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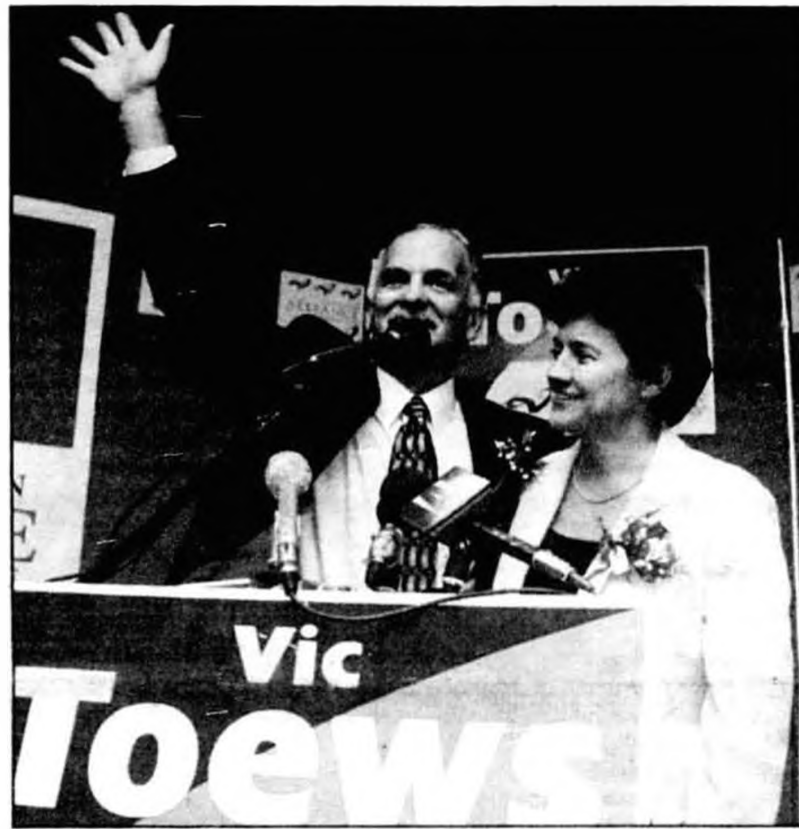
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8,748 votes
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Vic Toews with his wife Lorraine on election night

by Charles Norman

What was touted to be a close race turned out to be not so close after all. At 10:30 p.m.

with most polls reporting, Canadian Alliance candidate Vic Toews had beat incumbent Liberal David Iftody in

Provencher by a comfortable margin of 4,934 votes, getting a total of 17,568 votes and 51% of votes cast. Other votes were

David Iftody 12,635, (36.7%), Henry Dick, PC, 2,414, (7%), and Peter Hiebert, NDP, 1,828, (5.3%). A total of 63% of eligible voters cast ballots.

The campaign was not characterized by name calling and trading insults to the same extent as the national campaign, although neither of the two leading candidates is likely to look back with pride on the last five weeks.

In Churchill, NDP incumbent Bev Desjarlais had no problem beating Liberal candidate Elijah Harper for the second time in a row. At 10:30 pm on election night Desjarlais was reported to have 8,748 votes to Harper's 4,691. Cana-

dian Alliance candidate Jason Shaw had 3,449 votes and PC candidate Doreen Murray, 1,027.

Nation wide, the election campaign was not something that any of the parties (or Canada) can be proud of.

It is hoped that our newly elected officials, Toews and Desjarlais, lead the ridings of Provencher and Churchill, into the new year with the promise platforms that were instilled into the people of our communities.

Our concerns need to be heard. It is a vast area that they cover and the people along the Winnipeg River need a strong voice in parliament.

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Benefits of shopping locally

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Al Simmons visits Centennial

by Toni Bruneau
Centennial School students and staff were treated last week, to a presentation by children's entertainer and Juno Award winner Al Simmons. Simmons continuously created eruptions of laughter and brow

raising during his hilarious one-hour demonstration. With over 360 students and staff members at Centennial the gymnasium was full to capacity. Simmons' enthusiastic appearance was not only entertaining but educational as well.

Centennial School Secretary Alana Sytnick said everybody had a great time. "The children really enjoyed him. He's really great with the kids, and the kids get right into it," she said.

Simmons' has toured a total of 75 educational facilities in Manitoba this year, as part of the Student Action for Recycling (STAR) Program. Manitoba's levy on drink bottles is collected by the Manitoba Stewardship Corporation, who in turn developed

the STAR program. Schools across Manitoba are able to apply to STAR for funding towards recycling education, on which Simmons' presentation is based.

With a musical theme, Simmons demonstrated the simple beginnings of some of the world's most unique inventions. The principals of sound waves, vibrations and pitch are explained as Simmons introduced his fantastic home-made versions of string, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments. Accompanied by his original personality, Simmons persuaded music out of tin cans, soda straws and garden hoses and explained how the science behind the music was similar to their more costly counterparts.

During the performance Simmons sang children's favorites from his albums and demonstrated a variety of his inventions while, at the same time, delivering a message, the importance of recycling.

He was immediately recognized by one young lady from the children's hit TV show *Ants in Your Pants*.

The entertainment provided by his performance definitely dissolves the dullness of a speech. Simmons said he tries to show the lighter side of it all, "I try and underplay the three R's and show the kids what is possible."

"Every school I've gone to, they understood." Which was evident at the end of his presentation during a question period. With radical enthusiasm students' hands raised with inquiries from the mechanics and origin of his props to his age and how long he's been working.



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Christmas fashion show at Pine Falls



Betty Solomon was one of the many models at this year's Christmas fashion show.

by V. Anderson
This year is the first year that Country Concepts has hosted a Christmas Fashion Show. The event was held on Sunday November 19th, 2000. There was over 100 people in attendance. Jo-Anne Chevretils owner of Country Concepts had approximately 16 models for this year's show. These models hailed from the beaches area, Pine Falls, and Ontario. The models were prepared for the show by Michelle from Special T Hair Styling located in Lac du Bonnet. Make-up was done by Marge Nault sales representative for Mary Kay products (St. Georges), photography was done by Gino Fontaine of Gino's Photography located in Saglekeung, jewellery was done by Gail Farmer sales representative of 5th Avenue Jewellery, and also sponsoring this event was Powerfalls Auto Body.

The show was well organized and the guests were treated to a beautiful array of fashions. The models were wearing designs from Tanjay, Alia, Artex Fashions, Newtex, Asian Creations and Leathers. Accessories were made available by Paris, Potica, Demarco, and Seasons's. At the end of the show there was time set aside for customers to fill out "Care Cards" these cards are file cards that are kept in the store, and they keep a record of your size, your colours, and the styles that you may like. This makes gift giving easier for your friends and loved ones.

For this years Christmas season there are many in-store specials. These specials can range from 10% to

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But it all begins with an

empty shoe box and you. This year there were 150 shoe boxes filled in the Pine Falls, Powerview, and St. George area. They were collected at the Golden Leisure Club and Christian Faith Fellowship Church and transported to the Abundant Life Chapel in LacDuBonnet. From there they'll go to Winnipeg, then to Calgary and then to designated countries.

A warm "THANKS" to all of you who helped to make it happen. It can be a great family project. Even your four year old will know what a four

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Falcons swoop down on Wolfpack

by Stu Evans
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This game was one that the Pack actually led at one point but some undisciplined penalties at the wrong time (is there ever a good time?) in the second period allowed the potent Lundar powerplay to take over the game. The first period was tight as the only goal scored was by the Falcon's Jason Kirby at the 12:81 mark. Most of the action was in the corners as there was not a lot of scoring chances. In the second period, the goals came in bushels. The Pack's Cam Sokoloski scored an early powerplay goal at 18:59 to even things up and shortly after that at 16:25, Jay Griffith took a beautiful pass from Mark Robinson between two Falcon

defenders and walked in on netminder Wade Pluchinske slipping a shot through the five hole.

The Pack's lead lasted 20 seconds as Mark Desjarlais pounced on an unclear rebound in front of tender Remy Grenier to tie the contest up. That goal ignited the Lundar offence as their forwards really started to fly outhustling the Pack to many loose pucks.

The Falcons took the lead for good while on the powerplay when Desjarlais again found the rebound after Grenier made a great toe save. This was one of a number of great saves that Grenier was called upon to make in the first ten minutes of

that period. The Pack offence couldn't generate anything after Lundar's third goal while the Falcon forwards swarmed the locals net finding the back of it three more times to take a commanding 6-2 lead into the final frame.

The third period as you may have guessed, was all Lundar as they exploded for another five goals inflating their personal stats in the process. Jay Usakis scored a late powerplay goal on behalf of the Pack who now have been outscored 23-6 by last year's top two teams.

The Wolfpack get a chance to redeem themselves this Friday night at the Pine Falls Arena when they play host to the Fisher Branch Blades in their only game this weekend. The Blades you may recall, are the only team that the Pack have been able to register a win against. This should be a blustery contest as the Blades like to play the body every chance they get. The puck drops at 7:30 p.m.

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Anyone who golfed this year probably noticed a big improvement on the course, especially around #6, #2 and #5. After all these years the ladies have a nice tee on #5. We painted the bridges on #1, #9 and also the range shelter between #4 green and #5 tee. The ladies did a great job on all the flower beds on the course.
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A Lac du Bonnet tradition

Tree lighting produces community excitement

by Toni Bruneau

Lac du Bonnet formally entered into the Christmas spirit Friday night, November 17, with an official tree lighting event held at the Lac du Bonnet Community Centre.

The event was organized by the Lac du Bonnet Chamber of Commerce with the assistance of many volunteers and donations. The Christmas tree, adorned with lights, was

put in place by the Town of Lac du Bonnet.

A large crowd gathered around the tree prior to the lighting countdown to share in a sing-a-long of Christmas carols with family and friends.

Among those in attendance were Reeve Dorothy Boznianin, Mayor Glen Hirst, David Iftody and Darren Praznik who served up free hot chocolate and hot dogs prepared by the Catholic ladies organization. Many businesses contributed with donations towards the hot dogs, hot chocolate and goodie bags for the children.

Entertainment for the function included the Pioneer Club Kitchen Band and Betty Dancyt and Friends.

Approximately 400 people were in attendance, among them nearly 100 children, who anxiously awaited the arrival of... Santa! Mr. Claus and his elves arrived at the centre on a sleigh, with the assistance of Lac du Bonnet RCMP Constable Kowalchuk via snowmobile. Kathy Wold was on hand to provide pictures with Santa after receiving their goodie bags.

Many donations were also
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Lac du Bonnet Pioneer Club Kitchen Band at tree lighting event.

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Lac du Bonnet Police Report



The following constitutes the police report for the Lac du Bonnet detachment for the period of November 15 to 23:

November 15

A report was received of a vehicle which had been parked over night at Lake Avenue in Lac du Bonnet being broken into and a quantity of groceries, a purse and keys stolen.

November 16

A report was received of a vehicle being parked on PTH 44 in the RM of Whitemouth having its front licence plate stolen.

November 17

A report was received from a resident of Lac du Bonnet of three underage females threatening two other underage females in Lac du Bonnet. Follow up was done with the parents of the suspects in an attempt to end this behavior.

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November 18

A pickup was noted driving slowly along PR 313. The vehicle was stopped by police and found to contain open liquor. The driver was charged accordingly.

November 19

A report was received from a residence in the RM of Alexander of the complainant's common-law husband being intoxicated and arguing with her. No criminal offence had taken place.

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November 20

A report was received from a residence on Anderson Road of two suspicious males in the bushes near the house.

A report was received of two suspicious subjects in the lobby of the Lac du Bonnet post office.

A report was received from

a resident in the RM of Lac du Bonnet of two cheques being stolen from a location in Winnipeg, forged and then cashed at a bank in Winnipeg.

A report was received from a resident in the RM of Lac du Bonnet of receiving hang-up telephone calls at the residence.

November 22

A report was received from Pinawa of a television set being on loud enough to be heard

through the wall of an adjoining residence. Police contacted the occupant and had the TV turned down.

November 23

A report was received from a resident of Winnipeg of having lent a riding lawnmower to her son and his common-law spouse, and once the relationship ended, the spouse was not giving the mower back.

Cheques missing from Sagkeeng First Nation band office

Powerview RCMP report that they are currently investigating a theft of approximately 70 blank cheques. The

cheques were stolen between October 26 and November 8 from the Sagkeeng First Nations band office under the


department of Sagkeeng Social Development. The cheques stolen number between 12967 and 13035.

The cheques are described as pink in color. On the top left hand corner of the cheques is printed Sagkeeng

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Only the bath water

Dear Village of Powerview Council Members:

As an ORV owner and operator, Village of Powerview taxpayer and home owner, I am wholeheartedly against banning ALL ORVs from Village of Powerview limits.

It seems to me whoever designed the poll printed in The Echo show's definite bias towards the banning of all ORVs, as in the wording "I am FOR-AGAINST a by-law banning ANY OR ALL ORVs in the Village of Powerview limits"... I am for banning a select class of off road vehicle, and consideration on age groups, to ban ALL or NONE in my opinion is irresponsible.

There is no question that there is a problem with ORVs and it has to be addressed, in regards to the amount of noise pollution, disregard for traffic rules, and lack of good common sense used in the operation of SOME of these vehicles. I have observed the offending vehicles and operators almost every day, the offenders seem to fall in the teen to pre-teen age groups.

Once again I feel, I am hearing "let's throw out the baby with the bathwater".

The problem with noise, disregard for safety and traffic rules is also proportionately contributed by younger drivers of automobiles, yet no one will suggest to ban driving of automobiles in Village limits, admittedly this would be ridiculous, wouldn't it?

The issue of liability of operating the ORV in Village limits is an easy one, myself as well as all responsible operators have registered vehicles with coverage of MPIC liability insurance, the same as automobiles.

Rather than punishing all ORV owners, operators, target the offending demographic.

Myself as well as my neighbors know who the blatant offenders are, target the problem, do not make more problems by punishing the innocent, remember Bill C-68? Put it to a vote, taking into account the facts and reasons for having to consider such action, with the ideal of targeting the problem and designing a POLL with an option of possibly a partial ban on

age, and or, true OFF ROAD VEHICLES designed with tuned exhaust pipes and designed for competition use, i.e. CR, YZ and KX two stroke dirt bikes as well as snowmobiles with the same and or vehicles with inappropriate noise abatement devices.

The need to ban some may be there however to ban all would be a clear wrong doing to resident ORV owner-operators, as well as ones visiting... Keep to throwing out "only the bath water".

Edward G. Petkau

Be more creative in solving this problem

The Council Village of Powerview:

While I am not a Powerview resident, I have operated my ORV within your boundaries responsibly, I might add. Almost all other operators I have come in contact with do so, as well. We are again beset with the common problem of the very few (idiots) affecting the majority, with governments reacting in knee-jerk fashion to penalize everyone, in order to "control" those few who likely will disregard new regulations or laws in any event. The "ban" mentality is shortsighted, and wrong. We must identify the few mavericks responsible, and throw the book at them.

This cannot be too hard, if residents are vigilant. As it is, the police are unable to enforce many other areas of concern because of manpower shortages. How in hell are they going to be able to enforce yet another (useless) local regulation?

I urge you to be more creative in solving this problem, without infringing on the privileges of the many responsible ORV users within the vicinity. We deserve better. In all likelihood, the ORV abusers are minors who do not even pay taxes. To penalize taxpaying ORV users (Powerview residents) and others who may patronize

your businesses because of these few miscreants is simply wrong.

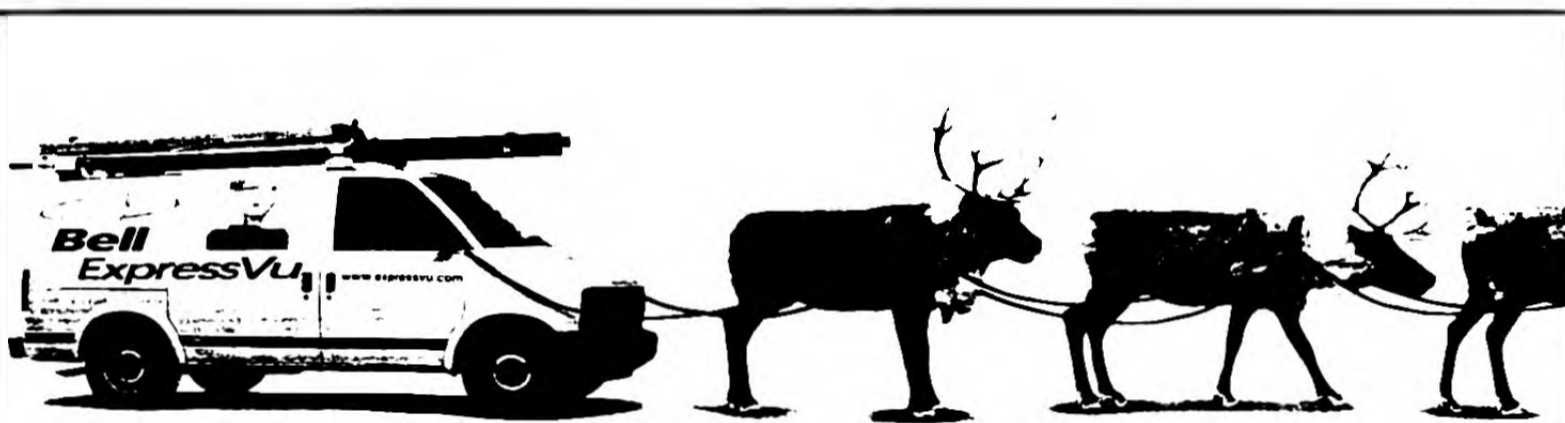
Please withdraw your proposal. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,
 Laird Crawford
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Correction

In last week's Legion news it should have read:



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In all of the hustle and bustle and general busyness it is often forgotten how vital is the role of the local businesses in the community. In the first place there are jobs -hundreds of them -full and part time -not, perhaps in the same league as the mill or Tanco -but jobs nevertheless -ask any high school student how important it is to have their own money -to buy their own clothes or their first vehicle.

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economy, is more noticeable in a small community. A town with a healthy entrepreneurial spirit will be a thriving bustling community. The activity will be felt in more areas than the business sector. It will be felt in the sports arenas, in the churches, in cultural activities and festivals, and in local government. It will even be reflected in the crime rate.

Thriving communities don't happen by accident. It's only necessary to drive through any small Manitoba community to get a feel for the spirit of that community. The energy and enthusiasm are immediately obvious in some. Hopelessness and apathy are apparent in others. The difference is not in the caliber of the local businessmen and women, it is in the spirit of the whole community.

Investing in your local community, not just with goodwill and enthusiasm for volunteer work, but by spending your money locally -definitely by shopping locally, you will, yourself generate jobs for your teenagers, and others in the community -perhaps even a job for yourself. It's the very best investment you will ever make.



Poem on Shop Local

submitted by the Lac du Bonnet Chamber of Commerce

The people were quite cocky, they stood in the sun.
Let's go to the Peg, stock up and have some fun.
We'll buy by the case, all under one roof.
And save lots of money, of that we have proof.
So just that they did, for many a year.
Until one fine day they perchance met again
Standing in their community, just out of the wind.
"What's happening here?" cried one in dismay.
Their faces were ashen; they had much to say.
The one scratched his head, the other said loud
"Where is the coffee, where is the crowd?"
My wife's real sick and right off her feet,
I came for some drugs, some milk and some meat.
Everything's closed, the grocery store too!
"What in the world are we going to do?"
"My furnace is hot, the plumbing is broken"
The other gasped, I thought he was choking
My car is near wrecked and my tires are sure low.
"I need nails and lumber - there's no place to go."
My friend hung his head, right down to his chest.
"It's our fault," he muttered, "On our heads it rests."
We passed this town by for the glimmer and lights,
I bought stuff by the carload and took in the sights.
The city is bustling and bursting with pride,
And all of our merchants just up and died.
The houses are empty, the banks repossessed,
I'll tell you my friends, "We're in for a test."
"We should have been smarter and wiser," they said
"This town would have been bustling, not nearly so dead
"It's never too late," I heard one of them say,
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They parted at last with the wind turning cold
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Author Unknown

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Jeanne Chevrefils of Country Concepts said much the same thing. "Keeping money in the community benefits everyone. It means businesses can expand and bring in a better selection at more competitive prices - and create more jobs at the same time."

Service was on the mind of Bernice Kralka of Peter's ProHardware who said it was a pleasure to serve the community. "That's what it's all about, looking for better ways to be of service to your customers."

Mel Molotowski, President of the Lac du Bonnet Chamber of Commerce said,

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Tree lighting becoming popular event in LdB

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received that evening towards both the shoe box and Christmas hamper programs.

"I've already had people approach me about next year, with offers to help," said Lac du Bonnet Chamber of Commerce Executive Assistant Terry Fisher. Fisher was a major contributor to the success of this event. She has been offered help with organization as well as arranging a choir for next year.

"It looks like its going to become a Lac du Bonnet tradition," she said, adding that "it went very well and there seems to be a lot of excitement about it."



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Christmas Season Lac du Bonnet Library news greetings to all!

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When we look around the community we see people preparing their yards with decorations, preparing their houses with lights and decorations. What a lovely sight. We are all getting busy with the Christmas season. Some are making short bread cookies, some Christmas cakes. All the while listening to your favourite Christmas music. What a great time of year. We are writing this little note today to tell everyone, that this year we are doing a couple things that we hope will help bring us all a little closer and enjoy the start of the season together.

Importantly the "Spirit of Christmas". So, dress those beautiful homes of yours for the contest, and get ready for some singing, and good times. We are looking forward to seeing all of you out. This time of year is so precious to so many. Lets share it together for a lasting memory.

A little reminder that the community Christmas Hampers are now out. The school and various businesses have the hampers set up for your convenience. Also the "Tree of Lights" is a wonderful program at the Pine Falls Hospital please see Mrs. Palanuk for details.

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Don Harron: A Parent Contradiction is a biography written by Don Harron's daughter, Martha Harron. Don Harron made his professional debut at the age of 11 as a stand-up comedian. He was a rising star on Broadway who Hedda Hopper called "a combination of Leslie Howard and Montgomery Clift", who "kissed Hollywood goodbye to become an unsung Canadian hero".

Another biography we are adding to our shelves is *By the Way* written about one of Canada's best known actors, Gordon Pinsent and it is written by Gordon Pinsent himself. This book follows him from Newfoundland throughout his teens making his way to Winnipeg, Toronto, Stratford and the United States in a highly successful career.

One of the fiction books includes *Longshot* by Dick Francis. It was first published in 1990 but is new to our library. Dick Francis is a well known thriller writer and if you haven't read this one yet give it a try. You won't be disappointed.

Kathryn's Secret is a Christian mystery by Linda Hall. "Mystery writer Sharon Colebrook is facing a deadline for her latest novel when she learns that her favorite aunt has passed away and left her the family cottage in Maine, along

with all of her aunt's stories and journals. Sharon and her husband head out to sort through her aunt's belongings and stumbles into a mystery of family secrets that only with her faith can she find the strength to put her family together again.

After you have read these books, we always appreciate comments as to what you thought of the books so please let us know.

We have two new videos to add to our collection. *Anne of Green Gables - The Continuing Story* follows Anne, now in her 20s, as she returns to Avonlea and then goes on to New York with Gilbert where his job takes him and they assist with the war effort in Europe. For the children Thomas' first movie *Thomas the Magic Railroad* is sure to be a hit. The movie also stars Peter Fonda, Mara Wilson and Alex Baldwin.

December 1 to 16 is *Amnesty Weeks* at the library. Material re-

turned late during this time will not be charged a fine if you bring a grocery item to put in the hamper fund box. This is a special opportunity for library patrons to help themselves and also give the Christmas hamper fund a boost.

Don't forget the annual children's Christmas bazaar December 8. Preschoolers will shop from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and the older children after school from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. It's a chance for the children to purchase gifts and have them gift-wrapped and ready for Christmas day!

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Pine Falls Bowling League news

by Janelle Carlson
Week # 2

Ladies high games were: Jeannine Lavallee 238, Heather Adams 226 and Janelle Carlson 202.

Men's high games were Jerry Gauthier 281, 233, 219, 201, Dwayne Duff 247 and 222, Lyle Velie 238, Lawrence Abraham 220, George Dodds 218 and 215, Todd Jesseau 206, Pete

Richardson 201.

Female bowler of the week was Jeannine Lavallee for her game of 238 which was 92 pins over average.

Male bowler of the week was Lawrence Abraham for his game of 220 which was 88 pins over average.

The Legion Special was won by the Alley Cats for their three game total of 3287.

Laughter in a shoebox

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or teens, you can bring smiles and laughter to child that has no Christmas.

Churches, schools, businesses, or clubs, we all have a living. Christmas message to give. The Hope born that first Christmas is still for everyone.

And its like a little girl wrote in her thank you note to the giver of her shoe box.

"Thank you very much. In the past I dreamed of a doll. Now my dream has come true. I am very happy. I wish there may be less crying in the world and more laughter.

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This week's high triple games were: Jerry Gauthier 696 and 603, and Dwayne Duff 649.

Week #3

Ladies high games: Jeannine Lavallee 239, Shirley Adams 227 and 202, Janelle Carlson 212 and 204, Diane Johnson 210, Wanda Berthelette 201.

Men's high games were Dwayne Duff 269 and 204, Bill Lavallee 266, Jerry Gauthier 238, 209, 203 and 202, Todd Jesseau 228 and 2123, Pete Richardson 217, Albert Lamoureux 209, Lawrence Abraham 201 and Greg Gervais 201.

Female bowler of the week was Jeannine Lavallee for her game of 239 which was 70 pins over average.

The Legion Special was won by the Buns for their three game total of 3131.

This week's high triple games were: Jeannine Lavallee 636, Dwayne Duff 625, Shirley Adams 608, Bill Lavallee 605, Jerry Gauthier 603 and Todd Jesseau 603.

Week #4

Ladies high games were: Shirley Adams 237, Bernie Henderson 225, Janelle Carlson 211, Evelyn Dodds 208, Sharon Mignon 202.

Men's high games were Todd Jesseau 265, Jerry Gauthier 228, 227 and 201, Roy Carlson 213, George Dodds 205 and 204, Fred Cure 200.

Female bowler of the week was Bernie Henderson for her game of 225 which was 58 pins over average.

Male bowler of the week was Todd Jesseau for his game of 265 which was 66 pins over average.

The Legion Special was won by the Gutterballs for their three game total of 3275.

This week's high triples

were: Jerry Gauthier 656 and Todd Jesseau 646.

Week #5

Ladies high games were Diane Johnson 217, Dawn Blatz 205, Donna Boyer 204, Doris Kahle 204.

Men's high games were Dwayne Duff 269 and 214, Pete Richardson 232 and 209, David Dufour 214, Carl Palmquist 208, Kelly Bunn 208.

Female bowler of the week was Dawn Blatz for her game of 205 which is 69 pins over average.

Male bowler of the week was David Dufour for his game of 214 - 76 pins over average.

The Legion Special was won by the Richardsons for their three game total of 3402.

This week's high triple games were Dwayne Duff 659, Pete Richardson 639 and Jerry Gauthier 636.

Ladies high games were: Bernie Henderson 245, Sharon Tremain 240, Shirley Adams 235, Joanne Lavallee 224 and 207, Nancy Breton 223, Rose Bunn 218, Wanda Berthelette 217, Donna Boyer 211 and 205 and Doris Kahle 210.

Men's high games were Jerry Gauthier 315, 214 and 202, George Dodds 242 and 221, Pete Richardson 240, Ron Bunn 235, Roy Carlson 222, Darryl Bunn 214, Greg Gervais 214, Lawrence Abraham 213 and Carl Palmquist 213 and 212.

Female bowler of the week was Rose Bunn for her game of 218 - 89 pins over average.

Male bowler of the week was Jerry Gauthier for his game of 315 - 99 pins over average.

The Legion Special was won by the Gutter Balls for game of 3324.

Northeastern Hockey League stats

as of November 22

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Team	W	L	T
Pinawa	2	2	0
Lac du Bonnet 1	2	1	0
Lac du Bonnet 2	2	0	0
Beausejour	0	2	0
Hollow Water	0	0	0
Pineview 1	1	1	0
Pineview 2	1	1	0
Little Black River	0	2	0
Sagkeeng	2	1	0

Squirts

Team	W	L	T
Sagkeeng 1	0	1	1
Sagkeeng 2	0	2	0
Pineview 1	0	1	0
Pineview 2	0	0	0
Lac du Bonnet 1	3	0	0
Lac du Bonnet 2	0	1	1
Beausejour 1	1	0	0
Beausejour 2	2	0	0
Pinawa 1	0	0	0
Pinawa 2	0	0	0
Little Black River	1	1	0
Hollow Water	0	1	0

Atoms

Team	W	L	T
Sagkeeng	0	1	0
Pinawa	1	0	0
Pineview	1	1	0
lac du Bonnet	2	1	0
Pinawa	0	0	0
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Friday, Dec. 1
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Monday, Dec. 4
Soup, roast chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed veg., fruit cocktail

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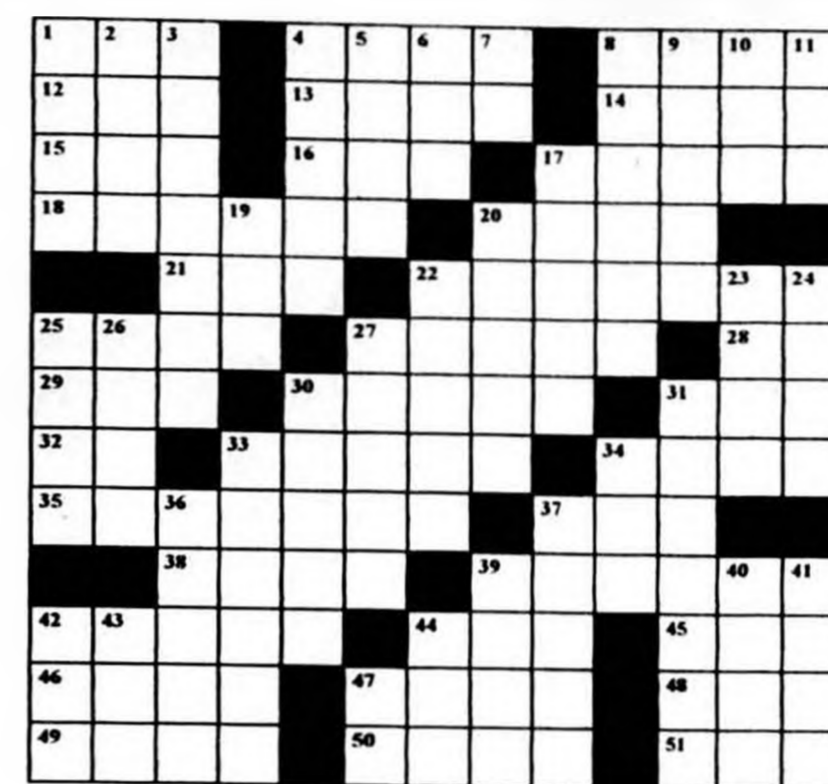
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- Nog
- Cold, in Cadiz
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- Rower's concern
- Toronto pro
- Arabian gulf
- Lanka
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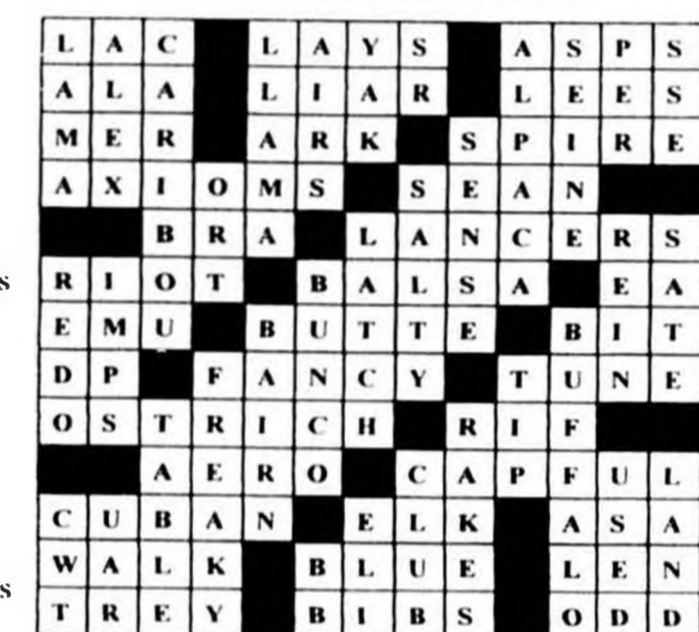
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- Agglomerations
- About flying
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- Possess
- Ancient buffalo
- Double star
- Spectrum
- Harold, for short
- For Two
- Oil org.
- Crown
- Hardwood tree
- Work station
- A kind of beam
- Rural Municipalities, for short

- Go away!
- October stone
- Crippled
- Stringed instrument
- Assign a share
- Ottawa pro
- Vancouver pro
- Barley part
- Amusements
- Edmonton pro
- Shoe brand
- A quantity of paper
- Wild oxen
- Deity
- Imitate
- Montreal pro
- Gym class

DOWN

- Present oneself
- Deserve
- Vancouver pro
- Calgary pro
- Levesque, for one
- 007 writer, Fleming
- Word before course, sometimes
- Toronto pro
- A kind of potato
- Vietnamese New Year
- Compass point
- Caesar or Waldorf, e.g.
- Biblical yes
- Fine fabrics
- Consisting of sandy sediments
- Proximate

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS



CRYPTIC PUZZLE

Each letter represents another letter in the alphabet
See if you can break the code to figure out the famous quotation

PDWNW TK ZB KTZMWNWN VDFW
PDGZ PDW VBFW BQ QBBL
-JWBNJW XWNZGNL KDGC

Last Week's Solution
"I CRITICIZE BY CREATION - NOT BY FINDING FAULT"
- CICERO

WEEKLY HOROSCOPE for the week of November 27th to December 3

- Aries - March 21 to April 20**
Shrewd and practical ideas will come to the forefront in the near future. Your ideas will be accepted by some and ridiculed by others. Those that scoff at your ideas may have hidden agendas. Be open to a weekend getaway with a special friend.
- Taurus - April 21 to May 21**
Are you ready for a new you? Then it's time to put some of your self-improvement plans in action. With a better self image, you'll find your attitude toward others improves, too. Don't be afraid to make yourself happy and enjoy life more.
- Gemini - May 22 to June 21**
You may find yourself drawn to powerful and influential people in the next month. Their lives hold secrets. Don't be caught unaware. This is not the time to bite off more than you can chew. Influential people can be very pushy.
- Cancer - June 22 to July 22**
Have some fun! You have been working really hard, and it's time you enjoy yourself. A close friend may end up being the perfect companion for a weekend away from the responsibilities of work, home and other burdens.
- Leo - July 23 to August 23**
Don't take any action until you consider the outcome. A tense disagreement may strain a partnership. The whole ordeal could be a sign that this is not a good situation after all. Have other things been bothering you?
- Virgo - August 24 to September 22**
You can be happy. The answer to erasing your melancholy may lie in a non-conforming lifestyle. Listen to the advice of a long-time friend. A new acquaintance does not hold the answer to your problems.
- Libra - September 23 to October 23**
Social activities should be organized around family and/or children. You won't regret the time together. Give yourself some time to digest your feelings about a personal relationship. It's not a good idea to rush into anything right now.
- Scorpio - October 24 to November 22**
Prepare yourself for an encounter with a very demanding person. Keep in mind you don't always have to agree with him/her. You'll learn first-hand that discretion is the better part of valor. Don't even consider a financial proposal.
- Sagittarius - November 23 to December 21**
Community will be the word of the week. Becoming more involved in your community and its efforts to help a nonprofit organization will give you great joy. Be sympathetic concerning a problem at home, and don't hurt anyone's feelings.
- Capricorn - December 22 to January 20**
Take pride in an idea you are proposing. Don't let one person in the room ruin what you've worked so hard for. Take a short trip. You may find a new investment idea. Talk out a family situation soon, before it gets a lot worse.
- Aquarius - January 21 to February 18**
Strong personal relationships may result in new opportunities for you. Don't get so set in your ways. Be flexible and open-minded. Take the bull by the horns and try to overcome the emotional turmoil that's been eating at you.
- Pisces - February 19 to March 20**
It is time for you to take a step back from your responsibilities and decide who and what are the most important things in your life. You have let someone close to you down one too many times. The relationship is suffering. Don't do it again.

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Prescription glasses: Lost, one pair of prescription glasses with magnetic sunglasses attached. If found please contact 367-4137 or 367-2684. 26-2x

Persian cat: young orange persian cat found third week of November in St. Georges, phone 367-2620 or 367-4656. 26-2x

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Frances (Voisey)

My family and I would like to extend our appreciation in the way we were so thoughtfully remembered in the passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather. Your calls, letters, cards, flowers, visits, donations, food and expressions of sympathy made us all feel much love. A sincere thanks to everyone at the Pinawa Hospital for the care and dignity shown towards my husband while in their care. God bless you all.
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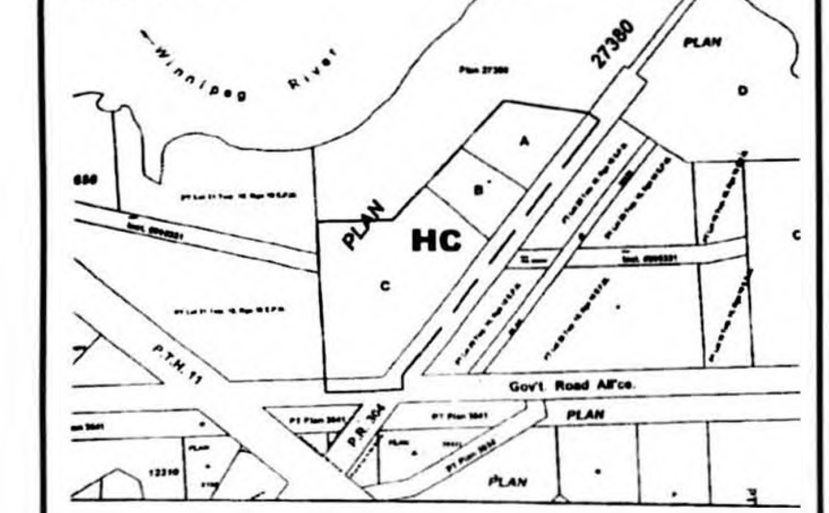
A copy of the above noted by-law of the Rural Municipality of Alexander and supporting material may be inspected by any person during regular office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday at the office of the Municipality at St. Georges, Manitoba.

The general intent of By-Law 14/00 of the Rural Municipality of Alexander is to amend RM of Alexander Zoning By-Law No. 7-29 in order that that area described as follows:

1) Parcels A, B and C all of Plan 27380 located in R.L. 20-18-10 at present designated "OS" Open Space Shoreland Zone be redesignated to "HC" Highway Commercial Zone.

and as shown outlined by a heavy broken line on Appendix "A" below; and

2) To establish a Helicopter Pad/Heliport conditional Use Provision and Requirements under Table XI - "CH" Highway Commercial Zone



APPENDIX "A"
Attached to By-Law No. 14/00 of the Rural Municipality of Alexander Amending Map 7-29 of By-Law No. 6/98 Being the Rural Municipality of Alexander Zoning Bylaw as amended

LEGEND:
HC - "HC" Highway Commercial Zone
--- Limits of Area Affected

Rose-Marie Blanchette,
Chief Administrative Officer
Rural Municipality of Alexander

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Water Bills Due MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

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Written proposals may be forwarded to:
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Powerview RCMP Report

During the early morning hours of Nov. 17th police responded to a report of Break Enter and Theft at the Clarks Corner Store in Powerview. An undisclosed amount of cash and cigarettes was reported missing.

The Manigotogan Fire Hall was reported to have been broken into where gas and a gas container were stolen.

On Nov. 18th police were called to a residential Break Enter and Theft on the North Shore of Sagkeeng. A Pioneer Stereo and CD Player was taken.

On Nov. 19th a male subject was reported missing from Sagkeeng. The subject was located and returned home.

A theft was reported from the Walter Whyte School in the RM of Alexander. As a result a young offender has been charged with this theft.

On Nov. 20th police responded to a spousal assault. A male suspect was arrested and later released on strict conditions and to have no contact with the victim. The suspect is to appear in Powerview Provincial Court to face charges of assault.

On Nov. 21st the Sagkeeng Band office reported that several of the Band cheques had been stolen. Police investigated and discovered that several of the cheques had been processed in Winnipeg within the last few weeks. The matter is still under investigation.

A stolen 1998 pick-up truck was recovered from an abandoned building in the area of

Belair. The vehicle had been in the building for sometime and had been stolen from the Winnipeg area.

A large quantity of fire wood was reported stolen from a cottage in the area of Lakeshore Heights.

A complaint of several snow machines making unnecessary noise in Pine Falls late in the evening was reported on the Nov. 23rd.

Police were called to a two vehicle accident at the junction of hwy's 12 and 59. A van skidded through the intersection striking a south bound vehicle. The three occupants of the two vehicles were taken to Pine Falls Hospital where they were treated for minor injuries and released. The roads were slippery at the time of the accident.

A two vehicle accident was reported on Hwy 304 near the Stead intersection when a north bound vehicle struck a vehicle which had been abandoned and parked on the side of the road. There were no injuries in this mishap.

On Nov. 24th a stolen vehicle was recovered in the area of the Hillside beach lagoon. The vehicle had recently been reported stolen from Winnipeg, and noted to have sustained a considerable amount of damage.

Our office assisted Selkirk Detachment with an assault which had take place in the area of Patricia Beach.

Police responded to an assault on the South Shore of Sagkeeng. A male subject was

arrested and lodged for the night.

A Lionel Patrick Bruyere 26 yrs. of age was apprehended on a Canada Wide Warrant of Arrest at a residence on the South Shore of Sagkeeng. Bruyere was wanted on a parol violation and was escorted to Stoney Mountain Penitentiary.

Police responded to a complaint of a disturbance at a residence in Powerview. The matter was resolved without charges.

On Nov. 26th police received a report of an assault

which had occurred on the North Shore of Sagkeeng. The victim received numerous bruises and a bite to the hand. A young offender faces charges of assault.

On Nov. 27th a Break and Enter was reported to a cottage at Donner Lake. Stolen was a shot gun along with numerous Moose and Elk antlers.

A vehicle was reported damaged while it was parked in the area of the Pine Falls School this past Friday night. The damage appeared to have been caused by using a key or similar object.

Six people were arrested and lodged under the impaired person detention act.

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Tuesday, December 5 - Ukrainian National Home
Fisher Branch, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 6 - Sagkeeng Arena
Fort Alexander, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 7 - Place Louis Riel
Winnipeg, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Monday, December 11 - Hollow Water Community Hall
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