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Shellbrook Kinettes host Christmas Trade Show



Luann Anderson of Country Creations chats with a happy customer.

The Shellbrook Kinettes brought some early holiday season spirit to the community, hosting their first-ever Christmas Trade Show at the Shellbrook Senior Citizens' Centre on Saturday.

There were 20 tables set up, showcasing a variety of goods from 16 different local and area vendors, and the Senior's Hall was full throughout the day, with patrons looking for early Christmas presents for those hard to shop for people on their lists or just stopping by for a long overdue chat with old friends.

Given the success of the day, Kinette Tasha Cyr says the Kinettes are planning to host it again next year, with hopes that both the Senior's Hall and the Shellbrook Community Hall will be available. She adds that the group already has some new ideas up its sleeves.

"It was really good to be out in a crowd," Cyr said of the day, adding that she and her fellow Kinettes appreciated the level of community support for the fledgling trade show. "[It was] a much-needed day to visit with everyone."

In addition to the range of goods offered

by the trade show's vendors, members of Shellbrook's New Pool Committee were also on hand to serve hot chocolate and treats, with proceeds (by donation) going towards the committee's efforts to get a new local pool built. All told, the goodies raised \$551 for the cause.

Meanwhile, over at Designer's Edge Salon & Gift Shop, a Christmas Market was organized by owner Becky Fisher to showcase the goods of the business' artisans. From framed butterflies to hand-poured candles, to warm blankets and wooden signs, there was a little something for everyone.

The bustling event also included free hot chocolate and a draw for a basket of goods donated by the artisans, valued at more than \$500. Teneille Kerr was the lucky winner of the draw.

Getting back to normal

The Christmas Trade show was just the first in a trio of events the Shellbrook Kinettes have planned for the holiday season. Cyr says the group hopes to get the community excited for Christmas, while also bringing some joy and a long-overdue sense of

normalcy.

On Dec. 11, the Christmas season truly arrives with the return of the Kinettes' Cookie Walk. In keeping with tradition, Santa will also make an appearance at the Cookie Walk. Parents wanting pictures with the big man in red are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Shellbrook & District Ministerial Food Bank and their own camera or phone to snap their pictures.

Also making a comeback on Dec. 11, after a successful inaugural run last year, is the Kinettes' Twinkle Tour and Hamper Haul.

"I think the Twinkle tour speaks for why we are putting so much into trying to run events," Cyr said. "The turnout was so amazing, the atmosphere was just what the town needed, and the joy was overwhelming. We want that to continue."

Outside of events, the Shellbrook Kinettes were also integral to the installation of the disc golf course at Centennial Park. Currently, seven out of nine baskets have been installed, but Cyr says the course is still playable – even in the dead of winter – and that the Kinettes still have disc sets avail-

able for purchase.

The final two baskets are slated to be installed in the spring, along with the basket signs, and basket and tree sponsorship signs.

"We can't wait to get this course completed and are very thankful for everyone's patience," Cyr said.

The Kinettes' attempt to bring normalcy to the community comes after nearly 20 months of nothing being normal due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Cyr says the pandemic and its changing restrictions made it hard or impossible for the group to meet to organize and run its typical slate of events.

This, naturally, has had a profound impact on the Kinettes' morale. Fortunately, Cyr says, the group is lucky to have a core group of ladies who have worked hard to keep excitement and spirits high, and make events possible.

"We need some normalcy. We need events. We need to get out and have fun," Cyr said. "If we can help put smiles on a few faces, we are happy with what we are doing."

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Tenille Robin of Tino's Cake n Bake wraps up a purchase for a customer at the Shellbrook Kinettes' Christmas Trade Show.



Teneille Kerr won the Designer's Edge gift basket draw, featuring more than \$500 worth of prizes donated by the gift shop's artisans.



Designer's Edge Salon and Gift Shop was also host to a Christmas Market, showcasing the products of its artisans.

Engineering contract awarded for proposed water pipeline

A proposed intermunicipal water pipeline being explored by the Town of Shellbrook, in conjunction with the Prince Albert Regional Water Utility (PARWU) and a group of rural municipalities, has reached a new milestone with the awarding of the contract for project's engineering to Associated Engineering (AE).

Under the terms of the contract, which lays out two phases for the engineering, the Prince Albert firm will handle evaluation of the water treatment process, geotechnical investigations, water sampling, and predesign of the water treatment plant.

Shellbrook Town Councillor Brent Miller says this work constitutes Phase 1 of the engineering and is expected to be completed by October of 2022, at which time PARWU's board will have the information it needs to decide whether it will proceed with the rest of the project or abandon ship.

"This time next year, we'll have a really good idea of what it's going to cost and whether we have the money," Miller said.

In the meantime, PARWU is expecting to announce a new partnership in the coming weeks, this one with a third party that will handle all funding, grants, and financing for the project.

With three major pipelines to build — one across

the North Saskatchewan river and around the south side of Prince Albert, another along Highway 3 meeting up with PARWU's existing system near Highway 2 going north of the city, and the pipeline to Shellbrook — an RFP for that part of the project has also gone out.

Miller says this contract should be awarded some time in January.

Elsewhere, the PARWU Board is expecting to award another contract to handle all permits and applications for the project at its next meeting. Miller says public consultations will be a key part of this, and also an important part of the project going forward.

According to Miller, Shellbrook's Town Council is planning to hold a public meeting in the first quarter of 2022, at which it will discuss a number of matters, the proposed PARWU pipeline included. If necessary, he says council will hold a special meeting about the pipeline later in the year, once the project's numbers are firmed up.

While that's a long way off, Miller remains confident in the project's viability.

"This is a better proposition for us in Shellbrook than had we spent \$7.8 million upgrading the water plant. The debt associated with that would have seen a dramatic increase in water rates, and, in order to make that happen, we probably would have seen some of the costs dumped into taxes," he said.

"The nice thing about it is we could borrow money and spend it on something else, if we needed to. We're not tying up borrowing power or cash on the water treatment plant," he added.

Big River RCMP investigates fatal hit and run

The Big River RCMP is seeking the public's assistance as it investigates a fatal hit and run on the Big River First Nation.

On Nov. 22, at approximately 8:40 a.m., Big River RCMP and EMS responded to a report of a collision between a vehicle and an adult pedestrian on the Big River First Nation, just north of the Roman Catholic Church.

The pedestrian was pronounced dead at the scene, and police said further details about the victim will be released after next of kin is notified.

No vehicles were at the scene at the time. Big River RCMP, with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP Collision Reconstructionist, are investigating.

In the meantime, officers are asking for the public's assistance to help locate a dark red vehicle that was seen in the area at the time of the incident, as the occupants may have information about the investigation.

Aside from the colour of the vehicle, however, police could offer no further description about its make or model.

Anyone with information regarding the vehicle of the fatal hit and run is encouraged to call the Big River Detachment at 306-469-2590. Alternatively, information can be submitted anonymously through Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

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Sat., Dec. 11th, 2021 – 10:00 AM
Marcelin Senior's Hall, Marcelin, SK

All Marcelin Métis Local members and local Métis citizens are invited to attend

For more information, please check out the Marcelin Métis Local #113 Facebook page

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S0J 1G0

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WP Sandin hosts Provincial girls volleyball

For the second time in three weeks, the gymnasium at WP Sandin High School was abuzz with activity, as the community played host to the 3A Girls Volleyball Provincials tournament.

Splitting the action between WP Sandin and Canwood Public School, the tournament was played in round robin style, with the 10 competitors split into two pools of five teams. WP Sandin was on the A-side with Briercrest Christian Academy, Carnduff, Lanigan, and Unity, while the B-pool consisted of Dalmeny, Kipling, Lashburn, Maple Creek, and Watrous.

The Aardvarks opened their tournament with a match-up against the Carnduff Tigers (who, spoiler alert, went on to win the Provincial title), and showed much improvement in their play at the net. Despite this, and a few impressive rallies, the Tigers outplayed them over two sets with scores of 25-10 and 25-13.

After an hour to rest, the Shellbrook ladies returned to action against the Lanigan Lazers. Once again, they put together a strong outing, leading to some exciting rallies and returns. Ultimately they fell just short, dropping two sets 25-19 and 25-15.

Playing day two of the tournament in Canwood, the Aardvarks faced off against Briercrest Academy in the first match-up of the day. Though the team was close to winning its first set of the tournament, it came up just shy and fell in two sets with scores of 25-22 and 25-15.

In what would be their last match, the Aardvarks took a 25-3 wallop in the first set against the Unity Lazers. They bounced back from this and showed great perseverance in the second set, falling by a close score of 25-22.

Despite the tough outing, coach Natasha Kostyniuk says she couldn't be more proud of her team.

"Witnessing the blocks that happened, digs in the back row and the serves we had, made me so proud to be coaching such an amazing group of girls," she said. "I know for a fact we learned from that experience and will take those lessons with us."

As day gave way to evening, bracket playoffs were contended, paving the way for the medal matches.

In an exciting bronze medal match, the Dalmeny Cougars took on the Watrous Wildcats. The Wildcats came out on the winning side of a back-and-forth battle in the first set, topping the Cougars 25-19.

In the second set, the Wildcats were able to wear their opponents down over the course of some long rallies to take the set 25-12 and the bronze medal win.

Saving the best for last, the gold medal match pit the Carnduff Tigers against the Kipling Magyars. Both teams went undefeated through the tournament, and their showdown demonstrated why.

The teams traded point for point in the early going of the first set, until Kipling seized the momentum en route to a 25-20 win. The Magyars then went on to take an early lead in the second set, but the Tigers roared back to life to steal a 25-16 win and force a third and deciding set.

Mirroring the competitive first set, the Tigers and the Magyars went back and forth, matching point for point and rally for rally. This time, however, it was the Tigers who were able to surge ahead and take the gold medal with a score of 15-11.

Medstead Provincial

While Shellbrook was busy hosting the 3A Girls Provincial tournament, the Medstead Mustangs girl's team travelled to Davidson and Loreburn over the weekend

to take part in the 1A provincial tournament.

The Mustangs fought hard through the tournament, dropping three closely contested round robin matches on day one of the action before claiming their first victory on day two. Moving to the bracket playoffs, the Mustangs were dominated by eventual champions Rose Valley, who won in two sets with scores of 25-22 and 25-17.

Medstead now advances to the 1A Provincials, which will be played in Fox Valley and Maple Creek this weekend.

Glaslyn competing in the 1A tournament in Muenster.

Both teams racked up nearly identical records through the round robins, before losing in their respective bracket playoff games to be relegated to the consolation final.

In a hotly contested match, Medstead was able to eke out a victory in two sets, with scores of 25-22 and 25-17.

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The Carnduff Tigers emerged from the 3A Girls Provincials as gold medallists. Back row, from left: Coach Ryan Nichols, Caitlin Bolduc, Brooke Gardiner, Winter Cown, Anesa Nichols, Payton Hollinger, coach Michelle Sweeting, and coach Kylie Matiowsky. Front row, from left: Natalie Barber, Alex Jenson, Jamie Levesque, Tessa Lanski, and Presley Barber.



Shellbrook's Tegan Naumann gets vertical to launch a return volley in Provincials action against the Carnduff Tigers.

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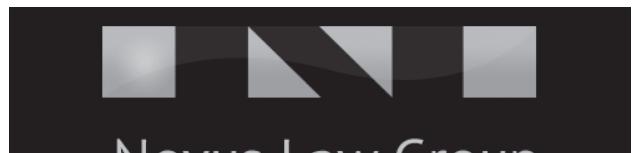
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Shellbrook's Marissa Skavlebo and Mya Sommerfeld join forces on a big block during a Provincials match against the Lanigan Lazers.



Dalmeny's Jaryn Janzen reaches for a bump. Though she made the tough play, Dalmeny went on to lose the bronze medal game to the Watrous Wildcats.



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Further information may be obtained by phoning the municipal office at 306-469-2323. **Applications close December 10, 2021 at 4 p.m.** Please forward resumes to:

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Big River, SK S0J 0E0
Fax: 306-469-2428
Email: rm555@rmofbigriver.ca

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Climate policy outrage a wasteful distraction

To hear Saskatchewan Premier Scott Moe tell the tale, the province's oil, gas, and coal are so clean you could eat off of them.

Hyperbole? Perhaps. But it's not too far off the message Mr. Moe delivered in the supportive echo chamber of the recent Sask. Party Convention, at which his leadership of the province was handily endorsed.

Moe's fiery rhetoric was aimed at Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who was fresh off a visit to the lavish COP26 UN climate change conference in Glasgow, where he committed to placing a hard cap on Canada's oil and gas emissions (a promise his party had made during this year's federal election campaign).

Calling the pledge an "outright attack on the energy industry in Saskatchewan," Mr. Moe said the prime minister should have instead used his speech to tout Saskatchewan's energy industry as the "most sustainable in the world."

Mr. Moe then argued that Mr. Trudeau's promise would drive investments and jobs away from Saskatchewan, to dirtier producers like Saudi Arabia, Venezuela, and Russia, thereby driving global CO₂ emissions up rather than down.

The message wasn't new. It was more of the same talking points Mr. Moe has recited any time a federal policy, be it pipeline regulations or the much-detested carbon tax, so much as poses a minor inconvenience to Saskatchewan's sacred energy sector.

And Mr. Moe isn't the only Saskatchewan premier waging a war of words



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against Ottawa.

Just last week, his predecessor, Brad Wall, took up the mantle, penning a condemnation of liberal policy and the so-called "great reset."

"Maybe voters themselves are at the very beginning of another reset — one in which they begin to see the costs of Canada's left-wing, anti-natural resource policies, including skyrocketing inflation, shortages of consumer goods and higher interest rates," Mr. Wall posited.

Mr. Wall's implied message isn't subtle: liberal policy, and especially its environmental policy, is exclusively to blame for Canadians' myriad woes.

The trouble is, this simply isn't true.

Sure, Mr. Trudeau's unprecedented spending throughout the COVID-19 pandemic may not have helped matters, but it also kept many Canadians from sinking into poverty and helped businesses keep the lights on through the economic storm.

What's more, Mr. Wall's assertion ignores the reality that Canada isn't an island; it exists as a relatively small fish within a complex, interconnected global pond.

It's Economics 101. Prices are higher not only because of liberal (or conservative) policy, but because the aforementioned pandemic has disrupted global supply chains at a time when demand for goods has never been higher.

Truly, one can only wonder what a hypothetical federal government led by Mr. Wall would have done differently over these past 19 months.

What magical policies would his gov-



ernment have enacted to keep Canadians and Canadian businesses afloat, and prevent the cost of living and interest rates from rising?

More importantly, why do Messrs. Wall and Moe only seem to concern themselves with the plight of "the little guy" when it comes to the province's energy sector?

Where, for instance, are Mr. Moe's fighting words for the seniors who needlessly died in outbreaks in the province's private long-term care facility, or the families left unable to access life-saving medical treatment over the past couple months?

And if Messrs. Wall and Moe truly believe something must be done to combat climate change (as they've claimed to), when, if not this moment, is the right time

to begin the fight?

No one with any credibility believes Saskatchewan should turn the taps off over night. Mr. Trudeau's current commitment has Canada hitting net-zero emissions by 2050 — conveniently long after his government will be in power to be held accountable for keeping its promise.

But the transition away from oil and gas will happen eventually.

In the meantime, Messrs. Moe and Wall can choose to gnash their teeth and wail about unfair "attacks" on the province's energy sector, and trot out divisive language about independence every time climate change policy is brought up. Or they can choose to redirect their energy and become part of the solution.

A different kind of worship

Dear editor,

Last Friday evening, the theme for Cowboy Church here was Remembrance Day. We started by singing "O Canada" and ended with "God Save the Queen."

The early pioneers here worshipped in homes and schools until churches could be built. Today, I can count 13 churches within a 13-mile radius of Rabbit Lake that are all closed.

Rick is an accomplished singer and musician. He has served us every first and third Friday of the

month for three years. His sermons are always Bible-based and full of stories and often humour.

He is a busy man, being pastor at New Hope Church in Prince Albert and also conducting services in Battleford, Spiritwood, and Brancethorp.

It is a different kind of worship. If you read this, why not come and check it out?

You might like it.
Cornie Martens,
Rabbit Lake, Sask.

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Timberwolves score big win in home opener

The Spiritwood Timberwolves mauled the Perdue Pirates during their home opener on Saturday, Nov. 20.

The Timberwolves were able to trample the Pirates with a score of 3-0 during the first period and ended with a 10-4 win. Even after the second period finished, the audience

was confident it was already an obvious win.

During Saturday evening's match-up with Perdue, Justin Bill provided some of the offensive highlights for Spiritwood, scoring three goals and one assist. Raymon Harris earned two goals and one assist, while Tristan Kroeker

scored a goal.

Additionally, Delano Tipewan scored a goal and two assists during the evening, with Marcus Tipewan and Patrick Robinson each contributing a goal and a helper apiece to the Timberwolves' win.

In the assist section, Tyler Cross and Dallyn Saam earned

two, while Zach Lomsnes and Colton Poulin tallied one.

On the Perdue scorecard, Kassen Downey, Matt Goudy and Blayne Lefavre each scored a goal and one assist, with Braedon Paradis earning a goal. Looking at the assist column, Dawson Strunk and Gage Gray both earned one

apiece.

To sum it all up, it was a great night for hockey in the community.

The next game on the schedule for the Timberwolves will be in Spiritwood this coming Saturday, Nov. 27 at 8:30 p.m. The team will face off against the Meota Combines.

Health Canada approves paediatric vaccines

Health Canada has now approved the COVID-19 Pfizer vaccine for use in children aged five to 11 and more than 112,000 doses of the vaccine have arrived in Saskatchewan within days, enough to immunize every child in that age group. Parent or guardian consent will be required.

Now that the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) has received the Pfizer pediatric COVID-19 vaccine, it is expected to begin accepting online and over-the-phone appointments as of 8 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 23.

The SHA will begin to administer the vaccine to children aged five to 11 with parent consent as of Wednesday, Nov. 24, in Saskatoon and Regina, with clinics in smaller communities beginning Thursday, Nov. 25, and, in the Far North, starting Friday, Nov. 26. Clinic availability is subject to transportation or weather-related delays.

"This is welcome news for families that want the protection that immunization provides for their children against serious disease," Health Minister Paul Merriman said in a statement. "The immunization of this age cohort will also help to reduce transmission of the virus and ensure that children can continue to enjoy their friends and activities."

The Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) will offer the pediatric vaccines across the province in 221 clinics in 141 communities. A variety of clinics will be offered, including walk-in, booked appointments and extended hours for added convenience. Vaccinations will also be available for five to 11 year olds from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), Northern Inter-Tribal Health Authority (NITHA) and participating pharmacies.

Clinics will also be offered in more than 100 schools with a focus on ensuring parent or guardian attendance to support the children. Information on in-school clinics will be shared with parents and students directly.

Information on locations of participating pharma-

cies will be updated at www.Saskatchewan.ca/COVID19-vaccine when the pharmacies have received their supply of pediatric vaccine.

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, children under 12 years now account for the highest number of new COVID-19 infections. Clinical trials showed children five to 11 years old had very good immune responses to the vaccine with 90.7 per cent ef-

ficacy when they received two doses at least 21 days apart. The optimal interval between doses is eight weeks. However, families may choose to receive the second dose as early as 21 days after the initial dose.

More information, including details on the vaccine safety, after care and frequently asked questions is available at www.Saskatchewan.ca/COVID19-vaccine.

Lavoie wins Nov. Dessert of the Month



The winner of the Spiritwood Public Library's November Dessert of the Month is Geraldine Lavoie. She was presented with an assortment of favourite cookies, which were baked by Erin Wingerter.

A Safer Saskatchewan

Over the last decade, overall crime rates have decreased.

However, during the last five years, there has been an increase in violent crime and in property crime in rural areas.

This is unacceptable.

Our government will move forward with measures intended to address gaps in policing and public safety, particularly in rural Saskatchewan. We will:

- add 60 new police positions and another 11 civilian positions to support new law enforcement initiatives,
- create a Warrant Enforcement and Suppression Team to target dangerous offenders with outstanding warrants,
- create a new Provincial Protective Services unit, and
- create the Saskatchewan Trafficking Response Team.



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Shellbrook Legion presents awards, scholarships

After a lengthy delay, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Shellbrook Legion's Helen and Henri Dagenais have finally finished handing out the prizes for the 2020 Remembrance Day Literary and Poster contest to local students, as well as a few scholarships and bursaries.

The pair gathered at the Cenotaph and the Shellbrook Legion Hall

with seven students from W.P. Sandin to make the official presentations.

Starting at the local branch level, awards for the Remembrance Day Literary and Poster contest are given out across four age groups: primary for students from Kindergarten to Grade 3, junior for students from Grade 4 to Grade 6, intermediate for students from Grade 7 to Grade 9,

and senior for students from Grade 10 to Grade 12.

The entries are also part of a broader Canada-wide competition. Winners at the branch level move on to a larger zone contest, and, if successful, have the opportunity to go all the way to the national level.

While no local students made it all the way to the national level this year, many of them still have plenty to be proud of.

Hunter Tremblay, for instance, won first place in the district and zone contests for her senior

Essay, before scoring a third-place finish at the provincial level. Tremblay was also presented with a scholarship and a bursary from the Shellbrook Legion, both of them worth \$500.

Jade Keyowski was also presented with a scholarship and a bursary from the Shellbrook Legion, totalling \$1,000 combined, while Matthew Muller was the recipient of the George Laberge Scholarship.

Emmy Ledding was all but rolling in the prize money. Her junior poem scored a first-place prize

at the zone level and finished second in the district contest, and her junior colour poster won at the zone and district levels before earning a second-place finish in the provincial contest.

Perennial contender Marcial Philp was also on the list of prize winners, with an intermediate poem that finished second at the zone level. Her intermediate essay won the zone and district contests before coming

in third at provincials.

Reese Galloway, meanwhile, won a second-place finish at the zone level for her intermediate black and white poster, and a third-place prize in the zone contest for her intermediate colour poster.

Finally, Alexis Wood earned a win at the zone level for her senior black and white poster, followed by a third-place finish in the district contest.



The Shellbrook Legion's Helen and Henry Dagenais present Alexis Wood with her prizes for her Senior black and white poster.



The Shellbrook Legion's Henri and Helen Dagenais present Matthew Muller with the George Laberge Scholarship.



The Shellbrook Legion's Henri and Helen Dagenais present Jade Keyowski with a Legion bursary and scholarship worth \$1,000.



The Shellbrook Legion's Helen and Henry Dagenais present Emmy Ledding with prizes for her Remembrance Day contest entries.



The Shellbrook Legion's Henri and Helen Dagenais present Hunter Tremblay with a Legion bursary and scholarship, totalling \$1,000.

**Nadine Wilson MLA
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PUBLIC NOTICE To Residents of the Leask District Green Family Memorial Fund

The Green Family Memorial Fund Committee is accepting applications for funding until **December 3, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.**

Application forms may be picked up at the R.M. Office. The funding will be distributed in accordance with the Last Will and Testament of Jessie Green which SPECIFIES the residue (referred to as "the Fund") being paid to the Village of Leask and the R.M. of Leask (referred to as "the Trustee") be administered in the following manner:

to invest the Fund for 20 years;

to pay one-twentieth of the Fund annually amongst organizations local to the **Village and District of Leask** (including but not limited to, Leask Sports Centre, Leask Health Clinic, Leask Cemetery, Leask Senior Citizens, Leask Golf Course and other sports organizations of Leask) the choice of organizations to benefit in any year and the amount of payment to each to be at the **sole discretion** of the Trustee; That the Trustee chooses a committee comprised of councillors, mayor and/or reeve of the Village of Leask and R.M. of Leask to administer the fund.

Riannon Nelson
Administrator

TAX ENFORCEMENT LIST RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LEASK NO. 464 PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Notice is hereby given under *The Tax Enforcement Act* that unless the arrears and costs appearing opposite the land and title number described in the following list are fully paid before January 25, 2022, an interest based on a tax lien will be registered against the land.

Note: A sum for costs in an amount required by subsection 4(3) of *The Tax Enforcement Act* is included in the amount shown against each parcel.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	Title No.	Total Arrears*	Costs	Total Arrears and Costs
NE 24-46-08-3 EXT 0	144482474	417.57	378.50	796.07
SE 35-47-04-3 EXT 78	149990248	346.88	330.50	677.38
SE 35-47-04-3 EXT 147	149990260			
SW 35-47-04-3 EXT 79	149990282	661.85	330.50	992.35
BLK/PAR A-PLAN 101768148 EXT 85	149990293	36,723.97	330.50	37,054.47
NW 04-47-7-3 EXT 65	145567525	608.04	378.50	986.54
LOT 23-BLK/PAR 1-PLAN 87B11948 EXT 0	146197042	2,424.01	378.50	2,802.51
LOT 8-BLK/PAR 2-PLAN 102219870 EXT 0	153085541 153085552	625.03	378.50	1,003.53
BLK/PAR A-PLAN 101566302 EXT 184	118406493 118406505	6.06	328.50	334.56

* On January 1, 2022 the 2021 taxes will become arrears and be added to the amount required to remove the property from tax enforcement proceedings. Penalty is calculated to the date of the Notice and will continue to accrue as applicable.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2021
Riannon Nelson, Administrator

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November 25, 2021

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Weather's impact being felt worldwide

With the increasing emergence of technology in agriculture and advancements in the varieties of crop grown, it might seem producers are gaining ground in terms of better determining crop yields.

Under normal conditions, or at least as close to normal as is reasonable, that might be true.

But ultimately, Mother Nature remains the critical factor in farm production, and that has been particularly evident in 2021.

On the Canadian Prai-

ries, the weather played havoc with yields this year as moisture was typically in short supply during the growing season.

The lack of moisture had impact beyond yields too.

The oil content, the key component in canola, was also down in many cases, and that was not good news for the significant crush sector on the Prairies.

Cereal kernels were also, in at least some cases, less plump than desired, a situation which again can be a processing



CALVIN
DANIELS

issue – for example turning oats into oatmeal for our breakfasts.

Weather-impacted crops can tighten world stocks, which can mean price jumps. This is good

for producers, but it also threatens supplies. There is also a human side to tight supplies, with poor countries hit hard to afford food grains for their people.

In the case of wheat, world stocks may well be tightening further too, as the harvest in Australia, another major producer of wheat for export, is being hit hard by too much rain.

Production in Ukraine is also forecast to be lower, another contributor to potential tight supplies.

The situation might help sustain current high

wheat prices, but it also threatens foods security too.

Wheat ending stocks for major exporters has been declining for a half decade and has dropped below 50 million tonnes for the first time in years.

Closer to home we also see how weather can potentially hit farmers in a different way too.

The flooding in British Columbia is a horror story for producers there, with livestock directly impacted now, and the effect on land in terms of production yet to be determined.

For farmers on the Prairies there are also concerns the B.C. flooding might impact the ability of grain from this region to make its way to Pacific coast ports.

Certainly, the priority of transportation at present must be the victims of the flooding. But what impact might the flooding have on railroad beds moving forward?

So, while farmers keep one eye on developing tech, the other eye must still be on world weather, which ultimately impacts production the most.

Op-ed: Helping Sask. farmers bounce back

By Marie-Claude Bibeau

It's been a tough year for many Prairie ranchers and farmers who have suffered through the worst drought in 70 years. Last summer, I visited some of the hard-hit regions of the Prairies during the peak of the drought. It was heartbreaking to see the sun-scorched fields and to meet farm families forced to send the majority of their breeding herds to market, selling genetics developed over generations at a fraction of their worth.

Farmers needed their governments to act, and fast. Working closely with each of the affected provinces, the Government of Canada rapidly deployed programs that would deliver a total of up to \$825 million in shared disaster relief funding under the AgriRecovery framework. In Saskatchewan, nearly 6,400 producers have already received over

\$94 million to help cover extraordinary costs, and there is more to come. We also changed the crop insurance program so that grain producers could offer their damaged crops for animal feed and still be eligible for crop insurance payments. And we got more money into the pockets of farmers through larger advance payments under the AgriStability program.

Last week, I came back to the Prairies in my first outreach since being re-appointed Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food to hear how producers are overcoming the immense challenges and what more can be done to help them bounce back from this tough year.

The drought was a stark reminder that farmers and ranchers are among the hardest hit by climate change. And we are now seeing the devastating effects of natural disasters in British Co-

lumbia. My heart goes out to our farm families as floodwaters wreak immense destruction on their lands, livestock and livelihoods.

As we respond to catastrophes now, we must also look to the long term. Extreme weather events like this are adding more stress and unpredictability to farm businesses. How are we to build a sustainable sector that ensures clean water, air and soil for the next generation of producers?

Farmers have made great gains in sustainable agriculture, but now is the time to double down to improve our resilience to the effects of climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions within the sector. Because without continued sustainability, we compromise our competitiveness.

Canadian and international consumers are asking for more efforts, and

this is where our trading partners are moving. That's why this year the Government of Canada launched over half a billion dollars in new programming to help farmers adopt sustainable practices and clean technologies. We're also working together with provinces to shape the next five-year, multi-billion dollar agricultural policy deal with a shared vision that prioritizes the sustainability of the sector.

The sky is the limit for Canada's agriculture and food industry. We will have a huge role to play in feeding a growing world population. Saskatchewan's farm families can rest assured that we will stand shoulder-to-shoulder with them to support their growth, resilience and sustainability.

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau is federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food

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Sat., Dec. 4, 2021

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Minutes of a Town of Spiritwood 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 at the Spiritwood Civic Centre on Oct. 12, 2021 at 7 p.m.

In attendance were Mayor Gary von Holwede, Councillor Bryan Wingerter, Councillor George Pretli, Councillor Ragnar Latus, Councillor Kierra Andres, Councillor James Bedi, Councillor Brad Nemish, and CAO Rhonda Saam.

A quorum being present, Mayor Gary von Holwede called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Nemish: That the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That the minutes of the regular meeting on Sept. 28, 2021, be approved as presented. Carried

Bedi: That the Accounts for Ratification, Cheque No. 31689 to 31695 and CAFT and on-line payments #520 to 524 in the amount of \$83,948.76 be approved as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That the Accounts for Approval, Cheque No. 31696 to 31718 and on-line payments #556 to 557 in the amount of \$95,360.44 be approved as presented. Carried

Bedi: That the Bank Reconciliation for the month of September 2021 be approved as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That the Financial Statement for the month of September 2021 be approved as presented. Carried

Pretli: That the reports be filed as presented. Carried

Wingerter: That we not accept the offer of \$15,000 from Martodam Motors for the property located on SE-02-51-11-W3M Ext 31 (Surface Parcel 203184581);

And, that we reply to Martodam Motors with a counter offer of \$20,000 plus tax for the following properties: Surface Parcel 148056992 (Blk D / Plan 101784393 Ext 2) & Surface Parcel 203184581 (SE-02-51-11-W3M Ext 31). Carried

Nemish: That we rescind resolution no. 2021-0294 from Sept. 14, 2021, to mandate masking as the provincial government issued a public health order regarding masking on Sept. 17, 2021. Carried

Wingerter: That we create a policy to mandate proof of vaccination or proof of negative COVID-19 test for Town of Spiritwood municipal employees & SARCS employees to be effective Nov. 30, 2021;

And, that we follow the public health orders from the provincial government at this time for our recreation facilities. Carried

Bedi: That we approve the request from Scott Haggarty to use the empty lots at the south end of 3rd Street East to put up a temporary outdoor skating rink for the 2021/2022 winter season. Carried

Wingerter: That we ratify the decision to instill a fire ban advisory for the Town of Spiritwood effective 3:15 pm on Oct. 5, 2021, that will continue until further notice.

All open air and outdoor fires are banned including controlled burns, recreational fires, burning barrels,

fire pits & fireworks. Propane or natural gas BBQs are allowed.

This advisory does not apply to fires which are contained in cooking and heating appliances which are fueled by propane or natural gas.

A person who sets a fire not allowed under this advisory shall be responsible for the costs of extinguishing the fire. Carried

Pretli: That we lift the fire ban advisory for the Town of Spiritwood effective 7:45 p.m. on Oct. 12, 2021. Carried

Andres: That this meeting be adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Affinity Credit Union supports WP Sandin football team



Shellbrook's Affinity Credit Union sponsored a guaranteed \$1,000 50/50 at the WP Sandin High School Aardvarks football team's Provincial semi-final match against the Clavet Cougars on Nov. 6. Chezanne Shewchuk was the lucky winner, taking home a prize of \$1,112.50. The other half of the proceeds went directly back to the football team and will be put towards equipment upgrades.

PRAISE & WORSHIP

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

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

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

MENNOMITE BRETHREN CHURCH

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

EVANGELICAL FREE

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

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 9 a.m.
St. Henry's - Leask
Mass - Sunday - 11 a.m.
Mistawasis
2nd & 4th Sundays, 1:30 p.m.
Fr. Phong Tran

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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

PARTNERS IN FAITH

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

UNITED / ANGLICAN

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

CATHOLIC SUNDAY

Spiritwood - 11:15 a.m.
Leoville - 9:30 a.m.
Shell Lake - 2:00 p.m.
Chitek Lake - Closed for
the Season

FIELDS OF HOPE (HOFFNUNGSFELDER)

MENNOMITE CHURCH

Glenbush
Everyone Welcome
SATURDAY
Medstead - 6 p.m.
Father Ramel Macapala

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MENNOMITE BRETHREN

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

BETHEL

Medstead
1st Sunday, 10 a.m. -
Worship

Pastor David Jensen
3rd Sunday - 10 a.m.
Worship
Pastor David Jensen

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EVANGELICAL FREE

Mont Nebo
Wed., 7:30 pm -
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
306-883-2380

BELBUTTE FULL GOSPEL

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

COWBOY CHURCH

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

Silvertips win back-to-back road games

The Shellbrook Silvertips hit the road over the weekend, making stops in Dalmeny and Allan in hopes of picking up where they left off in their home opener.

Wins were in the cards on both Friday and Saturday night, as the Tips went on to blank the Dalmeny Sabres 5-0 and snuff out the Allan Flames by a margin of 6-3.

Tips (5) @ Sabres (0)

In an even game where shots on goal were concerned, the Silvertips got the best of the scoring opportunities throughout the evening, and were an-

chored by a "Tip of the Game"-worthy performance by netminder Todd Bazzley.

Finally, with a power play just shy of the midway point of the first period, the Tips made the most of their scoring chances to jump ahead 1-0. Gage Helm scored the game opener (and winner), continuing a solid first season as a Silvertip. Brendon Beaulac and Jody Blais assisted on the play.

Helm struck three minutes later to give the Tips some unnecessary insurance, drawing an assist from Austin

Lamotte on the play.

In a quiet second stanza, the only offensive highlight was provided by Braiden Turner, who scored just past the halfway point with an assist from Nathaniel Martin.

Taking a cue from Helm's first period performance, Blais found the back of the net twice in quick succession in the third frame to help push the Tips to their 5-0 victory. The first goal was assisted by Brendon Canaday and Helm, while the second was an unassisted power play goal.

Tips (6) @ Flames (3)

Travelling to Allan on the heels of their big shutout win, the Silvertips stumbled out of the gate in Saturday's match-up against the Flames, who started hot with a power play goal just a minute into the first period.

Landon Volk netted the goal, with assists from Brendan Hamilton and Evan Pasternak.

In the second frame, power plays were the theme. The Silvertips took advantage of two opportunities early on, scoring less than a minute apart. Austin Lamotte struck first, with assists from Gage Helm and Dallas Galloway, then Galloway found the back of the net on a helper from Helm.

Just 13 seconds after this, the Tips got themselves in trouble on the power play, allowing Evan Peters to knot the game up on a shorthanded goal assist-

ed by Luke Brossart.

The Tips fired right back, scoring three more goals to take a commanding lead into the third period.

Galloway started things off with his second of the evening on an assist from Lamotte. Then, Evan Williams got some revenge, scoring a shorthanded goal on helpers from Lamotte and Helm. Finally, Lamotte netted his second of the night, with a solo assist from Galloway.

After a wild second stanza, the teams quieted down for the third.

The down and out Flames struck once, just a couple minutes before the halfway mark, on a goal from Dalyn Hoiness. Cam Brossart and Justin Monaghan provided the assists.

With time winding down, Galloway netted a hat trick marker, earning himself the "Tip of the Game" nod and pushing the score to 6-3. Lamotte provided the lone assist on the goal.

With the pair of wins, the Tips now sit at 3-1 on the season, good enough for a fourth-place tie with Rosthern.

The Tips host two home games this weekend, both of them rematches. On Friday evening, they welcome the Dalmeny Sabres for game two of their season series. Puck drop for the game is at 8:30 p.m.

After a day's rest, they'll try to extinguish the Flames again on Sunday. That match has a 5 p.m. start time.

SARM, SUMA partner on Rural Crime Watch

On Sept. 30, the Saskatchewan Rural Crime Watch Association elected its first Board of Directors to assist local areas with the development and sustainability of local Crime Watch groups. This non-profit association led by SARM, SUMA, Rural Crime Watch members, the RCMP, and the Ministry of Corrections and Policing is a community-led and police-supported program dedicated to preventing and reducing criminal behaviour. It's an initiative both SARM and SUMA hope community members will actively support by becoming volunteers.

"By reporting suspicious activity immediately to the RCMP or 911, volunteers become the extra eyes and ears for

local police when they may not be in their area," says SARM President, Ray Orb.

"Rural Crime Watch has already been proven successful. Statistics show that areas with organized Crime Watch programs tend to have a significant reduction in criminal activity, including theft of equipment and grain, vandalism, dumping of garbage, break-and-enters, and cattle rustling."

To participate in the program, Rural Crime Watch volunteers will have to complete security checks with their local RCMP. The role of members is to observe, record, and immediately report all unusual or suspicious vehicles or occurrences to their local RCMP detachment, or 911 in the

case of emergencies. The RCMP, in return, will inform the Rural Crime Watch group when there is criminal activity in the area.

"Our communities have always looked out for each other," says SUMA President, Rodger Hayward.

"We share a common goal of wanting safer homes and safer communities, and starting a Rural Crime Watch program in your area makes that goal actionable. Simply put, working together helps the police solve and prevent crime, which makes our communities safer places to live."

The inaugural Board of Directors meeting is being planned for the near future where a President and Vice-President will be elected.

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Very little.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SPIRITWOOD: Wapiti Regional Library - Tuesday 9 am - 5 pm; Wednesday 9 am - 5 pm; Friday 9 am - 5 pm

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 1 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

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

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 & AREA: Christmas Hampers (Shellbrook, Parkside Holbein, Mont Nebo & Canwood) Those requesting Christmas Food Hampers, pick up an application form from any church, Bigway or Parkside General Store. Complete the form and make sure the application is sent to: Ministerial Association Food Bank, PO Box 97, Holbein, Sask., SOJ 1GO, post marked by Dec. 12, 2021 (no later). Hamper pick-up: December 20, 5:30 - 8:30. Phone Dave Bodvarson 306-747-7235 or Dave Whalley 306-747-2804.

PARKSIDE: The birth of Christ Nativity Parade. Saturday, December 11, 2021 - 7pm, Parkside. For more information find us on Facebook, phone (306)714-0150 or email parksideparade@gmail.com

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OBITUARIES

Warren Keith Latus



LATUS – Warren Keith

Warren was born Nov. 26, 1936, on the farm near Bapaume, SK and passed away Nov. 3, 2021, in Shellbrook, SK at 84 years of age.

Warren is lovingly remembered by: his wife: Alma Latus (nee: Arrestad), his children: Kevin Latus, Melanie Fauth (Delroy), Trevor Latus, Ragnar Latus (Teri Peterson), Trina Lefebvre (Kerry), his grandchildren: Brigitte

Fauth, Kallie Fauth, and Riley Lefebvre, his great grandson: Chase Turner, his step-grandchildren/great grandchildren including: Amanda Peterson, Daniel Peterson, Arrianna, Favian, and James Scott, his sisters: Sheila Anderson, Merrill Priestley, and Judy Andres (Robert), his brothers/sisters-in-law: Noreen Arrestad, Maria Paul, Norman and Eileen Arrestad, also many nephews, nieces, and other relatives.

He is predeceased by: his parents: George and Gwendolyn Latus, his parents-in-law: Tolleif and Rachel Arrestad, his brother: Ernie Latus, his sister and brother-in-law: Joyce and Al McLeod, his brothers/sisters-in-law: Doug Anderson, Aadne and Gladys Arrestad, Asbjorn and Mary

Arrestad, Gertrude and Lester Gear, Thoralf Arrestad, Ragnar and Violet Arrestad, and Cecil Paul.

A Funeral Service was held Saturday, November 13, 2021, at 1:30 pm at the Civic Centre, Spiritwood, SK with Brother Brian Hannigan officiating.

Interment will take place in the Bapaume Cemetery at a later date.

Donations in Warren's memory may be directed to the Idylwild Lodge Recreation Department, Spiritwood, SK.

Family and friends wishing to send online condolences are welcome to visit www.beaulacfuneralhome.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral Home & Crematorium, R. Mark Muir, Funeral Director, Spiritwood, SK, 306-883-3500.



SAAM – Jeff
September 23, 1978 – November 16, 2021

Jeff Saam of Shell Lake, SK, passed away surrounded by his family on Nov. 16, 2021 at the age of 43. He is Rhonda's beloved husband of 17 years, father to their four children; Jaxson, Jenna, Jasmin, and Jurnee; son to Marilyn and the late Dave; brother to Daniel, Darryl, Jody, Lori, and Ben.

Family man, friend, coach and mentor. So humble, always with a smile on his face, worked

Jeff Saam

hard, played hard, loved hard, always had time for family and friends and was always willing to lend a helping hand. He loved his wife, children, family and friends dearly.

Rest In Peace Cowboy. Thank you for all the beautiful memories and so many fun times! You are truly loved and we are truly blessed to have this precious legacy you leave behind.

Due to COVID and limited spacing a Private Memorial Service will be held at Jeff & Rhonda's Farm prior to the Celebration of Life Graveside Service, which is open for all family and friends to attend, being held on Friday, Nov. 26, 2021 at 3:00 pm at the Mildred North Cemetery, Mildred, SK.

For those who are unable to attend, a link to a video of both services will be posted at www.beaulacfuneralhome.com.

beaulacfuneralhome.com, when available.

For those so wishing memorial donations in Jeff's name may be directed to the Shellbrook & District Health Services Foundation Palliative Care, Box 33, Shellbrook, SK S0J 2E0. Or to an account that has been set up for Jeff Saam's Kids at Innovation Credit Union, Account # 830513173526 in care of Rhonda Saam and Lori Saam (cheques can be made to either Rhonda or Lori or you can stop in at any Innovation Credit Union)

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"Elzear" Cleophas Francis Primeau

PRIMEAU – "Elzear" Cleophas Francis

Elzear was born December 7, 1928, in the D'Amour District, SK and passed away October 31, 2021, in Spiritwood, SK at the age of 92 years.

Elzear is lovingly remembered by: his loving wife: Eileen Primeau of Spiritwood, SK, his children: Ron (Sharon) Primeau of Spiritwood, SK, Eric (Tammy) Primeau of Spiritwood, SK, Ethel (Mel) Nelson of Teulon, MB, Jeanette Primeau (Trevor) of Shell Lake, SK, Dale Wasden (Brenda) of Spiritwood, SK, his son-in-law: Angus George, 16 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, his brother: Albert (Naomi) Primeau of Speers, SK, also numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He is predeceased by: his daughter: Dorothy George, his parents: Fred and Marguerite Primeau, his brothers: Johnny, Wilfred, Alfred, Alcide, Rene, Leon, his sisters: Rose Alma, Leona, Irene and Helen.

Elzear Primeau, a man of many talents wasn't one to bring attention to himself. He rather liked to remain in the back-

ground. He was a man with a grade 3 education because when he was young, he had to quit school to help out at home. He was from a large family. Elzear was a kind and generous soul. He was quiet spoken. Elzear would help his neighbors whenever needed. He was a man with a vision. If he could visualize it, he could build it. He made a bale hauler, press drill, which he made from the rear end of an old truck. He manufactured a steel press which is still in operation today. He was also a wood worker, having made a few spinning wheels, large and small. He also made a wood splitter out of an old baler. Elzear with his talents, actually would recycle many things and reinvent them into something new. This man loved music. He played the fiddle and other instruments, but the fiddle was his specialty. When Elzear played the Orange Blossom Special, people would stop dancing and listen as he made that fiddle sing. They'd holler for encore, and he would play it again. Elzear loved his family very much. His grandchildren were special to him. The twins

A graveside service was held on Friday, November 5, 2021, at 2:00 pm, Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, SK with Delores Beaulac officiating.

Elzear's final resting place is in the Shell Lake Cemetery.

Donations in Elzear's memory may be directed to the Idylwild Lodge, Spiritwood, SK.

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Francis Joseph (Joe) Verbonac



Francis Joseph (Joe)
Verbonac
January 24, 1955 – November 10, 2021

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of our brother Francis Joseph (Joe) Verbonac of Sherwood Park, Alberta on November 10, 2021. Following a courageous battle with cancer Joe passed away peacefully in hospital at the age of 66.

The sixth of seven children Joe grew up on a farm west of Leask, Saskatchewan

ewan. Joe attended school in Leask and after a brief period in high school decided school was not for him. He was able to obtain various jobs in Saskatoon, including Canadian linen and learning how to drywall with his cousins. He worked at his chosen trade in Toronto, for a few years.

Then he decided to put his roots in Sherwood Park, Alberta, where he purchased a house, started his own company and resided there till his passing. He would also go to Fort McMurray and various northern locations for work.

Joe was happiest singing and playing his guitar around a bonfire, with his many friends and a cold beer.

Joe will be remembered by his daughters Lalita and Trista, grandchildren Andrew, Ayla and Miah. Siblings, Melvin Verbonac (Jean) of Leask, SK, Bernice Laframboise (Shelton)

of Saskatoon, SK, Mary Jean Steffler of Kelowna, BC, Margaret Ritter (Dan Bartley) of Warman, SK, Celine Glueck (Howard) of Port McNeill, BC. As well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and good friends, especially George Headington.

Joe was predeceased by his daughter Jolene Verbonac, parents Peter and Hilda Verbonac, brother Bernard Verbonac, and brother in law Richard Steffler.

Due to the pandemic restrictions in Alberta, the family regret that we were not able to have a Celebration of Life for Joe in Sherwood Park.

A Celebration of Joe's life will be held on Saturday, November 27th at 1:30pm at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Leask, Saskatchewan.

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Gushue, Einarson favourites at curling trials

Other than hockey, no sport in Canada receives as much television coverage as curling, which is why millions of eyeballs will be viewing the action from Saskatoon in late November as Canada's best curlers get together to determine who will wear our country's maple leaf on their sweaters at the Beijing Olympics Feb. 4-22.

Here's one amateur handicapper's view of how things might play out:

Men

4-1 — Brad Gushue, Newfoundland/Labrador: Won three of the last five Briers; good form lately on the cash circuit; has experienced Olympic pressure (and won gold) before.

6-1 — Brendan Bottcher, Edmonton. Basically a coin-flip runner-up to Gushue in this analysis.

10-1 — Matt Dunstone, Regina: Best of the up-and-coming young guns.

12-1 — Brad Jacobs, Sault Ste. Marie: Has Olympic experience to fall back on.

15-1 — John Epping, Toronto: Always solid, but this field is too tough.

20-1 — Kevin Koe, Calgary: Yesterday's man, but on any given day...

25-1 — Mike McEwen, Winnipeg: If Koe is 'yesterday's man,' then McEwen and Co. are last week's men.

30-1 — Jason Gunnlaugson, Winnipeg: This risk-taking skip needs a bit more experience.

35-1 — Tanner Horgan, Kingston, Ont: Too much power in this field for youngest skip in the field to conquer.

Women

7-2 — Kerri Einarson, Gimli: Two-time Scotties winner is co-cream of the crop in this field alongside...

4-1 — Tracy Fleury, Winnipeg: Hot recently on the cash circuit. Rest of the rink is the remains of the squad dumped three years ago by Einarson.

8-1 — Rachel Homan, Ottawa: Olympic rep in 2018. Still one of Canada's best. Would love redemption for her poor sixth-place showing in South



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15-1 — Laura Walker, Edmonton: Best of the rest after the big three.

20-1 — Kelsey Rocque, Edmonton: Young rink will be a future threat, but needs more seasoning.

25-1 — Jennifer Jones, Winnipeg: Would be a favourite if this was the 2010 Olympic trials.

30-1 — Krista McCarville, Thunder Bay: Veteran could surprise, but lacks competitive toughness.

40-1 — Casey Scheidegger, Lethbridge: Talented rink could be rusty after taking almost a full year off competitive curl-

ing.

50-1 — Jacqueline Harrison, Waterdown, Ont: Field too tough for this pre-trials qualifier.

Canada prides itself on being the No. 1 curling nation in the world, but Homan's rink finished with a 4-5 record and out of the playoffs in 2018, while Koe, runner-up to Sweden in the round-robin, lost a semi-final game to eventual gold medal winner John Shuster of the U.S.

Redemption is required to restore our country's status.

• Columnist Steve Simmons of Sun Media: "COVID-19 has changed just about everything, which means there are more tickets available for pro sporting events than there's ever been before. Used to be next to impossible to find Leafs tickets: Now, it's where do you want to sit?"

• Comedy writer Alex Kaseberg, after new kicker Chris Blewitt missed three of his first five kicks with the Washington Football Team: "And you

don't even want to know how badly their new punter, Joe Shank, is doing."

• A blast from the past (forwarded by Don Potter and Dan Sutherland): "Don Meredith, Dallas Cowboys quarterback once said: 'Coach Tom Landry is such a perfectionist that if he were married to Raquel Welch, he'd expect her to cook.'"

• RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "Wrestling's Bella twins, Nikki and Brie, stars of the reality show Total Divas, were inducted into the WWE Hall of Fame. Surprising isn't it, seeing reality and wrestling in the same sentence?"

• Sportswriter Jerry Krasnick, on Twitter: "Not to say my fantasy football options are limited this week, but I'm on the verge of using Jake from State Farm as my starting quarterback."

• Peter King of nbc-sports.com, on Aaron Rodgers taking COVID-19 advice from podcast host and comic Joe Rogan: "(It's) the same as

Rodgers walking into the third row of the stands at Lambeau Field before a big third-down play and saying, 'You've been a season-ticket holder for a long time, and you love football. What should we call on third down here?'

• Late night TV host Trevor Noah of the Daily Show: "Is Aaron Rodgers trying to prove that COVID is fake or that CTE is real?"

• Bruce Jenkins of the San Francisco Chronicle: "I hate to call Aaron Rodgers a liar, but a photo of him just moved across the wire, and his pants are on fire."

• RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "Duke basketball bench boss Coach K is retiring at the end of this season. Just try spelling Mike Krzyzewski and see if you get irritable vowel syndrome."

• Headline attheonion.com: "Titans limit post-surgery Derrick Henry to workload of 20 one-legged carries per week."

Care to comment?
Email brucepenton2003@yahoo.ca

Elks extend winless streak to 13 games

The terrible, horrible, no good, very bad hockey season continues for the Parkland U18 AA Elks, who played a home and a road game over the weekend and failed to score a goal over the course of two losses to the Saskatoon Icehawks and the Saskatoon Sabercats.

Elks (0) @ Icehawks (3)

The Parkland U18 AA Elks hosted the Saskatoon Icehawks on Friday evening, and though they kept pace in terms of shot totals, they failed to generate real scoring opportunities, both at even strength and on their seven power play opportunities.

Even with a solid performance between the pipes by Shae Stewart, who stopped 29 of the 32 shots he faced, it was only a matter of time before the Icehawks wore down the Elks defenses.

That moment came late in the first period, when the Icehawks swung the momentum of a successful penalty kill in their favour. After pinning the Elks in their own end, Kole Poochay was able to tap a loose puck into a wide-open Elks goal. Solomon Ness provided the lone assist on the play.

Poochay would go on to score

his second and his hat trick goals in the second period. The first came on a one-timer off of a lightning-fast offensive rush. Brett Leonard and Hunter Thomas assisted on the goal.

Then, later in the frame, the Icehawks once again pinned the Elks in their own end and wore them down. This opened the door for Poochay to pounce on a loose rebound and redirect it into the goal. Thomas provided a

solo assist on the play.

Elks (0) @ Sabercats (7)

Given less than 24 hours to recover from their loss to the Icehawks, the Elks travelled to Saskatoon on Saturday afternoon for a showdown against the Saskatoon Sabercats.

Tallying just 19 shots over 60 minutes of action, the Elks fell by a score of 7-0.

The Elks were able to hold off the Sabercats in the early going

of the first period of Saturday's game, but finally broke down when Greg Rivard struck around the seven-minute mark. Lucas Purple and Nate Allardyce assisted on the goal.

The Sabercats took a two-goal lead just a couple minutes later, when Denym Mantyka found the back of the net on assists from Nathan Folk and Brady Pratte to send the action to the second stanza.

In another two-goal period, the Sabercats hit pay dirt on an early power play. Nate Bohmann netted the marker, with assists from Ethan Tetu and Folk.

With another power play closer to the halfway point of the period, Allardyce put Saskatoon up 4-0 on assists from Bryton Erickson and Purple.

Saving their best for the last period, the Sabercats tacked on three more goals for good measure.

Purple struck in the middle of the frame, with assists from Allardyce and Tetu, then followed up with his second of the night on another power play. Tetu provided the lone assist on the second goal.

Rounding out the score card, Tetu drew assists from Allardyce and Purple to push the score to 7-0.

With the pair of losses, the Elks now sit at 0-14-0-1 on the season.

The team has a busy weekend of travelling ahead of it, with a road game in Prince Albert on Thursday evening, a rematch against the Icehawks on Friday night, and a trip to Warman on Saturday.



Elks goalie Shae Stewart reaches desperately to stop an Icehawks scoring opportunity. The puck stayed out of the net on this play.



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- Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle Causing Death: 0
- Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle causing bodily harm: 1
- Impaired Operation of a Boat/Vessel/Railway/Aircraft: 2
- Operation while impaired(alcohol)/over 80mg% of Motor Vehicle: 63
 - Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle: 19
 - Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle by Drug: 4
 - Impaired Care and Control of Motor Vehicle: 0
 - Failure/Refusal to Provide Breath Sample: 0

Big River Detachment (as of Nov. 23):

- Impaired Operation Motor Vehicle Causing Death: 2
- Impaired Operation Motor Vehicle Causing Bodily Harm: 9
- Operation while impaired (alcohol)/over 80mg% of Motor Vehicle: 94
 - Operation while impaired (alcohol and drugs) of Motor Vehicle: 8
 - Operation while impaired (drugs) of Motor Vehicle: 3
 - (these are investigations and not charges laid)
 - Failure or refusal to comply with demand (alcohol): 11

Therefore, to summarize, in the Ahtahkakoop/Shellbrook & Big River areas, in a one year period there were 205 incidents reported to the RCMP in relation to drivers under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

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Growing indoors in winter

By Patricia Hanbridge

Winter has hardly begun but already I am sowing seeds! My favourite assistant on our online videos "Sprout" was sowing lettuce, spring onions and radishes just the other day. Please see the links in the byline following this article. The radishes are already up and ready for transplanting and I am seeing a bit of green from the others. Growing useful crops helps the very long winter seem a little bit shorter...and keeps the blues away.

Gardeners get pleasure from gardening as well as the bonus of great home-grown food. We may be tired of gardening by fall and appreciate how nice it is once the frost comes and our outdoor gardening is complete, but we soon are missing the garden and what it gives to us. Thus, living in a climate that does not allow twelve months of growing outside means that for many months we need to either rely on what we have preserved, go to the grocery store to ensure we have a balanced diet or grow your own food indoors!

Remembering what plants need to grow will help us to determine how difficult it might be to grow food in the winter indoors. Plants need light, water, warmth, oxygen and nutrients to grow. As we are in the

Northern Hemisphere, the sun is a long way away from us in the winter months, so supplemental light is necessary in order to get good production. Thus, if we choose to grow anything other than sprouts, we need to invest in a grow light.

Light is one of the most important factors to consider when growing plants indoors. When choosing plants to grow this time of year to supplement your diet, think about the light that they need to thrive and ensure your plants are appropriately situated under your grow light. Follow the directions on the seed packet and remember that generally a seed is planted to the depth of the diameter of the seed. It is important to keep the media moist to ensure even germination so covering the pot with a plastic wrap until most of the seeds germinate is a good idea.

There are many options available to you if you wish to purchase lights to grow indoors. You can be completely low tech or go for the latest in LED lights but all this of course also has a price tag attached. Shop around and think outside of the box. You can easily purchase an economical fluorescent fixture that you can install on chains to enable you the ability to move that

light close to the plants you are growing.

Once the seeds have mostly germinated, they will need to be put directly under the grow light to ensure the seedlings develop into strong, healthy plants. If you notice that your seedlings are tall and spindly, it is likely because they are not getting enough light. As the seedlings grow, gradually raise the light to coincide with their rate of growth while leaving the light close but not touching the top of the plants.

Although light is the most important factor for success, the soil also has importance. Most plants like good drainage, so ensure your soil mixture will drain quite quickly. Do not use regular garden soil but instead invest in a soilless media like ProMix. For good production, you will also need to supply adequate nutrients through fertilizer once the seedlings have used up the nutrition provided by the seed itself. Water as needed to provide an environment that is evenly moist but not wet!

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