



Wayne Digby receives lifetime achievement award from MB Sustainable Energy Association

The Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association, in which Wayne played a big role for 15 plus years, recognized Wayne at their AGM this April.

A “**Wayne Digby Award for Sustainable Energy**” is created “to be presented annually for excellence in projects on sustainable energy on behalf of the Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association”.

This will be awarded at the high school level, as Wayne was always interested in how we could stimulate interest in schools.

Comments shared from some who supported this nomination:

I have shared many volunteer years with Wayne on international projects and he continues to exemplify generosity, kindness and a huge capacity to care for people and the planet.

Helping others is the way Wayne lives his life. The work he did in Africa and the Ukraine was not just experiences for him but also a desire to make a difference.

Wayne always had a genuine interest in our environment

A tag on the bottom of Wayne Digby’s email a few years ago was: “It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit.” Wayne has lived that phrase! He worked tirelessly behind the scenes; never looking for accolades it has always been about what is best for the group.

Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association for example.... is alive today ... in good part due to the efforts and dedication of Wayne Digby.

We feel this Award is a fitting token of appreciation for the service Wayne Digby has contributed to Manitoba, the larger world and our environment.



**REMEMBER WHEN YOU BUY
YOUR FLOWER SEEDS TO GET
FLOWERS THAT BEES LIKE!**



Knox member Kim Bright was acknowledged this month by the Helping Hands soup kitchen for 30 years of volunteer service. In the announcement, they said, "We have been so blessed to have her on our team from serving to cleaning; Kim has done it all. We will greatly miss her. Enjoy your family time and retirement Kim. We are forever grateful for your hard work and dedication!"

The video recordings of the 2022 Regional Council Meeting are now available on YouTube ([May 6, 2022](#) and [May 7, 2022](#)). They are also posted on the website under the [Post-Meeting Resources](#) at [Regional Council Meeting | Prairie to Pine Regional Council \(prairietopinerc.ca\)](#)

KNOX GREEN TEAM JOB POSTING

Sustainable City Animator : **Starting June 6, 22**

This position is a full time position, with an expectation of 40 hours/week but willing to be flexible. Work location is Knox United Church, 451 18th St. although working from other locations is possible. The animator is responsible to the Green Team of Knox United Church, with primary contacts Madelyn Robinson and Debby Dandy.



If you know someone who might be interested contact Madelyn or Debby

The Animator should be prepared to work independently and establish their own work plan on a weekly basis. Compensation for cell phone costs will be provided.

1. Conduct research into actions taken in cities identified as Sustainable Cities in Canada and other countries. This information will be compiled in a way that can be readily shared and edited.
2. Organize meetings with representatives of City of Brandon, and other relevant community members to collect information related to current climate action in Brandon and western Manitoba. This information will be compiled in a way that can be readily shared & edited.
3. Collect information from local, provincial and national climate organizations to identify actions underway to reduce contributions to GHG's and resource extraction. This information will be compiled in a way that can be readily shared and edited.
4. Collect information from relevant academics at Brandon University, Assiniboine and Red River Colleges, University of Manitoba, & University of Winnipeg regarding climate remediation. This information will be compiled in a way that can be readily shared and edited.
5. Complete a review of relevant journals, books, and videos which can be used in community actions.
6. Document actions which could be implemented in Brandon and surrounding municipalities to reduce environmental impacts.
7. Prepare a visual representation of recommended steps that could be taken in Brandon to reduce emissions and become a more sustainable community.
8. Prepare a presentation of results of research and information collected, and present to City, Municipal, community and Green Team representatives.
9. Ensure that a video of the presentation is saved and available for future information sharing.

A message for all members of Knox community of faith:

On behalf of the Knox community of faith, our council made difficult decisions during Covid. We followed provincial guidelines in closing the church, allowing only vaccinated people to attend upon our reopening in October of 2021. Our goal was to mitigate risk and allow more people to attend.

The council recognizes that in our concern for those vulnerable to Covid, those who chose not to be vaccinated or who were unable to be vaccinated were excluded from joining the Knox community for a period of time. We regret that this exclusion seemed necessary to ensure the safety of those who were at risk. A livestream of our gathering was available to anyone who was not in church, although we recognize this option still left some feeling isolated during a difficult time. The council understands that some felt unwelcome to attend in person.

We rejoice in the return to 'normal' and welcome everyone who has felt excluded from attending services at Knox. If you, or someone you know, has been staying away for fear of covid or in response to our policies, we look forward to seeing you back again. We welcome all who come!



Reminder: While the church was closed due to Covid we had an alarm system installed. It is connected to an Alarm Monitoring System. If you or someone else have a key to the church that has not been used recently or often and have not received an alarm code. We need you to contact the office before using the key after

Another successful rummage/ indoor garage sale was held on April 30. Customers lined up in the drizzle to be the first to snatch the bargains. A total of \$3700 was raised and the committee thanks all those who donated!

Start putting things away now for the fall rummage sale!!

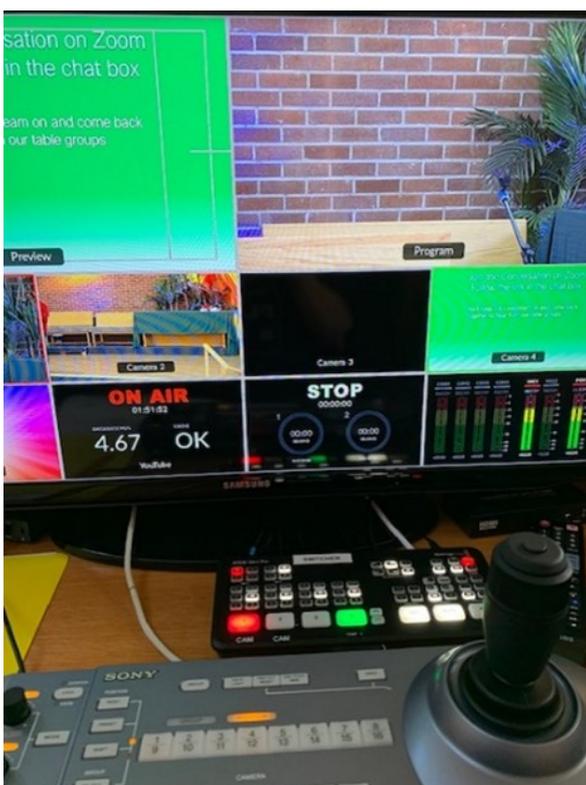




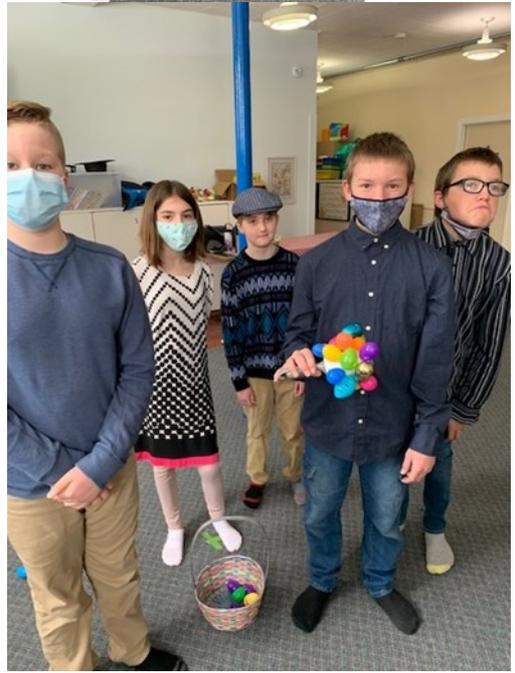
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Segwun sing with
others at the
Remembrance for
Murdered and
Missing
Indigenous
Women and Girls**



**Climate Strike
Action the last
Friday of every
month. Honk as
you go by, or join
the group to raise
awareness about
the Climate Emer-
gency.**



**Thanks to all the
volunteers who
have learned how
to operate the
livestream and
power point for
Sunday services
and other events
at Knox!~**



Spirit Kids Club had some fun with an Easter Minute to Win it event on Easter morning.

The Easter Bunny Egg Relay, the Catch the Egg Challenge and other games made for giggles and smiles!

Fun and Celebration to recognize that Christ is Risen!



The SPRING LUNCHEON will be held on Wednesday, June 1st in the auditorium from 11:30-1:00 PM. We are hoping many will feel comfortable in attending but if not we will be offering delivery service to your door. Please call Kim at the church office 204-728-6975 and give her your order. Orders must be in by Monday, May 30th.

Menu is: assorted sandwiches, salads, cheese/pickles, delicious desserts with hot or cold beverages all for a cost of Adults \$10.00, under 12 \$5.00 and preschoolers are FREE.

All proceeds will go to our operating fund to help with our running deficit.



It's that time of year again ! Watch for a sign up calendar to water Knox flowers for a week this summer!



The Outreach Committee has placed a bench by the tipi for folks to sit and reflect on the facts shared on the plaques inside.

