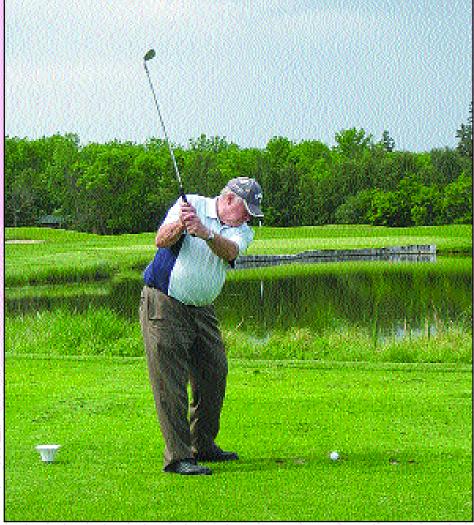


By Karyn Heidrick, Manitoba 55+Games coordinator, AAIM

t is hard to imagine that an entire year has gone by without the annual celebration and gathering at the largest 55+ multi-sport event in Manitoba, known as the **Manitoba 55+ Games**. The provincial event, which has been held each year since 1983, was last hosted in Swan River in June of 2019. Amid a pandemic, the hosting of a large scale in-person event was not possible in 2020 and with safety being a top priority that is still the case in 2021.

While a large in-person event is not on this year, imagine yourself participating in some MB 55+ Games related activities close to home. There are some fun activities you still can do safely within your communities and individual bub-





bles as you abide by the current public health orders. One exciting opportunity to re-engage and be a participant again this year is the **2021 Manitoba 55+ Games** presented by **PlayNow (virtually June 14 – July 16, 2021)**. Check out the date – it presents a friendly challenge and provides an entire month to participate in MB 55+ Games activities – your way. **Active Aging in Manitoba (AAIM)**, inspired by past participants who have found ways to stay active, safely and close to home, has developed a virtual serving of the Manitoba 55+ Games for 2021. Yes, with a bit of imagination, and some effort to challenge yourself and encourage others, you can participate in the Manitoba 55+ Games this year. NutriFeron® which is a Shaklee® product... is a unique, patented blend of zinc plus four powerful

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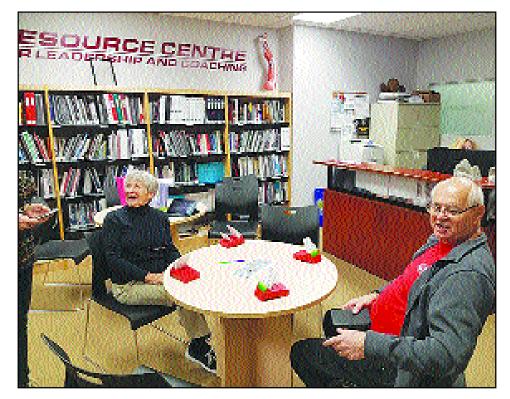
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To register for the 2021 Manitoba 55+ Games presented by PlayNow, fill out the registration form available on the Active Aging (AAIM) website at **www.activeagingmb.ca** and send it to the MB 55+ Games office by mail to: **AAIM**, **1075 Leila Avenue**, **Winnipeg**, **MB R2P 2W7** or email to: **manitoba55plusgames@gmail.com**.

You will need to keep a record of your Games activity on the **Manitoba 55+ Games Physical Activity Tracker**, also available to download from the AAIM website. When you have completed your Manitoba 55+ Games Physical Activity Tracker send it to the MB 55+ Games office to be eligible for



active aging prizes.

If you do not have access to internet you can request a registration form by calling the MB 55+ Games office at **204-261-9257** or toll-free at **1-866-202-6663**.

Be a participant in the **Manitoba 55+ Games** presented by **PlayNow - your way, safely and close to home** starting **Monday, June 14th and finishing Friday, July 16, 2021**. Prove how much you can move during that time frame and share your accomplishments. AAIM will be sharing the many inspiring stories from participants following the conclusion of the event.

The road to healthy active aging and participation in the Manitoba 55+ Games presented by **PlayNow** begins with a bit of imagination to connect virtually with your fellow participants across Manitoba, until we can meet again.

For more information on **Active Aging in Manitoba (AAIM)** visit the website at **www.activeagingmb.ca** or email **info@activeagingmb.ca**. ■

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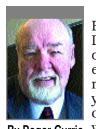
Most couples own their homes as "joint tenants". If one dies the other becomes the exclusive owner. The surviving spouse can pay a modest fee to the Land Titles Office to remove the deceased partner's name from title and continue living in the house. Another form of ownership is "tenants-in-common", where two or more owners have separate shares of the property. A tenant-in-common situation can be appropriate where two or more siblings have ownership of a property, - eg. a family cottage or a rental property. When a tenant-in-common dies, his/her share goes to his/her Estate and ownership of that share is determined by his/her will. The surviving tenant(s)-in-common still have their original share. If the deceased has no will, no spouse or common-law partner and no children, then his/her parents get the share. It there are no surviving parents, then the deceased's brothers & sisters would get the share. Any of those outcomes might get a little complicated when it comes to sharing use of the cottage! You put clauses in your will to create a scenario which is best for you and your heirs.

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Prairie people got to know Prince Philip very well indeed, especially the Sunday that it wouldn't stop raining



The husband of Queen Elizabeth, Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh died a few weeks ago, ending a royal marriage of more than 73 years. He was very close to 100 and had By Roger Currie withdrawn from many royal duties in recent years. Manitoba got to

see a great deal of Elizabeth and Philip, as well as their children over the decades. She was still a Princess when they first visited without the kids in 1951. The Coronation happened as I was graduating from kindergarten in June of 1953. My father, Andrew Currie, was in charge of arrangements for the major royal visit to Manitoba in 1959. I turned 12 that summer and was dazzled by royalty as much as anyone.

Skip ahead to 1967, Canada's Centennial year. In July Winnipeg was the scene of the 5th Pan American Games. Prince Philip was a keen sportsman and a leader of many international activities directed at youth, so it was natural that he should be chosen to open the games. We learned on that occasion just how different a royal visit can be when it features Philip by himself.

Mother Nature played a major role in the drama on that opening Sunday. It poured rain for much of the day, and anyone who attended that day, 54 years ago, will never forget the huge drops that rolled off Philip's royal nose. It was a truly magical time for Winnipeg and the



Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip on his 99th birthday. Photo source: unknown

surrounding communities. 32 years later we got to host the same event with Princess Anne, Elizabeth and Philip's only daughter presiding. Both times gave new meaning to the phrase 'Total Community Involvement'. With enough enthusiastic volunteers just see what can be achieved.

By the time Manitoba's Centennial took place in the summer of 1970, Prince Charles and Princess Anne shared the duties with mom and dad, and I got to describe a lot of the highlights as a rookie radio reporter at CJOB.

There were more royal visits to cover when I relocated to Regina in 1977. A personal highlight for me was my one on one conversation with Prince Philip during a solo visit by him in November of 1979. the focus was a major livestock show



Prince Philip in attendance at the 1967 Pan Am Games with Lester Pearson who was PM then, and Duff Roblin, Manitoba's then Premier standing nearby. Photo: Winnipeg Free Pres

and sale called Canadian Western Agribition. Philip was there in his role as head of the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth. At a reception prior to the opening dinner, I managed to position myself in such a way that Allan Blakeney, the Saskatchewan Premier, could not avoid introducing my wife and I to the Prince. He immediately fixed on my nametag which identified me as news director of CKCK Radio. We were no longer associated with CKCK TV, but Philip didn't know such detail. He looked me straight in the eye and said "Aha, you're the people who have such a terrible pic-ture on Channel 2". He had been in his hotel room less than an hour and he had already done what many of us did years ago when taking up res-

idence in a hotel. He had to check out what was available on 'the box'. The variety of channels in Regina back then was quite small, so it didn't take long.

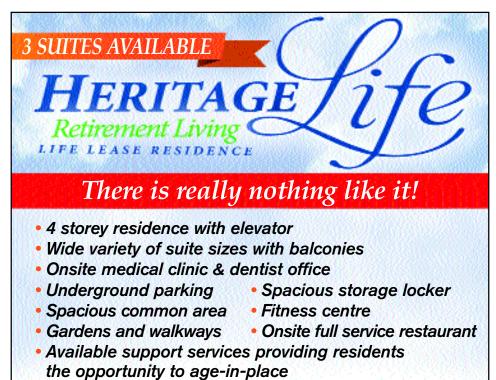
Another memory that lingers, when the Prince spoke to the dinner, he told a few rather tame jokes. The audience responded with such laughter and applause, you might have thought they were being entertained by Johnny Carson or Robin Williams.

He was the man Queen Elizabeth relied on as her 'Rock' for almost 80 vears.

He will definitely be missed, especially in western Canada.

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Estate planning during COVID-19: The family discussions to be having now

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- Treena Nault, CFP, RRC, Executive Financial Consultant

COVID-19 has created an environment where concerns for our loved ones' health and economic well-being are both top of mind. It's also made many of us appreciate that we're not invincible, and sometimes we can't control the future. This resonates closely for families who have either lost a family member or are concerned about an elderly person in their life.

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With that in mind, we are seeing an increase in questions about how to create a will and how to protect your family's financial well-being. The other dynamic right now is that many people are at home, some with much less to do than normally, especially for retirees who might otherwise be travelling away from Canada. Interestingly, for many people, one of the key reasons for delaying the creation of an estate plan is lack of time. However, if you do have time, and are spending more time with loved ones – whether at home or virtually – we are at a unique inflection point where people are both motivated to think about estate planning and have the time to actually do something about it.

If I'm thinking about succession planning, where should I start?

In many cases people begin by talking to their family about what they think might be best, and that's often a good place to start. That said, it's a prudent idea to approach these sensitive discussions with some knowledge in your back pocket, before getting too specific with your plans. For example, people can go through exhaustive conversations with family members about who will act as executor under their will, only to find out that the person they originally asked to act will probably not be able to, because they are a nonresident of Canada. So, it is helpful to know some basic principles, tax and common laws in your province before starting the process.

on gender. For most mothers, however, first and foremost they want to ensure their children are "taken care of." As children get older, the concern often revolves more around family harmony. This is another instance where it might be a good idea to speak to an estates expert before creating too specific a plan. There are situations where people have invested a lot of time in deciding which child will receive which piece of land or which personal effect, only to learn that generally tax and estate experts don't recommend getting too specific with "things" in a will. From experience, we find that the best way to preserve family harmony after parents pass away is to treat children as equally as possible.

Although "fair doesn't always mean equal" - if children feel that one sibling has received assets worth more than another, there is a very high likelihood of resentment. The other problem with getting too specific is that if you sell an asset that's meant for one child but keep an asset that's supposed to go to another, you could cause significant after-tax inequities. So, we usually recommend to simply divide an estate equally between children if that's feasible, but then make sure the estate is large enough to ensure that they can each take what they want from the estate. If one of children is going to want a particularly valuable asset (e.g. a vacation property), then you need to ensure there are sufficient funds for the other child or children, sometimes by insuring the difference.

I'm concerned about my elderly parents these days, especially my mother. But it's an awkward conversation to have. How can I break the ice?

Some suggested openings for the conversation could be:

get the type of care you'll need?

- If you were to become incapacitated, do you have a power of attorney in place so that someone will be able to act on your behalf? Do you have a POA for Dad in case he loses capacity first?
- Have you reviewed your insurance? Mom, if Dad were to die first, would you have enough to support yourself?
- Have you both reviewed your wills? Have they been reviewed by an estates lawyer?

Ultimately, the important thing to keep in mind when having these conversations is that it's your parent's money, and for the most part, they can do whatever they want with it (so long as they have met all legal obligations to their spouse or dependants). And in most cases, you don't need to ask to see their investment statement, so you don't need to pry too much. But if they haven't done anything about it, your questions may prompt them to think about it.

A proper estate plan covers many additional considerations than what we've shared here, and every family situation is unique. It's important to speak with an experienced tax and estates lawyer, especially for more complex family dynamics, such as blended families. However, if you're concerned that you don't want to start "running the clock" per se with a lawyer, a great place to begin the discussion is with your financial advisor.

Contact me for more information and background materials on estate planning. ■

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 I've been reading a lot about longterm care facilities, and I want to make sure that if you ever need to go into one, you'll have the money to afford the type of care you want – have you reviewed this issue with your financial planner? Have you projected how much it will cost to

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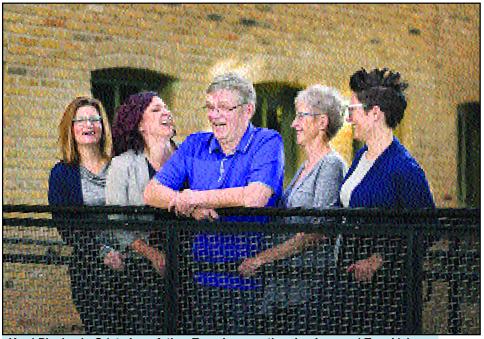
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Terry's Memory Makers Plan Repeat Performance

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Kerri Pleskach, Cristy Law, father Terry Law, mother Jan Law and Tara Liske

They say that sometimes, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. That seems to be the case for Terry Law and his three daughters as they get ready for the 2021 IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's.

In the decades before Terry's Alzheimer's diagnosis in 2016, he was a "doer." He was a community leader in Beausejour, where he and wife, Jan, and their three daughters lived. By day, he worked for MTS, retiring from the company's finance department in 2004. His off hours were spent as umpire at his daughter's ball games, sitting on the fundraising committee for the community's new rink, serving as one of the youngest presidents of the local Legion branch – and the list goes on.

Youngest daughter Cristy says some of her fondest memories of her dad are related to his involvement in planning community events and seeing how much fun he had doing it. "He wanted everyone to have the best time possible. Once, he organized a snow golf tournament in our back field and there were 10 teams. He was a firm believer in 'work hard, play hard.""

His wife and daughters cherish those memories. So, as Walk day gets closer, Cristy says they're asking themselves, "What would Dad do?" The answer? Participate

Terry's Memory Makers at the 2019 IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's.

once again with their team, Terry's Memory Makers.

As in previous years, they intend to invite family and friends to join them. While, for the second year, the event can't be held as a large gathering, Terry's Memory Makers will walk in a park in Beausejour, where a lovely trail winds through a wooded area. If COVID protocols allow, they'll bring Terry, who is now in a wheelchair, with them.

And, just as they did in 2017 and 2018, they hope to again win the prize for the largest team. Family and friends from as far away as Brandon have joined the Law family in the past. This year, with their own

Walk taking place in their hometown, Cristy says more folks than ever will be able to participate.

"We'll plan the greatest time ever, and we'll make some amazing memories while we do it. That's what my dad would do!" says Cristy.

It's the family's way of not just honouring Terry, but of giving back to the Alzheimer Society. "We know what a huge resource they have been for us, especially in the early stages as we were trying to understand the disease and come to terms with it," says Cristy. "There may not be a lot we can do for Dad – it is what it is. But we can raise awareness and funds for the Society." ■

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"Why can't Great Grammy come with us to Disney World?"

I reminded my six-year-old grandson that my mother was now legally blind. Travelling, for her, would be difficult; the constant glare of the Florida sunshine would hurt her sensitive eyes; she wouldn't see much of anything ...

Caleb interrupted my dismal rambling to explain how he and his little sister would feed their great grandmother vitamin A—in the form of carrots. "Tons of carrots, Grandma. That'll fix her eyes!"

My grandchildren didn't follow through with their carrots equals cure theory, so it was never proven—smart kids, though, these Generation Zers. I was ashamed to admit that back in the 1950s, when I was their age, I too had a theory. Mine was not quite so benevolent: You get old. You go blind.

That's what I decided the afternoon my mother took me to a benefit luncheon for the Blind Institute. I asked her who had made the toys and household items on display. "Blind people," she said. Since I was the only child in the auditorium, Mom let me pretend I was a grownup. In between sips of hot tea, I munched on yummy dainties baked for the occasion by our church ladies. I contemplated the crowd of adult faces surrounding me. The smacking lips looked normal—the eyes, too. But I suspected these were The Blind—row upon row of sightless old ladies who stitched rag dolls and dresses-blind men who whistled as they whittled toy trains. And with the money they earned selling crafts, The Blind would buy white canes to advertise their blindness, or specially trained guide dogs to help them get around more easily and protect them from danger they couldn't see.

Čonsidering the possibility that going blind might make me more creative or increase the likelihood of my owning a pet, I couldn't wait to grow up and grow old—especially if total strangers would throw parties and bake me dainties! It never occurred to me that the hundreds of other tea drinkers were sighted folks like Mom and me. She could have put my mind to rest if I had done my musing out loud. I didn't, and wouldn't you know it, Blindness began to follow me around like a lovesick puppy.

A few weeks after the fundraiser, I caught an early morning bus to visit my Grosspapa and Grossmama, Dad's parents. I sat up front on the long seat next to the driver—until he stopped the bus and asked me to make room for a grey-haired man who was boarding the bus—with his dog! I picked up the package I had brought with me, slid to the far end of my seat, and said "Hi." to the old man as he sat down beside me. The dog sprawled its long, smooth body on top of its master's feet, yawned and looked up at me with big smiley eyes.

Just as I bent down to pat the dog, a bony finger poked my shoulder. "Don't bother the blind guy's mutt! It's working." I yanked my arm away from the rude passenger and held my breath.

"There's no harm done, no harm at all. Danny-Boy is off duty for the moment," said the blind man. "There now, wee dearie, you go ahead and touch him all you want. He'll not mind."

When I ran my fingers through the soft fur on his shoulders and scratched him under the chin, Danny-Boy didn't mind. He licked my hands, my nose, and the tears on my cheeks! Not only was he a smart and obedient dog, but a friendly one as well. The bus driver interrupted our lit-

The bus driver interrupted our little slobber party by announcing my stop. He cranked open the front doors. I thanked him, said goodbye to Danny-Boy and his blind man, jumped off the bus and hop-skipped the block and a half to my grandparents' house, day-dreaming all the way about church ladies, bus drivers, guide dogs, and little kids that's all a blind person needed in this world—plus a brave heart. My very own Grossmama might soon be as blind as the old man on the bus, and I wasn't worried one little bit.

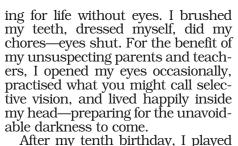
Her world was clouded by cataracts, but Grossmama was shrewd. If she gave you a two-dollar bill to buy a few groceries, she'd finger the coins in the change you brought back, and after a quick bit of mental arithmetic, would inquire after the missing penny. "What did you buy, Reenie? Bubble gum?"

There wasn't a store-bought toy or luxury in my grandparents' home. Thank goodness for the monthly letters my far-away aunties sent—and for Grosspapa, who could still see well enough to read every precious word to Grossmama. He took apart each envelope, painstakingly unfolded and flattened the flaps to make paper for writing or drawing on. These he stacked beside the letters in the top drawer of the dining-room buffet. Next to them he piled his collection of stubby black pencils sharpened with a kitchen knife. I had to beg for the paper and pencils.

I had to beg for the paper and pencils. No matter how creative I got, smudgy lead pencils were disgustingly messy, and the resulting artwork, too drab for my liking. I had learned to bring along my own fun, and that day, decided to smuggle in a box of crayons from home. My envelope-art would be in colour.

Grossmama greeted me with one of her suffocating mama-bear hugs. I dropped my paper bag, and the jumbo pack of Crayolas slipped out onto her shoe. She picked up the flashy green and orange box, held it close to one eye, and studied it for way too long. "Tsk, tsk, tsk! Popcorn will spoil your appetite, Reenie. Off you go and play till lunch!" Thump! High on the kitchen windowsill it landed. How did Grossmama manage to bake bread or cook chicken soup—homemade noodles and all—if she couldn't even tell the difference between crayons and popcorn? This Blindness business was mighty mysterious stuff—certainly worth checking out.

So, that very week, I began train-



After my tenth birthday, I played the blind-girl game less and less, and eventually made it through university, marriage, childbirth, and middleage with eyes wide open. These days I'm called Grandma Irene. That I am able to see clearly the smiling faces of my children's children is a gift for which I am truly thankful.

As for that fabulous 2003 Florida trip with the grandkids and family? Well, my mother (a.k.a. Great Grammy) stayed home—not for lack of carrots, vitamins, or sunscreen, but she obviously knew something we did not.

Our luxury condo, a mere tenminute drive from Disney World, housed six people quite comfortably. At least it did until 5:00 a.m., at which time, dear daughter and her hubby would invariably enter The Dead Zone (which involved much snoring and snorting, tossing and turning, but no waking up) and their blessed little angels would climb into our bed. "We thought you might be hungry, Grandma, so could we please have bacon and eggs?" and "Can we go feed the ducks before Disney?" were their usual opening lines.

Of course, we witnessed all the magic Disney had to offer-elaborate movie sets, heart-stopping rides, lifesize cartoon characters greeting us at every turn, noise, confusion-the works. A half-hour of it could chill and thrill me, but not a minute more. Nature would call. I'd gingerly slip away from the clan to hunt for my own favourite part of the Disney experience-every Boomer's delight-a lifesaving, sparkling clean washroom! According to the brochure, there were many, strategically placed around the property-all invisible to me. I was nowhere near blind-still had decent vision—but my frantic, circular wandering suggested otherwise. I wished I had brought along an extra pair of eyes-smart eyes, like Danny-Boy, the blind man's dog had.

I took another trip recently shorter and much closer to home to my optometrist's office.

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Meet Genaro Guevarra

by Brian Campbell

Nursing is in Genaro's blood. There were a number of nurses on his mother's side of the family, so, following the family tradition, Genaro decided to study nursing. He also had a great desire to work with and help people. This desire brought him to Winnipeg, where he began working with L'Arche Winnipeg.

Genaro's desire to work in Health Care was influenced by an event that happened on his seventh birthday. He was horsing around with his brother and ended up hitting his head on the banister of his bed, cutting his forehead. He remembers four or five people being needed to hold him down in order to stitch his forehead. The memory of the care and patience provided by the med-ical staff in dealing with a frightened, struggling child, has stayed with him to this day.

Genaro obtained his Nursing Degree at Ateneo de Zamboanga University (AdZU), a Jesuit-run University in the Philippines, when he was just 19, but never worked as a nurse in the Philippines. After his graduation from AdZU, Genaro joined the Jesuit Volunteers Philippines, a volunteer program, where he became a Community Organizer. He joined a group working with the Aetas, Filipino indigenous people, in the northern part of the Philippines. The Aeta people had been displaced during a volcanic eruption in the early 1990's. This was his first experience living away from home; and living with and helping these people in need had a tremendous impact on Genaro's worldview and his understanding of the plight of disadvantaged and marginalized people in our society. Much of his desire to be a positive influence in the world came from his time with the Aeta people.

In 1997, he got involved with L'Arche and, through L'Arche, came to Winnipeg a year later. He worked with L'Arche Winnipeg for over 10 years. During his time at L'Arche Winnipeg, Genaro created a pandemic response kit, which is still being used to protect the staff and clients during the Covid-19 pandemic.

To upgrade his skills and get his certification to work in Canada, Genaro took the Bridging Program for Internationally Educated Nurses at Red River College in 2009. From there, he began working as a nurse at Riverview Health Centre in 2011.

Genaro takes pride in making a dif-ference in the lives of the people with **info@morning-breeze.ca**

Genaro

whom he works. In his work in geriatric nursing, he makes an effort to connect with, not only his patient, but the patient's family, to show empathy and compassion, and to help the patient to age gracefully. His bottom line is to engage with

families and make a positive impact in people's lives.

Genaro's specialty is dementia and Alzheimer care, and he has made it his goal to learn as much as he can on how to treat patients with Alzheimer's and dementia with care and compassion. His training, education and expe-rience has helped him to understand how to treat each patient as a person with individual needs. This knowledge helps him to give each patient the best possible care he can offer.

Genaro's motivation to create Morning Breeze HealthCare came from a deep desire to do more. As much as he loved the work he had been doing, he felt limited by the corporate bureaucracy. He wanted the freedom to put his own personal touch on the work he did. He felt that having to go through channels to get changes made stifled his creative input. A personal experience he had, watching the care his mother received while she was dying of cancer in the Philippines, gave him the desire to pass this type of care to others. He wanted to train a team of nurses and health care professionals to deliver the same type of care that he would want for his family. He wanted to transfer his passion to help others to his own team of health care workers.

Genaro believes that, with the proper nursing care, giving health care a personal touch, people can continue to live a healthy, happy life in their homes much longer. He feels that, with the right support and appropriate delivery of services, people can continue to live safely in their

own homes to a much later age. Genaro wants people to think of Morning Breeze HealthCare to be the go-to place to care for their families for generations to come. Ideally, he would like to, eventually, see Morning Breeze HealthCare delivering quality services to families across Canada. His dream is for Morning Breeze HealthCare to outlive him and continue caring for families far into the future.

For more information, call Genaro Guevarra at 204-955-5602, Email info@morning-breeze.ca or visit

Sri Lankan Seniors: **Conducted a Presentation** on Household Gardening

by Senaka Samarasinghe, President - Sri Lankan 55+ Group



As we are in mid-Spring, we decided to conduct a virtual meeting via Zoom to obtain knowledge on Household Gardening on April 23th (FRI), 2021 at 10.00 am. The Sri Lankan 55+ Group invited Indra Ariyaratne for this task. Indra completed her MSc (Plant Pathology) in (1982) Louisiana State University (LSU) and PhD (Plant Virology) in 1995, LSU. She served as Extension Coordinator, Dept. of Agriculture (MAFRI), Manitoba. Further, she was a Member of Manitoba Institute of Agrologists.

Sri Lankan 55+ Group always share monthly presentations among other senior groups such as Pembina Active Living (PAL) and Seniors Group of United Trinity Church. Therefore, Indra prepared her slides in two languages namely English and Sinhala.

During the Q&A session members actively participated to clear the doubtful areas of their home gardening. Few of our members moved away from Winnipeg to other Provinces namely Toronto, Alberta and B.C. and they too joined with us. 🔳



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- Designate the Excecutor the person who will administer your Will and Estate; file appropriate tax returns; protect and preserve, and distribute your assets and follow your wishes.
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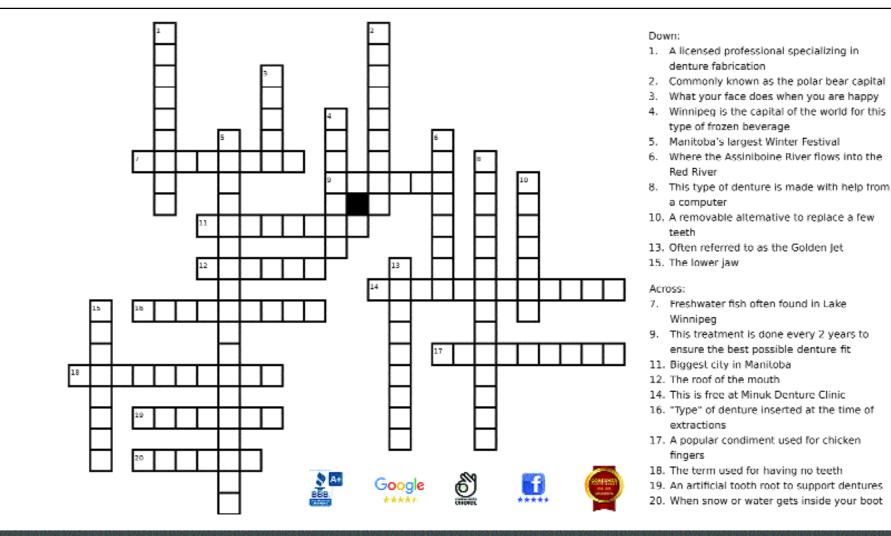
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Standard Fees*		Seniors
WILL	\$175.00	\$150.00
POWER OF ATTORNEY	\$125.00	\$100.00
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SAFETY ALERT

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Keep students safe on the job this summer

Injury rates among young people increase between May and September while they are working in summer jobs.

Many of these accidents are the result of pressures and distractions of a new job, a lack of understanding about electricity, a desire to impress, or not being careful. Encourage new employees to ask questions or speak up when they have concerns.

How much electricity does it take to cause fatalities?

Every year in North America, electricity kills hundreds of people in the workplace and at home, and it injures many more. It takes about 1000 milliamps of electricity to run a 100-watt light bulb - but under the right conditions, it can take only 50 milliamps to kill.

Whether the voltage is high or low, an electrical current can cause serious injury or death if you become a path for electricity to the ground.

Review these tips with students to avoid the safety hazards common to summer jobs:

- Be aware of overhead wires when shingling, siding or painting. Use extreme caution and stay a distance of at least three metres away from lines when raising, lowering or moving ladders or any other equipment.
- Do not touch electrical service wires that enter a building.
- Do not trim trees closer than three meters (10 feet) to power lines.
- Call Manitoba Hydro if tree branches are touching power lines.
- Never climb hydro poles or attach signs or equipment to them.
- If you are outside during an electrical storm, stay away from large trees or utility poles.
- Use a GFCI outlet for safety when using power tools outdoors.
- Before digging into the ground deeper than 15 cm, verify the location of all underground electrical or natural gas lines through ClickBeforeYouDigMB.com.

For more safety information from Manitoba Hydro, visit hydro.mb.ca/safety.

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April 19, 2021 **PROVINCE INTRODUCES LEGISLATION THAT** WOULD PROVIDE EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX REBATES TO MANITOBANS

Legislation Would Allow Nearly \$250 Million in Rebate Cheques to Owners of Home, Farm and Commercial Property in Spring 2021: Fielding

The Manitoba government has introduced the education property tax reduction act, new legislation that would allow nearly \$250 million in education property tax rebates to be provided to Manitoba property owners this spring, Finance Minister Scott Fielding announced.

"Our government believes Manitobans need more tax relief sooner rather than later, and we are keeping our promise to begin phasing out the education property tax this year and completing our promised \$2,020 Tax Rollback Guarantee one full year ahead of schedule," said Fielding. "Budget 2021 will continue to protect Manitobans' hard-earned incomes so they can support their loved ones and invest in their communities."

As part of Budget 2021, Protecting Manitobans, Advancing Manitoba, rebate cheques would provide for \$248 million in rebates of education property taxes and community revitalization levies to approximately 658,000 property owners in 2021. The average rebate to property owners would be about \$1,140 per property over the next two years.

The province would provide a 50 per cent education property tax rebate directly to residential and farm property owners over the next two years (25 per cent this year and 25 per cent next year) and a 10 per cent rebate on other properties in 2021. The bill would also provide for corresponding reductions in various existing education property tax-related credits and rebates to ensure that all property owners are paying 25 per cent less on residential and farm properties, regardless of whether an owner quali-

to pay out the new school tax rebate to property owners. As the education property tax will be phased out over several years' budgets and the rebate is not a one-time supplementary spending program, it requires legislation. The proposed bill would also provide authority to increase percentages by regulation in future years.

"Manitoba is currently the only province that uses locally determined municipal school property taxes to fund its education system. Modernizing our tax structure will put all Manitoba children on an equal footing regardless of where they live and transfer the responsibility of directly funding education away from property owners back to the province," said Fielding, who noted the province will provide a \$23-million offset grant to school divisions this year, equal to a two per cent property tax increase, as to not impact school tax revenue.

Fielding noted the bill would also make a change to the Residential Tenancies Act to freeze the rent increase guideline at zero per cent in 2022 and 2023 to allow residential rents to adjust to the reduction of the education property tax credit. Over the last 20 years, the annual average rent guideline increase has been 1.7 per cent. Landlords who apply for above-guideline rent increases will have to demonstrate their eligibility after taking into account the savings of the new school tax rebate.

Once the Manitoba legislative assembly passes the enabling legislation introduced today, rebates for the 2021 tax year will be issued to ratepayers in each municipality. Rebates over the next few years will lead to the even-

Manitoba Churches - Pleasant Home - St. Stephen's Ukrainian Orthodox Church - 1903

Written by Tyrrell Mendis with input from Olga Persoage

Pleasant Home is a locality southwest of Gimli in the Rural Municipality of Rockwood. It was established by the first wave of Ukrainians to come to western Canada, some of whom continued westward. The first settlers to the Pleasant Home area arrived in 1897.

"Most of the first Ukrainian settlers came to Canada from Halychyna (where they were Greek Catholics) and from Bukovyna (where they belonged to the Orthodox Church). The Halychany settling in Canada were visited once in a while by Greek-Catholic priests, but the Vatican wished to attach them to the Roman-Catholic Church already in existence, which would have assimilated them. The Bukovynians arriving in North America usually incorporated themselves into the Russian Orthodox Mission, which was already in existence. Nevertheless, the Ukrainian immigrants desired to have a Church with a Ukrainian character, which would be closer to the spiritual and cultural needs of the Ukrainian people, and this led to the formation of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada."

(https://uocc.ca/about/history/)

These citizens of the two provinces of the former Austro-Hungarian

Empire were subjected to a system of organised oppression, living in poverty on estates of wealthy landowners. Their land allotments were small, their taxes were high, and they had to serve for three years in the Austrian Army.

In Canada they had the government's promise of a quarter section of land in return for a filing fee of \$10.00 and loyalty to the new country. This was the same offer made to Mennonites in 1874 to settle in southern Manitoba, and to Icelanders in 1875 to settle in the Interlake.

One of the settlers' priorities was to build a place of worship. A small group of them effected that. A church and cemetery came into existence on donated land at the north-east corner of 13-17-2E. St. Stephen's Ukrainian Orthodox Church was begun and completed in 1903.

In 1913 that first cruciform log church was destroyed by fire. However, in the same year it was replaced by the current building. In 1967 the west end of the church was extended to accommodate the growing congregation.

The spiritual needs of the community have been catered for by a board since 1903. It consists of a chair, secretary, treasurer and five trustees. Membership is about 10.

Church funding comes from families of those buried in the adjoining well-kept cemetery, and from the sale of burial plots. A headstone to note portrays Mary and Jesus, with an Ukrainian inscription. Photographed in 2021 by Olga Persoage.

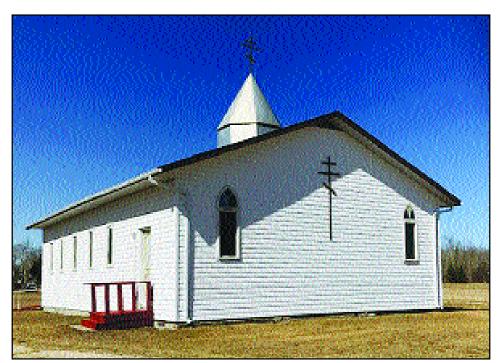
A monument beside the church bears the names of the pioneers who started the church.

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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. His travelling exhibition of 48 pieces, **Testaments of Faith, Manitoba's Heritage Churches** is now available for booking.

If you would like a particular church featured in Senior Scope, or would like to make a booking for his exhibition, contact Tyrrell Mendis at: tymendis@shaw.ca / (204) 774-0677 / (204) 794-1909 / www.theimpressionists.ca, www.theimpressionists.ca/ManitobaChurches (Testaments of Faith)





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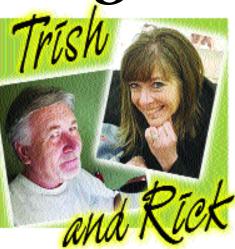
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'Knowledge is YOUR Power'

Welcome. The term 'Knowledge is YOUR Power' has been around forever. Look it up, that's your homework. But the reality in today's world is that it has never been more relevant, important, true and in many cases 'Lifesaving'.

Let's face it, the world we grew up in and with, has as is the norm of history changed forever and we shouldn't be surprised. But this change, as much as we focus on the negative (As is human nature), we mustn't look past the facts that we Humans have more available to us than ever to not only survive this time, but even thrive in it.

Many of us in our 60's and 70's grew up and into today's technology, like it or not. We have computers, tablets, smart phones (Wish I was, smart that is) and boundless access to information sources. Where I'm going with this is that though our parents did not have these resources in their later years, we do. To that, we should not label



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these resources as things from our past, contraire; we should be using these assets to empower ourselves on every level more than ever.

When Trish and I created the 'Pros Know' in our past life radio show, it was with the intent to source, introduce, present and

Mother's Day

EDUCATE listeners so that they could become empowered to help themselves. Simple as that! The Pros Know Expos and The Pros Know Expos On-Line is now the next step to helping folks get the information we need NOW for whatever future and life we still have left. Yes, I said; 'Whatever future and life we still have left.'

Regardless of our health, wealth and station, we can still flourish, be productive and enjoy life more than we do now by simply changing our attitude. How I hate the word 'Retirement'! Retire What? I still have dreams. I still have desires to live better, I still want to create more for my family, community and MYSELF! What's wrong with that?

Dear readers don't settle. Take what you do have and want for more, be more and work to have more in your life. The more we can learn, the more we can do across the board. The better life can be even in the simplest of terms.

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By Metro Hnytka



still have a mother. The life giving form that takes care of our needs as we grow. From the time we are born with no other DMetro Hnytka means of survival, a mother feeds us, keeps us clean, and

We all have had or

teaches us the basic needed life skills. As we grow older, we rely on others to teach us the things needed as we get into our societies, but our mothers feed us and give us security and a passion to do our best, be it in school, work, music, or sports. Many a ride is given to a child as it matures, to sport, concerts, or even school. These are things that mothers do. Always your greatest fan in the stands or your driving force to achieve in whatever you do. This continues forever until they cannot do it anymore.

The other often forgotten mother is Mother Nature (Mother Earth), which is the mother of all things on the Earth and universe. The sun, the sky, the wind and waters. Mother Nature can make us a beautiful day or give us a tempest. Controlling the moon, she gives us the tides which moves our oceans and keeps them moving so they don't become stagnant pools and keeps them clean. Water is the most recycled thing in the world, coming to us as rain, snow, sleet, and hail. The wind moves our

some of the powers of nature for his own good. Wind generation for power and solar energy. Water turbines for producing a lot of our energy or gas fired power plants. Mankind has learned to use the wind for sailing, the sun for growing things and ways for keeping things cool. There is nothing as sweet as going outside to find a warm breeze, sunshine, and a great many trees and flowers for us to enjoy.

We are not alone in this world. There are many animals, birds, the oceans continually dump their garbage and sewage into the oceans at an alarming rate. We alter some of our rivers and stop fish from spawning. We cut down our forest of trees which clean our air. We pollute the air with all kinds of gases, sometimes so much that we create smog and the visibility is limited and the air stinks.

Maybe we should take better care of our Mother Nature and learn that Mother Nature makes no mistakes - everything has a reason to be here and keeps this Earth beautiful. So, this year rather than celebrating Mother's Day on one specified day, celebrate your Mother's Day every day from now on.

clouds around and gives us sunshine or showers, sometimes the showers become hurricanes but I guess there is some good in that. The problem is mankind has moved into the regions that have these storms and feel the full brunt of Mother Nature. but after the storm, it is generally a good place to grow our food.

Mankind has learned how to use

fish, butterflies, and insects; creepy things that Mother Nature also takes care of. Mankind keeps looking for other planets to live on, but doesn't stop to realize that what there is here is a Garden of Eden that must be nurtured and not abused.

There are many ways that mankind has abused his place in time. Large cities along the coast of

Happy Mother's Day. Metro Hnytka

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Things To Do

MISC EVENTS

Manitoba Coin Club (MCC) - members and guests are invited to join in on Zoom™ meetings, 4th Monday of the month, except for July-Aug., at 7-9 pm CST (MB). Opens at 6 pm for pre-meeting chat. May 24, Jun 28/21. Agendas posted online at www.manitobacoinclub.org. Participate by computer, with or without a camera, or phone. Join meeting at https://zoom.us/j/97682908459 Meeting ID: 976 8290 8459 Passcode: 216209

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PROGRAMS / SERVICES

Brandon - Prairie Oasis Senior Centre Meals on Wheels program, Mon-Fri, 9 am-4 pm. Wknd delivery available. Meals \$9. Volunteers needed. Grants and donations gratefully accepted. Info: 204-727-6641

Dauphin Multi-Purpose Senior Centre-Seniors 55+ - Cancer society Transportation Program, fee for service contact list, Erik kits. Facility available to rent. 204-638-6485, www.dauphinseniors.com

Emerson-Franklin Senior Services -For seniors with disabilities, to help maintain independent living. Services: Transportation, shopping, Meals on Wheels for shut-ins. 204-427-2869

The Canadian Celiac Assoc. Manitoba Chapter - hosting a Gluten Free 101 session for those newly diagnosed with Celiac Disease and those struggling with the Gluten-Free lifestyle. May 18, 6:30-8:30 pm via ZOOM video conferencing. Pre-registration is required. Please call **204-772-6979** or email office@manitobaceliac.com

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VOLUNTEERING

Deer Lodge Centre - 2109 Portage Ave. Volunteers needed. 204-831-2503 or visit www.deerlodge.mb.ca/volunteers.html

Caregiving with Confidence - Volunteer Drivers, Telephone Support Volunteers to support caregivers wanted. 204-452-9491

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235-2111, service@actionmarguerite.ca Actionmarguerite St. Vital, 450 River Road - Volunteers needed to help Recreation staff, transport residents in

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

Southeast Personal Care Home -Volunteers needed 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

PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Pembina Active Living (PAL) 55+ -Spring online classes continue. Drop-in activities: PAL putters (golf) - Mondays, PAL pedallers (cycling) - Wednesdays, PAL walking/hiking group - Fridays. Special presentations: <u>CRA information</u> (Budgeting, options with debt, consumer debt) - Thur. May 6, 1 pm; PAL Book Club - Thur. May 13, 1:30 pm; Still Bloomin' Gardening Club - Thur. May 27, 1 pm (speaker TBA). office@pal55plus.com,

www.pal55plus.com, 204-946-0839.

Rainbow Resource Centre - Over the Rainbow Peer-to-Peer Phone Line, for 2SLGBTQ+ older adults 55+. For info, email otr@rainbowresourcecentre.org.

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When Love is Blind

by Irene Worster-Lo Scerbo

You don't see the green of grass or trees you pass along the way, can't recognize or count the sidewalk's fifty shades of grey. Pedestrians approach head-on or creep up from behind, their identity a mystery-to you whose eyes are blind. Yet, unafraid you take each step with guidance from above. You talk the Talk and walk the Walk. Your white cane points towards Love.

And when, at table, we sit close, and others see us there, they may comment on the sameness of our features and our hair. It's true, but why take credit for outward gifts bestowed at birth? The heart has eyes that look inside to see a person's worth. There's a beauty in your brokenness that glows both day and night. You've got Twenty-Twenty Vision, Mom. Your future's looking bright.



Seine River Services for Seniors Inc. now offers FREE of charge Fellowship Activity bins for seniors living in La Broquerie, Marchand, Ste. Anne, Giroux, Richer, La Coulee, Ross, Ste. Genevieve and surrounding areas.

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	30 ml	hoisin sauce	2 tbsp
	40 ml	spicy ginger sauce	3 tbsp
Ì	1	each red & green pepper, sliced	1
	10	mushrooms, sliced	10`
	1/2	onion, sliced	1/2
	2	celery stalks, sliced	2
ļ	50 ml	unsalted peanuts, chopped	1/4 cup
Ì	250 ml	stir fry noodles	1 cup
	1	head lettuce, cut in half	1

In a large skillet; saute chicken in half of hoisin sauce and half of ginger sauce. Cook until no longer pink.

Add red and green peppers, mushrooms, onion and celery. Add the rest of both sauces and peanuts. Saute until veggies are tender crisp.

Just before serving; add stir fry noodles so they stay crispy.

Place veggie / noodle mixture in large bowl along side lettuce. Create your own lettuce wraps.

Serves 4

CROSSWORD - Retire? Never! By Adrian Powell

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Rick Goodman

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Bea is a health care provider so she qualified for the Covid vaccine early on. She experienced some side effects for a few days. Chills, headache, general grumpi-

ness, and vivid dreams.

She woke up one morning with fire in her eyes and said, "I dreamt you were hiding stuff on me!"

And then waited for me to break down and make a full confession.

"Hoo Boy," I thought, "Where to start?" She nearly had me there but then I remembered it was her dream.

"I dreamt one of my girlfriends called me up to tell me she saw you sneaking around Buffalo Narrows. In fact you went to the Subway and shared a foot long with her! How could you?'

How could I indeed?

"Be reasonable Bea," I pleaded, "You're the only woman I have eyes for! And besides you know I don't eat Subway."

"So you're saying my girlfriend is lying?" she snapped.

It was setting up to be a long day. Other than Bea going to work and the odd bit of shopping it was inevitable that we would get on each others nerves every now and then. But it was looking like the road back to normality was going to be long, rocky, and uphill all the way.

And then a miracle. Saskatchewan Health called me out of the blue and told me to present myself to our local recreation center for my Covid vaccination at 10.40 AM the next day. There's a group on Facebook that shares pictures of themselves getting vaccinated. Getting poked has the potential to be a life changing and life saving event so I wanted to be a part of that group. It seemed important to make an effort. Shower, shave, make sure my favorite John Prine T-shirt was clean. And get a haircut.

I'd been thinking about doing just that for awhile and had ordered a set of clippers so this looked like a good time to try them out. U-tube had some do-ityourself videos. They claimed that with two mirrors and a steady hand anybody could be looking suave, dapper, and debonair in no time at all. In just fourteen easy steps. Step one is to make sure the guide that controls how much hair comes off is clipped securely to the shear. You use a short guide down low and put progressively longer ones on as you work up. The guide fell off during a fast pass down the top just forward of dead center. If you're golfing it's no problem. You just put the divot back. Doesn't

Mind & Memory A to Z Trivia

By Gary Adams - Mind and Memory Presentations - Helping to Keep Brains Young

Today all answers begin with the letter "M"

- 1. This Manitoba town is know for its annual Apple Festival":
- 2. This is now in the top five most popular dog's names: 3. This Asian gambling island now has three times
- the revenues of Las Vegas: 4. One too many of these and you had better take
- a cab home: 5. This is Winnipeg's other hockey team:
- 6. This is a popular quick meal usually for kids:
- 7. Trump wants to build a condominium here:
- 8. Michael Jackson created this original dance move:
- 9. The atomic bomb creates this kind of cloud:
- 10. This was Walt Disney's first character:
- 11. New Brunswick borders this state:
- 12. He created "Never Land":
- 13. The Expo hosted in this city has been chosen as the best ever world exhibition:
- 14. Most product promotions seen on TV offer free delivery and what other feature:
- 15. Ray Kroc was the founder of this enterprise, his wife gave on her passing her \$5 billion estate to the Salvation Army:
- 16. She said "I wanted to be Snow White, but I drifted":
- 17. In the beginning this game was called The Landlord Game":
- 18. They said he was getting revenge:
- 19. She was beautiful, intelligent and was Robin Hood's love interest:
- 20. Avon and Amway built huge business's based on this marketing concept:
- 21. This American state borders Saskatchewan:
- 22. This Impressionism Art Movement originated with these artists:

Memory Shows for Seniors

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work that way with hair. And another thing, it's just about impossible to hold a mirror in one hand, look in another mirror, and reach behind you with the first hand and exercise any kind of control at all. More divots.

But all in all I figured it wasn't too bad of a job. a little lop sided, and a few bald spots. All it needed was a quick trim around the ears with a pair of scissors and I'd be good to go. So with infinite care and concentration I reached around to do one last snip when my phone went off in my pocket and I cut off a good chunk of my ear lobe. There I was franticly trying to remember the ABC's of first aid.' A' stands for airway. Judging from the red faced guy looking back at me in the mirror cursing a blue streak the airway was OK. Looked like there was lots of circulation too. Lots and lots of circulation. The sight of all that circulation caused me to faint head first into the bathroom sink. When I came around I couldn't remember what the 'B' stood for but it seemed an anesthetic was definitely indicated, so I figured 'B' must stand for booze. It was time for rum. Just enough to ease the pain. The rum did a pretty good job. It didn't seem to hurt quite as much when I stapled the

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earlobe back on as when I cut it off. Needed more anesthetic though. Thank You Captain Morgan.

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You can make a perfectly adequate bandage out of a wad of toilet paper and camo colored duct tape. Some how doing your own first aid inspires confidence which is not a good thing when under sedation. While making the final wrap of duct tape around my head, which nicely covered one of the bigger divots, I couldn't help but notice that my eyebrows needed trimming.

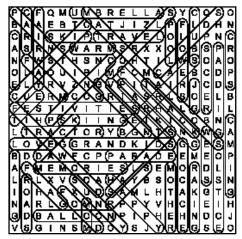
I jumped when the phone rang again. Someone wanted to know if I'd be interested in buying disability insurance. The guy looking back at me in the mirror, the one with the newly stappled earlobe, the toilet paper duct taped to his head and one surviving eyebrow felt compelled to enquire as to whether this someone would be interested in a good dirty a**kicking. Except it came out "ath" kicking. There was stunned silence on both ends of the line. His end, because he probably wasn't sure what we were talking about anatomically. And my end because I just realized that I must have knocked two front teeth out of my upper plate when I fainted and now had a brand new lisp. Thun of a bith! More rum was indicated.

The problem was that the bandage and one surviving eyebrow were on the same side and this gave my face a definite lop sided apperance. I examined my options while administering more anesthetic and concluded that the only way to even things out would be to either tape a big wad of toilet paper to the uninjured ear or fashion some type of eyebrow.

The Captain and I opted for the eyebrow. When you grow up on a farm you learn how to improvise and use what comes to hand. Bea had a sweater on a plastic hanger drying in the bathroom and the hook portion looked about right. I just held it up to where the eyebrow used to be and followed it around with a magic marker. Unfortunately the new eyebrow was higher than the old one and a lot more arced which gave me a pronounced quizzical expression, but at least it evened things out a bit.

I sure hope this vaccine works and gets us back to normal so I can start going to the barber again. I don't think I could survive another do it yourself haircut.

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- 23. Ken Jennings won \$2 million on Jeopardy and now stars on this show:
- 24. Oktoberfest, a beer festival is hosted in which German city:
- 25. This character, (a zebra) stars with Melman the Giraffe and Alex the Lion in the movie Madagascar:
- 26. This city, with India's largest population (9.8 million) was originally called Bombay:
- 27. Celine Dion sang this song for the movie "Titanic":
- 28. This song about a woman, a McCartney, Lennon favorite:
- 29. Forbes magazine chose this woman as entertainments smartest business woman: 30. This American state was originally part of Canada: SOLUTIONS BELOW

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1. Morden 2. Max 3. Macaw (a south China Island) 4. Martini 5. Moose 6. Mac and Cheese 7. Moscow 8. Moonwalk 9. Mushroom 10. Mickey Mouse

11. Maine 12. Michael Jackson 13. Montreal (Expo 67) 14. Money Back Guarantee 15. MacDonald's 16. May West 17. Monopoly 18. Montezuma's Revenge 19. Maid Marian 20. Multi Level Marketing

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24. Munich

26. Mumbai

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27. My Life Will Go On

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