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REDVERS & AREA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Covering the Corner is a service provided by the Town of Redvers. It is our intent to provide the community of Redvers and surrounding area with a newsletter that keeps residents connected with the numerous events and activities going on within our fantastic community!



On Thursday, October 29th, the Village of Antler lost their beloved "LaSalle Hotel" to fire. The hotel will be sadly missed by many in our area. Wishing owners Dale & Kim Hawkins many thoughts and treasured memories as they deal with the aftermath.

Bellegarde School Happenings

Bonjour! Remembrance Day will be celebrated virtually this year. The students and staff have prepared a video to honour our veterans. This will be available to view on the school's Facebook page on November 10. On a lighter note, the grade 9/10 class wrote a break-up letter that they would like to share.

Dear Covid 19,

I really don't think this is working out. I can admit that it wasn't too bad at first. We got to spend lots of time together at home, but I

think this has gone on long enough. This relationship is toxic and it's over! It's not me, it's YOU! This is not a balanced relationship. You have all the control. You never let me see my friends, you won't let me go out, and when I do, you make me cover up. You even kept me from our francophone volleyball tournament in Saskatoon, and you know how much I enjoy that! You have completely taken over my life and you're stressing me out. I CAN'T BREATHE! I can't seem to get away from you. You stalk me wherever I go. It's gotten so bad that I'm getting acne! I don't think my life will ever be the same, but it can only be better without you in it. I don't ever want to see you again! I am breaking up with you!

Sorry, NOT sorry,

The grade 9/10 class of École de Bellegarde

A la prochaine!



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JOHN ROBERT (BoB) ROBINS, 1922-2020

Submitted by Bill Murray

The passing of John Robert (Bob) Robins, our last Veteran of this community.

He was of a great generation of men and woman who had struggled through the depression and now looked forward to starting their careers. But as my uncle said, "Hitler had different plans for us." Our Veterans returned from the horrors of war to begin their lives anew. Through the years, joined with others in building a community, province, and country on the principle they fought for.

After Bob returned from the war, Bob ad Annabelle moved to Redvers in 1946. He began his career as secretary treasurer of the RM 61, population of Redvers was 230. At that time, I am sure he could nor foresee the next 38 years, the important roll he would play in the life of this community and area.

In the 50 & 60's, Redvers and area experienced exceptional growth and was recognized as one of the fastest growing communities in the province. Bob was now serving both the RM and was the secretary treasurer of the Village of Redvers. As the town and rural grew, in structure was needed to provide updated services.



In Redvers, hotel owner, Wally Miller campaigned for office in favour of bringing water and sewer to the community, the cost of the project, \$250,000.00. Bob was instrumental in Redvers incorporating as a town rather than a village, allowing for better funnelling for the project. Serving as a secretary on Town and RM, he provided the insight and cooperation needed.

In 1965, the old rink was destroyed by fire, a year later, citizens rallied to build the Recreation Centre with both the town and RM working together to build and expand the facility. The rink became Bobs second home and he advised in the planning of the swimming pool and artificial ice. I was on the recreation board when artificial ice was installed. I soon learned Bob was a man in motion and the man with the plans. In his spare time, Bob would visit communities that had installed artificial ice to help us decide what was the best course of the action for the rink. Years later, when workers could not find a certain pipe, who do you call but Bob, who was now retired and living in BC and he told them exactly where it was located, by the blue line!

My fathers nickname for Bob was "Rapid Robins". I came to understand how that name applied to Bob when I discovered how many local and provincial boards he sat on; Weyburn & Estevan Health board, Chairman of the Weyburn Regional Social Services Advisory board, President of the Redvers Community Hall Company and Treasurer of the United Church Pastoral Charge. From 1962-1974, he was the secretary of the Redvers Centennial Haven during the early planning and construction. The population of Redvers had grown to 900.

There must have been interesting conversations around the Robins dinner table. I can only imagine how busy the secretaries must have been assisting Bob throughout the year. In 1975, he found the workload too heavy and he resigned from his town position to

give full time rural municipal work. Bob was the complete package... A born leader, a man with a vision and good judgement and trust.

To all that knew Bob, he was a wonderful, kind man and a wonderful friend giving us all his best. Bob was a character member of the Redvers Legion. He served in the war with the South Saskatchewan Regiment. He was president of the Redvers Legion and continued serving and supporting his fellow comrades and their families. After retirement, Bob and Annabelle resided in Sidney, BC.

It is important to remember Bob's legacy of sacrifice and determination he gave to this community. A t-shirt from the 8o's featured a crest with the logo "Redvers the Good Life." I cannot help but feel Bob and Annabelle and their family played a great part in making it so.





Covering the Corner Christmas Edition

Don't miss out, get your Christmas Greetings submitted by Sunday, November 22nd

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REDVERS ACTIVITY CENTRE

Submitted

COVID-19 has disrupted the lives of the people who live in the group homes at the Redvers Activity Centre drastically. Because there is someone in each group home who is either elderly or immunocompromised, and because it is a group living situation, they have had to live through various times since March where visitors have been restricted. This has been difficult for the people being supported as for many months they couldn't see their friends or family members. Visitors are still restricted to two designated family members within the group homes. People who live in the group homes can't cohort with each other either as a precaution against the spread of the virus; because of this, we couldn't hold our annual Halloween dance where we invite Agencies from all over South East Saskatchewan to attend. We usually have about 160 people attend our Halloween party with the Knights of Columbus



donating the catering. It is always a blast and people get to see friends they haven't seen in a long while. This year, in lieu of the party, the group homes decided to challenge each other to a Halloween cake bake-off! Everyone got in and got their hands dirty baking some spectacular cakes. The staff and group home residents worked really hard on their cakes; keeping them a secret from the other group homes so they couldn't steal each other's ideas. They then asked

two of the management staff to judge each cake on October 29th, with the prize being a \$100.00 Dairy Queen gift certificate, purchased through a private donation, for the winning house. Everyone dressed up in costumes for the occasion as well. The judges used three criteria to pick the winner: taste, creativity and resident participation. It was a tough decision, but Walker House ended up winning the prize with their delicious spider web cake! It didn't replace seeing old friends at the dance, but everyone put their best foot forward and really got into the spirit of Halloween!







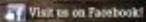


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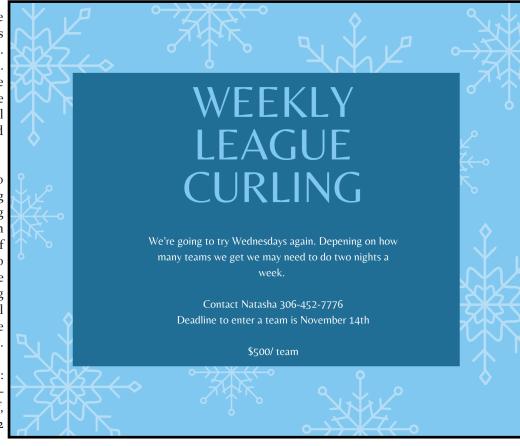
On Nov. 3 the Southeast Medical Group in conjunction with the Redvers Medical Clinic and the Tony Day Family Medical Clinic are pleased to announce the opening of the Covid collection site at 18 Eichhorst Street The controlled collection site will allow people to be tested right here in the Southeast! The initial site has been set up in Redvers, if the need arises site will be Carnduff. а set up At the moment those wishing to be tested must first call one of our clinics to set up the referral and time. Redvers:#306-452-6362,

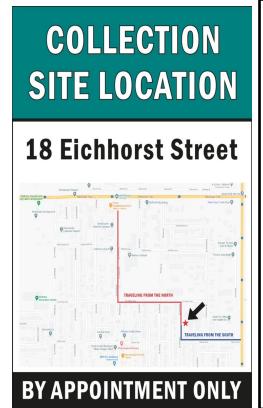
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The S.E. Medical Group Is made up of the Towns of Redvers, Carnduff, the Villages of Gainsborough, Storthoaks and Alida. Along with the R.M.s of #1,2,31,32 and 61. Four years ago these municipalities came together to work as one voice for the Southeast, bringing various medical services to our two clinics in Redvers and Carnduff.

Along with the three Doctors, we work to bring the needs of the area such as filling Nursing shortages by offering training lobby Sask.Health bursaries, and Authority for various equipment needs of the Southeast. The Board continues to work on the EMS shortages. We are proud of the fact we have a good working relationship with the Ministry of Rural and Remote Health and with the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Our Municipal Representatives are: Chairman Spence Sutter R.M.# 61, Co-Chair Ross Apperley Town of Carnduff, with the committee made up of 2 representatives from each town and RM.









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happy Birthday



This lady is celebrating her 90th birthday Monday, November 30th, 2020.

> So drive by, honk or give her a call, she would love to chat!

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY MOM, LOVE YOUR FAMILY

Thank you to everyone who was invited to the family gathering in September and for attending.

Thank you for the cards, plants, gift cards, flower and the well wishes. It was an enjoyable evening.

> Thank you so much, Mary & Family

Re- Elect Bernard Bauche as Reeve of RM of Antler #61

I have been on council now for over 10 years and in the last two years appointed Reeve of the RM. The staff and councilors of this RM are fantastic to work with and I would look forward to the opportunity to continue working with them and making this RM a great place to live and operate for its rate payers.

I have also been farming in this RM for over 40 years and believe in the family farm moving forward into the future. I know firsthand the work that goes into making and operating a successful business which translates well into RM day to day operations. Throughout my career I have served on many boards and committees, giving back to the community where I have lived, operated and raised our family.

In the last two years, changes that have been implemented and benefited the RM and rate payers include:

- Eliminating the \$2.00/yard payment to landowners for the purchase of clay and replacing it with an acre payment, creating savings and allowing more roads to be built
- New foreman and yard crew hired who have been a huge asset to the RM in their ability to fix, maintain and build
- The highway 8 & 13 ditches have been mowed by the RM which is not usually an RM mandate but greatly benefits the drivers on these roads and keeps everyone safe

Bernard Bauche as Reeve supports and continues to support:

- New businesses and economic development coming to the RM and surrounding communities, such as the CBD plant
- SE SK Health system through the Redvers Health Centre and the SE SK Medical group
- Local groups that are important to the RM and its rate payers including the Redvers Fire Department, Redvers Ambulance personnel and Redvers Recreation Centre

I strongly encourage everyone to make your voice be heard and to come out and vote!

November 2- Advanced Polls and November 9-Election Day Golden Age Centre in Redvers.

Bernard Bauche



NOVEMBER 2020 HAVEN HAPPENINGS

Submitted by Barbara Dennis

Our photos of Halloween day activities and party are of the cookie decorating and the enjoyment of same by those that created them. Good work folks – and hope you enjoyed them!

Haven Happening's in November will include our own form of paying homage to November 11th. A day dedicated to the remembrance of those who have served and/or are serving to protect our rights and freedoms.

Reflecting on the above statement does give one a different perspective on the pandemic.

Science is telling us to wash our hands, to wear a mask, to avoid crowds. Simple things we are all easily capable of doing to reduce our risk and stop the spread of a virus, so we and others can enjoy better health. Some believe this is an affront to our 'rights'.

The World Wars? Our youth were asked to leave home and

country to fight for the freedoms of their parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, sisters, brothers. Their personal protective equipment were helmets, gas masks and not much more. It changed their lives forever, in one way or another. Over 106,000 Canadians, (mostly youths) were killed. All others that were involved were maimed: some physically with scars that showed; I believe it reasonable to say ALL mentally/



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emotionally – scarring that although did not show, was perhaps more detrimental. The generations of World War I and II had years of uncertainty and turmoil, generations lost brothers and uncles and fathers, sweethearts and husbands. Beyond that women's lives were not untouched either – shortages and rationing, doing one's part for the war effort: be it collecting scrap metal or knitting socks. And then there is survivor guilt!?!

Our Haven today is home to a man who served in World War II: women who were in their late teens and one in her 20's, when WWII occurred: others who were children watching their big brothers or uncles leave, some not to return. Would be interesting to consult them on what they feel their 'rights' are.

Perspective, it is relative, is it not?



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TREASURED MEMENTOES

—Frank Koenig, Morinville, Alberta

https://www.readersdigest.ca/travel/canada/remembrance-day-veteran-stories/

This is what I recall most about the days preceding Remembrance Day when I was a child at home: My dad, Joseph Koenig, would always bring out a little blue suitcase, which contained a box of mementoes from his time in the army during World War II. He'd also bring out his medals, which were displayed in the glass front of a handmade wooden box. After bringing out his medals, he'd begin polishing them. When I got older, I was allowed to help him. He would make sure they were pinned nice and straight on his Legion uniform. This was done with lots of help from my mom, who would wear her Ladies' Auxiliary uniform for Remembrance Day.

It wasn't until Dad moved into a long-term care home that we found out exactly what else was kept in his special box. It also contained a large envelope with all the postcards he'd sent home to Mom, and to each of my brothers and sisters—what a keepsake! Reading those cards brought a tear to my eye. The box also contained a bracelet, scarves and all of his shoulder patches. Also enclosed were a Canadian Army training pamphlet, a schedule for the military bus service, a soldier's guide to Sicily as well as a soldier's service pay book.

I wasn't born until 1949, so I didn't experience the war, but as an adult, I've had time to think about what it must have been like for my mom as well as my dad. It had to be difficult for Dad to head overseas to fight for his country, leaving his wife and three kids at home to fend for themselves. I can't even fathom what it was like to spend five years away from home.

It had to be tough on Mom, too, being left to raise the kids at home—she must have wondered sometimes if Dad would make it back. I bet Dad had the very same thoughts in the back of his mind.

We owe a debt of gratitude to all those who made the sacrifice to give us freedom—as well as to the wives and children who stayed at home, trying to make ends meet. I am so proud of my Dad and Mom.

On Remembrance Day, when we thank veterans for their service, we should also spare a thought for those who remained behind.



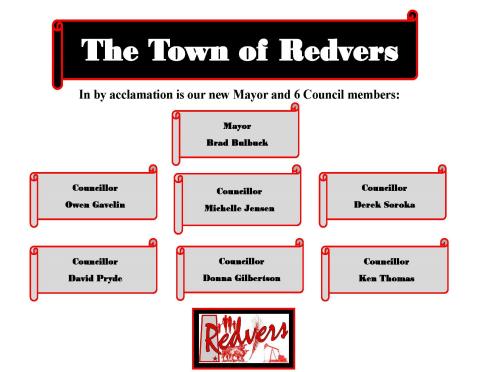
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SO MANY HOLIDAYS!

Submitted by Jocelyn Hainsworth

It's a busy time of year. I was pondering this as I hauled all my outdoor Christmas lights and decorations up out of the basement this morning. There is so much going on. (Obviously my perception of 'busy' has been modified to fit Covid conditions).

This October/November of 2020 is a much more subdued season for our community than usual. There has been no Health Foundation fund raiser or annual Wildlife supper and auction. There has been no drama club presentation. The closest we have

come to a social gathering was the flu clinic and that was done as everything is done these days ... we waved 'hi' to people we thought we recognized behind their masks as we stood on our socially distanced dots.

It's been quite the year.

And yet I'm the busiest I've been in ages this week. It feels like the seasons are all trying to cram themselves into one week. On Saturday we were handing out trick or treats and now Remembrance Day is mere days away. Today I am scrambling to get the Christmas lights up before these gorgeous Indian Summer days are over and the threatened Old Man Winter storm hits next weekend. And, just to round out all the Autumn high points, we enjoyed the tastes of a Thanksgiving turkey supper last night - thanks so much to Manor for figuring out how to do a Covid-safe fowl supper!

I'm on a bit of a holiday myself these days. There's nothing like sending the man off on a hunting trip to bask in the glory of taking it easy for a few days - random meals of whatever I feel like whenever I want. It's the little things that make me happy. Also, I have decided to tune out of the State's election noise. I think I'm developing PTSD over what could happen.

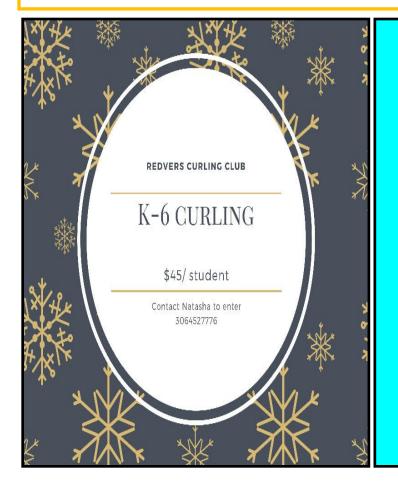
And so, I will go tackle the big tree now. Four strings of lights, the last of the extension cords, a sturdy ladder, and the added excitement of a half grown kitten who wants to help. If all goes according to plan it will be ready to plug in the day after Remembrance Day. If the weather guys are right, it will be winter by then.



Would love to publish monthly write-ups from your club.

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REDVERS ROCKETS 2020/ 2021 BIG 6 HOCKEY SEASON

Submitted

The rockets will play in their mini league up until December 17th, at this time the league will re-visit plans for the season following Christmas break.

Covid Rules for the 2020-2021 hockey season:

- All spectators must wear a mask. Masks will be available to purchase for \$2.00.
- Game attendance will be limited to 150 spectators
- You can pre-buy your game tickets during the week leading up to Game Day at The Optimist, or take your chances at the door (the remaining tickets that aren't sold at The Optimist the week leading up to the game will be available to purchase at the door the night of the game). Prior to Game Day the remaining tickets available to purchase will be announced on the Rockets Facebook page.
- All spectators must sign-in upon entrance to the rink.
- Spectators will only be allowed to enter 15 minutes prior to Game time and must leave the rink within a ½ hour after the game.
- Bar and kitchen will be open
- Chase the Ace tickets will also be available for sale the week prior to the game at The Optimist, you will not need to attend the game to have your chance at pulling the Ace. However, you will have to appoint someone to draw your card if you aren't in attendance and we will be contacting you by phone during the draw if it is your name chosen.
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