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Spiritwood Ag Society hosts 4-H Achievement Day

The Spiritwood Ag Society hosted the 75th Annual Regional 4-H Achievement Day on June 5 and 6. In attendance were the Medstead Multiple 4-H Club and Northern Spirit 4-H Club.

Mr. Myles Hansen was the Beef Judge and Mr. Rick Matthews was the Sheep Judge, together with announcers Mr. Boyd Stuart and Mr. Kelly Schneider. The day was full of showing and smiles and everyone was happy to be back after being away for two years.

The day started with some judging and record book awards, followed by a pizza supper. The record book judges were Joe and Isabelle Horn for the Cloverbuds and Meagan Buscholl for the Junior and Intermediate members.

The 4-H Record Book winners for Cloverbud were sponsored by Joe & Isabelle Horn and the Spiritwood Vet Service. First place saw a tie between Phoenix Walter and Reagan Pain, while Ray-Elle Sanders won second place and Mackenzy Johnson finished third. Rounding out the top five were Ryder Dzialo-Findlay in fourth, and Ajla Dezic in fifth.

On the Junior record books, which were sponsored by Bryan & Lynn Gaboury, the top finisher was Mackenzie Walter. In second was Coleby Rose, and in third was Silvan Raess. In addition, the fourth place finisher was Lejla Dezic, Jessie Allchurch and Addison Pain tied for fifth place.

In the Intermediate record books, sponsored by Shawna Schira-Kroeker – Remax, Peyton Smith finished first, followed by Dalton Sanders in second. Liam Aumack was the third place winner.

The second day of the show was held on Monday, June 6, with both the Northern Spirit and Medstead Multiple 4-H Clubs participating in their annual parade at the Spiritwood Ag Barns. The day started with a couple pledges and singing O Canada.

Afterwards, they began with the beef program, and the grooming winners were named in each age category.

In the Cloverbud Grooming, which was sponsored by Jeanette Siegel, the winner was Ray-Elle Sanders and second was Phoenix Walter. Tenille Rose came in third, with Mackenzy Johnson just behind her in fourth.

The Junior Grooming, which was sponsored by Armand and Rosanne Smith, saw Mackenzie Walter claim top spot, followed by Jessie Allchurch in second, Theo Sanders in third, and Coleby Rose in fourth.

On to the Intermediate Grooming, which was sponsored by S&C Express (Chad and Shawna Smith), Dalton Sanders finished first, followed by Liam Aumack in second and Peyton Smith in third.



Van Slater with the grand champion steer.

In Team Grooming, which was sponsored by Crossroad Farms (Gerald and Laurie Woytiuk), the Northern Spirit 4-H claimed the top spot, followed by the Medstead Multiple 4-H in second.

The Judges were Clint and Niki Panter, Nine Mile Ranch, and H&J Plumbing and Heating Ltd.

Elsewhere, The Junior Judging winners were Brenner Egeland & Grayson Aumack, followed by Jessie Allchurch and Theoron Sanders. In the Intermediate Judging, Peyton Smith & Dalton Sanders won top prize, with Van Slater and Liam Aumack in second.

The Showmanship winners were also named per category.

In the Cloverbud category, which was sponsored by P Construction (Paul and Shirley Dauvin), all cloverbuds tied for first, including Keatley Aumack, Phoenix Walter, Ray-Elle Sanders, and Mackenzy Johnson.

Towards the Junior category, which was sponsored by Rockwell Salon (Raquel Siemens), first place was Jessie Allchurch, second was Mackenzie Walter, and third was

Ciara Conacher. Brenner Egeland and Coleby Rose rounded out the top five.

The Intermediate showmanship was sponsored by the Orange Family, with Dalton Sanders garnering first place, Peyton Smith finishing second, and Liam Aumack coming in third.

The Current Year Male Grand Champion, sponsored by CMT Farms (Chad and Michelle Tuck), winner was Mackenzie Walter.

The Current Year Female Grand Champion, sponsored by Hat Creek Ranch (Kristen Stuart), winner was Phoenix Walter.

The Current Year Female Reserve Champion, sponsored by Rod & Debbie Allan, winner was Mackenzie Walter.

In the Current Year Female Class, Phoenix Walter came first, Mackenzie Walter was second, Ray-Elle Sanders finished third, and Mackenzy Johnson was fourth.

The Grand Champion Yearling Heifer, sponsored by Shyhorses Photography (Robin Lafond), winner was Grayson Aumack. While Coleby Rose won the Reserve Champion Yearling Heifer, sponsored by Beau Lac

Funeral Home (Mark & Sheri Muir).

The Yearling Heifer Class winners are as follows:

- 1st – Grayson Aumack
- 2nd – Coleby Rose
- 3rd – Peyton Smith
- 4th – Jessie Allchurch
- 5th – Liam Aumack
- 6th – Ray-Elle Sanders

Meanwhile Dalton Sanders won the Grand Champion Cow/Calf, also known as the Jim and Madge Switzer Memorial Trophy. The award is sponsored by Jim and Madge's children, George Switzer and Dot Gaboury.

Ray-Elle Sanders won the Reserve Champion Cow/Calf, sponsored by West Cowan Apiaries.

In the Two-Year Old Cow/Calf Class, Dalton Sanders won the Grand Champion Female, sponsored by Aumack Simmentals (Russell & Brenda Aumack).

The Reserve Champion Female, sponsored by Nutrien (Derek Moore), winner was Grayson Aumack.

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Artists, flowers bloom at Honeywood

Hosting old friends and new for an event for the first time since the fall of 2019, Parkside's Honeywood Heritage Nursery was all abuzz on Sunday afternoon during its annual Artists in Bloom event.

Though she was apprehensive about the day and the impact the COVID-19 pandemic may have had on the nursery's support, Judy Harley, who oversees Honeywood, says he was pleasantly surprised when 210 people paid at the gate to spend the day touring the grounds, perusing the wares of artisans, listening to music, or just visiting.

Coming from both near and far, this year's artisans included Pat Wasylkowski (This n That), Carol Hofferd (stained glass), Cheryl Thiessen (Thirty-one Gifts), Ken Tickner (photography), Connie Sanche (artwork) Jason and Josh Klumpenhower (Wooden Shoe Roastery), Joyce and John Giesser (jewelry and antler carvings), and Annette Henbid (artwork).

With the support of Parkside's Double F Cattle Co., guests were also able to sample a lunch or supper of roast beef on a bun and Honeywood's famous apple and rhubarb crumbles. Emile Lamontagne, Marcel Lamontagne, Gilles

Francoeur, Jim Peake, and Ray Isbister provided the music for the afternoon.

"I, along with the Honeywood board members that were on hand for the day, felt it was a great day and were very happy with the event as a whole," Harley said, adding she was excited to have people come enjoy the beauty of Honeywood again.

It's been a slow start to 2022 for Honeywood, as a prolonged spring thaw meant guests couldn't come into the nursery until May 14. Despite this, Harley feels it's been another good season. Thanks to the support of Malcolm Jenkins and the Prince Albert Canadian Tire store, the greenhouse was once again full of annuals. With potted lilies, perennials, and trees and shrubs for sale, Harley says she's expecting a busy July.

Harley says she would be remiss if she neglected to mention the hard work Honeywood's staff put into preparing the grounds each season. Credit is also owed to long-time supporters like Connie Peake, who used her connections to find funding for nine new picnic tables for Honeywood's guests to enjoy (joining two others acquired with the help of Affinity Credit Union). Wendy Ledding helped complete the tables with umbrellas, securing a special price from Canadian Tire.

"We live in such a great province. I am constantly reminded of how much we owe to the support and encouragement of our friends and neighbours," Harley said. "The support, both from donations and by the volunteers, that we have received throughout the years has been tremendous. Without the help of our friends and neighbours, Honeywood would not be the great place it is today."



John Giesser of Big River was one of the artisans in attendance at Artists in Bloom, showcasing unique carved antler works.



(Above) Emile Lamontagne, Marcel Lamontagne, Gilles Francoeur, Jim Peake, and Ray Isbister provided musical entertainment through the afternoon, getting many toes tapping.



The artwork of Annette Henbid gave guests at Artists in Bloom plenty to look at.



As always, tours of the nursery grounds were popular during Honeywood's Artists in Bloom event.

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Please take note that pursuant to Section 13, *The Municipalities Act*, that the Town of Blaine Lake intends to consider relocating the Street known as 4th Avenue directly adjacent to the south of the present location of this street.

4th Avenue, Blaine Lake, Sask.

Any person claiming to be affected prejudicially by the proposed change or that person's agent has the opportunity to be heard at the next regular meeting of Council to be held on July 8, 2022 at #301 Main Street, Blaine Lake, Sask. commencing at 10:30 a.m.

Gina Bernier, CAO

Canwood Summer Youth Program

If your children ages 5 - 12 are looking for a fun and active way to spend the summer they are welcome to attend the free Summer Youth Program at the Canwood Public School. The program will begin Monday, July 11th, and run until Friday, August 26th. The program starts at 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday to Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon (with the exception of the August 1st statutory holiday). The children will be provided with a morning snack but will require a lunch.

Kids can come for half days, whole days, some days, or every day! Each week will have a theme with outdoor activities, crafts, exploring the community, and water games. To get weekly updates check the Facebook page @Canwoodsummeryouthprogram, as well as posters hanging around town that will indicate the weekly themes, activities, and excursions.

For any questions or further information, please contact the Summer Youth Program coordinator, Casey Kvinlaug at (306) 468-4056 or the Village of Canwood office at (306) 468-2016.

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WP Sandin hosts evening of the Arts

For the first time since 2018, the young actors and actresses in WP Sandin High School's Drama Club were able to take the stage at the Shellbrook Theatre and perform in front of parents, friends, staff, and community members during an Evening of the Arts.

The curtain rose last Wednesday on the club's production of playwright Jonathan Rand's *Check Please*, a one-act comedy in which young singles take the plunge into the world of blind dating, only to quickly discover that dating can always get worse.

The production, helmed by teachers Pam Boettcher and Kirk Pilon, starred Grade 8 student Airionna McQuillan and Grade 12 student Jade Keyowski as young ladies hoping for a normal date. Grade 8 student Sara Verbonac and Grade 12 student Daniel Vidal played their mostly normal male counterparts.

Unfortunately for the aforementioned four, there's a whole lot of strange out there, like Grade 10 student Alison Lamotte's Saskatchewan Roughriders superfan Melanie, or her marriage-obsessed Mary, or Grade 8 student Brooklyn Klaassen's Linda, whose many personalities (including a monkey) are larger than life.

Elsewhere, Kyleigh Schmalz (Grade 8) played Ken, a romantic with no awareness of personal boundaries, and the elderly Sophie, while Maddison Nelson (Grade 9) played raging kleptomaniac Pearl and Mimi the mime.

Grade 12 student Lance Paton pulled triple duty as Louis, who is immune to listening, Brandon, an actor who can land his dream role if only he can pass as a straight man, and Mark, a fashionista in a Versace bur-lap sack.

Rounding out the cast, Grade 8 student Marcail Philp starred as the everything-phobic Manny, and Grade 8 student Wyatt Henderson took on the role of youngster Todd, who's a little too young to be dating (but is at least willing to pay for dinner).

In addition to benefitting from the guidance of Mrs. Boettcher and Mr. Pilon, the production was assisted by Holden Willoughby, who transported and prepared the set, Claire Dupuis, who handled set design, decorating, makeup and painting, and students in WP Sandin High School's commercial

cooking class, who served up baking in the canteen.

As its name implies, the Evening of the Arts featured more than just theatre. The night opened with a musical performance from WP Sandin's Grade 6-8 Choir. And throughout the evening, art pieces created by WP Sandin students were up for auction in person and online.

All funds raised through donations at the door, the canteen, and the art auction went directly to WP Sandin's Fine Arts Program, and will support the school's future artistic endeavours.



Daniel Vidal's Guy is left speechless when his blind date turns out to be the mime Mimi, played by Maddison Nelson.



Sara Verbonac's Guy gets more than he bargained for during a date with Brooklyn Klaassen's Linda, whose many personalities include a monkey.



Members of WP Sandin's Grade 6-8 Choir opened the Evening of the Arts with a selection of musical numbers.

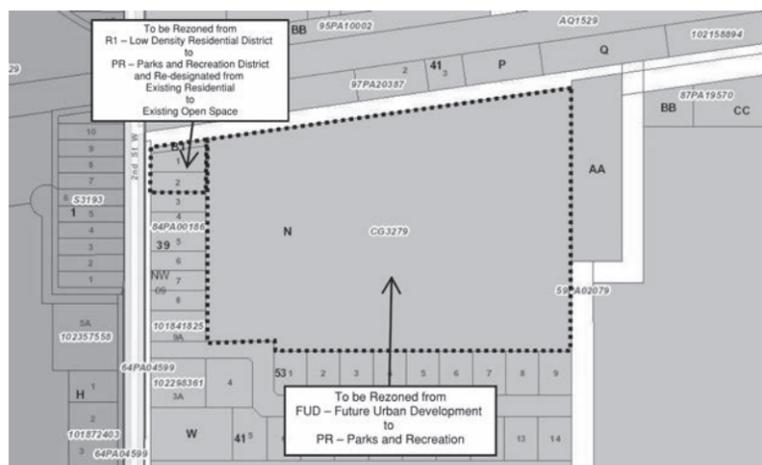
TOWN OF SHELLBROOK PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Shellbrook intends to adopt a bylaw under the *Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw 2018-01, known as the Zoning Bylaw and Bylaw 2012-06 known as the Official Community Plan.

INTENT

- The proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment will:**
 - Rezone Blk/Par B1-Plan 84PA00186 and Lots 1 and 2 Blk/Par 39-Plan 84PA00186 from R1 - Low Density Residential District to PR - Parks and Recreation District as shown on Sketch "A" below.
 - Rezone Blk/Par N - Plan CG3279 from FUD - Future Urban Development to PR - Parks and Recreation and as shown on Sketch "A" below.
- The proposed Official Community Plan amendment will:**
 - Re-designate Blk/Par B1-Plan 84PA00186 and Lots 1 and 2 - Blk/Par 39-Plan 84PA00186 from Existing Residential to Existing Open Space as shown on Sketch "A" below.

Sketch "A"



REASON

- The reason for the amendments are:
- To accommodate the existing sports grounds and portions of the golf course.

PUBLIC INSPECTION

Any person may inspect the bylaw at the Town Office, located at 71 Main Street, in the Town of Shellbrook, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM on Monday to Friday excluding statutory holidays. Copies of the proposed bylaw are available at the Town Office at a cost of \$1.00.

PUBLIC HEARING

Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 2nd, 2022, at 10:00am at the Town office to hear any person or group that wants to comment on the proposed bylaw. Council will also consider written comments received at the hearing or delivered to the undersigned at the Town Office before the hearing.

Issued at the Town of Shellbrook this 30th day of June 2022.
Kelly Hoare, Chief Administrative Officer

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Sask. Party gets failing grade on education

As another school year comes to a close – either too soon or not soon enough, depending on who you ask – it’s fitting that education seems to be the subject of increasingly heated discussions in provincial politics.

Children are our future, the old saying goes.

But to be our future, children must start with a strong foundation. And that foundation begins with an education to help shape them, not just intellectually, but also social-

ly and emotionally, into well-rounded human beings. For, it’s all well and good to create students who can recite Pi to the hundredth digit, but such things aren’t any more important than producing young adults who are empathetic and compassionate toward others.

So, what kind of foundation are our politicians creating for our children to inherit?

Under the Sask. Party, the foundation is looking increasingly shaky – or even downright eroded, if the words being used by the trustees of Saskatoon school boards are an accurate reflection of the reality school divisions across the province are facing.

In its 2022-2023 budget, the Sask Party government “increased” education funding by 1.3 per cent, up to \$3.8 billion from \$3.75 billion. Increased is appropriately in quotation marks here, because a 1.3 per cent boost to funding (much of which was taken up by a negotiated salary increase for teachers) is actually a substantial funding decrease when one factors in decades-high inflation and the province’s steadily growing number of K-12 students.

Indeed, according to Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, the budgeted “increase” for education funding amounted to just \$3.49 per student.

Faced with funding shortfalls, and required by law to balance their books, school divisions are faced with increasingly difficult decisions to make between finding new efficiencies, cutting staff and programs, introducing new fees, or raiding their rainy day reserves



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News Editor

to get out of the red.

While there is always fat to trim somewhere if one digs deep enough, Premier Scott Moe made his stance on the matter clear earlier this month, when he learned that Saskatoon schools were looking to impose a lunchtime supervision fee on families to help cover funding shortfalls.

“Before a school division is going to charge parents additional dollars for noon-hour recess... they most certainly should look at using some of the reserves that have been going in the last number of years as opposed to sending out invoices to parents,” he said, conceding that dipping into reserves is not a sustainable, long-term solution.

The trouble is, the Sask. Party government’s own documents show that most school divisions have seen their reserves dwindle since 2017 – a year in which the Sask. Party actually cut education funding by \$45.1 million, or 1.3 per cent. (The next year, the Sask. Party “restored” \$30 million of the cut funds, and tried to sell it as an increase in funding.)

What’s more, many of the reserves held by school divisions are earmarked for specific items, and can’t be used to cover operating expenses. Mr. Moe’s government should know this, considering it closely scrutinized every penny held by the school divisions as it was looking for dollars to offset its own budget shortfalls in 2017 – the same year it increased the PST to six per cent and broadened the list of goods and services it applied to.

It’s also hard not to ignore the hypocrisy in Mr. Moe’s statement. After all, it comes just months after a 2022-2023 budget in which his government once again expanded the PST, effectively charging taxpayers to fund an initiative to reduce surgical wait times. And when the federal government ponied up money for the same cause, it refused to reverse course and said the money collected would be used elsewhere.

As Sask. NDP Education Critic Matt Love recently put it, “It’s pretty rich



for Scott Moe, who has never balanced a budget, to both starve our school boards of funding and then scold them for being broke.”

In addition to the criticism over its failure to adequately fund education, the Sask. Party government faced questions last week regarding its funding of independent schools run by anti-LGBTQ organizations.

The Sask. Party recently earmarked \$17.5 million for the province’s 21 independent schools and four historic schools, citing the importance of giving parents choice when it comes to educating their children.

Fair enough, if you look beyond cases like Saskatoon’s Westgate Heights Academy, which is run by the Westgate Alliance Church. Per the church’s Discipline and Restoration policy, “Homosexuality is in violation of scriptural moral standards and is equivalent to crimes such as fraud and sexual assault.”

According to the school’s director, Rev. Frank Jeske, this policy only applies to church members, not to the school, its staff, or its students. Rev. Jeske adds, rather archaically, that Westgate Alliance welcomes all people “no matter their ethnicity or personal lifestyles.”

Defending the funding of schools backed by anti-LGBTQ organizations, Education Minister Dustin Duncan cited the Education Act, which gives parents and caregivers authority over where their children are enrolled and “allows parents of many faiths to educate their children in accordance with their conscientious beliefs.”

In his statement, Mr. Duncan added that, “All qualified independent schools are visited and monitored closely. Teachers are also supervised a minimum of three times each school year, and are required to submit their course outlines and lesson plans.”

The problem here is not parents choosing where to enrol their children in school. This should absolutely be their right, the same way its their right to choose their religious beliefs.

No, the problem is that the Sask. Party government thinks three visits per year and cursory reviews of course outlines and lesson plans provide a complete picture of the atmosphere in classrooms and in schools.

Failing to adequately fund education, and leaving the doors open for hate and bigotry to enter schools, is not the way to shape the next generation.

On education, after 15 years in power, the Sask. Party still gets a failing grade.

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Report from the Legislature

The summer solstice brought a very special celebration to Saskatchewan as we honoured National Indigenous Peoples Day. Events were held in many of our communities and parks to honour the heritage, diverse cultures, voices, and knowledge of First Nations, Métis and Inuit people.

At a sombre event at Government House in Regina, the Government of Saskatchewan and the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan dedicated a new memorial to the people and families impacted by residential schools. Elders and survivors were involved in every step of the process leading up to the official unveiling of the Saskatchewan Residential School Memorial on June 21.

Composed of all-natural elements the memorial acknowledges the earth and symbolizes the circle of life. The



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large central stone holds a map depicting the locations of former residential schools. It also incorporates a ceremonial smudge stone at the base.

With Canada Day celebrations upon us, we'd encourage everyone to take a moment to reflect on what it means to be Canadian. A free nation that cares about the world around us. A democratic country that upholds the value of diversity and multiculturalism.

Thank you to the men

and women who have served to keep our country safe. Thank you to the citizens of Saskatchewan for continuously working towards improving our communities for future generations.

Please be safe during the festivities this Canada Day weekend. Did you know that the risk of a crash doubles on a long weekend? Don't get behind the wheel if you have been drinking or using other intoxicants, plan a safe ride home from the celebration, wear your seatbelt, don't use your mobile device while driving and follow the speed limit. If we follow these tips from SGI, we can help everyone on the road reach their destination safely.

If you are heading out for summer travels this year, the Highway Hotline is a useful planning tool. The website hotline.gov.sk.ca will have an up-to-date map with highway construction,

travel warnings and other information you might need to avoid delays and prepare a different route.

Our Provincial Parks will be busy now that warmer weather has arrived. Last year our parks set a new record for visitation. Well over one million visits were recorded to Saskatchewan Provincial Parks in 2021, breaking the record of visits set in 2020. More than 400,000 camping nights were recorded in 2021, breaking a provincial record set in 2016.

As you explore our parks this year, new experiences and businesses will likely catch your eye. Our government has partnered with local businesses to offer new experiences and services to park visitors. This supports local entrepreneurs while expanding our park services and enhancing the guest experience. Nature walks, paragliding, sailing, a petting zoo and



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more; it's worth the time to check out what's new in our parks this summer.

And congratulations to the graduating class of 2022. Your efforts over the last couple of years have been impressive, pivoting to adjust to the pandemic while still focused on your education. Our government is keen to see our graduates stay here in Saskatchewan, helping build our province for the future.

The Graduate Retention Program, the most aggressive youth retention program in Canada, continues to provide up to \$20,000 in tax credits to post-secondary graduates who remain in Saskatchewan after graduation to start their careers. To date, more than 75,000 graduates have claimed these credits. You can find more information at Saskatchewan.ca.

We are now preparing for the Fall Sitting of the Legislature and would like to hear from you. Conversations during the summer months help to inform us on the programs and services that meet your needs. Reach out to your local Saskatchewan Party MLA office with any concerns or ideas you would like to share. Our offices can also help with issues that you might be experiencing while trying to access our services.

Feds importing American firearm politics to divide Canadians

The federal government's latest "freeze" on handguns follows the reclassification of 1,500 firearms (and, likely at the mistake of Ottawa bureaucrats who don't know any better, replica firearms for paintball and airsoft) on a Trudeau cabinet whim without any reasoning behind it.

There are steps that could be taken to improve public safety and crack down on gun crime in our country, but once again the Trudeau Liberals are targeting legal owners.

Your Saskatchewan Party MLAs recently debated a motion on the floor of the legislature to condemn the federal government's approach toward law-abiding firearm owners in our country.

What did the NDP do? They voted against it. Not only that, they made it clear they are in favour of the Trudeau government's moves for lighter sentences for criminals.

In 2021, the Liberal Government introduced Bill C-5 which seeks to repeal Mandatory Minimum Penalties on 14 offenses, most of them related to the illegal use of firearms.

That includes:

- Robbery with a firearm;
- Discharging a firearm with intent;
- Possession of prohibited or restricted firearm with ammunition; and
- Possession for the purpose of weapons trafficking.

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So, if you rob someone with a gun, shoot a gun at someone, have a restricted gun that you never should have had in the first place, or try to smuggle a gun, the Trudeau Liberals and NDP believe our justice system is putting people behind bars for too long. On the other side of that is the demonization of legal firearm owners with made up terms like "assault style weapons" meant to scare people in Toronto that don't know a thing about firearms.

The Liberals arbitrarily ban certain firearm models with no reason, no input from police, and for no effect on our streets; just to make it look like they are doing something. On top of that, they have now introduced a new gun registry, something they promised Canadians they would not do.

Your Saskatchewan Party MLAs oppose these bills and have been very clear that we support law-abiding firearm owners. Meanwhile, the Saskatchewan NDP has made their position painfully clear; they stand with the Trudeau-Singh coalition on this and countless other issues that don't align with Saskatchewan's interests. It's just another example of an out-of-touch NDP choosing to stand with Ottawa instead of Saskatchewan.

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Chase the Lucky 7 wraps up with BBQ

This year's Chase the Lucky 7 draw didn't feature the same down-to-the-wire excitement of last year's draw, which saw the Lucky 7 remain hidden until the final night, but both the Shellbrook Kinettes and the Shellbrook Curling Club still had another good year.

Each year, the amount the two organizations earn through the Lucky 7 varies depending on how quickly the Lucky 7 is pulled. But generally, the longer the Lucky 7 remains in play, and the higher the jackpot climbs, the more tickets the community purchases each week. The Shellbrook Kinettes and Shellbrook Curling Club then split 50 per cent of each week's ticket sales, and inject those funds right back into the community through programs, services, and donations.

This year, Ashley Kristiansen brought a premature end to the jackpot at the March 18 draw, pulling the Lucky 7 and earning herself a payday of \$11,560.

Even with the jackpot reset to \$0 the next week, Kinetette Tasha Cyr says the community continued to support Chase the Lucky 7, helping the second jackpot grow to \$2,640 ahead of the final draw of the season on Friday, June 24.

There, the Lucky 7 had to go, and numbers were drawn until it was pulled. Jordan Buckingham was the first to draw, with his proxy eliminating #13 and earning him a \$500 payout. Finally, it was Brittany Olsen who got lucky and pulled the 7 card, earning herself the jackpot of \$2,640.

"We wouldn't be able to do this without the continued support of all those ticket buyers," Cyr said.

To express their gratitude to the community, the Shellbrook Kinettes and the Shellbrook Curling Club chose to end this year's Chase the Lucky 7 in style by hosting a free barbecue. Despite the less than ideal weather on Friday evening, the barbecue went over well, with the help of a donation of burgers from J&R Meats. Shellbrook Bigway also helped out by donating the burger buns.

As the Shellbrook Kinettes and the Shellbrook Curling Club tally up their earnings from this year's Chase the Lucky 7, Cyr says the Kinettes have plenty of work to do around the community. One of the club's main projects is finishing up the disc golf course at Centennial Park.

The Town of Shellbrook recently seeded the area for the last three disc golf baskets, so those will soon be in-

stalled. Hole sponsor signs have also been ordered, and those are expected to go up with the installation of the final baskets.

"We also have two gazebos to install at Centennial Park, and we will need to add more trees to the baskets we are adding. Then, hopefully a grand opening is in store," Cyr said.

Elsewhere, the Kinettes joined forces with Kirk Pilon's shop class at WP Sandin High school to add five little libraries to the community. One will be placed by the high school, and the other four will be placed around town for everyone to use, free of charge.

Other than this, Cyr says the Kinettes may use their summer slowdown to do a little upkeep at Kin Park.

Wild Rose 4-H ends strong season

By Lisa Brodacki

The wild rose 4-H Beef club recently attended the 2022 Prince Albert Regional 4-H Beef Show & Sale at the Prince Albert Exhibition grounds from June 11 to June 13. Also in attendance were the Canwood 4-H Beef Club, Weldon 4-H Beef Club, and West PA 4-H Beef Club.

Our club did very well at the show. We had multiple people finish at the top of their beef animal classes with their steers, heifers, or cow/calf pairs. We also had members who won grand champion with their animals.

Dawson Beaulac won grand champion heifer, then reserve overall with the cows and heifers. He also won home raised heifer. Sarah and Lena Gagne won reserve two-year-old cow/calf pair. Jacob Feige won grand champion steer. Lisa Brodacki won home raised steer.

So with that, and all the memories that people made, it was a very successful year for the Wild Rose Beef 4-H Club, due in no small part to the support of all of the buyers that bought 4-H steers or bid on the animals.



Wild Rose 4-H member Dawson Beaulac (right) won in a number of categories at the 2022 Prince Albert Regional 4-H Beef Show & Sale.



Wild Rose 4-H member Jacob Feige (with steer) won grand champion steer at the 2022 Prince Albert Regional 4-H Beef Show & Sale.

Rivier marks end of school year

Spiritwood's Rivier Elementary School held its year-end Mass on June 21 to celebrate the school year with its Grade 1/2 class. The Grade 6 class also received a blessing from Father Ramel Macapala to send them on their way to the high school, followed up by their diplomas and a gift from the School Community Council. The Rivier staff awarded the Samantha Bourassa Award to Grade 5 student Lexi Kajner.

The staff of Rivier Elementary School wishes everyone a blissful summer.



Students of Spiritwood's Rivier Elementary School celebrated the end of another school year with a mass led by Father Ramel Macapala.



Wild Rose 4-H Beef Club

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Native Prairie Week more than empty symbolism

Governments dole out week proclamations like business cards, with seemingly everything getting one.

So, it becomes increasingly a case of white noise in our world, as modern society never seems to have the patience to investigate this to determine what is truly important, and what is merely chaff, in a world where our collective thoughts are most influenced by the latest social media meme.

We have the incredible tool of the knowledge of much of the world at our fingertips – well if you can ever figure out all the ‘apps’ on your cell phone – but we seem to lack the

patience to investigate and learn.

So, when the Government of Saskatchewan proclaimed June 19 to 25, as Native Prairie Appreciation Week did most of us even know, and if you did happen to see that the week was being marked did you delve into why it was important?

Granted, it’s not easy keeping track of weeks and causes. The email inbox has them piling up on an almost weekly basis, but in this case why concern over native prairie.

“Saskatchewan’s prairie landscape is part of what makes our province so unique,” Environment Minister Dana Skoropad said in a government



CALVIN DANIELS

release. “This week emphasizes the importance of recognizing our native prairie for its benefits to not only people, but as a habitat for many species that call Saskatchewan home.”

On some scientific level it is the idea that native prairie makes Saskatchewan unique. But interview 100 people

on the street across this province and ask them what makes their home unique, and I would suggest it’s a pretty sure bet native prairie is not among the answers.

Equally, even recognizing native prairie versus a common pasture for cattle, or a field gone wild from lack of cultivation, would be beyond most of us.

Of course, native prairie is a grassland ecosystem that is one of the most diverse systems on earth, according to the aforementioned release.

“Native prairie ecosystems are some of the most at-risk ecosystems in the world. Native Prairie Appreciation Week is

an opportunity to draw attention to the need to conserve these important areas,” it stated.

“We recognize the importance of having a healthy and sustainable native prairie from an agricultural, economic, and ecological perspective,” Agriculture Minister David Marit said in the release. “Our producers know that sustainable grazing management of native pastures supports biodiversity on these ecologically important lands, sustainable growth in production of their operations, and will maintain this ecosystem for generations to come.”

While the agriculture department might rec-

ognize the importance, in our world it’s becoming ever more critical you find a way to educate the populace on why, because they vote on who controls the purse strings to fund things – including programs to help preserve native prairie.

And therein lies the biggest question: how do you catch the attention of people in a meaningful way these days, and encourage them to scratch just a few keystrokes deeper into something to learn a bit more than a government release proclamation?

Hopefully a few of you will Google native prairies and begin that process today.

Crop report: June 14 to 20

There was rain through all regions of Saskatchewan this past week, with some areas seeing higher amounts of localized precipitation. Growing conditions have been reported to be good in the southeast and east central regions where they have adequate moisture and warm weather. In the western regions, rain was received which was needed to keep crop development progressing and support pasture growth. Producers who did not receive rain are reporting their crops are starting to go backward in development. Livestock producers in the southern and west-

ern regions are happy with the rain since haying is coming up soon and the rain will greatly improve their hay yields.

The Marengo and Smiley areas received 86 mm, the Stoughton and Spiritwood areas received 84 mm, the Saltcoats area 61 mm, the Webb area 38 mm and the Star City area 32 mm. Rainfall varied across the province with many areas receiving 10 mm or less. More rain is needed to alleviate the drought stressed crop and pastureland in the drier areas of the province.

Provincially, moisture levels on crop and hay and pas-

tureland continue to improve as more areas of the province receive weekly precipitation. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as nine per cent surplus, 75 per cent adequate, 15 per cent short and one per cent very short. Hay and pastureland topsoil moisture is rated as six per cent surplus, 68 per cent adequate, 21 per cent short and five per cent very short.

Crop development has stalled due to extremely dry conditions in the west, which delayed germination and plant growth. In the east, development has been slow due

to overly wet conditions and cooler temperatures. However, it has been reported that conditions have improved on both sides of the province and crops will hopefully catch up.

Provincially, 73 per cent of fall cereals, 55 per cent of spring cereals, 45 per cent of oilseed crops and 64 per cent of pulse crops are at their normal stages of development for this time of year. Flea beetles caused substantial damage in some areas due to canola crops being so slow to develop.

Producers have been busy spraying when they can, scouting fields and performing oth-

er tasks. There have been isolated reports of frost mainly in areas that received moisture this week; damage is not yet known but the crop of most concern is canola. There have also been reports of damage from flea beetle, cutworms, gophers and hailstorms. Around the Truax area, a hailstorm was reported to have caused crop damage; however, some producers in the area believe some fields will have the ability to recover.

A complete, printable version of the Crop Report is available online at <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/crop-report>.

Sask. supports agricultural water management projects

The Water Security Agency (WSA) has announced \$700,000 in funding for Saskatchewan farmers and ranchers to advance responsible agricultural water management projects.

“Effective water management may be one of the most important factors driving Saskatchewan’s growth in the next 20 years,” Minister Responsible for the Water Security Agency Jeremy Cockrill said. “This funding will help address barriers producers experience when

working toward an approved project that will strengthen their operations while supporting healthy watersheds and protecting infrastructure.”

The Agricultural Water Management Fund is a pilot program that supports WSA’s Agricultural Water Management Strategy with a goal to help farmers and ranchers create responsibly managed and sustainable agricultural water management networks focused on controlling and organizing water flows.

Applicants can receive up to \$95,000 per project based on a cost-sharing approach. It can be used for qualified persons support, technical and engineering costs, and mitigation and rehabilitation works for new agricultural water management projects.

“We thank the Water Security Agency for providing this critical support,” SaskFSA President Myles Thorpe said. “This funding will help many producers across Saskatchewan responsibly

manage water challenges and help advance more coordinated agricultural water management projects that will benefit everyone.”

The Water Security Agency continues to engage with landowners to develop effective policies that encourage economic growth, thriving communities and resilient watersheds.

For more information about the Agricultural Water Management Fund, please visit wsask.ca.



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Cameo-Hilldrop Ladies Guild ends an era

**Submitted by
Judy Philp**

On Aug. 26, 1964, a group of ladies met at the Cameo-Hilldrop Co-op Hall. An executive was formed, consisting of President Margaret Philp, Vice President Esther Buckingham, and Secretary Alice Patricia (Pat) Buckingham. Elsie Prosser chose the name Cameo-Hilldrop Ladies

Guild.

The first business discussed was membership, which was set at 50 cents and open to all ladies of the community.

Since its inception, the Guild has been involved in many money-making projects. They catered weddings, funerals, rummage and bake sales. A Cheer Fund sent small gifts to those in the

district that were hospitalized, and to newborn babies. Many wedding showers and 25th wedding anniversaries were hosted in our Community Hall.

The Guild to date has donated \$70,000 to various charities. We are particularly proud that we have furnished a room in the original Shellbrook nursing home and Canwood's Whispering Pine Place. The Ladies Guild also sponsored an annual Christmas Concert and a picnic to celebrate the end of the school year.

Due to dwindling numbers, the remaining members have made the decision to bring this chapter to a close. After 58 years, it was not an easy decision.

Since the Guild was organized to give support to the Cameo-Hilldrop Co-op Association, the remaining funds will remain in our community to keep our hall viable and running smoothly.

We would like to gratefully acknowledge all those who generously donated money, food, and time to all of our endeavours. We could not have made all our donations without you.



The Cameo-Hilldrop Ladies Guild has made the difficult decision to disband after 58 years. Pictured, from left: Kathy Buckingham, Judy Philp, Georgina Hill, Linda Mason, Sharon Korody, Benita Hamilton, and Lilith Shantz.

5 Generations



Celebrating five generations, Great-Great Grandfather - Leonard Young, Great Grandmother - Rita Lepage (back row, right), Grandmother - Michelle LaMotte, Father - Austin LaMotte, and Baby - Marek Christopher LaMotte.

Shell Lake Legion

welcomes three members



Three new members have joined the Shell Lake Legion: Brittany Hatch, Deseree Hatch, and Chanelle Weir. They were introduced to the members by Jack Klassen. Membership Pins and scrolls were given to each, followed by a show of hands by the members. The Shell Lake Legion is happy to accept new members any time. Pictured, left to right: Christine Wollms, Donald Weiers, Deseree Hatch, Brittany Hatch, Chanelle Weir, and Jack Klassen.

PRAISE & WORSHIP

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

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Parkside
10:30 a.m. Worship
Pastor Daniel Mooseely
306-747-3572
Shellbrook
Adult Study
9:30 a.m.
Sun., 10:30 a.m. - Worship
Pastor David Bodvarson
306-747-7235
Canwood

11:00 a.m. - Worship
Pastor Glenn Blazosek
306-468-2138

Leask Gospel Tabernacle
Sunday 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Pastor Lorne Valuck

PRESBYTERIAN

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

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

Parkside
11 a.m. - Worship

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Leask - All Saint's
Sunday Service - 9 a.m.
St. Andrew's - Shellbrook
Sunday, 11 a.m. Service
Canwood - Christ Church
Sunday, 2 p.m. - Service
Rev. Wendell Brock
306-460-7696
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Brock - 1st Sunday of the
month

MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCH

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

EVANGELICAL FREE

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

UNITED CHURCH

Big River
Sundays
10 a.m. - Worship
at Anglican Church
Rev. Dave Whalley
306-747-2804

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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

PRAISE & WORSHIP

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

PARTNERS IN FAITH

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

UNITED /ANGLICAN

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

CATHOLIC SATURDAY

Medstead - 6 p.m.
Shell Lake - 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Spiritwood - 9 a.m.
Leoville - 11 a.m.
Chitek Lake - 1 p.m.
Everyone Welcome
Father Ramel Macapala

PARTNERS IN WORSHIP

Shell Lake
Worship Services
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Pastor Sarah Urano
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Sat., 11:00 am - Worship
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MENNONITE BRETHREN

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

FIELDS OF HOPE (HOFFNUNGSFELDER) MENNONITE CHURCH

Glenbush
Worship - 10:00 am
1st Sun. (June, July, Aug.)
Worship - 10:00 am
at Rabbit Lake
Mennonite Church

BETHEL

Medstead
1st Sunday, 10 am -
Worship
Pastor David Jensen
3rd Sunday - 10 am
Worship
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Bible Study & Prayer
Sun., 10:30 am - Worship
Pastor Bill Klumpenhower

LAKELAND

COMMUNITY CHURCH
(Corner of 1st Ave. and 4th
St., Spiritwood)
Sun., 11 am - Worship
Service & Sunday School
Pastor Michael Kluthe
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Pastor Rick Martin

How to choose and grow the best perennials – Part IV

By Patricia Hanbidge

This is the last article in the series on my choice of some of the best perennials to plant in your garden. I have received my order of perennials that are showing colour for a long season of bloom, are well-behaved in the garden and are extremely attractive to butterflies and bees. Luckily for you, I also bought a few extra to share with other gardeners! These well-behaved perennials provide lots of long-term colour and of course are supremely attractive to butterflies and bees.

Spring colour is so appreciated in areas that are blessed with long

winters! My Mom of course also grew plenty of primroses so I guess I come by this love with no surprise. Drumstick Primroses are easy to grow and bloom very early in spring. The leaves form a rosette close to the soil surface and flowers in white, pink, mauve, blue and rosy red appear on the top of 30cm (12 inch) stems. If your garden is on the dry side, these primroses will die-back and go dormant until next spring but if they are in a moist, organic rich location they will stay green all summer.

For those gardeners with dry full-sun areas

in their garden, a selection of hardy sedums is just right for you. They come in a multitude of sizes, shapes and colours and thrive on neglect.

Sedum 'Dazzleberry' has smoky blue-grey foliage with brilliant raspberry coloured flower clusters up to 9 inches (22cm) in diameter on plants up to 8 inches tall and will spread to 18 inches.

Sedum 'Firecracker' has shiny red foliage with large medium pink flowerheads in late summer through fall.

Sedum ewersii has sweet blue foliage with bright pink blooms.

Sedum kamtschaticum

is very vigorous with small, scalloped green leaves with bright yellow star flowers in summer.

Sedum reflexum 'Blue Spruce' has blue-green needle-like leaves with yellow star-shaped flowers.

Sedum rupestre 'Angelina' has brilliant yellow needle-like leaves and turn copper in fall.

Sedum spectabile 'Autumn Joy' has a clumping foliage that displays flowers that begin as pink and turn rosy russet-red in fall.

Sedum spurium 'Dragon's Blood' starts out with green leaves with red flowers.

Sedum 'Vera Jameson' has blue-green foliage turning deep burgundy with dusky-pink flowers.

Last but definitely not least one of my favourite grapes Vitis x 'Mareschal Foch' which produces a deep purple grape on a vigorous vine growing about 20 feet.

One of my favourite roses from the Explore series is the Rosa 'Alexander MacKenzie', which has semi-double, medium red flowers that are very fragrant. (Editor's note: semi-double refers to the number of petals a flower has. Flowers can be single, semi-double,

or double depending on the number of petals.)

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Sedum dazzleberry.



Sedum kamtschaticum.

Taxpayers need action against a home equity tax

**By Franco Terrazzano
CTF Federal Director**

Politicians think we should trust them just because they pinky promise not to impose a home equity tax, but Canadians pay members of Parliament to do more than talk a good game.

MPs need to prove they won't bring in a home equity tax by scrapping the requirement to report the sale of our home with the government.

A home equity tax would mean a lot of pain for a young couple looking to upgrade to a family home or for grandparents who are relying on the equity in their home to fund their golden years.

For example, Canadians that bought their Toronto home for \$250,000 in 1980 and sold it for \$1.2 million today would pay between \$51,750 and \$190,000, depending on how a home equity tax would be implemented.

Right now, you don't pay tax on the money from the sale of your home. But homeowners need to stay on guard because a reporting requirement sets the stage for a home equity tax.

In 2016, the government started requiring Canadians to report the sale of their primary residence even though it's tax-exempt. If you sell your home, the Canada Revenue Agency wants to know how much money you received from that sale. But, if the taxman isn't taxing it, then why is the taxman asking that question?

The Official Opposition called on the Trudeau government to remove this reporting requirement.

"It's time the NDP-Liberal government walked the walk rather than just talking the talk about denying their plans to implement a home equity tax," reads the statement from Conservative MPs Jake Stewart, Matt Jeneroux and Gérard Deltell. "Introduce legislation that removes the requirement to report your primary home sale to the CRA."

That's a good start, but Conservatives should take their own advice and walk the walk by introducing a private

member's bill to remove the reporting requirement.

Taxpayers also shouldn't accept pleasantries from Liberal MPs.

"The Liberals have no plan to ever introduce a home equity tax on primary residences," said the office of MP Terry Beech to a Canadian Taxpayers Federation supporter.

If Liberals want Canadians to believe the Trudeau government isn't coming after our homes, then the government should stop acting like it's considering a home equity tax.

Documents dug up by the CTF show staff in Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's office met twice with a group that received taxpayer funding to produce a report recommending a new home tax.

The Trudeau government took \$250,000 from taxpayers to fund a report that recommends taxing the "housing wealth windfalls gained by many home owners while they sleep and watch TV," and another \$200,000 to understand "the relevance" of the report.

In its 2021 budget, the Trudeau government announced a tax on foreigners who own vacant homes. In the last election, the Liberals said they would send the taxman after you if you sell your home earlier than they think you should.

The Trudeau government has misled Canadians before. Prior to the 2019 election, the former environment minister told Canadians the Liberals had "no intention" of raising the carbon tax beyond 11 cents per litre of gas. After the election was over, Trudeau announced he would hike the carbon tax to nearly 40 cents per litre by 2030.

The moral of the story: political talk is cheap.

Politicians should immediately take action to prove they will not impose a home equity tax by introducing a government or private member's bill to scrap the requirement to report the sale of our home with the taxman.

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LEOVILLE: Wapiti Regional Library - Wednesday 10 am - 4 pm; Thursday 10 am - 3 pm

SHELL LAKE: Wapiti Regional Library - Tuesday 12:30 pm - 4 pm; Wednesday 12:30 pm - 4 pm

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

BIG RIVER: Wapiti Library - Wednesday 11:30 am - 4:30 pm; Thursday 11:30 am - 4:30 pm. Phone # 306-469-2152

CANWOOD: Canwood Branch of Wapiti Regional Library. Tuesday 10 am - 4 pm; Thursday 10 am - 4 pm; Friday 12 pm - 5 pm. Kids Club is Fridays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Crafter's Choice is the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

DEBDEN: Wapiti Library hours: Tuesday 10 am - 3 pm; Wednesday 3 pm - 7 pm. Librarian: Aline Hannon

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MARCELIN: Wapiti Library - 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: Monday 2 pm - 6 pm; Tuesday 12 pm - 8 pm; Wednesday 2 pm - 8 pm; Thursday 12 pm - 6 pm; Friday 9 am - 4 pm.

SHELLBROOK: The Ministerial Association invites you to celebrate with us – July 1st, Canada Day! Breakfast @ 9am at the Shellbrook Pentecostal Assembly, #61 – 2nd Street West. Sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #111. Donations go toward the District Ministerial Association.

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Academic achievement takes spotlight at WP Sandin

The staff, students, and, for the first time since 2019, the parents of WP Sandin High School gathered in the school's gymnasium on Thursday evening to announce the winners of this year's academic awards and scholarships.

The celebration of the academic (as well as some athletic, and artistic) achievements of the Grades 6 through 12 students was MCed by vice principal Tracy Bloomquist, and the program included more than 80 awards and scholarships.

Keeping the focus on more than just academics, the awards presentations included the return of the heart and grit awards, which were first introduced for students from Grade 6 through Grade 12 in 2020.

The Heart awards are presented to students who demonstrate kindness, respect, and empathy for their peers and teachers. Meanwhile, the Grit awards are given to students who show

perseverance and determination, and approach school with a positive attitude.

On the academic side, there were the standard awards for each subject from Grade 9 upwards, as well as proficiency awards for the students in Grades 6 through 12 with the highest academic average.

Getting right into the program, this year's award winners were as follows:

- ELA 9: Maddison Nelson
- Mathematics 9: Taylor Henderson & Sawyer Mamchur
- Science 9: Taylor Henderson & Sawyer Mamchur
- Social Science 9: Taylor Henderson
- Health 9: Maddison Nelson
- Art 9: Sawyer Mamchur & Sofia Dunay
- Practical and Applied Arts 9: Casen Keyowski
- Practical and Applied Arts 9: Taylor Henderson
- Physical Education 9: Ezra Peake
- ELA 10 A: Abi Kyliuk
- ELA 10 B: Abi Kyliuk
- Math Workplace 10: Abi Kyliuk
- Math Foundations 10: Abi Kyliuk



Marissa Skavlebo accepts the Clarence Martin Memorial Trophy for the Senior Student of the Year from principal Karisa Klaassen.



Jade Keyowski receives the Marie Nesdoly Memorial Trophy for Grade 12 Academic Achievement from principal Karisa Klaassen.



Maddison Nelson accepts the Kinette Marie Nesdoly Memorial Trophy for the Junior Student of the Year from Kinettes Gayle Draper and Kelly Herndier.



WP Sandin's Grade 10 subject winners, from left: Abi Kyliuk, Payten Keyowski, and Josee Schatkoske.

- Science 10: Abi Kyliuk
- History 10: Payten Keyowski/Abi Kyliuk
- Practical & Applied Arts Survey 10: Payten Keyowski & Abi Kyliuk
- Wellness 10: Josee Schatkoske
- ELA 20: Shelby Woytiuk
- MATH Workplace 20: Mason Mamchur
- Math Foundations 20: Mason Mamchur
- Pre-Calculus 20: Mason Mamchur
- Physical Science 20: Mason Mamchur & Megan Cameron
- Health Science 20: Payten Keyowski & Abi Kyliuk
- History 20: Megan Cameron
- Mental Health 20: Megan Cameron
- Outdoor Leadership 20: Mya Sommerfeld
- Practical and Applied Arts Survey 20: Megan Cameron
- Construction/Carpentry 20: Julian Peake
- ELA 30 A: Jade Keyowski
- ELA 30 B: Ben Lafond
- Math Workplace 30: Brett Bucknell
- Math Foundations 30: Ben Lafond
- Pre-Calculus 30: Amy Larsen
- Physics 30: Ben Lafond
- Biology 30: Tegan Naumann
- History 30: Ben Lafond
- Law 30: Shelby Woytiuk
- Outdoor Education 30: Logan Smith
- Physical Education 30: Ben Lafond
- Commercial Cooking 30: Layla Dorko
- Visual Arts 30: Claire Dupuis
- Psychology 30: Abi Kyliuk
- Kinesiology: Jade Keyowski
- Mechanical & Automotive: Holden Willoughby & Dawson Stieb
- Practical and Applied Arts Survey 30 A: Marissa Skavlebo
- Practical and Applied Arts Survey 30 B: Holden Willoughby
- Certificates 30: Jade Keyowski
- Grade 6 Heart: June Robin & Brooklyn Anderson
- Grade 6 Grit: Jaylynn Helm
- Grade 6 Proficiency: June Robin
- Grade 7 Heart: Thora Lens & Brielle Nahorniak
- Grade 7 Grit: Kendall Skauge
- Grade 7 Proficiency: Emmy Ledding
- Grade 8 Heart: Marcail Philp
- Grade 8 Grit: Kyleigh Schmalz
- Grade 8 Proficiency: Marcail Philp
- Grade 9 Heart: Ezra Peake
- Grade 9 Grit: Emily Bruce
- Grade 9 Proficiency: Taylor Henderson
- Grade 10 Heart: Ashtin Knaus

- Grade 10 Grit: Josee Schatkoske
 - Grade 10 Proficiency: Abi Kyliuk
 - Grade 11 Heart: Beau Ahenakew
 - Graded 11 Grit: Jessica Sharron
 - Grade 11 Proficiency: Megan Cameron
 - Grade 12 Heart: Daniel Vidal
 - Grade 12 Grit: Cassidy Saam
 - Grade 12 Proficiency (Marie Nesdoly Memorial Trophy): Jade Keyowski
- Aside from the academic awards presented by the school, WP Sandin's students were also the recipients of numerous scholarship and bursaries. Those awards were presented as follows:
- Sask Rivers Students for Change: Daniel Vidal & Amy Larsen
 - Prince Albert Rotary Scholarship (Model UN): Daniel Vidal
 - Shellbrook Legion Scholarship: Tegan Naumann
 - George Laberge Scholarship: Lance Paton
 - PAATA Scholarship: Amy Larsen
 - Opening Doors to Tomorrow Scholarship: Daniel Vidal
 - Elwood Harvey Scholarship: Amy Larsen
 - Alice Patricia Buckingham Scholarship: Shelby Woytiuk & Megan Cameron
 - Governor General Award 2020: Alexis Banda
 - Governor General Award 2021: Hunter Tremblay
 - Lake Country Cooperative Scholarship: Amy Larsen
 - Shellbrook #102 Royal Purple Scholarship: Ben Lafond
 - Bourgeault & Associates Scholarship (1): Jade Keyowski
 - Bourgeault & Associates Scholarship (2): Amy Larsen
 - Billy Simington Memorial Scholarship: Lance Paton
 - Vance Tait Memorial Scholarship: Claire Dupuis
 - Kinette Marie Nesdoly Memorial Award (Junior Student of the Year): Maddison Nelson
 - Clarence Martin Memorial Trophy (Senior Student of the Year): Marissa Skavlebo
 - Grant Sommerfeld Memorial Award for Sportsmanship: Marissa Skavlebo
- Finishing off the festivities, principal Klaassen recognized the staff of WP Sandin for their hard work during the school year.
- She also bid a fond farewell to staff members Natasha Kostyniuk and Kirk Pilon, who are departing the school for the next chapters in their careers.



WP Sandin's 20 Level subject winners, from left: Shelby Woytiuk, Mason Mamchur, Megan Cameron, Abi Kyliuk, Payten Keyowski, Mya Sommerfeld, and Julian Peake.



WP Sandin's 30 Level subject winners, from left: Jade Keyowski, Ben Lafond, Brett Bucknell, Amy Larsen, Tegan Naumann, Shelby Woytiuk, Logan Smith, Claire Dupuis, Abi Kyliuk, Holden Willoughby, Dawson Stieb, and Marissa Skavlebo. Missing: Layla Dorko.

WP Sandin honours athletic achievement

Capping off a 2021-2022 school year in which its student athletes won championship banners in multiple sports and at many levels of competition, WP Sandin High School celebrated the extracurricular feats of its students at an athletics and clubs awards ceremony held in the jam-packed school gym on June 21.

Up until a few years ago, these athletic awards were typically handed out alongside the school's academic achievement awards. But the athletics awards were moved to a separate day, both to shorten the length of the ceremonies, and to give the student athletes their turn to stand alone in the spotlight.

The athletics awards ceremony, MCed by Rhonda Berezowski, saw more than 40 awards and recognitions handed out to students across different sporting categories, including golf, volleyball, cross-country, basketball, curling, badminton, track and field, and football. There were also awards for clubs, such as

the Model UN, the Aardvark Awards, and the top female and male athlete awards at both the junior and senior levels.

Beginning with golf, the senior girls MVP was handed to Marissa Skavlebo and the senior boys MVP honour went to Cohen Tait.

In Volleyball, Brielle Nahornik earned the 6/7 girls MVP award, while her sister, Emersyn Nahorniak, was named the junior girls MVP. On the senior B side, Megan Cameron was named MVP, Abby Ledding received the strongest leadership award, and Taylor Henderson was named most dedicated. Meanwhile, the senior A MVP honour went to Marissa Skavlebo, Amy Larsen received the strongest leadership award, and Maddison Nelson was crowned most dedicated.

Once the honours were handed out, the junior girls volleyball team was brought up on stage to be recognized for winning the P4A league title.

Moving into cross-country, there were three individual honours to be handed out, including the junior girls MVP award to Marcail Philp, the junior boys MVP to Cashian Sandry, and the senior boys MVP to Ethan Klaassen. The cross-country team was also recognized for being crowned the large school winner at the P4A meet.

Bouncing over to basketball, Kyleigh Schmalz and Dalen Thiel earned the junior girls and boys MVP awards, respectively, while Josee Schatkoske was crowned MVP for the Grade 9/10 girls team. The senior girls MVP award was shared by Marissa Skavlebo and Mya Sommerfeld.

Speeding along to track and field, Marcail Philp and Reese Galloway shared the junior girls MVP honours, while Davin Schmitz was named the junior boys MVP.

Among seniors, Marissa Skavlebo was named girls MVP, and Brandon Dingwall and Ethan Klaassen earned the senior boys MVP awards.

Along with the individual accomplishments, the novice boys, peewee girls, and bantam girls track and field teams were recognized for winning championship banners in their respective competitions at the P4A track and field meet.

Taking a short break from the athletic accolades, the Model UN award was presented to Ethan Klaassen, while the junior drama award went to Maddison Nelson. Jade Keyowski and Lance Paton earned the senior girls and senior boys drama awards, respectively.

In curling, the junior girls MVP award was presented to Marcail Philp, with Lane Keyowski taking the honour for the boys. Meanwhile, Payten Keyowski was named senior girls MVP, and Lance Paton and Daniel Vidal shared the senior boys MVP honour.

Up next, junior badminton MVP awards were handed out to Brooklyn Klaassen and Kyleigh Schmalz on the girls' side, and to Aiden Tait on the boys' side. Marissa Skavlebo received the senior girls MVP award, while Ben Lafond earned the MVP award for the boys. Afterward, the junior badminton team was recognized for being crowned rural champions at the P4A competition.

Finally, in football, Lance Paton was named most versatile player, Johnathan Bather won the lineman of the year award, Cole Smith and Austin Helm shared rookie of the year honours, Jesse Nyberg won the heart and soul award, and Brandon Dingwall was named MVP.

The Aardvark Awards, which recognize students who "display the best of WP Sandin school spirit and pride", were

handed out next, with Taylor Henderson and Maddison Nelson earning the junior Aardvark Awards, and Amy Larsen and Daniel Vidal earning the senior Aardvark Awards.

Last but not least, the athlete of the year awards were presented. Taylor Henderson won the junior girl's award, while Austin Helm was named the junior male athlete of the year. Marissa Skavlebo was named senior female athlete of the year, while Ben Lafond was crowned male athlete of the year.

Closing out the awards ceremony, WP Sandin High School principal Karissa Klaassen took a moment to acknowledge the students and their parents, the coaches, the club advisors, and the volunteers who make the school's extracurriculars possible.

"We really do have a top-notch, dedicated, and knowledgeable staff, that just dedicates literally thousands of hours of their own time to make sure our programs are up and running in such an amazing way," she said.



Devon Thorpe presents the Senior Male Athlete of the Year Award to Ben Lafond.



Devon Thorpe presents the Senior Female Athlete of the Year Award to Marissa Skavlebo.



Devon Thorpe presents the Junior Female Athlete of the Year Award to Taylor Henderson.



Rhonda Berezowski and Kelly Herndier present the Junior Aardvark Awards to Maddison Nelson and Taylor Henderson.



Devon Thorpe presents the Junior Male Athlete of the Year Award to Austin Helm.



Kirk Pilon and Natasha Kostyniuk present the Model UN award to Ethan Klaassen.



Rhonda Berezowski and Kelly Herndier present the Senior Aardvark Awards to Daniel Vidal and Amy Larsen.



Jade Keyowski accepts the senior girls drama award from Pam Boettcher and Kirk Pilon.

PGA Tour facing stiff challenge

The Professional Golfers Association Tour, which has rolled along with nary a serious hitch for nearly 100 years, has hit a huge pothole or, more accurately, a gigantic crevasse.

The PGA Tour, which brags it has provided \$3 billion in charitable donations through the years, suddenly faces competition in the form of a Saudi Arabian-based golf entity with an apparent bottomless pit of money.

Funded by Saudi Arabia's public investment fund, which is fuelled by oil revenues reported to be \$1 billion per day, the LIV Tour has been trying to establish a foothold by offering vast sums of money to established PGA Tour players. And it has worked. Phil Mickelson accepted \$200 million to come on board; No. 15 in the world, Dustin Johnson, signed on for \$125 million. Journeymen pros such as Kevin Na, Patrick Reed, Bryson DeChambeau, Charl Schwartzel,

Lee Westwood and Ian Poulter have also jumped to the LIV tour.

With eight tournaments planned this year, four of them in the U.S., the LIV tour features 48-player fields, 54-hole tournaments (18 fewer than standard PGA Tour events) and shotgun starts, where golfers begin simultaneously, but on a different hole. Schwartzel won the inaugural event June 11 in England, cashing a cheque for \$4 million, the highest winner's purse in the history of golf. The next event is coming up in Portland, Ore., starting June 30.

Critics say the LIV Tour is merely an exercise in 'sportwashing' — a term used to describe efforts to sanitize a country's image through sport. Saudi Arabia's reputation for human rights violations, censorship, treatment of women, etc., is less than stellar and players who have taken the money and joined LIV have had to face media questions about the



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morality involved.

PGA Tour commissioner Jay Monahan said those who play on the LIV Tour will be suspended and unable to compete in events such as the Ryder Cup, or regular Tour events. Not affected are the players' eligibility for the four majors, which are not run by the Tour.

It comes down to money vs. legacy. The game's best young players are, for now, staying with the PGA Tour, hoping to pile up victories they consider more legitimate than those offered by the LIV Tour, which is seemingly a rest home for the aging, over-the-hill players

more concerned with their bank accounts than their historic position in the game.

Still, playing golf for what some call 'blood money' will undoubtedly tarnish the image of those involved. Said Monahan: "I would ask any player that has left, or any player that would ever consider leaving, 'Have you ever had to apologize for being a member of the PGA Tour?'"

This is a fluid situation. More players will be lured by the fantastic gobs of money. As a result, the future of the PGA Tour could be in real jeopardy.

• Bob Molinaro of pilotonline.com, after Commanders defensive coordinator Jack Del Rio described the Jan. 6 insurrection as a 'dust-up': "The Washington Commanders and public-relations gaffes go together like Beavis and Butt-Head."

• Steve Simmons of SunMedia: "The Maple Leafs didn't fire the president, the general man-

ager, or the head coach after another first-round defeat but they did fire their goaltending instructor, Steve Briere. Which is a lot like blaming the first base coach for a bad baseball season."

• Simmons again: "They are officially naming a street after Kyle Lowry in Toronto. What they should be doing is naming a southbound road, heading directly out of town, in the name of Kawhi Leonard."

• Golf columnist Geoff Shackelford on Twitter, while Phil Mickelson was suffering through an opening-round 78 at the U.S. Open: "The bad news for Phil: He's +5 thru 6 holes and on his way out of town. The good news for Phil: The tour he plays on doesn't require good golf at all."

• Comedy writer Brad Dickson of Omaha: "Got a prompt on my iPhone reading: 'You've walked 1.1 fewer miles today than yesterday.' Would you quit nagging me, phone? How far have

YOU walked?"

• Headline at theonion.com: "Deshaun Watson Rethinks Life Choices After Finding Self On Browns"

• Dwight Perry of the Seattle Times: "Muhammad Ali on a commemorative stamp? It's way overdue. As the ever-confident heavyweight champ, who died in 2016, once said: 'I should be a postage stamp. That's the only way I'll ever get licked.'"

• Ethan Bird of Meridian, Mississippi's WTOK-TV, noting the local 10-day forecast called for temperatures ranging from 95 to 99: "It's looking a little bit like those Dallas Cowboys — peaking in the 90s."

• R.J Currie of sportsdeke.com: "The governing body for bobsleigh has approved teams of four being mixed-gender. It's believed most sleds will have one female pilot with three men telling her how to drive."

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GOOD NEWS

IT'S YOUR ATTITUDE THAT TRULY COUNTS

I have always been attracted to optimists. There are enough scriptures in the Word that allow me to be optimistic.

I am not sure you have come to the same conclusion as Chuck Swindoll, but he makes a compelling argument that one's attitude is crucial. Chuck states, "The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, giftedness or skill.

It will make or break a company... a church... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we embrace for that day. We cannot change the past... we cannot change the fact people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play the one string we have, and that is our attitude... I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me and 90 per cent how I react it. And so it is with you ... we are in charge of our attitudes."

I came across a story about a fellow

named Jerry who had quite the attitude. You would say Jerry was an optimist. Something happened to Jerry. As a restaurant owner, he was robbed by three armed men, and during the robbery he was shot.

As Jerry was lying in a pool of his own blood, he said, "I remembered I had two choices; I could choose to live or choose to die. I chose to live."

As the medical team worked on him, Jerry felt the doctors and nurses were looking on him as a man with no hope for survival. A nurse shouted questions at him. When she asked Jerry if

he was allergic to anything, Jerry replied, "Yes."

His response got the attention of everyone in the room. He took a deep breath and yelled, "Bullets!" All the nurses and doctors started laughing.

Jerry said, "I am choosing to live. Operate on me as if I am alive, not dead."

Jerry did survive the experience. A good attitude is important. Friends, choose life.

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Dedication of Residential School Memorial at Government House

On June 21, National Indigenous Peoples Day, the Government of Saskatchewan and the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan dedicated the Saskatchewan Residential School Memorial on the grounds of Government House in Regina.

"The path to healing and meaningful reconciliation in Saskatchewan continues as we unveil the provinces Residential School Memorial," Minister Responsible for first Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs Don McMorris said on behalf of Premier Scott Moe. "This tranquil space at Government House, is now open to the community. We gather here to pay our respects and never forget the tragic past. May it provide healing through education, reflection, and conversations. We honour those whose lives were lost in Residential Schools: the survivors and their families."

Elders and survivors were involved in every step of the construction and development process, in order to honour our traditional practices.

"I deeply appreciate the discussions I have had with Elders, knowledge keepers, survivors and their families," Lieutenant Governor Russ Mirasty said. "The memorial's design is entirely based on these discussions, and we have taken care to respect traditional protocols throughout the process. The memorial is more than the physical elements. It is a spiritual place where survivors and families can honour the children, and where our community can come together to learn and heal."

The memorial is composed of all natural elements, acknowledges the earth, and symbolizes the circle of life. A large central stone, selected by the Lieutenant Governor from Treaty 4 Territory, depicts the province and the locations of each former residential school. A smudge stone is installed in front for ceremonial purposes.

The memorial incorporates elements from around Saskatchewan that are symbolic and encourage healing including: traditional plants and trees, benches constructed from reclaimed wood from Wascana Centre and placed in the four cardinal directions, and four pathways leading north-to-south and east-to-west.

The construction of a permanent memorial also fulfills the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC) Call to Action #82, which recommends installing a publicly accessible, highly visible, residential school memorial in each capital city to honour survivors and all the children who were lost to their families and communities.

The residential school system operated in Canada for more than a century. The federal government reports that 150,000 Indigenous children were removed and separated from their families and communities to attend these schools. The TRC estimates that approximately twenty federal residential schools operated in Saskatchewan from the 1880s to the 1990s.

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Towards the Market Steer Class, Van Slater placed first in the Steer Weight Division Class, sponsored by Martodam Motors. Dalton Sanders placed second, Ray-Elle Sanders finished third, and Theoron Sanders and Ciara Conacher rounded out the top five.

The Grand Champion Market Steer, sponsored by Wingerter Farms (Dianne Wingerter) and Spiritwood Home Building Centre, was won by Van Slater.

Dalton Sanders won the Reserve Market Steer, sponsored by Cadieu Ranching (Grant Cadieu), and Anna and Marcel Doucette.

Best Calf Born and Raised on the Home Farm, sponsored by G-Mac's (Spiritwood), was also won by Dalton Sanders.

After the beef program concluded, they moved on to the sheep and goat program. Sheep and Goat winners were:

Grand Champion Yearling Ewe, sponsored by Birch Lake Livestock: Silvan Raess

Reserve Champion Yearling Ewe, sponsored by the Fruit Basket: Coleby Rose

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Intermediate/Senior Showmanship, sponsored by Marion's Burger Bar: Peyton Smith

Junior Showmanship, sponsored by Kostiha Farms: 1st: Corsin Raess, 2nd: Addison Pain, 3rd: Silvan Raess, 4th: Coleby Rose, 5th: Kellan Egeland

Cloverbud Showmanship, sponsored by Schneider Auctioneering: 1st: Reegan Pain, 2nd: Ajla Dezic, 3rd: Ryder Dzialo Findlay, 4th: Torren Egeland

Yearling Doe Goat, sponsored by Saskatchewan Goat Breeders Association: 1st: Corsin Raess, 2nd: Silvan Raess
Current Year Goat: Kellan Egeland

The overall Sportsmanship Jim Walter Memorial Award was won by Dalton Sanders, and was sponsored by Fred and Marlene Walter.

New to our awards this year was The Dean Horn Memorial High Achievement Award. It was created to honour the memory of a past 4-H member.

"Dean was an amazing man, had such enthusiasm and personality that you couldn't help but end up with a smile on your face after talking to him. Dean never thought twice about jumping in and lending a hand wherever it was needed to whomever needed it. Dean has influenced and has been a part of many 4-H clubs throughout the years and will be dearly missed. Dean truly exemplified what being a 4-H member meant: head, hands, health and heart."

This award went to the 4-H member who best displays all of the qualities that Dean had as a member of the 4-H family. This year's winners were Jessie Allchurch and Peyton Smith.

Following the show, the sale was held at the Spiritwood Stockyards with auctioneer Charlie Schira.



Dalton Sanders (right) received the Jim Walter Memorial trophy for overall sportsmanship, presented by Marlene Walter, Jason Walter, Mackenzie Walter, and Phoenix Walter.



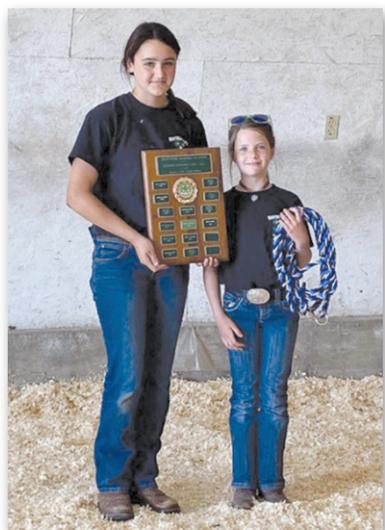
Judge Myles Hansen selected all Cloverbud members to be the winner of the showmanship category. Here, Jessie Allchurch presents all participating Cloverbuds with the showmanship trophy. L-R: Phoenix Walter, Tenille Rose, Ray-Elle Sanders, Mackenzie Johnson, and Keatley Aumack.



Joe and Isabelle Horn presented the Dean Horn Memorial Trophy to Jessie Allchurch and Peyton Smith. L-R: Jessie Allchurch, Tanya Allan, Isabelle Horn, Chad Smith, Joe Horn, and Peyton Smith.



Jessie Allchurch congratulates Grayson Aumack for winning the Grand champion yearling heifer.



Ray-Elle Sanders (right) received the reserve champion cow calf award, presented by Jessie Allchurch.



Jessie Allchurch presents the trophy to the Junior Team Grooming winners. The team consisted of Mackenzie Walter, Ciara Conacher, and Coleby Rose.



Tanya Allan presents the Top Junior record book prize to Mackenzie Walter.



Mr. Myles Hansen presents Grayson Aumack with the Reserve grand champion female banner.



Mackenzie Walter pictured with her Grand Champion current year calf.



Dalton Sanders was awarded reserve champion steer.