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It's Not Over Yet

The fight over the route for the
Bi-pole III hydro transmission line
is just getting underway

Tembec to Close De-Ink Plant

Newsprint and magazine recycle mill to close indefinitely

By Charles Norman

The Tembec mill's De-Ink plant, which recycles old newspapers and magazines is to close in early April. It is an indefinite

closure, but it will not go back into production unless market conditions change.

Richard Fahey, Tembec's vice president for communications and public relations

said the major reason is that most of the supply of old newspapers and magazines are "gobbled up by China"

See **JOB LOSSES**, page 3

By Charles Norman

Last week Tory Leader Hugh McFadyen started a series of meetings across the province to gather support for the east side of Lake Winnipeg route for Manitoba Hydro's third major transmission line bringing power from Nelson River generating stations to southern customers. The campaign is expected to last a year, and will likely continue into the next provincial election.

Also last week Bloodvein First Nation Chief Craig Cook gave CKY a copy of a letter signed by the Chiefs of First Nations on the east side of the lake. The letter, dated August 10, advised the provincial government of the chiefs desire to have the transmission line follow the east side route.

In the following October, Manitoba Hydro announced that the line would follow a route on the west side of Lake Manitoba. One of the reasons given for the choice was the resistance from the east side communities.

Not true said McFadyen. "The Premier has been misleading Manitobans about the view of the east side



Hugh McFadyen

communities. He said. "They want it."

Chief Cook said he felt "like a ton of bricks had landed on me." when he heard the decision of the government. "I felt a lot of hopelessness - despair - the possibility of connects that could be made by my people to the outside world has been crushed."

There are two issues, one: the cost of the east side route is up to half a billion dollars more than the alternative route; two, the route passes through what environmentalists claim is the last of the boreal forest still in its pristine condition and want to preserve it as a United

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Tembec will no longer be accepting recycled paper at its Pine Falls Mill.

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News

Analyst Promoting San Gold:

Bissett Mine Getting Noticed

By Charles Norman

Financial Post Analyst, Bob Cohen, says he expects San Gold's share price to rise to \$3.00. They are currently trading at around \$1.50.

He said broker coverage is "just beginning to break the ice. There's not a lot of fanfare with this one but it's a nice little ramp up."

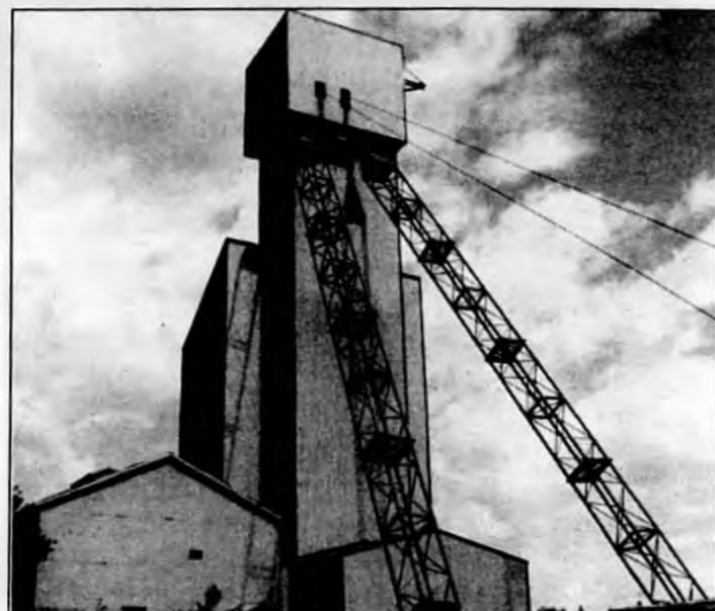
He said the mine and mill should be in full production by the end of the year, producing 1,000 tonnes per day and able to meet the company's target of 100,000 ounces per year next year. At the current gold price of \$1,000 that represents sales of \$100 million a year. San Gold's estimates of the value of their resource, (the gold in the

ground) is based on the price of \$740 per ounce. At a price of \$1,000 the value of the resource would therefore increase by that amount i.e. by about one third, but the higher price also means that lower grade ore would be extractable and could add substantially to the value of the resource.

Cohen says he expects

this calculation to be carried out in April, but San Gold Chairman Hugh Wynne said the independent analyst they

use for the calculation is very busy and he expects it to be completed later in the spring.



Head-frame at the Bissett mine

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No Net Job Losses as a Result of Closure

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creating a shortage in North America. He said the resulting higher prices have made recycling in Pine Falls uneconomic. "It was a difficult decision." He said.

He said the company has worked with its suppliers to find other markets to ensure that none of the recyclable material ends up in landfills.

When in full production the De-Ink plant employed twelve people, but production has already been cut back and only four people will be affected by this decision. They will all be offered jobs in other parts of the newsprint mill.

While the net effect will be twelve less jobs at the mill, Tembec is currently hir-

ing to fill vacancies due to attrition. They will be hiring twelve less people than they otherwise would have hired.

Eric Reder, of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society was upset. "The world is searching for means to lower our impact on this planet." He said. "Yet Tembec is making the distinct decision to increase their devastation of our forests, including our cherished provincial parks. They are not managing their operation in the best interest of the people of this province, nor for our future."

Fahey said the Tembec operation would be using residuals from other mills, e.g. chips from sawmills, to reduce where possible any increase in harvesting. He said there would be some increased activity in the woods but noted that Tembec is certified by the Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) which carries out an external audit of sustainability. He said FSC certification is the highest standard there is.

Because the Pine Falls mill is losing money, like every other newsprint mill

Canada, it has to do everything possible to reduce costs if it is to survive in the long

term. Closing the De-Ink plant is one way to cut operating expenses.



Area Represented at Eastman Tradeshow

The RM of Alexander and the Town of Powerview-Pine Falls were among the areas represented at an Eastern Manitoba economic development tradeshow last weekend at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

Bi-Pole III conflict has long roots

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Nations World Heritage site. Opponents to this view claim that there are huge tracts of virgin boreal forest elsewhere, and in any event a transmission line would only take up a tiny part of it.

The conflict really began, quietly, about fifteen years ago when environmentalists managed to persuade the NDP to carry out a land-use survey. When the NDP formed a government they set up the land-use study, and established that no development could take place while the study was underway. The study took a long time - about eight years - with the end result being the world heritage site proposal.

Late last year the provincial government gave the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society money to prepare an application to the United Nations for the proposed 4.3 million hectare World Heritage site straddling the Manitoba and Ontario borders.

Opponents say the price of \$500 for every man woman and child in the province plus the denial of any possibility of economic development for the ten thousand people who live, in third world conditions, on the east side of the lake, is too high. They claim that there are better areas for a World Heritage site further north.

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Comment



Water treatment plant in Pine Falls

Letter to Mr. Charles Norman

Mr. Norman should seek a job writing for the National Inquirer or Examiner. Those papers don't require its "reporters/writers" to research their subject and report the facts.

The most recent example is the article in the March 5, 2008 Echo, "A Regional Water Supply System". Mr. Norman certainly did not have his facts straight, once again, concerning the Pine Falls Water Treatment Plant.

First of all, if he would have asked an operator of the plant or the Regional Drinking Water Officer from Lac du Bonnet, Mr. Norman would have provided the public with an informational document that is based on facts rather than simply voicing his opinion. If he had asked someone who currently works or is qualified in the field of water treatment, he would have learned that it is illegal to operate a drinking water facility without certified operators that have achieved qualification to the classification level of the plant. The Environmental Act that classifies and certifies all water plants and operators has been law since 2003. It is true that the certified Waste Water Treatment Plant personnel manage and operate Tembec's wastewater treatment plant but these same personnel are certified Water Treatment Plant operators as well. Some of these personnel in fact carry four separate levels of certification that apply to both wastewater treatment and water treatment. Certification of

the operators has become like a trade. In order to achieve certification, an operator must 1) have a minimum academic achievement 2) have numerous years of experience and 3) pass all the required government exams. Once certified, in order to maintain our certification we have to continually be upgrading our academic status through courses and seminars. All of the Pine Falls water plant operators are certified. We are presently seeking recognition for our certification by our employer. The Pine Falls Water Treatment operators do not appreciate all their years of dedication and achievements to go unrecognized. As we live and have families in the community that we work, we take pride in providing a high quality, safe drinking water to the public. We have an excellent record of providing safe, high quality drinking water that not only meets the new stringent guidelines, but also meets the proposed future guidelines. We adhere to the stringent testing protocols as outlined by the Manitoba government. Since we took ownership of the facility in 1996 there has never been a boil water advisory issued for the towns of Powerview/Pine Falls. We can assure the public that the drinking water that comes out of the plant is some of the best in Manitoba and the world. To insinuate that the water quality does not meet the governmental guidelines is slanderous.

If Mr. Norman had any experience in the field of

water treatment, he would know that a properly run coagulation/sedimentation/filtration water plant actually removes the giardia and cryptosporidium parasites that he refers to. One would be interested to know that the Manitoba government tested numerous Water Treatment Plants one year for these organisms including the Pine Falls Water Treatment. The Pine Falls Plant tested excellent with no organisms found in the treated water. UV radiation treatment is only effective at rendering the parasites inert, it does not actually remove them from the system. Ideally, the UV would be used in conjunction with filtration to provide a backup layer of security, however it is not really necessary. If the town were to add UV, the class of the facility would jump from a Class 2 to a Class 3 facility.

Charles' letter is wrong on so many levels. Rather than report the truth, he has reported false information. This kind of information will instill unfounded fear in the public, whether this was the intent or not. It is very important in times like these that the correct and accurate information is communicated and made available to the public. Decisions need to be made on facts, not political opinion. We hope this clarifies some concerns people may have had from being misinformed.

Thank You, Pine Falls Water Treatment Operators/Technicians (No Name supplied)

Regarding Water Quality from the Pine Falls Treatment Plant

By Charles Norman

First I would like to make an apology to the people of Pine Falls and Powerview for implying, in an article in the March 4th issue of The Echo, that the water quality from the Pine Falls plant did not meet current provincial government standards.

The sentence in question was carelessly written. Explaining why the RM decided to build a water treatment plant, I wrote that none of the water supply systems on the Winnipeg River meet current government standards. I should have qualified that. I was referring to those water supply systems in the RM of Alexander and should have said so. I did not mean that the water treatment plants in Pinawa, Lac du Bonnet, Pine Falls and the north and south shore of Sagkeeng did not meet government standards. They all do.

The Letters to the Editor section of the newspaper is a forum for our readers. Our readers have a right and a responsibility to point out factual errors or (as the case is here), careless wording that has led to a misunderstanding. If it was left at that, the above apology would have been the extent of my response. However, the tone of the letter was offensive and personal. It was also unsigned. It is the Policy of The Echo not to publish anonymous letters. It is cowardly not to stand behind your accusations. We have published this letter because it criticizes only me, and I can defend myself.

Let's take the letter point by point. First, in the third paragraph, "If he had asked someone..."

I have given up calling Tembec for information. There are about three hundred people working there, and only four or five ever answer a telephone. A case in point. Last Friday, March 14, at 9:00 am I called the Tembec Waste Water Treatment Plant. There was

no answer, so I left a message saying who I was and asking someone to return my call. At press time, five days later I still had not had the courtesy of a reply.

Second, "If Mr. Norman had any experience in the field of water treatment..."

I designed the first water treatment plant for Pinawa in 1960. That plant, now about 46 years old has had two upgrades. The most recent, I understand, installed by a Quebec company using a state of the art turbidity removal system with a trade name of Aquaflow. It was necessary because of the difficulty of treating the variable turbidity of the Winnipeg River caused by the opening and closing of intakes to Hydro water turbines. It was a problem when I worked at the mill and is, I believe, still a problem with the two Sagkeeng plants. That does not mean the quality of water suffers, only that more care and attention is required of the operators.

I was responsible for the \$350,000 upgrade of the Pine Falls Water Treatment Plant when it was automated so that it did not need a full time attendant, and could be managed, part time by qualified staff from the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

I do know what I'm talking about. Cryptosporidium spores are not common in the Winnipeg River, they come from contamination by cattle, and cattle farming is not a big part of the agriculture in the Winnipeg river drainage basin, but giardia, from beaver and other wildlife, is present in the river. The spores of these organisms are usually surrounded by minute particles of clay or organic material which makes them impervious to chlorine, fortunately it also makes them big enough to be become part of the floc developed as part of the turbidity treatment of the river water.

Giardia spores, on their own can be small enough to pass through the filtration system, however, if they are not protected by a coating of small particles, they are susceptible to chlorine. Thus, whoever wrote the letter is almost right, when he writes that ultraviolet light

will require the major greenhouse gas emitting countries to reduce as well, something that was sorely missing from past plans. But of course, here at home, we have to get to work in actually reducing emissions rather than letting them continue to grow the way past governments did.



On Parliament Hill

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Real Action on Climate Change

There is a widespread consensus across the country, and around the world, that we face a daunting challenge when it comes to tackling climate change. In the past, the schemes and poorly thought out plans of previous governments have put Canada well behind in the fight to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change. Liberal governments signed international agreements with no plans to implement them, and rather than reduce greenhouse gas emissions, they skyrocketed.

Obviously we need to do better. We need to be part of a global effort to deal with the problem — an effort that

will require the major greenhouse gas emitting countries to reduce as well, something that was sorely missing from past plans. But of course, here at home, we have to get to work in actually reducing emissions rather than letting them continue to grow the way past governments did.

Our Conservative government has approached this issue the way we have with others: with real action, not talk. We made a commitment to Canadians to cut our greenhouse gas emissions by an absolute 20 per cent by 2020. Now, Environment Minister John Baird has released the detailed regulations that will allow us to meet this commitment.

Water Treatment

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in Pine Falls was the addition of alum as a flocculating agent. The alum causes the minute particles causing turbidity to coalesce and form a floc which is heavier than water. The flow then passed to a settling basin where the floc settled to the bottom and was discharged. Clear water rose slowly to the top of the basin where it overflowed to a series of channels prior to passing into the filtration system. The filters consisted of sand and anthracite filters. I believe that this system is still in place in Pine Falls, although I hope that the leaks in the channels in the settling basin have been corrected. The leaks allowed some of the floc to pass into the filters, resulting in faster plugging of the filters and a shorter period between back washes. Even though this floc could contain giardia it was not a danger since the floc particle would be big enough to be removed by the filters.

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treatment is unnecessary. But there are two reasons, at least, for UV treatment, one, less chlorine is needed, in fact it is only needed to provide residual disinfection, to protect against contamination after treatment. The other reason is that, even in a well run filtration system, channelling is possible, resulting in some water bypassing the filtration system. If this happens, giardia could get through, and be protected from the subsequent chlorination by the stuff attached to it. The fact that this hardly ever happens is a testimony to the calibre of the operators, not the treatment system itself.

One final point. The Pinawa, and Lac du Bonnet plants all have an activated carbon filter following their sand filters, so will the RM's plant. To my knowledge this has not been added to the Pine Falls plant. Activated carbon removes odour, taste and any traces of organic chemicals which may be harmful to health. Thus to say that Pine Falls water is as good as any in the world is simply not true. Both Pinawa and Lac du Bonnet have better quality water. Perhaps you could try selling your story to the *National Enquirer*.



At the heart of our plan is the principle that the polluter pays. We recognize that all Canadians have to help in the fight against climate change, and that industry has to do their part. So our regulations will apply to all big industry, from the oil industry to the chemical companies. From smelters to pulp and paper mills - all industry will have to do their part.

Because they are two of the biggest emitting industries, oil sands and dirty coal electricity plants will have additional requirements to meet. This plan includes banning the construction of new dirty coal electricity plants and requiring new oil

sands projects to use carbon capture and storage or other green technology.

Companies will be able to choose the most cost-effective way to meet their emission reduction targets from a range of options. These include in-house reductions, contributions to a technology fund, or domestic emissions trading. Companies that have already reduced their greenhouse gas emissions prior to 2006 will have access to a limited one-time credit for early action.

Unlike the failed approach of the Liberals, the Conservative government is taking a balanced and focused approach towards an

absolute reduction in greenhouse gases of 20 per cent by 2020 that protects our environment while growing our economy. We are replacing the decade of talk and rhetoric on the environment with the type of real leadership and action that Canadians expect.

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@mtns.net.

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Powerview RCMP Press Report

News March 10 to March 16, 2008

Sleeping Beauty

2008/03/11
RM ALEXANDER - A vehicle fire was extinguished by the local fire department. Police were in attendance and no one was injured in the incident.

2008/03/12
FORT ALEXANDER - Police attended to a complaint of spousal assault. Further investigation found no assault had taken place simply a verbal argument.

2008/03/12
FORT ALEXANDER - Police verbally warned 2 youth at the request of school authorities for fighting on school grounds and causing a disturbance.

HOLLOW WATER - A break, enter and theft at the local band office resulted in the theft of 3 laptop computers, damage to a 4th and 4 memory sticks being taken. Point of entry was a side window in the incident.

POWERVIEW - A vehicle was ransacked while parked near the dam. Culprits made off with an expensive pair of sunglasses in the incident.

- A women's purse was stolen while at a local business. A small amount of cash, id and a cell phone were inside the purse.

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RICE RIVER ROAD - A vehicle left on the side of the road was later vandalized and burnt.

BLACK RIVER - A break, enter and theft at a residence resulted in clothing and cash being stolen from the place. A suspect was identified in the incident. Investigation continues.

2008/03/13
HOLLOW WATER - Investigation continues into a

house fire. The house was vacant at the time of the blaze. The fire commissioners office was advised.

- A male was verbally warned by police after attending a work place and creating a disturbance.

POWERVIEW - A female was banned from a local business after caught on tape shoplifting.

RM ALEXANDER - Culprits broke into a residence vandalizing the interior. Several suspects were identified. The investigation continues.

FORT ALEXANDER - A spousal assault is still under investigation. Police continue to try and locate the male suspect in the incident.

2008/03/14
MANIGOTAGAN - A residence was again attended by police where a family dispute had escalated. The situation was stabilized and required no further police action at this time.

FORT ALEXANDER - Police apprehended a female in breach of an undertaking.

The woman had breached a no contact clause of the order.

2008/03/15
FORT ALEXANDER - An assault with a weapon resulted in 1 male being transported to local hospital for treatment. A female had returned home to find the 2 males fighting in the residence. Investigation continues into the incident.

- Investigation into an assault between 2 males was found to be consensual and no further police action taken.

- Police attended a residence where an unknown male had been yelling and attempting to gain access. The man known to police was apprehended and charged with failing to comply with his recognizance. The man was taken into custody and remanded to the provincial remand center in Winnipeg.

2008/03/16
FORT ALEXANDER - Investigation continues into a

disturbance at a residence. - A stolen vehicle was recovered with damage to the steering column, passenger door and broken side window.

SUMMARY:
 Police also followed up on 2 false alarms; actioned 2 requests for assistance to other police services/service of legal documents; issued 6 tickets under the highway traffic/liquor acts; attended 1 incident under the Coroners Act; lodged 7 persons under the intoxicated persons detention act; attended 1 noise complaint; processed 5 traffic accident reports and; transported 1 person under the mental health act to the appropriate facilities.

Remember if you have any information on any criminal matter you can remain anonymous and contact crime stoppers at 1-800-782-8477 or the Powerview RCMP at 367-8728.

Recreation Re-Boot!

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Try out the Gym!

There will be a trial of the Rivers North Fitness center (in the Powerview Arena) running every Tuesday in February from 5:15 to 6:15. This will consist of a circuit weight training class with instruction for a cost of \$14 for the remainder of the classes. This class is open to both members and non-members. Call 367-9142 or 756-3868 to register.

First Aid Training Course

A standard first aid training course will run 8 am to 4 pm on February 16th and 17th in the Pine Falls School. Come out and get your certification! Cost is \$130 and includes training on AED devices. To register call 367-8989 or 367-9142.

Duck Lake Ski Trails

The ski trails are up and running thanks to Howard May and his helpers. Trail maps can be found at the entrance by the hospital. Please come out and enjoy one of Pine Falls hidden treasures!! The night skiing is lots of fun too. Season memberships can be purchased at Celebrations for \$20/single or \$30/family. Anyone having old skis or boots they would like to donate is asked to contact Susan Gould at 367-8088. A family fun day is scheduled for February 24th. We will start at 2:00 at the hospital, and continue with smokies

and hot chocolate at the chalet at 4:00. Play the poker run! Each hand can be purchased for \$5 with 100% payout. Register at the Pine Falls Liquor Mart. For more information please contact Howard May @ 367-8846 or Karl Hutchison at 367-4543. Please remember - NO SNOWMOBILES ON THE SKI TRAILS!!! On behalf of the Duck Lake Ski Club, "please do not litter".

Broomball

There will be youth broom-ball at the Pine Falls Arena on Fridays from 7:00-8:00pm for anyone aged 10-14. The cost is \$50.00. Depending on the number of players, there may be an additional charge later in the year. Mandatory equipment includes helmets (with cages), gloves and shin pads (soccer shin pads will work). Anyone interested in signing up can call the Rec. Office at 367-9142.

Muck Hill

If anyone hasn't been there yet, the R.M. along with the Muck Hill Association has done some great things at the hill. There is lighting there now to allow for night activities and they have added close to 20 feet to the height of the hill. Bring the family out for an afternoon or evening of activity.

55+ Exercise Classes

Get together for walking and full body movement classes with Ginette in the St. Georges Church basement.

This class runs every Monday Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 am.

Pine Falls Badminton Club

The Pine Falls Badminton Club has started and will be running until Wednesday, April 30th. It will be held in Pine Falls School gym from 7:00-9:30 pm. The club is open to anyone 14 years or older. There is also broomball for anyone aged 15 and up at the arena on Fridays at 8:00. Come out and join the fun!!!

Sagkeeng First Nation Members

The Sagkeeng Post Secondary Education Program is accepting applications for the 2008-2009 Academic Year. Please submit applications by April 15, 2008.

Sagkeeng Education Authority

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age or older. The cost for the season is \$25/single or \$45/couple. For more information, contact Ginette Vincent at 367-9970 or Ruth at the Rec. Office at 367-9142.

Spring Shape-Up Boot Camp Continues

Natasha Joy will be continuing boot camp until March 15th from 10:00 - 11:00 am. There will be a variety of classes including cardio and muscle conditioning - always something different!! The cost is \$6 per class if paid in advance for the remainder of the session, or \$10 drop in. To register, call the Rec. Office at 367-9142.

Personal Training Available

Personal Training will be available by Appointment Only In the Powerview Arena Fitness Center on Saturdays from 11:30 to 2:30 until March 15th. Natasha Joy was Manitoba's Fitness Leader of the Year in 2006, and has a degree in Kinesiology & Applied Health, as well as numerous certifications and coaching designations. Call for program rates. Hourly only is \$35.

Rivers North Fitness Co-op

The co-op membership fee is \$100. Fitness club memberships are \$250.00 for members and \$300.00 for non-members. For more

info, contact Bev Dube @ 367-8064 or Linda Cyr @ 367-2382.

Public Libraries

A reminder that internet access is available at the library. For more information please call 367-8983.

Bibliothèque Allard Regional Library (367-8443), located in St-Georges School, is open the following hours: Tuesday - 10:30 - 5:00, Wednesday & Thursday - 12:00 - 8:00, Friday - 12:00 - 5:00, Saturday - 10:30 - 4:00. Services offered are public internet access, photocopy/fax/scan services, material in French & English, DVD's, VHS, 60 magazine titles, Inter-Library Loan (we have a collection of 28,000+ items, however, through Inter-Library Loan we have access to over a million titles) and many more. Membership is free to all ratepayers of the R. M. of Alexander, the Town of Powerview/Pine Falls, and the R. M. of Victoria Beach. We also have a Branch Library located in Walter Whyte School.

Miscellaneous

If any groups in the area have an event or ongoing program they would like to promote, please contact the Rec. Office at 367-9142 and I will put it in my weekly column.

Maskwa Snowmobile Club Meeting

Date: March 26
 Time: 6:30 pm
 Where: Chicken Chef

Agenda: 1) Club to fold or continue?
 2) Pros and Cons of being a club?
 3) Volunteers to Executive the Club?
 4) Elections

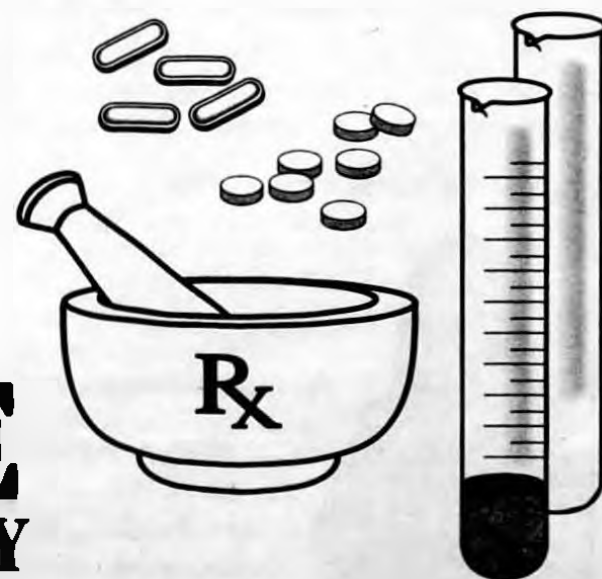
If nobody shows up to the meeting the club will have no choice but to throw in the towel. No more second chances.

Social Evening In honour of Jody Brown and Trista Demederos!

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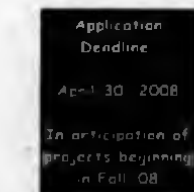
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Easter

ENGAGEMENT ROBINSON - KINDRAT



Greg and Joyce Robinson are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Courtney to David Kindrat, son of Ernie and Linda Kindrat. An August wedding is planned.

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The Easter Lily

An early Christian symbol of perfection

By Charles Norman

It is appropriate that the lily be the symbol of the resurrection of Christ Jesus.

Jesus himself said, "Consider the lilies of the field. They toil not, neither do they spin, but even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."

The lily is a symbol of perfection. We have the saying "gilding the lily" meaning it cannot be improved upon. Early Christian symbolism is full of the use of the lily as a sign of perfection, so it is very apt that this exquisitely beautiful and perfect flower emerge from the soil to bloom at Easter and be considered a perfect symbol of the resurrection of our lord.

But Easter Sunday, falling on the first Sunday after the first full moon on or after the Spring equinox. It can fall on any day between March 22 and April 25. To bloom on this day the lily needs a little help from the horticulturalist.

Almost all lily bulbs in North America are grown on about ten farms on the west coast, between Oregon and California. They are harvested in the fall, and shipped, more than twelve million of them to commercial greenhouses across the continent. By late December the bulbs are potted and under glass.

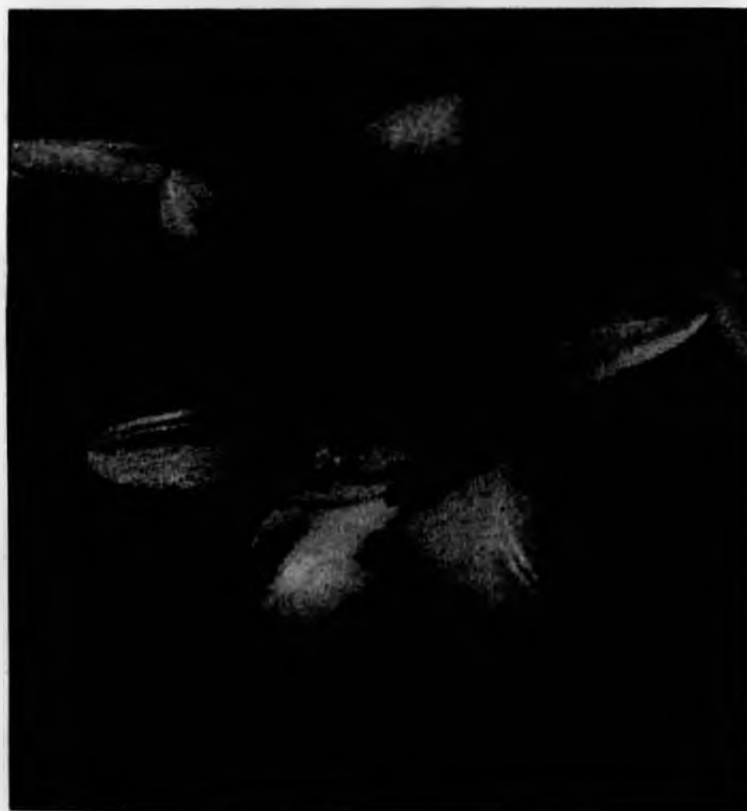
By the time the bulbs have sprouted and grown to about four inches, horticulturalist can determine how much it has to grow before flower buds form. Since the target date for the buds to form is around Psalm Sunday, a week before Easter Sunday, and this date can vary by 34 days a great deal of attention is needed to ensure that the bud stage is not reached too early or too late.

Luckily the growth of the lily can be regulated by temperature, both night time and daytime temperatures are

important. If day time and night time temperatures are close together the plant will be shorter.

But it is a testament to the skill of the grower, and the miracle of life itself, that the lily will bloom at Easter.

This year Easter Sunday falls on March 23. In the 532 year cycle it can only occur one day earlier, which it does 3 times every 532 years. Easter occurs on March 23 only five times in the cycle. But Easter lily blooms will be in the churches on Sunday and will be on sale in supermarkets during holy week.



The Easter Lily

Sports



Participants dressed for cold weather at this year's Big Swampy Fish Derby

Another Successful Fish Derby at Grand Marais

By Charles Norman

The Big Swampy Fish Derby sold 205 holes this year, more than double the 95 sold last year. The target for next year is 300 holes.

Since 60% of entrance fees are returned to the contestants, the prizes were bigger too. First prize, \$615.00, (at 30% of entrance fees), went to Julian Gorchynski of Grand Marais, with a 69.5 cm northern pike. Second prize,

(20%), for a 65 cm northern pike, went to a Winnipeg contestant, and third prize, (10%) for a 63 cm northern pike went to Blain Orvis of Balsam Bay. In all a total of 33 fish were caught - all of them northern pike.

There were seven entrants to the Chili Bake-Off. Entry fees were \$10.00 and all of it, (\$70.00), went to the winner, Jerry Meagher.

The prize for best fishing shack, a string of lights in the

form of fish was won by Dwayne Knott. The Terry McLean wildlife scene raffle was won by Priscilla Grey. Numerous other prizes were given away, jackets, hats, tee shirts, hand ice augers and many other prizes were handed out to some of the more than 300 people on the ice, fifteen or twenty of them children. Visitors were from communities all around Grand Marais, and from

See Brokenhead, next page

Pine Falls Curling Club Spring Mixed Bonspiel

By Tim Seguin

On March 14, 15 & 16, the Pine Falls Curling Club hosted its annual Spring Mixed Bonspiel. 20 teams entered this year's event, which began Friday evening and featured a "Hillbilly" theme.

On Saturday, the curlers were treated to a wonderful meal, catered by some of our lady curlers, with many of the teams showing up in hilarious hillbilly costumes. After the meal, the music, supplied by Kristen Kahle, was enjoyed by everyone. It was a great evening of dancing and merriment.

Karl again worked his magic to ensure great ice conditions for the entire weekend. A big thank you

also to the bar staff, who worked hard to keep up to a very thirsty crowd.

The first event was won by the Curtis Atkins team from Winnipeg, who defeated Jeff Johnston's team to win the top prize.

The second event final featured Fay Berthelette's team against her brother Allan Tardiff's team, with Fay prevailing in the end.

The third event was won by the Jack Shwaluk team who picked up the win over the Carolyn Cameron team.

Before presenting the prizes to the teams, the Curling Club presented Melinda Pluchinski, Curling Club President, with a pair of tickets to the Men's



Tim Seguin presents Melinda Pluchinski with a pair of tickets to the Men's World Curling Championships in Grand Forks.

Sagkeeng Peewees Capture Silver

The Sagkeeng Peewee team took silver in the Peewee C provincial tournament in Birtle, Manitoba during March 7-9, 2008. The team lost to the Lakeside Rangers 3-2, with Lakeside getting a fluky late-third period goal. The team had a 3-2 record overall beating host Birtle 5-2, beat MacGregor Mustangs in the third OT 3-2, lost to Lakeside in round robin play 7-2 and hammered Minnedosa 9-2 in our first playoff game. Nicholas Courchene was name top forward and Henry Guimond received top goal-tender award.

Congratulations to Jared Walker #91, Josh Harry #10, Devan Swan #9, Ian Bunn #14, Colton Chervrefils #25, Trenton Williams #7, Brent Courchene #6, Alyssa Guimond #4, Nicholas Courchene #12, Jared

Courchene #22, Dakota (Coda) Bruyere #16, Henry (Benny) Guimond #21, Rochelle (Shelly) Ryder #24, Noodin Duck #8, coaches Vern Guimond, Myles Courchene and Safety, Carol Guimond. Good Job Guys.



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Sports

Paper Kings Finish Hard!



Paper Kings

It was a fantastic end to a successful season for our Pine Falls Paper Kings Midget hockey club. The boys finished off the year this past weekend in Foxwarren, Manitoba where they were playing for the Provincial Midget "C" Championship.

The weekend started off Friday morning when the boys faced off against Riverton. After a slow and shaky start the boys regrouped quickly and put together a 4-0 win over their opponents. The guys were pumped up and ready to go for a second game later that day. Despite the wait between games the Kings knew that the second game was important and could place them in good position to make the final if they could come out on top. Game time was here and this time

the Kings were up against Split Lake. The boys came out hard, peppering the opponent with a storm of shots. However, the puck could not find the back of the net. When it came time for the third period of play, the boys made no mistake to make sure that their hard work would finally pay off. Well, needless to say it did and the boys walked away with an 8-2 victory over the battered Split Lake team.

Saturday was a new day, and game number three was on its way. This time the boys would go up against the hosting team. Both the hosting team and the Kings were 2-0 in the tournament and it was set to be a dandy. The Kings played hard but it was obvious they were struggling. This was probably due to their extra curricular activities Friday evening. When it

was all said and done the boys had one disallowed goal which led to a 2-1 loss. This loss meant the Kings were up against the first place team in the opposite pool for the semifinal game Sunday morning.

Sunday morning rolled around and the boys were nervous, shaky, but ready to go. They were determined to win and move on to the final. The boys were up against a proven Fisher River hockey club who wanted nothing else but to crush the Kings hopes of moving on to the Championship. Despite all the nerves, the boys came through with a 7-1 blowout over Fisher River making a statement that they were here to win. The win meant the boys would now meet

Foxwarren for the second time this weekend but now it was for the Provincial "C" Championship. The old barn was packed with excited locals there to cheer on their home team.

The puck was dropped and the game was on! It was end to end hard hitting hockey. It was clear that both teams were going to do whatever it took to walk away the winner. Despite the Kings out shooting their opponent they found themselves behind 2-0 going into the third period. During the intermission, after a few minutes of silence, the boys were chanting, and cheering. They took to the ice and quickly found themselves behind 3-0. It seemed that the game could be slipping away.

The Kings were pressing, and with hard work and determination they came back to tie the game with only a few minutes remaining. The game was now tied 3-3. The Kings had all the momentum and at 1:57 of the third period, the Kings scored to take the lead 4-3. Coach Trevor Sokoloski called a much needed time out, regrouped his boys, set defensive strategy and before they knew it the game was over. Kings on top! Provincial Champions!

Congratulations boys on behalf of the coaching staff, we are very proud of your achievements and hard work this year! Excellent job! It was happy ending to very successful season for the Kings.



Measuring fish at the Grand Marais Ice Fishing Derby last weekend.

Fish Derby at Brokenhead this Weekend

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Winnipeg, one visitor was from Sweden. She spent all six hours fishing but was not among the prizewinners.

Financially it was a success. The canteen alone took in \$485.00. The four organizations that run the derby were able to take home \$385.00 each.

The organizers are gaining experience all the time. One visitor told them that, in spite of the bigger crowd it

was better organized than last year. One of the organizers, Jean MacDonald said she would like to thank the many volunteers who worked hard to make the event a success. She said the East Beaches Fire and Reacue spent three days drilling 240 holes for the derby.

There is another fish derby next weekend, (Saturday, March 22), on the

Brokenhead River, close to the Brokenhead First Nation's Water Treatment Plant. It will be able to be seen from the bridge on Highway 59. It starts at 8:00 am and runs until noon. Registration, is \$10.00. You can register on the ice from about 7:30 am to 10:00 am. Follow the signs, The Derby is in aid of the Brokenhead First Nation's Headstart Program.



During the Bantam Provincials, Dakota Guimond competed in the skills competition and received a medal for his slapshot of 81 and 84 MPH. Not only did Dakota win a game star award but he also received the overall Provincial Allstar trophy for best Defenceman.

Curling



Victoria Beach Sports Club Wraps Up the Curling Season

On Saturday, March 1st, curlers of all ages, makes and skill levels came out to wrap up another exciting and busy year of curling in Victoria Beach. As always Fun Spiel hosts, Bruce and Fay Morrison put on a fun filled day where everyone was a winner. Eight teams took part in the 1 day, 4 end games bonspiel that wrapped up a busy curling season. The weird and wacky rules put a new spin on the game we all love. At the beginning of each end players were instructed on how the game would be played and scored, sometimes curlers were not aware of the scoring until the end was complete, more than a few skips were surprised to learn that their 2 rocks on the button didn't count, yet their opponents 3 rocks out of play did. Blindfolded throws, no talking rules, and banked shots were also on the menu. A no hogged/very rock in play rule gave new meaning to the term 'long guard.' The day wrapped up with a pot luck dinner and trophies for the league winners. This winter was a busy one at the Victoria Beach Sports Club, Juniors, Women's, Men's, and the Friday fun night mixed league made sure there were few nights that the ice was not in use. Bonspiel season was in full swing; the year started off with the

Victoria Beach Fire Department Mixed spiel, and was followed by the growing and ever popular Family Spiel. The pirate themed Birchwood mixed spiel was as interesting as ever, complete with some creative costumes. While as usual the Women's and Men's bonspiels drew a crowd in February. The Wind-up spiel and dinner was a perfect note to end the season on, many thanks to all those who helped during the day and contributed to the dinner. Many thanks go out to everyone who helped make this years curling season a great one: The curlers, canteen workers, bartenders, league and bonspiel organizers, ice makers, our tireless caretaker Lynn and everyone else in between. Our community is blessed with an abundance of hardworking volunteer spirit. Thanks also go to every-

one who helped make the '2008 Curlers Sweeps Stakes Raffle' a success. Thanks to the donations of Pattison Outdoor Advertising and GlobalTV (Brier Tickets), Asham Curling Supplies (Gift Certificate), Donna Vergnano, Lisa Vasko and Onale Anderson (Fairmont Room) and Computype (Raffle Tickets) we raised over \$1000.00!

The Winners are:

1) Ron Tanner: 'The Perfect Draw' - 2 Tickets to the opening weekend of the 2008 Brier & one night stay at The Fairmont Hotel

2) Seth Anderson: 'The Shopping Sweep' - \$50.00 Gift Certificate to Asham Curling Supplies

3) Adam Danwich: 'Curl Up' - Curling Gift Basket including 'Men with Brooms' DVD & 'Curling Secrets' by Colleen Jones. See You Next Season!



Last year's Funspiel winners.

See You Next Year!

Continued from page 9 World Curling Championships in Grand Forks in recognition of her dedication and hard work for the Club. Thanks again, Melinda, from all of us.

After the prizes, the Club drew the winning tickets on our fundraising raffle. Rose Tardiff was the winner of a hand crafted wooden bench, created and donated by local craftsman, Jeff Dugard. Thanks a lot Jeff.

Dustin St. Goddard was

the lucky winner of a 32-inch LCD TV supplied by Dave Lagasse of Dave's Furniture. Thanks Dave.

Well, that wraps up curling for another year. I would like to extend a great big thank you to all of our volunteers. You are too many to mention by name, but you know who you are and you are very much appreciated.

Please watch The Echo for a summary of our season and future plans for the upcoming curling season.

Winners of the Pine Falls Curling Club Mixed Bonspiel



The Atkins Team



The Berthelette Team



The Shwaluk Team

Features

Cougars, Wolves and Wolverines A natural history of the East Beaches and Winnipeg River The Marten and the Fisher

By Stu Janssen

The martin and fisher are predators of the weasel family, Mustelidae. Other members of the family, the mink, otter and weasel will be covered in future articles in this series.

The Martin

The martin is a small member of the weasel family, similar to the mink, but with longer legs and a bushier tail.

The Marten Nest Box
Several years ago marten populations in the Transverse declined. Trapper byvesting was heavy and logging was having an effect on the availability of denning sites. We wanted to do something to help. We tried to build marten nest boxes. By trial and error, we found a design that worked. We made 500 nest boxes. In 1990, we started putting them out. By the end of the year, we had found a few. In 1991, we had found a few more. In 1992, we had found a few more. In 1993, we had found a few more. In 1994, we had found a few more. In 1995, we had found a few more. In 1996, we had found a few more. In 1997, we had found a few more. In 1998, we had found a few more. In 1999, we had found a few more. In 2000, we had found a few more. In 2001, we had found a few more. In 2002, we had found a few more. In 2003, we had found a few more. In 2004, we had found a few more. In 2005, we had found a few more. In 2006, we had found a few more. In 2007, we had found a few more. In 2008, we had found a few more.

It is also much more of a tree climber and dry land animal.

In this area, the red squirrel was once very abundant, but the increasing population of the pine martin has changed all that. They make up a large part of the martin's diet which also consists of other small mammals, birds, and some fruit and seeds.

Their colour ranges from almost black through light shades of brown. In some areas a distinct orange colour, especially at the throat, occurs.

There is also a colour phase called a "canary" identified by the under fur being white and the outer fur creamy white to a bright orange. This rare occurrence is certainly a striking site for one fortunate enough to see it.

Male martens average 3 pounds and are 30 inches long, including the tail. They have 38 teeth, including four canine teeth.

The mating season is in July with gestation of 220 to 275 days due to delayed implantation. Litter sizes vary between one and four.

The Fisher

The fisher is a solitary, secretive animal that avoids contact with people. They inhabit coniferous and mixed forest including cutovers and burned areas. They feed mostly on small mammals with the snowshoe hare contributing a large part of their diet when available. Fisher are opportunistic feeders when their main food sources are scarce. They are the only animal able to kill and eat a porcupine without suffering from the ill effects from the quills. They are scarce in many regions of Canada due to over-trapping

and habitat destruction, but they appear to have a stable population in Manitoba. Fisher pelts, especially the soft female pelts are prized by the fur industry. Fisher have contributed a major proportion of the annual fur sales in Manitoba in recent years.

A decline in the Manitoba Fisher population resulted in the trapping season being closed from 1945 to 1975 when a special permit was required to sell accidentally trapped pelts. With careful management, and careful habitat regeneration the fisher population has rebounded and is stable to increasing. Today their range is increasing through nearly all the forested areas of Manitoba. Manitoba trappers now harvest about 2,000 pelts a year of this valuable mammal at an average price of \$80.00 each.

The colour ranges from near black to a grizzled gray-

ish appearance. The head is always the lightest hue and the long tapered tail the dark-



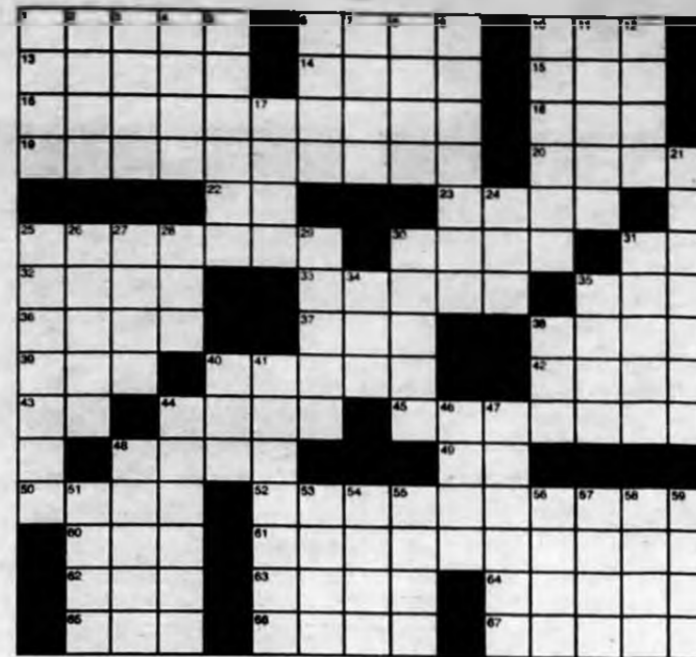
Pine Marten

est. They are equally at home on the ground or in the trees as they search for food.



Fisher

Weekly Crossword



43. Second nine holes as opposed to out the first nine holes.
44. Circumstances which helps toward the solution of a crime.
45. Drawings that one makes while thinking about something else.
48. Hat worn by members of the French Foreign Legion.
49. Person speaking with other people included.
50. ... jacket, waist-length jacket cut square at the bottom.
52. Make capable.
60. Third-person singular present of "have."
61. Equal in duration.
62. Kind of bear.
63. Information that embarrasses.
64. Jack ... drummer.
65. Man who serves as a sailor.
66. Informal term for a meal.
67. Sound, practical judgment.

Down

1. Go insane.
2. Large luxurious car.
3. Symbol of royalty in Ancient Egypt.
4. Thin, narrow piece of wood.
5. Spiced molasses cookie, often containing chopped raisins and nuts.
6. Greek goddess of discord and strife.
7. In ... condition of owing.
8. Dick ... king of the surf guitar.
9. Having influence.
10. Determine.
11. Speak in an elevated, often pompous manner.
12. Eurasian plant cultivated for its seed and as a forage crop.
17. Horatio Nelson ... an examiner for the U.S. Patent Office.
21. Troops that serve onboard ships

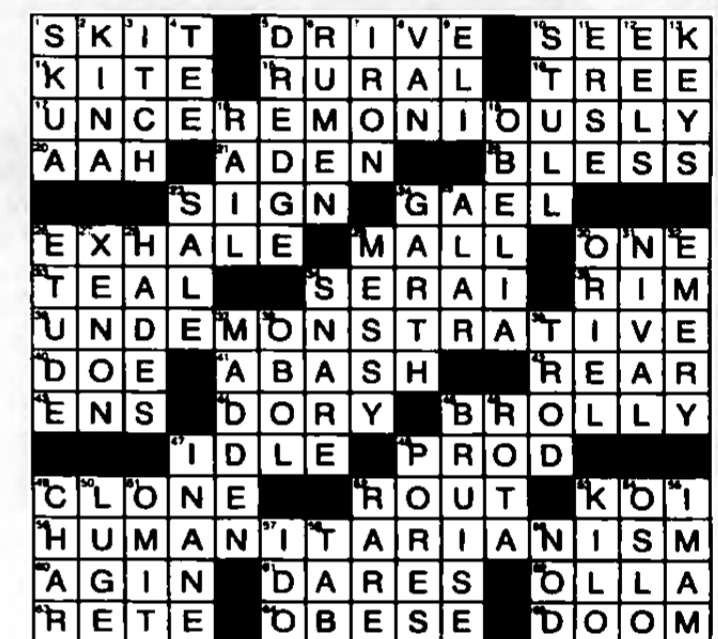
- Across
1. Prententious.
6. Eatable taro root.
10. Mock.
13. Smooth, tightly twisted cotton thread.
14. Cut grain with a hook.
15. Period of time characterized by particular events.
16. Not subject to partition.
18. Something serving as a cover.
19. Systems administrator in charge of a mail server.
22. Short bit in a newspaper.
23. Someone acting as an assistant.
25. Originally a peasant dance of the

- Gavots in upper Dauphine, France.
30. Prefix meaning "in front of something."
31. Used to connect different possibilities.
32. ... on Entebbe, 1977 TV movie directed by Irvin Kershner.
33. Eliminates.
35. Part of the traditional clothing of the Edo period.
36. Level piece of ground.
37. Cleanse.
38. Sir Christopher ... English architect.
39. Deception.
40. Slang for "in a separate place."
42. Loosen something.

- of war or in conjunction with naval operations.
24. Acronym for International Technical Service.
25. Slender and graceful.
26. Alston, science fiction and fantasy author.
27. Exchanged in rivalry.
28. Nobunaga, first individual to attempt to unify Japan at the end of the Warring States period.
29. Strange and disturbing.
30. Helped.
31. Abnormally fat.
34. Past tense of "do."
35. City in northwest Kazakhstan.
38. Contract matrimony.
40. Any high, snow-capped mountain.
41. Intentional killing of oneself.

44. Vessel in which incense is burned, especially during religious services.
45. Socket holding a precious stone.
47. Earth god and god of vegetation.
48. Furry marsupial that climbs trees and feeds on eucalyptus leaves.
51. Grammatical word used to indicate something already mentioned.
53. World's largest continent.
54. Translate a program written for one's computer so that it can be run on a different model.
55. Subdivisions of a play.
56. Surface described by rotation of a conic section about a line.
57. Immediately.
58. Brownings of the skin resulting from exposure to the sun's rays.
59. In addition

Last Week's Answers



CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ABEDBFG HJK DLMGK NLM DLBPQ DLK
NMJRS GLMTRS WK UHBJ -

VMLP NHRQKJ

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

NEVER PUT OFF UNTIL TOMORROW WHAT YOU CAN DO THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW - MARK TWAIN

Weekly Horoscopes

March 20 to March 28

ARIES (Mar. 21 - April 20)
Changes at home might come fast and furious. You can sell your ideas to those who have the money to back them. Group endeavors will provide you with entertainment. Authority figures may be less than accommodating if you have done something deceitful.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Deception and confusion regarding your status in society is likely. Hassles with female colleagues may lead to problems with your boss. Concentrate on work. Don't put all your cash in one place.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Try to be tolerant of the moods of those around you. Control your temper by getting immersed in your work. Get involved in physical activities that will stimulate you. Don't upset elders in your family who don't understand your present situation.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
Confronting a situation will only result in indignation and misunderstandings. If you keep busy you won't feel the personal pressures you are going through. Don't try to get even without having all the facts. Your changing attitudes may be causing concern for your partner.

LEO (July 23 - Aug 22)
Spend some time on yourself. Try to be reasonable. A trip to visit relatives should be rewarding. Don't let your emotional upset interfere with your professional objectives.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)
Changes will not be easy for the youngsters involved. Don't hesitate to visit someone who hasn't been well. You may have problems with those you live with. Self-deception regarding your own worth may lead you down the wrong path.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
You can win points if you present your ideas this week. Do not over expand if you have your own business. Sit tight. Family outings that aren't expensive will be enjoyable and help strengthen ties. Social activity should be on your agenda.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Avoid being intimately involved with clients or colleagues. Comfort is a necessity. Check your motives. Control your anger. Do not react too harshly when dealing with partners.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
You may need to make a few alterations to your living arrangements. Consider a conservative investment that will stay solid when everything else goes sour. Put your efforts into making changes to your domestic scene. You will encounter those who can help you further your goals.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan. 20)
Plan to do things with your faithful pet or with youngsters who have interesting hobbies. You could meet an interesting individual you'll want to get to know better. Your creative ability will surface, giving you good ideas for ways of making money. You will have an interest in foreigners and their cultures.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Your best efforts will come through hard work. Don't let those close to you get under your skin. Try not to let relatives or friends cause any friction with your mate. Try not to lend or borrow money this week.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)
Your position may be in question if you haven't been pulling your weight. Channel your efforts into achieving your goals. Don't be too quick to spend money. Your depressed mood has been hard to shake.

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1999 Cadillac DeVille
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Help Wanted

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Lost

On Sunday, March 16th - One pair of black-framed prescription eyeglasses; in a brown, hard plastic case. Lost on the snowmobile trail somewhere between the Halfway hut and Stead Hwy (#304). If found, please call 367-8904 and leave a message 1x2

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Want to Rent

Want to rent a house or trailer in Pine Falls, St. Georges, Silver Falls, or Great Falls area. Please call: 1-204-482-6171. 16x24

Travel

A FEW SEATS LEFT!
Shooting Star Casino Trip. \$150/person. On May 9, 10 & 11. Pick-up in Pine Falls. Contact Alana Simard: 367-7314 2x2

PSA's

Silver Haven Lunch Menu
Open to all seniors 55 and up. You are welcome to bring a guest. All meals are \$5.00. Meals are at 11:30 am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Your name must be put on the list the day before by calling Silver Haven at 367-4620 or by calling Denise at 367-2374

Wednesday March 5
Soup, Hot beef sandwich, fries, green beans, lemon pie

Friday March 7
Soup, salmon loaf, scalloped potatoes, com, pudding

Monday, March 10
Salad, liver & onions, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, fruit crisp

Wednesday, March 12
Soup, roast chicken, stuffing, gravy roast potatoes, carrots, strawberry shortcake.

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First Notice of Tax Sale Auction

Rural Municipality of Alexander

Pursuant to subsection 367(1) of The Municipal Act (MA), notice is hereby given that unless the tax arrears for the designated year and costs shown below in respect of the hereinafter described property are paid in full to the municipality or an agreement under Section 369(1)(b) MA to pay the arrears and costs has been made with the municipality, prior to the commencement of the auction, the municipality will proceed to sell the said property by public auction at the office of the municipality at following place, date and time:

Where: Rural Municipality of Alexander
104058 - PTH #11, P.O. Box 100, St. Georges, Manitoba R0E 1V0
Date and Time: June 26, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

Registered Owner:	Darren Russell Plourde			
Roll #	Legal Description	Arrears	Costs	Total
11800	95063 Stead Road 44E Sly 300 feet of nly 734 feet of wly 265 feet of Legal Subdivision 5 of Section 33-16-8 EPM Subject to the reservations and provisions contained in the Provincial Lands Act	\$1,602.82	\$904.06	\$2,506.88

- The tax arrears amount shown above includes penalties calculated to the day of the sale. Costs will continue to be incurred and added to the amount required to redeem.
- The property may be sold at the auction for less than the amount of the tax arrears.
- Contact the municipal office by telephone for verification of costs. Any overpayment will be applied to payment of tax arrears. Payment must be made by cash, certified cheque or any other form of guaranteed payment.
- For any inquiries regarding the tax sale process or auction, contact TAXservice at 204-480-8425
- IF THE PROPERTY IS SOLD, THE SALE IS FINAL AND ANY INTEREST YOU HAD IN THE PROPERTY BEFORE THE SALE WILL BE EXTINGUISHED.**
- There will not be an opportunity to redeem this property from tax sale and a property transfer application will proceed immediately after the auction.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2008



Margaret Bonekamp
Chief Administrative Officer
(204) 367-6170

This First Notice of Tax Sale Auction is published for the purpose of effecting substitutional service thereof upon DARREN RUSSELL FLOURDE, as set out in the said First Notice of Tax Sale Auction pursuant to order of the Deputy District Registrar dated February 11, 2008.

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This unique opportunity will be of interest to a dynamic and broadly-experienced Nurse who would like to become a member of a professional medical unit that provides assessment and treatment to clients within a correctional environment.

Qualifications: Registration with the College of Registered Nurses or the College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Manitoba. Excellent teamwork/interpersonal skills to ensure a high standard of health care. Able to work independently and make decisions based on sound clinical assessments skills. Experience/ability providing health education on an individual and group basis. Experience in crisis intervention, emergencies and psychiatric services preferred. Experience in a similar environment, northern communities, emergency rooms, public health, psychiatric or community medical services and experience/knowledge of communicable disease issues and addictions are assets. Familiarity with Aboriginal Culture is desired. The successful candidate will be subject to security checks including a Criminal Records Search and Child Abuse Registry Check.

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