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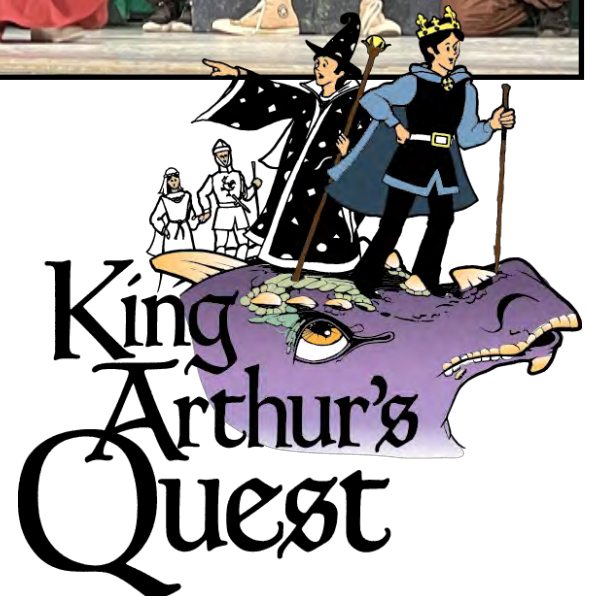
REDVERS & AREA COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



December 2023 Issue  
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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!

## Missoula Children's Theatre presents... King Arthur's Quest





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# ALIDA NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

Submitted by Edel Cowan

On Friday, November 3, Diane Potapinski hosted a Ladies Jamaica Color Street party at the Alida Rink to celebrate her second anniversary as an independent stylist with the company. Guests got to sample some makeup products, had an opportunity to get a manicure done and enter for many give aways and prizes. Diane did a makeup demonstration on her model, Valerie Fouillard and a hand care product demo on model, Linda Yates. The Alida Rec Board provided drinks while guests were treated to appetizers and cake. Winner of the mystery hostess draw of \$193.80 in free product was Valerie Patron. Winner of a \$50 Color Street gift card was Linda Yates. Kristie Madsen won the \$25 gift card and winners of a free set of nail strips were Jenna Biberdorf and Margaret Fuchs.

The Alida Annual Fall Supper was held on Sunday, November 5 at the Alida Hall. The usual delicious fall food – turkey, ham, potatoes, turnips, carrots, salads, dressing and gravy, as well as all those delicious desserts. There were 178 who ventured out into the fog to attend this supper – way to go folks. Much appreciation goes to everyone who continues to support our events.

On Wednesday, November 8 we attended the noon special at Café 361 with friends. It was a delicious meal (perogies and lazyman cabbage rolls) – love your specials Lori. On Sunday, November 12 there was a Sunday Brunch held at the café - again the food was great we enjoyed it and there was a good turnout for the event. Great work Lori, Alexis and whomever else who helped make it happen. Appreciate it and can hardly wait until the next one.

Gray, Edel and Tim Cowan attended the Remembrance Day Service at Redvers School on November 10. It was a very special program with excellent singing – really enjoyed it. It was great to see the nice crowd in attendance and so many young children as well. Thanks to the students and staff – great job done. We Shall Remember Them!

On Saturday, November 11 Tim, Shelly and Ainsley Cowan attended the Remembrance Day Service in Carnduff where Tim and Ainsley laid a wreath on behalf of the Village of Alida. Following the service they travelled to Minot to visit

with the Nilsen family and honored Shelly's dad, who is also a veteran. They returned home on Sunday.

Jeff Cowan and his dog Navy visited with his parents Gray and Edel as well as his friends Grant and Jenny for a few hours on November 11 and had brunch at the café before returning back home to Regina.

For those of you who had an extra day of holiday on Monday, November 13, hope you enjoyed the day.

Michael Lemieux and sons Carter and Mason arrived at his mother's Dianne Lemieux on November 7 afternoon and spent a few days visiting. On Thursday, November 9 Lloyd/Irene Sorensen (Redvers) and Kathy/Alan Arthur had supper and played Canasta with everyone. Michael and boys returned home to Lloydminster on Saturday, November 11.

It was the Grey Cup Playoff Game on Sunday – Winnipeg vs Montreal – a very close and interesting game going back and forth between the teams – with the final play being Montreal getting a touchdown in the last moments of the games, and coming off at the Grey Cup Champs – way to go Montreal, sorry that Winnipeg had to have the loss to end their great football year of wins. It's Next year country for Winnipeg.

Don and Linda Akins met her brother and his wife, Paul and Elaine Rogg on November 18 in Regina to attend the Abba Tribute Concert held at the Casino Regina Lounge.

Here's hoping that all our American family and friends had a very enjoyable Happy Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 23. Shelly Cowan and daughter Ainsley spent the weekend in Minot with the Nilsen family, before returning home to Alida. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

This week was Agribition Week in Regina – for those who attended hope you had a good time and enjoyed your time while there.

The Alida Golden Gate hosted a Christmas Sign evening on November 27. Torri Warken from Oxbow was the instructor. Ten ladies attended and fun was had by all.

Act One Production held a meeting November 28 to see if there was enough interest for another fund-raising show this coming March. Your help is needed and will be greatly appreciated as lots of volunteers are needed. It was decided to look around to see if there's someone interested in taking part in this year's play or maybe at least help out behind the

scenes, Depending on the number who are interested will decide which play will be chosen – come on folks we need you. Let's hope we'll be able to hold another Drama this coming March. Please help us out – we need you aboard. Contact Tim, Shelly Cowan, Shanna Carriere or Diane Potapinski if you're interested and haven't been contacted. Let's keep the club going. Another meeting has been scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> together with auditions following. Let's see you there.

Faye Walker travelled to Saskatoon November 30 where she spent time with the Nickle family and watched her younger granddaughters participate in the Saskatoon Youth Choir presentation.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Wes/Rachelle Smith on the passing of his uncle Neil Holmes on November 27, 2023. Neil had worked for Three Star Trucking and lived here in Alida before he returned to Pierson, MB.

On December 1 the Cowan's (Tim, Shelly, Gray and Edel) attended the Missoula Children's Theatre in Redvers where Ainsley was one of the students who participated in the production of King Arthur's Quest.

The Alida Rec. Board members held another event on Friday, December 1 at the Alida Hall. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Lisette Dubuc Memorial Christmas Bingo Fundraiser. The doors opened at 5:00pm. There were special games, cash and prizes. There was also a Chinese Auction and Beer gardens to enjoy. It was a great way to start the holiday season off right. The Board appreciated all donations received for this event. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.





# Today's

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Decor

Spices

Gifts Under \$15 Electronics

## December Hours

December 23—Open until 5pm

December 25—January 2 Closed

January 3—Regular Hours



## SOUTH EAST MEDICAL GROUP WELCOMES NEW DOCTOR

The South East Medical Group is pleased to announce that Dr Afshan Ghafoor has joined our team! She is available for appointments beginning November 20th. Please contact the Redvers Medical Clinic or The Tony Day Family Medical Clinic to book an appointment. We are excited to welcome Dr Ghafoor and her family to our communities!

*A few words from Dr Ghafoor:*

Hi! I am Dr. Afshan Ghafoor. I am a Family Physician. I graduated from Fatima Jinnah Medical College, Lahore, Pakistan. I worked as a Family Physician in Pakistan for four years then moved to Canada. I have been here for the last eleven years. I passed all of my Canadian Licensing Exams. Meanwhile, I worked as a Clinical Assistant in Ontario as well as in Manitoba. During the pandemic, I went back to Pakistan and served as a Family Physician in the vicinity of Islamabad with a catchment area of rural communities for one year. On a personal note, I like traveling, book reading, listening to music, and spending time in nature with my family. I look forward to being a part of this welcoming community!



# Articles & Columns Wanted!

**Covering the Corner is looking for news articles and monthly columns! Do you have an event you would like to submit a story on, or have some ideas to share in a monthly column? Submitting content is FREE! Send your ideas to our Editor, Rhonda Martin!**

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## GIFTING

Submitted by Jocelyn Hainsworth

I have before me the beginnings of what I will try to accomplish in this next month ... my all important "To Do" list. I've written it down, managed to stroke two of the items off as done, and added three more. So far there is no stress building. I'm fine. After all, it's still November. Just barely.

Although I've broken the categories down to individual tasks there are only three main jobs on the list: baking, decorating, and gifts. Baking will take place closer to the big day so I only have to do it once. Decorating is a day I love – a quiet afternoon, a glass of wine, and just me, Christmas music, and my memories. #3, the gotta-get-the-gifts category is not so magical. There is too much pressure – to find the right thing for everyone, to shop local, to keep within a budget, to keep it even. Some years it's not too bad and others it's torture. It is easily my least favourite part of the holidays.

There is magic in giving, though. Serendipity stepped in a few weeks ago and treated me to the most wonderful experience. I'm still basking in its warmth.

A few months ago I happened to be at the right place at the right time – the dog wanted out at the exact moment when the sunrise was spectacular. I took a picture and much to my surprise it actually showed the light, the mist, the silhouette of the tree and rocks in my garden, even the sunflower petals glowed golden in the light. I posted it on Facebook and got a lot of "ooos" and "ahhhs". Fast forward to when I was on my trip with a group of people from Ontario. Inevitably I would be asked where I was from and when I said Saskatchewan you could see the pity fill their eyes. Little do they know about the Land of the Living Skies. Their pity was (mostly) feigned but one of them – the gal at whose invitation I was on the trip – knew better. She has been to our prairie place, sat on our deck, and relaxed in Saskatchewan ambience. Immediately she would speak up with "Show them the picture, Jocelyn!" It truly is a beautiful picture of a beautiful place and I think she loves it even more than I do.

Another bit of fast forward and I am at home again scrolling through my phone for gift inspiration when an ad pops up for taking digital photos and putting them on canvas. In a heartbeat I knew what I needed to do.

This lady isn't on my Christmas gift list, but that didn't matter – this isn't a Christmas gift. It's a 'just because it's the perfect thing' gift. The Internet made it easy, it wasn't expensive, and I knew she would love it; bing, bang, boom and it was done. I went to bed that night light-hearted in anticipation of her happiness and smiled every time I thought of it for the next eight days until I got a text from her asking if I knew anything about a mystery parcel she had just received. This is what they are talking about when they say "It is better to give than receive." She is happy with her gift and I am delighted that I hit that one out of the park. I neither want or need anything in return.

I wish I could manage the same magic with all of the actual expected gifts on my list. I wish there was *the perfect thing* for everyone, but that is unreasonable and impractical. And, even if it were possible, the word 'perfect' would lose its power if it became a daily occurrence. I will just do my best to avoid the over-commercialism of the season and hope my butter tarts will make up for any short fall.

Besides, there are other ways to get that happy buzz from giving. There is the Salvation Army, women's shelters, aid for Ukraine, sponsoring kids through World Vision, helping the damaged and dispossessed the world over. Or, you can look closer to home – the neighbour who lost his job, another whose house burned down, someone dealing with debilitating health problems, time or money donations to the food bank. The opportunities to be Santa's helper are endless.

My wish for everyone this holiday season is that you come away from which ever gift giving you choose feeling as joyful as I did while denying I knew anything at all about that random picture showing up on a doorstep in Ontario.

Now, back to my list ... I just thought of a couple more things that need to be on it.



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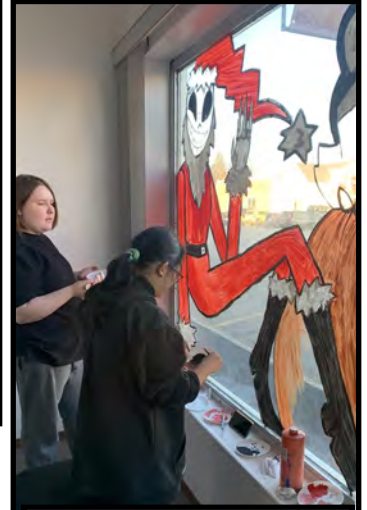


# Winterfest Painting



Jonathan Cowan

Valen Keating &  
Fin Eckersley



Blessy Butong &  
Deylyn Melville



The Visual Art 10/20/30 students have been painting for Winterfest. We did the windows at the Golden Age Centre, the RM Office, as well as the school. Here are a few photos if you would like them for the newsletter




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The Town of Redvers recommends that residents take appropriate precautions for the safety of themselves and their property by securing their valuables, locking their homes/outbuildings/vehicles, and reviewing their insurance policies.

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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# COVERING THE CORNER BABIES OF 2023

*Deadline Sunday,  
December 31st, 2023*

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*Thank You* I would like to thank  
Redvers and surrounding  
communities for the show of  
support this past year. Not just for what you  
did, which was wonderful, but for the way you  
did it.  
God Bless you all.  
Merry Christmas,  
Wanda Cunningham

**TOWN OF Redvers SASKATCHEWAN**

**Holiday Hours**

December 22 - CLOSED at 3PM

December 25 - CLOSED

December 26 - CLOSED

January 1 - CLOSED

**Transfer Station**

December 24 - CLOSED

December 27 - OPEN 12-4

December 31 - OPEN 12-4

## MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE VISITS WITH KING ARTHUR'S QUEST

Submitted by Graham James

Redvers School and the Redvers Arts Council welcomed the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) production of *King Arthur's Quest* to town for a busy and fun-filled week from November 27 to December 1. The MCT team of Olivia Sheppard and Hans Pfrang arrived in town in their "little red truck" loaded with a set, costumes, props and everything it takes to put on a play... except the cast. The team held an open audition on Monday and cast over 50 local students to perform or assist in the production. Rehearsals were held throughout the week with final rehearsals and two public performances presented on Friday, Dec 1<sup>st</sup> at the Redvers School Gymnasium. It was a busy week with rehearsals creating a buzz after school daily this week. In addition, the fun crossed into school hours as the MCT tour directors also led five workshops during their residency in Redvers.



The cast and crew of the play was a wide cross-section of our local school population with not only over 30 students from grade K to 6 involved, but also over 25 students from grades 7 to 12. Many of the oldest students had not acted in school drama since their elementary school days and attended the auditions on Monday not knowing what their week would actually have in store for them.

*King Arthur's Quest* was an original musical adaptation of the story of King Arthur and featured well-known characters from the Arthurian legend: King Arthur, Guinevere, Lancelot, Merlin, the Knights of the Round Table and a host of others in this telling of the classic tale.

The cast and crew featured local students from Redvers, Bellegarde, and Manor. Playing the title character of King Arthur was Colby Raymond. Other featured performers include Asia Jorgensen as Guinevere; Carson Gervais as Merlin; Whitney Purvis as the Raven; Ava Steenbruggen as Taliesin; Everett Shaw as Lancelot; Rayanne Poirier as the Lady of the Lake; Cade Mohrbutter as Uther Pendragon; Carter Hildebrandt as Mordred; and Blessy Butong as Morgan Le Fey. The Knights of the Round Table were made up of Kaycee Demas, Ainsley Cowan, Krielle De Juan, Tate Schabang, Olivia Pirlot, and Nazryn Sabino. The Squires were played by Josiah Marsh, Kourtney Mirandilla, and Eithan James-Poirier. Appearing as the Camelotians were Sasha Toms, Nikita Buydens, Charlieh Fidierchuk, Harper Demas, Emily Englot, Braeley Hoff, Lauren Hannah, Emma Hutton, Dawson James, Aleris Gavelin, and Lyndon Leatherdale. The Damsels were played by Eve Marsh, Keeleigh Richardson, Feline Jurista, Elsie McIntyre, Sierra McColl, McKenna Richards, and Rylee Garnier. The roles of the Minis were performed by Isabelle Axten, Brandy Englot, Bailey Richards, Hux Garnier, Alexis Bedecs, Henri Hjertaas, Sophie Hutton, Iszack McCurry, Holly Matthewson, Emma McIntyre, Brooklyn Hannah, Madison Birch, Emma-Lee Sakal, and Emily Knelsen. Kyler Kamp, Deylyn Melville, Serenidee James, and James Tinant served as Assistant Directors throughout the week, while Valen Keating was the musical accompanist. Additional help was provided by Rachel Tinant, Hadley Garnier, Clara Bonotti and Chloe George. The students were under the direction of the tour's MCT directors: Olivia Sheppard and Hans Pfrang.

The two performances were well received by the audience. The final bow featured lots of applause and a standing ovation! The students did an excellent job of hiding their jitters and showed off their hard work from the week. And the singing! Many excellent singing voices were on display during the shows!



It has been ten years since the Missoula Children's Theatre has had a residency in Redvers. While admission fees helped recoup some of the costs of the MCT residency (including school workshops and performances), the Redvers Arts Council supported the production by picking up the full MCT fee and Redvers School assisted by providing a venue and enthusiastic students. Redvers Arts Council member Melissa Toms was keen to bring back the MCT to Redvers. Says Melissa, "after volunteering with youth in our community, I really felt the need to find more opportunities for arts, culture, and drama for our kids. My nieces performed with MCT years ago, and they really enjoyed it. I went ahead and researched MCT, made a proposal to the Arts Council, and here we are today. It has been rewarding to see that student and parent response surpassed our expectations."



# King Arthur's Quest





# King Arthur's Quest



## HAPPY CHRISTMAS FROM SOUTH EAST RESEARCH FARM, REDVERS

All the staff from South East Research Farm are sending warm wishes for Christmas. South East Research Farm, a crop research based non-profit organization, was established in 1997 aiming to improve agricultural sustainability and encourage environmental stewardship. Farm is located approx. 6 km south of the town and 4 km east of the #8 Hwy.

Annual memberships are available for \$20. Currently the chair of the board is Edgar Hammermeister and the vice-chair is Kevin Judd. Other members of the board are Colin Rosengren, Lee Sluser, Jared Nelson, Joceline Raisbeck Rempel, Anita Renwick, Kylie McRae. Mackenzie Hladun also serves on the board as a provincial representative. Research conducted by the organization is supervised by Executive Director Lana Shaw, PAg, MSc and new addition Anmol Matharu is replacing Ishita Patel in conducting the research program. In order to serve the research and demonstration needs of diverse kinds of farmers, South East Research Farm works with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, agri-businesses, universities, commodity groups, rural municipalities, and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada. The farm is intended to connect research results with producers, bringing the results of breeding and agronomic research to the local area.

Recently the farm staff attended the agriculture funding promotion event at Redvers legion hall on 8th Nov, organized by The Lower Souris Watershed Committee. The farm staff also attended the Indigenous Ag Summit at Canadian Western Agribition held at Regina to connect with Indigenous communities, land managers and new research initiatives like the Bridge to Land Water Sky Living Laboratory.





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## Patti Cakes

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famous locally made Christmas  
fruit cake, puddings and more!

Thursday, December 7th, 4-8pm

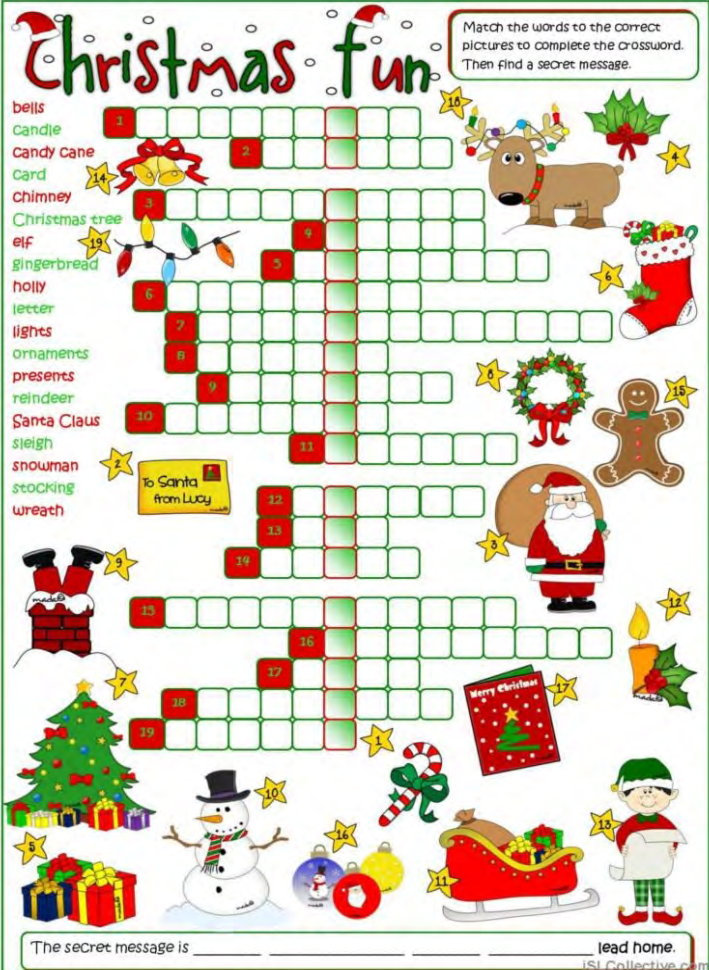
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## Merry Christmas 2023

Again the Christmas Season comes  
With gaiety and cheer  
And joy and merriment abound  
As Christmas Day draws near

Again in voices soft and clear  
Our Christmas carols sung  
With holly wreaths we decorate  
The mistletoe is hung

Once more the Christmas spirit reigns  
Of peace and good will to men  
If only it might with us stay  
Till Christmas comes again

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

A Merry Christmas friend to you  
And all whom you hold dear  
And may it's joy remain with you  
Through all the coming year

We wish you all  
A Happy Holiday Season!

Dorothy and Lawrence





Christmas sign art class held at Alida Golden Gate Centre:  
(back) - Sheri Patton, Rozanne McClung, Diane Potapinski,  
Shelly Cowan, Lesa Bendtsen, Lil Patton (front) - Sam Peet,  
Margaret Peet, Donna Fraser, Cheryl Boutin.

# thank you

*We wish to thank our children for a super job they did. Thanks to relatives from near and far, friends and neighbors who all attended our 65th Anniversary Come and Go Tea on November 19 and our family supper. Was a pleasure to see everyone. Thank you for cards, gifts etc.*

*May God Bless you all and we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Healthy New Year 2024.*

*You made our special day, a day to remember.*

*Love Paul & Jeannine Gaudet*

## Looking forward to Holiday Festivities?

*Be Smart  
Be Safe*

*Don't Drink  
and Drive*

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SASKATCHEWAN



## Mrs. Cameron's Kindergartens' favourite family traditions

**Brittney-** I like to put up coloured lights on the tree.

**Ryker-** My favourite thing to do at Christmas is to sing Christmas songs, of course.

**Reece-** I love opening presents from my Mom, Dad, Grandma and Grandpa.

**Owyn-** My favourite thing to do at Christmas is to decorate the Christmas tree.

**Jake-** I like to open up presents and my stocking from Santa.

**Lexah-** My favourite thing to do at Christmas is to open up presents.

**Sylas-** I like Christmas because I might get a new race track, a Mario game and a baby doll for my sister, Ry.

**Sophie-** I love waking up to a fun day and opening my presents.

**Quinn-** My favourite thing to do at Christmas is to have a special family supper and cake.

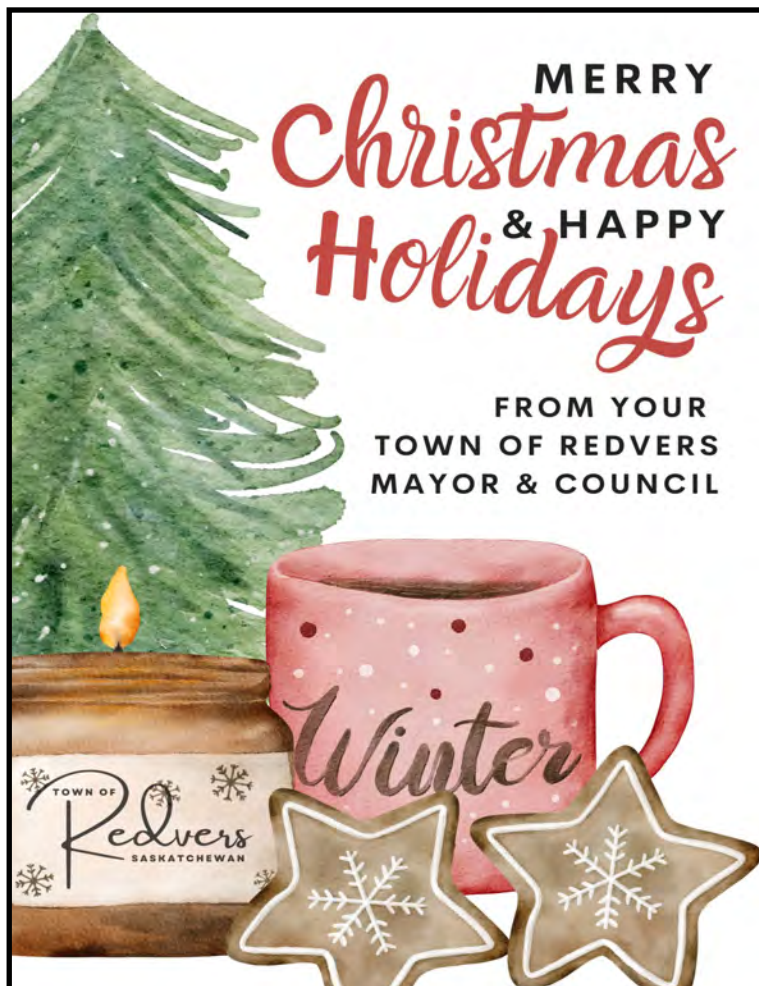
**Mia-** I like putting the angel up and opening up presents at Christmas.

**Emma-Lee-** I love making Christmas cookies and being good.

**Rory-** My favourite thing to do at Christmas is to open presents.

**Kane-** I love to share family time at Christmas.

**Kayley-** I love how my Christmas tree switches light colours



*thank you*

It is with hearts full of gratitude that the Family of Lucienne Thomas sends their sincere Thank You for the many acts of kindness at the time of her passing.

Thank you to the Redvers Long Term Care Staff for the wonderful care and compassion for Mom while she was there.

Thank you to the Family and Friends who visited, sent flowers, cards, messages, phone calls, food, masses and donations.

A big Thank You to Mariene and Laural for the delicious meal the day of the funeral.

Thank you to Father Ron for the service. To Leanne Poirier for playing the organ.

Hall Funeral Service for your kindness and the help in preparing Mom's farewell.

Thank you to the readers, Tiffany Toms and Kyle Frison. Stella Isaac for reading the Eulogy. Tara Henderson and Chandelle McKennitt with the help from Brooklyn Garnier for preparing the slide show.

The CWL Ladies for the lunch following the service.

We have been blessed by so much Love and support, by so many Family and Friends.

Loretta Toms (Fred), Marilyn and Garry Dangstorp, Stella Isaac (Warren), Theresa and Danny Frison and all their families.





# December 2023



## Redvers Public Library Program & Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Storytime 10 AM	2
3	4	5 Coffee & Coloring 10 AM Problem Solved 3:30-5:00 PM	6 Blockheadz Lego Club 3:45-5:00	7 Sip & Sign 10 AM	8 Storytime with Regional Kids First 10-12 *pre register required	9 Winterfest 1-3 PM Game Kit
10 Red Cross Babysitting Course 9:00-4:00 PM *Pre register required	11	12 Coffee & Coloring 10 AM	13 Blockheadz Lego Club 3:45-5:00  Book Club 6 PM	14 Sip & Sign 10 AM	15 Storytime 10 AM	16
17	18	19 Coffee & Coloring 10 AM Problem Solved 3:30-5:00 PM	20 Cookie Decorating 3:45 PM *pre register required Movie: Elf 6:00-7:30 PM	21 Sip & Sign 10 AM	22 Storytime 10 AM	23
24 Closed for the holidays → 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

### Town of Redvers

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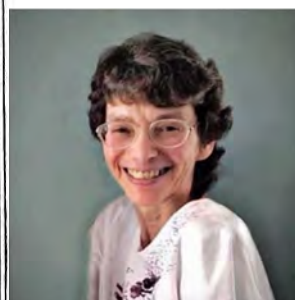
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## DECEMBER 4-15

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## Obituary



It is with great sadness to announce the passing of Mariette Poirier, Oct. 30, 2023 in Steinbach, Manitoba at Bethesda Regional Health Centre. She was 71 years old. Mother to Jason & Mark Freeman, Daughter to Lucie Poirier, Redvers, Sask., Sister, Aunt, Grandmother & Friend. Mariette was born in Redvers, Sask. & lived in Vita, Man. for many years. She is predeceased by her father Denis Poirier, her twin sister Marcelle (Poirier) Hepburn, and by her grandparents. She is survived by 2 sons, 3 sisters, 2 brothers & so many nieces & nephews. Thank you to Bethesda Regional Health Centre for the care provided. Thank you to Crossings Funeral Care for their caring service. A private memorial service will be at a later date.

## **REDVERS SCHOOL ROCKS!**

By Layla Blerot

Redvers school is a great school to do fun activities and our staff makes it a great place to have a great experience. This is what has been happening during the month of November and upcoming dates. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Redvers school had their Remembrance Day program. Grades 1-6 sang a song called "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" The Redvers school band played songs representing Remembrance Day. The service was at 11:00 am and all were welcome to attend.

From November 20<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup> Redvers school had a spirit week. On Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> it was Moustache Day. On Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> it was Tacky Tourist Day. On Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> it was Neon Day. On Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> it was Dress like a Teacher Day. On Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> it was Flashback Day. It was a great spirit week!

A big event that went on from November 27<sup>th</sup> - December 1<sup>st</sup> was the Missoula Children's Theatre. The play that they did was King Arther's Quest. Casting, rehearsals and performance all over 5 days! Open to Redvers K-12 students and surrounding towns. There were 2 shows on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 pm and 6:30 pm. All were welcome to attend. Thanks to all who came.

The band concert is on Monday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 pm in Redvers gymnasium. The K-6 Christmas concert is on Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Redvers gymnasium at 7 pm.

That is the one and only Redvers school.



We, the Redvers Knights of Columbus, would like to thank everyone who contributed and supported our fundraisers. ERP for the donation from our raffle, to all who purchased Grey Cup Pool and attended our brunch.

The Grey Cup pool winners were: Bryan Gervais, Marcel Naviaux, Raymond Lamotte and Aimee Poirier.

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## **REDVERS ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION**



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# CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN



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## LOCAL WOMAN TURNS PAPERS INTO BOOKS

Original Article ~ Redvers Optimist

Published: Saturday, July 3, 2010

By: Liz Bottrell

*Additional Context By: Jena Cowan*

You could say Jeannine Gaudet is a collector. You could also say she's an avid reader of the Optimist. The Redvers woman began collecting copies of the Redvers Optimist more than 50 years ago (**now 60**), and has 48 books complete (**now 54**) with one newspaper from each week of the year. She has a few other years almost complete, with the exception of a few missing weeks.

Gaudet began collecting papers when she watched as her husband Paul's father, Joseph Gaudet, passed his time by sewing together a year's worth of copies of the Redvers Optimist. "He made many books and he really enjoyed doing it," says Gaudet. "That was something for him to do when he retired. He was so happy with his books, so proud of them."

She watched with interest over the years as he put these books together and when the time came, he taught her how to make the books so she could carry on his work when he was no longer able. "It came that he was becoming blind and he couldn't do it anymore," she recalls. "I could tell that he wanted somebody from the family to keep it up. I thought, 'this would be a nice hobby for me.' So I watched him and told him I would take that hobby on. I've made 48 books since then."



Each of her 48 books includes one paper from each week of the year. Her archive runs from 1961 to the present time (**to 2016 when publication ended**). She has almost every paper from 1960, however is missing a few and therefore has not been able to make a book for that year as of yet. She also has many papers from the 1950's, but has not been able to put any full books together – though she still has hopes in the future.

For the older years, many of her papers came from auction sales. She attended many sales, but when she was too busy she says her friends would surprise her by attending the sales and picking up boxes of newspapers for her to sift through. Throughout the year, each week after she was finished reading her Redvers Optimist paper, she would lay it flat in the drawer and watch as they piled up throughout the year. At the end of the year when she placed her last Optimist in the drawer, she would get ready to make the book for that year.

To make each book, she carefully sews each paper from the inside of the middle so they are all connected together. Once she's finished the sewing process – which she does by hand – her husband Paul put wooden covers on the book and lay it on a press. If she had the time to sit and do all the sewing at once, she says it would take her about a day to sew it. However, it usually takes her a few days as she works away at it whenever she has time.

Gaudet arguably has the largest archived collection of Redvers Optimist newspapers and it's a collection she hopes will continue to grow. She has no intention of giving up this hobby anytime soon, but at the same time has no idea what will happen to the books when she does give up her hobby. But that's something for her to worry about later. For now she's just having fun. "I really enjoy doing this," says Gaudet.

In 2023, Paul and Jeannine Gaudet generously donated their entire collection of bound Redvers Optimist newspaper books to the Town of Redvers. Town Council thought that these books deserved to be viewed instead of collecting dust, so in July the books were moved over to the Redvers Library. All 54 copies can be accessed by the public. Since these books are delicate and one-of-a-kind, they may not be checked out, but patrons are welcome to read them while visiting the library. A memorial plaque of Paul & Jeannine's donation was created to commemorate the decades of dedication that this project took.

Thank you to the Gaudet family for this priceless collection!





# IN LOVING Memory

Walter Merton Purvis, late of Estevan Saskatchewan passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 25th, 2023 at St. Joseph's Long Term Care at the age of 89 years.

Walter is survived by his wife Dale of 60 years, their 2 sons, David (Marilyn) and Tim (Jodi) and granddaughter Chelsea.

He is predeceased by his son Darcy Purvis and parents James (Darcy) and Clara Purvis.

In keeping with Walter's wishes there will be no service at this time.

## Gingerbread

75g butter  
3 1/2tbsp golden syrup  
60g light soft brown sugar  
175g plain flour  
1/4 tsp bicarbonate of soda  
2tsp ground ginger

- Add butter, golden syrup and light brown sugar to a pan. Stir on a low heat until sugar has dissolved.
- Add flour, bicarbonate of soda and ginger to a mixing bowl then stir together. Make a well in the centre and pour in the sugar and butter mixture.
- Stir together to form a dough (it might be easiest to use your hands).
- Wrap in clingfilm and let chill for 30mins to firm up.
- Lay the dough between two sheets of baking parchment. Press dough lightly with a rolling pin. Give a quarter turn then repeat.
- Give it a final quarter turn, then start to roll backwards and forwards, giving regular quarter turns. Until dough is roughly thickness of a £1 coin.
- Using a biscuit cutter cut out the shapes.
- Bake at 190C (170C fan) mark 5 for 10 to 12min. until lightly golden brown.
- The biscuits won't be firm but will harden when left to cool outside the oven.



Back Row-Left to Right: Dwight Jorgensen & Zach Lees

Front Row-Left to Right: Dayna Germain, Jade Kovach, Tricia Pickard, Sandy Russell, Raylene Gordon & Jena Cowan



## THE BOYS OF MOTO-X

Submitted by Nadine Pryde

Kyson Gavelin & Grayson Pryde need to be celebrated. Not just anyone can do what they do. They race moto-x in a small south east circuit called the SCRC.

Kyson started his racing journey on & off in 2019, making it to races here and there, this year he wanted to commit to the season and he did.... Kyson raced in the 85cc & Supermini classes, which are very competitive amongst the 10-16yr olds, he did great, finishing the year on the podium with 5<sup>th</sup> placed finishes overall in both classes. Next season he will be moving up classes and bike size to a 125cc (bigger bike) and I can't wait to see what next year brings for him.

Grayson started his racing journey as a little guy on a little bike back in 2015. He grew to love the sport and progressed through all the stages of bikes and classes and battled his way to many championships and top 5 podium finished throughout all the years. This year Grayson moved to a "big" bike, which means he was competing against men (15-65yr olds). His first year on the bigger bike went very well for him placing 1<sup>st</sup> in B Class, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2-Stroke and 4<sup>th</sup> in Youth. Grayson was also awarded most improved big bike for 2023, an award the club put together to help share the growth and ability of the riders, he was also gifted a complete decal package for his bike for his dedication he put towards helping the club.

We are blessed to have a good circuit in our area and many riders from the south east have become good friends. There is one family that I cannot not mention, they are good friends who have become a part of the moto family, the Russill's from Wawota, Matt & Parker. These 2 kids have also been racing for a few years starting in 2017, and Matt & Grayson have always "battled" and it has been so much fun to watch them ride together. This season Matt finished 1<sup>st</sup> in C Class and 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2-Stroke, Matt & Grayson actually tied for points so it came down to the final race placement. Parker placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Ladies class staying consistent throughout the season and holding her own out there.

All these local kids love to ride and have done well over the years.

The SCRC season runs from May - September with tracks at Carlyle, Oxbow, Estevan, and Souris, and kids from 5-75, ride, race and have fun.

Next season you should come check it out, cheer on our local talent & you'll be hooked!



# Christmas Cookies

RECIPE BY MARIA SMITH

## INGREDIENTS:

- » 3 ¾ cups all-purpose flour
- » 1 teaspoon baking powder
- » ½ teaspoon salt
- » 1 cup margarine, softened
- » 1 ½ cups white sugar
- » 2 eggs
- » 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

## DIRECTIONS:

Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together, set aside. In a large bowl, cream together the margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs one at a time, then stir in the vanilla. Gradually blend in the sifted ingredients until fully absorbed. Cover dough, and chill for 2 hours.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Grease cookie sheets. On a clean floured surface, roll out small portions of chilled dough to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut out shapes using cookie cutters.

Bake 6-8 minutes in the preheated oven, or until edges are barely brown. Remove from cookie sheets to cool on wire racks.



# MOVIES AT THE MARYFIELD AUDITORIUM

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SANTA DAY FREE MOVIE Sat, Dec 2 @ 2pm

Sunday Dec 3 @ 3:00pm

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Friday, December 8 & Saturday, December 9

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Friday, December 15 & Saturday, December 16

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