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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!

A Christmas Lights Laugh



Bellegarde School Happenings

Bonjour! Christmas preparations are looking a little bit different this year. We are all busy finding new ways to enjoy the holidays, while following guidelines. Our Christmas concert will be performed virtually. Keep an eye on our Facebook page! Our 9/10 PAA sewing class has been very busy. There are several students walking around sporting their new, handmade bucket hats. Our grade 12 students have been busy applying to colleges and looking for scholarships. We wish them all the best of luck! Some of our younger students have written letters to Santa. Four of these are included for your enjoyment. Joyeux Noël à tous! À la prochaine!

Dear Santa.

I have been skating on the pond behind our house. I have been playing hockey and going to school. I like talking to my friends. I am asking for some new shoes for Christmas. Maybe, a pair of Air Force Ones. I would also ask if you could please stop CORONA!

Merry Christmas, M, Grade 6

Dear Santa

I have tried to be good this year. I have done a bit this year, like go to Clear Lake and play hockey. I would like to end global warming, but I'm not a scientist, so I can't. For Christmas, I would like new batting gloves for baseball. Merry Christmas, J, Grade 6

Dear Santa,

I try to be good, but sometimes I'm not. I would really, really like a dog for Christmas. I have never gotten one. I'm not sure why. I wish I could fix pollution, but I can't because I'm 10. Maybe you could do something about it.

Merry Christmas, B, Grade 5

Dear Santa,

I've been really good this year, but I have been a little bad. I sometimes fight with my brother. For Christmas, I would like a hoverboard and 36 cubes, please. I would like if there were no wars. Thank-you! Merry Christmas, C, Grade 4



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REDVERS SKATING CLUB

The Redvers Skating Club is fortunate to have been given the opportunity to have a successful start-up for our first session of our season. Our board was able to safely execute a skating program for seventy-three eager skaters this fall. Our season began on October 12th, and is expected to run until December 17th. Our program is rapidly growing, and now offers four programs including Power Skating, Junior Power Skating, Introduction to Figure Skating, and Learn to Skate. Our programs run on Monday and Thursday nights. Our head coaches for these programs are Cheryl and Lance Bartel, Hayley Douglas, Kiana Mann, and Brittany Rowe respectively. We would like to extend a thank you



to our coaches for helping us run a safe program this year! Due to online university, we were lucky to have some university students commit to helping us run our program. They brought an abundance of skill, knowledge, and fun to our classes. We also have several assistants as well including Axton Martin (Junior Power Skating), Maizy Delmaire and Madison Hess (Introduction to Figure Skating), and Makayla Matthewson, Julia Ulrich, Minty James, Alex Poirier, Miles Nord, and Presley Nord (Learn to Skate).

Although new guidelines and restrictions have been put in place, the Redvers Skating Club is working hard to ensure we can continue our program safely. At this time, we hope to offer a second session, guidelines permitting.

As of December 18th, the Redvers Skating Club would like to welcome Dayna Millions as our new club president. Thank you to Melissa Toms for all of her hard work over the past few years. We would also like to acknowledge and extend a thank you to our club secretary, Corinne Orsted-Bulbuck.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to register your skater, you may contact us by e-mail at skateredvers@hotmail.com.

For upcoming news, events, and announcements, follow us on Facebook, Redvers Skating Club.

LILY STREET FOUNDATION

Although living in Calgary; Jill and Gordon Rawlinson were born and raised in Saskatchewan. Jill being the eldest daughter of Chris and Vera Sutter living north of Redvers. Through their Lily Street Foundation, the Rawlinsons and Rawlco Radio have supported a range of causes and charities with one goal – making Saskatchewan better.

This year they touched the hearts of the Redvers Community by making a donation towards the Redvers Ball Diamond Bathroom/Concession building. This contribution is just that...making Saskatchewan better! Redvers is excited about having this class act building to support our players, fans and to invite teams from all over the prairies to come and PLAY BALL!

The facility is up and will be ready and running when the world of sports

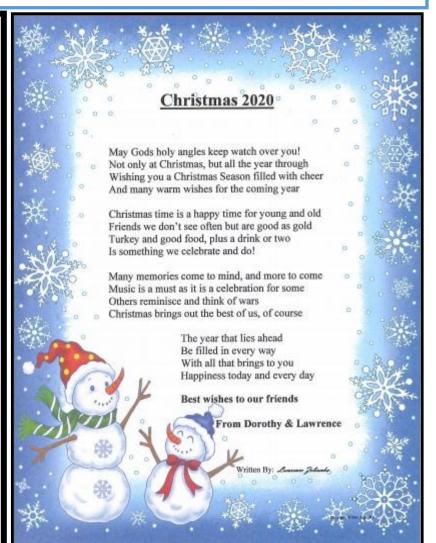
will be back on its feet.

The facility will be clean and safe for our community and our guests.

Thank you so much to this beautiful couple:

Gordon and Jill Rawlinson.





REASON FOR THE SEASON

Submitted by Jocelyn Hainsworth

The whole world seems a little bit wonky at the moment. We head toward the holiday season unsure of how that will look by December 25th. Will we be able to celebrate with our families? Or will 2020 be a quiet affair, each of us celebrating in our own homes and hoping that the Internet can handle all the Zoom calls? The happy, sweet innocence of Christmas 2019 seems so much longer ago than a mere twelve months, and the tantalising promise of a safe, vaccinated celebration in 2021 seems too tenuous to trust at the moment. Here we are – stuck in the middle.

Some things never change though. This past week or so I've started seeing Facebook memes asserting that everyone must say "Merry Christmas" because any other greeting this time of year are fighting words. This implies that Christians somehow own December, and I think to myself that this whole our-way-or-the-highway attitude is a most un-Christ-like way to treat our fellow men and women.

Did you know that December 25th is a made up birthdate for the baby Jesus? People in the Roman Empire picked that day to celebrate the Christ child's birth almost 400 years after the fact, and not because they were making an educated guess about when it actually happened, but because all the pagan peoples they were trying to convert to their Christian beliefs already had a huge feast and festival at that time of year. It was proving to be much easier to insert themselves into the pagan celebration than it was to try to banish it. True story.

Bringing a tree into the house? Decorating? Feasting and gift giving? Lighting candles? Burning a Yule log? All of these things were ways humans celebrated long before Christianity came along. And what they were celebrating, you ask? Why are there so many 'competing' holidays at this time of the year?

The answer is something every civilization in the Northern Hemisphere has had in common since the dawn of time: the winter solstice. Imagine living at a time when the daily loss of daylight was unexplained, when you had no supply of artificial light like we do today, when your very food sources – life itself - were directly tied to the sun and the seasons – would you not celebrate when the days began lengthening out again?

The whole point of celebrating is to be joyous together about something special we believe in, even if our beliefs aren't exactly the same. And yet, here we are in the 21st Century exerting exclusive privilege on a date and a season we borrowed from others. It seems like a most un-Christ like thing to do.

It's not the baby Jesus himself that is the 'reason for the season' but what his birth symbolized – the beginning of the New Testament ... forgiveness ... love of our fellow man. Arguing over the proper response to seasonal greetings cheapens what should be Christianity's most sacred duty – to love our neighbours as

If we need something to say that conveys the real meaning of Christmas, let's follow the angels' lead and simply greet people with a smile and say "peace on earth!"

It works for everybody.

ourselves.



No words can accurately express our appreciation for the love and support shown to all of us during the sudden passing of our beloved Dad, Grandpa and Great Papa, Ivan Matthewson.

A heartfelt thank you to Dr. McIntyre, Carmen, Brittany and Mackenzie at the Redvers Health Centre for the excellent care and comfort they provided. As well to Dustin and his staff from Hall Funeral Home for their professional expertise. And to Father Ron, Leanne and Omer for their involvement in the touching funeral service. Also, to everyone who sent kind word of sympathy, food, flowers, gifts and to those who made donations in Dad's honour. A special thank you to Debbie, Jeannette and Stephanie for the "extras" they helped us with in the spur-of-themoment. These expressions of kindness will never be forgotten.

Sincerely, Gordie, Cathy & Alain, Dawn & Jeff and families



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GRADE 6 CLASS OF REDVERS SCHOOL FAVOURITE MEMORIES ABOUT CHRISTMAS...

Lilly - eating French toast

Jhace - playing mini sticks with my cousins



Jeliel - when my grandma came over Drake - skidooing at our farm from the Phillipines for Christmas

Ainsley – when I got tickets to go to a behind the quads Katy Perry concert in Vancouver

Krielle - when my sisters come home, auntie, uncle and cousins, but that brings joy to my family

Ryan - family Christmas gathering before COVID19, where my family gets together, talks, sings and play

Kyson - getting a hockey shooting

pad

Ryker - 12 months of Christmas where I get to do outings with my grandparents each month; making memories instead of getting gifts

Kara - my favourite Christmas was when I my dog, Ace

Arianna - when the characters Elsa Olaf came grandma's house Regina

Raif - my favourite Christmas memories are playing mini sticks with my cousins and having supper at my grandparents' house

Asia – gingerbread house decorating competition with/against my siblings

Bronx - sitting on the couch with my family and look at the stockings

Tyson - going tobogganing

Rhett - being with family not sure this year COVID₁₉



Eve – watching my siblings' faces light up and getting an art set Kinsley - getting a trip to Disney

Daxson – getting a PS4 from my awesome parents

Logan - snowmobiling and icefishing at Kenossee Lake

Marissa spending Christmas with family in Estevan

Nazryn - being with family

Jayden - big family meal at the farm

Wyatt - getting my Pug stuffy

Miley - opening gifts with my family

Ericka - checking out my stocking

Cameron - playing a present trade game







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CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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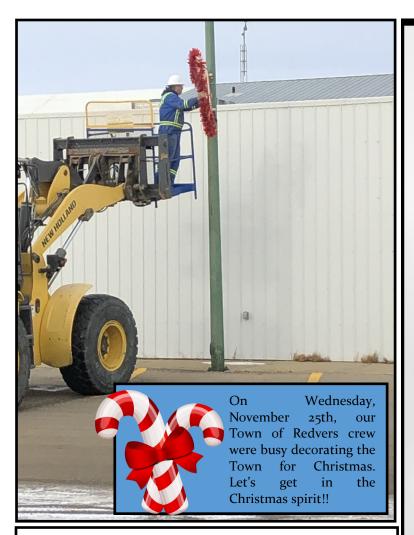


Let's spread some Christmas cheer and help guide Santa's sleigh to our community.

ON CHRISTMAS EVE AT 7:30PM RING THOSE BELLS!

We are asking everyone to step outside, or wave your arm out the window, and make some Christmas jingle. You can ring a bell, use pots and pans, whistles, whatever you have that makes noise. Together we can send 2020 good bye, making an amazing and wonderful memory for the young and young at heart.







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September	August 29	September 2
October	October 3	October 7
November	October 31	November 4
December	November 28	December 2

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THIS IS WHY POINSETTIAS ARE THE OFFICIAL CHRISTMAS FLOWER

<u>Claire Nowak</u> ~ https://www.rd.com/article/ poinsettias-official-christmas-flower/

Haven't you always wondered about it?

There's no denying that poinsettias make bright, festive decorations during winter months. But they're native to Central America, particularly southern Mexico, and they're actually colorful leaves, not flowers. So why do we consider them the official Christmas flowers anyway?

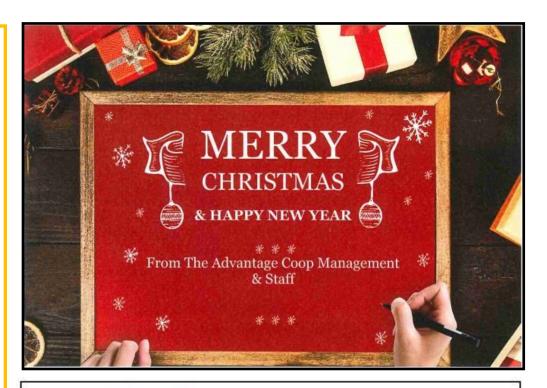
The reason we associate poinsettias with the holidays comes from an old Mexican legend. A young girl named Pepita was sad that she didn't have a gift to leave for the baby Jesus at Christmas Eve services. Her cousin tried to comfort her and said that Jesus would love any present from her, even the smallest one. With no money to buy a real gift, Pepita picked a bouquet of weeds that she walked past on the way to church. (Other versions of the story say an angel came to her and instructed her to pick the plants.) When she got there, she left the weeds at the bottom of the nativity scene. All of a sudden, the weeds transformed into beautiful red flowers. This is why Christmas colors are red and green.

From that day on, they became known as "Flores de Noche Buena," or "Flowers of the Holy Night."

Poinsettias get their American name from Joel Roberts Poinsett, the first U.S. ambassador to Mexico, who brought them to the states from Mexico in the early 1800s. They didn't become traditional holiday decorations until the entrepreneurial Ecke family started promoting them a century later. Paul Ecke Jr. sent free poinsettia plants to TV studios across the country, including "The Tonight Show" and Bob Hope's holiday specials. Eventually, the trend caught on, and now poinsettias are among the most popular plants sold in

the U.S. Congress even declared December 12 to be National Poinsettia Day, the anniversary of Poinsett's death.







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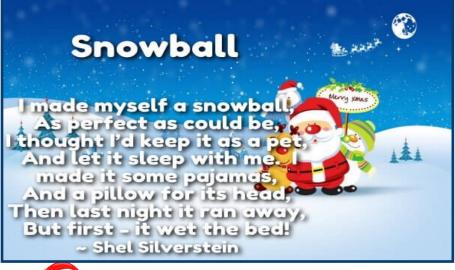
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