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New Full-Time Economic Development Officer for Prairie View Municipality

Hello Prairie View! I'm Zoey Jebb and I have recently taken a full-time position as Economic Development Officer with Birtle Miniota & District Development Corporation. My kids (Ellie & Ander) and I have recently moved back to Birtle after 6 years away and are extremely grateful for the warm welcome we have received! We have always loved this area and are so glad to be back!

For those that know me as a bodywork therapist or dance fitness instructor, it's possible I may seem slightly out of place in this new position! However, since opening my first businesses more than 20 years ago, I have had the opportunity to be involved with numerous business startups and expansion projects. I have enjoyed many years of volunteer work on various committees and have had the pleasure of being a founding member of multiple successful not-for-profit organizations. Throughout these experiences I have developed a well-rounded and unique skill-set. I have a passion for all things wellness and that especially includes the well-being of our communities!

My role now in the municipality as an Economic Development Officer is diverse but my focus is to stimulate, coordinate and strengthen economic growth. I'm here to assist individuals and organizations with resource support such as business planning, grant & funding applica-



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ISABELLA NEWS - By Linda Clark



March 11 2024

The annual meeting of the Isabella Community Centre was held on March 11th at the home of Bernice Still with six members present. All annual reports were accepted. Work slated for the hall this year are repairs to post office ramp, hall flooring, eves troughing and fire inspection updates, and the needed repairs to the church steps. Preserving the Past for the Future Museum Board have set their annual event for Sunday, July 7th. The resignations of Jim and Ron Lawn were accepted with regret and much appreciation for their years of work for the cemetery board was expressed. Randy Still and Michael Knight have agreed to take on these positions. A spring cleanup day is planned for the cemetery. Rental rates for the hall and church for 2024 were set at \$150 for winter months and \$120 for summer events.

March 19 2024

Sympathy is expressed to Hazel Wall and her family on the death of her cousin Carm Colvin at Carmen. Carm was 105 years old on his last birthday.

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BIRTLE VINTAGE DERBY - LARGEST ATTENDANCE TO DATE

Birtle Fire Department 11th annual Vintage Snowmobile Poker Derby has largest attendance to date.

Birtle Fire Department held their annual vintage snowmobile derby on February 25, 2024. This year the temperature was perfect and the snow conditions were good. We had 121 riders registered for the ride up the Birdtail Valley close to Solsgirth and then back. The numbers were up from our last derby held in 2023. After the riders returned from the ride through the valley lunch was provided, the old snowmobiles were put on display in the vintage show for everyone to look at and enjoy.

The following is a breakdown on the winners of the cash that was handed out at the derby. For the silent riders 1st place \$755.00 went to Ted Bartlett of Birtle, 2nd \$453.00 to Val Thomson of Birtle, and 3rd place \$302.00 Was split between Gaston Lavoie of Foxwarren and Eleanor Dnistransky of Birtle. The rider winners were 1st place \$755.00 Jessica Robins of Brandon, 2nd place \$453.00 Kyle Hawkins of Brandon and 3rd place \$302.00 Dale Stronnage. The 50/50 pot for \$445.00 was won by Glen Barteaux of Birtle. As well Rogue Garage donated a beautiful Souvenir Helmet as a draw for the riders only. The winner of the helmet was Mason Robins of Brandon. We also had a trophy donated by Art Smyth for the peoples choice winner in the vintage show. This trophy was awarded to the rider of the snowmobile that was voted most favorite by the people that came to see the snowmobiles. At the end of the derby riders were asked to line the snowmobiles up in front of the fire hall for a vintage show. Everyone in attendance could look them over and vote on the one they liked the best. We had quite a few vintage machines lined up to look at and enjoy. This year's show trophy winner went to Peter Mysko of Roblin who was riding a 1978 John Deere Liquefier 440. This years oldest machine was brought in by Violet Abey of Justice it was a 1966 Evinrude Skeeter. It is always nice to see the old snowmobiles from the past. Some of these old snowmobiles are in like new condition while others show their age with some wear and tear from 40 and 50 years of riding. Regardless of the condition we like to see them all and they all

have a story to tell.

Overall the fire department had a very successful derby and we would like to thank everyone who supported it in any way at all. The money raised will be used by the fire department to assist in purchasing fire-fighting equipment to help better serve our community.



Pic Right Fire Chief Kevin Hickman and Jessica Robins of Brandon



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BIRTLE NEWS - By Jan Fleury

February 27 2024

Ted and Wendy Bartlett spent a few days in Las Vegas last week and enjoyed all the sights and sounds of this city.

Shauna Sauk has returned from a trip to Mexico last week just in time for some of our coldest weather.

Ron and Jean Barteaux have returned from a three week vacation in Hawaii. They flew to Honolulu and spent three days doing excursions and then went on a cruise for 7 nights and saw all of the islands with excursions including a tour on the road to Hana and flew back on a helicopter. A few of the sights they took in were the volcanic rock in Hilo, the Waimea canyon and Fern Grotto in Kauai. They returned to Honolulu and got to swim with the dolphins, did a Luau and hiked Diamond Head. Then it was off to Maui where they did several tours including the Chocolate factory tour, Ocean Vodka Distillery, a pineapple field and drove up Haleakala, saw a Maui plantation and another luau. Very busy but loved every minute.

Congratulations to Maggie Ashcroft for receiving the Park West School Div. Student Citizen Award. She was recognized in the Individual Citizen category for her leadership at Birtle Collegiate, her positive and kind attitude and her impressive academic work ethic.

The Birtle Curling Club hosted their annual Ladies Bonspiel on Feb. 23 and 24. Joan Gurr along with Cassandra Clark, Pat Lelond and Lisa Zurbyk took top spot in the curling while Pam Evans rink won the best dressed Roaring 20's theme costumes. A fun time was had by all.

Congratulations to the Birtle Bruins U11 Female hockey team who defeated the Arborg Falcons in overtime in the U11 C Provincial Consolation Final played in Hamiota last weekend.

The Birtle Fire Dept. held their annual Vintage Snow Machine Derby on Feb. 25th. With a beautiful sunny day they registered their largest turnout of riders with 121 registered. Congratulations to all the winners with the biggest winner being the Birtle Fire Dept. with the profits going towards purchasing of fire equipment.

Congratulations to Megan and Cam Blouin on the arrival of a baby girl, Madeleine Cecile Collette Blouin. She was born Feb. 24th and is a little sister to her twin brothers, Jacob and Liam.

Bruce and Denise Koroscil and Pat Koroscil attended the Christening of Lainey Mae Koroscil on Feb. 25th in Oak Lake. Lainey is the daughter of Samantha and Trey Koroscil.

Apologies to Deanna and Jerry Lovas of Brandon who visited with Alice Bolter and not Diana and Jerry Lawless as was reported in last weeks issue.

March 6 2024

Roberta and Brian Hickman recently visited with their daughter Robin and her husband Russ Dingle and granddaughter Elsie in Penticton, BC. While there they celebrated Brian's 75th birthday on Feb. 17th and Elsie's 1st birthday on Feb 19th. Congratulations to Brian and Elsie on your birthdays!

Amanda Fulcher along with her daughter Jessilyn Dunn and her husband and his parents spent a few days in Las Vegas last week enjoying the shows and a visit to the Grand Canyon.

Sheryl Bartram has returned from a vacation in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

It was a busy weekend for our local hockey teams. Congratulations to the Birtle Bruskie's on capturing gold at the U18 Girls provincials held in Glenboro. The Birtle -Miniota U15C Boys were playing in Warren and while they won their first two games, they lost in the semi finals and in the Bronze medal game. The Birtle Shoal Lake Eagles U11C boys were playing in Rivers but no report is available at press time. If your team was missed, please call 204-842-5227.

It appears that March has come in like a lion as Westman was hit hard with snow and high winds on Sunday March 3rd. Hopefully the old saying is true and it will go out like a lamb.

March 12 2024

Rick and Lorraine Snow enjoyed a trip to Victoria recently. While there they went fishing and had success in netting a salmon.

Congratulations to the Birtle Goertzen who won silver at the U9 Gold League Playoffs. Also, hats off to all the volunteers who helped to make the Parkissimo Hockey League playoff weekend tournament a success.

The Birtle Curling Club hosted their annual Mixed Bonspiel last weekend with the rink of Calvin Matiowsky, Darcy McArthur, Pam Evans and Jaime Evans taking first place. The Stan Yaskiw team captured second place while Bill Flynn's rink took third.



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Greetings from the Birtle Breakfast Group in Brandon. We meet at Smitty's (north hill) first Tuesday of each month. 9 am

Come join us for some great reminiscing.



LOCAL COUPLE TOUR PORTUGAL

From Terry and Jana Joseph:

It does feel good to get back home after being away on holidays, but I have to say, a little part of my heart will always remain in Benagil, Portugal. Terry and I have been extremely fortunate to have stayed in this quaint little village along the Algarve coastline twice over the years. We loved it there when we first visited in 2019, so we were more than happy to go back again this winter to spend another month with very close friends of ours from Winnipeg, Helen Tack, her husband Greg, and good friends of theirs from the city, Pat and Nola Andrews.

This small fishing village, with a permanent population of less than 100, is known for its picturesque beaches and sea caves. Walking paths right out your door run along the coastline for miles and take you by the most incredibly rugged cliffs, pristine beaches and charming towns. A bonus this year was the addition of some pickleball courts at the neighbouring "Rocha Brava Village Resort." We met some wonderful people there and managed to book in for their group sessions (5 euro per player) several times during our stay. A car is a must when staying in Benagil and enabled us to drive to different points along the spectacular southern coastline to take in more of the crashing waves, vibrant skies and towering sea cliffs. Pictures do not do this breathtakingly beautiful coastline justice.

The inland towns of Monchique and Silves are also well worth visiting. Silves, the oldest town in the Algarve and



at one time the capital, is known for its red brick castle which is Algarve's largest and best preserved ancient monument(entrance

fee is only 2.80 euro). Although there are very few restaurants open in Benagil at this time of the year, the surrounding area has lots of little restaurants and outdoor pubs. We especially enjoyed trying their "catch of the day" specials (generally golden bream or sea bass) and absolutely loved the pork cheeks. Fresh oranges grown right in the Algarve were a daily treat that we are so missing, along with their yummy olives, vast variety of tasty cheeses, crusty rolls/bread and the cheap Portugal wine that is "Oh so good"! English is widely spoken in this area of Portugal, but it doesn't hurt to know a few phrases in Portuguese. We stayed at the "Terracos de Benagil" condo complex and booked directly through the "Benagil Holidays" office. Some large grocery stores are just a short drive away and we had a well equipped kitchen for cooking our own meals. If you ever get a chance to visit the Algarve, I would highly recommend doing during the winter months when it's not nearly as busy. The weather in Jan/Feb is similar to our spring temperatures here, and on some days, actually reached a high of 20C. I would also



recommend staying where we did in Benagil if you are OK with renting a car, if not, Albufeira would be a better choice.

After spending a wonderful month in the Algarve, Greg, Helen, Terry and I flew to the Azores and spent 12 nights in Lagoa on the island of Sao Miguel. Entirely different landscape is this area of Portugal with a rainforest like setting. It takes about 4 hours to drive around the entire island, and from where we were located toward s the middle, you could reach either end of the island in 1 to 1.5 hours. It's no wonder Sao Miguel has been nicknamed "The Green Island" with all its lush vegetation, beautiful lakes, sandy beaches, rolling hills, high mountains, majestic waterfalls, green plains and blue ocean. There was an abundance of dairy cattle in this region and some of the hiking trails actually took us right along the farmer's field, up close and personal with all the cows.

The island is volcanic in origin and features many black sand beaches and dramatic black stone outcroppings. The Fumas valley area is a giant volcanic crater which last erupted in 1630 and is known for its thermal pools, steam holes and hot springs. In the town of Fumas we tried their famous Portuguese meat stew(Cozido) which is slow cooked for approximately 5 hours underground by volcanic heat on the shores of Lake Fumas. Despite a few overcast/foggy days, we managed to do some fantastic hikes, stop at some magnificent viewpoints and take in all the beautiful countryside when driving around the island. Weather here wasn't quite as nice as we had experienced in the Algarve, but still pretty warm (around 14C), even on the days when the sun did not shine. We only got wet on a couple of our hikes, and on the rainier days, it never seemed to settle in for too long in any one area. Once again, I think the best way to see the sites throughout this amazing little island is to rent a car. We did talk to some tourists who were paying a private tour guide to take them to some of the major attractions, so that would be an option if you weren't wanting to drive. The Azores has been on my bucket list for quite some time, and the island of Sao Miguel was so worth seeing, not like anywhere we've been before.

Not sure where our next travel destination will be, but for any of you out there with a bucket list, make sure you add on Portugal. Wonderful people, spectacular countryside, great food and extremely cheap wine, what more could you ask for!

MINIOTA HAPPENINGS

From the desk of Linda Clark

March 19 2024

Congratulations to Barbara Lynn Hodgins upon her retirement from nursing. These past years she has nursed at the Virden Hospital, and staff hosted a supper in Barb's honor at Kenton. As well as staff, in attendance were Barb's husband John, her children Jodie Thomas and granddaughter Sarah, Jolene Hodgins, Riley Hodgins and Reeve Hodgins. A surprise visitor for the occasion was Warren Joseph and his daughter from BC.

We have several dance enthusiasts from our community who participate in dance classes participating in either the Hamiota Dance Club or the Virden Dance Club. They participated at the Virden Arts Festival this past week. Dancers include Ezmae Armstrong-Wall, Maci Fenty, Blair and Katie Howard, Reese Lelond and Avery Clark. Congratulations to these dancers on wonderful performances!

Rita Armitage enjoyed six weeks of warm weather with three of her sisters at Mazatlan.

Janice Kerr enjoyed two winter getaways. First with her brother and his wife at Huatulco, and then she enjoyed a Caribbean cruise with three friends. She was just home in time to welcome her daughter Jill and granddaughter Julia from Trenton ON who came for a visit with Janice and other family members.

Jack and Irene Bryant have returned from the warmer weather of Victoria BC. While there they enjoyed a supper visit with Julie Clark Moroney and her husband Pearse.

Delbert and Pat Cole enjoyed a winter getaway to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, seeing the sights and enjoying warmer weather than Manitoba. Brad and Stephanie Cole, Anna, Charlotte, Jack and Georgina also travelled to South Carolina, with their first stop at Greenville where they visited friends, and then to Folly Beach at Charleston and Myrtle Beach. On the way south they visited a replica of the ark and the Creation Museum in Kentucky.

The Miniota Curling Club wrapped up their winter season with a fun evening of two on two, along with fellowship and food. The plant has now been turned off until the summer bonspiel in July.

A few Miniota friends dropped in on Larry Walker at River Heights Terrace in Brandon to present Larry with a community farewell gift and enjoy a visit in his new home.

And already it is time for the school spring break. Wishing staff, students and their family a wonderful holiday!

"Always find a reason to laugh. It may not add years to your life, but will surely add life to your years." Snoopy

March 11 2024

Deepest sympathy is extended to Kevin and Carol Bonner and their family on the death of Carol's sister, Starr Szoradi, on March 8th. Starr was a resident at the Elkwood Manor at Elkhorn.

Tiffany and Lexi Brown participated in the Yorkton Rockfest Prairies Singles curling weekend. Congratulations to Tiffany who placed 3rd in the U15 individuals competition. Participants were given tickets to attend the Brier in Regina, and Lexi and Tiffany enjoyed that event and meeting some of the curlers.

Several others from our community also took advantage of attending the Brier when it was so close, while others of us called all the shots from our couches. Some of those shots made are simply amazing.

The U18 Bruiskies, of which Baylie Bryant of Miniota and Kenna Bryant of Virden are team members of, placed third in their league. Congratulations to the Bruiskies!

Enid Haines flew to Calgary to spend the weekend with Barb Haines, Lee and Jesse who had travelled from Peace River AB for Lee to participate in a swim meet. Congratulations to Lee and a proud Grandma on his showing!

The Miniota Fire Department held their annual fishing derby on a beautiful day this past Sunday at Hooper's Lake. The weather was perfect for all ages to participate, plus lots of fellowship enjoyed in the sun! 127 registered for the derby, and \$1840 was the take home payout from the 50/50. Over 40 door prizes, along with three larger prizes worth over a \$1000 were raffled off. The Fire Department is appreciative of the wonderful support received once again for this event.

"On particularly rough days, when I'm sure I can't possibly endure, I like to remind myself that my track record for getting through bad days

so far is 100%, and that's pretty good!" Author Unknown

March 5 2024

Wayne Poppel and Val Carton travelled to Calgary to meet a new granddaughter, Banks Elizabeth, daughter of Laura Poppel and Travis Peters. Brandon, Katherine, Quinn and Cassidy Pollard from Black Falls, AB joined them to also meet Banks and have a family weekend.

The Miniota Elementary school held their Heart and Stroke Jumpathon on February 29th. They began the afternoon with each class demonstrating the jumping tricks/

techniques they had learned and then the final hour was spent with each team jumping continuously. Many parents and grandparents were in attendance to cheer the students on. Congrats to the students who raised over \$3500 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation! Well Done!

The UCW and ACW held a World Day of Prayer service at the church on March 1. This service was written by the women of Palestine with Peace being the central theme. A time of fellowship followed.

The U 9 Miniota hockey team held a fun exhibition day on Saturday, March 2nd hosting teams from Brandon and Elkhorn.

Sending warm congratulations and best wishes all the way south to Deloraine to Bob and Catherine Peel on the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary! Wonderful milestone to be able to celebrate!

Well despite March coming in like a lion with a snowstorm, provincial hockey was on the menu for many of our young people. Hadley Bryant, Kelsey Brown, and Natalie Couvier are members of the U 13 Female Elkhorn team with Randy Bryant as one of their assistant coaches. They won the Gold medals at Elkhorn this past weekend. Congratulations to the U 13 Elkhorn Canadians!

The U 15 Birtle-Miniota-Elkhorn Bruins travelled via Greyhound Bus to Warren MB for their provincials. Their weekend began well with two wins, but unfortunately they came home minus the medals. However, the storm netted them another night in the hotel. Local boys on this team are Logan Armitage, Dallen Brown, Landon Clark, Rain Gies, Colby Howard, Liam Lelond and Jake Muir with Jake Gies as one of their coaches.

Baylie Bryant is a member of the U 18 Bruiskies Female A Hockey team who brought home gold medals from the provincial tournament at Glenora. Congratulations Bruiskies!

"If you must look back, do so forgivingly. If you must look forward, do so lovingly. However the wisest thing you can do is be in the present, gratefully." Maya Angelou

Feb 27 2024

Terry and Jana Joseph are excited with the arrival of their fifth grandson, Briggs Joseph Fouillard, born on February 19th to Taryn and John Fouillard and big brother Mack. Congratulations to you all!

The Miniota-Arrow River Donor's Choice board met to plan their yearly campaign. This year the volunteers will be at your door in the month of April to receive your yearly donations.

Miniota has several young people who are a part of the Man Sask Sliding Stars Junior Curling program, and they were a part of the bonspiel held this past weekend at Virden. Congratulations to Claire Regnier and her rink who placed first in the U13 Division, and congrats also to Claire for winning the draw to the button challenge in her age group. Congratulations to the Miniota Rink of Lexi Brown, Tiffany Brown, Reese Lelond and Katelyn Wiles who placed second in the U16 division. Great to see so many young curlers taking part in this sport!

Our Miniota community extends sympathy to Diane Collier on the death of her partner Don McIntosh at Elkhorn. Sympathy also to Don and Diane's families.

The rink of Joan Gurr, Pat Lelond, Cassandra Clark and Lisa Zurbyk took 1st place honors at the Birtle Ladies Bonspiel this past weekend. A weekend of fun with the Roaring 20's theme!

"There is an amazing peace in waking up to this beautiful day." Sangecta Rana



2023 Commercial Producer of The Year

Lane Valley Farms Ltd. Birtle, MB.
We are very honoured to receive this award.

Our farm is located east of Birtle along the Birdtail Valley. David & Gail began the farm as a mixed grain and cow-calf operation in the early 70s. During these early years David was also employed at the potash mine in Rocanville. With the expansion of the PMU industry in the mid-80s David received a contract, and so the cows were sold to purchase mares. PMU cutbacks began in the early 90s, and David, truly missing the cattle, decided it was a good time to get back into the cattle industry. His first choice was Black Angus. The herd grew to 60-70 black cows alongside the PMU business.



David's PMU contract was cut in 2004 with the huge collapse of the PMU industry. Together with his son Kurt, David decided to expand the Angus herd. Today the operation is a mixed cattle/grain operation run by David and Gail, and Kurt and his wife Kristin. The herd has grown, calving approximately 450 head each spring. All calves are backgrounded until the beginning of March and then sold either off the farm to an order buyer, or through the auction ring at Heartland in Virden. We run primarily Black Angus bulls with the exception of a few Hereford. Daughter Natalie joined the Foxwarren-Solsgrith Beef 4-H Club in 2022, showing Angus calves. The land base has expanded to 2300 acres of crop and hay, with an additional 3000 acres of pastureland, owned and rented. We choose to breed Angus for their low input, uniformity, and moderate frame.

Congratulations! from the Manitoba Angus Assoc.

Free Registration
Call or Text Tracey
431-761-8727

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024
9AM - 2PM

Prairie View Municipality
Est. 2015

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

POSITIONS WITH THE HOMETOWN GREEN TEAM PROGRAM;

- PUBLIC WORKS LABOURER; **STARTING SALARY \$15.77/HR**
- RECREATION ASSISTANTS; **STARTING SALARY \$15.77/HR**

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST BE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 TO 29 AND POSSES A FULL DRIVERS LICENSE. THESE POSITIONS WILL BE UP TO 40 HOURS PER WEEK, BEGINNING IN JUNE TO SEPT 2024

CAMPGROUND/TOURIST ATTENDANTS; STARTING SALARY \$15.77/HR

- 40 HOURS PER WEEK FOR THE POTENTIAL OF JUNE TO SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2024.
PART TIME POSITIONS ARE AVAILABLE WITH NEGOTIABLE HOURS.

BIRTLE BEACH POSITIONS;

- CERTIFIED LIFEGUARDS; **FULL & PART-TIME - SALARY \$16.19/HR**
- WSI CERTIFIED SWIM INSTRUCTORS; **PART-TIME - SALARY \$17.76/HR**

REQUIRED TO HAVE STANDARD FIRST AID/CPR LEVEL C, LIFESAVERS SOCIETY NATIONAL LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATE AND/OR LIVE SAVINGS SWIM FOR LIFE INSTRUCTOR TRAINER CERTIFICATE. MUST BE 16 YEARS OF AGE.

- BEACH PATROL ASSISTANT - **PART TIME - SALARY \$15.82/HR**

MUST BE 14 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. IF UNDER 16, MUST HAVE THE YOUNG WORKER READINESS CERTIFICATE.

ALL APPLICANTS FOR ANY POSITION MUST HOLD THE REQUIRED CERTIFICATES PRIOR TO ANTICIPATED START DATES.

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.MYPRAIRIEVIEW.CA UNDER "EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES".

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATIONS BY APRIL 12TH, 2024.

Prairie View Municipality
Recreation Dept -Martyn Lambe
Phone 204-842-3460
Email: recreation@myprairieview.ca



Date: Monday, March 18, 2024

Topic: Executive Summary of the March 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

1. Trustees welcomed a parent who made a presentation regarding transportation.
2. The Board approved the divisional budget for 2024-2025.
3. The Board welcomed representatives from Rolling River School Division who visited as part of a new regional Trustee collaboration initiative.
4. Our divisional ICT Facilitator Leah Obach worked with the Kindergarten class at Birtle Elementary in a podcast project. Their completed work is available at the following link.
5. The proposed divisional calendar will be approved at the April regular meeting. We are still trying to finalize some dates related to professional development.
6. Later this school year, four schools will be involved in a crop disease research program involving drones. This program, sponsored by the Manitoba Research Council, will include Birtle Collegiate, Strathclair School, Rossburn Collegiate, and Decker Colony. Students will apply technical research skills and learn basic agronomy skills to support their drone-based aerial research.
7. The Secretary-Treasurer has been supporting the Board with the preparation of the 2024/25 budget.
8. Several Trustees will be attending the Manitoba School Board Association convention in Winnipeg on March 21-22.

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Miniota & Area

Annual
WELCOME NIGHT
Wednesday
APRIL 17 2024
Miniota Community Hall



Happy Hour 6:00 PM

Potluck Supper 6:30 PM

Newcomers Welcome 7:00

Volunteer & Firefighter Awards

Entertainment for the Children while awards are being presented
PLEASE JOIN US AS WE WELCOME YOU AND OTHER NEWCOMERS TO
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Lost cat!

Please help us find our precious cat. Her name is Cora. She has a very tiny meow, but is built like a football. She might be nervous as she is an indoor cat, but she loves Temptations treats. She will come to a shake of the bag. She mysteriously disappeared sometime during Friday night from Birtle, MB (near the Centre St. bridge). We don't know if she got outside or not, but there is no other explanation as we've searched absolutely everywhere. Please let us know if you've seen her even if the news is bad. She is a very beloved part of the family and we want her back dearly, but if that is impossible, please give us closure if you know anything at all. We don't even know if she has been spotted or not, so even the smallest clue is welcome!!

She does have a tattoo in her ear, but no chip. She is a grey Tabby with short fur and a white nose, paws and belly, green/yellow eyes and is solidly built. Her meow is almost silent.

Birtle & Area Palliative Care Committee invites you to join us for the

8th Annual

Ladies Night Out

April 6th, 2024

Birtle Community Hall

- ⊗ Cocktails 5:30 pm
- ⊗ Buffet Supper 6:30 pm
- ⊗ Program 7:30 pm
- ⊗ Socializing 'til 1:00 am

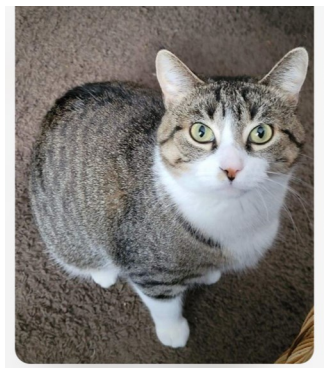


Please drink responsibly

Tickets \$35.00 available at

Birtle Pharmacy March 11th

Any Info at all please call 204-339-7440



STILL A FEW LEFT FOR GREAT KEEPSAKES!

These beautiful magnets from various locations throughout Prairie View Municipality are for sale through the Birtle Miniota CDC. \$2 each or \$3 if you would like us to mail them out to you. Available at RM Offices or give us a call 204-842-3602.



The Birtle Fire Department held their 11th annual Vintage Poker Derby on Feb. 25th. We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their support and helping to make the day a success. ABC Fire & safety, Ag West Russell, Action Power & Equipment, Art Smyth, Assiniboine Window & Door, Birtle Pharmacy, Bunge Canada,

C & C Rentals, Cardinal Capital Management, Joyce Shaw, DR A.N. Witzke, ENN'S Brothers LTD Shoal Lake, Fusion Credit Union, Fort Gary Fire Trucks, Four Seasons Sales, Harry & Elly Sotas, Heartland Livestock Services, Heart & Sole Reflexology,

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Thank You - Birtle Fire Department Members



684 Main Street Birtle CDC Building
Drop Box available. Please call ahead.
To make an appointment, please contact our Hamiota office at 204-764-2544

Tina Collier CPA, CGA, CMAA
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