

Selkirk, MB is gearing up for the 38th annual Manitoba 55+ Games (presented by PlayNow.com) scheduled for June 16 -18, 2020. This will be the first time the Games have been held in Selkirk since back in 2001.

The impactful slogan "Catch Selkirk's 2020 Vision...Get in the Games!" was chosen by the Selkirk host committee, who has a few fun surprises in store for both returning and new participants of this annual celebration.

Annual participants are looking forward to another exciting provincial event that is expected to attract over 1000 older Manitobans from all across the province. Participants ranging in over the 3-day provincial sport for life celebration. There will also be a free waterfront concert put on by the host committee and athlete celebration banquet and dance. Approximately 300 volunteers will be involved to help the events run smoothly.

The 2020 Manitoba 55+ Games are open to Manitobans who are 55 years of age or older by December 31, 2020. There is a wide range of events being offered with distinct age categories and ability levels that ensure each event is fair and friendly by matching participants with others their age and experience. Whether you are a beginner, who wants a taste of the Manitoba 55+ Games experience for the first time or a seasoned participant, there

This set of Games will offer all the regular popular events such as golf, slo-pitch, pickleball, floor shuffleboard/curling, 5-pin bowling, predicted walk, horseshoes, snooker, swimming and track. The equally popular 'brain games' events such as contract bridge, cribbage, whist and scrabble will also be offered.

These events demonstrate how the Manitoba 55+ Games continue to respond to the expressed interests of older Manitobans and encourage them to participate in socially engaging activities for life. For older adults, physical activity Continued on page 5

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### How 'connected' are Manitoba patients to health care, plus another update on the Janice miracle By Roger Currie

It has been almost half a century that I have been blessed to share dramatic human stories with large numbers of readers and listeners. I have been a writer and broadcaster since June of 1970. Not one of those stories can match the impact on me of the story of Janice, the Miracle Lady.

She and I met just before Christmas in 2011, and we became husband and wife in August of 2015. Four years later her days were suddenly 'numbered' because of a blood cancer called 'M D S (Myelodisplastic Syndrome). Janice's bone marrow was no longer doing its most important job which is to produce healthy new blood cells. Blood transfusions that began at the end of January in 2019 helped to stabilize the situation, but after several months her strength was failing. The situation went from bad to worse because of a severe blood infection that caused her to become delirious with a fever of 40 degrees celcius. I made the dreaded 9-1-1 call and off Janice went to hospital. At that dark moment it was impossible not to think that our joyous time together as a loving couple would likely soon be over. A few days after her admission to hospital a doctor declared that "Janice has possibly four weeks to live".

I have already written extensively on these pages about how Janice's story took an amazing turn barely one month later, thanks to a blood transfusion in late November that might never have happened had it not been for a wonderful young doctor named Brian.

He authorized the transfusion that marked a major turning point on the path to the wonderful development called 'remission'.

It would be tempting to say at this point that "the rest is history", but we know that lots more uncertainty probably lies ahead. Janice came home on February 11th. A huge thank you and a very special blessing to all the wonderful men and women who provide care at Winnipeg's Riverview Health



Roger with his wife Janice

Centre. We share with them a very special bond of love and friendship.

I know I was obliged to share far too many 'bad news' stories as a radio journalist over 40 plus years. How sweet it has been to be spreading such amazing good news.

### New in Health Care for Canada

This amazing and very personal experience has made me more aware that ever before of new developments when it comes to health care in Canada. In the summer of 2012, I returned to live in Manitoba after spending six years in Saskatchewan, the place where Medicare was created by the government of Tommy Douglas almost 60 years ago. The card that Manitobans are given to access health services is not what you would call impressive. It's a rather flimsy piece of cardboard that barely survived in my wallet when I got caught in a thunderstorm at a Blue Bomber game that summer.

It made me wonder "What ever happened to 'Smart Health', a \$20 million program that Conservative Premier Gary Filmon's government had prom-ised in the 1990's?" A partnership with Canada's largest chartered bank, the Royal, the objective of the Smart *Health* program was to transform that humble heath card into a magical key that would connect each of us to a broad range of our medical records. Patients and health care professionals would be able to swipe the card and gain immediate access to all of our most recent encounters with the system, including results of blood tests, MRI's, etc .. Alas, a quick Google search did not come up with an answer to the "what happened" question. Right now the concern over how to deal with and hopefully contain CoronaVirus is the focus of most of the attention in health care.

There are signs that things are changing when it comes to 'connectivity' between patients and the health care system. Dr. Michael Rachlis is a semi-retired health policy consultant and a former Winnipegger, now based in Toronto. He graduated from the University of Manitoba Medical School in 1975. He welcomes the advent of greater 'connec-



tivity'. "When it comes, it will hopefully help to overcome provincial hurdles that hamper national responses to situations like the one we're facing now" says Dr. Rachlis.

An organization called Canada Health Infoway has launched the Access 2022 Movement, in an effort to put a timeline on greater connectivity. Receiving relatively little attention in this province is a company called eChart Manitoba http:// echartmanitoba.ca/. Both of these efforts are focusing their early attention on hospitals and other care facilities. Greater digital monitoring of things like blood pressure and other vital signs will hopefully offer greater patient safety, while enabling care with fewer staff.

Seems like we haven't seen anything yet when it comes to digital healthcare.

**Roger Currie** rogerc@mymts.net

### Who will speak for you when you can't speak for yourself?

- Lori Blande for the Winnipeg chapter of Dying With Dignity Canada

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### What is a Health Care Directive (HCD) and why do I need one?

It's a legal document, signed and dated by you, that indicates your wishes for your medical care. Who will speak for you if you cannot speak for yourself? and, if they do speak, will they say and do what you would say and do if you were able?

Will decisions about your medical condition and treatment cause a huge fight among your family members? Will there be tension between family and medical staff over your treatment? An effective HCD clearly outlines what you do and do not want with respect to medical care if something bad happens and you can't speak for yourself. Many people arrive at hospitals with either no instructions in writing, or with a paragraph written in language too vague for doctors to act upon. Don't assume that just because your spouse/partner/child knows your wishes that that's what will happen in an emergency. Dying With Dignity Canada isn't all about dying - it's about living too; living according to your own personal definition of quality of life. Winnipeg chapter volunteers have been presenting the free Advance Care Planning workshop at various locations around the city, and as word spreads so does the demand for the workshop. The workshop details the intricacies of preparing a Health Care Directive (HCD) (sometimes called an Advance Directive, or Living Will). A HCD is totally different from a Power of Attorney (PoA).

The complete Advance Care Planning **Kit** is available to anyone for free from the Dying With Dignity website: www.dwdwinnipeg.ca. At first glance, it appears straightforward enough. However, based on past presentations and reports from patients, families and health care professionals, lots of questions and many issues needed further elaboration and interpretation - hence the 2.5 hour intensive and very full workshop. Think about it - you probably spend more time researching an everyday purchase than thinking about or planning for a medical emergency. After all, bad things happen to everyone else – not us. There is a lot more to writing your HCD than just filling out a form and using common but imprecise phrases such as 'no heroic measures" and "no artificial means". What do those words mean exactly? They sure don't mean the same thing to everyone. There is no "right or wrong answer", only your answers and what works best for you and your values. Our workshop discussions have certainly proved that over and over again. I for one don't want to leave some of THE most important decisions of my life to chance. Yet, many people are doing just that! By the way, having "DNR" tattooed on your arm or chest won't work. Neither will a signed piece of paper with "I do not want to be resuscitated" written on it guarantee that your wishes will be respected. You can't use an ID bracelet such as 'MedicAlert' with DNR on it either. Just another of the many things I learned at the workshop.

Here is some of the recent feedback we have received from people who attended workshops. "Excellent presenter, much practical experience and knowledge was shared. Helped me get my head around the idea of an (sic) HCD, which I previously preferred to ignore." And "The information gave direction as to what to enter on the form. Gave me info on what to think about - WOW! I'm glad I came". The Winnipeg chapter of Dying With Dignity Canada is dedicated to educating people and helping them understand their rights with respect to medical treatment. We are actively recruiting new volunteers to present and assist at these workshops. So if you are interested please check out the volunteer opportunities on our website: www.dwdwinnipeg.ca If you would like to host an Advance Care Plan workshop at your community club, library, living facility or senior centre please contact us. The workshops are presented at no cost and you can download the workbook for free from our website.



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### Active Lifestyle Keeps Couple's Brains Healthy - Alzheimer Society

The Alzheimer Society celebrates Brain Awareness Week from March 16 to 22 to encourage people to challenge their brains and reduce the risk of dementia.

Bruce and Sheila Anderson are great examples of people who take action to do just that. They both stay mentally, physically and socially active on a day-to-day basis to keep their brains healthy.

This is especially important for Bruce, who was diagnosed with vascular dementia over two years ago. He aims to keep his brain healthy as a way to help slow the progress of the disease.

Bruce maintains he's the same person he always was. He says he's "still kicking, just not as high" as he was during his career as a firefighter, but even so, he wants to continue being active in his community.

Sheila is right by his side as they live life as fully as they can. "We still do the things we enjoy doing – we visit friends, attend exercises and go grocery shopping together," she says.

The couple includes a myriad of activities in their schedule, and it's working: Bruce has a gleam in his eye as he talks about Sheila and his family, claiming that dementia does not define his approach to life.

For example, he and Sheila attend the Alzheimer Society's Minds in Motion program, where they engage with other participants in physical activities for overall fitness. The program also offers games and puzzles to challenge their minds, as well as opportunities to socialize so they can keep up meaningful interactions with others.

#### **Touch of Glass**

A hobby working in stained glass keeps Bruce's mind in gear and his



Sheila and Bruce

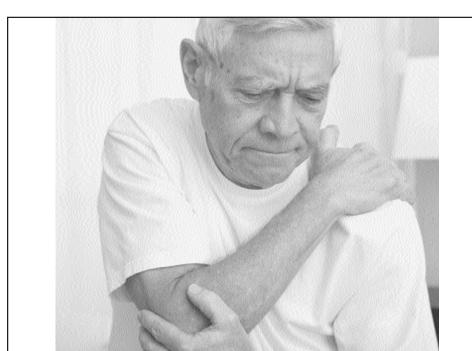
eye-hand coordination intact. For Sheila, it allows her to focus entirely on the task, which stops her from worrying about other things. "It's almost meditative," she says. "You don't have time to think about anything else."

The pair has enjoyed the craft for almost 20 years, and they have no reason or desire to put their tools away. And that's a good thing: research shows that trying new skills fires up neurons in the brain and opens up mental pathways. With their stained glass, Bruce and Sheila are coupling a tried and true skill with ideas for new designs, keeping their brains active.

Along with the positive activities enjoyed by Bruce and Sheila, people can improve brain health by making healthy food choices, reducing the stress in their lives and protecting their heads when participating in sporting activities.

Let's face it: brain health is worth the effort.

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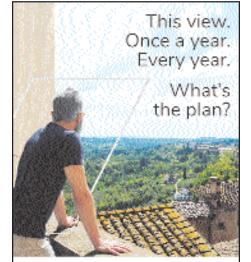
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## **Optimizing your retirement income**

- Treena Nault, CFP, RRC, Executive Financial Consultant

If you are heading toward or in retirement with a well-balanced portfolio of assets and/or guaranteed income sources such as an employer pension, you may already have enough anticipated resources to create a life-long income stream.

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### How you use your retirement savings

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### Plan to spend <u>some</u> of your retirement funds

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### Plan to spend $\underline{most}$ of your retirement funds

You may be comfortable depleting most of your retirement savings by a certain age. How long you need your money to last depends on your life expectancy (something you can't estimate) and the percentage you withdraw each year. The chart below demonstrates the principle.

Whatever your plan, the amount that you allocate to retirement income can last a lifetime when it's invested well and withdrawn in a sustainable, tax-effective way. Regardless of how much you have saved, making it last comes down to keeping your annual withdrawals at the right level. As part of your plan, you may also want to consider the use of life insurance to preserve or create an estate, allowing you to possibly access more capital during your retirement years knowing this part of the overall plan is covered.

### Understanding your withdrawal rate

The amount you withdraw from your retirement savings each year affects how long the capital will last. This chart shows the effects of various withdrawal rates[1] on a moderate portfolio since 1970, a time marked by a severe market downturn, substantial inflation and then a really good market run with high returns.

### Source: IG Wealth Management

As you can see, investors who withdrew only 4%-5% percent of their savings annually actually managed to grow their assets while enjoying a predictable income for 45 years. Investors who chose a more aggressive withdrawal rate of 8% saw their retirement savings depleted in approximately 17 years. Your optimal withdrawal rate will depend on several factors, including the rate of return, your tax rate, and whether you want to spend most, some or none of your total retirement savings.

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Vital Seniors, children, and families enjoy song and fun

### By Leslie Smith

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Mackay, who is still a licenced paramedic, retired from the Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service last June after working there some 20 years. Prior to that, he served as a paramedic with Selkirk EMS for 15 years. "I've retired but that doesn't mean all my career knowledge and experience is lost," Mackay said. "I don't offer a diagnosis or treatment in this role, but I'm certainly able to understand a passenger's medical condition. I can also use some of the patient lifting and handling techniques I learned to help make trips more comfortable and reassuring for clients.

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Manitobans are in a process of completing their 2019 tax return, a major task, must be done before the end of April. For all of us this is an annual obligation and commitment as citizens of Canada. The 2019 tax

Manastyrsky did not change, it is the **Disability Tax Credit.** The amount to claim for 2019 is \$8416.00, there is an increase in comparison to the previous year.

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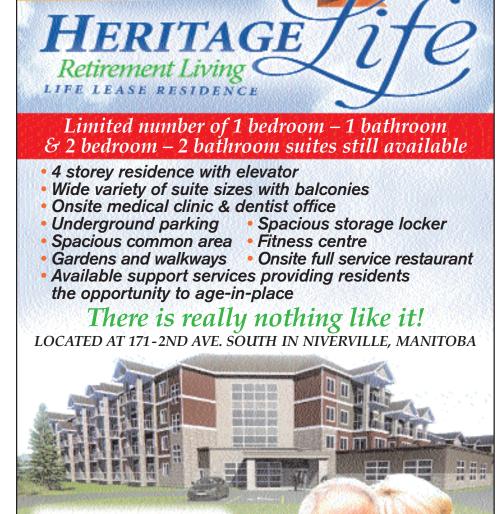
The **Disability Tax Credit** is a pivotal section of the Income Tax Act that opens the door to other tax benefits, qualifying for this tax credit means that you can eliminate many facets and may qualify for a tax credit. Please note, a little research into this tax credit could go a long way for you, call us at your convenience.

As a final note, to help you apply and prepare the **Disability Tax Credit** application, **A Step Beyond & Associates** has a policy of not taking a percentage fee for the service rendered. Also, Peter as the representative for **A Step Beyond & Associates** provides a power point presentation to interest groups about the **Disability Tax Credit**. Please call or email to schedule an appointment for a presentation.

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you have to take the good with the bad, smile when you're sad, love what you've got and remember what you had. Always forgive, but never forget. Learn from your mistakes, but never regret. People change. Things go wrong. Just remember, the ride goes on.







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# DOWNTOWN GAMING CENTRE AND DOUBLE UP ON FUN!





By Scott Taylor Photos courtesy the **Canada West Conference** and Manitoba Sports

When the decision was made to honour the people who had brought athletic glory to the universities across Western Canada, there was little doubt that the honour roll would include the stars ad heroes from the University of Manitoba, the University of Winnipeg and Brandon University.

Hall of Fame

After all, beginning with the University of Manitoba capturing the first Western Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union (WCIAU) men's hockey banner in 1919-20, Manitoba's best student-athletes have been competing across the West.

So, in the spring of 2019, in order to commemorate 100 years of university sport across Western Canada, the Canada West Hall of Fame was created and the first induction class - 100 inductees -- has been unveiled in an ongoing fashion, during the 100 days of the 2019-20 season.

Of the first 100, there were 15 athletes, coaches, athletic directors and builders with direct ties to Manitoba's three Canada West members who were named to the Hall. Granted, you had to wonder how the likes of Garth Pischke, Barry Trotz, Martin Riley, Wanda Guenette, Sandra Carroll, Jerry Abernathy, Henry Janzen, Janet Lumsden, Andy Murray, Ken Opalko, the Brandon Bobcats 1987-89 Men's Basketball Team, Gail Winston, Vic Pruden, Walt McKee, Ted Milian, David Onyemata, (and on and on) didn't make the inaugural list, but the future is bright as they say.

As for now, let's get up close and personal with the first 15 Manitobans in the Canada West Hall of Fame (thanks to the Canada West Conference for its help with the biographies):

#### Mike Burchuk, University of Winnipeg, Volleyball Coach

Presiding over one of the greatest dynasties in Canadian volleyball history, the long-time for-mer head coach of the University of Winnipeg Wesmen women's program, Burchuk was named CIAU coach of the year four times. With Burchuk at the helm, the Wesmen women won six straight national titles between 1982 and 1988 and won 123 consecutive matches. Burchuk also coached Team Canada at NORCECAs, World Cups, Pan-Am Games and, ultimately, the 1984 and 1996 Olympics.

#### Mike Ridley, University of Manitoba, **Hockey Player**

Years before this Winnipegger was an All-Star in the National Hockey League, Mike Ridley was an All-Canadian with the University of Manitoba Bisons men's hockey team. Ridley played forward with the Bisons for two seasons from 1983-85, amassing an incredible 68 goals and 79 assists in 76 games before going on to a 12-year NHL career with stops in New York, **Nashington** Toronto and Vancouver

# Image: Maritoba Well Represented in<br/>New Canada West Hall of Fame



Mike Burchuk

the Year award in 1980. Hemmings began coaching the Bobcats in 1974, following a stint as an assistant coach of Lakehead's men's basketball squad, and led the Bobcats to their first national championship appearance in 1979 before winning three straight national champi-onships from 1987 to 1989. The Bobcats won their fourth CIAU title in 1996.

#### Joyce Fromson, University of Manitoba, Builder

A native Winnipegger Fromson served as director of men's and women's sport at the University of Manitoba from 1979 to 1995. After teaching high school, she served as director of women's athletics at the University of Winnipeg from 1966 to 1970 and then, in 1972, she moved on to the University of Calgary, where she became the first woman in North America to be hired as a sports information director. In 1979, Fromson was hired by the University of Manitoba. She passed away in 2001.

#### John Carson, Brandon University, Basketball Player

The 6-foot-4 Carson, who starred for the Bobcats between 1982 and 1987, arrived in Brandon from Huntsville, N.C. and became a five-time Great Plains Athletic Conference All-Star, five-time All-Canadian, and in 1985-86 was named the nation's top player. In 1987 he led Brandon to the program's first men's basketball national title with a win over UBC, as Carson was named tournament MVP. Carson still stands alone as the only five-time First Team All-Canadian in university basketball history.

#### Coleen Dufresne, University of Manitoba, Coach and Builder

Dufresne, a star basketball player on Canada's National Team, coached the Bisons women's basketball team for 17 years and then became athletic director the next 15. Dufresne coached the Bisons to three U SPORTS (then CIS) National Championships in 1987-88, 1995-96, and 1996-97. Over her 17-year coaching career she also led the Bisons to five Great Plains Athletic Conference championships, was named GPAC Coach of the Year five times and was twice the U SPORTS Coach of the Year.

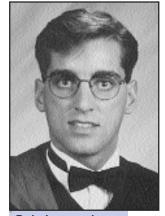
### Michelle Sawatzky-Koop, University of Manitoba, Volleyball Player

A two-time national player of the year, Steinbach's Michelle Sawatzky-Koop played for the Bisons between 1988 and 1993, helping Manitoba to national titles in 1990, 1991, and 1992, winning championship MVP honours in 1991 and 1992. Along with her success at the university level, Sawatzky-Koop competed for Canada on multiple occasions, highlighted by her 1996 trip to the Olympic Summer Games in Atlanta. As a senior she received the Bison Sports Female Athlete of the Year award for the 1992-93 season



**Mike Ridley** 

Year. She was a four-time Canada West All-Star (First Team in 2008 and 2009; Second Team in 2005 and 2006), and was the Canada West Rookie of the Year in 2005. She was also named a CIS First Team All-Canadian in 2008 and 2009. She made her debut with the Canadian national senior team in 2010 and was part of Canada's bronze-winning Olympic teams in both 2012 (London) and 2016 (Rio). Professionally, Scott has played more than 90 games in the National Women's Soccer League.



Dale Iwanoczko

#### Wayne Fleming, University of Manitoba, **Hockey Coach**

Fleming came out of Snow Lake, Man., and arrived at the University of Manitoba as a student-athlete in 1970. He joined the Bisons men's hockey coaching staff as an assistant in 1976, and took over as head coach in 1980. During nine seasons with Fleming at the helm, the Bisons went 140-78-14 in regular season play and won back-to-back conference titles in Continued on page 8

### Manitoba Churches -Cartwright - Christ Church Anglican - 1898

Manitoba Municipal Heritage Site No. 243

Cartwright was originally Badger Creek, a village about a mile north of its present location south of Killarney. In 1883-1885 the community moved to the Canadian Pacific railway site which belonged to Sir Richard Cartwright, federal Minister of Finance from 1873 to 1878.

Christ Church Anglican was built 1898 by stonemason Samuel Hossack (1829-1913) and his sons. Mr. Hossack was born in Scotland. He came from south-



ern Ontario and lived in a homestead in what is now Killarney.

This fieldstone church, in the English Gothic style, is similar to several others built around the turn of the century. Today, it is one of the few of its kind remaining.

The church was extensively damaged by a fire in 1910. The after-fire renovations included addition of a vestibule and stained glass windows. These were subsequently removed: the windows in 2004, the vestibule in 2008.

In 2003 Christ Church Anglican was designated a Municipal Heritage Site. It also received \$30,000 through the Prairie Rural Churches Project. But in 2004 the church was deemed unsafe and had to be closed.

An intensive fundraising campaign followed. By early the following year \$50,000 had been raised through pledges and donations. However, the estimated cost had risen to \$300,000, up from the initial \$180,000.

Nevertheless, the church received financial support from many sources. These included, among others, current and former residents (from six provinces, the United States and Great Britain), churches and church associations, foundations, and government grants.

Christ Church Anglican now has twice monthly services conducted by a visiting priest. Other activities

are initiated by the residents. Inside the church is a visitors' book and a collection plate. Outside, the tree (shown in the photograph) is gone. A war memorial stands on the median of the street in front.

There are four churches in Cartwright and vicinity. In 2016 the population of Cartwright was 352.

Photographed in 1994

### Dale Iwanoczko, University of Manitoba, Volleyball Player

When Dale Iwanoczko was 15-years-old, living in his hometown of Selkirk he made his senior high school team, and had already arrived as an elite volleyball player. It was the beginning of an impressive athletic and academic journey cut short by Hodgkin's Disease. However, during his too-short life, Iwanoczko became one of the top university men's volleyball players in Canada and a member of the national team, while earning his medical degree from the University of Manitoba, Iwanoczko was the only male vollevball player in U SPORTS history to be named a First Team All-Canadian for four years and was the 1990 CIAU Player of the Year.

#### Jerry Hemmings, Brandon University, **Basketball Coach**

Jerry Hemmings came out of Mount Airy, N.C. and served nearly three decades at the helm of the Bobcats, winning four national titles to go along with 19 conference championships, while amassing 13 final four appearances. He had 734 career victories, while being named Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) Coach of the Year eight times and winning the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union's (ČIAU) Coach of

### Israel Idonije, University of Manitoba, **Football Player**

Idonije starred on the gridiron for the Bisons between 1998 and 2002. Originally from Lagos, Nigeria and raised in Brandon, Idonije joined the Bisons with just one season of football under his belt before eventually playing a decade in the NFL, mostly with the Chicago Bears. In his five outstanding seasons at Manitoba from 1998-02, he was the outstanding down lineman in the CIS (2002). was the Bisons' MVP in 2002 and was selected twice as a Canada West All-Star and First Team All-Canadian in 2001 and 2002. He then became the first Bisons football player to be signed and make it onto an NFL team roster and later became the first Bisons grad to play in a Super Bowl game.

#### Desiree Scott, University of Manitoba, Soccer Player

One of the leaders of Canada Soccer's women's national team, Desiree Scott was the 2009-10 Bison Sports Female Athlete of the

Tyrrell Mendis, assisted and encouraged by his wife Doreen, has photographed more than 700 places of worship in Manitoba over the past 35 years. It is an ongoing project to record the fast-disappearing relics of our heritage.

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Ste. Therese Chapel, in Cardinal, southwestern Manitoba, is now a museum.

### THE BUZZ, cont'd from page 7











Wesmen Women's Volleyball 1982-88



**Bisons Football Team 1968-70** 

1984 and 1985. Fleming was named the CIAU Men's Hockey Coach of the Year in 1985. Following his time at the U of M, Fleming went on to find success at the prolevel, spending more than a dozen seasons as an NHL assistant with the Islanders, Coyotes, Flyers, Flames, Oilers and Lightning

Wesmen Men's Volleyball Team 1970-74 The University of Winnipeg men's volleyball team of the early 70s became the school's first sports dynasty when it reeled off four consecutive CIAU gold medals. The Wesmen captured national championships in 1971, 1972, 1973, and 1974.

TEAM - Bob Syko, Ed Alexiuk, Charlie Dickson, Rusty Rischuk, Gary Gerylo, Keith Doan, Barry Gros, John Paulsen, Robert Boyle, Tom McCormack, Bob Harrison, Keith Wasylik, Terry Braun, Randy Lawson, Bob Urquhart, Larry Kich, Ron Hinkewich, Cliff Bell, John Paulson, Gord Howard, Larry Plenert, Dave Leonhardt, Don Michalski, Dan Paulsen, Garth Pischke, Boris Tyzuk, Bruce Wasylik, Jim Matthews, Charly Bridle, Jerry Ilchyna (head coach), Dr Glen Conly (head coach), Dennis Nord (assistant coach), Larry Kich (assistant coach), Jerry Kolt (manager), Dave Wilkinson (manager)



Wesmen Men's Volleyball 1970-74

### **Bisons Football Team 1968-70**

In 1969 and 1970, head coach Henry Janzen's University of Manitoba Bisons became the first team to win the Vanier Cup in consecutive seasons. In 1969, the Bisons won the Hardy Cup for a second consecutive season before going on to beat McGill in the Vanier Cup. The following season, Manitoba once again claimed the Hardy Cup, going on to beat Ottawa in the 1970 Vanier Cup.

TEAM - Ray Ash (Assistant Coach), Gill Bramwell, Doug Calder (Athletic Therapist) Jim Carlson, Garry Corbett, Tom Coyle, Cliff Crawford, Bart Evans, Clint Evans, Jim Fildey, Gerry Fraser, Pat Gill (Equipment Manager),

Lou Furlan, Jack Galbraith, Walt Gibson, Olie Hensrud, Wayne Hildahl, Jamie Horne, Richard Howden, Dennis Hrycaiko, Nick lafolla, Richard Jackiw, Henry Janzen (Head Coach), Bob Jaskiewicz, Bob Johnston, Bob Keating, Alan Kinley, Graham Kinley, Bob Kraemer, Hank Lodewyks, Gord Mackie (Athletic Therapist), Ian McLeod, Walt McKee, Mark Millen, Randy Miller, Terry Moss, Norm Nicol, Doug Olynyk, Roy Parker, Gord Rowland (Assistant Coach), Dean Samson, John Shanski (Assistant Coach), Bill Schick, Don Shylo, Mike Shylo, John Silver, Lawrence Stockton, Bruce Taylor, Bob Toogood, Dr. Gerry Wilson (Team Doctor), Robert Wright, Kim Ziola.

#### Wesmen Women's Volleyball 1982-88

One of the most dominant stretches in Canadian university history belonged to the 1982-1988 Winnipeg Wesmen women's volleyball teams. The Wesmen won six consecutive national titles (1983-1988) during the 80s, as they were powered by a CIAU Player of the Year each season. From January 1987 to January 1989, the team won 123 straight games and had a 58-0 overall record during the 1987-88 season. The Wesmen had a number of team members who would go on to play for Canada's national junior or senior teams in: Boroski, Leug, Wanda Guenette, Joanne Onishko, Paulette Jerrard, Sheila Picklyk, Ruth Klassen, Ardith Lernout Parker, Bernice Bowley, Diane Scott, Leesa Fast, Carrie Chernomaz Patrick, April Stephenson, and Suzi Smith.

#### Wesmen Women's Basketball 1992-1995

From 1992-93 to 1994-95, the University of Winnipeg's women's basketball team went on an unprecedented run winning three national championships while setting a Canadian record that may never be matched. Under the direction of coach Tom Kendall, Winnipeg won 88 consecutive games, which stands as the longest streak in Canadian university basketball history.

TEAM - Sandra Carroll, Michelle Chambers, Pam Flick, Jody Rock, Andrea Hutchens, Diane Zunic, Heidi Rowley, Sheri Telke, Larisa Waschuk, Sandy Corby, Sarah Meyers, Nicole Jonker, Tracey Peter, Andrea Pales, Marnie Nechwediuk, Anna Weber, Lynette Lafreniere, Lara Asplin, Natalie McVicar, Jen How (manager) Carla Lenz (assistant coach) Craig Kennedy (assistant coach), Keith Pruden (assistant coach), Gail Kendall (assistant coach), Tanya Mckay (assistant coach), Tom Kendall (head coach). ■





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### MISC EVENTS

The Manitoba Coin Club - meets 4th Wed. each mo. (except Dec, July & Aug), 7 pm (1-1/2 hrs approx.), at the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre, 625 Osborne. Frequently there is a Coin auction. Call Barré W. Hall: **204-296-6498** 

Red River Coin & Stamp Shows -2nd Sunday ea. mo. except July & Aug., 10 am-4 pm, Charterhouse Hotel. Free adm. All welcome. Coins, Bank Notes, tokens, bullion, Canadian and Foreign, Buy/Sell. Call Andy Zook: **204-482-6366** or **204-481-0943** (Selkirk).

Dufferin Seniors Inc. - Pancake Breakfast, Fri. Mar. 13, 8-10 am. \$5/person; <u>Easter</u> <u>Dinner & Dance</u>, Sat. Apr. 4, Dufferin Senior Centre, 377 Dufferin Ave. Full course meal, music by 'Hwy. 6'. Members \$20, non-members \$25. Tickets: 204-771-3325

**Children's Hospital Foundation of** Manitoba - Children's Hospital Book Market, Apr. 23-25, Thur-Fri: 9:30 am-9 pm, Sat: 9:30 am-5 pm, at St. Vital Centre. Established in 1961, this is the longest running fundraiser in support of the Children's Hospital Foundation MB. You can drop off used books at our various outlets and volunteers sort books into over 65 categories. goodbear.ca/bookmarket

Centre on Aging, U of M - 37th Annual Spring Symposium and Workshop, Mon. May 4, 8:45 am-4 pm, Brodie Centre, 727 McDermot Ave, U of M Bannatyne Campus. <u>Sessions</u>: epigenetic aging and health, PCH's as a strategy to avoid a crisis, human rights and older age, intergenerational learning and post-secondary education, and more. <u>Workshops</u>: fostering respect for older LGBT2Q identities, cannabinoid use in older adults. Free to attend. Info and to register (required) coaman@umanitoba.ca, 204-474-8754

**Riverview Community Centre and Age** Friendly Riverview - sponsoring 2-hr Creative Writing classes for Older Adults, 10 classes starting Feb. 26, 10:15 am, by Lesley Peterson, an experienced teacher, writer, and editor. No experience necessary except an interest in writing. \$150/person. At RVCC, 90 Ashland Ave. Info: gm@riverviewcc.ca, Register: https://riverviewcc.ca

Forum Art Centre - Art classes start Apr. 6, 120 Eugenie St. 40+ Class options for all ages and skill levels. Register at www.forumartcentre.com/classes or register@forumartcentre.com or call 204-235-1069

Khartum Ladies Auxiliary - Annual Bridge & Card Party, Thur. Apr. 16, lunch 12 pm, Bridge/Cards 1 pm, Shrine House, 1155 Wilkes Ave. Tickets \$15: Arla @ 204-253-0006. In support of children living with disabilities.

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A&O - 13th Annual 55+ Housing & Active Lifestyles Expo, SAVE THE DATE, Fri. May 29, 2020, 10 am-4 pm at Victoria Inn Hotel, 1808 Wellington Ave.

Emily Hunter "Bone Health"; May 29 - Rod Kueneman "How Does Your Garden Grow, at Riverview Community Centre 90 Ashland Ave. Sponsored by Riverview Community Centre and Age Friendly Riverview. https:// riverviewcc.ca, gm@riverviewcc.ca

Manitoba Sjögren's Support Group -Meeting, Wed. Apr. 8, 5:30-7:30 pm, at Access Fort Garry,135 Plaza Drive. Info: Phyllis Hirota **204-477-5158** or manitobasjogrens@shaw.ca

The Stroke Recovery Assoc. of MB -Chair Yoga, Tuesdays, 12:30 pm, 247-B Provencher Blvd. For those with mobility problems. \$10 non-members. \$5 members. 204-942-2880 or admin@strokerecovery.ca

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Winnipeg Bladder Cancer Support Group - Meetings - third Tues. ea. month, 7-8:30 pm at Concordia Village, Bldg. #1, Multi Purpose Rm, 1125 Molson St. You Free parking. No pre-registration required.

### **MEALS / LUNCHEONS**

The Women's Canadian Club of Winnipeg - Luncheon, Mar. 26, 12 noon, at RBC Convention Centre. Speaker Jessia Floresco "Mother Earth Recycling". Proud member of the Metis community, works with urban and rural indigenous population. \$28. Reservations by Mar. 22: **204-663-5657**, wccwinnipeg@gmail.com

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Book presentation - "Memories of the Moonlight Special" by author Barbara Lange, Tue. Apr. 21, 3-4:30 pm, at Resto Gare (celebrating 50 yrs), St. Boniface railway car restaurant, 630 Des meurons. Reserve by Apr. 15: **204-237-7072** 

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Westminster Concert Organ Series -Denis Bedard (Vancouver), Sun. Apr. 26, 2:30 pm, Westminster United Church, Westminster at Maryland. 204-784-1330 Seniors' Choral Society - Inviting new 55+ members. Practice Mondays, 10 am-12 noon, at McClure Place,

Legion (lower level), 426 Osborne, Sept.-May. **204-888-4214** 

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### SPORTS/FITNESS/GAMES

**Golden Agers Mixed Bowling League** - 55+ Bowlers Wanted. Bowl 3 games every Thur. 1 pm, Sept.-April, at Chateau Lanes on Nairn. Info: Frank, Hm: 204-633-0329, Cell: 204-997-7597

The Pembina 55-PLUS Curling League -Looking for curlers. Pembina Curling Club, 1341 Pembina Hwy. 2 games/wk, alternat-ing btw Mon., Wed. and Fri., 1 pm. Info: contact@55pluscurling.com www.55pluscurling.com, 204-261-8049

Lady Bowlers - Fridays at 12:45 pm at Polo Park. For ladies of all ages. We bowl for fun. If you can't commit to every week come spare with us. \$10/wk, includes

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### VOLUNTEERING

WENPHC (West End Non-Profit Senior Housing Co-operative) - Volunteer needed for maintaining Minutes for our meetings, monthly or as-needed. We are creating a multi-income and multi-suite living co-operative complex in the West End (Spence area). Contact Sue McKenzie, 204-453-1139 or sjwinnipeg@yahoo.ca

menti Victoria Lifeline - Home Service Representative - Volunteers needed to explain and set up the Lifeline equipment in people's homes in Wpg. Must have car, mileage reimbursed. Melissa: 204-

956-6773 or msitter@victorialifeline.ca Winnipeg Lost Dog Alert (WLDA) -

Volunteers needed for: Events Director, to attend monthly Board meetings. Must have transportation.; Page Administrators, to monitor, receive and post info pertaining to lost dogs. Minimum commitment 6-8 hours/mo. along with computer and internet access. board@winnipeglostdogalert.com or president@winnipeglostdogalert.com

Holy Family Home - Volunteers needed for evening and Sat. morning programs. 165 Aberdeen Ave. Call Janice: 204-589-7381, ext. 265

### **Charleswood Long Term Care -**

Volunteers needed to assist with garden maintenance, 1 hr, 2-3 times/wk. Exp. in garden maint. Melanie: **204-833-3663** Deer Lodge Centre, 2109 Portage Ave. -Volunteers needed for recreation programs, gift shop, bartenders & bar servers, PRIME, community programs, friendly visit-ing. **204-831-2503** or visit **www.deer**-

lodge.mb.ca/volunteers.html

Actionmarguerite St. Boniface, **185 Despins Street -** Volunteers needed to transport residents in wheelchairs to their in-house appointments, incl. Mass. Mon-Fri. Sun AM's. Volunteer Services 204-235-2111; service@actionmarguerite.ca

Actionmarguerite St. Vital, 450 River Road - Volunteers needed to help Recreation staff, outings (shopping), Mass, transport residents in wheelchairs to in-house appointments. Mon-Sat. Volunteer Services 204-235-2111, service@actionmarguerite.ca

Meals on Wheels - Volunteers needed in: Downtown, Point Douglas, Seven Oaks and Transcona. Drivers receive an honorarium. 204-956-7711, www.mealswinnipeg.com

Kildonan MCC Thrift Shop - Volunteer in a professional environment and have fun! at 445 Chalmers Ave. **204-668-0967** meaganvarndell.kmts@gmail.com

The Bereavement Care Program of Concordia Hospital - seeking Grief Support Volunteers to provide telephone grief support to family members of people who have died at the Hospital. Flexible 4 hrs/wk. Work from home. Bob Milks: 204-661-7402, bmilks@concordiahospital.mb.ca

Manitoba Institute for Patient Safety -Volunteer opportunities. Visit **mips.ca** 'About Us' to learn about our Volunteer Program. admin@mips.ca or 204-927-6477

Southeast Personal Care Home -Volunteers needed to assist with recreation programs at 1265 Lee Blvd - days, eve's, wknd's. Call **204-269-7111** Ext. 2225

Vista Park Lodge Personal Care **Home -** in St. Vital - Volunteers needed. Contact: Caitlin Liewicki: cliewicki@extendicare.com

HSC Winnipeg - Volunteers welcome in patient and support areas, 7 days a week. Free parking or bus tickets. Call **204**-787-3533 or email: volunteer@hsc.mb.ca

Parkview Place, Long Term Care by Southeast Personal Care Home is looking for volunteers during the day, evening or the weekend to assist with the recreation programs. Call 204-269-7111 ext. 2247

### PROGRAMS/SERVICES

**Together Time Drop in -** 2nd Thur. of mo, 1:30-3:30 pm, Prairie Spirit United Church, 207 Thompson Dr. **DROP-INS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER** NOTICE. Free, adult drop-in. Play cards, table games or just conversation. Light refreshments, door prizes. **204-832-1000** or 204-895-7410

Pembina Active Living (PAL) 55+ · Special events: Zing into Spring, Thur. Mar. 19, 1 pm; Registration for spring classes begins Apr. 6; Still Bloomin' Garden Club, Thur. Mar. 26, 1 pm. Presenter U of M Professor Ted McLachlan (Dept. of Landscape Architecture); Coffee PALs, Fri. pr. 3. 1 pm at Access Fort Garry: PAL 55+ Fundraising Concert featuring Corny Rempel as Johnny Cash and Elvis, Sat. Apr. 4. Info/tickets: www.pal55plus.com, 204-946-0839 or office@pal55plus.com

#### aoexpo.ca, 204-956-6440

Manitoba Book Awards/ Les Prix du livre du Manitoba - 32nd Annual Awards, Fri. May 8, 2020, at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. www.manitobabookawards.com

Manitoba Genealogical Society **Research Committee -** offering Free 3rd Thur. Research Days, (Jan-May 2020). MGS Resource Centre, Unit E, 1045 St. James St. Register at research@ mbgenealogy.com at least 7 days prior to your desired session.

### HEALTH/WELLBEING

The Manitoba Prostate Cancer Support Group - Meet 3rd Wed. ea. Month, 7-9 pm. Next mtg: Mar. 18, at The First Unitarian Universitst Church, 603 Wellington Cres. Dr. John Wilkins discusses "Looking deep into cancer with systems approaches". Free parking, refreshments, door prizes, no charge adm. Deloris: 204-667-4156, delank1@gmail.com

**CRISP Ideas Series** (Creative, Relevant, Intelligent, Social & Positive) - Designed for Older Adults but all are welcome. Speakers: Mar. 27 - Sherri Rollins "TBD"; Apr. 24 - 533 Greenwood Place. 204-669-5570, www.seniorschoralsociety.ca

Winnipeg Male Chorus - practices Monday evenings, 7 p.m. on a variety of music in Fort Gary United Church. No audition required.

The Friendly Club - Friday night dancing to live bands all year long, 8 pm-12 am, Anavets Assiniboia Unit #283, 3584 Portage Ave. Non-members \$5. 204-837-6708

Good Neighbours Choristers - Meet Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am, 720 Henderson Hwy. Choral exp. preferred but not essential. Donna: djplatt@shaw.ca, Sandra: sandale6@shaw.ca

Whirlaway Westerners Square Dance Club - Learn Modern Square Dancing! Fridays, 7-9:30 pm at Kirkfield-Westwood C.C., 165 Sansome Ave. Singles, couples and new dancers. 204-831-8954

The Happy Homesteaders - Senior men sing a capella barbershop harmony. Perform in various senior venues, afternoons only. Recruiting for tenors, leads, baritones, & basses. Řehearsals Mon's, 1:30-3:30 pm in

### The North Centennial Seniors Assoc. -

Seeking volunteers for Grandma and Grandpa Swim Program with preschoolers. Tue. Mornings, Oct.-June. . Contact: ncsc@shaw.ca or 204-582-0066

Misericordia Health Centre - Volunteers needed for reg. shifts in Gift Shop - Call **204-788-8134**, and to escort and stay with residents while attending spiritual services inside the same building, Thur. or Fri.'s, 10-11:30 am. Call **204-788-8132**, or www.misericordia.mb.ca/volunteer or apply in person. Free parking

Caregiving with Confidence - Volunteer Drivers, Male Respite Volunteers, Telephone Support Volunteers to support caregivers wanted. 204-452-9491 or jnybakken@aosupportservices.ca

Misericordia Volunteer Services accepting applications for Spiritual Health, Recreation Services and Rehabilitation programs. Training provided. 204-788-8132

Downtown Winnipeg BIZ - Volunteers needed to help promote the downtown com-munity. 426 Portage Ave. **204-958-4644.** https://downtownwinnipegbiz.com

### Charleswood Adult Day Program -

Social Day Program for seniors Transportation and hot lunch provided. Referrals made through WRHA. Call 204-889-4608 or your Case Coordinator.

Fred Douglas Lodge Adult Day Program - 1275 Burrows Ave. Social day program for seniors. Fun activities: themed parties, exercises and entertainment in a great interactive social setting. Transportation & hot lunch provided. Members \$18.88/day. (WRHA set fee). Call 204-586-8541 ext. 123. Referrals made through WRHA at 204-788-8330, or call Case Coordinator.

**The Gospel Message -** Sundays, Feb. 16 & 23, 3-4 pm, at Fort Garry Community Centre (Hobson Site), 880 Oakenwald Ave. Told Simply & in Accordance with what JESUS Lived & Taught. A free service and no obligation, ALL WELCOME! Enquiries: bawaddell77@gmail.com

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Filipino United Community Church -Seniors Fellowship every other Wed. 6-7:30 pm, 1039 Pritchard Ave. Our Seniors enjoy sharing stories over a light meal, hymnsinging, listening to speakers, collecting goods for donation, and volunteering in the Family Life Center at 240 Pritchard every other Wed. 9 am-12 pm. Info: 431-337-1113, pastorvictor118@gmail.com

Vital Seniors - Monthly Book Club: 204-257-4014, Bridge: 204-256-3832, Carpet Bowling: 204-452-2230, Line Dancing: 204-334-3559, Monthly Luncheon: 204-255-7508, Monthly Men's Breakfast: 204-**452-2230**, Scrabble: **204-257-4014**, St. Mary Magdalene Church, 3 St. Vital Rd.

Willow Centre & KINRC - 110-61 Tyndall Ave. Reflexology Treatments, Foot, Hand, Aroma Touch \$20 for 20 mins. 1st Wed. of mo. 204-632-5940

Keewatin Inkster Neighbourhood Resource Council Inc. - Legal Clinic, last Monday/mo. at Willow Centre Senior Apt's, 110-61 Tyndall Ave. Members can access Wills and Power of Attorney preparation \$50/doc. Call for app't: **204-774-3085** 

Transcona Council for Seniors Seniors that Sizzle Lunch and Learn Series, Thursdays, doors open 11:30 am, at 209 Yale Ave. W. \$7 ea. Reservations: 204-222-5947 or tcs@mymts.net. The 55+ Dining Experience, Home cooked meals, served Mondays and Wed's, 4:30 pm and Fri's at noon. Open to 55+. 204-222-5947 to hear menu and make reservations before 8 am of day you wish to attend.

North Centennial Seniors Assoc. -Activities: chair and mat exercises, aqua fitness with ramp access, People with Arthritis exercises, carpet bowling, zumba, weight training, etc. Social: games, bingo, hot dog days, pot lucks, holiday luncheons, presentations, travelogues, day trips, library and painting classes. **90 Sinclair St.** at Dufferin Ave. **204-582-0066** or ncsc@shaw.ca or www.NCseniors.ca

Dufferin Senior Citizen Inc. - 377 Dufferin Ave. Mon: shuffleboard 9:45 am, Bingo 1 pm; Wed noon: soup and perogy lunch. All welcome. Perogies for sale. Every 2nd Sat: noon-3:30 pm dance with a 4-piece band (full lunch). 204-986-2608

Wpg Polish Legion Br 246, 1335 Main St. - Happy Hour 3-7 pm daily Mon-Sat, Senior Lunch & Dance - Weds, 12:30-3 pm, \$10; Fri. Meat Draws, 5-9pm; Karaoke, Fri./Sat, 8-midnite; Chase the Ace - Sat 10 pm. Hall Rental. Info: 204-589-5493

Bleak House Senior Centre - 1637 Main. Mon. 12:30 pm whist, Tue. 10 am coffee and conversation, 11.45 am Lunch, 1 pm Bingo - Ceramics Thur. 12:30 pm Cribbage, Friday 9:30 am Quilting. **204-338-4723** 

McBeth house (non-profit for seniors and community) - Various activities. Mon. morning drop in rsvp, Yoga, 50+ 2-3, 6-7:30 pm, drop in rsvp, Yoga, 50+ 2-3, 6-7:30 pm, 204-479-4857; Tue. Cribbage 6:30-8:30; 1st Wed. of mo. Book Club, 204-654-1109; Thu. Painting/crafts 10-2, Quilting 6:30-9

pm; Sat. Bridge 1-4. 204-339-0432 or mcbethhousecentre@shaw.ca

Senior Achievers - Meet 3rd Thur. 1-3 pm at 618 Selkirk Ave. Bingo, 50/50, meat draws, door prizes, coffee. Call Pat: 204-414-5360

**Brooklands Active Living Centre &** KINRC - 1960 William Ave. W. Reflexology Treatments, Foot, Hand, Aroma Touch \$20 for 20 mins. 3rd Wed. of mo. 204-632-8367

Brooklands Active Living Centre - Floor Curling, Carpet Bowling, Whist - Wed's, 7 pm. 1960 William Ave. 204-632-8367

St. Matthews Maryland Community Ministry - <u>Seniors Art Workshop</u> Wednesdays, 12:30-2:30 pm, instruction and supplies provided, no experience necessary. Seniors <u>Health and Wellness pro-</u> <u>gram</u> Fridays, 11 am-1 pm. Different well-ness activities weekly. Healthy snacks pro-vided. 365 McGee St., **204-774-3957**, www.stmatthewsmaryland.ca

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Meadowood United Church our Handiworks Crafters Group, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of mo, 2 pm. Started Sept. 11. contacting Quilter's Group, every Thur., noon at Meadowood Church, 1111 Dakota St. \$35 fee/year. 204-256-7002

South Winnipeg Family Community Drop-In - Seniors meet Wed's, 9:30-11:30 am, at 800 Point Rd. Includes coffee, snacks, activities. 204-284-9311

Prendergast Seniors Club - 906 Cottonwood Rd. Rm.20 - Crib Mon. & Wed., 1-3:30 pm; Whist Thurs., 1-3:30 pm; Mon. luncheons 4th Wed., 12-1 pm. All welcome. Call Gerry: 204-257-1475

Norberry-Glenlee CC - Programs for seniors. Play Pickleball at 26 Molgat Ave., St. Vital. Call **256-6654** 

Fibromyalgia Support Group of Winnipeg - For info: 204-975-3037

**Elmwood EK Active Living Centre -**Café: Wed. 10:30-noon. Coffee and treats \$1. Community Woodshop (including a Ladies at 10:30 Fridays), Hand & Foot Canasta, Carpet Bowling, floor curling (Mon. 1-3) and many more. 180 Poplar @ Brazier. Membership \$20. 204-669-0750

Fraternal Order of Eagles - 3459 Pembina Hwy. Cribbage Tues. 1 pm. \$100 for a 28 or better hand. Free Coffee; Wed. Bingo, doors open 11:30 am, games 12:55 pm; Sun. Bingo, doors open 5:30, games 6:30 pm. 204-269-4332 after 4:30 Mon-Fri.

The Salvation Army Barbara Mitchell Family Resource Centre - Seniors 55+. 51 Morrow Ave, St.Vital. <u>Monday</u> - <u>Drop-In</u> 9:30-11:30 am, <u>Tuesday</u> - <u>S.T.A.R.S</u>. 9:30-11:30 am, presentations, monthly birthday lunch, outings, games, etc. Wed. Steppin' Up FREE Exercise Class 1011:30 am, <u>Thur.</u> - <u>Pickle Ball</u> 9:30-12 pm. Coffee/Tea/snacks provided. More info, call Sheila: **204-990-2339** 

The PROBUS Club of Winnipeg is a group for the retired or semi-retired. 204-489-2882, or Info: winnipegprobus85@gmail.com

Lion's Place Adult Day Program - Social day program for seniors. Transportation & hot lunch provided. Members \$17.70/day. Call 784-1229. Referrals made through WRHA at 788-8330, or call Case Coord.

Southdale Seniors - in Southdale CC. Activities: travel to Moose Jaw spa and Maritimes, local tours/workshops, birthday lunches, Celebrations matinees, casino trips, ASD bingo, writing, bridge, canasta, cribbage, floral arranging, games, movies, indoor walking, teas, etc. **204-253-4599**, membership \$12.

teas, etc. 204-253-4599, membership with Golden Rule Seniors - Fort Rouge Leisure Centre, 625 Osborne St. Mon. Bingo 1 pm. Tues. Bridge 2 pm. Thurs. Singalong 10 am. Floor shuffleboard 1 pm. Bridge 1 pm. Fri. China painters 10 am. Carpet bowling 1 pm. Wented Cribbage players for Wed. 1 pm. Wanted Cribbage players for Wed. 1 pm. Call Terry: **204-453-1085** 

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Weston Seniors Club - Programs: computer training, cooking, guest speakers, presentation, luncheons, etc. Meet Tuesdays at 1625 Logan. **204-774-3085** 

High Steppers Seniors Social Club -Meet Wed. & Thur. for fun and activities. New members / volunteers welcome. Winakwa Community Centre, 980 Winakwa Rd. 204-619-8477

mention Archwood 55 - Yoga, fitness classes, line dancing, or art instruction. Drop in for a board game, pickleball, floor curling or bil-liards. Visit our website for a list of luncheons, social activities, informational sessions and bus trips. 565 Guilbault St. Office hrs: Mon-Fri, 9 am-3 pm 204-416 1007 archwood55mail@gmail.com www.archwood55plusinc.weebly.com

Sturgeon Creek United Church Fellowship gatherings. Games, cards, conversation and light refreshments. 2nd Thur. of the mo., 1:30-3 pm except July and Aug. Free. 204-895-7410

Ukrainian Cdn Veterans Br # 141 - Live band every Sat., 1-4:30 pm. Adm. Includes lite lunch. Chase the Ace Draw ea. Sat. Tickets on sale 3:30-4:25 pm. Draw 4:30 pm. Info: 204-589-6315 ext 103.

The Friends of Library Book Club -Seeks new members. Meet 3rd Tue. ea mo at 10:15 am on 2nd Floor of Millennium Library. Books chosen are available through the library. Membership is free. Call: 204-452-3369 or 204-254-6697

More listings available at www.seniorscope.com (Events page) Cont'd

Dakota 55+ Lazers Senior Centre -Programs: Cribbage, line dancing, floor curling, quilting, fitness, etc. Call: **204-254-1010** ext. **206.** <u>WHIST</u>, Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, contact Bob or Fran: **204-257-3172**. Jonathan Toews Centre, 1188 Dakota St.

The St. James-Assiniboia 55+ Centre -3-203 Duffield St. Various activities for adults 55+. Visit **www.stjasc.com** to view programs and services. 204-987-8850

Fort Garry Legion - 1125 Pembina Hwy., Paper Bingo, Fri., Early Bird 7:15 pm; and Sat., Hard Card and Ladies Auxiliary Lucky Star, All Welcome, Kitchen open for Lunch.

The Friendly Settlers Senior Citizens **Club -** 400 Day St. (Transcona), <u>Meet</u> <u>Mondays</u>, 10 am for cribbage, lunch and bingo. Special events /group trips offered bingo. Special events /group trips offered. 204-222-7504 or ganyadel4@mymts.net

Assiniboia Wood Carvers Association -Woodcarving every Fri. 1-3 pm at Valour CC-Clifton Site, 1315 Strathcona St. Call Mel: 204-661-2213 or Wayne: 204-783-7340

55+ Men's Club - Wed. & Thur. afternoons, 1-4 pm, at Bourkevale Lawn Bowling, 900 Ferry Road. Art and hobby classes, or just enjoy a coffee. 204-987-8850

Men's Shed - New in Transcona, starting Oct. 16, 3 pm, at Oxford Heights C.C www.menssheds.ca, 204-224-4941

Mensheds Manitoba Inc. - Peer run program by men for men at Woodhaven Community Club, 200 Glendale Blvd, Woodhaven in St James, Tue. and Wed. afternoons, 1-4 pm. Call 204-832-0629

**Gwen Secter Creative Living Centre -**(1588 Main St.) Shuttle Bus runs Wed. mornings for \$15 from the north end and \$15 from the South End (members). Transportation from Seven Oaks, Garden City, West Kildonan, Maples & South End. Get lunch, bingo, entertainment, refreshments & transportation home. 204-339-1701

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St. James Anglican Church - Sundays, 9:30 am, 195 Collegiate St. Handicapped accessible. All welcome.

Good Neighbours Active Living Centre -Lunch \$6, Bingo 5c per card. Transportation provided within the RiverEast (Elmwood, E.K., N.K. areas) **204-996-0750** 

Lions Place Toastmasters - Come as our guest to learn about Public Speaking at 7-8 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays at 610 Portage Ave. Contact Jennet

204-284-6828. jpbakes@mymts.net. A&O: Support Services for Older Adults -

Senior Centre Without Walls (SCWW). Phone Group Activities providing fun, free, educational and recreational programming by calling into toll-free line. Info: **204-956-6400** 

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Beausejour - Old Time Dance & Dinner, Sun. Apr. 19, 1-5 pm. Live Band "The Mosaics." Cash Bar, Tickets (dance) \$10 ea. Dinner (\$11) , 5 pm, catered by Green Gables. Proceeds to Brokenhead Community Hall and Knights of Columbus Local Charities. Tickets: Ron **204-755-2821** or Stan 204-268-2961. Accommodations available at Superior Inn and Conference Centre 204-268-9050. Sponsored by Beausejour Knights of Columbus.

Interlake/Eastern Region - Alzheimer Society - Family Support Groups: <u>Gimli</u>, 3rd Tues. of mo, 1 pm, Gimli Community Heatlh Centre; Lac du Bonnet, 2nd Wed. 6:30 pm, Health Centre; Selkirk, 1st Wed. 7 pm, Gordon Howard Centre; Springfield, 3rd Thur., 1 pm, Springfield Library; <u>Stonewall</u>, 4th Tues., 10 am, Stonewall & District Health Centre. Info: **204-268-4752** or alzne@alzheimer.mb.ca

Oak Bank - Seniors Art Cafe - 5 weeks, Tuesdays, Mar. 17-Apr. 14, 1:30-3 pm, at The Space, 573 Main St. \$40 Donation. To register: **204-444-3567** or office.sunriseperformingarts@gmail.com

**Selkirk - Interlake Juried Art Show 2020 -** May 1 (Art Talk by Jurors and Artists Reception), May 2-3 (Show open to public) at Selkirk Recreational Complex, 180 Easton Drive. Entry deadline Apr. 3. Entry Forms and info: www.gwenfoxgallery.com gwenfoxg@shaw.ca, 204-482-4359

Selkirk - The Bruin Chapter of the Icelandic National League - 127th Sumardagurinn Fyrsti (First Day of Summer Concert), Thur. Apr. 16, lower level Selkirk Legion. Doors open 7 pm, concert 7:30 pm. Entertainment, raffle, food, silent auction, fun and fellowship. Collection at door.

Selkirk - Alzheimer Society, Minds in Motion - 2-hour, weekly fitness and social program for people living with early to moderate symptoms of dementia to enjoy with a family member or friend. Light refreshments provided. Wednesdays, Apr. 8-May 27, 1-3 pm. \$65 per pair. Gordon Howard Centre. 204-785-2092. To learn more about the program: Kathy 204-943-6622 or mindsinmotion@alzheimer.mb.ca

Selkirk - Selkirk Senior Mixed Recreational Curling League - welcomes new curlers. Individual entry. Play positions accommodated where possible. New teams formed by random draw for each of the 6 rounds in the curling season. ALL skill levels. Stick and slide delivery. Join anytime. Mon.& Fri., 1:30 pm, at Selkirk Curling Rink, 381 Jemima St. Ken Bumstead, 204 785-2207

St. Andrews Heritage Centre - Knitting at the Rectory, every Sat. in March, 2-4 pm, \$2/person. Beginners and any skill level. No registration required; <u>Seed Starting</u> Workshop, Mar. 21, 10 am-12 pm, at the Age friendly Bldg (6 Riverview St., St. Andrews), \$10/person. Registration

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### South Winnipeg Seniors Slow-Pitch (SWSSP) gearing up for a new season By Metro Hnytka

Often referred to as "Winnipeg South", we are a community-based group of 'mature" adults in Winnipeg, Manitoba, who have joined together to enjoy the physical and social benefits of slo-pitch softball. We offer men (over 55) and women (over 40) opportunities for non-competitive and/or competitive recreation through playing slo-pitch softball with and against others of similar ages and experience. Every interested senior can participate according to his or her interests, skills, and scheduling needs; you just need to bring a softball glove and comfortable clothing.

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Based in South Winnipeg, our "House League" games are played twice weekly at Moffat Field, located behind the Century Arena at 1377 Clarence Avenue in Fort Garry. These games are scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays from May to October (weather permitting). Our House League games are intended primarily for exercise and social interaction.

Winnipeg South also supports several more competitive 'traveling' teams, who play against teams from both within Winnipeg and rural Manitoba. These traveling teams play their games at the John Blumberg (Headingley) and Buhler (Transcona) Recreational Complexes on Mondays and Wednesdays, and also play in a variety of tournaments around Southern Manitoba. Both in-house and travelling team games are played on weekdays during normal working hours, but one of our teams does compete regularly in evening games against other nearby teams.

Our Spring Start-up Meeting will be on April 20th at the Fort Garry Community Centre located at 880 Oakenwald at Woodgrove. Registration is at 12:45 pm with coffee and donuts available; meeting to start promptly at 1:00 pm. The 2020 annual registration fee is \$50.00 and includes registration with Sport Manitoba, insurance, plus a hat and jersey for first time members.

Teams also participated in 'Batting for Breast Cancer' for many years and have raised significant funds each year. This year's tournament will be held June 13th at John Blumberg Park.

Teams will also participate in the Manitoba 55+ Games in Selkirk, MB, June 16-18th.

Each year, we hold two mini-tournaments (four teams made up of all members play 3 three-inning games) with a BBQ afterwards.

For more information: Website - swssp.coffeecup.com Betty: 204-997-8043 Bob: 204-261-3033 Mac: 204-475-1900

### SAFETY ALERT

### What is pole top fire season?

Fires on top of hydro poles are a common cause of electrical outages in Manitoba They most often occur in the spring, but can happen at any time of year.

### Why do pole top fires happen?

Insulators, typically made of porcelain and polymer, are used to attach power lines to wood distribution poles. Dirt and grime can build up on these insulators throughout the year. The build-up can be worse in the winter before the first big spring rain helps to clean the insulators and restore their insulation properties.

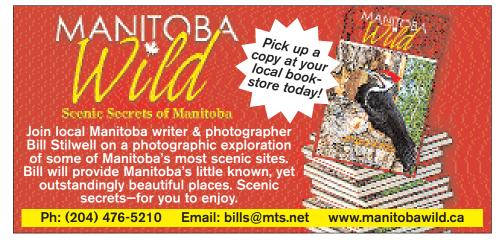
While cracks or lightning damage can cause an insulator to fail and create a pole fire, usually it is humid weather that contributes to the risk of pole top fires. Dense fog, very light rain, or light, wet snow can all provide the right conditions. The moisture in the air combines with the dirt on the insulators to allow an electrical short circuit, which can cause a fire.

The short circuit trips a switch, cutting power to the lines, much like the fuses or breakers in a house. The tripped switch causes an outage, which could be limited to a small area or could involve a large number of customers.

Sometimes the pole may burn through, leaving the top of the pole, cross-arms and insulators suspended by the power lines. Or power lines can break from the weight. If you see a hydro pole on fire, call 911.

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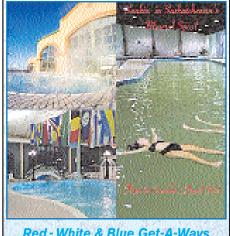


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Selkirk - Tudor House Personal Care Home needs volunteers. Various positions. Info: Denise Smith 204-482-6601 Ext: 128, dsmith@mytudor.ca

Selkirk - Betel Home - Looking for volunteers for afternoons and Thur. evenings. Info: Matt Mutcheson @ 204-482-5469 ext. 20956 or mmutcheson@ierha.ca

Stonewall Kinettes Club - Kinettes meet 3rd Thur. of mo. except July & Aug. Help plan fun events to help raise funds to serve the community's greatest needs in Stonewall and surrounding communities in the Interlake. Call Marilyn at **204-467-2728** 

### **PROGRAMS / SERVICES**

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www.aamanitoba.org or 1 877 942 0126 Beausejour - Beau-Head Senior Center

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www.dauphinseniors.com, 204-638-6485 East St. Paul 55+ Activity Centre -

(262 Hoddinott) - Area residents welcome to play cribbage Tues., whist Fri. Also: pool, quilting and stitchery, art group, table and floor shuffleboard, book club, yoga, potluck suppers and casino trips. **204-654-3082** (msg).

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Montcalm Service to Seniors - Meal program with activities and musical entertain-ment in/at Letellier-Hall Fridays. Joanne: 204-304-0551 or email: jbarnabe@hotmail.ca

Notre Dame de Lourdes/Saint-Léon /Ensemble Chez Soi - Services: parking permits, congregate meal programs 5x/wk at the manor, internet research, info/health ses-sions, light housekeeping, Alzheimer's sup-port group, palliative care, transportation, help with documents, friendly visits/calls, spiritual services, equipment rental, E.R.I.K. kits, lifeline, mobile library, yard work. Coordinator Bev Collet: **204-248-7291** or **ensemble** @mymts.net. We are always looking for volunteers to help with these programs.

Portage la Prairie - Herman Prior Centre - Members and non-members. Mon to Fri meal program (register by 11 am); Mon. Painting, Line Dancing, Scrabble, Resistance Band, Cribbage, Clogging and Tai Chi.; Tues. Euchre, Bridge and Prairie Wildfire Line

Dancing; Wed. Cribbage and Tai Chi; Thurs. Foot Care Clinic, Whist, Weaving, Bridge and Square Dancing; Fri. Foot Care Clinic, Floor Curling/Floor Shuffleboard. Blood Pressure Clinics, and Stroke Survivors, Book Club, Geneology and Natural History meetings. Special events trips. Contact Hope or Chris: 204-857-6951, hp55plus@mymts.net

Seine River Services for Seniors -Help and support with E.R.I.K. kits and other forms, foot care, transportation services, companionship, homecare services, illness, grief, housing, finances. Melanie Bremaud: 204-424-5285.

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Springfield - Springfield Seniors -204-444-3139 - Chair excercises, Carpet bowling, Pickleball, Strides Walking Program - **204-853-7582**; Bowling - **204 444-5373**; Drums Alive - **204-612-9255**; 204-Chair Yoga - 204-228-2322; Zumba Gold 204-479-5386; Stick Curling - 204-853-7729; Aquafit - 204-444-6166; 55+ Women's Fitness - **204-880-4716** Cooks Creek C.C.: - Pickleball, Tue. & Thur. 10-noon; Badminton, Wed. 7-9 pm; Volleyball, Thur. 7 pm; Tai Chi, Wed. 12-2 pm, Fri. 10-noon. Yoga, Tai Chi - TBD. Info: cookscreekcommunitycentre@hotmail.com

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<u>Victoria Beach</u> - East Beaches Senior Scene - #3 Ateah Rd, Victoria Beach. Various programs, activities and special events open to those in the East Beaches community. For membership or volunteer opportunities, contact Tammi Kelly, Program Coordinator: 204-756-6468, email: ssinc1@mts.net, ww.ebseniorscene.ca

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The Vehicle Technology Testing Act (Various Acts Amended) would create a framework to enable testing of vehicle technology and types including automated and connected. Testing advanced and alternative vehicle technologies would also position the province as an attractive location for companies to test intelligent transportation infrastructure. Before the province can authorize testing, it would develop regulations and a permitting system this year, in consultation with stakeholders, the minister noted. "By enabling developers to safely test emerging vehicle technologies on provincial roadways, we are supporting Manitoba's large agricultural, trucking, heavy vehicle manufacturing and technology development sectors," said Schuler. "Numerous vehicle technologies are in development and ready for testing, creating opportunities for Manitoba-based business.' The bill also amends The Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI) Corporation Act and The Insurance Act concerning registration and insurance requirements for vehicle testing organizations.

March 5, 2020

### **MANITOBA TO IMPLEMENT**

The average Manitoba household will save \$200 in 2022 through Manitoba's flat Green Levy alone, adding up to more than \$700 over the next five years, the premier said. The premier noted that 100 per cent of the flat Manitoba Green Levy will be returned to Manitobans. Dropping the PST to six per cent will save Manitobans \$325 million each year, \$40 million more than the actual cost of the flat Manitoba carbon levy. The average Manitoba household will save \$359 in 2022 with a six per cent PST. "Unlike the federal government's rising carbon tax, our flat made-in-Manitoba Green Levy will return all of the money and more to Manitobans with the second-lowest PST in Canada,' said Pallister. Manitoba large industrial emitters will reduce emissions through a made-in-Manitoba output-based carbon pricing system based on the flat Green Levy of \$25 per tonne. Greenhouse-gas emissions in Manitoba will be reduced by at least two megatonnes (MT) over the fiveyear carbon savings account period set in legislation. ■

### **PROVINCE INTRODUCES LEGISLATION TO ALLOW** SAFE TESTING OF **AUTOMATED VEHICLES ON MANITOBA ROADS**

The Manitoba government has introduced legislation that would allow testing of automated vehicles on provincial roads, Infrastructure Minister Ron Schuler announced. "Emerging Vehicle Technologies Create Business Opportunities in Manitoba," he states.

"Development of vehicle technology, including automated self-driving vehicles, is progressing rapidly worldwide and these changes will help make Manitoba competitive in attracting business and keeping pace with other jurisdictions," said Schuler. "Our government is honouring our commitment to bring forward legislative amendments that would create a framework to allow the safe testing of automated vehicles on Manitoba roads.'

### FLAT \$25-PER-TONNE **GREEN LEVY, PST WILL BE REDUCED TO SIX PER CENT**

The Manitoba government will implement a flat \$25-per-tonne Green Levy and reduce the PST to six per cent, saving Manitoba families and businesses more than a billion dollars over the next five years compared to the rising federal carbon tax, Premier Brian Pallister announced.

Both the made-in-Manitoba Green Levy and the PST reduction will come into effect on July 1.

The federal government ignored our request to work together as a true partner in tackling climate change, so we have no choice but to act now to protect Manitobans from the rising federal government carbon tax they are bringing in this year," said Pallister. "Ottawa has provided special exceptions and exemptions to many other provinces but refused to consider Manitoba's significant clean hydro investments."

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### WORDSEARCH - Nautical By Senior Scope

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-	salt & pepper to taste	- '
125 ml	vegetable oil	1/2 cup
2 L	romaine lettuce, chopped	8 cup
1.3 L	spinach leaves, stems removed	5 cup
1	granny smith apple, cored & chopped	1
75 ml	cashews	1/3 cup
50 ml	dried cranberries	1/4 cup
3	green onions, chopped	3 '
15 ml	sesame seeds, toasted	1 tbsp

Recipe

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Today's

In a medium bowl; add vinegar, wine, mustard, soy sauce, sugar, curry powder, salt and pepper. Gradually add oil, a little at a time, whisking to combine until thickened. Taste and adjust seasonings such as sugar, salt and pepper as needed. Set aside.

In a large bowl; toss romaine and spinach. Top with apple, cashews, cranberries, onion and sesame seeds.

Stir salad dressing to combine. Pour just enough on salad and toss to coat well. Refrigerate any remaining dressing in refrigerator.

Serves 4

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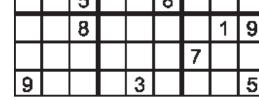
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### Adrien Sala Urges Federal and Provincial Government to Support St. James Civic Centre

Treaty 1 Territory, Winnipeg, MB-St. James NDP MLA Adrien Sala is urging the federal and provincial governments to support phase 2 upgrades to the St. James Civic Centre.

'St. James Civic Centre has been a mainstay of our community for over 50 years and it's time for a refresh," said Sala. "Unfortunately, with less than a month to the proposed start of renovations, the project is in limbo because of the lack of commitment from the provincial and federal governments. A clear funding commitment is needed so that St. James families and seniors can stay healthy and active."

On April 1st, the Civic Centre will close for a year in order to start previously announced renovations, funded entirely by the City of Winnipeg. Many residents are concerned that the second phase of the project, which includes a new 55+ Centre, may not be completed because of the refusal of the provincial and federal government

to commit funding. The cost is estimated at \$14 million. So far the federal government has not been clear on its commitment and the provincial government has done nothing to ensure the project is completed.

With less than a month until renovations are slated to begin, Sala urged the federal and provincial governments to make the funding available so that St. James seniors can stay healthy and active.

John Pidwerbesky, a local St. James resident, expressed similar concerns to Sala regarding delays.

"The Civic Centre is a hub for our community and helps seniors like myself stay active while socializing with friends," said Pidwerbesky. "We deserve clarity from the provincial and federal government-is this project going to happen or not?"

Call 204-792-8779 to speak to MLA Adrien Sala.

### Winnipeg Police Service: (March 2, 2020)

# March is Fraud **Prevention Month**

For Fraud Prevention Month 2020, the Winnipeg Police Service is focusing its efforts on combating the 'Bank Investigator Scam'. In 2019, Canadians lost over \$3.2 million to the scam. Manitobans accounted for \$1 million of those losses making the 'Bank Investigator Scam' the top scam in Manitoba.

To help raise awareness, we have prepared a video detailing what the Bank Investigator Scam is and how it can be prevented: https://youtu.be/ JdN9Lp3q-rI

If you or someone you know has been a victim of the Bank Investigator Scam, please contact both the Winnipeg Police Service and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (http://www.antifraud **centre.ca**/) to file a report.

In conjunction with other agencies from the community, the Winnipeg

Police Service will again be participating in a number of events to help educate citizens on how they can protect themselves from fraud. One of those events which we would like to mention is:

The Seventh Annual 'Shred It' Event on Thursday, March 26, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, at both St. Vital Centre (in the parking lot outside Silver City) and **CF Polo Park** (in the South parking lot facing Portage Avenue). Shred-It trucks will be on hand at both locations and will be accepting paper documents to shred and – NEW for this year – electronic devices such as old hard drives, USB flash drives, and other hardware that contains confidential information. We ask that you bring a maximum of two bags or boxes per person for this FREE event, please. ■

### PONDERINGS...

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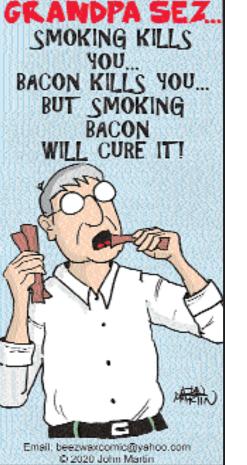
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If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, then wouldn't electricians be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked, and drycleaners depressed?

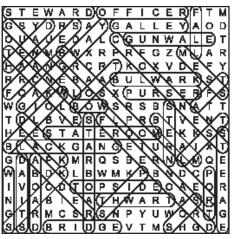
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