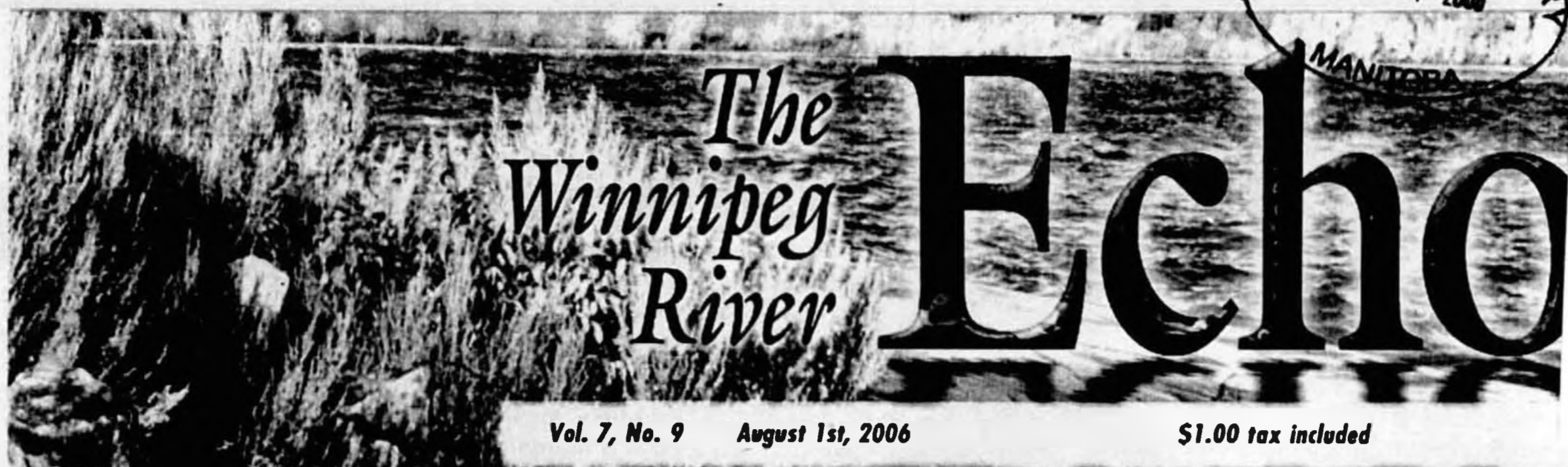




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# 86 new forest fires in July

## Fire risk still extreme -travel restrictions still in place

by Charles Norman

Of the 142 recorded forest fires in the Eastern Region this year, 86 of them started in the hot, dry weather conditions beginning July 1. Thanks to the skill and professionalism of conservation officers and crews, only five of them were still active yesterday.

Incredibly, of the 127 fires that were actively fought only 166 hectare of forest was lost. In July the loss has been contained to less than half a hectare, (About one acre), per fire. In contrast, in the far north of the region, where wildfires receive only limited action, one northern fire alone consumed 9,100 hectares (23,000 acres). The difference shows the effectiveness of the fire fighting efforts of the Department of Conservation.

Jim Martinuk, who heads up the department's fire fighting capability said the reason for the difference is the speed at which a new fire is attacked. Martinuk said that every morning helicopters with attack crews take off to fly predetermined patterns where lightning strikes have been recorded. They are thus able to attack fires early, before they can get out of control.

Over the weekend there were three fires north of Pine



An aerial view of the Lester Beach Fire a few weeks ago.

Falls - in the Happy Lake, Field Lake Area. By Monday two of them were out and Pine Falls Conservation officer John Watling said the third was expected to be declared out on Tuesday (August 1). He said these fires were probably "holdover" fires - fires left smoldering after lightning strikes on July 27.

It is only because there have not been periods of high winds, and because Conservation fire fighters have been able to contain fires early that there have been no really serious fires in the area. As long as the weather continues hot and humid there is a very real risk of a major fire - especially in the Beaches area.

The fire hazard level is still listed as extreme. Open fires are banned, as is backcountry travel. Within the "extreme" hazard rating are three travel restriction levels. We are listed as level 1 in this area. Logging is allowed but logging companies have voluntarily restricted their logging activity to the mornings, before temperatures

rise and the risk of wildfire increases.

Watling said travel restrictions become most severe when the temperature is higher than the relative humidity. E.g. when the temperature is, say 30C and the relative humidity 25%. He said we need two to three days of good rain to take care of the current high risk.

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# Ken Young to contest council seat

by Charles Norman

Ken Young, perhaps best known for his leadership in promoting the East Beaches Wellness Centre, plans to run for the vacant seat for Ward 1 in the RM of Alexander. The present Ward 1 Councillor, Don Schmidt, has indicated that he will not be running again.

Young said the location of a public works building opposite Traverse Bay Corner has been talked about for years. "It needs to be a priority." He said. A public works building in that location would make it possible to provide prompter snow removal and dust control. He says the public works building should also house a pumper truck so that a faster response to fires, especially forest fires in the area could be made.

He also thinks that the RM of Alexander should look at the cost of a police department something like Victoria Beach. "What is the use of passing by-laws," he said, "if they can't be enforced."

Like just about every municipal councillor, Ken Young



Ken Young plans to run for Ward 1 Councillor

strongly believes that school taxes should be removed from property. "The provincial government has to find another way to fund education." He pointed out that Manitoba is the only province, apart from Que-

bec, that has a school tax on property.

He will continue to work towards the construction of the Wellness Centre, and will make a full-time commitment to representing Ward 1 on Council.

# Extreme Fire Hazard

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No back country travel. This includes canoe routes, hiking trails, ATV trails and forestry roads unless approved by a permit.

Boating is permitted however landing and launching is restricted to developed shorelines.

Camping permitted only in developed campgrounds.

The use of fireworks is not permitted.

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Eastern Manitoba is a beautiful area and is enjoyed by all users. Let's work together to protect our investment.

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# 30 enter first Wellness Centre run

by Charles Norman

Thirty runners entered the first of four runs aimed at generating funds for the proposed East Beaches Wellness Centre.

There was a festive atmosphere in Grand Marais last Saturday. Thirty people and one dog entered. Thirty people and one dog completed the run. First completing the five kilometer run was Robert McCosh. A man and woman, with their dog came in last after walking all the way. Everyone had fun.

Organized by Natasha Joy, and emceed by Monty Vialoux, the race started and finished at Grand Beach

Road and Grand Marais Boulevard, close to the Grand Marais Fire Department. The weather was perfect. The winner completed the course in a little less than 19 minutes, the walkers in a little over an hour.

The first three men past the post were; Robert McCosh, Jean Pierre Grolet, and Jim Cooke. The first three women were Gail Johnstone, Alison Harris and Sheri Pluta. Medals were awarded to the first three men, the first three women, and to the first in their age category. The dog, who was not formally entered, could not be awarded a medal even though he was the first dog to complete the course.

The runners, (and walkers) thoroughly enjoyed the exercise. Word has gone out, and there should be many more entrants in next week's Lester Beach - Belair Run. The run begins at the Grand Beach Park Gate in Lester Beach, follows the lake to Dan Road and follows the lake back to the park gate. The run starts at 10:00 am on Saturday August 5. Entry forms can be obtained by calling Natasha at 756 3868 or Isabel at 756 2094. Entry fee is \$10.00. Proceeds go to the East Beaches Wellness Centre.

There will be a Hillside Beach run August 12 and a Victoria Beach run August 26.



First man to complete the Grand Marais Wellness Centre run, Robert McCosh, with run organizer Natasha Joy.



First woman past the post, Gail Johnstone. Natasha Joy is on the left.

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# Pelican Days

## Next year a world record

by Charles Norman

One of the events at last weekend's Pelican Days Festival was so much fun that they are planning to go for a world record next year.

The event that proved such a great success was the Giant Water Gun Fight held Sunday afternoon outside the Grand Marais Recreation Hall. Young and old joined in. (Fifty water guns were donated and sold to anyone who wanted to participate.) Jean McDonald, one of the organizers said she had never seen so many people have so much fun. Everybody had a marvelous time and everybody got wet. The Guinness Book of World Records lists 1,073 as the world record for the number of people joining in a giant water gun fight. The Pelican Days committee plans to beat that next year.

It was a hot weekend and water played a prominent part in the festivities. A dunk tank organized by the Grand Marais Fire Department had Fire Chief

Mark Sinclair or Walter Whyte School Principal Bob Kovachik. Jean McDonald said the kids were better at hitting the button and dumping the occupant. "One of them dumped Bob Kovachik right of the Hop." She said.

There was a cribbage tournament, a beanbag tournament a Bocci Ball tournament, a Bicycle decorating competition, face painting, merchandise bingo and more.

The Frog's Hollow Petting Zoo was there, so was Big Boy the Clown and Daisy.

The Perms rock band entertained the crowd in the beer gardens Friday evening, and the Barrymores, another rock group, entertained Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon.

There were fireworks on Saturday evening with fireworks purchased by participants during the weekend. The well-known Choo-Choo Train was there on Sunday afternoon and riders took an active part in the Great Water Gun Fight.

# Nellie Danwich turns ninety

by Charles Norman

Traverse Bay pioneer Nellie Danwich turns ninety on Friday, August 4. She celebrated the major event with about 250 family and friends at the Victoria Beach Seniors Scene last Saturday.

Catering to a big party is nothing new to the Danwich family. Nellie has close to eighty direct descendants and to have seventy or so people to show up for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner is standard. Providing for 250 guests was just a little more of the same.

Nellie Danwich has been a major contributor to the community ever since she came here. She was born in 1916 in Maleb Manitoba, on the other side of the lake and came to Traverse Bay when she married Leon Danwich in 1935. She had twelve children.

Mrs. Danwich, who wore a beautifully embroidered Ukrainian

blouse at her birthday party is proud of her Ukrainian heritage and is justly famous for her perogies. (One guest at the birthday party said they were the best he'd ever had. No doubt they were made to Nellie's recipe.)

She is also famous for her hamburgers, for opening the store at Traverse Bay Corner, and for being one of the founding members and active participant in the Victoria Beach Seniors Scene.

Nellie and her husband Leon bought the land at what is now Traverse Bay Corner in 1952. They built a home where the Plum Creek Gift Store now stands, and soon after built a snack bar where Nellie began selling pop, candy - and the soon to be famous Nellie's hamburgers. At that time there was no highway 59 - just a logging trail on the road allowance. Then came highway construction crews and Nellie was soon supplying meals to construc-



tion workers.

Then came the summer visitors. Nellie's son Ken Danwich added the building now housing the Laundromat, the Idle Thyme Restaurant and Traverse Bay Auto. Business boomed. After Leon died Nellie sold the business and now lives in a home she built in 1964 just north of the

Traverse Bay Store.

Later, Nellie was a key player in the founding of the Victoria Beach Seniors Scene, which now has more than 350 members and hosts a wide range of activities for seniors. Nellie, along with LGD Councillor, Dolly Watling, Winnie Thomas and Jessie Ateah were the founding members of the club. The club began with a small addition to the Victoria Beach Sports Club. In 1979 land was obtained from the RM of Victoria Beach to build the clubhouse at the present location. Construction began in 1989 and the new, as yet unfinished building, became the new home for the club. Another addition was added in 2000. Throughout all this time Nellie was active in the club and an enthusiastic participant in many of the club's activities.

Last Saturday Nellie's family and friends were able to say thank you for the love she has given to her family and community. They did it in style.

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### MONDAY, JULY 31

**7am to 10am Breakfast:** \$5.00/plate, Christ Anglican Church, contact Richard and Nancy 367-8226.

**11am Parade:** Hwy. 11 to arena grounds, contact Laurie Guimond 367-8740.

**1pm Community Feast:** Arena grounds, contact Darlene Robinson 367-4204.

**1pm to 7pm Loonie Carnival:** contact White Wolf 367-4204.

**2pm to 3pm Chief & Council Arrow & Loonie Scramble:** Just behind the arena in the tall grass, contact 367-4204.

**6pm Marathon (all age categories):** Sagkeeng Anicinabe High School, contact Sean Roache 367-2243.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 1

**7am to 10am Breakfast:** \$5.00/plate, Christ Anglican Church, contact Richard and Nancy 367-8226.

**9am to 4pm Treaty Payments:** Sagkeeng Arena

**11am to 2pm Garage/Bake Sale:** Arena grounds, contact Katrina Rae Daycare.

**1pm to 7pm Loonie Carnival:** contact White Wolf 367-4204.

**8pm Mini Monster Bingo:** Sagkeeng Band Hall, contact Wolf FM 367-2248.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 2

**7am to 10am Breakfast:** \$5.00/plate, Christ Anglican Church, contact Richard and Nancy 367-8226.

**9am to 4pm Treaty Payments:** Sagkeeng Arena

**10am Organization Slo Pitch Tourney:** Sagkeeng Junior High School, contact SETS Youth Dept. 367-8740.

**12pm Kids Quad Rides:** contact Sheldon Fontaine 367-2208.

**1pm Bike Races:** Sagkeeng High School, contact Sean Roache.

**10am to Noon Scrambles:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact SCFS 367-2215.

**1pm Jigsaw Puzzle Competition:** Sagkeeng arena, contact 367-2215.

**1pm Rugrat & Adult Races:** Sagkeeng Arena grounds, contact Carol Fontaine at Health Centre 367-2208.

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### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 2

**3pm Triathlon:** North Shore Beach (all ages) contact Sean Roache.

**7pm Community Bonfire:** SETS Grounds.

**7pm Youth Gospel Concert:** SETS, contact Evelyn Letander 367-8740.

**Hole in One Competition:** Sagkeeng Arena Grounds

### THURSDAY, AUG. 3

**7am to 10am Breakfast:** \$5.00/plate, Christ Anglican Church, contact Richard and Nancy 367-8226.

**9am to 4pm Treaty Payments:** Sagkeeng arena.

**9am - 3 on 3 Basketball:** Sagkeeng Jr. High, contact SETS 367-8740.

**9am Treaty Days Golf Tournament:** Grand Pines Golf Course, contact Pat Bruyere 367-2249.

**10am to Noon Kids Activities/Races:** Sagkeeng Arena, SCFS 367-2215

**12pm Kids Quad Rides:** contact Sheldon Fontaine 367-2208.

**11am TV Game Show Mania:** Sagkeeng Arena, SCFS 367-2215.

**7pm to 11pm Dry Dance:** Sagkeeng Family Treatment Centre Gym, contact SMPFTC 367-2172.

**Hole in One Competition:** Sagkeeng Arena Grounds.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 4

**7am to 10am Breakfast:** \$5.00/plate, Christ Anglican Church, contact Richard and Nancy 367-8226.

**10am to 5pm Pellet Gun & Archery:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact White Wolf at 367-4204.

**12pm Kids Quad Rides:** contact Sheldon Fontaine 367-2208.

**7pm Pow Wow Grand Entry:** Sagkeeng Powwow Grounds, contact Ruben Bunn 340-0244.

**7:30pm Gospel Jamboree:** Christ Anglican Church, contact Evelyn Letander 367-8740 or Linda Courchene 367-4225.

**8pm - 12am Much Music Video Dance:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact Sheldon Fontaine.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 5

**10am Men's & Women's Slo Pitch:** William Prince Memorial Ball Park, contact Linda Dorie at 367-1544 or 345-4127.

**10am to 5pm Pellet Gun & Archery:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact White Wolf 367-4204.

**12pm Kids Quad Rides:** Contact Sheldon Fontaine 367-2208.

**1pm Pow Wow Grand Entry:** Sagkeeng Powwow Grounds, Ruben Bunn 340-0244.

**1pm Guitar Wars:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact Chris Edwards 367-2290.

**6pm Larry Guimond, Bob Guimond, Laurie Favel, with special guest SIENNA MOGILE:** Sagkeeng Arena, contact Sheldon Fontaine.

**7:30pm Gospel Jamboree:** Christ Anglican Church, contact Evelyn Letander 367-8740 or Linda Courchene at 367-4225.

**Hole in one Competition:** Sagkeeng Arena Grounds.

### SUNDAY, AUG. 6

**9am to 5pm Walleye & Sunfish Derby:** contact White Wolf 367-4204 for more information.

**12pm VLT Tournament:** Sagkeeng Band Hall.

**1pm Pow Wow Grand Entry:** Sagkeeng Powwow grounds, Ruben Bunn 340-0244.

**6pm Canoe Races:** Down the bank of arena grounds, contact Chris Edwards 367-2290.

**7pm PowWow Grand Entry:** Sagkeeng powwow grounds.

**7:30pm Gospel Jamboree:** Christ Anglican Church, contact Evelyn Letander 367-8740 or Linda Courchene at 367-4225

**Music Fireworks:** Sagkeeng Arena grounds.

### Saturday, July 29

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## Aquasize

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Turnout has been low, so come out and enjoy a refreshing way to exercise in the heat!!!

## Swim Lessons

There will be two sessions of swim lessons at the pool in August. The first session will run August 7-18 and the sec-

ond session from August 21-Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. There is still some space available in each level, but register early to ensure a spot!!

## Pine Falls Pool

Pine Falls Pool is open for the summer. The hours of operation are: 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. daily for Public Swim and 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. daily for Family Swim. Weekend times are 1:00 - 4:00 and 5:00 - 7:00 for Public Swim and 7:00 - 8:00 for Family Swim.

Please Note: Proper swimwear must be worn at all times - NO t-shirts or shorts. All children under the age of 8 MUST be accompanied by an adult. Babies and toddlers who are NOT toilet trained must wear a special swim diaper in both the big pool as well as the wading pool.

## Summer Newsletter and Activities Calendar

There will be no daily camp activities this week as we are

running the PhAT camp. There will be a performance on Friday afternoon (August 4<sup>th</sup>) for the participants. The public is welcome to attend this event. I don't have a time yet, but call the Rec. Office on Thursday and I will let you know then.

Refreshments will also be served.

## Weekly Helmet Patrol Winners

This week's winners of the Helmet Safety Patrol are: Colin Osis, Kendra Osis, Karinne

Osis, Julie Osis, Drake Pachkowsky, Chase Pachkowsky, Cole Pluchinsky and Bryan Whitford. The winner of this week's weekly prize of a free video rental from Chateau Video is: Karinne Osis. Congratulations!!

# Library Allard

4-P festivities are quickly approaching and the library is looking for volunteers to help us out with fundraising activities.

On the Saturday of the 4-P, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> we will have a canteen set-up in the Powerview Arena during the Market Square and on Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be hosting a Bingo in the Powerview Arena. Both days we will also be a part of the Market Square with garage sale items for which we are seeking donations. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these events or donating

gently used items for the garage sale please contact the Library at 367-8443.

WISH is a new magazine to the library along with Reader's Digest & Canadian Biker. WISH replaces Flare and is a Canadian magazine with recipes, fashion, beauty and health articles. New to our magazine shelf we also have Décoration Chez Soi, L'actualité, Les idées de ma maison, and Châtelaine.

New to our junior/teen fiction shelf we have two new graphic novels - X-men Power Pack & Frankenstein. We also have Dust by Arthur Slade; a humorous story by Louis Sachar called Sideways Stories from Wayside School; a new fantastical fiction series called Pellinor book one: The Naming, this series is said to be "an epic fantasy in the Tolkien tradition...". The Gravesavers by Sheree Fitch; Firefly Cloak by Sheri Reynolds; and many more!

For adults we have The Husband by Dean Koontz; The Courage Tree and Cypress Point by Diane Chamberlain; Daniel Steels latest Coming Out; Sandcastles by Luanne Rice; and Vanished by Karen Robards to name a few. Other authors to mention that our new to our shelves are Robert K. Tanenbaum, Carl



Hiaasen, James Rollins, Fern Michaels, & Max Allan Collins.

The summer reading program has been growing with participants, we are hoping to have more children join the fun. We have decided to change the reading program from an hour per activity to two hours which will allow children to be a part of more activities per visit to the library. Registration is ongoing. Please contact Amanda at the library for more information.

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## Capitalizing on capital losses



by Steve Kulyk

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An in-depth look at the issue ... and the opportunities

The Income Tax Act re-

quires capital losses to be first applied against capital gains realized in the current year. If there is any remaining balance, the net capital losses can be used to either reduce taxable capital gains in any of the three preceding years, or in any other future year. The best strategy is to carry the losses back to the earliest year in which you have capital gains before it falls out of the three year window. For example, the earliest date allowed to carry back 2004 losses is 2001.

Transferring capital losses between spouses

If you don't have capital gains this year or the previous three years, but your spouse or common-law partner does, it is possible to transfer capital losses to these individuals. First, the investment is sold to crystallize the capital loss. Immediately afterwards the spouse or common-law partner buys the exact same amount of the identical investment. The spouse or common-law partner

then sells the investment after waiting at least 31 days. The capital loss realized on your sale will be denied under the superficial loss rules and instead added to your spouse or common-law partner's adjusted cost base, thereby transferring the capital loss.

### Tip

Property that sold for a loss cannot be repurchased within 30 days. Where this occurs, the loss will be denied under the superficial loss rules.

John has a net capital loss of \$20,000 realized this year that he either carries back to a previous year or transfers to his spouse. Here's how the tax savings stack up.

Type of Income (50% inclusion rate)

Loss amount \$20,000

Tax savings at a 46% marginal tax rate

(loss amount X inclusion rate X .46) \$4,600

Carrying back John's loss to a previous year or transferring them to his spouse results in a

recovery of \$4,600 in taxes previously paid.

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Take action

To apply for a loss carryback, investors need to:

- \* Complete Area III of Form T1A, Request for Loss Carryback, and

- \* Attach it to this year's return

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) will then automatically apply the losses to the previous year(s) requested on the form.

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## Library Corner

"Do Mice Eat Rice?" is a witty, rhyming story by Al Wight with humorous and imaginative illustrations by Roger Clarke. In this book children will have fun learning about lots of new foods and animals. Another fun book for children is "Duck & Goose" by Tad Hills. It's about Duck and Goose and a colorful egg (or is it an egg?) and who does it belong to anyway? Also for our young Sponge Bob fans we now have two new books: "The Great Snail Race" and "The Amazing SpongeBobini".

Imagine cruising the countryside on a big, comfortable touring bike, rocketing down a

strip on a drag bike, or gripping the ice in an extreme speedway race! If you are a young motorcycle fan then "Dirt Bikes: Motorcycle Mania" is for you.

"On Canadian Wings: A Century of Flight" by Peter Pigott covers almost 100 years of flight by Canadians. Dramatic visuals accompany each step of aviation's advances, from Canada's first military aircraft to the Harvard II, from the earliest bush planes to the Bombardier Global Express, this book showcases 50 aircraft. All these aircraft were designed, built, and/or flown by Canadians. Whether you are




an aviation enthusiast or not, don't miss this book!

Just a reminder that our children's summer reading program is for grades K - 6 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On Tuesday the hours are 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and on Wednesday and Friday the program runs from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. On Thursdays it's story time for Pre-Kindergarten and the hours are 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Friday, September 1, 2006

# 4P Festival Jamboree

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# Faith Perspective

by Pastor Jake Doell

## How Important is Eternity?

What does the word eternity mean to our 21<sup>st</sup> century culture? Many love songs declare "I will love you forever and forever." Webster's, 1993 dictionary defines it as "infinite time." Another dictionary defines eternity as "the state of existing outside of time." Why two different definitions of the same word? The truth is that the concept of eternity can not be grasped with a finite mind. For example, try to imagine where the universe ends which has not yet been found by the most powerful telescope. What is beyond all we can see or even imagine? What goes beyond time and space?

We can find no limit to the outside universe, how about the inward space of the human soul? Psychologists and psychiatrists have probed the depths of the human soul and yet are still utterly amazed at the great unknown that lies within all of us.

The Bible tells us that God our creator "has put eternity in their hearts." (Ecclesiastes 3:11) and in the book of Job 36:26 - "No one can begin to understand eternity." I had a friend who performed autopsies in a hospital and one day he questioned me on the existence of God. I asked him if he had ever "opened up a human brain" to which he answered "Yes." I asked him whether he had ever found an idea or a

thought inside that brain. He answered "No." So I told him that just because he never found "a thought or idea" inside a human brain does not give you the right to conclude that they do not exist. On the same premise just because we have not seen God, we can not conclude that he does not exist.

The Bible tells us that God is eternal and that He had no beginning and He has no end. "Before the mountains were created, before you made the earth and the world, you are God, without beginning or end." (Psalm 90:2) I believe that God put "a spark of eternity within each of our souls." We were created in the image of God. (Genesis 1:26) Even though that image has been deeply marred by our disobedience to God, yet that "spark of eternity" is still exists in every human heart. We dream of what could be and the desire to live forever in a state of perfection is common to the human experience. We may argue the existence of God, but still that inward uneasiness haunts us till we begin a "journey of faith" that leads us to God. God sent His only Son Jesus Christ to bridge the gap between time and eternity. He came 2000 years ago born as a human so that you and I could overcome our doubts and fears about eternity. God loved us so much that He did not want to leave us in doubt about eternity. Put your faith in Jesus Christ and he will guide you to your eternal destiny with joy and great hope.

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## Agassiz Flower Show

The Agassiz Garden Club is again presenting our annual Flower Show on Sunday, August 13 and Monday, August 14, 2006. This year the Flower Show will be held at the Lac du Bonnet Community Centre instead of at the Pioneer Club. Everyone is invited to enter flowers, vegetables, etc in the show, it is not only for members of the Garden Club. The colour of the year is yellow and the featured vegetable is the carrot. General classes of entries include flowers (including floral arrangements), vegetables, fruit, preserves, pickles, home baking, hobby crafts, and photography for adults. Junior gardeners (ages 9 and under or 10 and over) can enter cut flowers, vegetables, flower arrangements, home baking and hobby crafts. Flower Show Class lists (\$2.00) and entry

forms (free) can be obtained from The Craft Basket on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Lac du Bonnet. Entries must be brought to the Community Centre between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Sunday. Judging of the entries will take place on Monday morning from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and then the Flower Show will be open to public viewing from 1:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday afternoon and evening. Presentation of trophies and prizes will take place starting at 8 p.m. on Monday evening and all entries must be removed immediately after the presentation.

In other Garden Club news, the Junior Garden Club has been busy. They met in June at the Postnicks home in Great Falls for a session on flower arranging. The young members learned to make basket flower arrangements using

flowers supplied by the leaders. The July meeting was at the Bruce's residence in Lac du Bonnet. Here they practiced preparing entries of flowers and vegetables for the show and then enjoyed a swim in the pool. At each meeting host members proudly show off their gardens to the other kids and parents. On July 25, they visited the Olson's honey farm which they greatly enjoyed except for one child who was stung, not by a bee but by a wasp! Judging of their gardens takes place on August 4 and then the next event is the Flower Show.

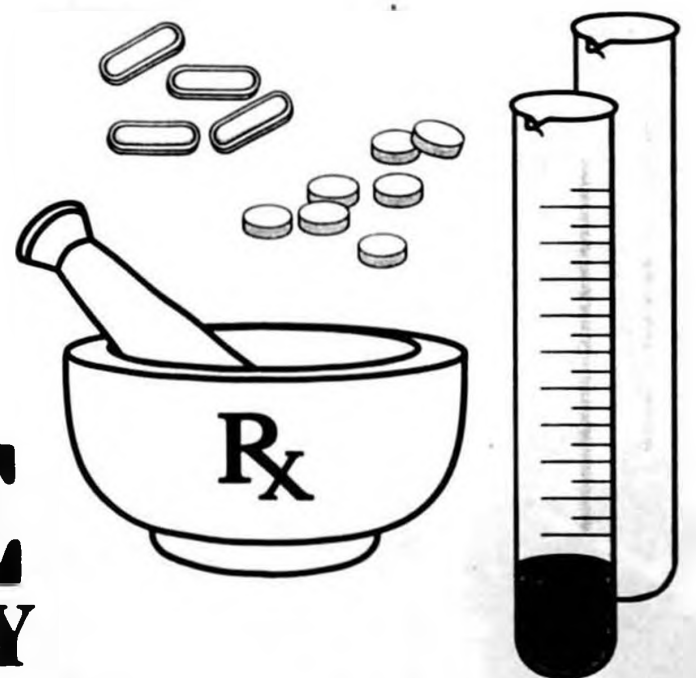
The Garden Club continues to maintain the flower beds at the entrance signs on Hwy. 11 and Hwy. 11 and 313 and to look after those at the Community Centre and members did their usual two weeks at Mrs. Lucci's in early July.

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## Honouring Police Sacrifices with Real Action

Once again this week, Canadians were confronted with the sad news of RCMP officers who gave their lives in the line of duty. Constables Robin Cameron and Marc Bourdages succumbed to gunshot wounds sustained while chasing an assault suspect in Saskatchewan.

It is a tragedy any time a police officer is killed in action. Whether it is a municipal, provincial or RCMP officer, Canadians unite in grieving and paying tribute to their sacrifice. But grief usually swiftly turns to a strong desire to hold culprits accountable and send a clear message that such violence and disregard for human life will not be tolerated.

It is on this front that our new government has taken action. Honouring the sacrifices of police officers is best done with concrete reforms aimed at preventing future tragedies. That's why we have moved to strengthen the criminal justice system with measures to take dangerous and violent offenders off the streets. We've also given more resources and tools to law enforcement, so that as they go to work ensuring the safety and security of our

communities, they are safer and more effective themselves.

This spring, we introduced five new bills that will help clean up our streets and restore safety to our communities.

We reformed our laws with regard to conditional sentencing, so people who commit serious and violent crime will do their time behind bars, not on house arrest.

We introduced our Mandatory Minimum Penalties Bill for gun crimes. With this legislation, we are sending a clear message to gang members and other violent criminals: if you use guns to commit crimes, you will be brought to justice and you will go to jail. Period.

Our Government is strengthening our National DNA Data Bank legislation. These technical reforms will give police better tools to investigate crime, helping our police identify the guilty and exonerate the innocent.

Our Government has also made a commitment to crack down on street racing. With our new legislation, people who treat our public streets as racetracks will be dealt with more seriously.

And finally, we introduced

legislative proposals that would raise the age of sexual consent from 14 to 16 years and rename it the Age of Protection. We are targeting those who sexually prey upon some of society's most vulnerable individuals.

The budget increased resources for law enforcement. Notably, the Budget set aside \$161 million over two years to begin recruiting up to 1000 more RCMP personnel and federal prosecutors. And we delivered \$37 million for the RCMP to expand its National Training Academy. This will accommodate the new officers and build the capacity to train more officers in the future.

For police who deal with dangerous and violent offenders on a daily basis, we can never reduce the risk to zero. Lives will tragically be lost from time to time. But we can respond by taking concrete action to ensure that our police have every tool they need to keep our communities, and themselves, safe.

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 [toewsvl@mts.net](mailto:toewsvl@mts.net)



**By Gerald Hawranik, MLA for Lac du Bonnet**  
Official Opposition Finance Critic

## MLA Retirements

Last week we saw two MLA's retiring from politics who have served their Constituents well. Early last week, Manitoba Health Minister, Tim Sale, announced that he would not seek re-election. While my views differ from our Health Minister, I can say that we both share the same vision – to improve the quality of life of Manitobans and the quality of health care in Manitoba. All MLA's share this view, regardless of their political party – only the approach is different! I thank Tim Sale for his dedicated service to Manitoba.

Last Wednesday, Jack Penner announced that he would not seek re-election in the next general election. Jack has been an MLA for 18 years in Emerson Constituency, having first been elected to the Legislature in 1988. He has served the Province as Minister of Natural Resources and Minister of Rural Development in the 1990's. He created the Department of Rural Development at the request of then Premier, Gary Filmon, because of his commitment to improve

the quality of life in rural Manitoba. Jack's commitment to rural Manitobans and to farmers was evident when he led the charge to ensure the support for the Beef Industry when the US border was closed to live Canadian cattle. Jack attended every Beef Barbecue in the Province for more than 2 years to show support for the cattle industry. Jack could not have done it without the support of his family. His wife Dora is looking forward to spending more time with Jack after his retirement from politics. Jack has four children and six grandchildren.

Having worked with both Tim Sale and Jack Penner in the Legislature, it will be sad to see them leave politics. I hope that those who replace them will be as committed to Manitoba and their Constituents as they have.

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](mailto:gerald@geraldhawranik.com) or visit my website at [www.geraldhawranik.com](http://www.geraldhawranik.com).

## Manitoba Youth Job Centre

### Brent Stokes

Under the scorching sun, four Odd Job Squad students hosted a Hot Dog Day with Vic at Hometown Bigway Foods earlier this month. Temperatures were well above the 30C mark, making the stand's ice cold drinks hard to resist. Shoppers were guided to their lunch as the smell of smokies, hot dogs, hamburgers and cheeseburgers wafted through downtown Lac du Bonnet.

Alex Bergman, Taylor Byrnes, Ryan Zeemel and Ryan Karklin made sure no one went home hungry. The fantastic foursome provided the ultimate in customer service—inviting hungry passers-by to load their buns with tons of fresh toppings, serving drinks, running the cash box, and making the occasional run into the store for more supplies.

### Closing time

The Manitoba Youth Job Centre program officially wraps up on August 4. There's still time to hire a student to help

around the house, or for a casual, part-time or full-time position with your business. Do you have work that can't be done before August 4? No problem! Call the MYJC and place your job order before we're closed, and we will seek out the most qualified referral. Likewise, students who have already been referred to jobs

can keep working after August 4.

If you're still looking for a student, give me a call at 345-6916 or stop by my office in New Directions School, 40 Park Ave., Lac du Bonnet. The office is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. I will be in the office every day during the final week.

## Manitoba Youth Job Centres

The MYJC's last day of operation is Friday, August 4.

Thank you to all the students and employers who contributed to another successful summer of youth employment.

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### Pine Falls Community Billboard

**Fort Alexander Health Centre:** Diabetes Clinic 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every Tuesday. Blood sugar check, nutritional counselling, phone 367-2208.

**FACE 10-71375:** meets first Tuesday of the month, Chicken Chef, Powerview meeting room.

**Prenatal classes:** held regularly in your area. Please register with Gail 268-7465 or call your local public health nurse.

**Library Allard:** Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Friday 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Beaches Library:** Tues. 9:00am to 12:00 p.m., Thurs. 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., Sat. 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Knights of Columbus:** meetings every second Tuesday of the month 7:30 p.m. Powerview Church basement.

**Silver Haven Club:** cribbage every fourth and fifth Monday 1:30 p.m., whist every Thursday 1:30 p.m.

**Pine Falls Health Auxiliary:** meetings first Tuesday of every month 1:30 p.m.

**Cottage Country Business Assoc.:** meets first Monday of the month 7:00 p.m. October through May, phone 756-2596

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Sunrise Group meetings every Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., last Friday of the month open to the public, at St. Georges Catholic Church basement.

**Pine Falls Legion:** meetings held second Thursday of the month 7:30 p.m. Legion, meat raffles held at Legion on Fridays 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**Pine Falls Masonic Lodge #154:** meets second Friday of every month, Pine Falls United Church, except January and February.

**Badminton:** Pine Falls School gym, Sunday and Wednesday nights 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

**Powerview garbage pickup** every Wednesday, recyclable pickup first and third Thursday of each month.

**PA:** meeting first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

**Winnipeg River Senior Service Inc.** Coordinator Tina Polischuk, Pine Falls Health Complex, phone 367-9128, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. Services: transportation, home maintenance, foot care, volunteer help, info.

**Village of Powerview:** meets second Tuesday of each month

**Family Care Giver Support Group:** at the United Church, Pine Falls, last Thursday of the month 7:00 p.m.

**AA & Al-Anon** - The Beaches family group, Thursdays 8:00 p.m., Senior Scene, Victoria Beach, 1 Ateah Road, 754-3173.

**Happy Tots Day Care** 367-2601, board meetings last Monday of each

month 7:00 p.m. at the daycare **Senior Scene Inc.** #1 Ateah Rd., Victoria Beach. General meetings second Tuesday of the month, 756-6468 for more info.

**Blue Water Support Group:** meets every third Monday of the month 7:00 p.m. Pine Falls Health Complex.

**Beaches HELP Centre** (seniors service) 756-6471, Wednesday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Friday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Powerview Parent Advisory Council:** meets first Monday of every month.

**Great Falls Hall workers** - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

**Pine Falls Library** open 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Library is situated in the Pine Falls School, entrance facing pool.

**Weight Watchers Meeting:** Every Thursday - weigh in at 4:45 to 5:30pm, --call Dolores for info. at 367-2945.

**Foster Homes** Open your heart and home to a foster child, foster homes needed in Pine Falls and surrounding area, call Debby at 268-6158.

**Child Health Clinics** - will be provided by area Public Health Nurse every Thursday afternoon at the Pine Falls Complex, Community Health Office assessments of babies (or child's) height, weight, infant nutrition, advice, immunizations (as necessary) and any other advice you may wish, please call 367-5406 for more info.

**Weight Watchers:** Effective October 8th Wednesdays at 4:45 weigh-in and at 5:30 Meetings

**Pine Falls Golden Leisure Club:** Bridge 7:00pm Mon. & Thurs., Canasta 1:00pm Friday, Whist 1:30pm Wednesday, Crib, 1st Monday of Month at 1:30pm.

**Exercise Class,** Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 10.15am.

**Town Powerview-Pine Falls:** Recycle every Thursday 8:00am, Garbage Pick up - Powerview - Wednesdays 8:00am, Pine Falls Tuesdays & Fridays 8:00am

**Overcomers Outreach meetings** www.overcomersoutreach.ca, weekly meeting Contact: Isabelle (204) 367-2359

**Parenting Support Group:** Meets the first three Wednesdays of every month at Wings of Power, 11:30 a.m. - 1. Lunch and childminding are free, transportation also available. Call 367-9641.

**Family Leading Library:** Open 10-12 and 1-4, Mon-Fri at Wings of Power.

**Computer access:** Wings of Power CAP site. Open 10-12 and 1-4, Mon-Fri.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meetings every Tuesday, 7-8pm at the Sagkeeng Multi-Purpose Building (south shore highway 11).

## Ask the Neighbourhood Mechanic



by Dave Redinger

Six years and 6.5 million tires after the fact, the Firestone tire company is back in the news. It seems that after Ford and Firestone voluntarily replaced all those defective tires, on all those Explorers, they forgot to swap out the spares. That means there are still 10's of thousands of bio-degradable tires out there. The fallout of this event triggered several changes in the tire business. Manufacture's shortened the service life of tires to 5 years and the government mandated that vehicles be equipped with low tire pressure warning devices. Good stuff. However, if the tire is under inflated, your on your own. Check your tire's pressure at least once a month or prior to any long trips. For information: Contact (800) 465-1904 to or

go to [www.firestone.com](http://www.firestone.com)

I read where you said the four wheel drive doesn't cost much more for maintenance. I think you are right. My 92 Ford Explorer seems to get the front end out of line more than usual. I don't notice it until the tires start to wear. Could it be that they don't stay in line like a 4x2 or am I not rotating the tires enough.

John  
Fords have always been tough on front ends... The Explorer is a truck, based on the Ranger series and shouldn't be compared to the Hondas, Mazdas etc. These mini-utes are car based. The truck based vehicles are more rugged and heavy. They require regular tire pressure testing and rotation. So if fact, you are correct in your diagnoses. Lack of tire pressure was the main reason for all those Firestone failures in the late 90's ....lack of pressure will overheat the tire and reduce it's life.

I read your article in 24hrs every week. I have a question about my Suzuki Vitara (2000, 2L). The "service engine soon" light came on a few months ago and I got it checked and was told that there is a EGR system flow malfunction (P0400). I had the control cleaned and the system reset but now the light is on again. The control valve cost \$400, I was told that I don't need to change it unless I am going for an emission test. Would there be any damage to the vehicle if I continue to drive it or should I change the control immediately?

bad advice....  
Any time the "service engine light" is lit the car's computer switches to "back up" mode. In this mode the car will not react to it's environment. It will use more fuel, hard start and finally start to damage other emissions components.

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**PINE FALLS UNITED CHURCH:** Worship Service and Sunday School at 11:30 a.m. 367-2633. Everyone Welcome.

**PINE FALLS ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE ADVENT:** Ph. 367-9520 Rector, the Rev. Sandra Tankard. Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.

**ST. THERESA'S:** Masses at Notre Dame du Laus.

**ST. GEORGES:** Mass Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

**ST. JUDE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH** Grand Marais, Holy Eucharist - second and fourth Sundays, 11:00 a.m. Morning prayer 11:00 a.m. - first, third and fifth Sundays

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** Thalberg, 1 mile east and 1 mile south of Junction #12 and #304. St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Greenwald on Hwy. #12, 1/2 miles north of junction with #317. Sunday church school 10:00 a.m., worship 11:00 a.m. (alternate locations). For info. call 635-2625 or 754-8682

**CHRISTIAN FAITH FELLOWSHIP** - Bible study 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, church service 10:30 a.m. Sunday school 10:00 a.m.

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**ST. MARGUERITE R.C. MISSION** Pitt Road - Traverse Bay, 11:30 a.m. Sunday additional mass mid-June through Labour Day 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Closed November 1 to April 30th.

**ST. ALEXANDER R.C. CHURCH** located at Sagkeeng First Nations. Sunday mass 10:00 a.m.

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**SAGKEENG CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH** - Lloyd Guimond (Pastor) Sagkeeng South Shore, service Thursday 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 2:00 p.m.

**CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN** - Sunday 2:30 p.m. at Hollow Water.

**GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH** - Bible study, Wednesday 7:30 p.m., call Pastor Todd Goudy for information 367-2531.

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## Program Updates

by Michelle Berthelette

**Take me by the Hand- Parenting Strategies and Support Group** will be meeting Wednesdays, August 2, 9 and 16 from 11:30 - 1p.m. A light lunch will be served and transportation and child minding are available. These are drop-in sessions and are open to anyone who looks after children (parents, grandparents, guardians).

**Nothing's More than a Quarter Store Sale!** Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our community the store is overflowing with items. We will be holding another massive blowout sale on Thursday, August 3 from 1-4 p.m. Come and check out the deals!

Plans for **Picnic in the Park** are well underway. We are expecting some important community services from our neighbourhood to be there and we hope that you will be there too. There will be family relay races, a hot dog sale, free juice and snacks, goody bags, face painting, games, prizes and much more. Scuff the Clown will be there as well to entertain and do some crafts. Bring some lawn chairs or a spread out a blanket. It will be an afternoon to relax, have some fun and enjoy the com-

pany of your family and neighbours. In case you don't have it on your calendar yet the Picnic will be held at the Village Green, Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from Noon - 4 p.m. Rain location will be @ the Pine Falls Arena.

**Junior Kindergarten** Classes start Tuesday, September 12. This preschool program is designed for four year olds (born in 2002) and their families. The goal is to develop each child's social, emotional, physical, cognitive and creative skills to the best of their ability. The teacher encourages the children's love for learning and the parents' role as primary teacher. This is accomplished through in-class parent time (15 minutes/day) and home visits throughout the year. JK stresses that learning is a life-long process and not just something that happens in the classroom. The program runs 4 half days per week (Tues-Fri) out of Powerview School. There is a one-time \$25 dollar fee for supplies. Wings of Power is still accepting registrations but space is limited. To register or for more information, please call 367-9641 or email us @ [wingsofpower@mts.net](mailto:wingsofpower@mts.net).

There will be no **Prenatal and Postnatal drop-ins** for the first two weeks of August.



Postnatal classes will resume August 15 and Prenatal classes will resume on August 17<sup>th</sup>. To join one of the Blue Water Mobile Prenatal groups, please call 367-8855.

Wings of Power will be closed Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> and Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> for the

Long Weekends. Please note also that our **Annual General Meeting** will be held this year on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Community Garden** - The garden is starting to produce. We have already given away cucumbers and lettuce. We also have beets that are ready and there should be some red tomatoes by next week. There are a few good Samaritans in town who occasionally stop and do a little weeding for us while they are out for a walk. We really appreciate your help,

Thank You! The Community Garden is an Environmental Youth Corps initiative and we have just recently received renewed funding. If you and your children would like to help out by volunteering to water or weed, we would appreciate the help. We are currently seeking a youth to fill a part time position through this initiative. The term position pays \$8.25/hr, for approximately 8hrs/wk and starts immediately until mid October. Please drop off resumes at Wings of Power if you are interested.



This happy group of preschoolers is the 2006 Junior Kindergarten graduating class.

# SWIM LESSONS

There will be two (2) sessions of Swim Lessons at Pine Falls Pool in August

**SESSION 1: August 7-18**

**SESSION 2: August 21 to Sept. 1**

There is limited space available in each level and registration will be on a first come first serve basis.

The cost for lessons is:  
\$50.00 plus gst for PRC Members  
\$75.00 plus gst for Non-Members.

To Register, please call the Rec Office at:

**367-9142**



# Lac du Bonnet RCMP Report

Report period from July 24th to July 30th, 2006



**July 24:**  
Two children's packs were found at the local car wash and were reunited with the owners the next day.  
A woman on Tanco Cres. called to advise a golden retriever showed up in her yard and would look after same until owner located.  
A woman reported to police she lost her ring while tubing on the Lee River.  
A bike was reported stolen in Pinawa, a brown Free Spirit.

A woman called police to complain her ex boyfriend took her car and had it towed. Police investigated and found the matter to be civil.  
Police assisted Dept. of Conservation in evicting approximately 30 people from a campground in the Whiteshell.  
**July 25:**  
A caller advised that she thought boats were travelling too close to shore in the Whiteshell Provincial Park. Police responded with the

Dept. of Conservation to speak to people at a campsite in the Whiteshell. One person became aggressive with officers and was arrested and remanded in custody on several charges. Police later had to respond again to evict the remaining parties.  
A caller advised a lady was taking pictures of her children in the Whiteshell.  
A caller advised that people in paddle boats in the Whiteshell were not wearing life jackets.

A caller advised she was concerned about her overdue husband. Before police could attend he showed up home safe.  
Police assisted Beausejour RCMP on a domestic related incident.  
**July 27:**  
Police had a 911 call from a lady in the RM of Lac du Bonnet complaining that her air conditioning was not working. She was counselled as to proper procedures for 911 calls.  
A woman attended the Lac du Bonnet office to advise while she was census taking a dog had bitten her leg. This occurred a few days prior.

happened.  
A caller advised that her cabin in the Harbourview Dr. area was broken into over the past week. A DVD player, cigarettes and liquor were stolen.  
Police responded to a call in the Bonnet Oaks area of youth on ATV's with no helmets and not licensed. Police did locate one and the person was charged.  
A business received a nuisance phone call in Pinawa.  
A caller advised that a vehicle was driving around shooting a water pistol out of the window in Pinawa.  
Police responded to Pinawa Hospital to transport a person to the Health Science Center under the Mental Health Act.

**July 26:**  
A caller advised that kids were throwing rocks at her garden in the Whiteshell. Kids were spoken to and were skipping stones on the water.  
The same caller advised police her neighbours were screaming at her in the Whiteshell.  
A caller advised while driving near the Nutimuk Lake area, they heard a pop and something came into the open window of the car. Police attended and apparently two youth accidentally discharged a pellet gun.

**July 28:**  
Police were advised of a hay bale fire on Riverland Road. Started from a lawn mower. Fire department attended.  
Police were advised that a young lady in Pinawa may have been sexually interfered with and a male may have been exposing himself to two other girls. All girls were spoken to and denied this ever

**July 29:**  
A caller advised police that a male wearing a gorilla mask was knocking on doors in Nutimik Lk. area. Police and Conservation could not locate the subject.

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## Lac du Bonnet Community Billboard

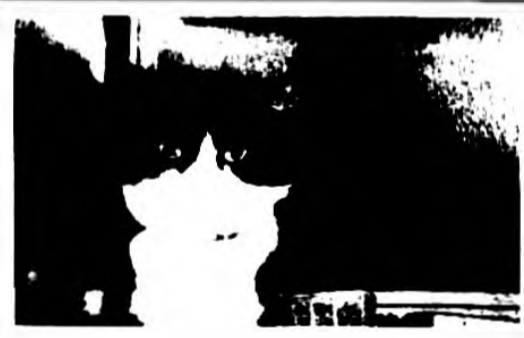
**Health Concerns?** Call 268-3235 to book your seat  
**Cooking for better health** Lose weight, gain energy and prevent illness. Classes begin for every five people registered. Cindy Reimann, certified in nutrition, call 268-2168.  
**PACE 7-1375:** meets first Tuesday of the month, Chicken Chef, Power-view meeting room.  
**Prenatal classes:** held regularly at Lac du Bonnet. Please register with Gail 268-7465 or call your local public health nurse.  
**Lac du Bonnet Lions Club** meets the first and third Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., LdB Community Centre  
**Lac du Bonnet Regional Library** open Tues and Thurs 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.; Wed and Fri noon to 4:30 p.m.; Sat 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., ph 345-2653  
**Great Falls Women's Institute** meets first Wednesday each month 7:00 p.m. Great Falls Hall. Pat 367-2586, Leone 367-8569  
**Ladies' Auxiliary Royal Canadian Legion Branch #164** meets first Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall  
**LdB Committee on Family Violence and Abuse** meets second Tuesday of every month 7:00 p.m. Contact person 345-2664  
**Royal Canadian Legion Branch #164** general meetings third Tuesday of each month 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall  
**St. John's ACW** meets first Monday of every month 1:30 p.m., parish hall  
**Lakeshore Al-Anon Group** Thursday 7:30 p.m. Lac du Bonnet District Health Centre, 89 McIntosh. Call Teri 345-8712  
**Lakeshore Al-a-Teen Group** For further information, Phone Kathie 367-8237 (evenings), Vickie 345-6520 (days)  
**Town of Lac du Bonnet Council** Meetings second and fourth Thursday of the month  
**Lakeshore A.A. meetings** every Sunday and Tuesday 8:00 p.m. at St

**John's Anglican Church, 86 McArthur, Lac du Bonnet.** Last Sunday of the month open to the public. Call Ted 345-2839, Ron 753-8403.  
**Ladies A.A. Meetings** Thursdays 1:00 p.m., 18 McDermot, Pinawa, Doreen 753-8357.  
**Battered Women's Crisis Line** 1-800-362-3344.  
**Lac du Bonnet Health Centre** Auxiliary meets fourth Thursday of the month, Health Centre 1:30 p.m.  
**Lac du Bonnet Wildlife Association** temporarily meets at the call of the chair. Call Peter 345-6190 for information.  
**New to town?** Drop in to the Craft Basket on Second Street and pick up your Welcome to Lac du Bonnet gift, courtesy of the Chamber of Commerce.  
**Two Rivers Seniors Resource Council Inc.** Call Pat at the Lac du Bonnet office, Health Centre at 345-1227. Services driver escort, lifeline personal response system, friendly visitors, fee-for-service handy helpers.  
**Pioneer Club** Meets first Monday of month 9:30 a.m., Pioneer Club  
**RM of Lac du Bonnet Council** Meetings second Tuesday of each month 10:00 a.m. and fourth Tuesday of every month 6:00 p.m.  
**Alzheimer Society** Harald Huege, Whitemouth 348-3505. Lac du Bonnet, Pine Falls, Victoria Beach, Pinawa, Beausejour, Whitemouth, Oakbank, Hadashville  
**Little Day Buddies Nursery School** Wednesdays and Fridays 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Lac du Bonnet Community Centre. Janice 345-8979.  
**Garden Club** meeting every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm, Lac du Bonnet Senior School, Home Ec Room. No meetings January, July, August  
**Canada Day Celebrations** - June 30 to July 2, fireworks, wonder shows, parade, car show, beer gardens, baseball tournament, etc... visit [www.lacdubonnetlions.ca](http://www.lacdubonnetlions.ca), or call Violet 345-9291 for more info

## Lac du Bonnet Church Directory

**ABUNDANT LIFE CHAPEL**  
Pastor Jake Doell, church 345-2934, home 345-9766  
Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - morning worship, 6:30 p.m. - Upper Room.  
**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS**  
Church/office 345-8654  
Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - worship service  
**NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Milrek Szynal, 345-2900  
Lac du Bonnet: 5:00 p.m. - Saturday mass, 11:00 a.m. Sunday mass  
Pinawa (senior school): 9:15 a.m. - Sunday mass  
**ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Sandra Tankard 367-9520, church 345-2357  
Sunday: 11:30 a.m. - worship; 11:30 a.m. - first and third Sunday of each month, holy eucharist.

## The Winnipeg Humane Society



Gia, 123256

Gia is a very sweet girl who was found in the North End back in May. Gia has been a very good little resident, but she's anxious to get going on her next adventure in life. Can you make a happy ending happen for Gia? She did very well at a daycare on a visit on July 19. Please consider adopting her, as a long term resident her fee is half off, \$48.06! Includes her spay, microchip, ear tattoo, pet insurance & much more!



Juniper, 117419

Juniper is a lovely longterm dog who was found in January at College & Arlington, then brought to us for adoption in March- far too long for such a pretty girl to be in a shelter! She catches on to new commands very quickly, and being a Husky mix is safest in a fenced yard. Juniper can be good with other dogs but we suggest they meet first. Great choice for families with kids 10 years+. Half off as a longterm dog, only \$88.06!

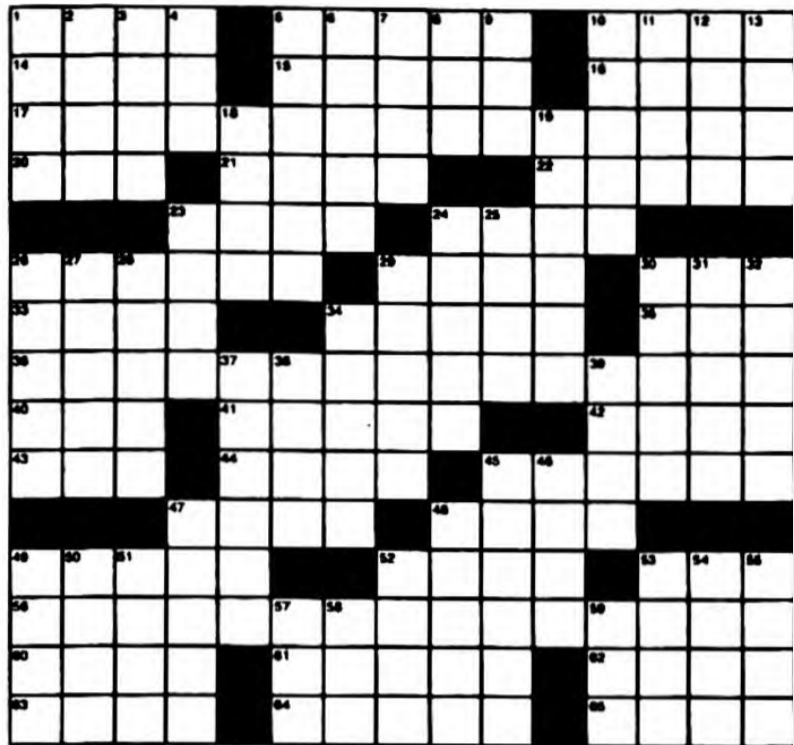
Where every adoptable dog finds a home and cats get a second chance at life!



**The WHS needs your donations of canned cat food to help feed the many cats in our care. Drop off to 5 Kent Street.**

If you or your family are interested in any of the listed animals here or others at the shelter, you can call us at 204-982-3551 or Fax 204-982-2047

# WEEKLY CROSSWORD



- Across**
- 1. Uses all out to supplement with great effort.
  - 3. Woman about to get married.
  - 10. Of the wing.
  - 14. Two identical numbered cubes.
  - 15. Pertaining to the moon.
  - 16. Private area in a theater where a small group can watch the performance.
  - 17. Thickening and hardening of the artery walls by one of several diseases.
  - 20. Performing arts venue in Etury, Greater Manchester.
  - 21. Tiny detectable amount.
  - 22. Concerning.
  - 23. Comes to a finish.
  - 24. Boundary lines.
  - 26. Compact, sturdy and relatively thick in build.
  - 29. Father of Mendem.
  - 30. Opening between two sandbanks.
  - 33. Narrow port in rink, flanked by the stones of previous players.
  - 34. Go beyond.
  - 35. Nicholas, actor.
  - 36. Lack of understanding.
  - 40. Round, green seed that grows in a pod.
  - 41. Another name a person is known as.
  - 42. Establishments for travellers.
  - 43. Acronym for Enterprise Asset
- Down**
- 1. Mild, yellow Dutch cheese made in hilly enclosed in a red covering.
  - 2. Plaything blown in the wind.
  - 3. Not counterfeit.
  - 4. Cross-reference in a library catalog directing the user from an equivalent term to the preferred term.
  - 5. Expressing annoyance as an intensifier.
  - 6. Causes to deteriorate due to the action of water, acid.
  - 7. Member of the group of Quechuan peoples of highland Peru.
  - 8. Dried legume-like lentils.
  - 9. Plough.
  - 10. Album by Modern Talking.
  - 11. Allow to go out of sight.
  - 12. Variant of Aquinas.
  - 13. Pause for relaxation.
  - 18. Leaf area inside the boards on which the game of hockey is played.
  - 19. Food allowance for one day.
  - 22. Nymph who pined away for the love of Narcissus until nothing was left but her voice.
  - 24. Group of related sciences dealing with the logic of quantity and shape and arrangement.
  - 25. Where two things meet.
  - 26. Make off with other's belongings.
  - 27. Genus of small Lepidoptera.
  - 28. William of, philosopher.
  - 29. Unmarried woman.
  - 30. Momentary flash of light.
  - 31. Longest divisions of geologic time.
  - 32. Common, aromatic Old World herb with bitter taste, finely divided leaves.
  - 34. Small room with a polygonal bay window.
  - 37. Come to terms with success-

- 38. Defendant's formal answer to criminal charges.
- 39. Title used for a king by close confidant.
- 40. Something promised as an incentive.
- 41. Trait characteristic of Buddha.
- 47. Charges per unit.
- 48. 1978 film starring Anthony Hopkins.
- 49. Used with *more* or *less* to compare numbers.
- 50. Tony, bluesgrass guitarist.
- 51. Acronym for Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Targeting.
- 52. Sound of a large bell rung slowly at regular intervals.
- 53. Acronym for Ranch Horse Association of America.
- 54. Bark in a high-pitched tone.
- 55. Irish language.
- 57. Rate of Revolution of a motor.
- 58. Writer; statement of a borrower's obligation to pay a debt.
- 59. Son of Primus, the main protagonist on the TV series *The Pirates of Dark Water*.

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS



## CRYPTIC PUZZLE

Q BWC CD VWQFF WC W GQH Q  
 ECPH JD CVPWG KPLOVH JLP KWMV  
 WVH HD VDILQVA.

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

### Last Week's Solution

I SHOT AN ARROW INTO THE AIR, AND IT STUCK.

## Weekly Echo Horoscopes

July 31st to August 5th, 2006



**ARIES (Mar. 21 - April 20)**  
 You may want to pull out some of those unfinished projects you've got tucked away. Travel should be on your agenda. Do not react too harshly when dealing with partners. Stop telling others about your problems.



**TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)**  
 Give everyone in the house a physical chore that will help burn off some of the excess energy. You may find yourself in an opportune position if you are willing to take a bit of a risk. Do not invest in ventures that only appear to be lucrative. Avoid functions that will bring you in contact with those you find difficult to get along with.



**GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)**  
 Your high energy and discipline will enable you to complete any seemingly insurmountable tasks. You will do extremely well if you get involved in competitive activities this week. Check your project over carefully if you were not the only one contributing to the end result. Concentrate on spending quality time with children.



**CANCER (June 22 - July 22)**  
 You will be able to communicate well this week. Your high enthusiasm will be sure to inspire anybody around you. Don't rely on others to handle the workload. Good friends will give you honest answers.



**LEO (July 23 - Aug 23)**  
 This is a great day to beautify your living quarters or to entertain at home. You can come into money; however, perhaps not under the best circumstances. Go to the top if you're being harassed or held back. You will be popular and will easily attract members of the opposite sex.



**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)**  
 You should get out and meet new people this week. Changes involving your domestic scene may be unpleasant. Don't be critical or overly opinionated with dislikes; it could cause disapproval and unwanted opposition. This is a wonderful day to look into courses or hobbies that interest you.



**LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)**  
 You may need to make a few alterations to your living arrangements. Residential moves are evident. Don't bother getting even; they'll make themselves look bad. Refuse to get involved in idle chatter; it will only make you look bad.



**SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)**  
 Don't jump too quickly if someone tries to make you join in on their crusade. Don't bother trying to make someone you live with see your point of view. You will be highly sensitive to comments made by your lover. Make amends if you can.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

You need to concentrate on your business ventures more than on your relationship this week. Do your own thing without drawing attention to it. The knowledge you have will enhance your reputation. Spend some time with the one you love. Pleasure trips will be satisfying.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

You may find that your plans will cost a little more than you had expected. Stop telling others about your problems. Do not sign contracts or get involved in any uncertain financial deals. You need to fulfill your needs and present your talents.



### AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

Try to keep to yourself; work diligently on domestic chores and responsibilities. Anger might lead to carelessness and minor injuries. You must not let fellow workers take advantage of your fine talents. Talking to those you trust and respect will help you sort out any problems.



### PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)

Drastic changes regarding your personal attitude are evident. Take a look at yourself and prepare to make those changes you've been contemplating. Sit tight. Things aren't as bad as they appear. You'll look guilty if you don't lay your cards on the table.

# Echo Classifieds

**Office/Retail Space for Rent** Pine Falls Upstairs - approximately 200 square feet, comes with washroom. Main floor - approximately 900 square feet with private office, washroom and counter. Call Denis at 367-8651. TFN

**Woodland Place/Dale Haven Apartments**, 1 - 2 bedroom apartments for rent, utilities and parking included, coin laundry, very clean and well maintained. Furnished, weekly and monthly rates also available, call after 6:00 p.m. 367-4922.

Wanted to rent small house, apartment or trailer in the Pine Falls - Powerview area., starting August 25, 2006, call Doug at 204-453-8012. 4x-1

House for Rent: 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 1200 sq. ft., comfy, over 1 acre on waterfront by Woody's Service Centre, in Lac du Bonnet. Quiet, private, electric forced air with woodstove and wood. Price reduced. Call 403-613-2402 or 345-2529 and leave a message. TFN

Small house or trailer in Pine Falls, Powerview or St. Georges area. Call Walter at 1-204-482-6171. 4x-4

House for sale: Powerview location corner lot, 1 bedroom great starter home. call 367-8353.

**Chihuahua for Sale** - One year old male chihuahua for sale to good home. Phone Jackie at 367-9468.

**LIZARD** - 2 year old Bearded Water Dragon (lizard) very friendly and comes with a large aquarium, heat lamp, 2 UV lights, etc. \$ 150.00 O.B.O. For more information contact: Linda Cyr at 367-2382. 2x-1

**WILD RICE PROCESSING PLANT** in Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba, call 345-2277.

Papertown Motor Inn is now staffing for the following positions: front desk, bartenders, servers and cooks. Applicants must be available to work September 5, 2006. All successful applicants with experience will be offered competitive wages, although experience is not necessary. Apply in person at the front desk or email resume to papertwn@mts.net 4x-1

**Bankruptcy Info-line** - free, confidential. Call 1-800-463-8371. www.lctaylor.net This is a community service offered by L.C. Taylor & Co. Ltd., Trustee in Bankruptcy. 1x-1 TFN

**Rooms and Suites for rent.** Weekly and Monthly rates available. Hydro and satellite included, call Omer at 367-9991 or 367-4210. 2x-1 TFN

**One to One Support Worker**  
Wings of Power is looking for compassionate, understanding people to provide individual one-to-one support for Developmentally Challenged Adults. Full and Part-time positions available.

Duties and responsibilities include following daily routine, job coaching, developing and implementing activities that will be interesting and challenging. Applicants must possess a valid driver's license and vehicle. Candidates are subject to a criminal record check and Child Abuse registry check

Deadline for applications is July 28, 2006. Forward resumes to: Wings of Power, attn. Ginette McMullen, Box 66 Pine Falls, MB R0E 1M0 or fax to 367-9784

A sincere thank you to our family and friends for their thoughtfulness in the recent passing of Serge Petrus, husband, father and grandfather. Every kind word and act is deeply appreciated.

Lucy Petrus & family

**Advertise in the Echo Classifieds Call 367-9468**



**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALEXANDER  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE  
August 11, 2006**

Public Notice is hereby given pursuant to subsection 169(6) of The Municipal Act that the Council of the Rural Municipality of Alexander will sit on August 11, 2006, at the hour of 11:00am in the Council Chambers of the Rural Municipality of Alexander, at St. Georges, in Manitoba to hear objections, make representations or ask questions with respect to the proposed construction of a new emergency services centre.

The new emergency services centre is to be situated in Grand Marais at an estimated cost of \$1,250,000.00. This is a joint project with the Rural Municipality of St. Clements providing half of the funding. The proposal would authorize the expenditure and borrowing of a maximum of \$862,500.00 for a term of 20 years at an estimated interest rate of as high as 9% per annum. The annual payments, for the principal and interest, will be funding by a special mill rate on all rateable property within the Rural Municipality of Alexander which will be reduced by application revenues from the Provincial Park.

Any person(s) desiring to object, make representation or ask questions to the proposed project, may appear before Council on the date and the time specified above, and such person(s) will be heard.

Dated at St. Georges, in Manitoba, this 24th day of July, 2006.

Margaret Bonekamp  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Rural Municipality of Alexander

**Hot New....  
RELEASES**

**V for Vendetta DVD**  
Cast: Natalie Portman, Hugo Weaving, Stephen Rea, Stephen Fry, John Hurt, Tim Pigott-Smith, Rupert Graves Rating: 14A

**The Shaggy Dog DVD**  
Cast: Tim Allen, Kristen Davis, Zena Grey, Spencer Breslin, Danny Glover, Robert Downey Jr., Joshua Leonard. Rating: G

**Apocalypse DVD**  
Cast: Kim Delaney, Beau Bridges, Frank Langella, Melissa Sue Anderson, Dean Cain, Oliver Hudson, Carly Pope Rating: 18A

**Mrs. Harris DVD**  
Cast: Annette Bening, Ben Kingsley, Frances Fisher, Cloris Leachman, Chloe Sevigny, Lawrence O'Donnell, Frank Whaley Rating: 14A

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ALEXANDER  
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

In accordance with Section 194 of the Municipal Act, NOTICE is hereby given that copies of the 2005 Audited Financial Report of the Rural Municipality of Alexander, together with the related statements have been deposited at the office of the Municipality and are available for inspection at any time during regular office hours.

Margaret Bonekamp, C.M.M.A.  
Chief Administrative Officer  
R.M. of Alexander

**SILVER HAVEN MEAL PROGRAM**

Open to all seniors 55 and over. You are welcome to bring a guest. All meals are \$5.00. Meals are at 11:30 noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Your name must be put on the list the day before by calling

**Silver Haven at  
367-4620 or  
Bernice 367-8369**

**Wednesday, Aug. 2**  
Soup, swiss steak, mashed potatoes, corn, rice pudding.

**Friday, Aug. 4**  
Soup, pizza (cheese, bacon and tomato), tapioca pudding.

**Monday, Aug. 7**  
Soup, roast chicken, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, chocolate pudding.

# Lac du Bonnet RCMP Report

Report period from July 24th to July 30th, 2006

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Police responded to a vehicle in a ditch near Rennie. A passenger was passed out and the driver was not located.

Police were advised that a cottage had been broken into in the Pinawa Bay area.

The Catholic Church on Lowland Dr. was broken into. Nothing was taken.

Police investigated a sexual assault in the Bird River area. July 30:

One male was lodged for being intoxicated in a public place in Nutimik Lk. area.

Police responded to a loud party at Leeward Way. Fireworks were being let off with a fire ban in place.

A caller advised that binoculars and a propane tank were stolen from his sun room at his cottage in Nutimik Lk.

A caller advised that he almost hit a mini biker on Dobals Rd. The youth and grandparents were spoken to.

A caller in the Whiteshell called police to complain about dogs not being leashed.

A caller advised that damage is occurring to his stored vehicles on his property off Lee River Rd. One male youth was spoken to and this may be related to a rock throwing incident a few weeks ago.

A male caller advised he heard a noise at his neighbours cottage and went to investigate and found a male trying to break into the cottage. Investigation continues. This occurred in the Big Whiteshell.

Several accidents and alarms were actioned during this period.

## Dam and Waterway Safety

The area around hydroelectric dams and waterways can be scenic, but it can also be dangerous. In order to be safe, make sure that you follow these few simple rules:

Always obey all warning signs, fences, buoys, booms and barriers, whether you are on dry land, or using the water. These weren't put there to improve the landscaping; they're there to protect you. The areas inside and around them are dangerous, so stay away.

You should always stay away from the water's edge when you are either above or below hydroelectric dams or stations. The banks may be unstable or slippery, the rocks slippery and the currents unpredictable. Never wade into any moving water.

Never stand below a dam, or anchor or tie a boat there. Water levels can change quickly, and flows can take you by surprise, swamp your boat or put you in the grip of an undertow.

Always stay off hydroelectric dams and station structures, unless Manitoba Hydro has clearly indicated walkways or observation points.

Stay well back of any dry riverbeds that are below dams because they can change quickly into rapidly flowing waterways.

When you are participating in any water activity on a river,

# ENERGY CORNER

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whether it be swimming, boating or fishing, always be aware of the water level and check upstream often for any signs of increasing currents or rising water levels. If the water level is rising, or the currents are increasing, get out of the water

or move downstream. Set an example for children. Make them aware of the dangers, and tell them exactly where they can and cannot go. Stay close to them and make sure that you can see them at all times.

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

**Jenny Terrio Baturin**  
Registered Physiotherapist

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