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Praznik says there is 'no more money' Nurses choose the picket line

by Linda J. Dalglish

Strike headquarters at the Anglican Church in Pine Falls was fairly optimistic on January 1, 1991. The nurses on the picket line smiled and waved at the few passersby. Some were wearing homemade signs.

Vicki Keenan, vice-president of the local union, called strike headquarters in Winnipeg to get the latest offers. The nurses' newest offer was 27% increase over two years. The government's latest offer was that the RNs would receive 14½% over three years with an increment to the top of the scale. They offered LPNs 0% the first year, with a 9% increase over the next two years. At the same time, Winnipeg media were saying that the government was offering 20% over three years.

Darren Praznik had told the nurses there is no more money. Keenan said, "We will not subsidize the health care system. It's not our problem." In the very next breath, Keenan acknowledged, "If it (the strike) goes on



Pine Falls nurses on the picket line.

more than a couple of days, it's a crime. It's unfair to the people we serve."

The nurses are on the picket lines four hours every day. They also work three shifts of eight hours of essential service per week in the hospital. Money earned goes back to the provincial union. During

the strike, nurses receive \$20 per day strike pay after the first week. During the first week, the nurses receive no money.

For single income households like Antoinette Bouboire, it is difficult. She had "lots of bills, a mortgage to pay and a car loan to pay."

Susan Ketola's uncle Clifford Shand knows first-hand what nurses can mean to him. This cancer patient from Pointe du Bois has had several sessions of chemotherapy in St. Boniface Hospital. He has started a loony collection for the nurses.

Mrs. E. Fortier brought "hot muffins, with tears in her eyes" to the nurses on the picket line. "A devoted husband" brought hot soup and served it to the nurses on the line.

Presently, in the hospital, there is one RN on duty during the day, one RN and one LPN in the evening, and one RN and one LPN in the night. At Sunnywood Manor, there is one RN during the day, and one LPN in each of the even-

ing and night shift. Two nurses on the picket line wear buttons to indicate that they are available to provide more essential service as needed. In the event of full-scale emergency, the nurses would all go back on duty.

"If the public is concerned, put pressure on the government and media. Call Darren Praznik. Complain to Praznik or the media that it is a dangerous situation," several nurses observed.

"We want to go to work and take care of the patients," Derna Carlson emphasized. She was also concerned that nurses were not able to provide the care they had been trained to do, such as teaching preventative medicine to patients. There are no orderlies and no ward clerks. Sometimes nurses have to answer 33 telephone calls in an evening shift.

Val MacKay was also concerned about the number of telephone calls during the strike. She suggested that the public limit phone calls to the hospital and limit their visits

to the outpatients department. Patients should only be coming to the hospitals with genuine emergencies. They should attend the medical clinic during regular office hours. The number of beds in the hospital have been limited and are available only for emergencies.

Val MacKay and other administrative staff were seeking to fill in wherever possible. MacKay had come into work January 1, 1991 dressed for work in whites and a lab coat instead of her usual business attire. Allan Tardiff, physical plant manager, had been answering phone calls and filling in as needed during the day. At five o'clock, he was dressed in a yellow gown handing out dinner trays to patients at Sunnywood Manor.

Both management and nurses emphasized that there was a positive relationship between them. The negotiations were taking place in Winnipeg. The strike contingency plan was in effect and was working.

Emergency services only

Due to the nurses' strike, Val MacKay, executive director, stated that the board of directors of the Pine Falls General Hospital has ordered that the **Essential Services Only** plan be implemented in order to cope with the nursing staff walkout.

Only **EMERGENCY** care situations will be handled by the **Hospital Out-Patient Department** until further notice. Beds have been closed except for a limited few to

handle emergent cases.

The Pine Falls Medical Clinic has advised that they will be open as usual. The public is requested to attend the clinic during regular office hours for any care that is not an emergency. The hospital, as is the case with most in Manitoba, will not be able to provide the usual range of in and out-patient services during this strike.

Your understanding and cooperation during this difficult situation is appreciated.

Happy New Year!

Sunnywood Manor News

A number of our activities over the past few weeks have been Christmas oriented to help create the spirit of Christmas. Lately we have enjoyed the beautiful voices of two different choirs — the Powerview Church's Adult Choir and Children's Choir. On each visit residents and staff were treated with a wonderful selection of Christmas carols — sometimes joining in; other times just listening. During the afternoon of December 21, Sunnywood Manor held a Christmas party for the residents and their family members. Everyone joined in singing carols led by Flo Vincent, Cecile Chevretils and Yvonne Rothenberger. This was followed by a visit from Santa played by Ray Lavallee. On December 24, the residents enjoyed an hour or so of

decorating gingerbread houses with the help of Kathy Dugard and her daughters Justine, Cara and Simone. These are on display at the nurses' station. And of course, the many families and friends visiting have brought with them Christmas cheer.

We would like to welcome two new residents — Mr. Chris Hemminger who joined our group on December 18, and Mr. Boniface Guimond, who moved in on December 27.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Alice Robitaille who passed away on December 26. She will be missed by everyone at Sunnywood Manor.

Christmas party at Pineview

by Linda Dalgliesh

Pineview Lodge was treated to a wonderful concert of Christmas music by an all-age choir from Notre Dame du Laus church in Powerview. Edgar (Chic) Desautels conducted the group. Their choice of music ranged from tradition to contemporary. The musical accompaniment included the soft chords of a guitar.

The traditional event was held on December 21, 1990. Tea, coffee, and Christmas goodies provided some more festive cheer.

Many residents sang along. Maurice Dansereau, who is now blind, sang a solo to the delight of everyone. Dansereau was formerly active in choirs and conducting. The choir sang for nearly two hours and concluded with a moving rendition of *Love is the Reason*.

Police report busy holiday season

Staff Sergeant Murphy reported the following local crimes over the holiday season.

On December 22, 1990 at 1:00 p.m. a car stopped at Midway Foods. The driver went into the store. The passenger drove off in the car. The car was recovered the same day at Traverse Bay with minor damage. A 27-year old Fort Alexander man was held responsible. He was charged with impaired driving while suspended and with theft of a vehicle.

Sometime in December, 1990 a set of keys were lost in Pine Falls on Poplar Street or Tamarac Bay.

At 5:30 a.m. December 24, 1990, a house was broken into at Hollow Water. Two individuals sprayed a fire extinguisher in the face of a twenty-five-year old man. They also proceeded to beat him up. The individuals are fifteen and eighteen years old.

On December 24, 1990 at 7:00 a.m. another house at Hollow Water was broken into by the same fifteen-year old. He was scared off by the occupants.

At 11:50 a.m. on December 25, 1990 a lady reported her sixteen-year old son had stolen her car. At 12:20 p.m. he was apprehended on the Fort Alexander Reserve and charged with impaired driving.

At 9:10 p.m. on December 25, 1990 a sixteen-year old Fort Alexander girl reported being assaulted by another girl. This is under investigation.

Two Winnipeg brothers were visiting in the Pine Falls area. One got in a fight with his wife on December 24 and walked away from the house. He was found in Steinbach at

another brother's residence. This was reported at 8:45 p.m. on December 25, 1990.

At 11:30 p.m. on December 25, 1990, a twenty-five-year old man reported being assaulted at a party in Hollow Water.

At 12:40 p.m. on December 25, at Victoria Beach a fifty-four-year old woman was outside in her nightgown in a hysterical state and intoxicated. She was arrested for intoxication and placed in hospital. She claimed she was assaulted by her son. Police arrested her 32-year old son.

At 2:15 a.m. on December 29, 1990, a house was broken into on the Fort Alexander Reserve. An amplifier and fifteen compact discs were stolen. It is under investigation.

At 5:25 a.m. on December 29, 1990 a house party at Victoria Beach, an individual smashed some windows and uttered threats. This is under investigation.

On December 29, 1990 at 11:15 p.m. on the Fort Alexander Reserve, a nineteen-year old man was charged with assault on a twenty-five-year old female. He was released on bail at that time for the same offense on a prior occasion. He was arrested and escorted to Winnipeg.

Staff Sergeant Murphy ended on a positive note. There were only two impaired drivers during that reporting period. He says that increased patrols and the tough drinking and driving laws are causing people to stay at home to party over the holidays.

Sagkeeng vote 'yes' on bingo referendum

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

Fort Alexander presently holds nine bingos a week. Each bingo is sponsored by a different local organization and each receives the proceeds from their own bingo.

Some people at the general band meeting suggested that it would be better to have all the bingos under one organization, the chief and council, in order to provide better accountability of the funds.

If the reserve voted "yes", the chief and council will decide how the money is

spent. They could put the total into the general fund, or divide it up among different organizations, or use the entire amount for the projected new arena complex.

It was decided to hold a general referendum on December 19, 1990. Mary Starr was the referendum officer, poll clerks were hired. The final vote is 206 — yes, and 52 — no. The chief and council will now decide how the money is to be allocated. Bingos will proceed as usual.

DATE BOOK

Winnipeg River Women's Institute — meets the third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m., Library Allard in St. Georges.

Library Allard Hours — Tues, 10:30-4:30, Wed and Thurs, 1:00-4:30 and 6:30-8:00, Fri, 1:00-4:30, Sat, 10:30-12:30.

Al-Anon Serenity Group — To be held Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. — United Church, Walnut Street, Pine Falls. For anyone who lives with the problem of alcoholism or drug addiction in a friend or relative, call Elsa 367-2936, Leona 367-8418, or Flo 367-2556.

Silver Haven Club — Monthly meetings every second Thursday of the month at 3:15 p.m. after whist game, Powerview Church basement. St. Georges Sand Bag League — Every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. St. Georges Parish Church.

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Agassiz School Board

Provincial exam set at 30%

by Gladys Godt

Despite cold weather and treacherous roads, the meeting of the Agassiz School Division No. 13 went on. The meeting was held in Beausejour instead of as scheduled in Lac du Bonnet and since *The Leader* was not notified, a reporter could not attend.

At an earlier meeting held December 13, the five members of the Education and Policy Committee, the invited Grade XII mathematics teachers and all of the principals in the division dealt with the provincial mathematics examination issue.

The recommendations from this meeting were to assign to the provincial mathematics exam a value of 30% of the final grade; and that the minister be asked to identify the core areas to be tested next year before the beginning of the school year; and that the minister be asked to set the date of testing so that the core areas may be completed and reviewed before the testing date.

When the matter of 0% or 30% for provincial exams arose earlier this year, many

board members throughout the province were concerned about what they felt was an unfair situation which had been imposed on the students.

One third of the course year had passed before the students and teachers knew what course material might be included on the exam, therefore the work might not be covered and as a result, there would be no time for review.

These recommendations were submitted to and accepted by the school board at their regular meeting.

Another new course option

Another item which received much attention was the proposal submitted by Anne Longston dealing with a hospitality plus program.

Longston, who is proposing this course for Grade XII students or people in the community, says that the purpose is to provide skills and training to assist in a successful transition from school to work.

The board agreed to submit this proposal to the federal government for funding and

Marketing clubs help maximize returns

Manitoba producers are forming their own marketing clubs in response to the increasing emphasis on marketing in the agriculture industry. These clubs not only provide the basic concepts of marketing, but also show producers how to maximize profits through different selling techniques.

Brent McCannell, Manitoba Agriculture's farm management specialist in the northwest region, says marketing clubs allow producers to share information on different marketing methods and then transfer that knowledge back to the farm.

"In these times of low commodity prices, if a producer can learn how to get a few more dollars out of the marketplace by selling a little

differently, then a marketing club can be quite worthwhile," said McCannell.

There are approximately a dozen marketing clubs operating throughout the province. McCannell said these clubs are producer-driven, reflecting the needs and wants of members. Clubs range from informal groups which meet periodically, to formal associations with an elected executive and a set of by-laws.

"Essentially, marketing clubs are a group of producers who have come together with

the same goal in mind," said McCannell. "They basically just want to learn more about grain marketing."

As part of the learning process, many clubs bring in guest speakers from grain companies, universities or department staff to share information on marketing techniques.

"A marketing club can be anything its members want it to be," he said.

McCannell said in most cases, producers will approach their ag rep to help get clubs off the ground.

For more information on marketing clubs, Brent McCannell will address this subject at the Farm Business Challenges Conference, February 4-6 in Brandon.

Health, happiness and hope

As the new year begins, I want to express to you my sincerest appreciation for the opportunity you have given me to represent you in Ottawa. Throughout the year, it has also been my pleasure, thanks to your weekly community newspaper, to bring you information concerning the programs and initiatives of the Government of Canada. You have responded with letters, calls and suggestions. These continue to reinforce my belief that responding to your concerns and questions is my most important function, and I hope to continue to ensure your best interests are served. Please keep your comments coming throughout '91.

This time of year is traditionally marked by a spirit of generosity and love. It is a special occasion marking a time of hope and promise for us all.

As friends and families join to celebrate the Yuletide, we are reminded of the blessings of peace, generosity and good will that characterize our homes and communities.

My warmest wishes to each of you and may the coming year bring good health and



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by The Honourable Jake Epp M.P. Provencher

every happiness and hope for a world at peace in 1991.

Badminton Club holds tournament

Pine Falls Badminton Club held a social tournament on December 16. A round robin play was enjoyed by all. The first event was won by Leitha Fraser and Stephen Kulyk. They went through the tournament without a loss. Tyler Pichor and Andy Kulyk were the winners of the second event. The third event was captured by Jeff Kane and Dave Loucks. A good time was had by all.

Badminton will start up again on January 6 at 7:00 p.m. See you on the courts.

Development council receives \$3,900 grant

The Southeast Resource Development Council has received a \$3,900 provincial grant to enable the organization to continue representing nine Native bands.

"This funding will help the council deliver a broad range of activities to band in the southeast region of the province," Northern and Native Affairs Minister James Downey said in announcing the grant.

Downey noted that an important role of the council is to negotiate development loans for its member bands.

"The council's work has been instrumental in creating employment and assisting in the development of new business for Natives," the minister said.

The council represents native bands from Berens River, Bloodvein, Brokenhead, Buffalo Point, Hollow Water, Little Black River, Little Grand Rapids, Pauingassi and Poplar River.

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Please note that the Selkirk Regional Centre will be open from 8 am to 4 pm, January 2 - 4, 1991. Regular hours of 8 am - 5 pm and 6 - 9 pm, Monday to Thursday, will resume on January 7. The Eastman Information Centre is open 8:30 am - 4 pm, Monday to Friday.

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Audience stumps experts with GST questions

by Linda J. Dalglish

With less than two weeks until the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax, there was still a great deal of confusion about it at the meeting sponsored by the Pineview Economic Development Group on December 18, 1990. Held in the Golden Leisure Club, the meeting was packed to listen to Revenue Canada representatives, Val Martin and Vince Tycholas, explain the new tax using overheads.

Even before the presentation was complete, questions began to fly. When the floor was opened to questions, there were so many that each person had to be limited, by chairperson Dick Boyko. People talked fast and answers came back just as fast. Several times the audience stumped the experts, and they had to promise to call back with an answer within a few days.

Tycholas, the more experienced presenter, said that he had been involved in "many such meetings". Each group usually came up with some unique situations but overall the questions were similar. GST staff were putting in many hours of overtime. New staff had been trained. However, there were still delays and busy signals when people tried to get answers either in person or by telephone. The toll-free number is 1-800-665-8749 and in Winnipeg 983-4525.

It appeared that George Harbottle did not think that the government was quite square in their presentation of the GST. He said, "getting something back is artificial."

Dick Boyko wanted to know if his regular year end inventory was OK or if he had to make a special inventory pre-GST. He was told that for a company with sales over \$70,000 and year-end inventory between November 1, 1990 and February 28, 1991, that it would be sufficient.

Mike Raymond of Paper-town, had a host of problems. Beer is taxed under GST but bottles are not. He wasn't sure how to sell a case of beer. Raymond knew GST might apply to gratuities. Tycholas said, "if the gratuity was on the bill, GST should be charged on it but if it's not on the bill, who knows?" Raymond found out that if he provides meals to fire fighters hired by the province, by supplying groceries, he is not required to pay GST because they are a government organization which are zero rated.

Keith Clark of Pine Phar-

macy learned that he has at least four categories of goods in his store. Martin and Tycholas suggested he include GST in the price where applicable. A concern was brought up about sales tax being applied to items with GST included in the price. In Manitoba, it is against the law to add tax on tax. Many other provinces allow this because it is easier for businesses to calculate the taxes.

Cabinet-maker Gary Berthelette wanted to know what to do about items ordered before January 1 but with delivery after GST was implemented. It appeared there would be GST on it.

Dave Dufour, a local contractor, wanted to know how to tax a joint venture project with an Indian band. If the band is a corporation, there is tax. If the band is not incorporated, there is no GST however, in a joint venture is the whole taxed or only the part? Who are you legally doing business with? The band or the corporation.

Terry Wert, Broadlands Gas Bar, said that some station owners were including the GST in the price of the gas on the pump, others were putting it on the till like Shell, which was seen as a marketing technique. Wert asked, "What do I do when someone comes in and asks for \$5.00 worth of gas?"

Mike Raymond suggested GST software be made available similar to the income tax software. It is confusing for staff.

The meeting ended with a babble of voices asking questions of the Revenue Canada spokesperson and both asking questions and voicing complaints to each other.

Powerview council changes policy

The Village of Powerview council decided on December 19, 1990 to permit removal of snow on private driveways by the village. The cost of this removal is one hundred dollars flat rate for the entire winter payable in advance. All driveways regardless of length or size will be cleared for the same basic rate. The driveways have to be accessible to the snowplow. This policy is effective immediately. Some residents paid or had a council person pay for them, as soon as the provision was passed.

World population: food is the issue

My New Year's reading has included a new study of the population living on this old planet — and the statistics are staggering:

Just last year, the number of people on earth ticked past the five billion mark. We are growing by 230,000 per day, 160 people per minute!

In fact, the population increase is now the fastest in the history of mankind. In the past, it took more than 100 years for the world population to grow from one to two million people. Now, it increases by 84 million annually, one billion over just 12 years.

Canada's growth rate is a mere one percent per year, while some other countries, notably Germany, are recording zero-growth rates where fertility is actually below so-called replacement rates.

Given these figures, the recent breakdown during the GATT meetings on agriculture subsidies is far more of a disaster than the simple squabbling of international politicians.

The Canadian International Development Agency, in another study linking population growth with food production, says that it is not a matter of the availability of agricultural products, merely the problems of how we market foodstuffs and how we get them to the hungry.

"According to present trends, the proportion of malnourished people in the developing world from 23 percent to 17 percent, but

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— because of the substantial increases in population growth — the total number of hungry people will jump from 435 million to more than 600 million by the turn of the century."

All this, of course, is pertinent to Canadian farmers.

We all know that hunger co-exists alongside glut in this world. In the U.S. and Europe, farmers are paid not to grow grain.

CIDA says: "By protecting their own farmers from foreign competition, many governments in developed countries have driven a wedge between domestic and world-market prices — and created massive surpluses of wheat, butter, milk, sugar, olive oil and rapeseed."

The recent spectacle of seeing the Soviet Union begging for food from western countries only emphasized the problem:

As Washington and Ottawa pointed out, and as television film revealed, the U.S.S.R. was not short of food, they just couldn't get it to the markets in Moscow and Leningrad. The trucks were all broken down, the railways were rotting, and the food was just left lying in the fields.

In point of fact, the population study made it absolutely clear:

"Food production has stayed ahead of the population growth and actually doubled between 1950 and 1980."

The world will have to come together on this major question.

Canadian farmers are the most efficient production unit on the face of the earth, but our national government simply will not be able to afford constant billion-dollar bailouts because of protectionist tactics elsewhere.

And, in the meantime, millions are starving.

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Quick-thinking teen saves tot's life

Here's something you can count on: Michael Rempel and Julie Sproule will be friends for life.

Michael is four. Julie is fifteen, a secondary school student who once studied cardiovascular pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) as a course option. Julie was babysitting the Rempel children after school one day when Michael choked on his food and lapsed into unconsciousness.

While the other Rempel child called the ambulance and Julie's father, Julie dislodged a piece of hot dog from Michael's windpipe and began CPR. By the time the ambulance arrived, Michael once again was breathing. The picture in the Steinbach *Carillon* shows a contented young man on the lap of a quick-thinking teenager.

Let me tell you the strange odyssey of another Rempel, this time Brent, of Morris.

Brent's parents, Lynn and Dale, decided to visit the U.S. in the month before the anticipated arrival of their infant.

Well, Brent decided to be born in North Dakota. This was a fairly straight-forward affair until his parents got back to the border.

Surprise! This precious little armload may have Canadian parents, but he is an American. His parents had to apply to the Canadian Citizenship Court and fill out a raft of forms, and pay a fee, to have him declared a citizen of Canada. The neighbors' popular question these days is, How's the little Yank?

A story in the Melfort *Journal* tells of the problems in the O'Neil household at Star City.

Vicki and Melvin O'Neil have three sons, Jeffery 9, Justin 5, and Jonathon 3. Jeffery and Justin have aplastic anemia and require marrow transplants. The Red Cross is conducting a search for marrow donors. The Knights of Columbus have undertaken a drive for funds to help a family which faces heavy expenses as the transplant operations are performed only in Vancouver.

The Opasquia *Times* of The Pas carries a letter of the type which touches the heartstrings. Students at Opasquia School raised \$2,600 to buy an electronic helper for a former student, Kelly Bates, of Canora. Kelly is now a quadriplegic, having been seriously injured in a dirt-bike accident. The equipment is a communications device, an Epson HX-20, which enables Kelly to *speak* to her family.

While I happen to favor news of the neighborly type, I occasionally must dabble in the other kind as well.

The Brooks *Bulletin* reports that a local resident, Don McArthur, has been advised he must have a driver's license in order to operate his three-wheeled scooter on town streets. Don is handicapped by both a loss of mobility, and by failing eyesight.

After a flurry of telephone calls, I find this problem is one of definition.

An electronic wheelchair is exempt from most license requirements. This is not the case with vehicles designed for highway use, which is what Don uses.

Neighborly News

by Fred McGuinness
Box 1020
Brandon, Man.
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A letter in the Nipawin *Journal* informs me of neighborly happenings.

Linda Drobot donated a box of miscellaneous articles to a church sale. Later that afternoon, her doorbell went ding-dong and a church member returned a sum of money in old-style paper currency which had been included in a pouch of papers.

Abitibi-Price withdraws from Venezuela project

Toronto — Abitibi-Price has announced it will withdraw from a proposed joint venture to build a newsprint mill in Venezuela. "Anticipated returns do not meet our investment criteria," said Bernd K. Koken, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, in a letter to Venezuela's President Perez.

"The higher cost associated with building the mill in an undeveloped area, plus very expensive financing" have combined to produce insufficient returns to the company, particularly when compared with other strategic opportunities in Canada, the United States and Europe, the chairman added.

The proposed project was first announced in 1988, as a joint venture with the government of Venezuela, local

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Many of us set goals for self-improvement at the start of the year to motivate ourselves to change. Perhaps making a similar list of environmental resolutions would help us act on our good intentions towards the environment.

1. Review your home heating systems, your water heater and your insulation. Much of the energy consumed in the average Canadian home is wasted because of inefficient heating systems. Tuning up an oil furnace, applying caulking and weatherstripping to seal cracks, insulating the attic and upgrading or replacing the windows in your home can reduce energy loss and heating bills.

2. Check your appliances' energy consumption. Keeping your refrigerator and freezer even five degrees colder than necessary will increase your energy consumption by as much as 25%. Refrigerators should be kept between two degrees and five degrees Celsius (35-40°F) and the freezer compartments and the freezer at -18°C (0°F). Every six months, condenser coils at the back of the fridge should be cleaned carefully with the brush or nozzle attachment of the vacuum cleaner. After appliances, water heaters are the second largest energy user in your home. Turning off the heater when you leave home for a weekend or take a vacation is also recommended.

3. Turn off the lights when you leave the room and choose light bulbs with conservation in mind. One 100 watt bulb gives almost as much light as two 60 watts and uses less energy. Compact

Corner Stone

by Marilyn Zarecki
Home Economist
Manitoba Agriculture
Beausejour, 268-1411

Fluorescent bulbs are the latest innovation in efficient lighting. Although they cost more than the traditional incandescent bulb, they use less electricity and pay off in lower energy costs.

4. Conserve water. Keeping the water running while you brush your teeth, shave or wash dishes is a bad habit that in time squanders an astonishing amount of water.

5. The average Canadian household throws out a tonne of garbage a year. Practise the three Rs — reduce, reuse, and recycle (in that order). Reduce means avoiding unnecessary, heavily packaged or disposable goods. Reusing can entail borrowing, bartering, renting or repairing items to prevent using items only once. Look for goods packaged in recyclable materials — glass, metal or paper; avoid plastic and styrofoam.

6. Handle and dispose of toxic wastes such as paints and thinners, oven cleaners, car batteries, antifreeze and pesticides with care. Simply throwing them in the trash or flushing them down the drain eventually contaminates the soil, water and air.

7. Become fuel-efficient. Cars emit carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides and hydrocarbons — gases that contribute to the greenhouse effect, acid rain and ozone smog. Give your car a tune-up. The more gas your car consumes, the more harm it does to the environment. Keeping your car tuned up makes it more fuel efficient and cuts down on toxic emissions. Car pooling is another gas-saving initiative, one that helps your pocket-book as well as the environment.

— Taken from
The Consumer 1990

Travel emergency

An attractive young girl visiting from Beausejour went driving one night with one of the local Romeos. As they pulled onto a lonely section of the local beach, the car suddenly stopped. The boy gave a resigned shrug.

"Out of gas," he muttered. Nonchalantly, the girl opened her purse and pulled out a flask.

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St. Georges Sandbag League News

by Colette Vincent

Game #8

by Colette Vincent
Men's highest score: Philip Lacharity — 9440, Jos Vincent — 8540, Victor Vincent — 7430.

Women's highest score: Jeanne Lavoie — 6980, Rita Fontaine — 6570, Julie Lavoie — 6490.

Highest square: Philip Lacharity — 1380, Rita Fontaine — 1370.

Team standings: Victor Vincent — 31, Ted Dupont — 25, Carl Vincent — 23, Julie Lavoie — 20, Philip Lacharity — 20, Jos Vincent — 18, Rita Fontaine — 14 and Henri Desautels — 9.

Home Game
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Away Game
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Erosion losses

Modern conventional farming practices have reduced both erosion and organic matter losses. Reduced summer-fallow acreage through the wise use of fertilizers and herbicides, combined with recommended crop rotations, has reduced soil degradation. Cutting back on fall tillage, cutting out stubble burning, and leaving lots of trash on the soil going into the winter, are now common practices of the better producers. We are farming better today, than 20 years ago, or 50 years ago.

However, the fact is that annual losses due to erosion in Manitoba remains very high. There is still a large percentage of producers who are not practising the recognized technology to reduce wind and water erosion. In Manitoba, the average annual loss to wind erosion is 22 million tons of soil at a current cost of \$31.6 million. Water erosion accounts for an annual loss of 15 million tons of soil at a current cost of \$21.8 million.

Wind erosion is more serious than water erosion in this district. It reduces soil productivity through loss of organic matter and nutrients, available water holding capacity, deterioration of soil structure, and increasing non-uniformity of soils. The annual wind erosion costs alone are approximately equal to the annual cost of fertilizers on the prairies. In Manitoba, the average annual cost to farmers due to erosion is \$3.70 per acre.

The effect of erosion on crop yields varies with the topsoil depth. The loss of one inch of topsoil reduces wheat yields by 1.5 bushels per acre.

The most obvious signs of past wind erosion are eroded knolls and buried fence-lines. Dust in the air looks dramatic, and it is, because it represents considerable soil loss from a field. Where visibility has been reduced to one-half mile at a six foot height, the average rate of soil removal by suspension exceeds three-quarter ton per acre per hour. Where visibility is reduced to one-tenth of a mile, the rate of soil removal exceeds 15 tons per acre per hour. Sandblasts at these rates will also kill small grain seedlings.

Slurr (dirty snow in the ditches) reflects excessive tillage on the adjacent fields.

Any erosion less than five tons per acre, will not be observed without instruments. Therefore, if tolerable soil

The Farmers' Corner

by (R.C.) Jerry Moffat
 Agricultural Representative
 Manitoba Agriculture
 Beausejour, 268-1411

losses are from two to five tons per acre, we cannot afford to see any erosion. When ditches have to be cleaned out and culverts replaced, the agricultural community as a whole must take steps to remedy the situation.

The Farming for Tomorrow Soil Conservation Program (sponsored by the Agassiz Soil & Crop Improvement Association and the Whitemouth/Reynolds Soil Conservation Association) has projects designed to assist producers in handling their erosion problems. For more information contact Jarrett Powers, soil conservation technician, at this office 268-1411.

Upcoming events

Farm Business Challenges '91 scheduled for February 4, 5 and 6, 1991, in the Victoria Inn, Brandon. Prominent resource people from across Canada and the U.S.A. will be in attendance to discuss farm marketing issues, challenges and options. This provincial and high profile conference is sponsored by Manitoba Agriculture, Agriculture Canada, and Industry, Trade and Tourism. Application forms and agendas are available at this office.

30 cent increase in minimum wage

Manitoba's hourly minimum wage will increase by 30 cents to \$5.00 effective March 1, 1991. Labour Minister Darren Praznik announced in mid-December.

The change represents a 6.4 percent increase, ranking Manitoba fourth in Canada, behind the Yukon, Ontario and Quebec. Following the increase, Manitoba's minimum wage will be the same as British Columbia, Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories.

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As submitted by Lynn Rue McCaldar

(as of Dec. 29, 1990)

	GP	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Thunder Bay	14	12	2	0	110	58	24
Warroad	10	8	2	0	104	51	22
St. Boniface	17	10	6	1	110	73	21
St. James	15	7	6	2	89	73	16
Selkirk	14	2	12	0	56	130	4
Lac du Bonnet	14	1	12	1	57	134	3

C.A.S.H. LEAGUE LEADING SCORERS

Team	GP	G	A	Pts	
Garth Eastman	SB	16	20	29	49
Kevin Martyniuk	SJ	14	17	14	31
Kelvin Martyniuk	SJ	14	7	24	31
John Hanson	W	7	18	12	30
Brent Reid	SB	16	12	17	29

Winni-Beau 4-H

by Roberta Winnemuller
 4-H Program Assistant
 Manitoba Agriculture
 Beausejour, 268-1411

Congratulations to all senior members who attended Senior Selections Weekend on November 30, December 1 and 2. As a staff person, you made the weekend very special for me. You couldn't wish for a finer group of young people. Members travelling and alternates from the Winni-Beau area are as follows:

- National 4-H Citizenship Seminar (Ottawa, April 5-11, 1991). Alternate: Laura McDougald, Whitemouth Combined Club.
- National 4-H Conference (Toronto, November 6-10, 1991). Alternate: Karlene Pluchinski, Whitemouth Combined.
- Inter-Provincial Exchange (July 2-6, 1991). Alternate: Mark Bangert, Tyndall Handy Helpers.
- 4-H Careers Conference (Winnipeg, March 13-17, 1991). Delegates: Karlene Pluchinski, Whitemouth Combined; Jason Brown,

Brokenhead Busy Bunch; Laura McDougald, Whitemouth Combined. Alternate: Jeanette Moir, Whitemouth Combined.

• Alberta Bound (late July 1991). Delegate: Owen Kebernik, Brokenhead Beef Club.

A special date to remember: our annual Curling and Bowling Day, January 12, 1991 at Great Falls. Registration at 9:30 a.m. Deadline for entries is January 4, 1991. The cost will be \$6.00 per person for either curling or bowling. The District Council will be running that canteen once again with donations from the clubs.

Another date to remember is District Public Speaking in Lac du Bonnet on February 22, 1991 at 7:30 p.m.

An important decision was voted on and passed at our last District Council meeting in December. It is as follows: District Council expects 4-H members to achieve 75% attendance at their club meetings, with project meetings extra. This is to be left up to the discretion of the head leader of each club, and if further help is needed, the program assistant.

There will be a Demonstration Workshop on Monday, January 14, 1991 at 7:30 p.m. in the Steinbach Agriculture Office. Those who think they might like to do a demonstration, please plan to attend, and maybe pick up a few pointers. Last year's provincial winners will do their demonstration for you from Graysville Light Horse & Pony 4-H Club. If planning to attend, please contact Leslie Bridges, 4-H & Youth Specialist at 326-9841.

We will be holding a Rally Meeting on January 10, 1991 in the Provincial Building, Beausejour, Health Board Room, 7:30 p.m.

LAC DU BONNET BLUES STANDINGS

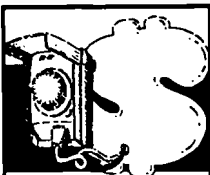
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13 Dale Chymyshyn	14	5	8	13	16
12 Greg Lodge	12	7	4	11	19
9 Paul Amos	13	5	4	9	16
22 John Kyne	13	3	6	9	84
11 Alan Neurenberg	14	1	7	8	35

GOALTENDERS

Team	MP	GA	Avg	Shots	Stops	Pct	
Jim Heaton	SB	705.2	39(2)	3.32	393	354	90.08
Steve Peters	W	230	15	3.91	115	100	86.96
Marty Abrams	TB	589.77	43	4.37	315	272	86.35
Jeff Dudych	SJ	345.87	27	4.68	231	204	88.31
Brad Guimond	LdB	430.13	54	7.96	287	233	81.2

Our next District Council Meeting will be Thursday, January 10, 1991, Provincial Building, Beausejour, Agriculture Board Room, 7:30 p.m.

I sincerely hope you all had a happy and peaceful holiday season. All the best in the New Year.



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