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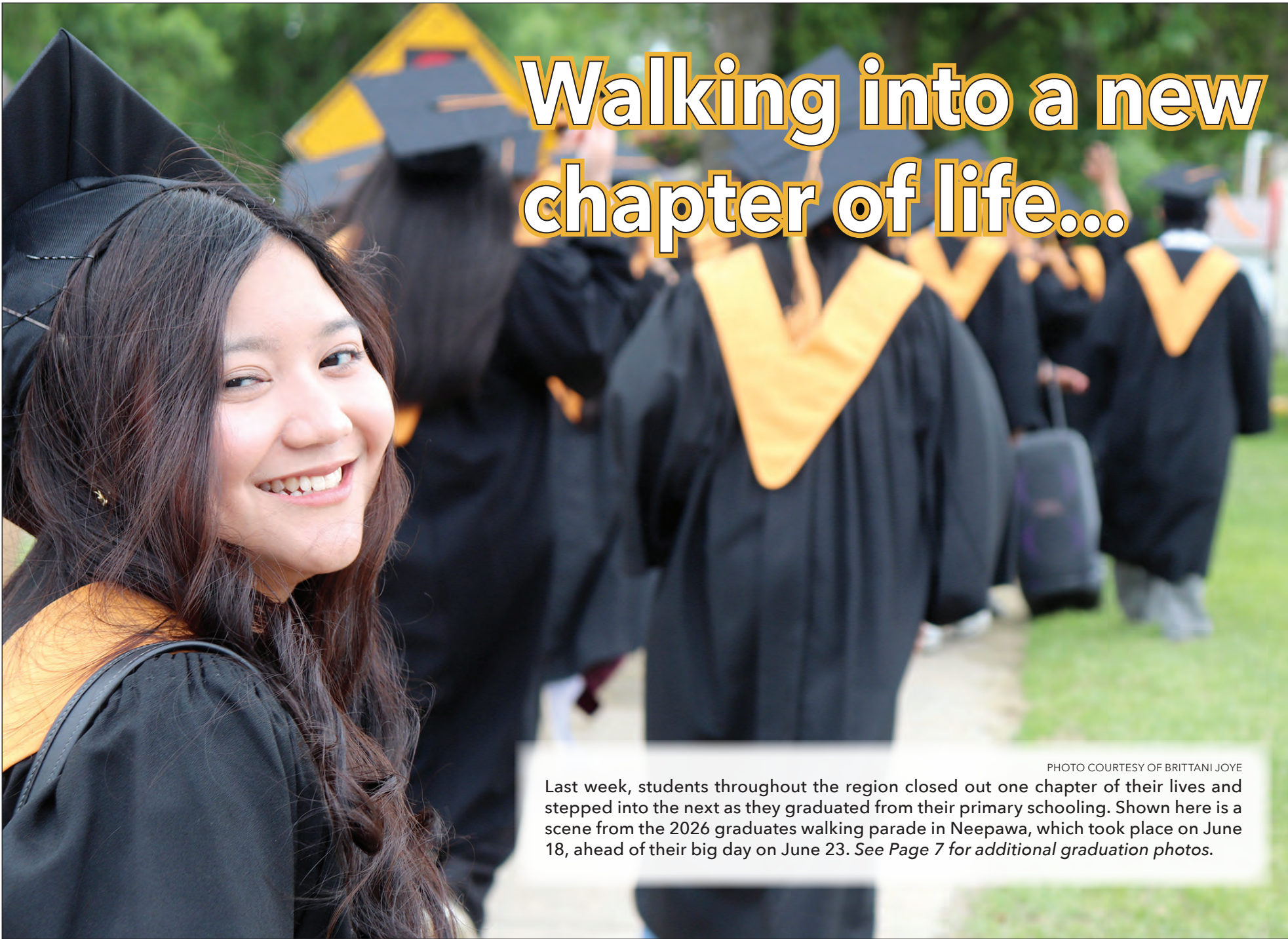
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Last week, students throughout the region closed out one chapter of their lives and stepped into the next as they graduated from their primary schooling. Shown here is a scene from the 2026 graduates walking parade in Neepawa, which took place on June 18, ahead of their big day on June 23. See Page 7 for additional graduation photos.

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Father's Day fun in the Riverbend Park



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The Neepawa & Area Immigrant Settlement Services (NAISS) Kite Making Activity was held on Saturday, June 20, at Riverbend Park in Neepawa. The activity was organized as a Father's Day-themed family event and brought together families for an afternoon of creativity, outdoor, recreation and community connection. Participants had the opportunity to design and assemble their own kites before flying them in the park. The event provided a fun opportunity for everyone to spend quality time together while enjoying the great outdoors.

Pictured on right side: Some of the younger participants are seen here evidently having a blast while flying their hand-made kites.





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Looking Back

1976: Fun in the sun with Klerk's Kavalcade

By Casper Wehrhahn
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

**125 years ago,
Tuesday,
July 2, 1901**

Plumas: B. N. Foster, founder and owner of the Royal Hotel and livery stable here, who has been absent for the last two years in Nova Scotia, returned on Friday last to take up his abode among us forever.

**100 years ago,
Friday,
July 2, 1926**

Arden: A number of Arden tennis players took part in the tournament at Birnie on Tuesday. Miss Mary McConnell and Janet McMurchy reaching the semi-finals, which could not be played off on account of the darkness.

Eden: Sam Angus met with a serious accident on Monday afternoon, while blowing stumps on the farm of W. J. Bonney. Having set a charge and it having failed to go off, he went to investigate and the charge went off, severely cutting and burning his face. He was immediately rushed to Dr. Bugg, who gave him temporary dressings later taking him to the hospital. Latest reports are that he is doing as well as can be expected and they are in hopes of being able to save one eye.

Hallboro: Our baseball boys won first money at both Dumfries and Hummerston picnics last week.

He was the village

blacksmith and arrived in this burg away back in the year 1900. Now he operates a garage and his business has grown to such proportions that a snappy ball team can be gathered from the staff. He thinks the line-up has the goods and has issued a challenge to any two local business firms, or the combined banking institutions of the town for a contest any old time. His name is Pedlar. Who'll be the first victims? Corporations are barred, and game must be played July 6.

**75 years ago,
Thursday,
July 5, 1951**

R. D. young, well known Neepawa resident, marks his 89th birthday today.

Mrs. S. W. Arthur attended the wedding in Brandon, on Saturday, of her granddaughter, Miss Betty Louise Saunders, to Donald Murray Ralph, both of Brandon.

The funeral service for William McLaughlin of Neepawa, who died Sunday, June 24, was held in Plumas United Church on June 26...

Members of the Eden Baseball club, of which he was coach for many years, the Plumas school children, the Masonic Lodge of Gladstone, of which he was a member, and friends from Neepawa and other districts attended the funeral.

Mr. McLaughlin was born in Winnipeg in 1882...

Mr. McLaughlin was a school teacher and during his teaching career taught at Plumas for nine years and at Eden for nine years. Other schools he taught at were Elva, Plum Coulee, Foxwarren, Franklin, Miniski, Soudan, Florence and Glenella. He came to make his home in Neepawa in 1950.

Keenly interested in sports, he played baseball, tennis and football and was an enthusiastic curler. He was also a hockey fan. The last two years he coached Eden in the Neepawa and district senior baseball league.

He is survived by three brothers, Duncan, of Oakville, Geo., of Edmonton, Hugh, of Plum



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Klerk's Kavalcade was part of the annual Summer Fair in Neepawa in 1976. Pictured here, chamber of commerce president Louise Rey was getting some last minute instruction from Tom Heneghan on the operation of his vehicle. Meanwhile, Fred Barker waited confidently for the start of the Kavalcade.

Coulee; and a sister, Mrs. Levi Rogers of Riding Mountain.

**50 years ago,
Thursday,
July 1, 1976**

McCreary: On Sunday, June 20, a retirement party was held in honour of Michael M. Posmituck. The party was an expression of the community's appreciation of Mr. Posmituck's dedication as a teacher in McCreary elementary and high school for over 30 years. The gathering included many former McCreary residents, as well as present residents and former students.

Record crowds attended both days of Beautiful Plains Agricultural Society Summer Fair this year, according to the society's secretary, Norma Reid.

Students at Hazel M. Kellington School proved last Thursday just how much Principal Jim Schmall will be missed from their school come next September.

Eden: Gordon and Merle Stewart were honored on June 5 at the Eden hall when about 150 relatives

and friends gathered to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

Gordon and Merle were married at Arden on June 6, 1936, by Rev. J. A. Lousley.

On Saturday, June 19, about 150 relatives, friends and neighbours gathered at the Neepawa Legion Hall to honor Jack and Edith McCracken on their 40th wedding anniversary.

The Reverend Malcolm McLean, of Winnipeg, Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and Northwest Ontario, was a guest speaker at Knox Church's 99th anniversary service Sunday, June 13, at 11 a.m.

Rockley Fardoe, representing the Bank of Montreal, presented a trophy to the Plumas Beef Club for the best overall club showing in the beef competition at the fair.

Amaranth: A bus load of Grade one and Kindergarten students went on a field trip to Portage last Thursday. They toured the Fort la Reine Museum and the fire hall, with a picnic and fun at the Island Park.

Franklin: Congratulations to Donna McDonald and Myrna Burton, who received merit awards at the school closing exercise at Minnedosa Saturday evening.

**20 years ago,
Monday,
July 3, 2006**

The NDP is standing by its decision to move 19 government jobs from Neepawa and Minnedosa to Portage la Prairie, creating what may be an issue in the next provincial election, Neepawa mayor Bob Durston said.

Three people who pleaded guilty to torching the Minnedosa United Church in February were sentenced to a total of seven years in prison for what a provincial court judge

called a "hate crime".

Gus Stemmer of Green Pepper Pizzeria took delivery of a dough mixer last week. His new kitchen tool is big enough and heavy enough that it had to be lifted by a tow truck.

Jean Blatt is the new owner of the Chicken Delight franchise in Neepawa.

Blatt was the restaurant's long-time manager.

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By Chad Carpenter



CMHC Exec bonuses are shameful

This week, I want to present a few different annoying points, the kind that should make it no surprise to governments that the public doesn't trust them very much.

Canadian Taxpayers Association reports the following"

"The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation is the federal housing agency that has repeatedly claimed its goal is "housing affordability for all."

Despite its CEO admitting housing supply and affordability "remained one of Canada's greatest challenges," the CMHC handed out \$31.7 million in taxpayer-funded bonuses last year.

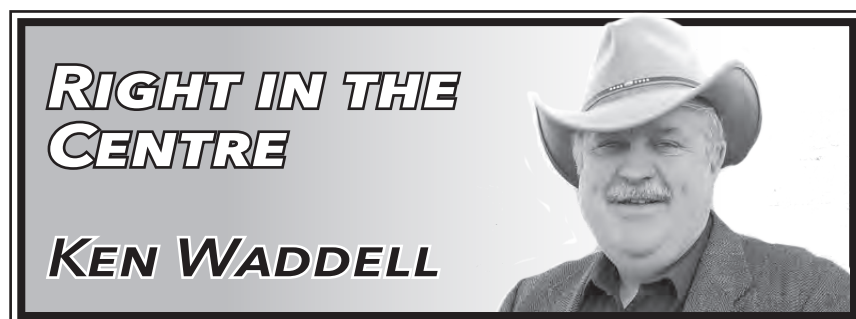
CMHC executives took \$3.5 million in bonuses in 2025-26. That works out to an average bonus of \$44,800 for each executive. Non-executive staff collected another \$28.2 million in bonuses. Even the CMHC's own data shows its failing on housing affordability. The average Canadian spends more than half of their income on housing – up from 39 per cent in 2019, according to CMHC data."

Government wasting taxpayers money is not a new problem but for that very reason, we should not have to still tolerate such waste. The level of entitlement is unbelievable and should not be encouraged or even tolerated.

CTF also points out that Rideau Hall (*The governor general's residence*) finally recognizing your concerns about the governor general's lavish clothing allowance.

Government policy allows governors general to expense up to \$130,000 in clothing purchases over their five-year mandate.

Newly appointed Governor Gen-



“The [Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation] handed out \$31.7 million in taxpayer-funded bonuses last year.”

eral Louise Arbour notified MPs that her office "revised its guidelines for clothing," according to Blacklock's Reporter. Arbour didn't specify how much that will save taxpayers.

It's good to see the new governor general won't be wasting as much money on clothes.

But small tweaks to the governor general's wardrobe budget barely scratches the surface and taxpayers need the government to drastically shrink the platinum pay and perks at Rideau Hall.

The governor general still takes automatic pay raises every year. The governor general's current salary is \$393,800.

Last week, I noted that the Federal and B.C. governments plan to use up to \$3 billion to buy vacant condo units and turn them into affordable housing and that there were 4,376 completed condos sitting empty in Metro Vancouver, a 76 per cent increase from the year before. This past week, Prime Minister Carney said the Feds and BC will split the

down payment costs and encourage financial institutions to step in with money to make the deals happen.

In my experience, if something isn't selling, you drop the price.

Apparently that doesn't apply to Vancouver developers.

• And readers may remember that a few weeks ago, I strongly suggested (asked) that Premier Wab Kinew and Opposition leader Obby Khan meet with me as they certainly need to smarten up as to how they treat each other. There is way too little respect being shown to each other and in turn to Manitobans of all political beliefs. I am saddened, but not surprised to report that except for the usual automatic "thank you for your email", I have had no response from either man. I wasn't asking for much and I got less. Maybe this time they will respond.

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Homebodies

RITA FRIESEN



Kitchen stuff...

The cookware set that I use — the only set I own — is the old Queen Anne waterless cookware set. It came into my world way back in 1974 when Ed and I married. I think it might have been quite new then; sold door to door by industrious folks. The term waterless doesn't mean no water; it means just a little bit and in the cooking process the lid and pot form a seal so no additional moisture is usually needed. It was a lovely complete set with a lifetime guarantee.

A number of years ago I found an outlet in Winnipeg and was able to have several handles replaced. The set included an electric fry pan, a six quart pot with an egg poachers accessory, and then three, two and one quart pots. I think there may have been a juicer, and a set of utensils- lifter, masher, long fork, spatula and soup ladle that I still use as well. Unfortunately in the fifty plus years use there have been two injuries — I overheated the six quart and the two quart and they warped so that they wobble when in on a hot element. I think that's not bad for a door to door purchase from half a century ago!

Those who know me well know that the kitchen is not my very favourite room in the house. Many years ago, in a conversation with a grandson, I mentioned that my ideal retirement home would even have a kitchen. Josh was quiet for just a second and then in a hushed voice 'that's an old folks home'. That being said I took the care and feeding of the first five seriously. It was my job to give them proper nutritious meals, albeit plain and boring. I did/do cook and bake. Homemade buns are one food I prepare well, and pies. I learned early that any meal was a hit with those two items on the menu. And some cookies — date filled oatmeal rounds, chocolate chip and raisin oatmeal drop cookies. The cookie pans are also part of my inheritance. The two most used certainly look the most used! Twelve by eighteen inches, they are discolored, scared, still showing the label 'Bake King, King of Bakeware'. One has a slight break on two sides, not endangering the user, just a testament to heavy usage.

The loaf pans and the pie plates are PYREX, yup, old enough that they are all upper case letters. Even have a Pyrex casserole dish whose cover serves as a small pie plate. And all inherited as well! When you have a good thing, why mess with it? The fine china/everyday dishes are so old they have become collectable. The set started as gifts back in 1974, and has had some add ons. It's the white Corelle with the little green flowers all around the edges. Big plates, little plates, cups and saucers, mugs, cereal/soup bowls and fruit bowls, the serving bowl and platter, the gravy boat set....The replacement cereal bowls are mostly all white, it's rare to find a patterned one in good condition.

These well loved items are all old, vintage. But then — so am I!

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Adeline Bairnes– Silver Medal Standing, Highest Overall Grade in her Graduating Class for Law 40S, Female Athlete of the Year.

Mathia Gustafson-Tremblay– Jason Kelly Memorial Bursary.

Kaius Kroeker– Governor General Bronze Medal winner, Gold Medal Standing, Highest Overall Grade in the graduating class for Applied Math 40S, Biology 40S, Drama 40S, and Physics 40S, Sandy Lake Lions Award for Highest Standing in Biology and Physics 40S.

Daniel Lepine– highest Overall Grade in his Graduating Class for Band 40S, and one of three tie winners of Poor Michael’s Emporium Musical Award.

Siri MacDonald– Bronze Honour Roll Standing, Crawford Park Memorial Award.

Donovan Marcischuk– Heritage Co-op Award.

Ben McInnis– Gold Honour Roll Standing, Highest overall grade in graduating class for Essential Math 40S and Lifeworks 45S.

Erica Miko– Gold Medal standing, overall highest overall grade in the graduating class for Chemistry, ELA: Comprehensive Focus, Pre-Calculus, and Psychology, RRSDELAMedallion and Award, Erickson W.I., Erickson Lions, Rolling River Teachers’ Association, Sandy Lake Lions Awards for Highest Standing in Chemistry 40S, Erica Orville Acres Memorial Hockey Scholarship, Teammates for Life Scholarship presented by Allan Edie and Ferdi Nelissen, Yellowhead Chiefs

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Chelsea Sanchez-Bonilla– Silver Honour Roll Standing Highest Overall Standing in Graduating Class for Band, History of Western Civilization, Law 40S, one of three tie winners of Poor Michael’s Emporium Musical Award.

Sierra Shurvell– Bronze Honour Roll Standing, one of three tie winners of Poor Michael’s Emporium Music Award.

Adam Shingoose– overall highest mark in his graduating class in Art 40S.

Parker Soltys – Bronze Honour Roll Standing, Erickson Legion Branch #143 Award.

Seth Sulik– Gold Honour Roll Standing, Valedictorian, Municipality of Clanwilliam Erickson Bursary, Erickson Chamber of Commerce, Rolling River Teachers’ Association Award, Grade 12 Male Athlete of the Year, Erickson PAC Award, Jewels of Siam Award, Highest mark in graduating class for Drama, French, Lifeworks 45S, Sandy Lake Legion Branch #184 Award Honouring the Ladies Auxiliary, 1929 Clear Lake Award.

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Blake Wilson– McKay Family Sagehill Ranch Social Services Award.

HELEN DRYSDALE

OUT OF HELEN’S KITCHEN

Lasagna soup

Try this soup recipe and satisfy your craving for lasagna with very little effort. You can customize it with your favorite ingredients like mushrooms, spinach, zucchini, or bell peppers for extra flavor and nutrition. The bonus is it takes one pot and ready in around 30 minutes.

Lasagna soup

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| 1 Tbsp. oil | 1-2 tsp. dried oregano |
| 1 onion, diced | 1/2 tsp. pepper |
| 1 stick celery, finely chopped | 8 lasagna noodles, broken into pieces |
| 2 cloves garlic, minced | 2 cups fresh spinach leaves, (optional) |
| 1/2 -1 lb. hot or mild Italian sausage, casings removed or hamburger | 1/3 cup parmesan cheese |
| 3 Tbsp. tomato paste | shredded mozzarella cheese for serving |
| 4 cups beef broth | shredded parmesan cheese for serving |
| 2 cups spaghetti sauce or crushed tomatoes | fresh diced basil leaves, for serving (optional) |

Heat the oil in a Dutch oven pot over medium-high heat. Add the diced onion and celery and sauté for about 3 minutes until softened. Add the garlic and cook for 1 minute. Add the meat of choice and cook, breaking it up with a spoon, until browned, about 5 to 6 minutes.

Stir in the tomato paste, beef broth, spaghetti sauce, oregano and pepper. Add the broken lasagna noodles. Bring the soup to a boil, reduce the heat to a simmer, cover, and cook until the noodles are tender. Remember to stir occasionally to prevent noodles from sticking to the bottom of the pot. If using spinach add the last few minutes of cooking. If the soup is too thick for your liking, you can add water or more broth. Take off the heat and add the parmesan cheese. Ladle the soup into bowls and top each serving with shredded mozzarella, and a pinch of shredded parmesan and fresh basil if desired.

I still had a pack of my home-grown sour cherries in the deepfreeze, so I tried this sour cherry loaf recipe. If you are using frozen cherries, thaw them first, drain the excess liquid, and pat them dry.

Sour Cherry and oat crumb topping loaf

For the loaf:

- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup rolled oats
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. lemon zest
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup white sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 Tbsp. lemon juice

- 1/2 cup plain yogurt or sour cream
- 1 1/2 cup fresh or frozen sour cherries, pitted and drained if frozen
- 1/2 cup nuts of choice (optional)

For the oat Topping:

- 1/3 cup rolled oats
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1tsp. cinnamon
- 1/4 cup butter, cold and cubed

Pre-heat oven to 375F (190C). Grease and flour a 9-inch loaf pan.

In a small bowl add the topping ingredients together. With a fork mix the butter into the flour and oats to form a crumbly mixture. Set aside. In another bowl whisk together the flour, oatmeal, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, salt and zest. Set aside. In a large bowl mix the butter and sugar together. Add the eggs, vanilla and sour cream and stir well. Add the flour mixture and mix with a large spoon just until combined. Do not over mix. Fold in the cherries and nuts if using and transfer to the prepared loaf pan.

Sprinkle with the crumb topping. Bake for approximately 50-60 minutes. Check with a toothpick for doneness. Let cool in the loaf pan for 10 minutes then move to a wire rack to cool completely before serving. Enjoy!

Thumbs up, thumbs down

Thanks to everyone who came out to Music on the Porch this year. We had two perfect evenings of live music on the lawn of the Margaret Laurence Home and raised \$700 which will be split between the Little Valley Jamboree and the Margaret Laurence Home.

Blair Chapman,
Neepawa, MB

Note: This item was initially missed– The Neepawa Banner & Press apologizes for the delay, and thanks the submitter and the readers for their patience.

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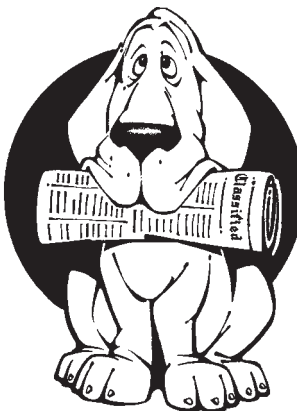
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A four team fight to the finish

A wild ending likely for the Santa Clara Baseball League

By Eoin Devereux
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The race for top spot in the Santa Clara Baseball League has turned into a four team free-for-all. The Plumas Pirates (7-3-2), Neepawa Cubs (7-4-1), and Portage Padres (7-4-1) are heading into the final week of the regular season separated by just a half-game atop the standings. Lurking just behind the front-runners, however, are the Austin A's (6-4-1), whose remarkable late-season surge has transformed them into a team nobody will want to face once the postseason begins.

Neepawa win over Carberry

As for the action on the field, the Neepawa Cubs temporarily claimed sole possession of first place on Wednesday, June 24, defeating the Carberry Royals 8-3. Originally scheduled to be played in Carberry, the game had to be moved to the Neepawa Ag Grounds after the recent rainstorms left the Royals' field unplayable. Rather

than postpone the contest, league officials shifted the game to Neepawa, where field conditions allowed play to proceed. The Cubs wasted little time taking control, erupting for five runs in the opening inning and coasting from there. Garret Rempel starred both at the plate and on the mound, batting 2-for-3 and throwing a complete game to earn the victory. Rempel allowed just four hits and two earned runs while striking out two batters. Taylor Fletcher also had a solid game going 2-for-4 with two RBIs, while Cole Kopytko drove in two runs of his own. Ryan Benson also contributed with a 2-for-4 performance at the plate.

Austin A's dominate Portage

The Austin A's continued their impressive late-season run in emphatic fashion, blanking the Portage Padres 19-0 on Wednesday, June 24. Alex Klassen was nearly untouchable on the mound, tossing a complete-game one-hit shutout while striking out 12 batters in a

near perfect performance. That victory extended Austin's unbeaten streak to six games, with the club posting five wins and one tie during that stretch. That run included back-to-back series sweeps over Plumas and Minnedosa, along with a tie against Carberry. These results set up a huge showdown in Austin on Friday, June 26, between the A's and the Cubs.

Austin A's just can't be stopped

The impressive run of the Austin A's continued on Friday, June 26, as they coasted to a 6-1 win over the Neepawa Cubs. Rory Manns pitched an incredible seven inning effort, striking out ten Cubs along the way to a win. He also went 2-for-4 at bat, with a pair of RBIs. His teammate, Alex Klassen, meanwhile, knocked out a two run homer on the way to the win. With these recent results, the A's have gone 6-0-1 in their last seven games. They are now 6-4-1 and have created quite the battle in the Santa Clara standings

Santa Clara Baseball League						
	G	W	L	T	Win %	Games Back
Plumas Pirates	12	7	3	2	.667	-
Neepawa Cubs	12	7	4	1	.625	0.5
Portage Padres	12	7	4	1	.625	0.5
Austin A's	11	6	4	1	.591	2.0
Minnedosa Mavericks	10	3	7	0	.300	4.0
Carberry Royals	11	0	8	3	.136	5.5
	AB	H	RBI	SB	HR	Avg
Ryan Benson (Neepawa)	42	18	14	6	1	.429
Connor Braun (Plumas)	40	16	7	5	0	.400
Chad Melnic (Portage)	38	15	9	4	2	.395
Tyler Olson (Portage)	42	15	11	1	1	.357
Austin Taylor (Minnedosa)	38	13	6	4	0	.342

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Robert Thomas “Bob” Hill

We are sad to announce the death of Bob Hill on Monday, June 22, 2026, surrounded by family at Carman Hospital. Bob, the youngest son of John and Edra Hill, was born on February 28, 1951, in Neepawa Hospital. He spent his early years in a rural setting in Mentmore, Manitoba. He often mentioned gatherings and good times with cousins, aunts, and uncles—family was important to him.

Bob and Betty met in Neepawa when she came to gas up her car at Ideal Service Station, where Bob worked. Magic happened, and in 1974 they married and set up a home in Neepawa together. They then moved to Carman in 1981 to be closer to Bob's workplace at Homewood. Flying was Bob's passion from an early age. He joined the Air Cadets and then obtained his private pilot's licence in 1969, followed by his commercial pilot's licence in 1972. He worked for Gordon Murray at Aerial Spray and Charter, initially as a mixer-loader, then as a pilot on hydro line patrol, and later as an aerial applicator. Gordon, Doreen, Brenda, Bruce, and Dennis were like his second family. When Gordon retired, Bob purchased Aerial Spray and Charter and operated it until his own retirement.

Bob often remarked that his greatest achievement was that he raised five children who were great human beings. They chose to be nearby and were a very active part of his life. They and their partners blessed him with nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. They all played a huge part in the running and operation of the company by being employed as markers (before the advent of GPS), mixers, and office staff. Many happy memories were made at the Homewood airstrip, with early mornings and hectic workdays, but everyone looked forward to the end-of-season activities, which usually meant games, great food, camping, and fireworks.

Bob appreciated all his customers, former employees, and anyone associated with Aerial Spray and Charter. He made many lifelong friends at the Homewood Co-op in the early morning coffee crowd.

Winters were spent at Froebe's seed plant, where Bob was known as “the Right Honourable Bob Hill.” He shared many years as an employee and friend of Earl, Lal, Bruce, and Murray Froebe. He often commented favourably on Lal's yearly birthday cakes. Lal often mentioned how Bob's presence always brought life to the farm and seed plant. Bob and Earl shared a mutual interest in the various gadgets they owned. Bob made many lasting friendships with coworkers, and his tendency toward playing pranks and sharing jokes often showed itself at Froebe's.

Over the years, Bob inspired and mentored many young pilots with his zeal and love of aviation. Since Bob's diagnosis with brain cancer in 2020, his kids and their partners, along with Bob's grandchildren, were involved in taking him to appointments and treatments and helping with the needs and challenges that illness brings. He felt very grateful.

Despite his declining health, he managed to attend the University of Manitoba with his granddaughter for a beekeeping course, went downhill skiing with his kids and grandkids this past March, and rode many miles on his E-bike on the many trails of Carman, along with his faithful companion, Frankie, in the basket.

His children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren will fondly remember Bob's deep appreciation for nature, from his constant monitoring of the weather to his ability to identify countless bird species. They will remember his talent for making and using slingshots, his never-ending pranks, his patient lessons on backing up a trailer behind a truck for half a mile, and the unmistakable whistle he used to call the kids home for supper.

Upon Bob's diagnosis—his children made it a point to show up to their parent's home each Sunday—laden with food—in order to spend more time with him. Family will never see a Kit-kat bar or butter tart—without thinking of their dad, how Bob treasured these visits. They will all treasure his gesture of three little hand squeezes, meaning “I love you.”

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Betty; his children and their spouses/partners, Lori, (Howard), Jody, (Bob), Robyn, (Glennis), John, (Mandy), and Steven; his grandchildren and their spouses/partners, Gary, Barb, (Jon), Melissa, Jordan, (Kourtney), Bailey, Hunter, (Keala), Dawson, John-Wayne, and Bennett; and his great-grandchildren, Seth, Braeden, Brooklyn, Brielle, Sophie, and Asher. Bob was predeceased by his parents, John and Edra, and his brothers, Jack and Jim.

Funeral service took place on June 29, 2026 at the Carman United Church. Private interment will take place in Riverside Cemetery, Neepawa.

The family would like to thank Dr. Clayden for his wonderful care of Bob through the years; all the doctors, nurses, and staff at Cancer Care Manitoba in Winnipeg and Boundary Trails; and the staff at Carman Hospital for the exceptional care given to him and his family in his final few days in palliative care. Thanks also to all the neighbours, friends, and family who have given so freely of their time and support. We appreciate your kindness.

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The current starting wage is \$17.95/hour with incremental increases to \$26.10/hour based on tenure as per our Collective Agreement

Quick Facts:

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- We Care about our employees, communities, customers, animals, and our environment

What we can offer you:

- Competitive Wage
- Vacation: 10 working days of paid vacation as per our collective bargaining agreement
- Comprehensive Benefits package – health coverage, dental plan, vision care, long-term disability, and pension plan
- Permanent full-time employment (74-80 hours per bi-weekly)
- PM Shift
- Full training, with genuine opportunities for career progression
- Employee Referral program - \$500!
- Free parking
- Company events
- And more!!!!

Your duties may include:

- Cleaning and sanitizing butcher and slaughter production areas and everything in between to ensure top-quality food safety standards.
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- Using cleaning chemicals with respect and following Material Safety Data Sheets.
- Ensuring all Quality Assurance checks are performed.
- Maintaining a safe, clean, and organized work area throughout the facility.
- Collaborating as a team to meet tight deadlines, ensuring production floors operate on time.

We are looking for people who are:

- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role. Capable of bending, lifting, and climbing.
- Available to work an 8-hour Night Shift from Monday-Friday, between 11:15 PM to 9:00 AM
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks and standing for long periods of time
- Capable of working in diverse environments, including exposure to varying temperatures, humidity, and odors
- Minimum of one (1) to seven (7) months experience in sanitation, or industrial cleaning, or heavy-duty cleaning
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Able to effectively communicate in English
- At least 18 years old to meet the minimum age requirement

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FreezerCo Inc.

A subsidiary of HyLife Ltd.
30 Market Blvd., Steinbach MB Canada R5G 2X9
t:204.424.5359 | f: 204.424.5177

Hog Receiving Barn Worker (NOC85100)

Why join our team?

FreezerCo Inc. is currently hiring five (5) Hog Receiving Barn Workers to join our team at 623 Main St. E., Neepawa, MB. As a subsidiary of HyLife, a global leader in food processing, FreezerCo Inc. offers the opportunity to build a rewarding career in a safe, team-oriented environment while supporting one of Canada's leading pork production operations.
Starting wage: \$20.75/hour, with incremental increases up to \$22.05/hour based on tenure.

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- PM Shift Premium
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Job duties include:

- Receiving and unloading hog deliveries.
- Sorting hogs into appropriate receiving pens.
- Ensuring humane and safe handling of hogs in our facility.
- Completing hog receiving documents to CFIA standards.
- Scraping trailers.
- Working outdoors and in a barn environment.

To excel in this role, you should possess:

- Respect for animal welfare, food safety, and workplace safety. Knowledge of animal behavior is an asset.
- Capable of working in diverse environments, including exposure to varying temperatures, humidity, and odors
- 1 to 7 months of experience working with livestock.
- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role. Capable of bending, lifting, and crawling
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks
- Able to effectively communicate in English
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Industrial Butcher (NOC 94141)

Why join our team?

HyLife is a global leader in food processing, with a vision to be the best food company in the world. To achieve this, we are currently expanding our team and have exciting career opportunities at 623 Main St. Neepawa, MB. We are actively seeking to fill 100 positions.

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Your duties may include:

- Slaughter, eviscerate, and mark hogs for further processing;
- Debone edible parts and remove inedible organs for parts;
- Cut pork carcasses into primal cuts for further processing, cutting, or packaging for local, national, and international premium markets.

We are looking for people who are:

- Fit and capable of working in a physically demanding role
- Capable of repetitive manual tasks and standing for long periods of time
- Open to working in colder/warmer environments
- Minimum of one (1) to seven (7) months experience in meat cutting or slaughter or completed a program in Industrial Meat cutting
- Completion of Secondary school or equivalent experience
- Able to effectively communicate in English

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Beautiful Plains Museum: See how everyday life has changed

By Raine Marquese
B.P. MUSEUM

A trip to the museum can be more than just looking at old things. It can be a chance for children to play, parents to remember, grandparents to share stories, and families to discover something together. At the Beautiful Plains Museum, visitors can get a closer look at the everyday items people relied on years ago. From the things found in a home to the tools used at work, the collection shows

how people managed daily life before many of the conveniences we know today. What did a telephone look like before cell phones? What kinds of instruments were used in hospitals? The museum's displays offer a chance to see these things up close and learn how they were part of people's daily lives.

For parents and grandparents, some of these items may feel familiar. A photograph, household object, or piece of clothing may bring back memories of

childhood or stories shared by family members. It is always special to hear someone say, "We used to have one of those!" Children can enjoy activities while they explore, including looking at old toys, trying on some dress-up clothes, and using stereoscopes to view old photographs in a different way. It is a hands-on way to make history feel a little more real.

Beginning in July, the museum will also be open on Sundays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., giving everyone

another chance to stop by and explore. We are located at 91 Hamilton Street. Regular hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For large group tours, please make arrangements in advance at 204-476-3896. Visits outside regular hours can be scheduled by calling 204-212-2723. Admission is by donation.

Come explore the stories behind the objects and see how everyday life in our community has changed over time!

Minnedosa considers withdrawal from Watershed District

Banner Staff
NEEPAWA BANNER & PRESS

Concerns over financial oversight prompted Minnedosa to explore potentially withdrawing from the Assiniboine West Watershed District. The topic was discussed by Council during their latest meeting on Tuesday, June 23. A resolution also brought forward for the Town to consider leaving the non-profit conservation organization. Ultimately, that resolution was tabled to be reviewed at a later date.

The reason Minnedosa was even having the discussion about the watershed district was due to concerns related to financial management and administrative practices. There has been scrutiny as of late surrounding the District's

project funding, procurement practices and project awards. It also arrives just a few weeks after the Rural Municipality of Riding Mountain West brought forward a resolution at an Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) District meeting. Their proposal called for public disclosure of project funding sources, the amounts, and project purposes and locations. The resolution at that AMM meeting was ultimately defeated.

The Assiniboine West Watershed District was established in 2020 through the amalgamation of three conservation districts and includes 18 member municipalities across southwestern Manitoba.

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Rainfall overflow creating travel risks across region



PICTURES BY DIANE WARNER AND EOIN DEVEREUX

An overnight storm, which created flooding concerns, also caused some delays to traffic on Highway #5, just north of Neepawa in the morning on Tuesday, June 30. As well, a portion of slope along Highway #16 has given way. Barricades have been put in place, but travel along the Yellowhead Highway remained normal, as of the Banner & Press publication deadline.

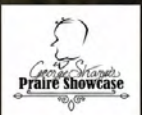
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B. Oddly provides thrills at NMS



PHOTOS BY CASPER WEHRHAHN

The Neepawa Middle School had a daring year-end treat for its students on June 26. Brett Hogan, also known as B. Oddly, performed a variety of acts, such as fire blowing, juggling, and escapes- including an escape from a straightjacket. Some tricks had students and staff assisting with their set-up and execution. **Warning: Many of the acts you see here are dangerous and should not be attempted. B. Oddly is a highly trained professional.**

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