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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!

ODR COMING SOON...

On November 20th, community volunteers, along with the Redvers Fire Department and Rec Director Nadine Pryde started the grueling task of turning our tennis court into an OUTDOOR RINK!! The project was put on hold for a few days, while we enjoyed the mild weather, but the crew got back on it on Tuesday, November 29th. With the colder weather on the way, this will help the ODR take shape. Thank you so much to everyone involved in making this happen, it is much appreciated by all! If anyone would like to help with floods, please let Nadine Pryde know, and she will put you on the list! Also, if you would liketo lend a hand getting the ODR ready, please make your way to the tennis court!



GRADE 6 CLASS OF REDVERS SCHOOL

What is your favourite thing about Christmas?

Amy – My favourite thing about Christmas is being with family and unwrapping gifts, no matter what size.

Kai A. – My favourite things about Christmas are opening and giving presents and spending time with family.

Nikita – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with my family and friends.

Lauren – My favourite things are having dinners at the dinner table and setting up our tree with Christmas music on. I also like opening gifts with my family.

Camden – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with family.

Jacob – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with family and skidooing or quadding with friends and playing hockey on the slough with my brother, grandpa, uncle and cousin.

Breckin – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with family and playing with cousins.

Hadley – My favourite thing about Christmas is being with my friends and family!

Rylee – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with my relatives and my friends.

Jill – My favourite thing about Christmas is seeing and spending time with family and opening presents and eating pancakes after we

open presents and building snowmen and dying the snow with food colouring.

Kai H – My favourite thing about Christmas is the memories I gain.

Eli – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with family especially family that I don't get to see very often and giving and getting gifts.

Sienna – I like Christmas because I like getting presents.

Brielle – I like to set up our Christmas tree. I like to spend time with my mom, dad, and brothers. I like to bake cookies.

Kadence – My favourite thing about Christmas is Christmas dinner and when I see my family's happy faces when they open their presents.

Avery – My favourite part of Christmas is when I go to one of my grandma's houses to spend time with them and also open presents.

Libby – I love spending time with my family on Christmas.

Kolbie – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with friends and family and having fun opening and giving presents.

Jack – My favourite thing about Christmas is skating on the ice with my family.

Kourtney – My favourite thing about Christmas is singing Christmas carols and spending time with my family.

Nathan – My favourite thing about Christmas

is being with my whole family and testing their baking skills.

Keeleigh – My favourite things about Christmas are making cookies and decorating them. I also like opening presents. I also get to see my sister, aunties, uncles, grandmas, grandpas and decorating the Christmas trees and it's my favourite holiday, but I wish there was NO SNOW! I really want a new computer and a desk.

Bella – My favourite thing about Christmas is I like spending time with my family.

Ayden – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with family.

Athena – My favourite thing about Christmas is spending time with my family and opening presents. After that, I go outside in the snow on my sled.

Caleb – The best thing about Christmas is to see family and hangout with them.

Arjen – My favourite part of Christmas is spending time with family.

Hudson – Spending time with family and having a big supper at my grandma's.

Drayden – My favourite thing about Christmas is to spend time with my family and friends.



Dannevirke Lutheran Church

December 2022 Services

Sunday, December 11 @ 11:00 am —
Regular Service

Saturday, December 24 @ 4:00 pm —
Christmas Eve Communion Service



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ALIDA NEWS

Submitted by Edal Cowan

Act One Productions held a meeting November 2 to see if there was enough interest to proceed with a performance for March 2023. After much discussion it was decided that – Yes, the interest was there. Therefore Act One Productions is very pleased to announce a return to the stage. The play that they hope to preform will be sure to make you laugh until you cry!! The performances are planned for March 9, 10, 11 and 12 and will be dedicated in memory of Lynette Peet. Lynette played a huge role in our club and will be forever missed. We are very excited for this production and the planning process has started. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 16 at Alida Hall. We still need to fill these positions – director, lights and sounds, floor and house managers and house decorator. If you are interested in helping out in one way or another please attend this meeting – all assistance is welcome and everyone is welcome to attend. If looking for more information call for text 306-485-8647. Act One Productions are now inviting all Actors to attend the Audition date December 6 at the Hall. Your interest will determine what play will make the final cut – it's in your hands folks. Remember this performance will be held in honor of Lynette Peet, who had been extremely involved with our drama club. For more information, contact Diane Potapinski (306-485-7853) or Shelly Cowan (306-485-7023).

On Friday, November 4 there was an accident north of Alida on 601 – police and firefighters were in attendance and Stars was also called.

After a two-year hiatus, the Alida Ladies Auxiliary hosted a Fall Supper on Sunday, November 6 at the Alida Hall. There were 175 who attended. It was so nice to see everyone back out and enjoying themselves. Of course the food was excellent as always and those desserts – they were to die for – so delicious. Appreciation to all who helped with organizing, cooking, donating, serving and cleaning up – many hands makes less work. It was another successful supper for the books.

There was a very nice crowd that attended the Commemoration service of Remembrance Day at the Redvers school gymnasium at 11:00 am on November 9. Kudos goes to students and staff on a job well done. Take time to Remember on November 11 – Those who gave their Life –

the Greatest Sacrifice of all, our Veterans and those who are now in uniform to help serve and keep the peace. Wear your Poppy Proudly and We Shall Remember Them.

I'm extending special recognition to Sharla Hainsworth who attended the Canadian Junior Football League game at Mosaic Field on Saturday, November 12 where the Okanagan Sun Team defeated the Regina Thunder. Sharla's son, Kaiden Kermtopf played for the Okanagan Sun – Congratulations to the team.

Don't forget the Lisette Dubuc Memorial Bingo Fundraiser at Alida Hall on December 2/2022. There will also be a Chinese auction and a Silent auction throughout the evening, as well as a Beer Gardens. Lisette was an amazing Community member, was always there to help and this commitment was seen every Monday at the Alida Bingo. She has been greatly missed. The Alida Rec. Board members appreciates the generous donations that they received for this event. Hope to see you all there.

I noticed an obituary for Eugene Bender formally of Virden, MB (was raised in Sinclair area and attended Dannevirke Church). He had passed away November 15/2022 at the age of 83 at Brandon Regional Health Centre. He leaves behind his wife Betty, four children – Carla, Michael, Erica and Troy and their families. His funeral is November 26 at Virden United Church. Condolences are extended to all family members.

The Alida community extends condolences to the family of Helen Gervais who had passed away November 19/2022 at the Regina General Hospital at the age of 97 years. She is survived by her

three children – Randy (Jeanne), Bryan (Darlène) and Leanne (Dave) Sauder, 10 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren. She will be missed by her sisters/brothers-in-law Lillian Ba, Edna Clemens, Florence Gervais, Henry Gervais and Jack Tonnellier, as well as numerous extended families. Helen was predeceased by her parents, John and Ella Carlson, husband Octave and siblings Alice Smith, Harry Carlson, Elmer Carlson and Alleen Zander and three grandsons Ryan Sauder, Christopher Sauder and Colin Gervais. A celebration of her life will take place December 3 at Redvers RC Church with a private family interment at Dannevirke Cemetery at a later date.

The Alida community also extends sincere sympathy to Gloria Girard and the Girard family on the passing of her husband Dave Ince on November 24 at Sylvan Lake, AB. Gloria and Dave lived here in Alida a few years ago. No further arrangements are known at this time.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Dianne (Ernest) Lemieux and Kathy (Alan) Arthur on the death of their sister Ella Thomson (Winnipeg), who passed away November 24/2022 at the age of 87. She was predeceased by her parents, Pete and Esther Sorensen and husband Jack.

On November 22 Faye Walker visited in Saskatoon with her family, the Nickels, attended a concert by her granddaughters Claire and Piper. She returned home November 26.

Shelly Cowan and daughter Ainsley spent Thanksgiving with the Nilsen family in Minot on November 24, and returned home 27. We hope that our American family and friends had a very Happy Thanksgiving Day on November 24.

THE REDVERS LEGION WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE REDVERS BUSINESSES WHO LET US PUT POPPY TRAYS IN THEIR PREMISES. WE WANT TO THANK REDVERS SCHOOL FOR THE LOVELY VETERAN DAY SERVICE. THANK YOU TO THE PEOPLE WHO TOOK TIME TO ATTEND THE SERVICE. AND ALSO, A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO SUPPORTED THE LEGION BY DONATING TO OUR POPPY CAMPAIGN. AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING, WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.



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REDVERS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOSTS THE 40TH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Submitted by Elmer Doell

October 27th was another great day for the members of South East Sask Special Needs Group Homes. It was well attended by about 160 guests from Redvers, Weyburn, Carnduff, Carlyle, and various other areas.

Guests enjoyed the spaghetti dinner which was aptly prepared by the members of the Redvers Council #4850 of the Knights of Columbus under the direction of Chief Chef Marius Erickson. He once again did a terrific job of guiding us through the the preparation of the dinner with his mother's favourite spaghetti sauce. Members present were Real Wolensky, Raymond Lamotte, Denis Quenelle (who donated all the ground meats), Grand Knights Todd Garnier, Sonny Garnier, Emile Magotiaux and Elmer Doell. Thanks also to Redvers Co-op who donated the spaghetti sauce, much appreciated!



Guests enjoyed a raucous Halloween dance in all their regalia and costumes. It's always exciting to see the guests arrive with all their attendant able-bodied and most patient Student Aids. This year's event was hosted at the Redvers Recreation Centre (Curling rink and kitchen).



Redvers Council is looking forward to hosting this event again next year.



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Stella- Me and my brothers always leave out milk and cookies for Santa.

Boe- I like being pulled on my GT racer. I can't wait until Max can do it too.

Olivia- We sing Christmas songs all together.

Dakota- I like to get together with Grandma and Grandpa and open presents.

Henley- We always make a gingerbread house.

Brooks- I like to put up the Christmas tree with my family.

Brooklyn H- The best thing about Christmas is seeing what funny things my elf does.

Ainsley- I like to make snow angels outside in the snow.

Maddox- My family all decorates our Christmas tree together.

Brooklyn L- We decorate our Christmas tree.

Miriam- I like to see what everyone gets when we open presents together.

Iszack- We always decorate a gingerbread house.

Emma- My sister and I leave out hot chocolate and candy canes for Santa to have.

Sophia- I like to bake with Grandma.

Brylee- The best part is playing with my new toys with my family.

Sorren- I like opening presents from Santa and others on Christmas.



TRANSIT BUS OUTING

Tuesday December 13th

Lunch at the Arlington Hotel Maryfield

After lunch we'll pop over to the Dusty Road
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Nadine Pryde—Recreation Director
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Christmas 2022

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Of happiness and cheer
That fills the heart of everyone
This festive time of year

The flame of friendship brightly burns
With every passing year
'Tis fanned a fresh at Christmas time
And loved ones grow more dear

Trim your tree with love this year
Spread it thick to friends so dear
And family who are out of sight
Plus those we see each blessed night

Christmas cards from near and far
Seek my door as by a star
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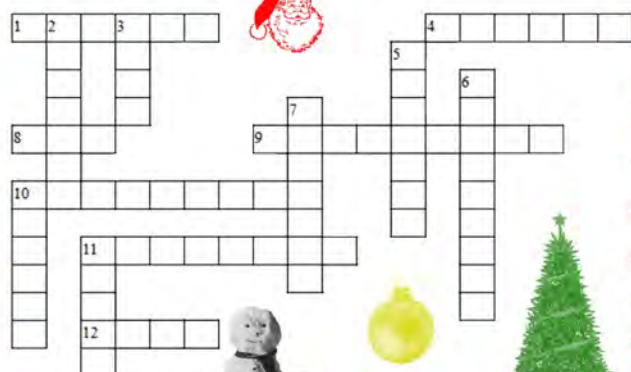


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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Santa's Crossword



ACROSS


1. Famous snowman
4. What Santa travels in
8. Makes toys for Santa
9. Used to decorate a Christmas tree
10. December 25
11. Hung by the chimney with care
12. What presents are left under

DOWN

2. Reindeer with a shiny red nose
3. Covers the ground on a white Christmas
5. Santa comes down this
6. Red and White hooked shaped candy
7. Left under the tree Christmas morning
10. Left out for Santa
11. Jolly toy maker

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Friday, Dec 2 & Saturday, Dec 3



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96 min

Rated G

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DECEMBER HAVEN HAPPENINGS

Submitted by Barbara Dennis

Merry Christmas from the residents and staff at the Redvers Health Centre, Long Term Care AKA The Haven!!

Miss Kitty has been accompanying a certain recreation worker on a semi-regular basis as she assumes her position. Word has it – Miss Kitty is fast becoming a favorite of a number of the residents.



Kim the cook was happy to receive a donated brand-new barbeque last month. Linda and Marlene had learned our old appliance had grilled its last meal and generously purchased a replacement. The only stipulation was that they did not have to build it – fortunately we have a maintenance crew who was up to the task – thanks Donald/Roel. Thank you, Linda and Marlene, it was wonderful of you to be so kind.



A sunny, warm, beautiful November day, Sandie and the Handivan – what to do but go for DQ! Not often November weather lends itself so nicely, I thought we best take advantage of it. We traveled to Carlyle for one last ice cream cone before old man winter closes in. Sufficient soft serve returned with us so all could enjoy a special treat. And enjoy – all did!

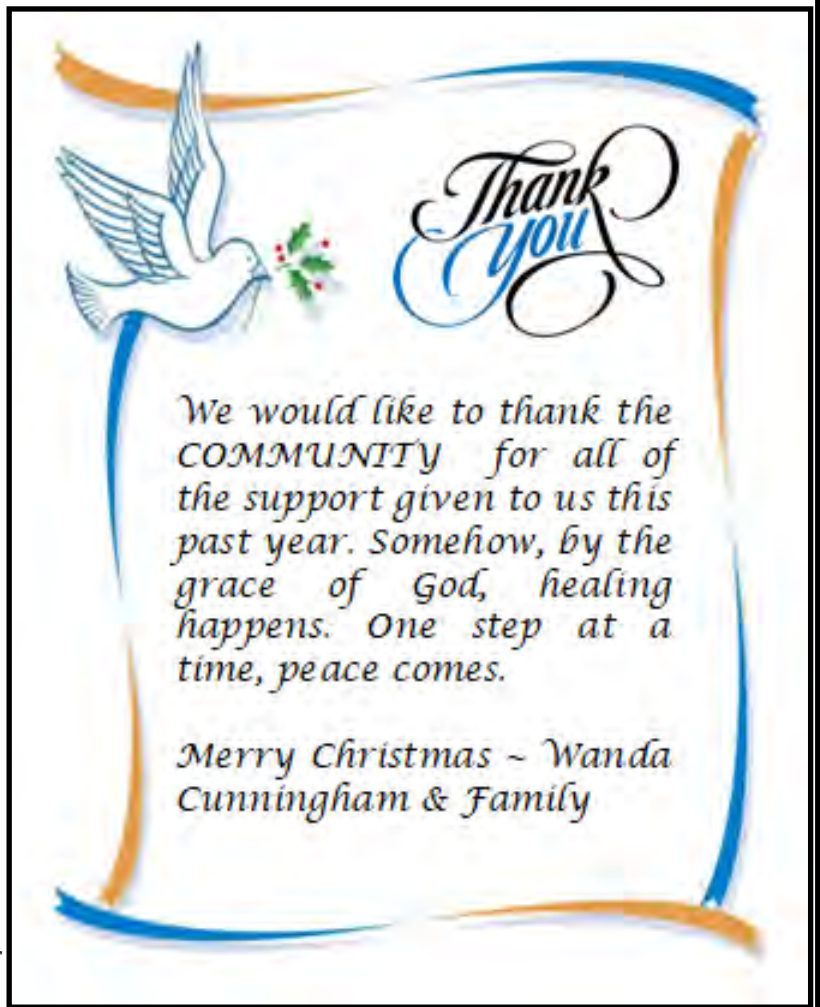


Last time I wrote of miniature pumpkins being gifted to us and being excited as to what Dolores would do with them. Well here they

are – we have some gifted artists in our group and with the help of paint, a little imagination, a googly eye or two, time and voila – a crowd of multi-colored and winsome characters. Great job – Dolores.

Speaking of great job – kudos to Kristan and helpers on a very successful Little Caesar's Pizza fundraiser. Many thanks to all those who supported this endeavour – the Activities department definitely appreciated your encouragement and hopefully you are all enjoying your pizza, cookies, breadsticks, etc.

December 14 will be our Family/Resident Christmas Tea with the Caragana Ramblers for entertainment. A resident staff Christmas meal is to include the ever-popular KFC on another day. We are all looking forward to a special concert with Curtis and Bonnie Sazcash and family (up to 8 children) just before Christmas. And of course, we are all hoping the BIG GUY himself makes an appearance. However, more importantly – we hope you come and bring Christmas greetings to old friends, neighbours and family. Haven residents are well taken care of but they still miss seeing friends and neighbours. And with that – signing off and out of 2022 – with God's grace we will be back in 2023.



WHOLE CLOTH

Submitted by Jocelyn Hainsworth

A church is a good place for meditation, even a former church. In fact, I don't know that you can actually take the 'church' out of a building. I was at the decommissioning of Knox United, I know that the formalities of 'unchurching' were done, but between the architecture and my memories it will always be a place of sunny meditation, favourite hymns, and the warmth of sharing that space with others in an aura of fellowship.

And so, I found myself meditating on Saturday afternoon in the sunshine of those south-facing windows, under that vaulted roof, and singing songs that I love. We were there to honour and bid farewell to a well-loved lady, and the diverse crowd assembled showed just how far-ranging Dosy's inspiration had been over her 90 years. In her homily Michelle spoke of how we are to use our talents throughout our lives and then went on to list the many ways everyone present had benefited from Dosy's life. I know I did; she was my co-worker, then my boss, but most of all she was my friend.

My meditation didn't stop with Dosy though, it opened the door to thinking about the many others in our little hometown who have also shared their time and talents to expand and enhance the community we enjoy. There are many.

I'm a hometown girl. I've lived all but six years of my life here. In a world where most young people leave to seek their fortunes elsewhere my choice was to stay. I don't know if it's just the way my brain works, or because I am here to witness it, but sometimes, when I'm talking to classmates or other friends who did move away, I feel like a local historian. Not the specific, detailed historian who would remember dates, but the type who wants credit to go to the unsung heroes who have earned it.

The terms 'warp' and 'woof' come to mind. For those unfamiliar, these words pertain to weaving cloth. In order to form a piece of cloth you have to set up a loom with threads going up and down (warp) so that the horizontal threads (woof) can be woven in. They are the foundation, they hold it together, they give strength and endurance – take them away and all you have is a tangled pile of fluff. Our community is a stretch of whole cloth, we are the warp and woof.

If you look at a piece of cloth you see the whole thing, not the individual threads that hold it together, even though they are the most important part. What about the people, almost invisible, in the background giving their time and talents? Things that are unlikely to ever be documented?

I was going to try to name them – or at least the ones I could think of – but the list is too long, and I would feel terrible if I missed someone. Besides, my list would be from my life perspective. We are all unique so your list would be different than mine, but every bit as valid.

So I'm challenging you, no matter where you're from, to form your own list. Every community has their own heroes: the guy who refills little kid's sandboxes every spring for free, the lady who spearheaded publishing your local history book, the folks tending flower gardens and watering trees in your public green spaces, teachers who made a difference in your life, 4-H and scout leaders, 'Santa's Helpers' (even though they can't be named due to the nature of their work). The list goes on and on.

Think of them, and thank them. Let them know their threads are appreciated.

I'm back to meditating, or at least thinking about, the metaphor of us all being a part of the whole cloth of our communities. It's easy to associate different textures and colours of thread to the individuals – past/present/future – whose time and talents have gone/are going/will go into making our fabric unique, and I catch myself wondering if Dosy's thread would be silver like her hair?

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