

# Newsletter

# Message from the General Manager - Bruce Thurston



2020 was a year we were hoping we could put behind us with the pandemic. Unfortunately, such was not the case, and we are constantly seeing changes to various protocols across the province. Legacy Co-op has responded to comply with all health protocols and in fact,

most times, ahead of the curve. With the announcement that July 11th would see most restrictions lifted, our retail kept most of the protocols we implemented in place. Today, we are seeing all of the protocols re-instated and many new health orders being implemented. Legacy Co-op will continue to do everything we can to keep our staff, our customers and our communities safe.

What happens to a co-op's operations in such times? Remember that co-ops are a very diverse business and Legacy Co-op is no different. Business lines

include food, fuel, hardware, lumber and crop inputs. Food has done well during these times because people were not traveling to larger centres and they were supporting local more. Trends also saw people eating at home more, rather than heading out to their favourite restaurant to eat. Fuel sales were slightly different. Bulk fuel sales were fairly constant throughout the pandemic because farmers still had to farm and commercial trucking was still required to get essential products to retailers. Gas bar fuel sales saw a 50% decrease at times because no one was traveling. We have seen recovery in 2021, but not to pre-pandemic levels. Lumber and do-it-yourself items were in great demand throughout the pandemic because customers were spending money completing renovations instead of traveling to warm destinations. Because of the diversity of Legacy Co-op, we have been able to manage through the pandemic. Yes, we'd love nothing better than to get back to some sort of normalcy, but until then, we will continue to follow all protocols to keep everyone safe.

### SEASON OF GIVING IS BACK!



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#### **Legacy Co-op Pumps up the Community**

Legacy Co-op members and customers recently pumped up the community.

Thanks to your support, Legacy Co-op has donated \$5,650.50 to M.C. Knoll Playground as part of Fuel Good Day on Sept. 21. During the day 10 cents from every liter of fuel purchased at the West Broadway and Palliser Way C-Store locations in Yorkton; the Churchbridge Home & Agro Centre, the Theodore Gas Bar and Kamsack C-Store was donated to the organization.

"As a locally owned and operated business, we're proud to give back and get behind local initiatives that are working to address the needs of our community," said Richard Burym, Petroleum Division Manager of Legacy Co-op. "Our team members are integral to the success of Fuel Good Day. They understand the impact on local community initiatives, and they truly made the difference meeting the demand."

"Thank you to the Yorkton Terriers and the Secon Maulers for joining us and supporting the event and thank you to our members and customers for the support you've shown during Fuel Good Day. It's amazing to see what we can

accomplish when we all work together."

M.C. Knoll School have committed to creating a revamped and creative playground area for students, families, and the greater community. Over the last 20 years, elements of the playground have become worn out. This includes the 3-6 playground which became unusable for students in 2019. The School Community Council is working hard to replace that playground, repair the K-2 playground, add new basketball hoops, support the re-paving of the tarmac, and add new and creative items to the space.

"This project is all about promoting the concept of community, in our school community and supporting Yorkton at large, and the playground is one part of that," said Phil Adams, Principal of M.C. Knoll. "Our hope is that we have the absolute best possible outdoor experience for students and for anybody that would use our playground in the evenings and on weekends, and this donation from Legacy Co-op Fuel Good Day will continue to add to the project and realize our dream."







## WE ARE: **LEGACY CO-OP**









#### **Season of Giving Returns**

This holiday season Legacy Co-op is giving back with our Season of Giving. Throughout December we are placing an emphasis on LOCAL and giving back to our communities.

Once again, we will assist our communities through numerous initiatives supporting local businesses and charitable organizations. We've also expanded previous programs and brought back the popular Kids Shopping Day.

Our Season of Giving for 2021 includes:

#### **Letters to Santa:**

Kids are invited to write a letter to Santa, and drop it off in one of our special Santa mailboxes at the Churchbridge, Kamsack or Yorkton food stores.

Since Santa is so busy, he will need to have the letters dropped in the mailboxes by December 5.

#### **Kids Shopping Day**

Our Elves will be helping our Kids Club members with a special day of shopping where the kids get to pick out the perfect gift and then gift wrap it.

#### Good Buy to Hunger:

Throughout December Good Buy to Hunger donations will be accepted at our Yorkton, Kamsack and Churchbridge Food stores and

C-Stores. Donations, and proceeds from every purchase of a \$5, \$10 or \$20 food bag goes towards feeding the hungry in our surrounding communities.

#### **Adopt A Family:**

Our teams are helping to bring some cheer to families in need. Working with a local organization each retail store is matched with a family, providing them with a wonderful holiday meal and gifts.

#### **Gifts For Seniors:**

This brings personalized gifts and letters of love to the 312 seniors in the residential care facilities in the communities of Yorkton, Saltcoats, Kamsack and Theodore.

#### Countdown to Christmas:

Support local and local supports you.

Shop at ANY Legacy Co-op from December 1st to 24th, upload your receipt to the online entry form and you're entered to win WEEKLY prizes. PLUS – you're automatically entered to win a GRAND PRIZE worth \$1500.

Follow us on social media and watch our website for further announcements and information.

#### **AGM Report**

Legacy Co-op held its Annual General Meeting on July 22, 2021 at the Gallagher Centre in a very socially distancing setting. There were numerous standard items on the agenda, and with COVID-19 being present for more than 18 months, the Board proposed additions to the bylaws that would allow Board meetings through conference calls or virtual meetings. At the same time, the bylaw change proposal also had a provision in it to allow virtual annual general meetings in the future if required.

There was also an election held during this meeting for 3 – three-year terms on the Board. There were four candidates vying for these positions and the successful candidates were Clark Anderson, Cordell

Schaan and Bill Prybylski. The re-organizational meeting was held immediately after the AGM and the Legacy Co-op Executive is comprised of President Clark Anderson, Vice-President Wade Karcha and Secretary Debbie Jones.

Reports by the Board of Directors and General Manager highlighted the affairs of the Co-op over the past 18 months and how business has changed with the pandemic. The Finance Manager presented the financial results of the retail and noted earnings of \$3,340,000 for the 2020 fiscal year ended January 31, 2021. For more information, please contact the administration office.

# Celebrate Our, Team!

We're proud of our TEAM, please join us in celebrating a few of our Team members for their outstanding years of service. Follow us on Facebook for more service award recipients throughout the year.



Karen Steffenson **30 YEARS Deseree Koroluk** 35 YEARS



**Bruce Thurston** 35 YEARS



David Hoffert **5 YEARS** 



**Wayne Arvay 30 YEARS** 



Kim Schmidt 10 YEARS



**Kennedy Chutskoff 5 YEARS** 



# **LET US** DO THE WORK











#### **Online Shopping**

Shop from the comfort of your home and pick up at the Legacy Co-op Yorkton Food Store.



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Richard Burym

20 YEARS

Allyssa Galang **5 YEARS**