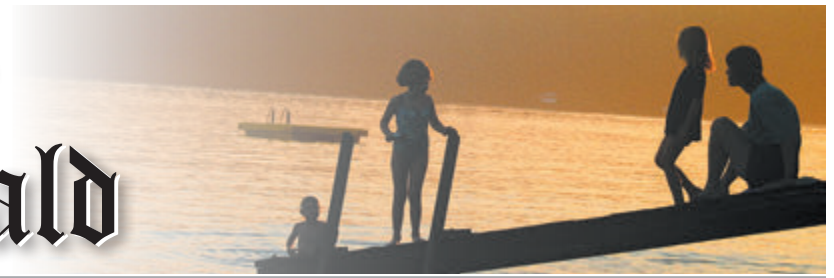


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## Spiritwood honours fallen officers, celebrates RCMP's 150th



**Sgt. Andrews of the Spiritwood RCMP Detachment (second from right) with officers from F Division at Spiritwood's celebration of the RCMP's 150th anniversary.**

**By BEVRA FEE**  
*Spiritwood Herald Reporter*

Seventeen years on from the incident that left two RCMP officers mortally wounded in the line of duty, the memory of their sacrifice remains strong in the community of Spiritwood. Constable Marc Bourdages and Constable Robin Cameron made the ultimate sacrifice, when they both succumbed to the injuries they sustained on July 7, 2006.

At the memorial park named in their honour, a large crowd of local citizens and a contingent from the RCMP's F Division showed up to pay tribute to the fallen officers and to commemorate 150 years of the RCMP. Established as the North-West Mounted Police on May 23, 1873, today's RCMP is the en-

during symbol of policing in Canada, and is recognized across the globe by its red serge dress uniform.

The event was hosted by the Spiritwood RCMP Detachment and brought together a slate of dignitaries to acknowledge the historic path and the present relationship between the Force and the Canadian people.

During the official ceremony portion of the afternoon event, Chief Anne Thomas of Witchehan Lake First Nation remarked that "trust is earned, respect is earned." She also paid tribute to officers Bourdages and Cameron by saying "their job was tremendous, so we can't forget".

Chief Peter Bill of Pelican Lake First Nation offered comments in both Cree and English, acknowledging Sgt. Andrews of the Spiritwood detachment

and commenting on how the RCMP and Pelican Lake First Nation worked together 17 years ago. He also remarked upon the commitment to learning about the Cree culture that followed the events of 2006.

Commanding Officer of F Division Rhonda Blackmore expressed appreciation for the Memorial Park honouring the two officers, and shared hope for the future after a sometimes difficult path over the course of 150 years. She also thanked the Spiritwood detachment for bringing together the community in remembrance.

The ceremony was rounded out by a welcome from Spiritwood Mayor Gary Von Holwede, before the pow wow demonstration, which saw emcee Lyle Whitefish introduce several traditional dances to drumming by Iron Nation

from Big River, Sask. Mr. Whitefish provided commentary, explaining the cultural significance of each dance, the dress regalia for each, and the rich history of the dance in the pow wow.

Visiting and sharing of food – 550 burgers tallied near the end of the day – provided meaningful fellowship for the large crowd of onlookers, with many F Division and local officers taking time for photos together and sharing of memories. The kids in attendance were occupied by free face painting and bouncy castles, and all were invited to share in the anniversary cake.

Commenting on the day, Sgt. Sebastian Andrews expressed satisfaction and compliments for the local volunteers and crew who helped to stage the very successful event.

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Commanding Officer of F Division Rhonda Blackmore addresses the crowd.



The Iron Nation drum group from Big River provided music for the traditional dances.



The day's program kicked off with grand entry of the flags and dignitaries.



The large crowd enjoyed burgers throughout the day.



Chief Peter Bill (left) and Elder Barney Tipewan were among the special guests in attendance.



Melodia Metrunc was painting faces during the day.

## Sex assault trial hits another delay

By **JORDAN TWISS**  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

A man's attempt to reverse his guilty plea on a number of sexual assaults has hit another delay, as the proceedings have been adjourned to Sept. 12 following a hearing in Saskatoon Provincial Court on July 6.

Cecil Wolfe, 62, was formally charged with 12 counts of sexual assault throughout 2022, after being arrested by police in December of 2021.

According to police, Wolfe was working under the pretext of being a traditional Cree healer or medicine man, when he committed the offences against women from Loon Lake,

Blaine Lake, Muskeg Lake Cree Nation, Saskatoon, and surrounding areas between 2013 and 2021.

Wolfe initially pleaded guilty to the acts last April, and began sentencing in late October. The sentencing was put on pause in November, however, when Wolfe fired his original lawyer, Loretta Pete Lambert, and asked to instead be represented by Harvey Neufeld.

Wolfe is now applying to reverse his guilty pleas. But in order for the application to be successful, Neufeld will have to prove that Wolfe was not properly informed, didn't understand, or was under duress when he initially pleaded guilty.

If Wolfe's application is successful, and his plea is changed to not guilty, his case will go to trial.

For the 12 charges against Wolfe, Crown prosecutor Lana Morelli is seeking a sentence of nine-and-a-half years. Meanwhile, Wolfe remains out of custody throughout the proceedings, and has repeatedly denied touching the women for a sexual purpose.

The identities of Wolfe's victims are protected by a man-

datory court-ordered publication ban issued on the identities of sexual assault victims.

Investigators say they still believe there may be additional victims from over the past twenty years in the communities of Loon Lake, Blaine Lake, Muskeg Lake Cree Nation, Saskatoon, and surrounding areas. The investigation remains active and victims are encouraged to contact their nearest RCMP Detachment or Police Service if they have information to share.

Information for sexual assault survivors, including what will happen when you report the assault to police, is available at: <https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/relationship-violence/information-sexual-assault-survivors>.

The Saskatoon Sexual Assault and Information Centre's Crisis Line can be reached at 306-244-2224.

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### TOWN OF SPIRITWOOD PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Spiritwood intends to adopt a bylaw under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw No. 486/13, known as the Zoning Bylaw.

#### INTENT OF THE ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

The proposed amendment will:

- Rezone Lots 1-10, Block 22, Plan 65B01484 from FUD - Future Urban Development to C2 - Highway Commercial District, as indicated on Sketch "A" below.

Sketch "A":



#### REASON

The reasons for the amendments are:

- To accommodate commercial development in Spiritwood.

#### PUBLIC INSPECTION

Any person may inspect the bylaw at the Town Office, located at 212 Main Street, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM on Monday to Thursday, and 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Friday, excluding statutory holidays. Copies of the bylaw are available at the Town Office at cost.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Council will hold a public hearing on July 25, 2023 at 6:30pm 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 Spiritwood this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.  
Rhonda Saam, Chief Administrative Officer

# New CSO begins duty in Shellbrook

By **JORDAN TWISS**  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

The Town of Shellbrook officially has a new Community Safety Officer (CSO).

Not quite a full-fledged police officer, but more than a bylaw enforcement officer, Jon Bohmann has been on active duty since June 28, with the authority to enforce parts of the criminal code, traffic laws, and municipal bylaws.

Shellbrook's Town Council started exploring the idea of employing a CSO in early 2021, as a means to fill in policing gaps caused by frequent staffing shortages within the Ahtahkakoop-Shellbrook RCMP Detachment.

The idea was first floated to ratepayers at a town hall meeting, drawing both questions and support from the community. In the end, council felt it received enough support from ratepayers and chose to pursue the idea, budgeting \$135,000 to hire and outfit Craig Young to serve as the town's first CSO.

When Young stepped away after just a few months on the job, the town chose Bohmann to take on the role.

Once Bohmann is settled into his position, council's hope is to partner with surrounding communities and rural municipalities that have expressed interest in having a CSO to split



Jon Bohmann is the Town of Shellbrook's new Community Safety Officer.

some of the costs.

Born and raised in Prince Albert, where he still lives with his wife and children for the time being, Bohmann entered the realm of law enforcement and corrections through family and friends, starting his career on the corrections side at the Prince Albert Provincial Correctional Centre.

In the past year, however, he transitioned to the enforcement side after completing his CSO

training at Sask Polytech (and graduating in the same cohort as Young).

Prior to beginning duty as Shellbrook's CSO, Bohmann served as CSO for the Muskoday First Nation, starting the department from scratch.

"There's a learning curve to the ins and outs of getting it all going. So, I've got some experience that way... starting it all up, and building up with the community," he said, noting

that his experience in corrections helped him with the fundamentals of rapport building.

Another key lesson his experience has taught him?

There's more to law enforcement than the enforcement of the law.

"Law enforcement, especially in our roles, isn't just about ticket, ticket, ticket. It's about building up the community, working with the community, trying to build trust back," he

said. "I've got a lot of experience with that, working in and out of the schools, working with youth closely in certain programs, and handling the odd complaint. Sometimes, it's just being more of a mediator."

Though he calls Prince Albert home, Bohmann is no stranger to Shellbrook, having visited the Hidden Hills of Shellbrook Golf Course and the Richardson Pioneer Recreation Centre on many occasions over the years.

In addition to the recommendation from Young, who he's stayed in touch with since they graduated, Bohmann says he was interested in taking on the Shellbrook CSO position because it's always seemed like a "nice, small community." In his first couple weeks on duty, he says this has held true, as everyone has been friendly, welcoming, and quick to offer help.

As he settles into his position, Bohmann says his focus will be on bylaw infractions like stray pets and nuisance complaints, Traffic Safety Act violations like speeding and failing to stop at stop signs, and more.

"I'll definitely be trying to help out in all areas," he said. "And if I don't have the answer, I'll certainly look into it."

Anyone with concerns is invited to contact Bohmann via email: [cso@townofshellbrook.ca](mailto:cso@townofshellbrook.ca), or by phone: 306-747-4913.

**R.M. OF SPIRITWOOD NO. 496**  
**LAND FOR SALE BY PUBLIC TENDER – TAX TITLE PROPERTY**

The Rural Municipality of Spiritwood No. 496 is offering for sale by public tender the following lands in order to recover all or a portion of the tax arrears owing. The sale of land for tax arrears is governed by *The Tax Enforcement Act*. A municipality may recover unpaid property taxes through the sale of a property. By the time the property is eligible for tax sale, the property taxes are at least in their second year of arrears.

NEIGHBOURHOOD:	Agriculture
ZONING DISTRICT:	Agriculture Resource District
PROPERTY CLASS:	Non-Arable
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	SW 31-53-10-W3

NEIGHBOURHOOD:	Mildred
ZONING DISTRICT:	Hamlet District
PROPERTY CLASS:	Residential
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Lot 3 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 4 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 8 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 9 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 10 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 11 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 12 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 14 Blk/Par 1 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 6 Blk/Par 2 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 7 Blk/Par 2 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Lot 14 Blk/Par 2 Plan AN4170 Ext 2 Lot 15 Blk/Par 2 Plan AN4170 Ext 0 Blk/Par 5 Plan 101651622 Ext 4

NEIGHBOURHOOD:	PT SE 21-50-09-W3 & PT NE 16-50-09-W3
ZONING DISTRICT:	Agriculture Resource District
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Blk/Par A Plan BZ5616 Ext 0 & Blk/Par B Plan BZ5616 Ext 0

NEIGHBOURHOOD:	PT SW 02-50-08-W3
ZONING DISTRICT:	Agriculture Resource District
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Blk/Par C Plan 101796712 Ext 4 & Blk/Par D Plan 101796712 Ext 76

**TENDER PROCESS**  
Sales are conducted through a public tender process. Tenders must be submitted to the RM of Spiritwood No. 496 municipal office in a sealed envelope plainly marked "Tender for Purchase of Property Under the *Tax Enforcement Act*". The tender must include the tender bid document and a deposit of at least 10% of the tendered amount in the form of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation.

All tenders are to be submitted on or before July 31, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. Tenders will be considered at the next meeting of Council. Municipal staff, Council, and family members of staff and Council are eligible to submit a tender.

Following the opening, the Municipality reviews all tenders for legislative compliance. Rejected tenders are returned by mail to the tenderer along with their deposit. The Municipality will notify the selected successful tenderer of the balance to be paid in order for the tenderer to be declared the successful purchaser. Upon receiving notification, the selected successful tenderer should immediately retain legal counsel licensed to practice in Saskatchewan and in good standing with the Law Society of Saskatchewan. The balance due must be paid in full within 15 business days of the mailing date of the notice. If the balance is not paid within the 15 days, the tenderer's deposit is forfeited and the property is offered for sale in the same manner to the next qualified tenderer. If there is no successful tenderer, the lands may vest to the Municipality. The Municipality is not required to select any bid that is not enough to cover the amount of all outstanding arrears of taxes, penalties and costs.

**REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES**  
The property is being sold "as-is". There are no representations or warranties expressed or implied, as to fitness of the land for any particular purpose. There is no consideration of pre-sale nor post-sale conditions. Bidders are advised to consult with the municipality as to permissible uses and other details regarding future land uses.

All tenders become the property of the RM of Spiritwood No. 496 until such time as a tender is awarded or rejected. Bids must be determined independently from any other bidder or potential bidder. No multiple bids for a single property will be accepted. No conditional bids will be accepted.

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## Competition Bureau needs teeth to stop “greedflation”

It's rare these days to encounter humility in governance. When confronted with evidence of their mistakes, most politicians and government departments will deflect, make excuses, or obfuscate.

In an age where accountability is just an empty 14-letter word, this makes Canada's Competition Bureau, the independent government agency responsible for protecting the interests of consumers, a rarity.

Earlier this year, in the midst of the government's “probe into grocery store greedflation”, the agency released a report on competition policy in Canada.

In a shocking moment of brutal honesty, it offered its take on how Canadians feel about it: “They view our competition framework as outdated, weak, complex, slow and out of touch. And they are not wrong.”

The Competition Bureau's admission of its own weakness was refreshing, and highlighted the need for legislation to give it the tools and authority it requires to fulfill its mandate.

And at the end of June, when the agency released its long-awaited Retail Grocery Market Study Report, it reminded us once again of this need.

The Competition Bureau spent months examining the grocery industry and the question of “greedflation”, and found the industry's largest players – Loblaws, Sobeys, and Metro – have increased the amount they make on food sales every year.

It also found a high degree of market concentration in the sector, with the big three, as well as foreign retailers Walmart and Costco, accounting for 75 per cent of food sales in Canada.

This puts it nearly on par with the wireless sector, where Bell, Rogers, and Telus control 87 per cent of the domestic market, leaving Canadians paying some of the highest rates in the world.

With their stranglehold on the grocery market, Loblaws, Sobeys, and Metro reported more than \$100 billion in sales and \$3.6 billion in profits last year, the Competition Bureau found. What's more, they've been steadily increasing the gross profit margins on food sales by a “modest yet meaningful amount” for the last



JORDAN TWISS  
~  
News Editor

five years.

For context, the report defines “modest” as an increased profit margin of one to two percentage points since 2017 and “meaningful” as those increases adding \$1 billion to \$2 billion to Canadians' grocery bills each year.

“This longer-term trend predates the supply chain disruptions faced during the pandemic and the current inflationary period,” the report concluded, dispelling

the justification peddled by the CEOs of Canada's major grocery retailers in their testimonies to parliament earlier this year.

Based on these findings, the Competition Bureau made four recommendations in its report, starting with a call for a Grocery Innovation Strategy aimed at opening the door to new grocery businesses, and policies from all levels of governments to encourage new independent and international players to set up shop in Canada.

The Bureau also recommends mandating harmonized unit pricing, which is already employed by Québec, to make it easier for consumers to compare goods for the best deal.

Finally, it's calling for limits on property controls, which restrict how real estate can be used by competing grocers, making it difficult, or even impossible, for new stores to open.

For all the evidence it found, however, the Competition Bureau is also frank in its admission that the report isn't as complete as it might like, due to its inability to compel the grocery giants to share information.

“The level of cooperation varied significantly, and was not fulsome,” it states. “In many instances, the Bureau was not able to obtain complete and precise financial data, despite its repeated requests.”

For their part, Canada's grocery giants have tried to argue that concentration in the market increases efficiencies and provides more value to consumers.

These are, of course, the same grocery giants that were embroiled in a bread price-fixing scheme that saw Canada Bread hit with a \$50 million fine (the largest penalty for price-fixing in Canadian history).

They're also the same grocery giants



that have been accused of wage fixing, after simultaneously axing pandemic bonuses for front-line workers – all while former Loblaws CEO and president Galen Weston received a \$1.2 million raise in 2022 after consultants determined he was underpaid.

Surely, Canadians can be forgiven for any doubts they harbour about whether these companies have their best interests in mind.

Looking at the latest inflation data from May, these doubts certainly seem well-founded.

Since November 2021, grocery prices have consistently risen by close to double digits, peaking at an 11.4 per cent year-over-year price hike last September and November. This eased off slightly in May, with prices rising by nine per cent year-over-year.

Meanwhile, year-over-year inflation has cooled off considerably in recent months, dropping to 3.4 per cent in May from 4.4 per cent in April.

Unfortunately, the lower inflation rate hasn't resulted in more modest price changes for certain types of groceries.

As of May, shoppers were still paying 20.3 per cent more for edible fats and oils, 18.5 per cent more for pasta products, 16.3 per cent more for cookies and crackers, and 13.6 per cent more for cereal.

In the produce section, lettuce continues to be pricey, increasing by 15.9 per cent over last year. As do oranges, which have seen their price jump 14.7

per cent.

Though the Competition Bureau's report didn't take into account supply chain issues and added supplier costs, which have been used by the grocery giants to explain away price increases for groceries, the inflated prices consumers are paying at the grocery store cannot be explained by these factors alone.

This leaves us with just one question: what is to be done about “greedflation?”

The four recommendations made by the Competition Bureau are certainly a good start. More competition means grocery chains will have to compete for consumers' dollars, putting some of the power back in the hands of Canadians.

However, after the Rogers-Shaw merger was approved earlier this year, bringing further concentration to a wireless sector where the “big three” control 87 per cent of the market share, it's clear more needs to be done to shift the balance of power in the Canadian grocery sector.

Canadians can no longer afford a Competition Bureau that is, in its own words, “outdated, weak, complex, slow and out of touch.”

To fulfill its mandate of protecting the best interest of consumers and fostering a competitive, innovative Canadian marketplace, the Competition Bureau must be bolstered and given the tools and authority it requires to do its job.

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# Truck theft leads to arrests, drug seizures

By **JORDAN TWISS**  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

Prince Albert RCMP has arrested two people and seized drugs and two illegally modified firearms, following an investigation into a stole vehicle.

According to a release, the Prince Albert RCMP Detachment received a report of a stolen vehicle at approximately 9:30 a.m. on June 28, and determined a pick-up truck had been stolen from outside a home in the Sturgeon Lake area.

The next day, the Ahtahkook-Shellbrook RCMP Detachment received a call about a theft in progress at a property in Shellbrook. Upon investigating, officers learned a truck had entered the property and its occupants had attempted to steal fuel.

Someone from the property approached, and the people in the truck threatened him with a firearm.

The property owner reported no physical injuries to police.

Following further investigation,

police determined the truck was the same vehicle reported stolen to Prince Albert RCMP the previous day.

Continuing their efforts to locate the stolen truck and suspects, officers with the Prince Albert RCMP Detachment found the vehicle on the Sturgeon Lake First Nation on June 30 and observed a woman near it.

When officers told the woman she was under arrest, she attempted to escape and assaulted an officer. The officer wasn't seriously injured, and the woman was arrested. During the arrest, she was found to have approximately 115 grams of crystal methamphetamine, various pills, and drug trafficking paraphernalia in her purse.

Police then got a search warrant for the home and seized two illegally-modified firearms, an airsoft rifle, and an airsoft handgun. Two people at the residence were arrested.

Sky Takakenew, 31, from Little Red is charged with two counts possession for the purpose of trafficking, possession of a controlled substance, resisting arrest, two counts of failing to comply with a release order, and trafficking property obtained by crime under \$5,000. She appeared in Prince Albert Provincial Court July 5.

A man from Sturgeon Lake First Nation, whose name has not been released at this time, is charged with possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000.

A third person arrested at the home was released without charges.

# Spiritwood Public Library names June contest winner



For the Spiritwood Public Library's June contest, Children had to look for 12 hidden objects on the "Camping Out" Activity sheet. The sheets were available all month long. Once they circled the night owl, striped snakes, marching ants, berry bushes and shining stars, children were asked to put their name on the sheet, and hand it in to be put in the draw box. The winner was Mikayla Tkachuk.  
By **HEATHER GATZKE**, Librarian

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# Cultures shine at Doukhobor Dugout House site

By **JORDAN TWISS**  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

Cultures were in the spotlight at the Doukhobor Dugout House site near Blaine Lake on Canada Day, when visitors dropped in for the 2023 grand opening.

The summer tourism season at the national heritage site is always centered around a theme. While the 2022 season explored the historical friendship between the Doukhobors and First Nations people, this year's theme is "Variety of Cultures".

"We didn't just want to focus on the Dugout House. We wanted to celebrate Canada Day as everyone's culture," Doukhobor Dugout House site founder Brenda Cheveldayoff said. "That meant we wanted people to dress up in their own heritage and culture, and share a story, sing a song, or do a dance."

To this end, those who came dressed in cultural attire were granted free access to the site on opening day. Cheveldayoff says many of the visitors on Saturday were happy to take part and share their own cultures, meaning that, in addition to the music of guest musician Out of Frequency, the patio was full of live entertainment throughout the day.

The descendants of Doukhobors also shared their heritage with a demonstration of

the Doukhobor plough, and invited guests to try it out.

"That's how the Doukhobors broke the soil to plant their gardens to feed their family in the village, because they didn't have any animals," Cheveldayoff said of the plough's significance. "We want to show the public, and we like the public to try it."

With the Doukhobor Dugout House site's 2023 opening falling on Canada Day this year, Cheveldayoff says she wasn't sure what to expect in terms of attendance, because communities across the province tend to have their own Canada Day festivities.

This certainly seems to have affected numbers on the day, as roughly 250 people came out rather than the usual 500. However, Cheveldayoff says this still exceeded her expectations, and adds that the site was kept busy throughout the day.

"We were extremely busy with the Doukhobor bread," she said. "It was so busy that we had to pull in other people to help behind the counter."

"With everything going on in the world today, it's a good way for everybody to come back home and get away from the hustle. It brings you back to your own roots," she adds of the Dugout House site's continued importance.

One thing missing from this year's opening, in part due to

the overlap with Canada Day, was the traditional program including dignitaries and special guests. Cheveldayoff says these guests will hopefully be back for the 2024 season opening, when the site plans to unveil its next major upgrade.

While guests can currently only visit the site for the day, Cheveldayoff says this will change once the new glamping (camping, but glamorous) sites are up and running. The future sites were shown to visitors on Saturday, and Cheveldayoff says there's already been a great deal of interest.

"These structures are going to be wood structures that are going to represent the same wood structures that are in the sides of the hills, and they'll be able to have that experience overnight," she said.

Despite fears the Doukhobor Dugout House site would become one of the victims of the COVID-19 pandemic, the past three years have been busy in terms of renovation projects.

In 2020, the roof of the Prayer Home was completed in honour of late board member Donna Choppe. Other projects since then have included stabilization work on some of the dugout homes, a \$10,000 website overhaul, the opening of the patio, and the addition of more bathrooms.



From left to right: Elder Jeanette Stringer and Brenda Cheveldayoff with dancers Dasha Kougiya, Olga Koughi, Julia Kougiya, and Sophie Gorbunova.



Alexander and Antonina Taskaez, visitors from Calgary, perform some cultural songs.



Guest performer Out of Frequency provided musical entertainment.



Dancers showcase the Russian Gypsy or European Roma dance.



Brenda Cheveldayoff (front right) leads the Doukhobor plough demonstration.



Kamilya Kozenko donned Ukrainian attire.

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## Cows shouldn't be climate scapegoats

When you have been involved with fairs and exhibitions as long as I have -- roughly 20 years showing stock and now roughly 35 as a journalist -- you have seen a lot of beef on the hoof.

I was reminded of that this past week, as I attended the Yorkton Regional 4-H Show that was part of the local summer fair.

There is always something nostalgic for me in attending livestock shows. I was not a 4-H member as a youth, but I was in the show ring at

age five, so I have an appreciation for the work associated with exhibiting stock, the exhilaration of a red ribbon, and the disappointment when your animal does not catch the judge's eye.

But this year the show generated a different feeling, one where I found myself wondering what the fate of such shows may be -- and in fact what the fate of cattle production will be.

Shows, especially smaller ones, may eventually face new rules relating to tracing cat-



CALVIN DANIELS

tle movements that will mean book work, red tape, and extra hours for volunteers -- and we all know finding volunteers seems to be an ever-increasing struggle of its own. Some exhibitions

will simply cancel shows, and that is unfortunate because there is already too much of a trend with many small fairs cancelling livestock shows through the years.

But the fate of shows is perhaps the least of the concerns for livestock and in particular cattle.

Cattle have been painted as environmental villains because, like most mammals, they pass gas, and this gas is not good for the atmosphere.

In a world where you can look to the sky almost anytime and see

jet vapour trails, cars are more numerous than ants, coal power generators spew smoke around the world, and many countries have limited, if any, regulations on business greenhouse gas emissions, the cow is the scapegoat.

Do we need to be concerned about greenhouse gas emissions?

Of course we do.

We see climate change and what it can mean -- more severe weather events in Canada and the resulting forest fire devastation of lightning

strikes -- and while one might argue it's a natural change, we can't afford to hope that is in fact the case and do nothing.

But we also need to be reasonable in that response.

Demonizing the cow is not reasonable.

Still, as I watched the recent show, I wondered if a largely agriculture-ignorant public might not push equally ill-informed legislators to limit cattle production because cows are an easier target than big corporate emitters.

## Hidden Hills hosts Lung Sask tourney

By JORDAN TWISS  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

Summer means tournament season is in full swing for the Hidden Hills of Shellbrook Golf Course. But while the old mainstays still draw a large crowd, one new addition to this year's tournament schedule proved to be a breath of fresh air.

The Lung Sask Benefit Tournament, organized by local Lung Sask ambassador Ralph Harris, was hosted at the golf course on July 8. The inaugural event, played in a four-person best ball format, saw 90 golfers tee off for a good cause.

Between the silent auction, the raffle, the 50/50, and the portion of the green fees Hidden Hills donated back

to Lung Sask, the tournament raised just shy of \$10,000 for the organization -- more than enough for both Hidden Hills and Lung Sask to call it a success.

"It was perfect weather, our course is in beautiful condition, and everyone had a great time," Hidden Hills general manager Len Stener said. "I would bet two-thirds of [the golfers] were from outside of Shellbrook, which was really good. Having the course look so nice is a great way to promote the town and the golf course."

Given the success of the first Lung Sask Benefit Tournament, Stener says the organization is already making plans to return next year. For his part, he says Hidden Hills is on board, as tournaments like these are a great way to benefit a worthy cause while also benefitting the golf course in terms of

green fees, cart rentals, and food and drink sales.

"I think this is the direction we need to go in," Stener said, noting it would be great if the golf course could draw in the many people who pass through Shellbrook on their way to go fishing or camping throughout the summer.

"It gets the word out around north central Saskatchewan, and even outside of that. We have a great facility here. People can come and enjoy it and enjoy the other things Shellbrook has to offer."

Another benefit of tournaments like this, he adds, is that they help shed the misconception that golf is a pastime for the rich and snooty.

"Some people think of golf as only for the elite. That's not what our golf course is all about. It's about people coming out and having a good time."



The first Lung Sask Benefit Tournament drew golfers of all ages to the Hidden Hills of Shellbrook.

### RESORT VILLAGE OF BIG SHELL NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Public Notice is hereby given that the Council of Resort Village of Big Shell intends to adopt bylaws under *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* to amend Bylaw 2-85 The Basic Planning Statement Bylaw.

**Intent:** The proposed bylaw will rezone the affected area from Community Center District to R - Residential, the land described below:

**Affected Area:** The affected area of land is legally described as Parcel B, Plan No. 102024638 and Part of PR3, Plan No. 89B15672 and part of SW ¼ Sec. 5-TWP 49-RGE8-W3rdM, Big Shell, Saskatchewan, which is shown in the shaded area of the map which appears as part of this notice.

**Reason:** The reason of the proposed alteration is to allow for the development of Storage Lots to be titled.

**Public Inspection:** Any person may inspect the bylaw(s) by contacting Tara Bueckert at (306) 427-2188 or by email at [villagebigshell@gmail.com](mailto:villagebigshell@gmail.com) Monday to Friday. Copies are available at cost.

**Public Hearing:** A public meeting will be held on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hall, 229 Loon Drive, Resort Village of Big Shell, Saskatchewan to discuss the proposal.

Any person(s) who wish to object to the proposed restructuring may file a written objection, stating clearly their reason for their opposition, with the administrator of the Resort Village of Big Shell at the address below. A written notice of objection must be received by the administrator by 3:30 p.m. on Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

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Tara Bueckert, Administrator



## Save the Leafs; trade Matthews in a blockbuster

It's time for another blockbuster trade in the National Hockey League.

Way back in November, 1975, the hockey world was absolutely stunned by the news that Boston's Phil Esposito, coming off a 61-goal, 127-point season, was the major figure in a five-player swap with the New York Rangers. Hall-of-Famers Brad Park, an eight-time Norris Trophy runner-up, and Jean Ratelle, eventually rated the seventh-best Ranger of all-time, went to the Bruins in exchange for Esposito and defenceman Carol Vadnais.

There hasn't been a shocker like that since. But it's time.

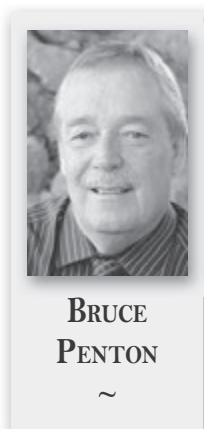
Hey, Auston Matthews, welcome to Phoenix.

New general manager Brad Treliving of the Leafs is faced with a serious dilemma this summer. He can apparently afford only three of his 'Core Four' — Matthews, Mitch Marner, John Tavares and William Nylander — and Tavares

has a no-trade deal and a huge contract, so he's stuck in Toronto. Matthews is 'untouchable' because he's the team's No. 1 star, fan favourite and media darling, so that ostensibly leaves Nylander and/or Marner to go on the auction block.

But does it have to unfold like that? While it would be a complete stunner, and Leafs' fans would likely try to dangle Treliving from the top of the CN Tower if he pulled off such a move, trading Matthews might be the salvation for the Toronto franchise.

Think of the consequences: The Leafs could probably pry Clayton Keller and a starting defenceman from the Coyotes, which would be a net loss talent-wise, but only a bit. The Leafs could probably get at least two first-round draft picks from Arizona. Matthews would be thrilled to go home and play as a local hero in the state where he grew up. The Leafs wouldn't have to shell out \$15



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million for one skater, a player who this past year was his usual great self during the regular season (40 goals, 45 assists) and a dud in the playoffs (no goals and only two assists in the second-round series loss to Florida). That extra available salary could be used to bolster talent at other positions and the Leafs could become a more balanced team and a Stanley Cup contender instead of relying heavily on the 'Core Four', which is easier for opponents to key on defensively.

Matthews has one year remaining on his contract, and by the time

you read this, the Leafs will likely have signed him to an extension, which reportedly would make him the league's highest-paid player. That kind of financial outlay in this salary-cap age we live in makes it almost impossible for a general manager to find enough quality auxiliary players with the reduced money available to him. Matthews is good, even great, but he's not McDavid-great.

So it's a simple solution: Save the Leafs. Ship Matthews to Arizona.

• Phil Mushnick of the New York Post: "(Mets announcer) Gary Cohen exclaimed that Max Scherzer had delivered 'a stellar pitching performance.' He often uses 'stellar.' Wonder if, off the air, he has ever said, 'Honey, this meatloaf is stellar!'"

• From my cynical friend Bobby the Brat: "Alek Manoah of the Blue Jays is going to the all-star game; he's the pitcher for the Home Run Derby."

• Eamon Lynch in Golfweek.com, on the PGA Tour-PIF partnership deal: "It wasn't widely noted that deep in the framework document — paragraph 9 of 10 — is a non-disparagement clause, though it seems no one thought it necessary to ask for a non-dismemberment rule."

• Comedy guy Torben Rolfsen of Vancouver, on Calgary Flames' first-round draft choice: "Samuel Honzek requests trade to get out of Calgary."

• Canadian parody website The Beaverton, on the NHL Awards night: "NHL honours its best by forcing them to listen to D-List celebrities mispronounce their names."

• Janice Hough of leftcoastsportsbabe.com: "With historic sporting events many more people always say they attended than fans who were actually in attendance. Tonight, Yankees' Domingo German pitched a perfect game against Oakland A's. No

doubt years from now at least 1,000 people will claim they were at the Coliseum."

• RJ Currie of sports-deke.com: "The Chicago Blackhawks chose Connor Bedard with the first pick in the NHL draft. Equally surprising, the sun came up this morning."

• Headline at theonion.com: "Boston Fan Doesn't Have Slurs To Describe Disappointment In Celtics

• Another one from the onion.com: "Stephen A. Smith Blasts Laid-Off ESPN Employees For Not Wanting Jobs Bad Enough"

• Headline at fark.com: "It's ESPN firing day, so Screamin' A. Smith can have an evelenty-billion-dollar-year contract."

• Another fark.com headline: "Negotiations between the 76ers and James Harden are reportedly heating up over who gets to keep his facial hair."

Care to comment? Email [brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca](mailto:brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca)

## OBITUARY

### Marlene Tracey Lange



LANGE — Marlene Tracey, born September 30, 1964 in North Battleford, passed away June 5, 2023 in North Battleford at the age of 58

years.

Marlene was the youngest of three children born to Edwin and Mary Lange. She grew up on the family farm east of Glenbush, attending school in Glenbush and later in Medstead, graduating in 1986. After school Marlene lived in Spiritwood for several years where she worked as a Continuing Care Aide at the Idylwild Lodge. Her next move was to North Battleford where she worked at The Territorial Place Mall in the meat department and FF2 Clothing for 24

years. Marlene's last decade was spent working at the Windsor Hotel in Battleford, where the Patrons and Employers became like a second family to her.

Marlene always enjoyed sports and played league volleyball and slow pitch. She also enjoyed tennis. The last 20 years, golf has been her passion. Winter activities included puzzles, scrabble and cribbage. Marlene enjoyed the outdoors and spent many hours visiting on the deck. She was content with a simple life,

and though she did go on the occasional winter vacation, she was always glad to get home to her beloved cats, Carrot and Smokey.

Marlene is lovingly remembered her two siblings: Debbie (Brett Seidle) of Medstead, SK and their children: Meghan (Michael Tomtene) — Oskar and Dominik, Heather (Bryan Evans) and Kelsey. David (Kathy Lange) of Glenbush, SK and her children: Lance, Keith, Brandon and Alecia and their families. Her birth daughter Zoe

Buchanan of Weyburn, SK and her children Mason and Brooke also numerous other relatives and friends. She is predeceased by her parents: Edwin and Mary Lange.

A funeral service to celebrate Marlene's life was held Wednesday, June 28, 2023, 11:00 am at the Territorial Drive Alliance Church, North Battleford, SK with Pastor Keith Klippenstein officiating. The eulogy was prepared by her siblings Debbie and David and read by Arlene Drieschner. Urn Bearer was

David Lange.

Marlene's final resting place will be in the Medstead Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to The Battlefords Union Hospital — Palliative Care Unit.

Family and Friends wishing to send online condolences are welcome to visit [www.beaulacfuneralhome.com](http://www.beaulacfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral Home and Crematorium, R. Mark Muir Funeral Director, Spiritwood, SK (306) 883-3500

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# Minutes of a Spiritwood Town Council meeting

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

The regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Spiritwood was held in the Council Chambers at the Spiritwood Town Office, 212 Main Street, on June 15, 2023, at 7 p.m.

In attendance were, Mayor Gary von Holwede, Councillor Jim Bedi, Councillor George Pretli, Councillor Bryan Wingerter, Councillor Brad Nemish, Councillor Ragnar Latus, Councillor Shane Colley and CAO Rhonda Saam.

A quorum being present, Mayor Von Holwede called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Latus: That the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried

Bedi: That the minutes of the regular meeting on May 23, 2023, be approved as presented. Carried

Delegation: Town Foreman - Neil Gaboury - 7:20 p.m.

Town Foreman Neil Gaboury entered the council meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Neil discussed projects happening over the summer with public works and maintenance of town equipment.

Town Foreman Neil Gaboury left the council meeting at 8 p.m.

Wingerter: That the correspondence be filed as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That the Accounts for Ratification, Cheque No. 32631 to 32639 & Payments #1305 to 1335 in the amount of \$61,656.71 be approved as presented. Carried

Nemish: That the Accounts for Approval, Cheque No. 32640 to 32671 and Payments #1336 to 1338 in the amount of \$72,933.52 be approved as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That we accept the proposal of provision of financial services for a five-

year term and monthly fee of \$50 from Prairie Centre Credit Union as presented and forming a part of the minutes, effective June 16, 2023;

And, that a line of credit is requested for \$225,000 from Prairie Centre Credit Union for a term of 3 years less 1 day with the tax levy being used as security each fiscal year. Carried

Latus: That the reports be filed as presented. Carried

Nemish: That the quote from Battleford Asphalt Services Ltd. be approved in the amount of \$20,550 plus taxes for 2023 asphalt maintenance. Carried

Wingerter: That we revise the sale agreement between the Town of Spiritwood and Lake Country Co-operative for Parcel UC Plan 102137701 & Parcel UD Plan 102137701 to reflect an environmental abatement of \$8,000 as per Towns legal advice. Carried

Councillor Jim Bedi declared a conflict and left the council meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Nemish: That we purchase the 2014 Grasshopper 721DT Zero Turn Mower back from the Spiritwood Golf Club in the amount of \$10,000 plus tax. Carried

Councillor Jim Bedi re-entered the council meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Wingerter: That we hire Jennifer Bamba as the Civic Centre Caretaker position for a 1-year term, effective July 15, 2023, at a rate of \$300 per month plus 40% of half revenues for the month. Carried

Bedi: That we approve the request for parcel consolidation of the following: Lot 11 to Lot 12 Block 3 Plan 64B00039 Lot 14 to Lot 13 Block 3 Plan 64B00039;

and, consolidation of Block D Plan 65B09074, Block E Plan 65B09074, Block F Plan 65B09074, SE-02-51-11-3 Plan AO1717, and Block D Plan 101784393;

he wanted to meet the Pentecostal students that entered the school. I was one of them. I headed to his office, and we struck up a conversation.

In my attempt to build a bridge with him, I mentioned I was Icelandic on my dad's side. I am French and Cree on mom's side. I informed him that the state religion in Iceland was Lutheran. All information he likely knew.

I got this feeling that he must have pastored among the Icelanders. What he said next was quite a surprise, he said, "Icelanders are Lutheran, but they never go to church."

I have never forgotten that. In defense of the Icelanders, I am sure that is a general observation and there are likely some faithful churchgoers.

Pastoring now with my wife Marlene for some 39 years, I can tell you we certainly appreciate those who consistently take the time to come to church and be involved. For those who feel that their church is the wide-

And, that we provide a letter of municipal consent to the property owner for ISC requirements. Carried

Wingerter: That we approve continuing to participate in the SaskEnergy Municipal Surcharge program. Carried

Nemish: That we purchase 300 yards of gravel and 300 yards of sand from P. Construction as per their estimate. Carried

Council: That we accept the offer from Darren Senum in the amount of \$250 plus GST each for the 4 gates at the rodeo arena area that block off the race track. Carried

Wingerter: That we approve Building & Development Permit #12-2023SW to construct a detached storage shed Lot 6 Block 6 Plan BK2112, with the condition of approval of compliance to the Town of Spiritwood Zoning Bylaws, and the building permit pending authorization from the Building Inspector. Carried

Wingerter: That we approve the quote from Macbeeners in the amount of \$6,995.96 to purchase the floor scrubber for the Spiritwood Civic Centre. Carried

Bedi: That we approve the quote #95613 from Delco Water in the amount of \$40,267.83 to install 35 Dupont Membranes for the water treatment plant system. Carried

Colley: That we sell approximately 580 feet of the 3/8" rebar that is located at SADSAC Park on pallets, in the amount of \$150 plus GST to Lloyd Fisher with the condition that Lloyd move the remainder of the rebar to behind the town shop. Carried

Wingerter: That we approve the request to parcel tie Lot 5 to Lot 6 Block 6 Plan BK2112, and provide a municipal letter of consent to the property owner for ISC requirements. Carried

Latus: That this meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

## GOOD NEWS

### YOU ARE NOT ALONE

By **DAVE BODVARSON**  
Shellbrook Pentecostal Assembly

A number of years ago, Marlene and I pastored Native New Life Church in Saskatoon when it was still on the east side of the river – at 303 Maple Street to be exact.

Our boys were still quite small. I had picked up a Bachelor of Theology degree from Central Pentecostal College. Wanting more, I entered Lutheran Seminary in a pursuit of a Master of Divinity. Well, our salary wasn't terribly high and life had it demands, so I was able to complete one course and decided that maybe it wasn't to be.

In the course of my time at the Seminary I was asked to have a conversation with the president at the time. I guess the deal was

open space or the mountains where they commune with God, I get it. I just think there is more to church than that.

As we gather together, there is something about communal worship that is encouraging. Proverbs 27:17 says, "As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend."

So, church has a way of sharpening us. The wonderful thing about church, is that it's a 'body or team ministry' where your gift that God has given you can be exercised. Believe me, the church needs you.

There are several reasons why one should be encouraged to be part of a local church, some of which I already listed. Another is you get the sense you are not alone. Church is community coming together, and we are better together.

Hebrews 10:25 says, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."

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# Shellbrook concert reunites lifelong friends

By **JORDAN TWISS**  
Shellbrook Chronicle Reporter

The Shellbrook Theatre came alive on Thursday, July 6, for an evening that was part concert, part comedy show, and part reunion, as Freddie and Sheila Pelletier, Leroy and Donna Anderson (of The Tommy Hunter Show fame), and Donny Parenteau took the stage.

Rather than playing the show as a traditional three-act concert, the quintet shared the spotlight and performed together in a songwriter's circle format, treating the audience to nearly two hours of traditional country tunes.

Though Thursday's concert marked Donna and Leroy's first stop in Shellbrook, and also their first meeting with Sheila, it was far from the first time the couple had played with Freddie and Donny. Indeed, the show was a gathering of old friends who have known

each other, and made music together, for more than 30 years.

As Parenteau recalled to the audience, he was only 15 when he first met Freddie, who was playing in the house band for a concert of his. Prior to the show date, the two of them got together to play some fiddle tunes and hit it off immediately. And eventually, in 1989 or 1990, they began playing together in a band.

As fate would have it, this was around the time that Leroy and Donna were planning a tour of Saskatchewan. While backing up the couple on that tour, now some 33 years ago, the four-some became fast friends.

Though they all tried to keep in touch over the years, life kept them busy and often took them in separate directions. Leroy and Donna were in Toronto doing The Tommy Hunter Show, before eventually moving down to Nashville, while Donny and Freddie were on their own musical journeys.

"The last time I'd seen them, before we recently got reacquainted, was probably 1991 or 1992 in Nashville. I was working with Neil McCoy at the time. They were living in Nashville, Leroy was songwriting," Donny recalled.

"Then, I ran into them last year in Edmonton, and we did a show together. I just had this idea: what if we got together and threw together a little

tour, just like we used to?"

With Sheila and her soaring harmonies added to the line-up, the quintet organized a small three-stop tour, including shows in Shellbrook, Christopher Lake, and Candle Lake.

After all these years, Donny says it was a delight to enjoy friendship and good music again.

"We have just as much fun sitting around telling stories and laughing about stuff we've gone through and done together as we do playing," he said. "As long as you can have fun, and you're playing with people you really enjoy, that makes it worthwhile."

For Leroy and Donna, and Freddie and Sheila, the feeling is mutual.

"Donny, Freddie and I all have a kind of chemistry. When we started playing

the other night for our first rehearsal, you could feel it. We were looking at each other and getting inspired by each other. That's really rare," Leroy said.

"It's a joy that we could still get together and play," Donna added.

In addition to gratitude for the show's audience, Leroy and Donna said they were also grateful for the opportunity to play in the Shellbrook Theatre, praising it for its acoustics and its more intimate atmosphere.

Their highest praise, however, was saved for their fellow performers.

"It just makes me cry how good the talent is," Leroy said. "We've played with a lot of great people, and these are some of the greatest we've ever played with, musicians and people-wise."

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Sheila and Freddie Pelletier harmonize on a country tune, during their July 6 show at the Shellbrook Theatre.



Donny Parenteau entertains the crowd with an amusing fiddle tune.



Donna and Leroy Anderson perform during their July 6 show at the Shellbrook Theatre.