professionals
- Public Library
- Canada Post Office
- RCMP office
- Grocery store and Meat Markets
- Banking institutions
- Pharmacies
- Funeral Services
- Restaurants and Food Services
- Relators
- Tax Services
- Gas stations
- Two major automotive sales and services
- Automotive service and repair centers
- Commercial construction equipment rental
- Contractors and Trades – Electrical, Plumbing, Building
- Building and Home Maintenance Suppliers
- Farm Suppliers
- Farm Elevator services
- Motel & Hotel
- Towing Service
- Welders
- Concrete and hauling
- Trucking Transportation
- Various retail outlets and Home Businesses
- Insurance providers
- Local Newspaper
- Accounting and Legal Services
- Financial and Investment providers
- Hair Care and Personal Services
- Long Term Storage Units

We have a very extensive and attractive list of social & recreational facilities in Shellbrook:

- Sports Grounds
- Swimming Pool
- Kinsmen & Kinettes playground
- Kinsmen & Kinettes outdoor skating rink/basketball

facility

- Centennial Park Playground and skateboard park
- Camp Grounds
- Skating & Curling Facility
- Golf Course
- Fish & Game and Lake Country Indoor Target Range
- Senior Centre
- Theatre
- Community Hall
- Legion Hall
- Dance Studio
- Museum
- Scout Building – Summer Playground Program

We have a very extensive and attractive list of service clubs and faith denominations in Shellbrook:

- Kinsmen and Kinettes
- Royal Canadian Legion and Legion Aux
- Royal Purple
- Minor Sports, Skate Club and Recreation Clubs
- Business Improvement & Development Committee
- Arts Council & Parkland Artisan Tour
- Senior's Club
- Lutheran Church
- Anglican Church
- Knox United Church
- Roman Catholic Church
- Pentecostal Assembly
- Seventh Day Adventist
- Ministerial Association & Food Bank
- Knights of Columbus

So all combined, this is a pretty impressive list of possibilities as to why people choose to live in Shellbrook. It is so awesome! (And I apologize to any that I may have missed.)

All of these organizations, businesses, recreational and medical facilities didn't just pop up overnight. There is such a rich history of research and planning and development and fund raising and volunteerism and cooperation that resulted in the completion of many enormous projects over time, and that were coordinated through the support of town councils.

Lots of time and effort were donated by town residents, as well as by those from the surrounding rural areas who have seen the potential for many of these projects. And one of the best outcomes from all the hard work and planning is the pride that has been created in our community.

Along with all of these great essential services and amenities in our town, comes regular attention to keeping everything in working order, providing top notch service, and keeping everyone happy. The burden of keeping the or-

der falls on the heads of those who are elected to run our community – the mayor and councillors. They are tasked with addressing a huge mix of ongoing individual wants and needs.

It would be great if all individual wants and needs are met. However that is an ideal concept, and strict attention to solving all individual problems is an abstract idea at best.

“You can please some of the people all of the time, you can please all of the people some of the time, but you can't please all of the people all of the time.”– John Lydgate: Sound Familiar?

For any governing body there will always be the demand on them to please all of the people all of the time. That's just the desire of human nature.

But even in striving to create the best scenario for the general population, the governing body is sure to make mistakes along the way or cause displeasure to some. There will never be total agreement on any subject, large or small.

For myself, I have been involved on various volunteer boards and service clubs operating in our community for many, many years.

I found this to be a great way to get out and meet other community members and form many friendships along the way. There is no reason to feel like an outsider if you put yourself out there and meet people.

It has been my experience over 47 years as an active volunteer in our town that there has always been an open path for positive and progressive communication with the various changing town councils.

We have raised five children in this community and through their involvement in various activities we have been out there experiencing and supporting so many of the amenities that Shellbrook offers.

We owned a small business for eighteen years and got to work with town councils in supporting a vibrant business sector.

It has been my experience over 47 years that there is a proper procedure to follow in making any concerns known to the town council. Reasonable dialogue goes a long way in problem solving. I haven't always gotten what I wanted but I have felt that I was listened to.

I recognize the enormity

of governing a town and that there is a lot of give and take involved in keeping Shellbrook a great place to grow.

I take great pride in this community for the sense of family and commitment that has presented itself over and over again in hosting fundraising events for individuals who have fallen upon hard medical times or have found themselves in times of financial stress due to other losses.

Our community has never failed when called upon to respond to these situations. Why is that? I believe it is because we are surrounded by people who care. And individually we as residents can also step forward in minor ways to lend a helping hand to our neighbours when the need arises.

We shovel driveways, pick up the mail, pick up groceries, offer someone a ride downtown. Provide some relief to those in need. That's what an attractive community looks like – people helping people.

It is great to live in a democracy where we are given the chance to vote for a candidate who best supports our personal views and agendas.

In this current electoral cycle in Shellbrook please find the time to personally contact your nominees to speak about your concerns and wishes to see where they are coming from. And then step back and take a good look at the list of what our town provides to you, the residents, and realize the enormous balancing job that is required to keep everything on track.

It is my hope that you are able to see all the 'positives' that you are privy to in this small town, along with the 'negative', and recognize that they are both a part of the whole.

I am not suggesting that you should just give up and accept whatever negative issues you may personally have instead of looking for solutions. Just know that you are considered an important part of the whole, and that we all need to work together for a common ground and put our personal issues in perspective.

In the end, please remember, it's not so much about what our town does for us, but rather what we can do to help keep our town vibrant. And all our good efforts can go a long way in lightening the load placed upon our elected governing officials.

We need to look at the whole picture when casting our vote.

James adds fuel to debate: LeBron or Jordan?

He really didn't need to prove it again, but LeBron James has confirmed he is the face of the National Basketball Association.

In fact, the 35-year-old Ohioan may have climbed the almost impossible mountaintop: As good as, or better than, Michael Jordan? Discuss.

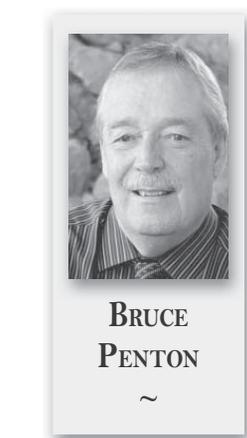
Annoyed that he was overlooked again as the NBA's most valuable player after leading Los Angeles Lakers to first place in the Western Conference, James made sure everyone took notice of his greatness by taking the Lakers to the 2020 NBA championship, the weird one within a 'bubble' at Orlando, Florida's Disney World complex. Oh, he had some help from Anthony Davis and a few other minions but it was the LeBron James show from start to finish, as James won his fourth NBA title (with his third team) in the Lakers 4-2 Finals' victory over Miami Heat.

It was with the Heat — "I'm taking my talents to South Beach" — where James won his first two NBA

titles, abandoning his hometown Cleveland Cavaliers to team up with Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh to win NBA titles in 2011-12 and 2012-13. Appeasing his home state, the Akron-born-and-raised James returned to the Cavaliers in 2014, and in the spring of 2016, led the Cavs to their first, and his third, NBA title. But then Hollywood beckoned and ... well, LeBron and Hollywood simply go together. He starred in Space Jam and is involved in next year's Space Jam — A New Legacy. He has three mansions in Greater L.A. — reportedly valued at \$36 million, \$23 million and \$21 million. And oh, by the way, he can still play a little ball.

When he signed with the Lakers prior to the start of the 2018-19 season, the team was an also-ran, coming off a non-playoff season. After missing 27 games due to injury in his first season with L.A., LeBron was absent from the playoffs for the first time in 13 seasons.

But the supporting cast was improved, Davis the most important piece of the



BRUCE PENTON

puzzle, and LeBron made the most of the opportunity. While the Lakers wanted to win another title for LeBron, they also wanted to win one in memory of Lakers' legend Kobe Bryant, killed in a helicopter crash in January.

No one has played more NBA playoff games than James. But some critics still say he doesn't qualify for the NBA's 'Mount Rushmore', something to which James takes exception. "I think personally thinking I have something to prove fuels me," James told Joe Vardon of The Athletic. "It fuelled me because no matter what I've done in my career . . .

there's still little rumblings of doubt or comparing me to the history of the game . . ."

Different players, different eras. LeBron or Jordan? The discussion could go on forever.

- NOT SportsCenter, on Twitter: "Did You Know: This is the first time Lakers fans have had their team win a title since 2018, when they were Warriors fans."

- Funny guy Steve Burgess of Vancouver: Everything is different in 2020. For example Canucks fans are calling for Jim Benning to be carved up like a Thanksgiving turkey, whereas it's usually Easter when they want him crucified."

- Jay Busbee of yahoo.com, on the mid-October NFL game between Jacksonville and Detroit: "If you are not a fan of either of these teams and you willingly watch this game, seek professional

help."

- Mushnick again: "MLB Network flatly reported that the Astros' George Springer had surpassed Babe Ruth for total 'postseason home runs.' Makes sense. Ruth went homer-less in wild-card, divisional championship and league championship games."

- Comedy writer Brad Dickson of Omaha: "Pinnacle Bank Arena is hosting a Husker Watch Party during the Ohio State game. Admission is free but they won't cover your funeral expenses."

- Steve Simmons of the Toronto Sun: "Leafs have signed Joe Thornton. They're aiming to win the 2012 Stanley Cup."

- Greg Cote of the Miami Herald: "What were the odds of Tom Brady forgetting it was fourth down? Only time Greg Cote gets mixed up on

small numbers is when he shoots a six on a golf hole and 'mistakenly' writes five on his scorecard."

- RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "The Ocean (N.J.) high-school football team once forfeited a game because six players had a skin infection. The boys were listed as healthy scratches."

- Dwight Perry of the Seattle Times: "A Zamboni resurfacing a hockey rink in Rochester, New York, caught fire and, with the operator still on board, wildly zoomed around the ice. No truth to reports they got it from the Calgary Flames."

- Perry again: "Rafael Nadal won the French Open for a record 13th time. Coincidence? The sun also came up east of Paris that very same day."

Care to comment? Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

Peter Halayka for Shellbrook Town Council

I, Peter William Halayka, resident of the Town of Shellbrook since 2011, wish to officially announce my candidacy for a position as a Councillor in the upcoming Town of Shellbrook election.

I was born in 1949 and raised in the City of Prince Albert. I completed elementary school at St. Michael's school, and high school at P.A. Technical High School (now Carlton High School) and graduated with an award in Electricity. During my years in high school I drove school busses to and from school around the City of Prince Albert, and city busses evenings and weekends for P.A. Northern Bus Lines.

After high school I took training as a firefighter/fire inspector, and worked for the Prince Albert Fire Department from 1969 to 1980 as a firefighter and fire inspection officer for the City of Prince Albert.

From 1980 to 1982, I worked as a Fire Protection Coordinator for Northern Sas-



katchewan and worked out of La Ronge, Sask. I organized fire departments in all Northern Saskatchewan communities, trained the firefighters, conducted fire inspections and investigations as required. I then worked for the Saskatchewan Fire Commissioners office from 1982 to 1993. I was then the Building/Fire Inspector for the City of Prince Albert from 1993 to 2007. I operated my own building inspection com-

pany for numerous municipalities, including Shellbrook, from 2007 to 2019 when I retired.

I was previously a member of the P.A. Lions club and the High noon Optimist club in Prince Albert, and a board member for the Shellbrook Housing Authority.

As a resident of Shellbrook, I find the town to be well managed and maintained. As a councillor I would like to be a part of the decisions that are made to maintain the town. Please support me with your vote in the upcoming election.

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Louise Beaulac for Leoville Mayor

My Name is Louise Beaulac and I am seeking your vote for the position of Mayor for the Village of Leoville. I was born and raised here in Leoville and together with my husband, Gerard, we are extremely proud to have raised our family in this community.



We have 3 children and 3 grandchildren who all call Leoville their home.

In the past, I have had the opportunity to sit on various committees and boards, including Northern Lakes School Division, Living Sky School Division, Village of Leoville as a Councillor, Leoville Community Hall Board, and St. Therese Parish Council.

I own businesses in this community and have seen firsthand how a community can become dependent on growth, whether its families moving here to settle down, or families coming home for short visits, starting a small business, hunting, fish-

ing, community events, work, etc. We need to embrace it all. We have a beautiful community with the "friendliest" of people. I hear it all the time. You all should be so proud.

My Platform:

- Keep Leoville a Safe place to live, work and visit.
- Strong interest in growing and investing in our community
- Continue to see through ongoing projects

- Keep taxes, utilities, fair and affordable

- Support new business

- Invest in our youth

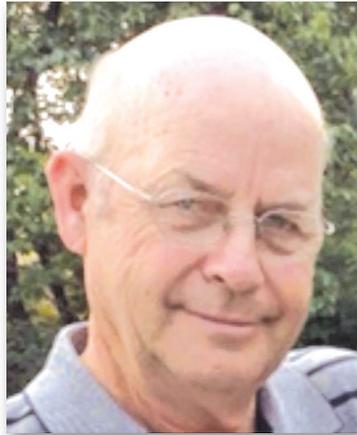
I would be honoured and humbled by your support on Nov. 9.

Thank you

The R.M. of Spiritwood's Motto is Come for a visit – Then come to stay

I was born and raised in Shell Lake. Together with my wife, Diana, of 49 years, we have raised our family in this community. We have 3 children and 9 grandchildren, all who call Shell Lake their second home and gather at Misty Grove every summer.

My Qualifications and Past Community Involvement include, Vocational Agriculture Diploma – University of Saskatchewan, President, Vice-President, Treasurer - Shell Lake Lions Club – 40 years, Spiritwood Hospital Board – 5 years, Leader – Shell Lake 4H Club – general leader 10



Committee – 10 years, B.C.U. Financial – Shell Lake Branch Membership Relations Committee – 3 years, Big Shell Lake Watershed Stewardship Association – 4 years

Why I am running: Due to my extensive experience in farming and serving the community in Shell Lake, Spiritwood and the Province of Saskatchewan, I have an understanding of the needs and struggles of the community

years, Shell Lake Curling Club, Saskatchewan Forage Council – 9 years, Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee: 26 years, Spiritwood Co-Op Board of Directors: president, vice-president – 9 years, Environmental Farm Plan Peer Review

and the R.M. of Spiritwood as a whole. I have always considered what is best for the community.

My Goals: To represent the people in my division and R.M. as a whole and make this a place that serves all the ratepayers; To model respect to everyone - tax payer or visitor to our community; High level of transparency to the ratepayers, whom council will be accountable to; Develop an atmosphere where everyone is valued; Two-way communication with ALL stakeholders; A long-term vision is critical to preserving our natural resources, while making sure that all people have the opportunity to enjoy our beautiful lakes, parks and other natural resources. Physical well-being is important to mental health and should be promoted and incorporated into the R.M.'s plans and by-laws; and Review the bylaws/policies to ensure they are consistent and reasonable for all ratepayers.

GOOD NEWS

DURING COVID-19 WE MUST LOVE ALL OUR NEIGHBOURS

By Jonathan Worrall
Student Minister
Knox United Church

As a student-minister, I have been provided with the opportunity to gain knowledge both through academia as well as through on-the-job learning. Most recently, I have enrolled in a course

offered through the Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre.

In the introductory session, Adrian Jacobs, Keeper of the Circle, said something truly impactful. Regarding COVID-19, Jacobs remarked that the pandemic had illustrated the importance of respect, in two key ways. Firstly, he said, was the importance of self-respect; as in, respect yourself enough to wash your hands and follow provincial health guidelines. Secondly, respect for others; wear a mask and maintain social distance. Wearing a mask in public, he said, is a sign of respect; you care enough about someone else, to protect them from harm.

Jacobs's reflection caused me to deeply reflect upon our ethical and legal responsibility as well as our Christian duty as it pertains to returning to in-person worship during a time of pandemic. I have heard many of the ministry personnel remark upon the difficulties in returning to worship; it is difficult to ensure that all

practice social-distancing, as members of the faith community want to embrace. Additionally, wearing masks, and no singing, and entry being barred to those who have symptoms similar to COVID-19 (in addition to the numerous other guidelines), have the overall effect of altering the traditional worship experience.

I have heard countless people remark that communities of faith are gathering together, yearning for a sense of normalcy. Sadly, the reality of COVID-19 makes this return to normal, to the way things were, impossible. This is, as countless medical personnel have stated, "the new normal." While these rules may seem counter-intuitive to our sense and practice of Christian fellowship, these rules are in place to protect us all, and most importantly, we can still gather for worship. We are still the body of Christ.

While there are those who feel that following these guidelines are infringing on their civil liberties, I however find

legitimacy in these protocols in Scripture. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." (Matt. 22:37-40)

Recent events have served to illustrate that it is quite clear that God does not want God's children to gather in an unsafe manner, or in ways that would jeopardize the health and well-being of members of creation. We are to live with respect in creation. We are commanded to love our neighbour, and it is obvious that Jesus viewed everyone as his neighbour. As Christians we must do likewise. Following these guidelines shows respect for your neighbour, wherever you are.

We can and will get through this, with God as our helper, and through showing both love and respect to our neighbour and all of creation. God be with you all.

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Craig Hamilton for R.M. of Leask Reeve

Please note: The following bio is running a second time because Mr. Hamilton's contact information was erroneously excluded in the October 22 edition.

Greetings,
My name is Craig Hamilton and, I am looking for your support in this fall election for the position of Reeve of the R.M. of Leask #464. My wife and I are cabin owners in Pelican Cove at

Iroquois Lake.

I was raised on a mixed farm in the Radisson/Fielding area and I have been involved with grain and livestock most of my life. In my younger years, I served with the R.C.M.P. in Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories. I returned to the family farm in the early 90's to help my father and to raise my family. I have been involved with Municipal Government for the past 20 years, and my involvement with the community is as follows:

- 20 years with R.M. of Mayfield #406, including 12 years as Division 1 Councillor, and 8 years as Reeve;
- 12 years as Borden Care Home Director/Chair;
- 8 years as Borden Hospital Foundation Secretary/Director;

• 4 years as Hwy #16 Fire Coalition Founder/Director; and

• Rural Crime Initiative & Pilot Project. SK Corrections & Policing, RCMP North Battleford Det./ R.M. of Mayfield #406, Jan. 1, 2019-Present - Founder/Coordinator

I believe that R.M. Councils are entrusted with public funds to ensure that ratepayers' needs for infrastructure and safety are met. This, along with an environment for businesses and ratepayers to prosper, while maintaining fiscal accountability, is crucial.

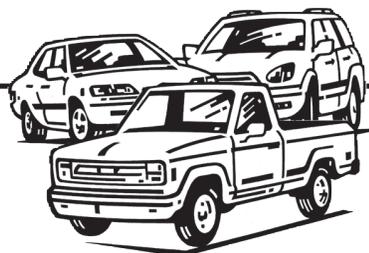
The R.M. must continue to be open to ideas of ratepayers and continually work to support and develop positive relations with other local Government and interest groups.

I believe that with your support, this can be achieved. Please feel free to contact me to discuss this further.

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A window-sill herb garden to spice up your cooking

By Erl Svendsen

Watch any cooking shows lately? The on-screen chef may tell you to grab a couple of sprigs of thyme or chop up some fresh oregano. I get it – dried herbs stored too long in the cupboard may taste of nothing. But fresh herbs from the grocery store are expensive. If it's someone like Jamie Oliver, he'll casually walk over to his large greenhouse kitchen window and snip whatever he needs for the soup, stew or other fancy dish he's preparing. Like anyone could do that? Well, you can, actually. All you need are good light, a few potted herbs and a little bit of know-how.

Light and temperature: Most herbs require full sun or at least very bright light for a minimum of six hours per day. If you don't have a window that can provide this, then indoor grow-lights (fluorescent or LED) will do. However, artificial lights need to be close to the plants, within a few centimetres (1-2

inches) from the top of the plants, and on for ten hours per day to make up for the lower light intensity. If growing in a window, keep both the pot and plant away from the glass to avoid chilling and freezing damage in the winter (even if you have triple-glazed windows). Otherwise, regular room-temperature (21°C) is fine.

Pots: You can grow a few herbs together in a long, narrow container or each type in its own pot. Pots should be at least 15 centimetres (6 inches) deep and wide to give you enough plant material to harvest regularly.

Media: Use a sterilized, well-draining, soil-less media like a cactus mix.

Plants: Repot healthy, vigorous plants into a 2-5-centimetre (1-2-inch) larger diameter pot if they are root-bound.

Herbs from seed: Growing from seed is quite easy. If no seed is available at your local garden centre, you can order online or from speciality mail-order seed companies (if



Windowsill garden that anyone can aspire to growing themselves. Photo credit: image courtesy nhok blu3.

it's not too late in the year, you may even be able to purchase small plants). Start by filling your pot with media. Water well, allowing the soil to drain completely. Sprinkle a few seeds on top, cover with a thin layer of media and spritz lightly to moisten. Cover the pot with a clear bag to maintain high humidity and to prevent the top from drying out. Place pot in a bright location. Remove the bag as soon as little green seedlings appear. Spritz the media surface regularly to pre-

vent drying out until the seedling roots are better established. If the soil gets too dry, water from below (soak the pot in 3 centimetres / 1 inch of water until the surface is moist) and allow to drain completely. Never allow pots to sit in water for prolonged periods.

Maintenance: Once past the seedling stage, water pots only when the soil feels dry. Herbs prefer to be kept on the dry side and will sulk (and possibly die) if kept too wet. Fertilize once a month with a half-strength complete fertilizer solution (e.g. 20-20-20 + micronutrients) or use a long-lasting granular con-

trolled release fertilizer at half the recommended rate. As the plants are establishing, snip off the top centimetre or two (0.5-1 inch) to encourage them to bush out. Remove leggy, thin stems and older yellowing leaves.

Harvest: You can start harvesting when the stems are about 15 centimetres (6 inches) long. Do not take more than a third of your potted herb to avoid causing too much stress and weakening the plant.

Herb options: Start with herbs that you would normally cook with like basil, chives, cilantro, dill, oregano, parsley, sage and

thyme. Get more adventurous as you get more experience.

Refresh: Replace or reseed herbs that have become leggy, woody, unproductive or gone to seed. Some herbs are annuals anyway (oregano, parsley, cilantro) and have a short life (4-6 months).

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