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Busy Moonlight Madness
It was a busy night in Moosomin on Thursday with lots of people out and about for Moonlight Madness. The Moosomin Visual Arts Centre was also open that night doing demonstrations and helping kids with cookie decorating and crafts.

Clockwise from top left: Shoppers out on Main Street; Kari's Kloset was full of shoppers; Margot Klinger and Carey Moore serving customers at McPhail Trael; People checking out some of the jewelry at Third Avenue on Main; Kids crafts at the Moosomin Visual Arts Centre.







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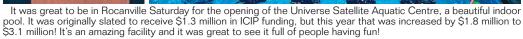
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With Rocanville Rec Director Andrea Logan.





I was so honored to speak at the Grenfell Fire Department banquet and awards night Saturday night! Thanks to all those who give their time to keep our communities safe!



Grenfell Mayor Mark Steininger.



With Grenfell Fire Chief Duane Stone and his wife Suzette. The Stones were long-time publishers of the Grenfell Sun.



With Firefighter of the Year Nici Harrison.



Deputy Fire Chief Mike Kardash.



At right, Harry Wilkins, Yorkton Deputy Fire Chief, presenting an award to Retired Fireman Clay Kardash.



Fire Chief Duane Stone addresses the crowd.



With the piper who piped us and the rest of the head table into the banquet.





The Premier's Commendation Award was presented to 64 volunteer and municipal fire departments, and the tribal council partners whose firefighters heroically protected communities and supported Saskatchewan residents when they were in need during the 2025 wildfire season.



**Right:** With Mosaic CEO Bruce Bodine at the Mosaic announcement.

Mosaic announced a \$4 million investment in developing the workforce for Mosaic Esterhazy Tuesday.

**Left:** With Alison Dubreuil of Suncrest College at the Mosaic annoucement.

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With Minister Lori Carr and Ian Moats, the man behind lan's Lights

With some of my constituents who wanted to be there for the introduction of the compassionate intervention legislation on Friday.

## A whirlwind week before the end of fall session

#### Child care deal for Saskatchewan

On Friday, our government was proud to confirm a five-year extension of the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement, ensuring that high-quality child care remains affordable and accessible across Saskatchewan, with \$10-a-day care, continued support for Early Childhood Educators and stable funding that helps parents work, train or build their careers.

This agreement delivers real results for families.

We'll keep putting Saskatchewan families first and give every child the best possible start.

Rocanville pool grand opening
It was great to be in Rocanville Saturday for the opening of the Universe Satellite Aquatic Centre, a beautiful indoor pool. It was originally slated to receive \$1.3 million in ICIP funding, but this year that was increased by \$1.8 million to \$3.1 million! It's an amazing facility and it was great to see it full of people having fun! Thanks to everyone in Rocanville who worked so hard for this!

#### **Grenfell Fire Department banquet**

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#### Alberta signs pipeline MOU with federal government

Earlier this week, the government of Alberta signed a memorandum of understanding with the federal govern-

memorandum of understanding with the federal government that commits them to working together to build a pipeline to Canada's west coast.

Premier Scott Moe called this a "really good day for Canada" and gave credit to Alberta Premier Danielle Smith for her successful push to get this deal.

There is still much work to do to make this pipeline a reality and your Saskatchewan Party team will continue

working to make Canada an energy superpower.

#### **Premier's Commendation**

The Premier's Commendation was recently awarded to honour those who stepped up during one of the most devastatingwildfire seasons on record. Volunteer and municipal fire departments were acknowledged for their courage, service and tireless efforts protecting communities. This acknowledgment show bravery and how we Saskatchewan people come together in times of crisis, and we thank all firefighters for keeping our province safer.

#### Mosaic workforce announcement

It was great to be there Tuesday as Mosaic announced a \$4 million investment in developing the workforce for Mosaic Esterhazy, including \$1.5 million to enhance Sask Polytech's Industrial Mechanics program. \$1.5 million for Suncrest College's Esterhazy campus and to expand its Industrial Mechanic apprenticeship program, and \$1.05 million for the Good Spirit School Division.

#### Improvements to Co-operatives Act

Shifting focus to economic growth, our government introduced the new Co-operatives Act, 2025, which creates a better legal and economic environment. Co-operatives make a positive impact on the day-to-day lives of Sas-katchewan residents, employ thousands of people and have been part of the fabric of our province for over a hundred years. More than half of Saskatchewan residents are members of at least one of nearly 800 co-ops across are illements of at least one of fleating 300 Goods across sectors such as agriculture, retail and childcare to name a few. With more people investing in Saskatchewan and starting businesses, this legislation reduces red tape and increases flexibility, making it easier to build and operate



co-ops across the province

#### \$10 a day daycare extended

As we look ahead, the province continues to prioritize families. The extension of the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement was announced for another five years, beginning in 2026-2027. This ensures low-cost, quality child care remains affordable and accessible. With fees reduced to \$10 a day and thousands of new spaces created, our government continues to build the state of the stat on this progress and support the early childhood educa-tors who make it possible.

Strengthening protections
Our government passed new legislation, The Cyberstalking and Coercive Control Act, to strengthen protections against interpersonal violence. The Act provides support for victims and survivors of these types of abuse, ensuring they are entitled to protections under our laws while increasing accountability for the perpetrators. This complement of the contemporary of their public sofety pri complements our government's other public safety pri-orities and shows commitment to justice and care for vulnerable residents

#### **Protecting Saskatchewan residents**

We all know that illicit drugs—the deadly substances we're seeing on our streets—are tearing families apart, hurting communities, and putting lives at risk. And for far too long, the people who profit from trafficking these drugs haven't been held fully accountable for the human

and financial cost of theharm they cause.

That's why our government has introduced The Response to Illicit Drugs Act—a new piece of legislation designed to strengthen accountability, enhance safety, and

give communities new tools to fight back.

This Act creates a clear path for both the provincial government and individuals harmed by drug offenders to take civil action. That means we can recover the health care costs associated with illicit drug production and tarficking, and victims can seek damagesfor the harm they've suffered.

Second, the Act makes sure that public funds are protected. If someone is convicted of drug offences, any ap-

pointments, grants, or agreements made by the Govern-ment of Saskatchewan can be declared void. Taxpayer dollars should never support those who profit from destroying lives.

The message is clear:
We will hold drug traffickers accountable.
We will protect our communities.

And we will continue investing in people, families, and

recovery. This new legislation is about standing up for safer streets, stronger communities, and a more secure future for everyone who calls Saskatchewan home.

As MLA for Moosomin-Montmartre I'm proud of our overnment's efforts to build a strong, safe, secure Sas-

#### SaskAbilities Day

We recognize the longstanding contributions of organizations that help strengthen communities across the province. On December 2, our government proclaimed SaskAbilities Day, celebrating their 75 years of service to persons with disabilities. Our partnership with SaskAbilities is one we deeply value, and our government congratulates them on this milestone. For decades, individuals and their desailise has been feet for the contributions. and their families have benefited from the quality services provided by SaskAbilities. We look forward to continuing our shared efforts to build an inclusive Saskatchewan.

#### lan's Lights

On Friday I gave a member statement to recognize an extraordinary Saskatchewan resident whose kindness and creativity have brightened not only his community, but lives across our province. I spoke about Ian Moats, the man behind Ian's Lights, an annual Christmas light display that has become both a local tradition and a bearen chose.

display that has become both a local tradition and a beacon of hope.

What began as one man decorating his home has grown into a powerful community initiative with a purpose far greater than festive cheer. Each year, lan transforms his property into a dazzling winter wonderland—tens of thousands of lights, and the unmistakable spirit of Christmas radiating from every corner. But even more impressive is what those lights stand for.

Ian dedicates lan's Lights to raising funds for Ward 1D, he mental health ward at the Regina General Hospital. His goal is simple but profound: to support mental health care, reduce stigma, and remind people that compassion and community can make a real difference.

Through nothing more than generosity, determination, and a love of Christmas, Ian has raised an extraordinary \$182,000 for Ward 1D. That is \$182,000 supporting patients and families, and making life better for those in 1D. It is \$182,000 helping make our province a kinder, healthier place.

But the value of Ian's work cannot be measured in dol-But the value of lan's work cannot be measured in dolars alone. His display brings families together, lifts spirits, and sparks conversations about mental health at a time of year when many quietly struggle.

I encourage everyone to check out lan's Lights, 6-10 every night this month, at the west end of my constituency, and just east of Regina, one mile south of McLean.

On Friday I thanked Ian Moats for showing Saskatchewan the true power of one preson's compassion. His

ewan the true power of one person's compassion. His lights shine brightly every December—but the impact of his generosity lasts all year long.

#### Compassionate Intervention

I was so happy to have 14 people from across Moo-somin-Montmartre and from White Bear First Nation with me in Regina Friday as our government introduced Compassionate Intervention legislation. This legislation will mean that in the extremely rare circumstances that an individual in the throes of addiction can not make the decision for themselves and is a danger to themselves or to others, they can be required to receive addictions treat-ment. Mothers have asked for this, community leaders have asked for this, First Nations chiefs have asked for this, and we are delivering.

It was wonderful to have some members of the South-

east Recovery Centre Board in attendance and some folks who have gone through treatment who know just what a difference this is going to make.

Feel free to reach out to me any time—I'm here to represent you! Call 306-435-4005, email office@kevinweedmark.ca or drop in at 622 Main Street, Moosomin.







Vendors at the Christmas market at the Hope Church.



One of Manetain's elves Sam Turnbull helping Erica Strong purchase her Christmas gifts.



Rob Turnbull purchasing some holiday necessities from Breanne Hayden and Shayna Hayden at Manetain Your Liquor Store.

## Rocanville Late Night Shopping

There was late night Christmas shopping in Rocanville on Thursday. Stores were open late that night. There were also Santa photos at Conexus, hay rides, a market at Hope Church, and the town held its community Christmas tree lighting.



The hay rides that were taking place around the town.



One of Santa's Conexus elves, Chandie Haryung, handing out treats to Santa's friends.



The Lorax multiplied and let loose around Rocanville handing out treats to all the faithful shoppers around town.



Hazel Clarke capturing the true spirit of Christmas on dad's knee, featuring Santa.



Lam and Thien with their free hot chocolate posing with a couple of Lorax impersonators.

# Young superstars belong on Olympic team

In hockey-mad Canada, fans spend their time watching hockey, thinking about hockey, talking about hockey and mentally planning Canada's roster for the 2026 Olympic Games in Italy.

Only a couple of weeks remain before the Dec. 31 dead-line for Hockey Canada to submit its roster and while a number of players' names are automatic, a couple of oth-

ers are subject to quite the controversy.

Such as: Should Connor Bedard and Macklin Celebrini be part of Canada's team that tries to win another gold medal for the No. 1 hockey country in the world? A 3-0 victory over Sweden in the 2014 gold-medal game was the last time Canada's team was comprised of National Hockey League players.

Hockey League players.

A disagreement between the NHL Players' Association, the International Olympic Committee and the International Ice Hockey Federation kept NHL players out of the 2018 Winter Olympics and the COVID-19 pandemic was responsible for their absence in 2022.

Now the NHL is back, offering Olympic Games' fans the absolute cream of the world's hockey crop ... or is it? If Bedard, 20, and Celebrini, 19, are not on Canada's team, are fans truly being treated to best-on-best?

Arguments against including Bedard and Celebrini

team, are fans truly being treated to best-on-best?
Arguments against including Bedard and Celebrini include the value of experience in international hockey.
Okay, if experience is that vital, why not get over that hump in '26 so when the 2030 games come around, they'll have already conquered that intangible.
At last look, Celebrini was second in the NHL scoring race, trailing only Nathan MacKinnon, while Bédard was fourth. Both have led their respective teams to NHL relevance after years of hanging around the bottom of the standings. Both are clearly among the top 14 forwards in the NHL; the only drawbacks are their age. It's hard to argue that a lack of international experience should be a argue that a lack of international experience should be a factor in keeping them off the team when in their imme-



#### **Bruce Penton**

diate pre-NHL years, they've dominated Canadian U-17

date pre-NriL years, they ve dominated Canadian U-1/ and World Junior teams in international play. If Canada gets solid goaltending, as Jordan Binnington provided in last winter's 4 Nations Cup, it has enough firepower up front and on defence to allow for the in-clusion of Bedard and Celebrini and win gold. Perhaps Anthony Cirelli and Mark Stone can offer better defensive play but they can't come close to generating offence like Bedard and Celebrini. If Tampa Bay's Brayden Point is a projected member of the Olympic team due to his offensive prowess, how can Canada's hockey hierarchy justify the fact that at the end of November, Point had played in 21 of Tampa's 25 games but stood 222nd in the NHL scoring race with 11 points? Perhaps Tampa coach Jon Cooper, one of the Team Canada bosses, is exerting too much influence on Canada's roster.

Dump Point. Dump Cirelli. Add the two young super-stars and fill the net in Italy. Remember, the best defence is a good offence and if Bedard and Celebrini are currently filling NHL nets surrounded by a plethora of ordinary players, how good could they be surrounded by fellow

 Comedy guy Torben Rolfsen of Vancouver: "Blue Jays' Vladimir Guerrero, Jr., won MLB's first entertainer of the year award, beating out Taylor Swift and the San Diego Chicken."

• In a Steve Rushin si.com story on ballpark food, Joey

Votto, responding to a fan who heckled that 'I remember when you used to be good': "I remember when you used to be thin."

- Scott Matia, on Bluesky: "Connor McDavid took less money and all he got in return was Trent Frederic and a kick square in the (unmentionables)."

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   Torben Rolfsen again: "Saskatchewan Roughriders players say they've got the greatest fans in pro sports. One of them said he got recognized in Walmart. Uh, dude, that's their job. They're called people greeters."

   Rolfsen once more: "The NFL had another spitting incident last week. C'mon guys, stop it. Maybe we can have a punt, pass and spit competition."

   Norman Chad, on 'Gambling Mad': "Drake Maye could be the latter day Tom Brady, without the supermodel wife, special diet and deflated footballs."

   RJ Currie of sportsdeke.com: "Three things I'm thankful for on American Thanksgiving: 3. I am not a Tennessee Titans fan; 2. I am not a Toronto Maple Leafs fan; 1. I am not a turkey."
- fan; 1. I am not a turkey."

   Steve Simmons of the Toronto Sun: "A former Olympic coach on deciding who your third goalie is: 'If you need your third goalie at the Olympics, you're already
- Headline at fark.com: "Once again the NY Giants defence snaps a loss from the jaws of victory. Meanwhile, fans wonder if they can get an interim head coach to replace the current interim head coach."
- A golden oldie from Mets' manager Casey Stengel, during an early-1960s mound visit with pitcher Roger Craig, with Giants slugger Willie McCovey about to bat: "Where do you want to pitch him, upper deck or lower deck?

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## Wawota News

Myrna Olson

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Happy 85th to Meredith Swanson on November 24. He is a resident of DVL and celebrated with cake and Happy Birthday was sung in his honor!

The Wawota Public Library Book Club met at the library on Monday November 23 to discuss their latest book it was Dust and Davids by Phonda Logge Stock

book It was Dust and Devils by Rhonda Leanne Stock. It is a historical fiction set in the prairie provinces during the Dirty 30s.

Last Sunday, November 23, the Wawota United Church had a 10 year celebration of our new sanctuary and renovated hall. Maryfield congregation joined the Wawota group for worship and a potluck lunch. There was a presentation of the planning and building and also many fundraising activities that allowed us to achieve

Last Saturday evening, November 29, the annual Win-

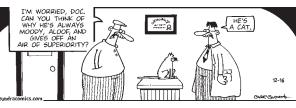
ter Wonderland Open House was held at the Ford family farm. This included a trip to the Enchanted Forest, hot chocolate and cookies and face painting. David Ford had woodworking items for purchase along with "imperfect cut" items from Glen and Deb Sorenson from Kenosee.

Kenton Olson and Carter, Stacey Heffernan, Kate and Sarah all from Regina visited with the Lamoureauxs and Myrna Olson in Deer View Lodge.

# **Chad Carpenter**

















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# WestmanRCMP Report

BY JACLYN CALCUT

#### 88 calls for service

From November 23 to 29, the Westman RCMP received a total of 88 calls for service. Some of these calls for service included 40 traffic offences, three thefts, six mischief calls, one wellbeing check, one sexual interference, two breaking and entering, one assist general public, three disobeying the order of court, and one operation while impaired file.

#### Impaired driver prohibited

from driving Canada wide
On November 23, Westman RCMP conducted a traffic stop in the RM of Wallace-Woodworth. RCMP completed a sobriety check with a 29-year-old female. The driver was prohibited from driving Canada wide. The driver blew FAIL on ASD and was placed under arrest and brought to Virden detachment where she blew 210mg/s and 190mg%. She was charged with operation while impaired (alcohol) of a motor vehicle, operation while over 80mg% and operation while prohibited. The driver was released on an appearance notice, and the vehicle was impounded. She will appear in court in January.

**Speeding tickets**On November 23 during routine traffic patrols within the RM of Pipestone and Wallace-Woodworth, RCMP the RM of Pipestone and Wallace-Woodworth, RCMP observed a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed a speed of 117 km/hr in a 90 km/hr zone. RCMP initiated a traffic stop and the driver was issued a Traffic Offence Notice for Speeding, which carries a fine

of \$403. RCMP also observed a second vehicle in the RM of Wallace-Woodworth travelling at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed a speed of 131 km/hr in a 110 km/hr zone. RCMP initiated a traffic stop and the driver was is-sued a Traffic Offence Notice for Speeding, which carries a fine of \$325.

## Two vehicles speeding in RM of Wallace-Woodworth

On November 24 during routine traffic patrols within the RM of Wallace-Woodworth, RCMP observed a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed a speed of 138 km/hr in a 110 km/hr zone. RCMP initiated a traffic stop and the driver was issued a Traffic Offence a train stop and the three was issued a fraint Collette Notice for Speeding, which carries a fine of \$416. RCMP also observed a second vehicle in the RM of Wallace-Woodworth travelling at a high rate of speed. Radar con-firmed a speed of 91 km/hr in a 60 km/hr zone. RCMP initiated a traffic stop and the driver was issued a Traffic Offence Notice for Speeding, which carries a fine of \$456.

#### Hit and run in Virden

On November 25, RCMP received a report of a hit and run in the town of Virden. The complainant advised that run in the town of Virden. The complainant advised that he had slid through a stop sign, hitting an oncoming vehicle. The driver of the oncoming vehicle told the complainant that he did not have a license and drove away. Through investigation, police located the driver who admitted to police that he had driven away after hitting the vehicle. The driver was issued Traffic Offence Notices for Drive Without Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance, Failure to Give Required Information to the Driver of Another Involved Vehicle, and Drive a Vehicle Without a Supervising Driver, carrying a total of \$1,078 worth of fines.

Attempted scam by exchanging money On November 28, RCMP received a report from a local business in the town of Virden that a man had attempted to scam them by trying to confuse the employee, asking them to exchange money into different bills while quickly flipping through the bills and mixing them up. When the employee caught on to what the man was doing and refused to exchange any other money, the man left without taking the item he had attempted to purchase.

#### **Numbers to call**

To report a complaint or non-emergent incident to RCMP please call 204-748-2135. For general inquiries or administrative requests including criminal record checks please call the administration line at 204-748-2046 Ext. 3. If you are reporting an emergency, please call 911.

#### Crime Stoppers is anonymous

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# **Esterhazy Town Council**

# Snow Angel program underway for winter

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At the council meeting on November 27, Planning and Economic Development Officer Crystal Sabo reported to Esterhazy Town Council that the town's Snow Angel program is underway for the winter.

Started early in 2025, the Snow Angel program allows seniors who are unable to shovel their snow, or who don't have anyone in their household to shovel snow, to put in an application for a "snow angel" sign.

Once that sign is in their front yard, it's an indicator to friends and

once that sign is in their front yard, it's an indicator to friends and neighbors that that person needs help shovelling snow.

Sabo told council that so far seven people had signed up for the program. She said a map will be made showing all the households that are part of the program and that map will be made public once everyone is circuit.

#### **Busy winter at Dana Antal Arena**

As part of the rec report, it was reported to council that it has already been a very busy winter at the Dana Antal Arena. Public skating and shinny is being scheduled when it can be fit into the schedule. There is also a new female change room for hockey players this year. The change room was made possible by a \$10,000 donation from Nutrien.

Town applying

for CHIF grant
The town of Esterhazy will be applying for the Canadian Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF). The town is working on a long-term infrastructure plan, and if successful, would use the CHIF grant funding to cover some of the cost of creating that plan.









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# **Looking Back**

Five years ago, 2020: The Moosomin and District Seniors group presented \$60,000 to the Health Care Foundation. The money went toward new mattresses for the 23 beds in the Acute Care Depart-ment; United Steel Workers Union donated \$1,500 to MacLeod Elementary SCC for their breakfast program.

Ten years ago, 2015: The Moosomin Kinsmen Club's Lotto 365 launched for the 14th year and put \$550,000 into the commu-nity over the last 13 years. The lottery benefited four local organizations— Southeast Integrated Care Centre, Playfair Day Care, Pipestone Hills Golf Club, and the Moosomin Curl-

# ing Rink. Fifteen years ago, 2010: Manitoba got rid of the small business tax. When

small business tax. When the NDP took office in 1999, the small business tax was at eight per cent. That number had dropped in the decade down to one per cent before the phase-out; Moosomin's Susan Trimble was the first Canadian to set foot into Dandan Oilik. Dandan Oilik is located in the Taklamakan Desert, Xinjiang Province, China. It had no airport, no roads and no river, it took three days on the back of a camel to reach the destination.

Theory was an 2005.

Seniors donate \$60,000 to Health Care Foundation

This was the front page of The World-Spec-

tator five years ago on December 8th, 2020.

#### Twenty years ago, 2005:

Wawota's Brooks Laich got his shot in the NHL, making his debut with the Washington Capitals, scoring his first goal on November 19 against the Montreal Canadiens; Former paramedic, Norbert Georget, spoke to Elkhorn students about the dangers of divisions and division.

One hundred years ago, 1925:
Fort William and Port Arthur broke all records on the season when 5,915,000 bushels of grain were shipped out from the terminal elevators. Vancouver also saw a high figure at 793,230 bushels; Two buffalo, three Rocky Mountain sheep, and three Rocky Mountain goats sailed from Montreal to France. They were gifts from the Canadian Government to the National Museum of Natural History in Paris.

## **Moosomin Food Bank** providing families with **Christmas hampers**

"For Christmas, we like to give the children something extra and even the adults so with that toy drive the RCMP, firefighters, and Hutch Ambulance did, they donated all of the toys. So we had a group come and wrap them and sorted what we needed for the food bank and then we are donating the rest of the toys to Angels Anonymous so they can help as many people as they can. Then, we collected throughout the last few months brand new things that people donated to the thrift store for the adults like brand new socks

or a rice cooker that we set aside and let the adults pick something if they need it." Campbell says the community helping gather food and toys for the holiday ham-

pers is heartwarming.

"It feels great. You want to try to do good for your community and help as good for your community and help as many people as you can so that is why we are doing it. It is pretty good, especially to be recognized and have people give back to us, and to be able to pay it forward is

#### **Donations needed**

The Food Bank is having to cut food supply for the families and individuals

ey serve due to low funding.
"Monetary donations would be our biggest need just because we can make it go a lot further," Campbell said. "We try to shop everything locally at Co-op, but it is just becoming harder and harder with the food prices. So, we can reach out to our Food Bank of Canada and try to work with

hem to get products at a lower cost. So monetary donations would help the most and be the biggest way people can help. "Sometimes people fall behind and it is sometimes not necessarily what they have done, they have just hit a hard spot in their life and if we are in the position to be able to help, I think we should definitely do ev-

erything we can to try to pay it forward as much anyone humanly can," says Camp-

#### Importance of Food Bank

The Food Bank works hard at providing individuals and families within the community with support through difficult

'It is about giving back," explains Campbell. "Helping as many people as we can, and trying to get them on their feet. A lot of people think the food bank is a way to supplement their groceries, so it would to supplement their groceries, so it would be nice to try to incorporate some financial classes or something along those lines. It's not just supplementing groceries but sup-porting them to get back on their feet. It is a sad thing that we have to have a food bank, but it is great that we do have one just to help those in need."

#### How to donate

The Moosomin Food Bank offers many ways for people to donate and help community members this holiday.

"Anyone interested in donating can drop off a cheque or cash at the thrift store or they can mail it or etransfer," Campbell explained. "Right now, the school is doing the food drives really help us keep things moving along. We get large donations of food from them. I believe the Kinettes are going to do their Santa Parade which hopefully we get a few items donated through that as well. We want people to know that while we do that six months best before date, we do have the Community Fridge, so anything that is past the due date but edible, we can still put it in the Community Fridge and it does go. It is being handled very well and nothing is coing to waste which is great."

othing is going to waste, which is great."

Anyone who donates over \$20 can get a tax receipt as well. E-transfers can be sent to sehas2018@sasktel.net

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Putting WorkSafe Saskatchewan's fatalities and serious

Saskatchewan is proving that a culture of safety works. Thanks to the shared commitment of workers, employers, safety associations, labour and government, workplaces in the province are safer than ever.

That shared dedication to workplace safety is showing real results. In 2024, the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) recorded the province's lowest ever Total injury rate of 3.91 per 100 workers and its lowest Time Loss injury rate at 1.72 per 100 workers. For the fifth year in a row, 90 per cent of Saskatchewan workplaces reported zero iniuries and zero fatalities. These milestones demonstrate that safety is becoming a deeply ingrained value across many of our province's industries.

But while progress has been made, the work isn't finished. In 2024, 27 Saskatchewan workers lost their lives to workrelated incidents or illnesses. Every year, as many as 2,400 workers suffer serious injuries. Behind each of those numbers are workers, families, workplaces and communities forever

"Even one injury is too many," said Gord Dobrowolsky, WCB chair. "This new historic low in our Total injury rate represents the focus and hard work of so many people across the province. But we cannot be satisfied until every worker returns home safely."

#### The strategy for change

To accelerate progress, WorkSafe Saskatchewan, the injury

prevention partnership between the WCB and the Ministry of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, launched the 2023-2028 Fatalities and Serious Injuries Strategy.

It builds on the province's first strategy introduced in 2019, which focuses on high-risk industries and the injuries that caused the greatest harm. That inaugural three-year plan focused on four critical hazards: asbestos exposure, work-related motor vehicle collisions, firefighter cancer exposure and falls from heights. It targeted the industries where injuries were most prevalent - health care, transportation, first responders, construction and manufacturing

The latest strategy, introduced in 2023, sharpened its focus on three high-risk sectors; health care, transportation and construction. Together, these industries account for a majority of serious injuries that occur in Saskatchewan workplaces. The 2023-2028 strategy introduced two streams of work:

- Regulatory and enforcement: Strengthening rules and ensuring compliance
- Prevention and learning: Providing training, education and resources to foster safety culture.

"Everybody has a responsibility when it comes to workplace safety," said Phillip Germain, WCB's CEO. "Coming home safely at the end of the day is a right of every worker in the

Provincial injury rates continue to move downward, reaching historic lows in 2024. The 2023-2028 strategy has spurred collaboration between industry leaders, safety associations and government agencies to share knowledge and strengthen prevention efforts

"The efforts of many are playing an important role in helping us prevent injuries and fatalities," said WCB CEO Phillip

Germain. "While safe workplaces are good for business, the most important part of every job is for each worker to come home safely."

#### Why it matters

Serious injuries account for approximately 11 to 15 per cent of all claims in Saskatchewan, but they represent more than 80 per cent of the compensation system's costs. They also have lasting impacts on workers' health and well-being, families' and communities' stability and employers' productivity.

By targeting the industries and hazards where the risks are highest, the fatalities and serious injuries strategy tackles the root causes of harm. This not only saves lives but supports a stronger Saskatchewan.

#### Looking ahead

As the strategy continues, the call is clear: safety and prevention are everyone's business. The WCB and WorkSafe Saskatchewan are urging workers, employers and industry

- Prioritize safety leadership on every job site.
- Support education and training that empowers workers to recognize and address safety hazards
- Collaborate across industries to share best practices and address complex safety issues in the workplace

'We are committed to supporting workers and employers to create safer workplaces in our province." said Germain. "Continued collaboration is the key to building on these historic gains.

Copies of the 2023-2028 Fatalities and Serious Injuries Strategy and its latest updates are available at worksafesask. ca/fatalities-and-serious-injuries.



WorkSafe Work to live.

#### U18 PGFL Awards

Presenting the PGFL Awards from left were Jason Schenn, Dan Clark, Justin Petelski, Darrin Swanson, Bonnie Riffel, and Dexter Mondor.



Monroe Mondor received the award for Most Outstanding Player Defence.



Abbie Flannery received the award for Most Outstanding Player Offensive Line.



Most Outstanding Player Defensive Line and Rookie of the Year went to Caitlyn Cross.



Madison Judd received the award for Most Outstanding Player Offense



Most Dedicated player went to Dixie Swanson.



## **U15 Awards**



Cody Fowell received the award for Most Outstanding Player Defence.



Hunter Fitzpatrick received the award for Most Outstanding Player Offensive Line.

Presenting the U15 awards were Dan Clark, Evan Coleman, Tanner Easton, Dusty Siemens, and Mac Shackel.

#### **Not Pictured:**

Most Outstanding Player Offense: Rowan Woods Most Outstanding Player Defensive Line: Jacob Finkle Most Dedicated: Grayson Judd



Rookie of the Year went to Brayden Billings.

# Generals hold 2025 awards night and banquet

The Moosomin Generals held their awards banquet on November 19 at the Moosomin Armoury. The Generals celebrated the conclusion of their 15th season and their second Prairie Girls Football League (PGFL) Championship win for their U18 girls. Between the Rural Manitoba Football League (RMFL) and PGFL, this is the Generals' fourth championship in five seasons.

Riders alumni Dan Clark was the guest speaker. He talked about his career and Grey Cup win as well as the lessons that players can learn from success and failure to build resilience, which is equally important in sport and life.

## **U18 RMFL Awards**

Presenting the U18 RMFL awards were Dan Clark, Justin Petelski, Layne Kyle, Chris Anderson, Ace Brown, and Dexter Mondor.



Liam Thompson received the Generals award for Most Outstanding Player Offence, and the RMFL Award for Most Outstanding Player Offence.



Ethan Anderson received the award for Most Outstanding Player Defence.



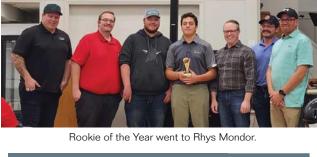
Damien Coutts received the award for Most Outstanding Player Offensive Line, and the RMFL award for Most Outstanding Player Offensive Line



Hayden Miller received the award for Most Outstanding Player Defensive Line



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#### RJ Game Farm wins five awards at Agribition national Show and Sale

RJ Game Farm from Fairlight won five awards at the Canadian National Show and Sale at Canadian Western Agribition in Regina. They were the winners of 1st in the pen of 2 - 2024 heifers; 1st and 3rd in the pen of 1 - 2023 bred heifer single class; 2nd in the 2024 Bull class; Reserve Grand Champion Female; and Premier Breeder.

At left is Robert and Rebecca Johnson with their children Ryley, Reid, Rhett and Rory receiving the CWA Reserve Champion Award presented by Agribition and sponsored by Berretta Farms of King City, Ontario. At right is Robert and Rebecca Johnson with their children Ryley, Reid, Rhett and Rory receiving the CWA Premier Breeder Award presented by Agribition, sponsored by Feed Max in Killarney, Manitoba.

#### **OBITUARIES**



ELEANORA NEÉ VOELPEL WUSHKE OCTOBER 29, 1930 -NOVEMBER 28, 2025

Nora was born and raised in the Wapella District, the daughter of Carl and Mary Voelpel. She died peacefully at the Moosomin Integrated Care Centre on Friday, November 28. She is predeceased by her loving husband of 71 years, Willie, and her sisters Alma and Anna. She is survived by her children, Ralph (David), Allan (Suzanne), Tim (Andria) and Lois, 10 grandchildren, and 13 ereat-erandchildren.

and 13 great-grandchildren.
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For her cheerful spirit, creative energy, hard work, kindness and generosity as a farm wife and homemaker. She was a lifelong member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Wapella.

Her funeral will be held at 2 pm, Monday, December 15 at St. John's Lutheran Church (in town), Wapella, Saskatchewan.

Interment to follow im-

mediately at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Moosomin, Saskatchewan.

A reception will follow at Moosomin Armoury, 811 Birtle Street, Moosomin, Saskatchewan.

The family wishes to thank the doctors and staff of the South East Integrated Care Centre for their attentive care.

In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church, Box 303, Wapella, SK, S0G 4Z0 or Moosomin and District Health Care Foundation for Long Term Care Activities, Box 1470, Moosomin, SK S0G 3NO.

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JOAN THELMA FISK MARCH 3, 1951 -AUGUST 8, 2025

With great sadness we remember the passing of Joan Thelma Fisk on August 8, 2025 at the age of 74 in Regina General Hospital with family by her side.

She was the beloved wife

family by her side.
She was the beloved wife of Dennis Fisk of 54 years and the loving mother of Janine Vincent (Curtis) of High River, Alberta, Jeffery Fisk (Candice) of Kelso,

Sask. and Pamela Wagemakers (Nathan) of Calgary, Alberta.

She was a grandmother to Brittany Hall (Brayden), MacKenzey Fisk (Kylee), Wyatt Fisk (Claudia), Adam Schlosser (Britteny), Megan Schlosser and Maverick Wagemakers.

Schlosser and Maverick Wagemakers. She was a Great-Grandma to Colt and Jed Hall and Archer Fisk.

She is survived by her two sisters Sharon Wadsworth (Herman) of Victoria and Kay Steele of Lethbridge, three sister in-laws Audrey (Bob) Moran of Moosmin, Darlene Fisk (Tim) of Wolsely and Jean Lawson (Ron) of Edmonton, and many nieces and nephews.

Joan was predeceased by her parents Thelma and Walter (Bud) Pleckham of Wawota, mother-in-law and father-in-law Ann and Cliff Fisk of Kelso and brothersin-law Orvil Fisk, Wayne Johnson, Gordon Degelman and George Wadsworth.

Joan was born in Wawota on March 3, 1951. She went to school at Glen Adelaide, a rural school on her parents' farm, and Wawota. After graduating she worked as a telephone operator in Moosomin. On July 10, 1971 she married Dennis and lived on the family farm the rest of her life.

Joan was a true farm wife with a big garden, raised chickens, drove the tractor in the field and hauled the grain from the combine all

while raising her children. Joan enjoyed hunting and fishing plus her birds with two purple martin houses in the yard always full, humingbirds at the windows, the wren that nested just a few feet from the house and chickadees in the winter.

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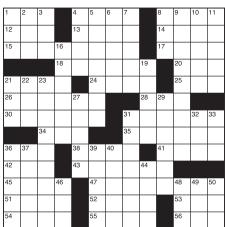
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#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Observe and check prisoners frequently and irregularly, this may include the use of Closed- Circuit
- Assist RCMP member(s) when required to search prisoners (training provided). Note: Physical handling of prisoners is not a job requirement for Detention Guards; any movement of prisoners will be conducted by the RCMP.
- Organize meals, record prisoner activity, and maintain a prisoner activity logbook.
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- Maintain cellblock security by ensuring cell doors are locked at all times.
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- Perform other duties particular to that detachment as laid out in the Unit Supplemental Orders.

#### Qualifications:

- Valid First Aid Basic level or willingness to complete the course prior to being hired. Once hired, Commissionaires will maintain your certification.
- Able to obtain RCMP Reliability Clearance
- Demonstrated ability to read, write and speak in English.
- Able to bend at the waist and climb stairs without restrictions or the use of assistive devices.
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