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SASKATCHEWAN...



Snow today, gone tomorrow

CHRISTMAS IN THE AIR

Submitted by Jocelyn Hainsworth

I just stepped out onto the deck to sweep last night's new snowfall away; it's downright nippy out there.

Yesterday was a totally different story. It was so balmy and bright I took a few minutes to sit in the sunshine and soak up the warmth. The weather app on my phone says we will be back to that in just a couple days. It kind of feels like Mother Nature has been partaking of fermented apples and can only manage a lurching stagger towards winter ... you know – one step forward, two steps back.

Eventually, though, we will all make it to Christmas so it's time people start getting ready. By 'people' I really mean 'me', but go ahead and include yourself in this group if the circumstances warrant.

First on the list is gift shopping. There are local trade fairs and craft shows to explore and home town businesses to support. I'm not sure if it's the age I am or that Covid restrictions have influenced what I think is important, but my sense of what's necessary is not the same as it used to be. Yes, there will still be gifts for everyone under the tree in 2021, but they will be smaller and more practical – no one needs more stuff for stuff's sake. The best thing about 2021 is that we will open these gifts together. December 2020 was a very quiet day that gave us lots of time to think about what a dud of a day it is without the ones you love there to share it with.

The next thing on my list is writing a Christmas letter and getting it away to friends and family. I know. I know. How old fashioned is that? But, you know? Everyone loves getting letters and the most effective way to get letters is to send letters. Throughout my life I have transitioned from hand written pages to photocopied messages to the easiest form of all: a length-and-weight-doesn't-matter email. This year I am contributing to my Canada Post pension stability by snail mailing out 80 real, live, physical envelopes because there are photos to share. They will hit the mail this week; another job done and dusted.

While I was grocery shopping the other day I noticed that eggs were on sale. I immediately thought to myself that this was a push from the Christmas Baking Angels; it was time for butter tarts and poppycock and puff pastry lemon cheese tarts and mincemeat cookies and a bunch of other things with more calories than ingredients. Also the boxes of chocolates, Turtles, Toffifee and all the other Christmas goodies are out. I refuse to buy any of these until we are done the mini chocolate bars from Halloween... another couple days should do it.

Decorating is done in stages. On a beautiful day at the end of October I went out and strung lights through the branches of a huge evergreen tree, installed a set of lights around a pole so that it looks like another Christmas tree in the dark, and stapled my two deer to the ground so they wouldn't blow over. Everything worked 100% at the time but of course we've had that hurricane since then. My looks-like-another-tree-in-the-dark illusion is half dead (broken wire somewhere) and there are several lights on the big tree that lost their coloured covers in the wind. Because I stapled the deer in place they are still where I put them but I've had to go out and adjust wiring so the buck's head lights up again.

The next project will be the inside. This may or may not be a big job depending on whether I can source a tree to decorate; apparently 2021 is not a good year to be looking for a tree. It's always a big job to fetch all the 'trimmings' from the attic, and even bigger if the grandkids are there to "help" grandpa discover treasures up there. I may be getting too old for these shenanigans.

But, not all of the shenanigans. Last year was a season of no shenanigans at all and once was enough for that. I want the noise and confusion of five cousins over excited for Santa's visit. I want everyone complaining that there are too many goodies to be healthy – and eating them anyway. I want the yard covered in toboggan and quad tracks. I want the lights twinkling on the tree, and I want mugs of tea and quiet conversations after the kids have conked out for the night.

May we all be safe from illness, travel troubles, and whatever Mother Nature might throw at us.

Merry Christmas and Happy 2022!



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*Do you have your Smokin' Token yet? Ask us how you can
take part in the fun every FRIDAY evening at 7:00pm.*

****The Auditorium Committee meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm
in the lower hall. We are in desperate need of members. If you have some time
to help out, please join us at a meeting.****

Are you looking for a Christmas Gift for someone hard to buy for? We Have something to fit everyone's gift giving budget. We will be switching things up a little after this Smokin' Tokens gig is over in January. Smokin' Tokens will then become a monthly progressive draw. Tokens will cost \$20 a month, \$60 for a quarter of the year, \$120 for half of the year or \$240 for the full year. Only 300 tickets sold per month. More details to follow!!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

The Auditorium Committee

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Christmas Favourites & Memories

Zailey – Christmas means to me spending time with family and opening presents, baking cookies and having a big Christmas supper with my family.

Kaycee – The thing I look forward to the most at Christmas is seeing our elf; he is super funny and is cool.

Regan – My favourite Christmas memory is the Gervais Christmas at the Legion where we have a huge game of mini sticks and open presents.

Hunter – Christmas means love, having a good time and I think it is fun.

Hayden – My favourite Christmas memory is when my whole family on my mom's side went to California! What Christmas means to me is being kind, spending time with family and giving gifts to people (friends or family).

Lucas H. – My favourite Christmas memories are when we have our family Christmas every year except last year ... Covid is annoying!

Kinsley – My favourite thing to do on Christmas is to spend time with family and decorating Christmas cookies.

Serenidee – My favourite memory was when I was 9 and I got a hatchimal.

Kyler – My favourite Christmas memory was when my Auntie got me two adorable little kittens.

Kamri – My favourite thing to do at Christmas is spending time with family and eating Christmas cooking and I can't forget about sledding and those are the things I like about Christmas.

Christian – My favourite memory is when I had my first Christmas with my cousin who is now 4 years old.

Seth – My favourite memory was when all of my family came together and everyone had dinner together.

Lucas M. – My favourite memory is going to Australia for Christmas. I really enjoyed the heat. It was fun!

Olivia – Christmas is about God and I like Christmas.

Halle – When I was little, I woke up and went to go to find my elf on the shelf, Snowflake. Once I found her, I got so excited! But then she fell so I got so worried and sad that I started to bawl my eyes out!


Tate – My favourite Christmas memory is when I received a Scooby Doo character car and a Flintstone one.

Kelton – What Christmas means to me is that you get to see family and play with my cousins, you get to open presents and sit down and have a great Christmas dinner!

Tye – My favourite memory from Christmas was when we went to my grandma's for supper and we open gifts with all my family.

Will – My favourite thing about Christmas is opening presents and seeing what is in them.

Ashlyn – I love Christmas because I get to see my family that I don't see very often and the turkey dinner is also very good. I like helping make dinner; it is fun! Also baking with your family is always a great time.



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MY FAVOURITE HOLIDAY TRADITION

REDVERS KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Chasen - I like to give presents to other people to make them happy.

Holly- I like to make Christmas pudding and decorate up our Christmas tree.

Jaylynn- I like to decorate Christmas trees and gingerbread houses.

Dawson- I like decorating the Christmas tree and making a gingerbread house and then eating it all after. I like to drive around and look at Christmas lights.

Paisley- I love to decorate the Christmas tree especially putting the Christmas star on top.

Henri- I like to decorate my house and decorate my room.

Kenna- I like to put ornaments on our Christmas tree and leave a carrot and cookies for Santa.

Laikyn - I like to set up the Christmas tree and keep my room clean.

Nerrik- My favourite thing to do is to decorate the whole Christmas tree.

Jamie- I like to make cookies to eat for Christmas.

Bella- I like to decorate the Christmas tree with my family and make yummy cookies to eat.

Talaya- I like to decorate gingerbread houses and decorate my whole house with everything Christmas. We could leave out a candy cane for the Santa or the reindeer to have a sweet treat.

Max- I love to decorate everything in my house all for Christmas.

Madison- I like to make presents for people I love, decorate gingerbread houses and set up Christmas lights. I like to help put on the angel.

Alexis- I like to decorate my tree with my mom, dad, brother and my uncle.

Recipe for: Christmas Buttercrisp Cookies

Ingredients:

1 cup butter, softened
1 cup flour
1/2 cup powdered sugar
1/2 cup cornstarch
opt. colored sprinkles/sugar for decorating

Directions:

Blend first four ingredients. With greased hands, shape into 1 inch balls. Roll in sprinkles and place on baking sheet. Chill for about an hour.

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Remove from refrigerator while oven preheats. Flatten with floured tines of a fork. Bake for 10-20 minutes.

Cookies should remain a light color. Don't overbake. Allow to cool on the baking sheet for 5 minutes before removing to a cooling rack.



from the kitchen of: Around My family Table

SEASONS GREETINGS

WISHING YOU ALL THE BEST THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

Michelle, Kim and the Board of the
Redvers Public Library



REDVERS MAYOR WANTS ACTION ON ER OPENING

by Kara Kinna—Moosomin World Spectator

Redvers mayor Brad Bulbuck says he wants to see action on the reopening of the ER and acute care services at the Redvers Health Centre. The services have been unavailable in Redvers since September 24 with SHA announcing at the time of their closure that they would be unavailable until further notice.

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is blaming a lack of nursing staff in Redvers as the reason for the closures, however meetings and discussions with the SHA between the South East Medical Group (which represents Redvers as well as 10 other municipalities in the region), the Redvers Health Foundation, and the town of Redvers have yet to resolve the issue.

Bulbuck says local people have been pushing hard for a solution to the issue, but SHA does not seem to be able to solve the issue, and something else needs to be done.

“I want to recognize Spence Sutter, president of the South East Medical Group, and Ross Apperley, the mayor of Carnduff and a member of the South East Medical Board. They have been working tirelessly for the past six months recognizing that we have seen some reductions on service going back to the spring of this year,” says Bulbuck.

“First of all it started with the temporary ER closures Throughout the summer there continued to be bypasses, and then moving into the fall those bypasses became more frequent. Spence and Ross recognized that and they’ve been advocating to the Saskatchewan Health Authority and trying to come up with solutions, and to no avail.

“About six weeks ago, they closed our acute care services and ER portion of the hospital. And the Saskatchewan Health Authority said it’s because of nursing shortages.

“Everyone in the province is experiencing nursing shortages. Some areas are managing better than others.

“In my opinion, I feel the Saskatchewan Health Authority has not had the foresight to recruit and maintain or retain the nurses that we had.

“We live in a farming community, we live in an oilfield community, there is construction nearby and there are a lot of dangers in this part of the province with respect to needing emergency services.”

Bulbuck says a lack of ER in Redvers means at least a 45 minute drive to the next available service—sometimes on icy roads in the winter. He says the next closest services are in Moosomin, Oxbow or Arcola.

“Moosomin is a 45 minute drive one way from Redvers. For someone from Storthoakes or even a little south of Storthoaks, if you go mid point between Oxbow and Moosomin, you’re probably looking at an hour to an hour and 10 minute drive one way. That’s if they are able to get in a car with somebody else and have somebody take them to the hospital,” he says. “If you are talking about ambulance service, which is another service gap in my opinion, you are looking at a two hour round trip by the time you dispatch an ambulance from somewhere, get it to the scene of the accident or illness and get them to an ER.”

Bulbuck also points out that weather is an issue when trying to get to an ER.

“I actually had a conversation with the Ministry of Highways and Transportation on Monday after the storm,” he said. “On the road from Redvers to Moosomin, the highway from Fairlight to Moosomin was clean, salted, it was fine.

“From Fairlight to Redvers it was icy. It was almost impassable in places. So now not only do we have an emergency room not open, we have people who have to drive on the highway and we have a highway that’s rated as a Level 2.

“I had a good conversation with them and he was very sympathetic to our situation.” (Bulbuck says he has since been contacted by the department of highways and they committed to keeping that stretch of road clean from Redvers to Moosomin so that it can be used for emergency travel).

While SHA says the disruptions to service in Redvers are temporary, Bulbuck says he’s not so sure any more.

“The SHA says it’s their intent to open. I’m not sure that all the stakeholders involved are taking their word at face value,” he says. “In the Health Foundation’s and the South East Medical Group’s discussions with the ministry, discussions with our MLA Daryl Harrison, and we even had a discussion with former minister Warren Kaeding, it’s the government’s intent to get our hospital open as soon as possible. I am not so sure in my opinion that the SHA is listening to the concerns of the South East Medical Group and the Health Foundation.

Bulbuck said he decided to go public with his concerns to try to get some action.

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He says he feels there's a disconnect between the SHA and the stakeholders they serve as well as the provincial government. "The organizations have had numerous meetings with (MLA) Daryl Harrison, they've had meetings with Minister Hindley. I believe the government is aware of the situation here based on our communications," says Bulbuck. "In my opinion I think the SHA is being selective in the communications they are providing to the government. I would like to see more transparency from the SHA as to what is being done, how it's being done and have some accountability to all people who are involved in this.



I'm not saying there isn't any right now, but what I am saying is there needs to be some transparency and accountability to the stakeholders. And the stakeholders include the town of Redvers, the town of Carnduff, all the surrounding areas, all the employees of the hospital, they include the doctors, they include all the residents, they include everybody who uses these services.

SHA has said part of the problem with recruitment comes from stretched resources due to Covid-19, but Bulbuck says this issue existed prior to Covid. "Did Covid expose the cracks, absolutely," he says. "But I believe this is a problem that has been ongoing for quite some time.

"I think we need transparency and I think the government needs to request accountability of SHA.

Bulbuck says it's important for people in Redvers and the surrounding municipalities to know that their representatives have been working hard on their behalf.

"The community needs to know what is being done. Ross Apperley and Spence Sutter and their teams—and I have to commend Katy Soroka as well, she's the new secretary for the South East Medical Group—they have done a phenomenal job with respect to letter writing and lobbying and doing all those kinds of things.

"I think it's incumbent on me to ensure to the community that we have good people working on this. We feel we have the support of the Saskatchewan government. We feel that there is a communication disconnect somewhere between us and the Saskatchewan government and we would like that communication gap to be addressed and someone held accountable.

"The reality is people are going to die and that is unacceptable. It is unacceptable when they come to the front door with an emergency which would take five stitches to stitch up and we've got to send them to Moosomin or Arcola."

Bulbuck points out that Redvers and the surrounding municipalities have worked hard to provide health care to the area with their own fundraising and tax dollars, and that SHA now needs to work hard to fix the recruitment issue.

Currently Redvers has two full-time doctors and a nurse practitioner, and is recruiting for three more nurses.

The South East Medical Group is offering incentives for nurses to come to Redvers.

Bulbuck says he worries, though, if the ER stays closed for too much longer that it could have even longer-term effects.

"If the hospital stays closed any longer, we could be at the risk of losing our doctors," he says.

"The amount of commerce that we lose out of our community because people have to travel to other communities for health care services—it's huge. Every business benefits from the spinoff of having health care services in our community."

Bulbuck says he and others with the South East Medical Group and Redvers Health Foundation have spent a lot of time trying to resolve this issue through official channels over the last few month, but he's speaking out now because that doesn't seem to be working.

"You can only get told no in so many different ways so many times," he says

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Week # 1	Nov 29-Dec 3	4-\$100.00 Gift Certificates
Week # 2	Dec 4- Dec 10	will be drawn for each
Week # 3	Dec 11-Dec 17	of these weeks with
Week # 4	Dec 18 – Dec 24	final winners on Christmas Eve!!

Its Christmas time, a time for Giving: We will be collecting "Personal Care Items" at the Home & Building Store.

Please donate personal care items. Eg: Socks, Brushes, Deodorants, Shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, face cloths/towels etc, dental floss, feminine products, household cleaning products, hand sanitizer, hand can openers etc. (of course all items must be new) These items will then be donated to the Carlyle & District Foodbank which serves 10 different communities. (With Redvers being one of them) They will then make up personal care bags to distribute at Christmas. These items must be dropped off **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 13th 2021.**

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DECEMBER LIBRARY NEWS

Submitted by Michelle Jensen

Anyone else feel like they are still processing 2020 and we are mere days away from it being 2022 already? December has crept right up on us and Christmas is coming up so fast!! A quick note of our holiday hours through the Christmas session: our last open day will be Thursday, December 23rd and we will be closed until Tuesday, January 4th. Make sure you stock up on materials for the long break!!! Our last van run comes in on Monday, December 20th so hurry up and get those holds placed on SILS if you want your material before Christmas!!!!

Mondays are meant for **Minecraft!** Kids will get to join up and play Minecraft in a single server together. Able to build together, destroy together or whatever they choose. There are only 6 spots available so if your child is interested in joining, call the library to register them. There may be spaces for drop ins, so don't hesitate to check in and see if there is space. Every Monday from 3:30-4:30 for ages 6+.

On Tuesdays, we start off the day with **Adult Coffee & Colouring** from 10:00-11:00. Join us for a cup of coffee and some relaxing adult colouring. In the afternoon, we have **BlockHeadz Lego Club** back from 3:30-4:30. Ages 6+ can come and create whatever their heart desires with our huge Lego collection. No registration needed.

Wednesdays is saved for our fun **Makerspace** kits! Each month we will carry different kits to try out. This month we have the **Harry Potter Coding Wands!** So come down try your hand out at coding and maybe you and your wand will be able to complete the spell! A fun activity for all the Potterheads out there! Kim will be here on Wednesdays to help you with the kits. Come and Go, no need to register.

Thursday mornings host our **Storytime!** Storytime runs from 10:00-11:00 in the morning and is geared towards 3-5 yr olds. We generally read a story or two, do a craft and maybe some colouring, if time permits.

Friday, more like FriYay!!! To finish off the week, we have **Little Lego** from 10:30-11:30. This is Lego time for the little guys (ages 3-5) and requires an adult to accompany the littles.

And now for the extras!!

On Dec 1st we will be doing our second annual **Christmas Care Cards for Seniors!** Come by the library to pick up your kit, complete it and return to the Library by noon on Friday, Dec 17th and we will get the cards to the residents of the Redvers Haven. On December 11th we are happy to take part in the **Winterfest** festivities by providing **Take & Make Candy Sleigh** crafts for kids to take home. Kits will be available for you to pick up at Winterfest HQ. There will be a tutorial video posted on the Redvers Public Library facebook page that morning for your littles to follow along with.

Book Clubs

Family Book Club- Pick up your copy of Charlotte's Web and a pack of activities, crafts and a recipe to do together through the Christmas break and the beginning of January. It's a great way to spend some quality time together as a family, encourage reading and make it fun. Pick up- December 15 Return- January 19th

Adult Book Club- This month we will be reading The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg and meeting to discuss on Thursday, December 16th at 7:00pm. The book is available now if you want to join us!

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR: The library is looking for a GR 11/12 student that would be interested in planning and implementing one teen program a month. This would be their choice of idea, they would just have to run it by me and I would collect supplies needed and that's it!! For the student volunteering we would be able to write letters of recommendations for universities, scholarships and bursaries. Programs would only need to be about 1 hour long and on a day that would be convenient for them. If there are any questions, please feel free to call Michelle at the Library or text 452-7734.

Our monthly calendar of events and program guide is pinned to the top of our Facebook page at all times so pop on there for more info and to check out our posters for all of our events coming up.

Monday: 1:00-5:30 **Tuesday:** 9:30-12:30 & 1:00-5:30 **Wednesday:** 3:30-8:00
Thursday: 9:30-12:30 & 1:00-5:30 **Friday:** 9:30-12:30 & 1:00-4:00

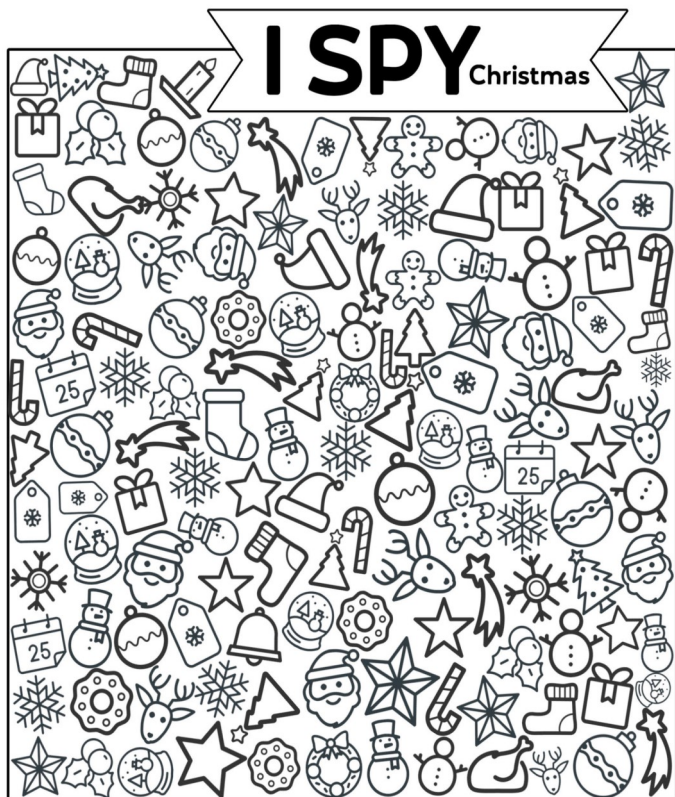
For more information on our programs or what the library has to offer, contact Michelle by phone at 452-3255, find us on facebook (Redvers Public Library Branch, Southeast Regional Library), on twitter @RedversLibrary or on Instagram @redverspubliclibrary. Also note that Southeast Regional Library has a YouTube channel that is always being updated with new videos of events and fun things happening in our libraries within the region.

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Kelly & Arron

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Once again it's Christmas
That delightful time of year
When hearts are filled with gratitude
And homes are bright with cheer

When everyone's remembering
Good friends and loved ones too
So naturally the warmest thoughts
And wishes go to you

It's a pleasure to send this greeting
To folks as nice as you
To wish you a Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year too

Christmas is that happy time of year
When friends and family are remembered from far and near
And this Greeting comes to you with wishes most sincere
For a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

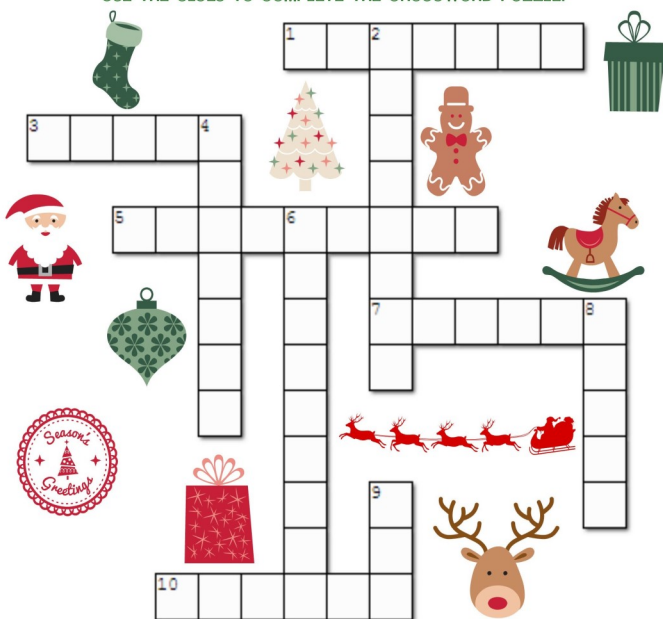
Best wishes to our friends
From
Dorothy and Lawrence

Written By: *Louanna Johnson*



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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Across

- One of Santa's Reindeer
- Santa's Helpers
- December 25th is _____.
- Christmas Drink
- The name of a popular snowman.

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- Christmas Month
- He hates Christmas!
- You hang them by the chimney.
- On Christmas morning we unwrap our _____.
- _____ to the world!

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BONES FOR CHRISTMAS

by Lisa Morris-Abrams (Crestview Florida) - www.short-story-time.com

Then Lily noticed a piece of paper shoved between the crevices of the door. She carefully pulled it out and handed it to her mom. The note simply said, "He's around back."

"Oh good grief," Susan responded, "What have we gotten ourselves into?"

"A rescue!" Lily responded with a thumbs up signal and a smile.

The two rescuers carefully made their way towards the back yard. All of a sudden, out of the darkness, they heard a loud rustling sound coming straight at them. Susan put her body in front of

Lily's, just in case this dog turned out to be aggressive.

What they saw immediately put them at ease. Running towards Susan and Lily was a beautiful black Labrador retriever who seemed to be smiling. He stopped right at their feet and lay down. He was as friendly as they come, with big floppy ears and dangling tongue.

"Oh mom, he is so skinny," Lily gasped as she began to pet him from head to toe.

"Yes he is, he is just skin and bones, poor guy."

"That's it!" Lily shouted. "That can be his name. Can we call him Bones, please?"

Susan chuckled, "Of course we can, Dear, of course we can."

They loaded Bones up and headed home. He was quite the gentleman in the car and ate every one of his Milk Bones, except one.

As they pulled into the drive, Bones really started wagging his tail- thump, thump, thump. He knew he was safe.

Later that night, Lily and her mom made Bones a bed on the couch. He hopped right up and fell fast asleep. Lily laid his last Milk Bone by his side.

"Mom, this is what Christmas is all about, helping and giving to others. And we helped Bones."

"Yes we did Lily. This has turned out to be a wonderful Christmas Eve."

The next morning was Christmas. Lily jumped from her bed and rushed downstairs eagerly hoping to find their new addition all snug as a bug in his new sleeping arrangements.

She looked on the couch, but he wasn't there. She decided to go into the kitchen, all dogs love the kitchen, but he wasn't there either. Lily was beginning to get worried.

Finally, Lily went into the office where their Christmas tree stood-adorned with tinsel, lights, and hand-made decorations. And to her delight she found what she'd been looking for, Bones. He was all curled up in a ball right underneath the tree, with a single Milk Bone resting by his side.

Lily knew this Christmas would be extra special. She had learned that giving is far better than receiving. And she learned this from a very special stray dog named Bones.

Sir, I don't think I can do this. My family has a trip planned for Christmas." Lily could hear her mom, Susan, urging the caller on the phone. "Are you sure you can't wait just a couple more days? No? Fine, I will come and pick him up."

Lily crept into the kitchen and found her mother with her head in her hands.

"What's wrong, mom?" Lily asked.

"Sweetie, I need to go and save a stray dog from a farm. The farmer who found him is ready to take him to the pound. He says he can't wait until after Christmas."

"Oh no, we can't let that happen. When are we going?" Lily loved helping her mom rescue animals.

"Well, it will mean canceling our trip to Grandma's house-so are you sure about this?"

"You bet!" And with that Lily rushed up to her mom and squeezed her tight. "I am proud that my mom has an animal rescue and I love being your partner."

Two years ago, Lily's mom founded an animal rescue for stray and unwanted Labrador retrievers. In truth, they saved all kinds of animals, but had an extra soft spot for Labs. Lily and her mom loaded up the car with a crate, a blanket, and some Milk Bones. The farmer had warned Susan that this dog was very thin and hungry.

The trip took about an hour and by the time Lily and her mom arrived at the farm, it was pitch-black outside, and freezing. This was not the kind of night any animal should be left outside alone.

"Lily let me go up to the door. I don't see any lights on so I want to make sure it's safe."

"Not a chance." Lily urged back, "I am going too." So the pair walked to the front door and knocked and knocked, but there was no answer.

 REDVERS ROCKETS		
Friday, Nov 19	Vs. Bienfait	8:00pm—W 5-4
Sat., Nov 27	Vs. Carnduff	8:00pm—W 6-3
Sat., Dec 4	@ Yellow Grass	8:00pm
Sat., Dec 11	@ Moosomin	8:00pm
Fri., Dec 17	@ Wawota	8:00pm
Sat., Dec 18	vs. Carlyle	8:00pm
Wed., Dec 22	@ Carlyle	8:00pm
Thurs., Dec 30	@ Carnduff	8:00pm
Sat., Jan 8	@ Bienfait	8:00pm
Sun., Jan 9	vs. Yellow Grass	6:00pm
Fri, Jan 14	vs. Moosomin	8:00pm
Sun., Jan 16	vs. Oxbow	7:00pm
Sat., Jan 22	vs. Wawota	8:00pm
Fri., Jan 28	@ Oxbow	8:00pm
Sat., Jan 29	vs. Midale	8:00pm
Sat., Feb 5	@ Midale	8:00pm

DEC 2021 HAVEN HAPPENINGS

Submitted by Barbara Dennis

I started my article last month with the mention of the Haven being home to a WWII veteran. I am delighted to report that Mr. Jim Clark was honored and recognized by his community November 5th when he attended the Maryfield Lions sponsored unveiling of the veterans' plaques in Fairlight and Maryfield. One of two surviving of the 70 honorees and the only one in attendance (I believe) he was, in his words, "A little overwhelmed." The newspaper coverage received by the event was well documented in the World Spectator of November 8/21. To say the least we are very proud of Mr. Jim (James) Clark, and happy to share this item with our readers.



Thanks to Corinne Andres-Toms efforts the Haven is offering a new service! Deb Purdy of Deb's Reflexology is able and has agreed to attend once a month for appointments. Deb treated 5 residents last month (may I add at a very reasonable

rate!!) and photo of Deb working on feet has a return date with repeat customers for December.



BTW - Christmas gift giving idea - a gift certificate for a relaxing reflexology appointment would be top notch. (Personally I always fall asleep during and always have the best sleep after - just saying). Contact Deb Purdy at 306 240-9193 if interested.

The Haven has been home to many loved ones over the last 50+ years and the workplace of many as well. Time marches on and three of those dearly loved employees have chosen to retire. Corinne Andres Toms, Dani George and Aggie Frecon have clocked their last work day here. The residents were pleased to host a retirement party

for them Nov. 24. Pictured are Corinne and Dani (Aggie was unable to attend) with their cake. We are sad to see them go, they will be greatly missed, but wish them well in their future endeavours. Speaking for the activity department alone I will single out Corinne. Corinne's creativity is second to none! Her passion to provide the residents with varying and stimulating activities suited to their abilities is only matched by her drive to fundraise (read do whatever is necessary) to provide that stimulus. Corinne loves her job, and everything she did over her 25-year career here at Redvers Haven Activities speaks it! Corinne you will be missed - GREATLY. Your shoes will NOT be filled.



We are pleased to report that all our jellies have been sold, proceeds to Haven Activities. Thanks to those that purchased, including but not limited to Lorraine Baker and Annette Carriere. Thank you, ladies.

In case someone missed the announcement I would be in error if I did not publicly acknowledge the generosity of the Redvers School Staff in donating their Casual Fund to the Activity Department. Here at Redvers Haven. \$1060.00 was deposited into our account recently which is HUGE! THANK YOU REDVERS SCHOOL STAFF, and to Susan Delmare for suggesting it.



It is beginning to look like Christmas!!

ONE of Corinne's ideas come to life was this giant Christmas Card greeting all who come and go here at the Haven. Also Nov 26th found four of Santa's elves in the Haven courtyard treating their loved ones to some outside Christmas décor. Thank you to the Gervais and Nelson families for this. It is WONDERFUL of you and such a treat for our residents to see in what would otherwise be a rather desolate place in the winter. Truth be told we do not have the man power or the resources to do all that we would like or wish to do. Volunteers are so very much appreciated.



The residents got into the spirit of the holidays by packing hygiene and basic supplies for the homeless. Twenty four packages were assembled for delivery to 12 females and 12 males. Many thanks must go to Colleen Cop, Carlyle Dental, and Silver Lotus for supplies. These will be distributed by a true humanitarian who feeds and clothes countless homeless out of her own pocket in the city of Regina. If ever in the vicinity of 11th Avenue and Halifax Street in Regina - stop in at the corner store and help her out with your pocket coin/bills! We can all take a lesson from her!

From ALL of us at Redvers Health Centre, residents and staff, we wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS, a Christmas filled with the joy and wonder of the FIRST Christmas gift - the birth of our Lord and Savior, JESUS CHRIST.

Until next year readers, may the road rise to meet you and friends be there for you.

ALIDA NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

SUBMITTED BY EDEL COWAN

On November 8 Micheal Lemieux and boys, Carter and Mason arrived from Lloydminster to spend a week of holidays with Ernest and Dianne Lemieux. The boys were on a school break and Michael had days off work. They celebrated an early Christmas on Thursday, November 11 when other family members – Alan and Kathy Arthur, Lloyd and Irene Sorensen joined everyone for supper. They then returned home on November 12.

Faye Walker travelled to Saskatoon November 9 for a dental appointment and visited with her family, Deidre, Jeff Nickel and granddaughters returning home to Alida on the 15th.

The Alida community extends condolences to the Martin family and friends on the death of Robert Martin (late of Carlyle) on November 7, 2021 at the age of 56 years. Robert will be remembered by his wife Deanna and their children, his mother Zoe Martin, brothers George (Shelly), Raymond and sister Viviane Perreux, in-laws (mother) Loretta Carriere, (brother) Gary (Marcy) Hill, (sister) Lana Green as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. A Celebration of Life was held at Redvers Curling rink November 13 with refreshment and reminiscing following the service.

Shelly Cowan has her fund-raising hat back on once again. She received many donated pumpkins for the haunted house – and now something must be done with them (can't have them go to waste). The thought process of making pumpkin pies to sell is in the works. So keep your eyes open for more details as to when, where and how one can purchase a pie (or more) if so wish and of course the cost. One may be asked to pre-order the number of pies you wish to purchase by giving Shelly a call. M-m-m I can almost taste those pies. Stick around for more news about this

fund-raiser by the Haunted house committee.

Spent some time watching television and really enjoyed both their soccer match where Canada won and the Women's world hockey game where Canada also won their games. Way – to – go Canada. Let's hope their winning streak continues. Of course also watched Saskatchewan Roughriders win their game against Edmonton – way to go guys. The Olympic curling play-offs should be starting soon from Saskatoon and I'll surely – be watching those games, Go – Saskatchewan – Go.

We finally got the snow that the weatherman kept reporting that was on its way. Wasn't really wanting the white blanket to come yet, but being middle of November guess one should expect it. We were fortunate however not to get the storm as other areas did, thank goodness for that. Winter is official here now by the looks of it anyway, can always hope that warmer weather will come back and make things more comfortable – gee guess we're spoiled.

I received notice of the death of John Leveille, late of Weyburn, who had passed away October 27, 2021 at the age of 90 years. He was predeceased by his parents Pierre and Gabrielle Leveille, brothers: Victor, Joseph, Paul and Peter; sister, Mary Beriault. He is survived by his wife Joan Ann; sons, Michael (Linda) and Kevin; daughters Patti (Eugene) Bert, Shaunna (Terry) Benning, 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. A Mass of Christian Burial was held November 1 at St. Vincent de Paul RC Church, Weyburn with internment at Hillcrest Cemetery. Alida community extends condolences to all Leveille and Beriault family members.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Jim and Debbie Fuller on the death of their brother Edward (Ted) Fuller who passed away November 16/2021 at the age of 49

years. He was the youngest child of the late Reg and Marion Fuller and was raised on the farm near Alida. He is survived by his brothers Jim, Don (Susan), sister, Debbie and their families. There will be a Celebration of Life for Ted at a later date.

The Alida Hall and Rink Auxiliary held their annual meeting on November 16. After 7 years of serving the Auxiliary, the executive resigned their positions and unfortunately nobody has volunteered to take over their duties. The executive has been responsible for the community activities plus funeral lunches, sports day canteen and fall supper. With careful thought it was decided to divide up the responsibilities of the executive and make each function a separate function run by a new volunteer. Three positions have been filled **Funeral Luncheons** – Diane Potapinski (contact person and organize luncheons), **Fall Supper** – Melissa Gervais (organize food and duties), **Sports Day Canteen** – maybe offer this opportunity to Food Truck owners. This leaves the following four positions with Nobody as leader. **Rink Breakfasts** (Sunday mornings) – to order food supplies each week and stock the freezers from January to end of March (remember auxiliary groups arrange the workers). **Rink Kitchen** (open to public) – contact person for rink events and plan menu, food and workers. **Catering** (suppers and community functions) – to be contact person, to provide menu available to organizations or persons and plan out how food will be canvassed by auxiliary groups. **Executive** – need a President and Vice President to oversee all the above committees, sign cheques and make sure the auxiliary is run efficiently. Margaret Peet remains as Secretary and Sheri Patton as Treasurer. The Auxiliary for decades has taken on the responsibility of the above...

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mentioned functions in order to raise money for the community and to keep the community alive and vibrant through socializing. Each year the groups donates an average of \$10,000.00 to the Rec Board to help in the maintenance and cost of operation of the hall, rink and pool as well as purchase many items such as stoves, freezers, deep fryers, new chairs and tables, etc.

We are very fortunate to have operational facilities in our small community not only for recreation but for family and community celebrations as well. As to date – ALIDA COULD BE SET TO LOSE THESE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES – STOP & THINK ABOUT THIS Let's not lose these community functions that have been part of Alida for years. Once it's gone – it's hard to get back.

We are sending our American families and friends a very Happy Thanksgiving Day for Thursday, November 25. Hope you all have a great day.

Here's another reminder that if you're interested in purchasing homemade pumpkin pies – please don't forget to place your pre-order just contacting Shelly (306-485-7023) by December 10.

Some changes have occurred in and around Alida these past few weeks. The old "Joe Martel" house and the "White Elephant" (convent) have been demolished, burned and the areas cleaned up. These lots are now available for purchase as well as other lots around town, if one would be interested. However there are many houses which are sporting "For Sale" signs on their lawns. Hopefully these houses will be sold and new families will arrive and make their home here. Also there are single suites available at the Alida Housing complex if one would be interested. Alida will openly welcome you to our little town.

I was informed the other day that Eleanor Dahl, wife of the late Smiling Johnny had passed away. This singing duo was well known in the area as they made many performances throughout the province. Even I can remember them when they came here to Alida. This type of good old fashioned country music has now come to the end of their era.

Sympathy is extended to Jenny Riersgard and Grant Barber on death of her step-grandmother Deborah Ann Riersgard, late of Torquay who passed away November 20, 2021 at the age of 73. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

The Canadian Western Agribition was once again held this past week (November 22-27) in Regina. I'm sure that those who attended the event enjoyed themselves and had a great time.

Tim, Shelly and Ainsley Cowan spent Thanksgiving in Minot with the Nilsen family on Thursday, November 25.

Alida community extends condolences to the Shain family on the passing of Ileen Shain at the Sunset Haven Personal Care Home, Carnduff on November 25, 2021 at the age of 86 years. She was predeceased by her husband George Shain in 2017, her parents Irvin and Margaret Larson, brother, Wayne and other family members. Ileen is survived by her sons Garth (Cindy), Marlin (Ieva) and daughter Myrna (Glen) Obleman and their families. The Shains lived in our R.M. for a few years before they retired to Glen Ewen, then Carnduff. A service will be held at a later date in 2022.

I enjoyed watching a week of curling – the Olympic Trials. During these Trials there was some excellent curling happening all

week and on the weekend it was fantastic – three teams played tie-breakers, semi-finals and then the finals on Sunday. In the women's event had Team Fluery against Team Jones. In an extra end had Team Jones picking up the win and they will be representing Canada at the Olympics in China. In the men's event it was Team Jacobs against Team Gushue. The "Battle of the Brians" ended with Team Gushue winning and they also will represent Canada at the Olympics. Congratulations to these two teams and continued Good Luck and Good Curling.

Also on Sunday afternoon had the Saskatchewan Roughriders playing the West Division Semi-finals in Regina against Calgary. Boy was this game ever exciting – in overtime the Riders finally defeated Calgary 33-30 and will be going to Winnipeg next weekend to tackle the Blue Bombers in the West finals. Go – Riders – Go! Over the weekend Hubby was once again spending most of his time in the basement on his radios, especially on Sunday where he made over 1000 contacts on (cw) Morse code in a world wide contest called cq world wide. This is one of the major contest for ham radio operators of the year. This too made him very happy.

Gingerbread Play Dough

1 cup all purpose flour
1/2 cup salt
2 tsp. cream of tartar
1 tbsp. ground cinnamon
2 tsp. ground ginger
1 tsp. ground nutmeg
1 tsp. ground cloves
2 tbsp. canola oil
1 cup water

In a medium saucepan

whisk together dry ingredients. Next mix in the water and oil. Stir until a thick batter is formed. Cook the mixture over med-low heat until a thick dough forms. Turn out onto parchment paper and knead until smooth. Makes about 2 cups of dough.



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