



## HAMIOTA COLLEGIATE CELEBRATES THE CLASS OF 2026

HAMIOTA, MB – Pride and celebration marked a memorable day in June as Hamiota Collegiate honoured its graduating Class of 2026 in a ceremony recognizing years of dedication, achievement, and community spirit. Held in the school gym, the graduation ceremony brought together families, friends, and staff to celebrate the accomplishments of students completing their senior years. The event is part of a long-standing tradition at Hamiota Collegiate, a middle and senior years school serving students from Grades 6 to 12 in the community.

Faculty and staff expressed deep pride in the Class of 2026, sharing messages of encouragement and optimism for the future in the days leading up to the ceremony. Social posts from the school highlighted the journey of the graduates, with sentiments like “On to the next great adventure” and “The future is bright,” capturing the spirit of transition and hope.



Pictured: Mayor Randy Lints & Quinn Armstrong

The highlight of the ceremony was the valedictorian speech where students reflected on their shared journey through high school. They spoke about friendships built, challenges overcome, and lessons learned along the way, encouraging classmates to pursue their future ambitions with confidence and resilience.



Pictured: Mayor Randy Lints & Alyssa Kirk

A number of graduates were honoured for their outstanding academic performance. These awards typically recognize students who have demonstrated consistent high achievement in coursework, strong study habits, and dedication to learning. Graduates also received scholarships and bursaries to support their next steps after high school. These awards are often sponsored by local organizations, businesses, and community members, reflecting the strong connection between Hamiota Collegiate and the surrounding area. Among the awards presented were the Hamiota Municipality Healthcare Bursary Fund which is designed to help students facing financial barriers and needs towards any courses in the medical field and the Student Volunteer Award which recognizes student volunteers in the community. The awards were presented by mayor Randy Lints. The **Hamiota Community Foundation** represented by Bruce Coulter,

presented bursaries to two Hamiota graduates, Taylor Lawn and Alyssa Kirk.

As diplomas were presented and caps tossed in the air, graduates began the next chapter of their journeys. Many will pursue post-secondary education, apprenticeships, or careers, while others will continue contributing to their local communities.

HCI's diverse programming—from business and technology courses to athletics and fine arts—helps prepare students for a variety of paths, ensuring they leave with skills needed to succeed in an evolving world.

The Hamiota Collegiate expressed their sincere thanks to all organizations and the community for making the ceremony a success and for their continuous support to the institution, and currently, to all graduates.

Sources: HCI website, School & College Listings and Hamiota websites.



Pictured: Bruce Coulter & Taylor Lawn



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By Mayor Randy Lints

# COMMUNITY EMPOWERED

This Month's volunteer recognition is fairly timely. It goes out to LeeAnn Haggarty. LeeAnn has been one of those people who actions speak louder than words. The recent "Raise the Roof" fundraiser for the sports complex was one example of how she has contributed to the community. Obviously, there were a bunch of volunteers and complex staff that helped pull the event off, but LeeAnn was one of the main people behind it. She has also been very instrumental in such endeavours as Acres for Hamiota, Hamiota Economic Development and you quite often see her volunteering at the 55 plus facility. She has spent time on the Hamiota Health Stakeholders Group

and is very vocal when it comes to health care and moving forward in that area. I really appreciate people like LeeAnn as these volunteers are what makes our community keep being progressive. I am sure I have only touched the surface on her volunteer resume. That's what makes to true volunteer. Someone who volunteers and does not require anything in return. For these reasons I say thank you.

Once again if you as the reader would like to recognize someone in the community for their volunteer efforts drop me a line at [mayor@hamiota.com](mailto:mayor@hamiota.com).

Our volunteers in our community are what we have become known for and Hamiota would not even be close to the success we enjoy without the volunteer spirit we have.



## HAMIOTA SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE

We have settled in nicely into our new digs and are eager to get the summer rolling! We have started our hot dog days every weds and look forward to the last weds of every month a cheeseburger day!! The days for July will be noted below. We are excited to announce that we are able to hire 2 summer students. We are excited for Jayson Knight to return and new hire Kendra Dale. We will be planning our summer as they start July 6th. If you are a senior in the community and need some assistance with yardwork etc, please call our office at 204 764 2658 and leave a message.

We are looking forward to a great summer with these 2. We are hoping for some awesome events here at our new digs. Please watch for posters around town or just come down and see us. We are hoping for a grand opening soon as well. Thanks to Dave Rawlings from Home Hardware once again for allowing us to stay here and accommodating our needs.

Hope everyone has a great summer and don't hesitate to call or stop for a visit

Hot dog days for July - 8th, 15th, 22nd

Cheeseburger Day July 29th




### PUBLIC NOTICE

Hamiota Municipality would like to remind residents that off road vehicles such as golf carts, dirt bikes, and atv's are not permitted for use on residential roads. We have observed several of these types of vehicles being used on the roadways and are working with the Yellowhead RCMP detachment to provide more awareness on this prior to enforcement. We would also like to remind those using electric scooters and bicycles that the same rules apply to them as cyclists. As always it is strongly encouraged that helmets be worn for safety.



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# News from the Community

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE HAMIOTA LIBRARY THIS SUMMER?

The Library is looking forward to a busy summer.

We have installed the TD StoryWalk along the walking path from the campground to the Library. This year the story is Colette the Solitary Bee. We have activity sheets if you want to stop by the Library or they are posted on our Face Book page.

The Hamiota Elementary School Grade 5 Class has once again participated in creating their own "Story Stroll" which will be installed in the Hamiota Lions Playground for the summer. In honor of her special birthday, this year Gaye Sheardown has sponsored this project. We would like to thank Gaye for sponsoring the creativity of our youth in the community. Make sure you check it out in the playground.

Come join us on July 1st to celebrate Canada Day Around the World in Hamiota – One Community many Cultures. There will be displays, food, music and games from 2:00 – 5:00pm. All are welcome and it is FREE to attend.



**Get Your Summer Read On!**

Visit your library and register for the TD Summer Reading Club

Come join us at the HAMIOTA LIBRARY  
July 20<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026 2:00pm-3:00pm & 5:30pm-6:30pm  
All are welcome!

The TD Summer Program theme this year is "Dive In" so what better way to kick the week of Monday July 20th – Thursday July 23rd off than to have a FREE swim and barbecue on Sunday July 19th from 11:00am – 1:00pm at the Hamiota Pool? This opportunity is sponsored by the Hamiota Community Foundation and the Hamiota Library. The TD Reading Program will run Monday July 20th to Thursday July 23rd from 2:00 – 3:00pm and new this year a second session from 5:30 – 6:30pm. It is open to all ages with a story and a craft and maybe a surprise or two!

The Library's Annual Book Sale will be Wednesday July 8th and the 15th from 2:00 – 3:30pm this year.

Come get stocked up! We use the money from the sale to help run our free programs. We would like to thank all those that have supported us in the past.

A new and exciting adventure this summer is the RC Truck Family Fun evening we are offering. It will be at the back of the Library so come out and join us for an hour of fun on Tuesday evening. You might ask when will this be starting? The answer is as soon as possible. Watch our Face Book page for start dates. Who can come? Everyone is welcome. We are going to offer two times as we recognize that there might be interest from different ages. The sessions will run 4:30 – 5:30pm and 5:30 – 6:30pm. Any questions, please feel free to contact me.

**DIVE IN! Come Join Us**  
The Hamiota Library will be Kicking Off the TD Summer Program with a **FREE Swim and Barbecue** Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup> from **11:00am- 1:00pm**

Sponsored by Hamiota Community Foundation & Hamiota Library

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**Hamiota Library Annual Book Sale**  
**Wednesday July 8th & 15th**

**TIME: 2:00 - 3:30pm**

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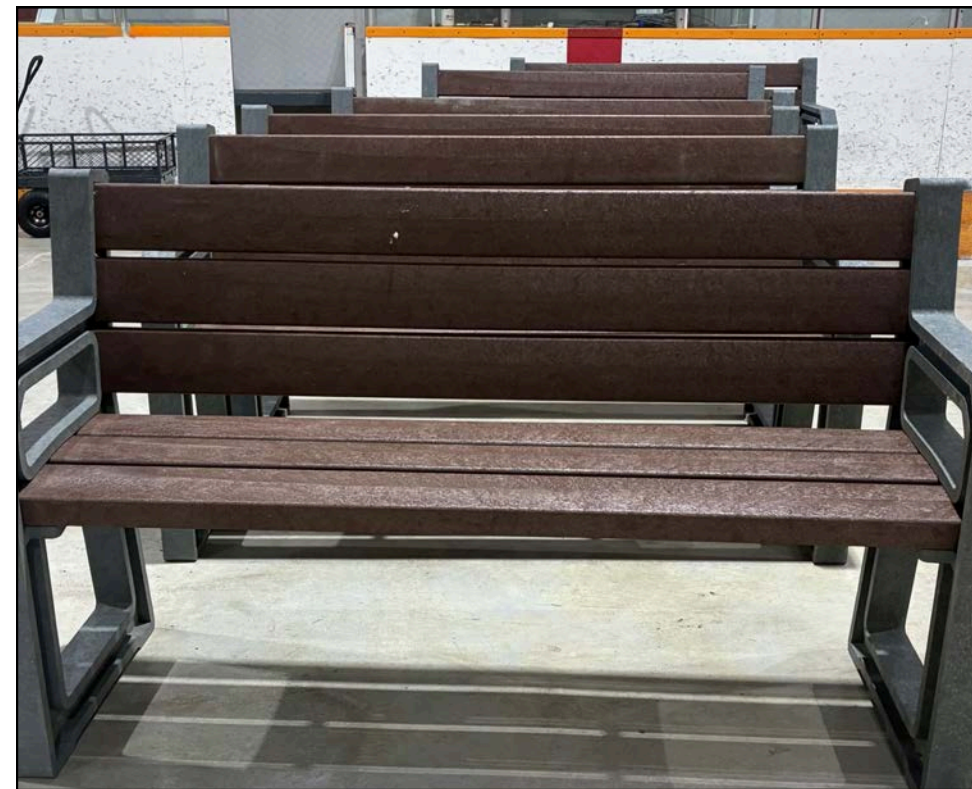
# News from the Community



I would like to thank everyone who came out to my bridal shower on May 23. I was overwhelmed with appreciation for the generosity that was shown to Jarrett and I. I also want to acknowledge everyone who showed support through the community gift, it is greatly appreciated. - Caitlin McTavish



## DO YOU SEE THESE BENCHES?



On February 12<sup>th</sup>, Marg Fraser presented a cheque of \$9,994 for the purchase of Tarlo Seniors benches, Designed with steady armrest, higher seating, and easy mobility, is

intended to be placed in key areas around town for everyone to enjoy. To provide an update, these benches are now getting installed! You'll see them around the park and campgrounds and will make its way to the rest of the key locations in town.

## Hamiota Municipality Invites Local Community Groups to Join the Age Friendly Initiative

Communities around the world are undergoing a profound demographic shift. People are living longer, and the proportion of older adults is steadily increasing. This transition presents both challenges and opportunities. Age-friendly initiatives—programs, policies, and environmental designs that support healthy and active aging—have emerged as a vital response. Yet in many places, these initiatives have lost momentum or become outdated. Revitalizing them is no longer optional; it is essential for building inclusive, resilient, and thriving communities.

Supporting older adults isn't just a social responsibility—it's a smart economic strategy. Individuals of any age contribute

through volunteering, caregiving, and continued workforce participation. Modernizing age-friendly initiatives can encourage "aging in place," reducing costly institutional care and drive local economic activity through accessible business environments.

The municipality invites all local community groups to see if this initiative aligns with their mandate and provide a representative to join the committee who will be managing and initiating all age-friendly projects and programs. A public meeting will be open once the committee is established.

To know more information about the initiative, you may call 204-764-3050 ext. 107, send an email to [hedc@hamiota.com](mailto:hedc@hamiota.com), or visit the office at 75 Maple Avenue.

THANK YOU!

We sincerely want to thank everyone for their support at our wedding shower and social in April. Thank you to everyone who sent gifts and best wishes. Your kindness and generosity are so appreciated!

KARA KENT AND COLBY RYZNAR

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## HAMIOTA 55+ CENTRE AND RSTORE NEWS

Activities are slowing a bit for the summer months. However, We do have some exciting things coming up. We will be having another fundraising BBQ lunch on July 7th 11:30- 1:00. We will also be hosting a Beer Garden the evening of the Show N Shine on July 15th. Come out and enjoy the many vehicles, food, music and a beverage. This will be a fun community event.

A reminder that members can book the lounge area for any private parties. It's the perfect size for a birthday, shower, anniversary or retirement party. Please call Nancy 204 748-7547 for summer bookings.

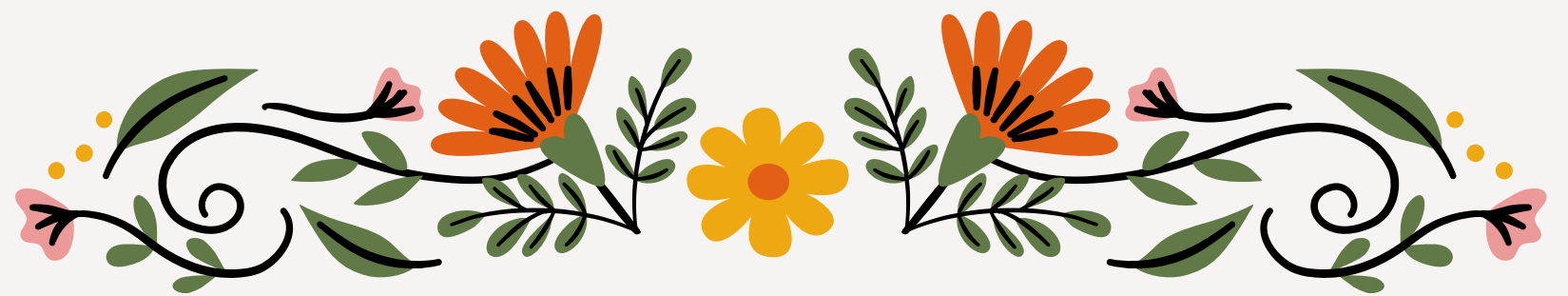
The Rstore will again be having its Christmas in July, starting on the 7th. We have many Christmas items and our back room is full so make sure you pop in to shop or browse.

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### Thank You

We are overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness shown by the Hamiota and Cardale communities at our wedding shower on June 6th. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend, left gifts but were unable to attend and those who contributed to the community donation boxes. Thank you also to Leanne Campbell, Becky Bjarnason, Jennifer Andrew, Myra Gregory, Carol Mathison, Jacques Thomson, Mary Byers and Fiona Hunkin for everything they did to make it a memorable day. We have been blessed beyond measure.  
 Courtney Newton and Nicholas Morrison



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### Leader Submission Reminder

Deadline for submitting your Leader entries is every 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please contact HEDC for space availability if you are submitting late



AVAILABLE EVERY FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- Hamiota Coop
- Hamiota Library
- Hamiota 55+ Centre
- TJ's Convenience Store
- Hamiota Superthrifty
- Park & Lilac Residences
- Hamiota Clinic
- Municipal Office
- Hamiota Business Hub
- Hamiota Hotel

# News from the Community

MID-WEST ARTS COUNCIL  
HERITAGE ARTS CENTRE, HAMIOTA



JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>-DELICIOUS ASSORTED DESSERTS JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>-CHERRY DREAM CAKE  
 JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup>-DELICIOUS ASSORTED DESSERTS JULY 30<sup>TH</sup>-STRAWBERRY SLICE  
 JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>-DELICIOUS ASSORTED DESSERTS AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup>-BLUEBERRY CRISP  
 JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>-HAWAIIAN WEDDING CAKE AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup>- CARROT CAKE  
 JULY 9<sup>TH</sup>-BANOFFEE PIE AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>- CHOCOLATE ZUCCHINI CAKE  
 AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>- PUMPKIN DESSERT

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## A Moment for Families with Pastor Orland



Scripture: Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind to each other, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you." Let's be honest... life can drain us. Even the things that are supposed to be restful – holidays, breaks, long weekends – can leave us feeling empty. Every one of us goes through seasons where it feels like the tank is running on fumes. And when we feel empty, we often try to fill that space with anything we can find: entertainment, alcohol, partying, hobbies, sports, even work. Some of those things are good in their place, but none of them can fill the deeper emptiness inside. They don't last. They leave us wanting more. But God offers something better. He fills us through His love, His presence, His purpose, and – maybe surprisingly – through forgiveness. The truth is this: forgiveness is one of God's greatest keys to joy. Psalm 32:1-2 says: "Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. Happy is the one whom the LORD does not accuse of doing wrong and who is free from all deceit." (GNT) Nothing drains your joy and energy faster than guilt and resentment. And nothing fills your heart faster than receiving God's forgiveness – and choosing to forgive others. God wants to fill your tank today. He

offers you His forgiveness, and He gives you the strength to extend forgiveness to others. In the end, you have a choice: Will you live on an empty tank... or a full one? Choose fullness. Choose forgiveness. Choose the life God offers.

Till next month, Pastor Orland

**Rain Forest Vacation Bible Day Camp August 18, 19 & 20** Hey kids – get ready for three amazing days of faith, fun, and adventure as we journey through Rain Forest Falls and explore the nature of God! Each day includes: • Great food • Games & crafts • Bible adventures • A swim at the pool! Invite your friends and come enjoy an unforgettable end-of-summer blast. Parents: You can pre-register your children on our website: [cornerstonehamiota.wixsite.com/cornerstonefamily](http://cornerstonehamiota.wixsite.com/cornerstonefamily)

**Men's Bible Study-** We are taking a break for July and August

**Women's Ministry** - Call the church for more information

**Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting** – 7:30-8:30 PM James 5:16(b) The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.

# News from the Community

## FUSION CREDIT UNION RENEWS LONGSTANDING SUPPORT OF DAUPHIN'S COUNTRYFEST

Dauphin, MB – Fusion Credit Union is proud to continue its longstanding partnership with Dauphin's Countryfest through a new, three-year sponsorship agreement. The community-focused financial institution has been a dedicated supporter of Dauphin's Countryfest since inception in 1990.

"Dauphin's Countryfest has created unforgettable experiences while showcasing the energy, hospitality and spirit of our communities," says Mike Csversko, Brand and Business Development Manager at Fusion Credit Union. "We are incredibly proud to continue supporting an event that has become such an important tradition for our region and for country music across Canada."

The sponsorship includes naming rights to Fusion Credit Union Corral Stage, located on the hill-top at Dauphin's Countryfest. The Stage provides the opportunity for established and emerging artists to showcase their talent to festival attendees and is an integral part of festival weekend.

Dauphin's Countryfest says the continued support from Fusion Credit Union has helped strengthen the festival over the years and has contributed to its long-term success.

"Fusion Credit Union has been an incredible supporter since the very beginning," says Bob Gilroy, Vice President at Dauphin's Countryfest. "Their continued support has played an important role in helping the festival grow into the iconic event it is today. This partnership represents a shared commitment to community and we're grateful for their support." With this new sponsorship agreement, Fusion continues to invest in partnerships and initiatives that enhance quality of life and contribute to the long-term success of the communities it serves.

"Events like Countryfest help create the kind of communities people want to be a part of," said Csversko. "They create opportunities for people to come together, generate economic activity throughout the region and leave lasting memories for generations of festival goers."

For more information on Dauphin's Countryfest, visit [countryfest.ca](http://countryfest.ca)



## FUSION CREDIT UNION EXTENDS SPONSORSHIP OF CREDIT UNION PLACE WITH NEW 10-YEAR AGREEMENT



Dauphin, MB – For two decades, Credit Union Place has been a cornerstone of recreation, activity and community connection in the Parkland region. Fusion Credit Union, a sponsor since inception in 2006, is proud to continue their commitment with a new 10-year sponsorship agreement as the exclusive naming partner of Credit Union Place.

"Facilities like Credit Union Place play an important role in the vitality of our communities," says Darwin Johns, CEO at Fusion Credit Union. "We're incredibly proud to have supported this facility since day one and are excited to continue that partnership for the next decade."

Since its inception, Credit Union Place, located in Dauphin, MB and managed by Dauphin Recreation

Services, has become a gathering place for sports, major events and activities that contribute to healthy, vibrant communities. "Partnering with local organizations such as Dauphin Recreation Services aligns closely with Fusion's cooperative values and commitment to helping communities remain active, connected and economically strong," says Johns. "Credit Union Place brings people together, supports active lifestyles and creates opportunities for connection and community pride."

Beyond recreation, Credit Union Place supports the regional economy by hosting major events and attractions that bring visitors to the area.

"When communities have spaces that bring people together, the impact reaches far beyond the four walls of the building," states Johns. "These facilities create economic activity,

The long-standing partnership between Dauphin Recreation Services and Fusion Credit Union symbolizes the power of collaboration to create lasting impact in our communities. "Investing in Credit Union place is an investment in the future of our communities," says Johns. "When organizations come together with purpose, they create opportunities that shape brighter futures for everyone."

"We are incredibly grateful to have Fusion Credit Union returning as our naming sponsor for the next 10 years," says Dauphin Recreation Services

Assistant General Manager Lindsey Kyle. "As a true community-focused institution, they understand and reflect the values that matter most to the people we serve. There is no better symbol of community than Credit Union Place, a central hub that brings together residents from across our region for recreation, connection, and events. Fusion Credit Union is a natural partner, and we deeply appreciate their continued commitment and recognition of the value this partnership brings. Support from partners like Fusion is what allows us to continue offering a wide range of recreation opportunities and community events. We are proud to move forward together and look forward to building on this strong partnership for years to come."

For more information on Credit Union Place, visit Dauphin Recreation Services webpage at [www.dauphinrec.com](http://www.dauphinrec.com).



# News from the Community



## NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on October 28, 2026

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the SEO during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for the campaign

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be accepting registration for Mayor - May 1 to September 22  
Councillors - June 30 to September 22

Registrations are available in-person, & via email. You may contact the SEO using the following information

Address: 75 Maple Avenue - 10AM to 3PM  
Email: hedc@hamiota.com

Dated: June 29, 2026  
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## KIM MCCONNELL NAMED TO ALBERTA ORDER OF EXCELLENCE

Kim McConnell, a prominent figure in Canada's agricultural industry, has been named among the 2026 recipients of the Alberta Order of Excellence, the province's highest honour. The announcement was made in June 2026, recognizing McConnell's longstanding contributions to agricultural marketing, entrepreneurship, and leadership within the agri-food sector.

The Alberta Order of Excellence celebrates individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the province through innovation, service, and leadership. Established in 1979, the award has recognized hundreds of Albertans whose work has significantly shaped the province's social, economic, and cultural landscape.

McConnell is best known as the founder of AdFarm, a pioneering agricultural marketing company that has played an influential role in connecting farmers, agribusinesses, and consumers. Through his work, he helped reshape how agriculture is communicated and promoted, positioning the sector more effectively in both domestic and international markets.

McConnell is one of eight individuals selected for the 2026 class of the Alberta Order of Excellence. The honourees come from a wide range of fields, including business, philanthropy, academia, and public service, reflecting the diversity of contributions that shape the province. While the announcement confirms this selection, McConnell will be formally invested into the



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Order at a ceremonial event scheduled to take place in Edmonton later in 2026. This ceremony marks the official induction of recipients and celebrates their achievements in front of peers, community leaders, and government officials. Kim McConnell's recognition highlights not only his individual accomplishments but also the importance of agriculture as a driving force in Alberta's economy and identity. His career stands as an example of how innovation, leadership, and a commitment to community can leave a lasting impact on an entire industry.

Source: Calgary Herald, June 2026



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SERVICES JULY 2026

### HAMIOTA & AREA RESIDENTS Hamiota Health Centre

Emergency Department Services will be **OPEN**:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JULY						
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19 MDNT-MDNT	20 MDNT-MDNT	21 MDNT-8am	22	23 8am-MDNT	24 MDNT-8am	25
26	27	28 8am-MDNT	29 MDNT-MDNT	30 MDNT-8am	31 8am-MDNT	MDNT = Midnight

