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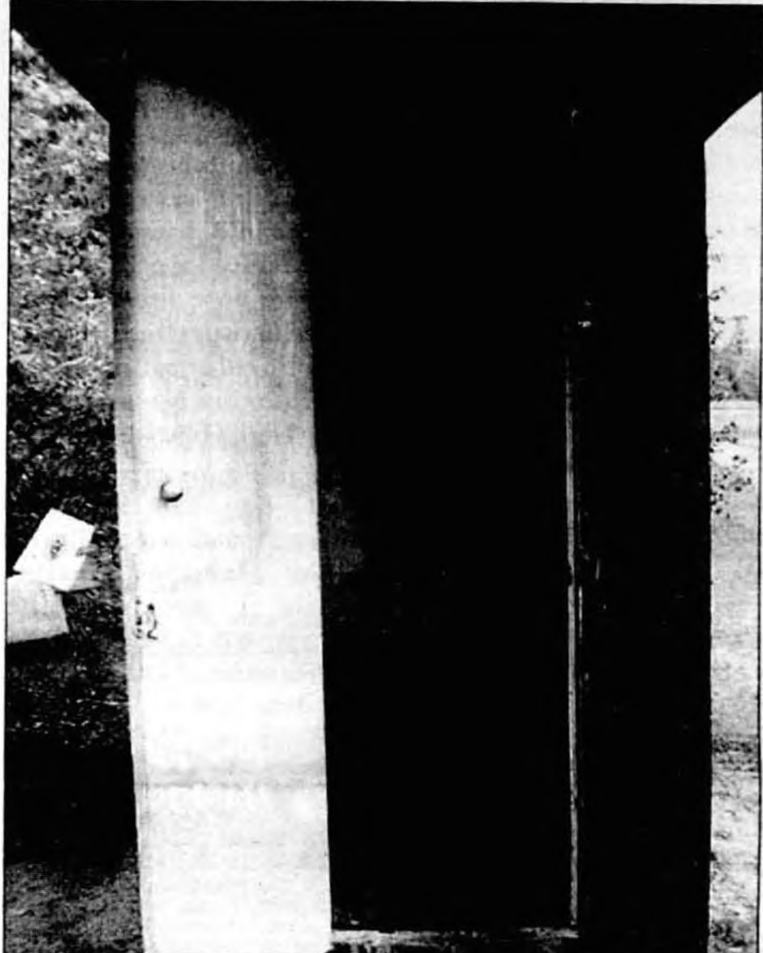
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Vandalism at Pine Falls Golf Course



Vandals doused paint lacquer on the walls to help ignite the Men's toilet on hole #5 at the Pine Falls Golf Course

by V. Anderson
The Pine Falls Golf Course was the target of vandalism late Sunday evening or early Monday morning. The vandals went through the course throwing benches, flags, and markers in the water filled ditches. The culprits



Ball washers were also uprooted from their posts

then went on to dig up greens and up-root ball and club washers. Washrooms on hole number five were doused in paint lacquer and set on fire in an attempt to burn them down. "This is not the first time we have been the target of vandalism, it is just so senseless", said Manager Carol Hutchison. Two years ago, the golf club

was the target of vandalism, and golf carts and locker rooms were damaged. The RCMP are conducting a full investigation into the matter, and ask if anyone has information regarding the incident please contact the Winnipeg River Police detachment. The Pine Falls Golf Course is also offering a reward in helping solve this matter.

Second West Nile case identified

A second human case of West Nile virus infection this year has been identified in Manitoba. The individual, a resident of the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority in his forties, has not been hospitalized. The individual has been reported to Health Canada as a probable case of West Nile fever. The likeliest period of exposure to West Nile virus for this individual was during the last week of July or the first week of August. Usually, people infected by

West Nile virus have no symptoms and do not become ill. Of those who do become ill, most will develop West Nile fever, an illness with symptoms such as fever, headache, fatigue and body aches. Less frequently, the virus can cause more serious illness (West Nile neurological syndrome) including encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain. Encephalitis can have serious complications. These complications may include weakness, paralysis, confusion, See *SECOND*/page 2

4P Festival set to begin

This year's 4P Festival line up features fun for all ages from artists to baseball enthusiasts there is something for everyone. Thursday night the weekend starts off with fun at Night Crawlers. The Papertown Motor Inn will be hosting a Budweiser Bash featuring the Bud Girls and great prize giveaways. Friday's festivities include Mud Bogging in Sagkeeng at 11:00am, bogging to begin at 12:00 noon at the residence of Daniel Starr on highway #11 in Fort Alexander. Directional

signs will be posted. Friday nights annual Jamboree Under the Big Tent begins at 5:00pm until 12:00am. The Jamboree features local artists and musicians. Saturday is earmarked for kids. Kid's Day festivities will begin from 12:00 noon to 4:00pm at the Powerview School Grounds. Kids will be able to partake in fun at the inflatable fair, petting zoo, pony rides, activity tents, face painting. Also Saturday is the Market Square held in the Powerview Arena from 12:00noon to 6:00pm and Sunday from

10:00am to 6:00pm. It will feature a variety of food and merchandise vendors. The Mixed SloPitch tournament begins Saturday and continues Sunday at Industrial, Rupert, and Powerview baseball diamonds. Powerview Hotel's Rusty Nail Tavern will once again be having their wicked meat draw from 4:00pm to 6:30pm. All proceeds to the 4P Festival. The Ol' Kings Western Days Celebrations will have beer gardens in the afternoon on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday night will feature the See *4P FESTIVAL*/page 3

4P FESTIVAL

September 2nd to 6th

- ★ Jamboree
 - ★ Kids Day
 - ★ Western Days
 - ★ SloPitch Tourney
 - ★ Mill/Hydro Tours
 - ★ Market Square
 - ★ Kite Flying
 - ★ Parade
 - ★ Fireworks
 - ★ Fish Derby
- Check the flyer in this week's Echo for list of events

Harvest dates announced for Whiteshell Wild Rice

Manitoba Conservation has announced the 2004 wild rice harvest in Whiteshell Provincial Park will open on Sept. 6.

Changes for the 2004 season:

Little Whiteshell Lake will be hand picking for the first 10 days of the season and then open to mechanical harvesting. This change was approved by the First Nations representatives at a meeting in mid-August.

The following lakes in the Whiteshell are divided into two categories for harvesting purposes:

Lone Island, Mallard, Crowduck and Brant lakes, as well as the portion of the Whiteshell River from Jessica to Mallard lakes, are set aside for hand harvesting only.

Mechanical equipment may be used on Heart, Echo, Little Boho, South Cross, Jessica, Betula and White lakes.

High water levels and cool wet weather throughout the Whiteshell have resulted in below average crops on all lakes.

Hand pick harvesters will require a permit, which is free. The permits, along with details on producing lakes, general regulations and fees for mechanical operators, are available at Manitoba Conservation offices at Lac du Bonnet, Rennie, Seven Sisters and West Hawk Lake.

Second West Nile case identified

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coma and death and are more likely to occur among older adults and people with chronic diseases and weakened immune systems.

There is no vaccine or specific treatment for West Nile virus. Milder symptoms of West Nile fever usually improve without medical care. Anyone experiencing severe symptoms (such as persistent high fever, muscle weakness, headache) should seek medical attention promptly for diagnosis and care.

Although mosquito counts have been low, some infected mosquitoes in southern Manitoba may become more active, particularly during warmer evenings or during humid, overcast days. Personal protection should be considered at any time when mosquito activity is noticed, especially for people over the age of 50 or with chronic medical conditions or weakened immune systems.

Based on mosquito surveil-

lance, the time of year and the life cycle of the *Culex tarsalis* mosquito, the current risk of becoming infected with West Nile virus in Manitoba is considered low and is expected to decrease.

While it is anticipated that additional human cases of WNV will be identified in Manitoba this season, it is expected that exposure to the virus in most newly identified cases will likely have occurred in late July or early August.

The most current mosquito surveillance information for southern Manitoba indicates that the activity of *Culex tarsalis*, the main mosquito species that carries West Nile virus in Manitoba, remained low in all regional health authorities during the week of Aug. 15 to 21.

The average trap counts for *Culex tarsalis* in regional health authorities gathered during the week of Aug. 15 to 21 were: Assiniboine, 11; Brandon, one; Central, three; Interlake, two; North Eastman,

zero; Parkland, one; South Eastman, 10; and Winnipeg, 32.

In 2004, infected mosquitoes have been found in the following communities: Brandon, Souris, Deloraine, Killarney, Winkler, Winnipeg, West St. Paul and East St. Paul. The infection rate of trapped mosquitoes remains low, less than one per 1,000 mosquitoes.

At this time of year and during the rest of this season it is expected that newly hatched *Culex tarsalis* mosquitoes will not blood-feed (i.e. bite), and therefore pose little risk of West Nile virus transmission.

Public information about West Nile virus is available by calling Health Links-Info Santé at 788-8200 in Winnipeg or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257. Additional information is available on the Manitoba Health website at <http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/wnv>, which is updated with surveillance data weekly.

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4P Festival set to begin

from front page

Patzer and General Lee Band. Also added this year is a \$500 cash give away Saturday night only. Sunday night lineup will include bands Big Orange and Eye to Eye. On Sunday afternoon the OI Kings will be holding a super meat draw.

Tembec will be conducting Mill tours from 10:00am to 2:00pm, Saturday only. All visitors must wear closed shoes.

Manitoba Hydro tours will be conducted Saturday and Sunday every hour from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

4P Sightseeing flights will be offered from 11:00am to 3:00pm on Saturday. The tours will be done by Blue Water Aviation in Silver Falls.

New this year will be a 4P ATV Poker Madness. Departure is at 10:00am. Please register at Broadlands Mall prior to departure.

St. Georges Museum will be open Saturday and Sunday and will be offering hot pea soup and bannock after the parade on Sunday until 6:00 p.m.

The annual parade will once again start at 12:00noon on Sunday at the Pine Falls School and follow through to the Powerview School Grounds.

Following the parade at the Pine Falls Arena the Pie Baking and Chili Contests will begin. Pie and Chili entries can be entered at the arena until 2:00pm. Entry is free and there is no limit to the amount of pies entered. Great Prize giveaways. Following the judging will be Pie eating, peach eating, hot dog eating, bubble gum blowing contests and the chug a lug contest. All free to enter and prizes for each category.

Fireworks will be held on Sunday evening beginning at dusk at the St.

Georges Beach. Glow necklaces, sticks, etc... will be available to purchase.

Rapid Water and Convenience will be selling BBQ food items, drinks, ice cream, etc.. beginning at 4:00pm until the end of the fireworks on Sunday.

Saturday and Sunday at the Pine Falls and District Tourist Interpretive Centres will have painting demonstrations by Pamela Gaskell throughout the day.

The Golden Leisure Club will be hosting a cribbage tournament on Monday. \$5.00 per person to enter, cash prizes. The tournament begins at 1:30pm, doors will be open at 1:00pm.

The Family Fishing Derby will start at St. Georges Dock from 9:00am to 12:00pm. There is a \$20.00 entry fee which includes a lunch and refreshments. The Manitou Lodge

will be the site for the Horseshoe tournament on Monday. \$20.00 per entry includes a lunch. Tournament begins at 11:00am.

A Kite Flying Contest will be held at the Pow-

erview School grounds beginning at 11:00am.

Organizers are excited about this year's 4P Festival and hope to see more entries in this year's parade.

Volunteers are always

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No Butts About It

Hotels and Bingo halls brace for smoking ban in thirty days

by Jim Hampshire

It will be business as usual for Manitoba hotel owners over the next thirty days. After that, it will be anyone's guess as the NDP moves to institute the province wide smoking ban, beginning in October.

According to recent media reports, hotels and legions throughout Winnipeg are still floundering financially since the city-wide smoking ban was put in place last September, which isn't good news for local hotel owners as they countdown the days to the provincial ban.

Casey's Inn of Lac du Bonnet is one of the local hotels expecting a drop off in business

next month, but owner Bill Juba says he doesn't expect the slowdown to last long.

"The city hotels are obviously suffering because the smokers can travel outside the perimeter and continue to gamble and socialize," Juba said from his First Street location. "Now because all hotels are going to be smoke free, I believe people will slowly return to their hotel of choice and business will resume for all establishments."

Juba notes that at least one hotel in Winnipeg has gained business since the city smoking ban went into place, and he is optimistic the same will hap-

pen locally.

"To be honest, there are more smokers than non-smokers using the VLT's, and that might be because the non-smokers are choosing to stay away because of the smoking," he explained. "We will have to wait and see but maybe we'll gain new customers because of the ban. That has already happened at the Curtis Gordon Hotel in Winnipeg"

The owners of The Papertown in Pine Falls are less optimistic.

"At least half of our customer base are smokers and they are definitely not happy

with this legislation," Mike Raymond said this week. "It's not so much the ban itself, but it is an infringement on their right to choose that makes them mad."

Raymond says he expects an immediate drop in business in October, and unlike Bill Juba, he isn't sure regular customers will return in the numbers The Papertown has become accustomed.

"It's hard for hotel owners to rebound from a slump of any kind," he noted. "Even without the smoking ban a lot of rural hotels are struggling to keep the doors open and it's hard to rebound in this business. This is something we definitely don't need right now."

And while many hotel owners are debating whether to skirt the ban by opening outdoor patios next summer, the Raymond family say it

wouldn't be an option at the Papertown.

"Most of our daytime customers come in to play the VLT's," he said. "It's not like we can put the machines out on a patio."

According to media reports, gambling revenues have fallen sharply in Winnipeg hotels and casinos. Last month the Manitoba Gaming Commission laid off 270 casino workers, with more job cuts expected soon. Although local hotel owners are taking a wait and see attitude, jobs could be lost on the local level.

"Less customers mean less employees, or at least a restructuring in hours," Casey's owner Bill Juba concluded.

"We are hoping things will work out in the long run but you can't keep a lot of serving personnel if there is no one to serve."



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Pipe dream likely not reality

Waterline extensions in Lac du Bonnet too costly, says RM

by Jim Hampshire
The proposed water and sewer line project along PTH 502 in the RM of Lac du Bonnet is currently circling the toilet bowl and is about to be flushed, according to Reeve Don Halbert.

At a special informational meeting in mid-August, residents along PTH 502 were appalled to learn the actual cost of the waterline project, where individual costs to hook onto the water and sewer mains were averaged at \$16,500 per household in a lump sum payment, or \$1,740 per year over a twenty year span. After crunching the numbers, Halbert admits the water extension plan hit a bit of a financial wall, leaving the RM council with no alternative but to shelve the project, at least

for the time being. "We discussed this issue as a council late last week, and costs were higher than we would have liked," Reeve Halbert said on Monday. "We didn't get a lot of public support and we are not pursuing the matter any further at this time."

Halbert adds that the project isn't completely dead as the RM council will continue to pursue additional government funding, where ever available. At this time, however, Halbert says the RM isn't about to push anything without public support.

"We felt the public had a right to know and we wanted to present them with the numbers and let them decide," Halbert said. "Basically the RM

was trying to be proactive and it would be cheaper to it today than it will be tomorrow."

According to the numbers, the main water and sewer lines would have cost the RM \$4,562,406 at today's prices. If the project had received financing over twenty years, the bill would have jumped to \$6,225,470 when factoring in the interest.

"We didn't get the level of government support we'd anticipated when we first began our inquiries last December," Halbert explained. "The waterline would have serviced only 214 properties and the population isn't there to make this project feasible at this time without more government help."

Halbert says the issue will have to be reopened eventually regardless of public opinion as water quality standards con-

tinue to rise at the provincial level.

"We really had to take a look at this project now and it didn't work out,"

Halbert said. "But sooner or later it will be mandated and we'll have no choice but to deal with the costs at that time."

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Sprague	437-2348
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If waterfowl have damaged your crops, please contact your local Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation office to make a compensation claim.

The Waterfowl Crop Damage Prevention Program is funded by Environment Canada and Manitoba Conservation.



Facts about

WEST NILE VIRUS



West Nile virus has been detected in Manitoba. Most people who are bitten by an infected mosquito do not become ill, and for those who do, the symptoms are usually mild. In some cases, serious illness and death can occur.

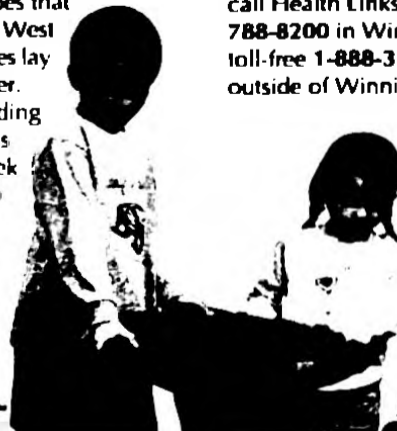
Reduce your risk

Manitobans are at greatest risk of being bitten by a West Nile virus-infected mosquito in mid-July, August and September. You can reduce your risk of being bitten by:

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(left to right) 2 year old Jeremy Dowling, Doxie Dowling, 5 year old Jessica Dowling, Amanda Armstrong, 7 year old Breanna Armstrong, 10 year old Jenna McCluski, (standing right) instructor - Kara McCluski

Rock Painting Workshop

Kari McCluski held a rock painting workshop at the Pine Falls and District Tourist Interpretive Centre on Thursday, August 26. Students were shown decorative painting techniques which they applied to tyndalstone slabs that can be used as welcome signs at entrances or just as art.

Two year old Jeremy Dowling was the youngest painter and he seemed to really enjoy the workshop and did a fantastic job on his rocks. The children also painted lady bugs on smaller sized stones.

McCluski will be holding more workshops 4P weekend. The dates and times include:

Monday 6th (Labor day) Welcome Rock 10.00am - 2pm Adults, Painted Rocks 10.00 - 2pm Children, Welcome Rock 2.00pm - 4pm Adults, Painted Rocks 2.00pm - 4pm Children.

Please phone 367-8722 or 367-4707 for more information.

MJHL Trade Transaction

The Southeast Blades of the Manitoba Junior Hockey League (MJHL) have traded

the Hockey Canada rights of 19 year old Goaltender, Kevin Kauk to the Dryden Ice Dogs

of the Superior International Junior Hockey League (SIJHL) for Future Considerations.

Blades Bits

Do not forget the Southeast Blades 1st game in Sagkeeng: Wednesday, September 15, 2004, Portage Terriers at Southeast Blades at 7:30 p.m.
 Hope everyone can make it!

Home Opener Events:
 All of last year's Season Ticket Holders are entered for trip for 2 to Calgary to watch either the Calgary Flames (subject to lockout) or the WHL's Brandon Wheatkings.
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You can't be serious



by Jim Hampshire

Now they tell us!

Not that we needed protection from the sun this summer anyway, but now scientific studies show Sunbloc can actually promote skin cancer, according to The Journal of The National Cancer Institute.

Isn't this always the case with modern science. First they tell us one thing and then further studies reveal something entirely different. Take butter, for instance. Twenty years ago scientific studies stated that butter was a bad thing, and margarine might be the better substitute.

Oops! Further studies revealed that margarine wasn't the way to go either, and the scientific community then advised that consumers spread

bottled water evenly over bread for a healthy substitute.

We've all heard it before: "Don't eat beef," they said. "Okay, go ahead and eat beef, but in moderation," they recanted, after more studies.

Actually, according to recent studies at the University of Minnesota, red meat gives you good cholesterol and after an investigation, the beef against red meat was only a rumour started by Captain Highliner to help boost sagging fish sales.

But let's get back to the Sunbloc problem. According to the Journal with the really long name I mentioned earlier, Sunbloc users have a false sense of security, and they're more apt to stay out in the sun longer than people who are unprotected. Their reasoning is, the unprotected people can identify a sunburn sooner, so as

you'd expect, they see this as a warning to find shade. On the otherhand, people wearing Sunbloc cannot feel the effects of the sun and they are putting themselves at risk. Why? Because, according to the European science community, the fact that you don't receive a sunburn has no bearing on whether or not you're subject to melanoma, which is the most common form of skin cancer.

Nice going, fellas. I suspected something was wrong a number of years ago, when Sunbloc first came out on the market. As you know, this product has several numbered labels, indicating the strength it opposed to ultra violet rays. To me, this meant you could buy the high test Sunbloc and be

perfectly safe in the sun, or you could buy a medium sun screen and only receive a small amount of cancer.

That would be like walking into a doctor's office for a choice of rabies shots.

Doctor: "Well Mr. Smith, I could give you a number 15 rabies vaccine, or you could opt for the number ten vaccine.

Mr. Smith: "What's the difference?"

Doctor: "You'd still live with the number 10 vaccine, but you'd have the disposition of a werewolf."

But that's the problem with science. Each new study receives a big fat grant and this keeps the science community employed. They might say "tomato" or they might say "toe-MAT-toe," but either way it is still edible. That is if you are able to choke down a food product containing the word

"toe."

But life is full of tough choices and I firmly believe that the stress of staying on a healthy diet is the biggest killer of all. My advice would be to have a big fat steak this coming Labour Day long weekend, and don't forget to wear your Sunbloc 100. That would be your ski-doo suit.

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Powerview Arena Grounds
5:00pm to 12:00am

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Library Corner

Lac du Bonnet Regional Library

We turn the calendar page this week, finish up the back-to-school shopping, and begin to anticipate fall events such as the library's Fall Supper! Preparations are underway, and the tickets are now available! This is an enjoyable time of working together with the Legion Ladies Auxilliary and a host of volunteers to provide a turkey dinner with all the trimmings at a very affordable price. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact the library at 345-2653.

Young people - take note of the new list of nominated titles for the Manitoba Young Readers' Choice Award 2005. Visit the library to see this display of books. A few of the new titles are: *Lesia's Dream* by

Laura Langston; *Dirt Eaters* by Dennis Foon; *Waiting for Sarah* by Bruce McBay & James Heneghan and *A Dirty Deed* by Ted Stenhouse. The entire list of MYRCA titles can be found on our library website: www.3.mb.sympatico.ca/~mldb.

Kids - did you know...."Skateboarding has been around for a long time. The idea of the skateboard came from surfers in California in the 1960's. They wanted to try "surfing" on dry land." Learn the basic skills and a lot of neat facts about this popular sport in our new book entitled *Extreme Sports: Skateboarding* by Ben Powell.

For the youngsters we have a new informational series



written by Pat Thomas that promotes interaction among children, parents, and teachers on personal, social, and emotional issues. Look for: *A first look at Bullying - Stop Picking on Me*; *A first look at Death - I Miss You*; and *A first look at Disability - Don't Call me Special*. Explore questions and concerns about these topics with your children.

Just a reminder that our summer programs for kids have come to an end, but our Preschooler's Storytime continues year round. Join us every Thursday morning at 10:30 for stories and snacks.



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PIE CONTEST RULES:

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Crime Stoppers in cooperation with the Lac du Bonnet RCMP would like your assistance in solving the following offence:

During the night of Saturday, August 21st, 2004 a pickup truck was parked in the town of Lac du Bonnet. The vehicle had a window smashed out and damage was sustained to the running board.

Lac du Bonnet RCMP would also like your help with the following offence:

Several boat motors have been stolen off of boats in the RM of Lac du Bonnet and the RM of Alexander area. If you have any information on this or any other offence please con-

tact the Lac du Bonnet RCMP at (204) 345-6311. You may also contact the Winnipeg River Detachment at 367-2222.

It is a good idea to secure your motor to your boat with clamps, a safety chain and a padlock.

Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$2000.00 in cash for information leading to an arrest in this or any other unsolved

crime in Manitoba. Callers never have to reveal their identity and Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to caller ID.

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Recreation Newsletter

Summer Programs are unfortunately coming to an end, so check the calendar's weekly activities to find out what is left for you to enjoy.

With last week's awful weather, it put a damper on some activities. So hopefully this week everyone will be able to enjoy the outdoor activities that we have planned & re-scheduled.

Friday August 27th will be the final farewell to summer event. Pinerview Rec & Wings of Power have joined together to bring you an afternoon of fun & excitement @ the Village Green. There will be Juggling, Puppet show, Temporary Henna Tattoos, Songs and Stories. Something for everyone, please come out and enjoy the terrific afternoon we have planned for you. Entertainment, prizes and refreshments will be available.

The events that are being held in the next week are listed below.

Pinerview Rec - Wednesday August 25th 9:00am - 12:00pm @ Powerview School

Pinerview Rec - Thursday August 26th 9:00am - 12:00pm @ Powerview School

Survivor Challenge - Tuesday August 24th 11:00am - 03:00pm @ Powerview Arena

Soccer - Monday August 23rd 9:00am - 12:00pm @ Powerview School

Ball Hockey - Monday August 23rd 1:00pm - 03:30pm @ Powerview Arena

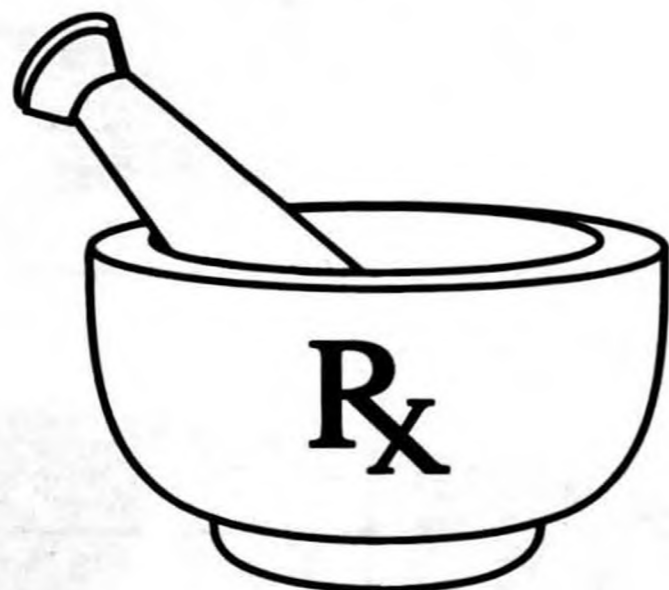
Volleyball Tournament - Wednesday August 25th 1:00pm @ St Georges Beach

Picnic in the Park - Friday August 27th 12:00pm - 4:00pm @ Village Green

Pool Day - Saturday August 28th 12:00pm - 4:00pm @ Pinerview Pool

Please register as soon as possible for ANY activities because if any changes occur, we know whom to contact. So please contact the Rec Office @ 367-9142.

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Pine Falls Preschool

by Kathie Duff

This article is written to Welcome all new and returning parents and children to Pine Falls Pre-School Co-op located in Pine Falls School on 2 Walnut Street.

I will start by introducing myself. My name is Kathie Duff and I am an Early Childhood Educator Level 111. I bring to this position 20 years in the Early Childhood Education field. I have worked as a Director, Infant Room Supervisor, Early Childhood Educator and Special Needs Worker. I have been hired as the Director of Pine Falls Pre-School Co-op Inc. and am quite excited about my new position.

My co-worker is Debbie Wiebe she is a Child Care Assistant. Debbie is a mother of 1 daughter who previously attended Pine Falls Pre-School. Her experience as a parent is sure to bring success to the program.

The Pine Falls Pre-School program provides a nurturing environment which fosters the children's overall development.

Physical— Our program provides Gross Motor activities both inside and outdoors.

Intellectual— Children will

be taught the basic School Readiness Skills (Colors, Numbers, their Name and activities which enhance their thinking and Problem Solving Skills, etc.

Social— The ECE Educators will provide an environment which promotes Sharing, Turn Taking and Basic Social Skills among their peers.

Emotional— The goal of our program is to provide a nurturing environment recognizing the children as Important, Unique Individuals.

Pine Falls Pre-School Co-op is open Monday- Friday 9:00 A.M.-12:00P.M. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays we run a 4 Year Old Program. Tuesdays & Thursdays we run a 3 Year Old Program.

On Thursdays August 26 we had a Registration Night and have spaces available. If this wasn't a convenient night for you please stop on by on Friday September 3 or Tuesday September 7. I will be there preparing the classroom for the children to begin on Wednesday September 8, 2004. I would be more than happy to introduce myself, explain this Wonderful Program and show you around.

I am looking forward to a wonderful, successful school year.

Library Allard

BACK TO SCHOOL
Oh, praise for the sound of silence...the summer program has come to an end for yet another year and the library is once again a quiet place...for now...with school just around the corner the library will once again be filled with the hustle and bustle of children and young adults eager to learn.

We have some excellent books on display for getting your child ready for school, from fun story books to read to or with your child to non-fiction titles.

Cranberry's *First Day of School*; Little Critter's *This Is My School* by Mercer Mayer; *Franklin Goes to School* by Paulette Bourgeois; *Time for School, Little Dinosaur* by Gail Herman; *Going to Nursery School* by Laurence Anholt plus many, many more. All these delightful stories will help ease your child into their first day of school or to help in getting your children ready to go back.

If it's non-fiction you're looking for to help your child/young adult back to school and through-out the school year we have such titles as: *Word Play for You and Your Preschooler* by Linda Allison;

Every Child Can Succeed: Making the Most of Your Child's Learning Style by Cynthia Ulrich Tobias - this book will help you make school a more productive place for your child and his teacher; *I Don't Want to go to School Today: A Guide for Parents* by Greg Anderson explores the causes of school problems and what parents should do about them. This is a "must read" for parents of children from pre-school to eighth grade. *The Way They Learn: How to discover and teach to your child's strengths* also by Cynthia Ulrich Tobias introduces the variety of learning styles that shape the way students interpret their world. *"What Happened in School Today?"*; *Helping Your Child Handle Everyday School Problems* by Judy Craig, Ph.D. This book explores first-day jitters, homework difficulties, teasing, and teacher troubles, all challenges that can stress a school-age child.

If your child is off to College or University we have *Going to University: A Canadian Guide for Students in Grades 9 to 12 and their Parents*;



SchoolFinder.com Directory: Comprehensive information on Canadian Universities, Colleges & Career Colleges features a listing of over 600 Canadian universities, community colleges and career colleges across the country. Admission requirements, tuition fees, programs and contact information for selected schools. (This book may be somewhat out of date as far as tuition fees, but has general information you may be looking for.)

The Student's Guide to Canadian Universities & Scholarships Canada.com: Entrance Awards Directory features details on over 4,000 scholarships, bursaries and awards.

I'll be busy cataloguing 22 new DVD's next week, check our September 7th article for a listing of titles. More books are on their way and I will also have a listing of those titles.

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Christine Polischuk,
Winnipeg River Senior Service, call 367-9128

This past spring Winnipeg River Senior Services hosted two workshops on "The Aging Eye" presented by Misericordia Health Centre Outreach Nurses. We recently came across an article we thought would be of interest as a follow up to the workshops.

As we age, we are more likely to experience eye health related vision problems. Some of these problems are specific to the eye - for example, cataracts, glaucoma or macular degeneration. Vision problems can be signs of other health problems, such as hypertension, diabetes, or even brain tumors. And some times eye problems are the result of medications you may be prescribed for these and other diseases or conditions. Many of these eye health and vision problems are treatable or man-

ageable if detected in their early stages. Therefore, regular, comprehensive eye examinations by an optometrist or ophthalmologist are vital to your health. In Manitoba, the Government's insured Medicare plan includes basic coverage (one routine eye examination every two calendar years) for seniors age 65 years or older. Additional eye examinations are also insured within the two-year calendar block for medical reasons (e.g. Eye infections, eye trauma or diagnosed eye problems). Basic coverage is not, unfortunately, comprehensive coverage. Government's insured optometric eye examination does not include several tests and procedures that are integral to detecting or monitoring many of the conditions mentioned above. Standards of care require that doc-

tors proved the testing necessary to render a diagnosis and so, even with Medicare coverage, one can expect to be billed for some tests and procedures. Some examples of tests and procedures not covered by Manitoba Health, which may be billed to patients, include:

Tonometry (pressure tests for glaucoma), Visual field screening and testing, Other glaucoma test, Tests done in conjunction with dilation, External and internal ocular photography, Reports and letters, Counseling, Third party requests/reports (e.g. Motor Vehicles and Workers Compensation forms), Additional exams within a defined two-year calendar block unless medically necessary, Other advanced testing procedures.

You should feel comfortable asking your optometrist if his or her standard examination includes non-insured tests and, if so, the fees that are billable to you. If in the course of examination, your doctor identifies a concern that requires additional testing to confirm or refine a diagnosis, this should be discussed with you as well as any associated costs that are not covered by Manitoba Health.

Most common age-related eye conditions:

Presbyopia: This is often the first wake up call that our eyes are "aren't what they used to be." As we get older, the lens loses its elasticity and the eye's ability to focus quickly from distant to near objects. The earliest signals of the onset of presbyopia are a tendency to hold reading material at arm's length, blurred vision at normal reading distance, and eye fatigue when attempting to do close work. The most common treatment is a prescription for bifocal or progressive lenses.

Cataracts: With aging the lens may become cloudy or opaque, and your optometrist will advise if you have cataracts. Cataracts may vary from extremely small areas of cloudiness to large cloudy areas that cause a noticeable loss of vision. During the first stages of development, a change in the lens of your glasses may improve vision or satisfactory level. However, once the lens opacity becomes too dense for you to function comfortably in your regular activities, your optometrists will refer you to an ophthalmologist for surgical removal of the lens.

Glaucoma: Glaucoma is a condition in which excessive internal pressure of fluids in the

eye damages the optic nerve. Glaucoma often develops with no pain or symptoms, and is one of leading causes of blindness Canada. If detected early, glaucoma can be held in check with drops to control the pressure elevation. Optometric standards require that routine eye examinations for all adults over 40 years of age as well as those with other risk factors include a test to measure eye pressures (tonometry) and internal inspection of the optic nerve. A visual field test may also be done to ascertain if there has been any damage to peripheral and central vision.

Macular Degeneration: Degeneration of the macula (most sensitive part of the retina) is another leading cause of age-related vision loss obscuring a person's central vision. Often people are unaware of this problem in its early stages. It usually affects only one eye and the good eye tends to compensate. Your optometrist routinely checks the condition of the retina during your eye examination, including the use of visual field tests as noted above.

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Report from Legislature

by Gerald Hawranik,
M.L.A. Lac du Bonnet Constituency

Health care waiting lists

On August 24, 1999, then Opposition leader Gary Doer made an election promise to significantly reduce wait times for health care. He promised that the NDP would cut MRI wait lists to 8 weeks, ultrasound wait lists would be chopped to one or two weeks and CT scan

wait lists would be cut one week for every year his government is in office (Winnipeg Free Press, August 25, 1999).

Well, five years later the wait list for an MRI is 15 weeks long, the wait list for ultrasounds is now 14 weeks, and the wait list for a CT scan

is now 10 weeks. According to Doer's promise in 1999, there now should be no waiting list for CT scans. Instead the length of time one must

The following chart illustrates the average wait times for certain diagnostic tests (these statistics were obtained 7 weeks longer

There are now substantially longer wait lists for most health care diagnostic tests than there

spent on health care. It is clear that health care issues cannot always be resolved by spending more money. Meaningful reform of our current health care system is necessary in order to ensure that our health care system is sustainable for

from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority).

Average Diagnostic Wait Times (In Weeks)

Month	MRI Waiting Period	Ultrasound Waiting Period	CT Scan Period
Sept. 1999	8 Weeks	11 weeks	5 Weeks
June 2004	15 Weeks	14 Weeks	10 Weeks
Difference	7 weeks longer	3 weeks longer	5 weeks longer



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wait for a CT scan has doubled from 5 weeks in 1999 to 10 weeks in 2004.

were in 1999 in spite of the fact that more than \$1 Billion more of taxpayers' money has been

the long term.

If you have any questions regarding this article, or any other issues or concerns in the Constituency, please feel free to contact me at 268-4664, write to me at Box 430, Beausejour, MB, R0E 0C0, email me at gerald@geraldhawranik.com or visit my website at www.geraldhawranik.com.

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PINE FALLS Operations



Winnipeg River RCMP Report

Police Report for the period of August 23rd to August 29th, 2004

GENERAL: The Winnipeg River Detachment (Powerview and Grand Marais Community offices) sends their condolences to family and friends of the late Condren "Rex" KEATINGE who passed away suddenly on Friday August 27, 2004. The Powerview and Grand Marais Detachments worked with Rex through the years when he was employed with the Department of Justice. And also enjoyed his hospitality as host to several private parties at the Grand Sands Hotel. We'll miss you Rex!

August 23:
BALSAM HARBOUR - police were contacted to check on an overdue pair of travellers. The family was located and all parties advised accordingly.

FORT ALEXANDER - a break, enter and theft occurred to a residence. Play station games and some change were stolen in the incident.

- a chainsaw was taken from a residence. Police however were able with the owners help to recover the item.

PINE FALLS - a local business reported mischief to the building where several youth were identified. The youth and their parents were spoken to accordingly.

- a loud party was shut down after complaints were received. Several youth were involved and parents contacted to advise them accordingly

HILLSIDE BEACH - a break and enter by mama bear caused a family some grief. Natural resources was contacted to remove the animal.

POWERSVIEW - a youth was given a ride home after being stranded at a local business.

August 24:
FORT ALEXANDER - police were called to locate a vehicle and an unlicensed driver speeding in the area. The suspect and vehicle were not located.

HILLSIDE BEACH - a break, enter and theft occurred to a shed at a cottage property. Stolen in the incident were a lawn tractor, lawn mower, tools and 2 chainsaws.

HOLLOW WATER - a break, enter and theft occurred to a residence.

POWERSVIEW - an altercation resulted in 1 vehicle ramming another. Further investigation caused 1 male to be charged under the Highway Traffic Act.

LESTER BEACH - a complaint of a youth on the beach

firing a pellet gun was reported. Police patrolled the area but did not locate anyone. No further complaints were received.

August 25:
GRAND MARAIS - complaint of a loud party in progress caused members to attend however upon arrival police found no party active.

BELAIR - a break and enter to a cottage was reported for information. Nothing was taken in the incident.

HOLLOW WATER - mischief to a boat occurred when a battery was stolen and the plug removed causing it to start sinking.

POWERSVIEW - police are investigating a spousal assault.

FORT ALEXANDER - a theft of cash was reported to police. The complainant went to use the facilities at a business and upon return found the money missing from her purse.

- a male is still at large after being identified in 2 break and enters of residences and a vehicle. Several items were taken in the incident including prescription medication. Police are still investigating the occurrence.

BLACK RIVER - a break, enter and theft at a residence occurred. Numerous items

were taken in the ordeal. Further information to police involved identification of a male suspect.

BELAIR - a rash of break, enter and thefts occurred in this area. At least 5 cottages were victimized. Police continue to investigate.

August 27:
POWERSVIEW - an assault to a male caused police to attend a location in the area. The male was taken to local hospital for treatment.

- a male youth was remanded into custody after family members were threatened on more than one occasion. Ongoing incidents of violence and theft caused police to have the emotionally unstable youth taken to the Manitoba Youth Centre for the safety of all involved. Investigation will continue.

MANIGOTAGAN - a break, enter and theft was reported. Culprits gained access through breaking a window.

BELAIR - several more break, enter and thefts at cottages were reported. Police are still investigating.

HILLSIDE BEACH - a group of youth and their parents were spoken to about rules and regulation of ATV operation after

several complaints were made to the detachment.



August 28:
FORT ALEXANDER - investigation continues into an altercation involving a weapon at a residence.

- an assault occurred to a female at a residence. A suspect was identified and investigation continues into the incident. No weapons were involved but alcohol may have been a factor.

- a theft of a bank card and cash was reported to police.

- police are also investigating a report of harassment by an ex spouse.

PINE FALLS - police attended a business where a disturbance with an intoxicated female occurred.

August 29:
HOLLOW WATER - a break, enter and theft occurred to a residence.

FORT ALEXANDER - a female was assaulted while trying to intervene in the assault of a child. Investigation continues.

PINE FALLS - mischief and vandalism occurred to the local golf course. Police are still investigating the matter.

Police request that if you have any information with any of the above noted incidents, or any other criminal matter, you are asked to call the Winnipeg River Detachment at 367-2222 or you can remain anonymous and call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-782-8477.

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Debating a National Pharmacare Program

The recent recommendation by the provincial premiers to have the federal government create - and pay for - a new national prescription drug program, with an estimated annual cost of about \$12 billion, has been rejected by the Prime Minister as too expensive for Canada.

Canadians recognize that drug costs can impose a crippling financial burden on those who require prescription drugs. However, they also understand that it does not seem to be reasonable to be instituting a new expensive drug program while the federal and provincial governments are facing severe challenges in maintaining our existing publicly funded medical system. As Finance Minister Ralph Goodale said, if Canada were to pursue such a program, other health-care ini-

tiatives would suffer.

However, before we decide to reject the unanimous recommendation of the provincial premiers there are two factors that need to be considered.

First, if the estimated price tag for a national pharmacare program is \$12 billion, the next issue that needs to be determined is if the provinces already pay this amount out of their combined treasuries for prescription drug coverage. If this new proposal simply involves transferring the existing responsibility to the federal government, without expanding pharmacare services and its associated costs, then a national program could make a lot of sense.

Eliminating ten separate bureaucracies and substituting one national program in their place may of itself generate

substantial savings that could be directed towards the actual purchase of drugs. Furthermore, as one writer recently stated, this would go a long way towards removing some of the annual bickering we see between the federal government and the provinces over health-care funding.

Second, a recent study by the Fraser Institute states that Canadians pay more for their generic drugs than they should because of existing government policies.

In its study called *Generic Drugopoly: Why Non-Patented Prescription Drugs Cost More in Canada than in the United States and Europe*, the Fraser Institute says two companies in Canada control almost 60 per cent of the total generic drug market. It adds that only three generic drug companies control 82 per cent of all provincial drug plan expenditures. The largest single company owns 50 per cent of the publicly funded market.

According to the Fraser Institute, this monopoly has resulted in inflated drug prices

and that if Canadian generic drugs were priced like patented medicines using median international levels, consumers and taxpayers could save \$810 million this year. Again, these savings could go towards the purchase of prescription drugs.

Canadians are naturally apprehensive about any additional tax burdens to fund this new proposal or creating more financial strain on our existing healthcare system. However, it only makes sense for our government to consider very carefully whether this proposal can be implemented without adding additional burdens on

taxpayers or the healthcare system. The result could be a better and more efficient system of delivering prescription drug services to those who require them.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any concerns or issues you would like to discuss. You may contact me toll free at 1-866-333-1933 or at 204-326-9889 or in Lac du Bonnet at 204-345-9762. You may write me at 203-323 Main Street, Steinbach, MB R5G 1Z2, by fax at 204-346-9874 or by e-mail at toewsv1@mts.net

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Lac du Bonnet RCMP Report

Police Report for the period of August 23rd to August 30th, 2004



On the 23rd of August, a report was rec'd that a west-bound gravel truck had sprayed gravel from an apparently unsecured tail-gate onto an east-bound vehicle on P.T.H. #44 east of Seddon's Conmer. No plate number or description of the truck was available.

On the 23rd of August, a report was rec'd that a section of floating dock was found along the Wpg. River north of the P.R. 313 bridge in the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet. Same had been secured by the complainant, who subsequently called to advise that the dock in ques-

tion was gone from their location, along with the rope which had been used to secure it.

On the 23rd of August, a report was rec'd that mischief was done to the window of a vehicle parked at the Mantario Trail entrance near Big Whiteshell Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park.

On the 23rd of August, a report was rec'd that a garage door was open at a residence on Cauchon in Pinawa and lights flashing in the garage. Police checked and found all to be in order. The owner of the residence was not home at the time.

On the 24th of August, a report was rec'd of an adult female acting in an irrational manner at a location at Breerton Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park. Police attended and took the subject to Beausejour Hospital for the necessary treatment.

On the 24th of August, a report was rec'd of an adult male speeding up when being passed on Riverland Road in the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet. Took place on two occasions.

On the 24th of August, a report was rec'd that two cottages were broken into on Birch Tail Drive in the R.M. of Alexander, with liquor stolen.

On the 24th of August, a report was rec'd that a section of floating dock was found in the Lee River and secured at a location along Mascanow Drive in the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet.

On the 24th of August, a report was rec'd of the theft of a play station, games and CD's from a location on Leslie Street in the Town of Lac du Bonnet. Police investigation resulted in the stolen items being returned to their owner.

On the 25th of August, a report was rec'd of two Off-

Road vehicles driving illegally in the Bird Lake area of Nopiming Prov. Park.

On the 25th of August, a report was rec'd that a 35 HP Johnson Outboard Motor was stolen from a boat at the Auglen Park Dock in the R.M. of Alexander. Took place since Tuesday afternoon.

On the 25th of August, a report was rec'd of an attempted break and enter to a cottage on Sunset Bay Road in the R.M. of Alexander. A muddy footprint was noted on the door, but no entry made.

On the 25th of August, a request was rec'd to contact subjects residing on Edward Crescent in the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet and pass on a message re: a death in the family. The subjects were contacted and the message passed on.

On the 25th of August, police on patrol apprehended 3 under-age subjects on a trail in Pinawa in possession of a home-made Bong and a small quantity of marijuana.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd of a possible break and enter in progress on Red Dog Trail in the Bird River area of the R.M. of Alexander. Police attended and found that no offence was taking place.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd of the theft of an older, green, ladies 3-speed bicycle, possibly a CCM, from outside a townhouse on McGregor Crescent in Pinawa. Also reported that a set of vehicle keys were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at the same location. Took place overnight.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd of a highway tractor stuck at the end of

Carter Cres in Great Falls. It was subsequently determined to be stolen from the Bissett area.

On the 26th of August, a request was rec'd to serve a family court document on an adult female resident of the area. This was carried out, and arrangements were made for the subject to turn two under-age subjects over to their father at the Detachment.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd of a Dodge pick-up with a cap in the area of the South Shore of Big Whiteshell Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park. This vehicle appeared to have television sets in the back and it was felt to be suspicious. Police patrolled 307 from one end, and Resources patrolled 307 from the other end, but the vehicle was not located.

On the 26th of August, a vehicle was found in the ditch along P.R. 307 near the CP Tracks in the Whiteshell Prov. Park. The driver was found to be suspended, and was charged accordingly. The vehicle was impounded.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd that an adult male was making telephone calls to a location at Nutimik Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park concerning the apparent condition of the complainant's dog.

On the 26th of August, a report was rec'd of the theft of a set of keys & a car organizer with tapes from an unlocked vehicle at a location on Burrows in Pinawa. Took place overnight.

On the 27th of August, police on patrol of the Pinawa Cemetery found a vehicle with a number of occupants and Open Liquor. An under-age male was charged accordingly.

On the 27th of August, police on patrol had occasion to stop a vehicle driving on P.R. 211 near Pinawa. The adult male Driver was found to have been drinking, and was arrested for Impaired Driving. A number of other subjects who were in the vehicle were taken home by police, as the vehicle in question was towed. The subject in question subsequently produced readings under the legal limit and was issued a 24 Hour License Suspension, and was also charged

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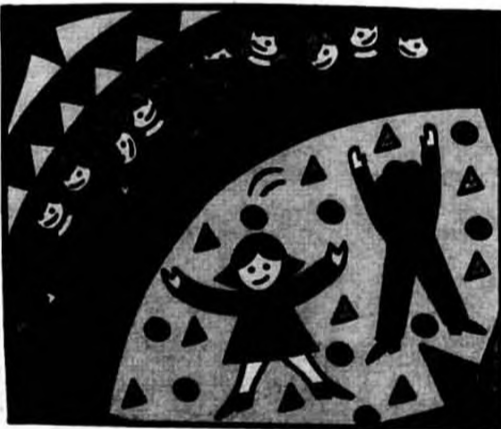


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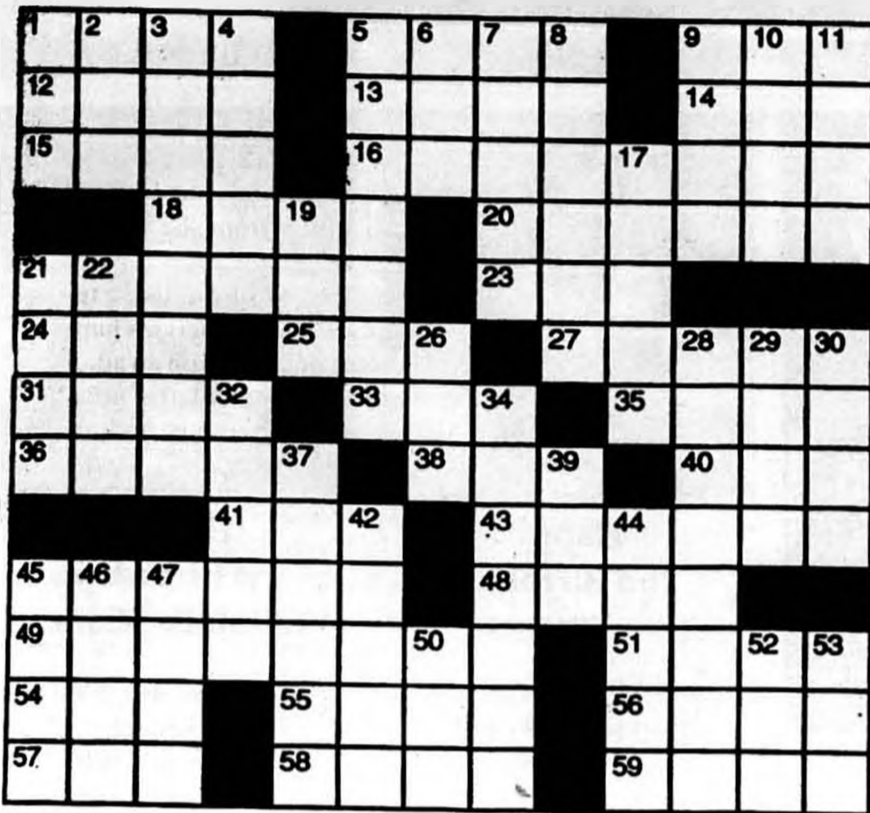


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ACROSS

- 1. Snare
- 5. An insect
- 9. Wine vessel
- 12. Ready
- 13. Bring up
- 14. Pinch
- 15. Yelps
- 16. Peachlike fruits
- 18. Apportions
- 20. Spheroidal
- 21. Discourse
- 23. New (comb. form)
- 24. Dance
- 25. Modern
- 27. African region

- 31. Eye part
- 33. Turf
- 35. Sinister
- 36. Scoff
- 38. Go astray
- 40. Insect egg
- 41. Thing (law)
- 43. Music stands
- 45. My lady (fr.)
- 48. Impart
- 49. Gourmets
- 51. Cross
- 54. Intention
- 55. Plunge
- 56. Nimbus
- 57. New Guinea port
- 58. Distant
- 59. A detail

Down

- 1. Attempt
- 2. Creek
- 3. Dessert (2 wds.)
- 4. Spanish dollar
- 5. Pastures
- 6. Cotton fiber knot
- 7. Hebrew priest
- 8. Clans
- 9. Ox f Celebes
- 10. Baseball glove

- 11. Church recess
- 17. Cirrus
- 19. ___ Pan Alley
- 21. Not that
- 22. Cornucopia
- 26. Sorrow
- 28. Ate away from home (2 wds.)
- 29. Seed covering
- 30. Seines
- 32. Glacier pinnacle
- 34. Bureau
- 37. Horse relay
- 39. Cheer
- 42. Printing team
- 44. Caravansary
- 45. Repast
- 46. Samoan seaport
- 47. Ten cents
- 50. A Gabor
- 52. Mineral
- 53. Obstruct

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Last Week's Solution

ALTHOUGH SHE TOOK HIM FOR BETTER OR WORSE, HE WAS WORSE THAN SHE TOOK HIM FOR.

Weekly Echo Horoscopes



ARIES (Mar. 21-April 20)

Unexpected events may upset your routine. Take care of any paperwork concerning institutional or governmental agencies. Offer consolation, but don't give them any direction. Make changes that will enhance your appearance.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)



You are best to deal with those outside your family. Don't allow personal problems to conflict with professional duties. Now is the time for completing hobbies that you've been working on for a long time. If you're willing to cut loose you will find yourself in the midst of an exciting encounter.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)



Deal with in-laws this week. Driving too fast or double parking will result in difficulties with officials. Don't hesitate to sign up for creative courses or physical fitness programs. Your obviously unique way of doing things has caught the eye of someone in a higher position.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)



You can make changes to your living quarters, but not everyone will be pleased with your efforts. New romantic partners will evolve through group endeavors; however, the association may not be likely to last. You will be attracted to unusual forms of entertainment and foreign cultures.



LEO (July 23-Aug 22)

Extend an invitation to clients you enjoy spending time with. Don't let them blame you. You are best to work at home if you can. You can make career moves that will bring you a much higher income.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23)



Channel your energy into decorating or household chores. In-laws may cause difficulties. Travel should be considered. Try to be patient and understanding. You are in a high cycle where travel, education, and creative endeavors are concerned.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)



Your outgoing nature will win hearts. Do something special for them. Be sure to take care of the needs of your immediate loved ones first. Do you really want to start something with someone you can't reason with?



SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

You can complete any projects efficiently, especially if you put the effort in yourself. Residential moves will be hectic and may be unsatisfactory. If you've been really busy, try to schedule some time to spend with loved ones. Try to bend to their wishes if you want to avoid conflict.

This edition covers the week of August 30 to September 5

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)



You can make it up to them later. Plan to do things with your faithful pet or with youngsters who have interesting hobbies. You can dazzle members of the opposite sex with your quick wit and aggressive charm. Opportunities to make advancements through good business sense are evident.



CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan. 20)

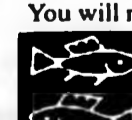
You should be able to tie up loose ends this week. Avoid any erratic behavior or it could cause isolation at home. You'll find travel or involvement in large groups gratifying. Changes in your home may be disruptive and upsetting.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)



Don't let your partner start any arguments. Passion should be redirected positively. You may feel that someone at work is holding you back. Partnerships may be strained if one of you has been erratic and hard to deal with. Watch for empty promises that may give you false hope.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)



You will meet some interesting people if you attend promotional functions. Don't jump into investments too quickly. Take time to help children with projects that may be too hard for them to do on their own. Use your charm to get your own way.

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My thoughts go back 50 years ago where we walked down another lane with our hands clasped as we face our unknown future together. If I could have one life time wish today I would wish with all my heart for all of yesterdays and you. Lost moments are never regained, you always remind me to live and love each day as if it were my last. Until we walk again on another lane to part no more. May the winds of love blow softly around you for you to hear.

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Lac du Bonnet Police Report

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for Possn. Of Marijuana, and was released to a sober subject.

On the 27th of August, a report was rec'd of an audible alarm sounding in the vicinity of Minnewawa and Lake in the Town of Lac du Bonnet. Police patrolled the area, but no source was located for the alarm, which had stopped sounding.

On the 27th of August, a report was rec'd that a duty bag containing tickets, maps, etc., was stolen from a Natural Resources vehicle parked overnight at the Nutimik Lake bunkhouse in the Whiteshell Prov. Park. The aerial on the roof of the cab was bent over at the same time.

On the 27th of August, a report was rec'd that a vehicle was damaged by a hit and run driver while parked on the driveway of the owner. An under-age male on an Off-Road Vehicle was identified as a possible suspect.

On the 27th of August, a 911 call was rec'd to the effect that a vehicle was parked in front of a driveway on Elm in the Town of Lac du Bonnet and the caller's vehicle could not get out of the driveway. Police followed up with the owner of the vehicle in question and same was moved.

On the 27th of August, a report was rec'd of a break and enter to a cottage at Big Whiteshell Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park, and an attempted break and enter to a neighbouring cottage. A chainsaw, axe and a maul were

stolen from the complainant's cottage.

On the 27th of August, a report was rec'd that an adult male was going to be driving from a location in the Town of Lac du Bonnet under the influence of alcohol. Police attended and checked the subject in question who was found to be sober.

On the 27th of August, police on patrol located four subjects on the roof of the Pinawa Arena. An under-age male in this group was found to have been consuming liquor, and was charged accordingly.

On the 28th of August, police on patrol located two adult males in the vicinity of the Pinawa Arena and in possession of Open Liquor. Both charged accordingly.

On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd of a noisy party at a location on David in Auglen Park in the R.M. of Alexander. Police attended to the location in question and had the party quieted down.

On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd of an intoxicated adult male causing a breach of the peace at a location on Lake in the Town of Lac du Bonnet. Police attended, arrested the subject, and lodged him to sober up.

On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd of noisy subjects in the vicinity of a business in the downtown area of Pinawa. Police patrolled and found the subjects gone from the area, however, did locate an adult male with Open Liquor, who was charged accordingly.

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On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd that an employee who had quit the employ of a business in Pinawa would not depart from the premises. Police attended and the subject departed.

On the 28th of August, police located an intoxicated adult male from the Pine Falls area on P.T.H. #11 in the R.M. of Alexander. Lodged to sober up at Wpg. River Detachment.

On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd of a vehicle passing another on a double solid line on P.T.H. #11 in the vicinity of Seven Sisters Falls in the R.M. of Whitemouth. The vehicle in question was located in Pinawa, and a warning was issued to the driver as per the wishes of the complainant.

On the 28th of August, a report was rec'd of the theft of a 25 HP Evinrude Outboard Motor from a location in the Grausdin Point area of the R.M. of Lac du Bonnet. Took place over the past 2 weeks.

On the 28th of August, police on patrol located subjects in the vicinity of the Pinawa Teen Centre. Open Liquor was seized at the time, and an adult male and an adult female were both charged accordingly.

On the 29th of August, a report was rec'd from Natural Resources of an intoxicated adult male at Brereton Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park. Police attended, arrested the subject, and lodged him to sober up.

On the 29th of August, police on patrol in Lac du Bonnet had occasion to check a vehicle on Park Avenue. Open Liquor was found, and an adult female passenger was charged accordingly.

On the 29th of August, a report was rec'd of the theft of wallets, sunglasses, a quantity of CD's and a tent from two unlocked vehicles at Nutimik Lake in the Whiteshell Prov. Park.

On the 29th of August, a request was rec'd to check a residence on Elm in the Town of Lac du Bonnet for an under-age female from Pinawa. Police checked and found that she was not at the residence in question. The subject's mother then reported her Missing.

On the 29th of August, a report was rec'd of a suspicious

vehicle parked at a location on Vanier in Pinawa. Police patrolled the area, but no vehicle located.

On the 29th of August, a report was rec'd from a location in Pinawa of receiving a threatening phone call.

On the 29th of August, a report was rec'd that a suspicious vehicle was at the Beausejour Co-op in Lac du Bonnet. Police patrolled the location, but the vehicle in

question was gone.

On the 29th of August, a request was rec'd to check the Lac du Bonnet Airport for an overdue aircraft. Police attended the Airport and found that the aircraft in question was still on the ground and had not departed.

On the 30th of August, a report was rec'd that a red mountain bike had been left at the Pinawa Hospital for a number of weeks.

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