



KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY INFORMED \* VOL. 212 OCTOBER 2026

## ASSINIBOINE COLLEGE AND HAMIOTA MUNICIPALITY: BUILDING STRONGER FUTURE THROUGH LOCAL LEARNING

Access to education and training can be a challenge in rural communities, often requiring residents to travel long distances or relocate to pursue new skills and career opportunities. A new partnership between the Municipality of Hamiota and Assiniboine College is set to change that by bringing more learning opportunities directly to the region.

Led by the Hamiota Economic Development Corporation (HEDC), the initiative aims to make education more accessible while supporting workforce development and economic growth across western Manitoba. Through the partnership, a dedicated learning space will be created at the Hamiota Business HUB, giving residents a local place to access training, upgrade skills, explore career paths, and continue their education through both virtual and in-person programming.



PICTURED: BRAD MAHON, ASSINIBOINE COLLEGE

The partnership recognizes that strong communities are built on a

skilled and adaptable workforce. Whether residents are looking to advance in their current careers, explore a new profession, or gain valuable certifications, having access to local training can remove barriers and open new doors.

According to Dr. Brad Mahon, Vice President of Community Development at Assiniboine College, understanding local priorities is key to creating meaningful educational opportunities. By listening to residents and employers, the college can develop programming that aligns with community goals, supports individual career aspirations, and addresses regional workforce needs.

Beyond the immediate benefits for learners, the initiative represents a broader vision for rural Manitoba. By connecting neighbouring communities and expanding access to education, the partnership is helping create a stronger regional network that supports innovation, attracts investment, and encourages people to live, work, and build their futures locally.

As plans move forward, residents can look forward to a growing range of educational and training opportunities delivered right in their own community. The partnership between the Municipality of Hamiota and Assiniboine College demonstrates what can be achieved when communities collaborate to invest in people, skills, and opportunity. It is a significant step toward ensuring that rural residents have access to the tools they need to succeed, without having to leave home to find them.

### 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**



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**IN LOVING MEMORY:  
MARLENE GAIL SMITH  
MAY 14, 1954 – SEPTEMBER 11,  
2026**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Marlene Gail Smith, who left this world on September 11, 2026, in Hamiota, Manitoba, at the age of 72. Marlene will be forever missed by her husband of 52 years, Allan; her sons Kent

(Yvonne) and Michael (Brandi); her sister Sandra (Barry); her grandchildren Kennedy (Harley), Mikaela, Emmett, and Asher; nieces, and countless friends. She was predeceased by her parents, Tom and Eleanor Sedgwick, and her infant son, Mark.

Marlene grew up three and a half miles southeast of Hamiota, in an old stone house that stood there at the time. It was in her early high school years that she met Allan, and the two would go on to build a life together that spanned more than five decades. She went on to Winnipeg for college, training as a medical record technician, and spent two years working at Cancer Care Manitoba before she and Allan married in 1974.

Together they returned to farm life in Hamiota, where Marlene built a career of her own, working 20 years in law as a legal secretary before finishing out her working years with Prairie Mountain Health.

Behind every camera she ever picked up was an eye for beauty. Marlene photographed weddings and family portraits, dabbled in commercial publication work, and never tired of chasing the perfect shot of wildlife, nature, old structures, and prairie skies. For 38 years she was a devoted member of the Brandon Camera Club, serving

multiple terms as president and collecting countless awards along the way. Fittingly, she was honoured with a lifetime membership in 2020 - a recognition as well-earned as any she ever hung on her wall.

Marlene took enormous pride in her farmyard, keeping the flowers blooming and the grass mowed, admiring it with a caesar or pina colada from the deck in the evening. And it wasn't only the yard that had to sparkle - Marlene herself always did as well. Whether through her fashion, her jewelry, her hair, or her Christmas decorations, each were put together with the same care she gave everything else. As a young woman she, Allan and friends took to two wheels, touring western Canada and stopping across the US on bike trips. Allan and Marlene enjoyed winter vacations south with friends. She spent many years caring for her own aging parents. She lived for the company of "her girls," never needing much of an excuse to get together. Every Christmas Eve, without fail, she read 'Twas the Night Before Christmas to her children and then grandchildren - a tradition so important to her that not even COVID could break it, as she carried it on over video call rather than let a single year pass by.

Fittingly, her family and friends gathered once more to celebrate the woman who so loved bringing everyone together. A celebration of Marlene's life was held at the Hamiota Community Hall on Friday, October 2, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., with interment at the Hamiota Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honour Marlene's memory may make a donation to Acres for Hamiota, payable to the Hamiota Municipality (please write "Acres for Hamiota – Marlene Smith" in the memo field), Box 100, Hamiota, MB R0M 0T0.

You may enter individually or as a team. Curling could start the week of October 20th if ice and curlers are ready. You are welcome even if you have never curled. We have a lot of curlers who would be more than willing to help you. If you can only curl Wednesday morning, you may join the senior mixed league even if you are not senior. Come out and try curling in Hamiota. You are never too old or too young to learn.

**CURLING IN HAMIOTA LEAGUE OFFERINGS**

**Hamiota Curling Clubs offer the following leagues:**

- Mens Ryan Tolton 365-0951- Mondays at 7:30 p.m.
- Ladies Kassidy Heapy 431-282-3193 - Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m.
- Senior Mixed Linda Wilson 764-2642 - Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.
- Mixed Ryan Tolton 365-0951 - Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
- Two Person Stick League Bruce Johnston 764-2523 & Cam Gregory 764-0202 - Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
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Hamiota 55+ Centre

Check out our Hamiota 55+ Centre Facebook page for the photo contest  
"Northern Lights" deadline is Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> and for the details of activities.  
Lounge Bookings 204 748-7547

October 2026

| Sunday                                           | Monday                                                                   | Tuesday                                           | Wednesday          | Thursday                                                              | Friday                                        | Saturday                                                                                   |
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|                                                  |                                                                          |                                                   |                    | 1<br>NATIONAL SENIORS<br>DAY AT THE CENTRE!<br>- Check out<br>posters | 2<br>SOCIAL TIME 1:30<br>(Cycle/craft/visit)  | 3                                                                                          |
| 4<br>GAMES AFTERNOON<br>1:30 (Cards/crib/games)  | 5<br>GENTLE YOGA- 10am                                                   | 6<br>BELLY DANCING-11am<br>(Tentatively Tuesdays) | 7<br>CARDS 1:30pm  | 8<br>COFFEE MORNING<br><br>ZUMBA GOLD- 2pm                            | 9<br>SOCIAL TIME 1:30<br>(Cycle/craft/visit)  | 10<br>Deadline for birthday<br>calendar Photo<br>Contest- check out<br>posters and FB page |
| 11<br>GAMES AFTERNOON<br>1:30 (Cards/crib/games) | 12<br>THANKSGIVING                                                       | 13<br>BINGO-1:30 pm                               | 14<br>CARDS 1:30pm | 15<br>COFFEE MORNING<br><br>ZUMBA GOLD- 2pm                           | 16<br>SOCIAL TIME 1:30<br>(Cycle/craft/visit) | 17                                                                                         |
| 18<br>GAMES AFTERNOON<br>1:30 (Cards/crib/games) | 19<br>GENTLE YOGA- 10am<br>SEMINAR-1:30 pm<br>(Advance Care<br>Planning) | 20                                                | 21<br>CARDS 1:30pm | 22<br>COFFEE MORNING<br>SEMINAR-1:30pm<br>(grieving)                  | 23<br>SOCIAL TIME 1:30<br>(Cycle/craft/visit) | 24                                                                                         |
| 25<br>GAMES AFTERNOON<br>1:30 (Cards/crib/games) | 26<br>GENTLE YOGA- 10am                                                  | 27<br>BINGO-1:30 pm                               | 28<br>CARDS 1:30pm | 29<br>COFFEE MORNING<br><br>ZUMBA GOLD- 2pm                           | 30<br>SOCIAL TIME 1:30<br>(Cycle/craft/visit) | 31<br>HALLOWEEN EVENING<br>4-7:30                                                          |

ACRES FOR  
hamiota

UPDATES FROM ACRES FOR HAMIOTA

The Acres for Hamiota field will hopefully have been harvested by the time this Leader article is published. Unfortunately, at the time of writing, the harvest has not yet been completed. Mother Nature has had other plans!

On a positive note, we have wonderful volunteers ready and willing to assist, and everyone is anxious to get going when the time comes.

In the meantime, we thought we would share a few special photos from our first and second harvests in 2021 and 2022. These



photos were taken by the late Marlene Smith, who was there to capture those early days and the many people who came together to make the harvests a success. Marlene had a wonderful way of capturing not just the work being done, but the people, and the spirit of community behind it all. We are grateful to have these memories to look back on and to remember Marlene by.

As we prepare for another harvest, we are reminded once again of the importance of volunteers and the community spirit that has carried this project forward. We look

forward to getting the combines rolling and creating more memories together.



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## JACK FROST WINTERFEST IS COMING THIS DECEMBER

The Age-Friendly Planning Committee is excited to begin planning a festive Community Christmas Celebration this December, and we're inviting the community to help make it a memorable event for all ages.

This year's celebration will feature a community tree lighting ceremony, outdoor skating, bonfires, Christmas carols, snow shoeing, hot cocoa, smores, hotdogs, and other festive activities designed to bring residents together and celebrate the holiday season in a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere.

The event will be a collaborative effort involving several community partners, including Hamiota 55+ Centre, Senior Services, Hamiota Recreation, Hamiota Economic Development, Hamiota Chamber, Hamiota Library, and the Municipality of Hamiota. By working together, these organizations hope to create a special evening that showcases the spirit, generosity, and connectedness of our community.

To make this event a success, we are currently seeking volunteers, sponsors, and donations. Whether you can contribute your time, help organize activities, donate refreshments, support event costs, or provide prizes and supplies, your support will help bring holiday magic to families, seniors, and community members throughout the region.

The event is on **December 6, 2026, 5:30PM at the Skating Oval**. More details will be shared in the coming weeks, but now is the perfect time to get involved.

Let's light up the season together! If you are interested in volunteering or making a donation, please contact Armi Adair at 204-764-3050 ext. 107 or [hcdc@hamiota.com](mailto:hcdc@hamiota.com)

**Volunteers Needed • Donations Welcome • Community Spirit Appreciated**

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[hcdc@hamiota.com](mailto:hcdc@hamiota.com)

## VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

### HAMIOTA HANDI TRANSIT

Hamiota Handi Transit is seeking reliable and caring individuals to join our team of volunteer drivers. Drivers provide transportation for seniors and persons with disabilities to shopping trips, medical appointments, and social activities.

Volunteer drivers must hold:

- A valid Class 5 driver's licence to operate the small van, or
- A valid Class 4 licence (or higher) to operate the large van.

Drivers receive monetary remuneration for their services.

If you are interested in making a difference in our community or would like more information, please contact Doreen Knight at 431-757-0176. Help keep our community connected by becoming a Hamiota Handi Transit driver today!

# FOWLER NISSAN

**Shane Houck**

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## FIREARMS SAFETY CLASSES

**MB Hunter Education** (10 & older)  
Oct 31, 2026 - Hamiota, MB - \$90

**Canadian Firearms Safety Course (PAL)** (12 years & older)  
Nov 1, 2026 - Hamiota, MB - \$165

**Deadline to register for both courses is Oct 16th.**

Ages 12 to 17 will get a MINORS lic, this will allow the youth to take possession of the firearms and go out hunting on there own without supervision of a person with a PAL Lic.

**REGISTER NOW**

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@ (431) 757-4400

All classes run 8 am - 4 pm  
The CFSC classes have a practical test which will take place after class, so the class runs a bit longer.

Hosted by Certified Instructor Mike LeBlanc from LOST Adventure.

**Hamiota Recreation**  
✉ [recreation@hamiota.com](mailto:recreation@hamiota.com)  
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39 Maple Avenue  
Gallery M,W,F 12-3pm  
[www.midwestartscouncil.com/events](http://www.midwestartscouncil.com/events)  
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## Always Kiss Me Goodnight



Framing Residential School Narratives  
through Landscapes of Resiliency

## Vanda Fleury

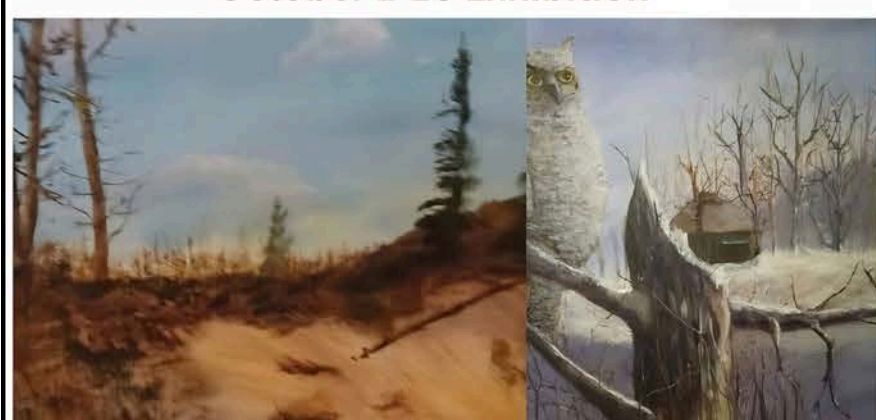
Sept 1- Oct 1

Reception Oct 1 3:30-5:30pm

Art Themes

Valerie Ford

Glenboro  
October 2-26 Exhibition



Reception Oct 8 3:00-5:00pm

## Christmas Artisan Market Nov 14 :Makers and Volunteers see website or call for details

## FALL WATERCOLOUR CLASSES

4 WEEKS:

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, & 28

Mornings 9:30am-12:00pm

OR

Afternoons 1:00-3:30pm

Instructor: Elaine Rawlings

Cost: \$50 - all materials included

Join us for 4 weeks of instructor led painting with watercolour.  
A great class for beginners or experienced painters



## sunday crafternoons

Treat yourself to a relaxing self-care Crafternoon!

Catch up on the craft projects and creative hobbies you love in  
our calm and welcoming, stress-free space!

This self-guided session allows you to spend the afternoon with creative  
"me time" and make something with your own hands at your own pace.

Bring your own projects, supplies, and creativity and  
spend an afternoon at the Hamiota Heritage Arts Centre.  
Come and nurture your creative spirit!

Sundays 2:00-4:00pm

Sept 27<sup>th</sup> / Oct 25<sup>th</sup> / Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>

Cost: \$ 10/day or \$25 for all three

## HEAVY BODY PAINT WORKSHOP

Join us for a full-day Adult workshop

Palette knife practice and other heavy body paint techniques  
instructed by Joan Trott

Saturday, October 24, 2026 from 10am-3pm

Bring your own lunch

Cost: \$50



## YOUTH ART CLASS SERIES "CRAZY ABOUT CATS"

Come learn how to use different art mediums each week!  
In this 4-week series, we will learn a different art technique each week  
using pencil, oil pastel, acrylics, and chalk pastels.

October 13, 20, 27, & November 3, 2026

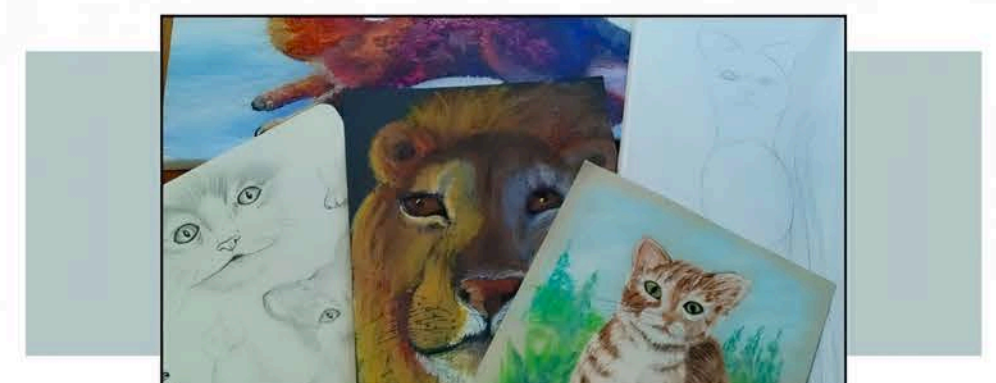
After school from 3:30-4:45pm

Ages 7-12

Instructor: Joan Trott

Cost: \$20 for all four sessions

All material supplied, bring a favourite cat photo if you have one!



## HAMIOTA CHAMBER IS HOSTING AN ELECTION DEBATE

The Hamiota Chamber of  
Commerce invites all residents to  
an Election Debate on October 14  
at 7:00 p.m. at the Hamiota  
Community Hall.

Hear directly from the candidates,  
ask questions, and learn where  
they stand on the issues that  
matter most to our community.

Questions for candidates can be  
submitted in advance to  
[info@hamiota.com](mailto:info@hamiota.com) or dropped  
off in person at the **Election  
Debate Question Drop Box.**

**Please note that your question  
may not be ask during the  
event**

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~ Cali Ramsey and Bill Coulter

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& HAMIOTA RECREATION**

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**Thursday Oct 22nd  
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Time - 3:30 to 5pm  
No cost program**

**Must register by Oct 9th.**

Send registration to : [recreation@hamiota.com](mailto:recreation@hamiota.com)



### YARD WASTE COLLECTION NOTICE

The Municipality of Hamiota will be distributing two (2) yard waste bags per household in preparation for the upcoming yard waste pickup on October 6 & 13 at 1:00PM. Compostable waste bags are available at the Municipal Office, 75 Maple Avenue. Residents are reminded that only compostable yard waste is accepted in these bags, including:

- Leaves
- Grass clippings
- Garden waste
- Vegetable and plant matter

Please do not include garbage, plastic bags, branches, sticks, soil, rocks, pet waste, or any non-compostable materials.

Thank you for helping keep our community clean and supporting responsible waste management practices.

Please have your filled yard waste bags out for collection on October 6 & 13 at 1:00PM.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HAMIOTA EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

**Are you interested in helping your community during emergencies?**

The Hamiota Municipality is seeking dedicated volunteers to join its Emergency Management Response Team. Volunteers play an important role in helping the community prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies such as severe weather, flooding, fires, power outages, and other unforeseen events.

No previous emergency management experience is required. Training and support will be provided. We are looking for community-minded individuals who are willing to lend a hand, assist residents, and help strengthen Hamiota's emergency preparedness efforts.

By volunteering, you can make a real difference when your community needs it most.

To learn more or express your interest in joining the team, please contact the Hamiota Municipal Office.

**Be prepared. Get involved. Help keep Hamiota strong and resilient.**

## HAMIOTA MUNICIPALITY SUPPORTS RAIL SAFETY WEEK

RESOLUTION # 2026-212

Moved By: Kelvin Tiller  
Seconded By: Les Kirk

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 21 to 27, 2026;

AND WHEREAS, 252 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2025; resulting 69 avoidable fatalities and 60 avoidable serious injuries;

AND WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

AND WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

AND WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to support National Rail Safety Week to be held from September 21, to 27, 2026.

## MANITOBA WILL MOVE TO PERMANENT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Manitoba will permanently remain on daylight saving time, ending the twice-a-year clock changes that have long affected residents across the province. Premier Wab Kinew said the decision was driven by strong public support, with nearly 72,000 survey responses and 92 per cent favouring an end to seasonal time changes. The government says permanent DST will help reduce disruptions to sleep and family routines, support better health outcomes, and provide greater consistency for businesses. Manitoba joins several other Canadian jurisdictions moving toward permanent time arrangements, and clocks will no longer be turned back on November 1.

### RAIL SAFETY TIPS

- 1 • SPEED MISPERCEPTION**

Because of their size, trains appear to be much farther away and travelling much slower than their actual speed. Don't be fooled!
- 2 • TRAINS CAN'T STOP QUICKLY**

The average train needs at least 2 km to stop. Trains can stop, but they can't stop quickly!
- 3 • TRESPASSING**

Taking a shortcut across the tracks or being on railway property is illegal, and trespassers can be seriously injured or killed.
- 4 • WEIGHT RATIO**

An average freight train weighs over 5,500 tonnes. Compare that to a car, which weighs about 1.5 tonnes. A train hitting a car is like a car hitting a pop can.
- 5 • RAILWAY CARS**

Stopped railway cars can move at any time. If you're on one or near one when it moves, you could lose a limb — or worse, your life.
- 6 • TUNNELS AND BRIDGES**

Tunnels, bridges, and trestles are designed only for trains. Trespassers can be seriously injured or killed.
- 7 • OVERHANG**

Trains can carry loads that are wider than the railroad cars themselves. They can have chains, straps or other equipment that may extend outside the car. If you are standing too close, you could get hit.
- 8 • ANY TIME IS TRAIN TIME**

Trains do not always run on schedule. They can run at any time, on any track and come from either direction.
- 9 • CN POLICE NUMBER**

Together we can help save lives! If you witness any unsafe situation near a railroad, please call **1-800-465-9239**.
- 10 • SAFETY PLEDGE**

Act today. Take the pledge at [www.cn.ca/railsafety](http://www.cn.ca/railsafety)





HAMIOTA MUNICIPALITY

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that a vote of Hamiota Municipality will be taken to elect Mayor and Councillors from the following duly nominated candidates:

### For the Offices of Councillor:

1. Brethour, Ed
2. Gray, Ross
3. Harrison, Cal
4. Kirk, Les
5. Lawn, Kenneth
6. Routledge, Lance
7. Tiller, Kelvin
8. Tolton, Ryan

### For the Office of Mayor

1. Andrew, Jennifer
2. Lints, Randy
3. Mollard, Tom

### VOTING PLACES

Voting places will be open for voting on Wednesday, the 28th day of October 2026 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at: Hamiota Community Hall – 50 4th Street

**IDENTIFICATION IS REQUIRED BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO VOTE.** A person may be required to produce one piece of government issued photo identification (for example - driver's license or passport) or at least two other documents that provide proof of identity.

**NON-RESIDENT VOTERS MUST PRESENT THEIR PROOF OF LAND OWNERSHIP BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO VOTE** with a piece of government issued photo identification or at least two other documents that provide proof of identity.

### ADVANCE VOTING

For the purpose of accommodating persons who are qualified to vote, but who have reason to believe that they will be absent or otherwise unable to attend their proper voting place on election day, an advance voting opportunity will be held on **Wednesday, 21st day of October 2026** and will be located at the following location and times:

- Hamiota Community Hall – 1:00PM to 7:00PM
- Birch Lodge PCH – 1:00 to 1:30PM
- Lilac Residence – 1:30PM to 2:30PM
- Park Residence – 2:30PM to 3:30PM

option.

The Discover Health Careers program helps medical students from rural communities return home for summer placements, exposing them to healthcare careers in rural Manitoba and encouraging future practice in these communities. This year, Prairie Mountain Health hosted a record 13 medical students across several communities, reflecting growing interest in rural healthcare experiences and strengthening recruitment efforts for the region.

### APPLICATION TO VOTE BY SEALED ENVELOPE

A voter who is unable to go in person to the voting place or vote in advance, may apply in person, in writing, or by email to the senior election official at 75 Maple Avenue, Hamiota, MB R0M0T0 and hedc@hamiota.com

If applying in person, a voter may apply between September 30 and October 16, 2026

\*A voter applying in person may pick up a sealed envelope ballot package at the time of application.

If applying by mail or email, a voter may apply between July 30 and October 16, 2026.

\*\* A voter applying by mail or email will receive a sealed envelope ballot package by regular post, or by making alternative arrangements with the senior election official.

### LAST DAY FOR ACCEPTING SEALED ENVELOPE VOTES IS ON OCTOBER 26, 2026

Armi Adair – SEO

Hamiota Municipality

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### DISCOVER HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM OFFERS MEDICAL STUDENT VALUABLE HANDS- ON EXPERIENCE

Full article from Prairie Mountain Health website

University of Manitoba medical student Chloe Van Rensburg gained valuable hands-on experience this summer through the Discover Health Careers program at Prairie Mountain Health facilities in Brandon. During her four-week placement, she explored several specialties including urology, radiology, and radiation oncology, while also assisting in her first surgery and participating in her first paracentesis procedure.

Van Rensburg, who recently completed her second year of medical school, said the experience provided important clinical exposure ahead of her upcoming clerkship rotations.

She will complete her third year in Brandon, joining only six students from her class of 140 to choose the rural training

