# RM of Ste. Anne Newsletter July 2022 CONNECTIONS

### RM OF STE. ANNE PIONEER FAMILIES RECOGNIZED AT NEW COMMEMORATIVE PARK



A large crowd, including many descendents of the settler families, arrived to honour their past and take in the new display in the pocket park located at the west entrance into Ste. Anne on June 5th. Photo by Dan Guetre

#### By Dan Guetre

The Ste-Anne Pioneer Committee celebrated the area pioneer families of (1850-1890) with an unveiling of the new permanent historical exhibit at the east end of Ste. Anne. The pocket park is now officially named Pioneer Park and will be a historical stop along the Dawson Trail Heritage Tour.

Ste-Anne was the first settlement established east of the Red River Assiniboia Settlement. At the time Ste-Anne Area Included: Town of Ste-Anne, RM of Ste-Anne, Parish of Ste-Anne, La Coulée, Caledonia, St-Raymond, Thibaultville, Ste-Geneviève, Giroux, and Dufresne, before these communities had their own churches &/or parishes and political boundaries.

Local resident Norm Lavack started researching his genealogy when he retired, which snowballed into a major project to compile an extensive list of approximately 290 pioneer families (1850-1890), including year of birth, death, place of burial, origin, spouses name, with their year of birth, etc. Lavack added a unique twist to his research spending a lot of time tracing the matriarchal lineage of the settlers. He explained how one thing led to another until he met others with the same outlook and curiosity building a team that included Maurice Tétreault, Pierrette Sherwood, Richard Pelletier and Ken Malo.

"I would be in charge of the research and the project, Maurice would build the Red River Cart and supervise the construction of the Timber Frame shelter, Pierrette would tie everything to the Dawson Trail History and supply the interpretive panels, Richard would supply the timber and his expertise with Timber *Continued on Page 2...* 

### **CALENDAR**

RM of Ste. Anne 2022 Council Meeting Dates July 13, 9:00 am July 27, 6:00 pm August 17, 9:00 am September 14, 9:00 am September 28, 6:00 pm October 5, 9:00 am October 19, 6:00 pm

LUD of Richer Meeting Dates August 3, 7:00 pm September 7, 7:00 pm October 5, 7:00 pm

Meetings of the RM of Ste. Anne and Local Urban District of Richer are once again open to the public, with meetings to be held in Council Chambers of the RM Office at 395 Traverse Road. In order to allow for access to the meeting given the limited seating spaces in the Council Chambers, we continue to record and livestream meetings via www.rmofsteanne.com. Further instructions for public participation will be given on the Notice of Public Hearing where applicable.

Municipal Election Vote on October 26, 2022

Advance Polls Saturday, October 15th, 2022 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. RM Office - 395 Traverse Road

LUD of Richer Garbage Pickup Day - Fridays

#### RM OF STE. ANNE'S FOUNDING PIONEER FAMILIES RECOGNIZED Continued from Page 1...



The newly constructed "Pioneer" site will recognize the original habitants of the area, part of a larger re-discovery by community members to research and feature their roots, a growing local element that Pierrette Sherwood of the Dawson Trail Arts and Heritage Committee predicted would happen. Photo by Myriam Dyck

Frame construction and Ken would volunteer in every capacity and have his artistic eye on the project," said Lavack, defining the roles that soon began to develop. "Each of these people contributed in their own way, a piece of the puzzle."

Lavack and his team gathered local photos and details from various sources including the community cemetery, Parish and Provincial archives, newspapers, census, and even personal visits to family members of those who were recognized as descendents of the settlers. While the historic Dawson Trail road system is not experiencing major construction such as gravel or paving, there is another project unfolding that will add culture, history, tourism and a sense of treasure hunting.

The Dawson Trail Arts and Heritage Committee have put together a regional concept aimed at re-discovering what and who the Dawson Trail represents.

"The Dawson Trail Commemorative Trail and Exhibits project is the last phase of a multi-phased initiative launched in 2019 and inter-regional in scope, serving the RM of Reynolds, RM of Ste. Anne, Town of Sainte-Anne, RM of Taché, RM of Springfield and St. Boniface," explained Pierrette Sherwood, one of the founders of the organization. "It will see to the building or enhancement of key assets that celebrate traditional place names and the history of the old Dawson Trail."

This part of the project will result in erecting fifteen new way finding markers which will highlight traditional place names and stories of the Dawson Trail.

Additionally, the group is partnering with service groups, municipalities and others along the route to development of ten interpretive/artistic exhibits at strategic locations along the historic trail.

"These permanent landmarks will complement the rich historical inventory and tourism itineraries already promoted via our website at dawsontrailtreasures.ca," explained Sherwood. "They are intended as pillars to tourism development and a permanent recognition of this region's historical legacy, to serve our communities for generations to come."

Tapping into the rich tourism market, Sherwood believes it is reasonable that within the next 3-5 years, the developed project could have a positive impact of \$3-7 million is value for the region.

The RM of Ste Anne has been proud to support the creation of the Pioneer Park and other initiatives for this project within the municipality.



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The display lists some of the 290 families that settled in the region around the time the Dawson Trail was constructed. *Photo by Dan Guetre* 

## NEW! APPLY FOR YOUR BUILDING OR DEVELOPMENT PERMITS ONLINE

Commencing on June 15, 2022 you will be able to make your building and development permit application online.

The RM of Ste. Anne is pleased to offer residents, builders, farmers, and the business community Cloudpermit - an online system to apply for and track your building and development permits.

Reeve Paul Saindon says this online application program will really speed up the process. Complex applications will still require more time. However, with the online application option, the basic permits can be moved along in a shorter period.

Visit our website at www. rmofsteanne.com under "Planning & Development" a sub-menu will appear click "Cloud Permit."

On this page you will find how-to videos along with instruction to create your first permit.

With the help of Cloudpermit, building permit applications can now be entirely completed online. This software will not only make the application process faster, but also increases the level of tracking and communication throughout the application process and the construction and inspection stages. Automatic email notification systems are built into the program to keep everyone informed as the application progresses to each stage of the permit process. Helpful videos can also be accessed to help guide users through this user friendly platform.

With Cloudpermit, you can apply anytime, anywhere, check the status of your permit or inspection, schedule or cancel building inspections, and request and submit changes to an existing building permit.

# Cloudpermit ()

Go to Planning & Development located in the menu.

3 submenus will come down, click Cloudpermit.

New users will be asked to register for an account on the right side of the screen. You will input your email address, agree to the terms of service and click continue.

Cloud permit will send you an email verifying your account. Click the confirmation link "Complete Registration."

This will instruct you to fill in personal information such as your name, last name, address, email and phone number.

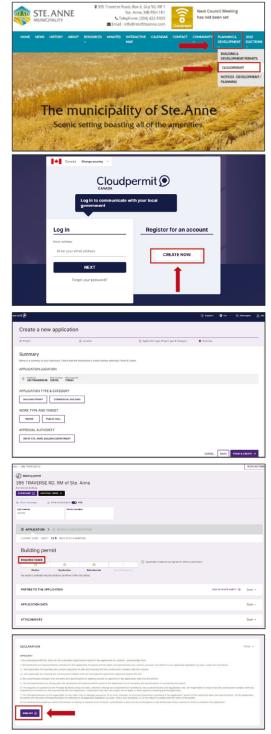
After you finish your account you will be presented with a five-step guide on how to submit your application. To start the process, click **"create your first application."** 

You will be asked to create a project name and find the location of your parcel by either inputting the municipal address, roll number or selecting the parcel on the map.

After inputting the location, application type, project type & category you will be given a **summary** of the information you have provided and click "finish and create."

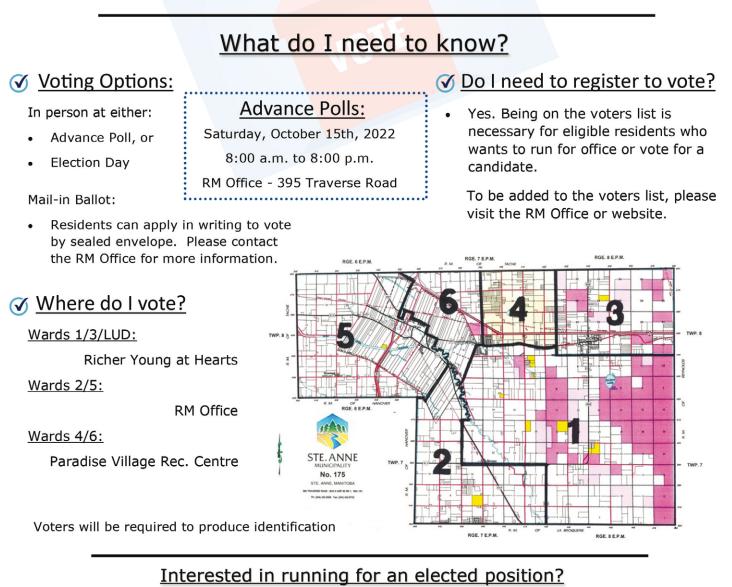
The screen will present your required tasks in order to submit your application. Such as who is involved and all the required documents.

Lastly it will give you a **final summary** of the project information, subject land information, purpose of the application, parties involved, and there will be a small declaration. You will be required to **sign off** in order to submit the application.



# **Municipal Election** October 26, 2022

### General election for Council of the Rural Municipality of Ste. Anne



#### **Registration Dates:**

- Reeve (Head of Council) May 1, 2022 September 20, 2022
- Councillor June 30, 2022 September 20, 2022

To obtain a registration package or more information regarding this election, please contact the RM office: 204 422 5929.

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## WELCOME TO OUR NEW AND RETURNING SUMMER STAFF

This summer, we have hired five summer students in total, three new and one returning.

Three of these students are with our Public Works department working throughout the RM.

Jordyn Pierce is our student receptionist working in our municipal office for the season.

These employees are essential to accomplishing many of our seasonal projects, or simply to provide relief during summer vacation for our senior staff members.

Funding from the Manitoba Metis Federation Summer Employment Program, and Green Team Manitoba, are helping cover the wages of these hard working individuals.

We are very pleased to have these individuals be a part of our team this summer 2022!

### **NEW PARK & RIDE**

In an effort to combat climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, as well as in an effort to help our residents save some gas money, the RM of Ste. Anne has created a new Park & Ride lot!

This gives drivers a place to park their vehicle, off the main roads, while they car pool with others to their destination.

Located in the municipal yard at 35042 PR 210 (just west of the RM office located along the Public Works driveway), this lot is to be used for residents commuting daily, or occasionally, but not for periods of more than 24 hours at one time.



Please park to the left along the wooden fence and keep the driveway clear for Public Works vehicles to drive through at all times.

### ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA MUNICIPALITIES LAUNCHES ONLINE HUB TO SUPPORT UPCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

To assist registered and perspective candidates in the upcoming municipal elections, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has formally launched a new comprehensive Municipal Elections Resource Hub on the AMM website. The hub features several resources and informational materials relevant to candidates, election officials and municipal administrators.

To further support the elections and inform Manitobans, candidate information and voting results will be available on the AMM's dedicated municipal elections website at www.MBvotes.ca. This interactive website will include several enhanced data reporting features while information will be bilingual, thanks to French translation provided by the Association of Manitoba Bilingual Municipalities (AMBM).

For elections held on October 26, 2022, candidate registration for Heads of Council officially opened on May 1, 2022, and registration for Councillors will commence on June 30, 2022. Three municipalities – Town of Winnipeg Beach, Village of Dunnottar, RM of Victoria Beach – will hold elections on July 22, 2022.

In addition, the Resource Hub includes a series of testimonial videos from current and former elected municipal officials that highlight key considerations along with tips and advice for candidates.

Individuals participating in the testimonial videos include:

- · Honourable Eileen Clarke, Minister of Municipal Relations
- Mayor Brian Bowman, City of Winnipeg
- · Mayor Rick Chrest, City of Brandon
- · Mayor Al Friesen, Town of Altona
- · Councillor Karen MacKinnon, City of Flin Flon
- · Councillor Melanie Parent, RM of Piney
- Shirley Kalyniuk, Former AMM Vice-President and Mayor of Town of Rossburn
- · Jeff McConnell, Former Mayor of Town of Virden
- · Glen McKenize, Former Mayor of Town of Swan River
- · Chris Goertzen, Former AMM President
- and Mayor of City of Steinbach • Nettie Neudorf, Former MMA President and
- CAO of RM of Portage la Prairie
- Executive Director Denvs Volkov. AMM

Kam Blight, AMM President stated "We are hopeful that these newly created resources will help raise awareness of the roles and responsibilities of municipal governments and empower more Manitobans to run for municipal politics. As municipal leaders play a vital role in shaping community priorities, I encourage all candidates to refer to the AMM's Municipal Elections Resource Hub to better understand the roles and responsibilities of local Council."

For more information, please visit: http://www.amm.mb.ca/issues/ 2022elections/

# **THURSTON PARK PROGRESSING WELL**

Thurston Park is progressing well and is now in use for recreation by the local residents.

Last summer the park was fenced and landscaped with rocks.

Construction has continued this summer with the paths now paved, along with a paved and chain link fenced basketball court.

The Public Works Department is also installing picnic tables this week.

The greenspaces between paths are being allowed to grow in with local vegetation and native plants to create a nature conservancy area.

A marker and interpretive panel on the role of the La Coulee area in building the historical Dawson Trail will also be added in the park.

Additional trails leading to the park are also planned to be created in future from the Lake Riviera subdivision areas and La Coulee.

Local youngsters have been showing up to play basketball and floor hockey on the court already, so the park is fulfilling its function of providing a safe recreation area for local residents.

Build it and they will come!



Construction has continued on Thurston Park this summer with the paths now paved, along with a paved and fenced basketball court installed.



Public Works Department employees and summer students working on graveling the paved path borders.

Photos by Myriam Dyck

### HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF IN EXTREME HEAT

Know the signs of Heat Stroke and Heat Exhaustion and what to do in both cases!

We have all waited patiently to get through the winter season and then we faced spring flooding. We then all prayed for the nice summer weather to come and it has finally arrived!

Father's day brought us temperatures which we haven't seen on that date in many years, showing us that the climate is indeed changing quite a bit. How many times has the Father's Day Manitoba Marathon been cancelled mid-race due to heat?

We will probably see more of the extreme temperatures this year going forward, but we hope that they are not long-lasting with some cool breaks in between.

Here are some things that we can do to keep cool and stay safe and what to look for if you or someone you love has been out for any great length of time in high heat and humidity.

### 6 Ways to keep you and your loved ones cool this summer:

1. Drink water. Keep you and your pets hydrated. Drink more fluids, regardless of how active you are. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.

2. Find air conditioning. If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library. Even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Keep in mind that while electric fans may provide comfort, when the temperature is in the 30's they will not prevent heat-related illness.

3. Insulate your house. You can keep your house cooler by insulating it and covering your windows with drapes or shades. Use window reflectors such as aluminum foil-covered cardboard to reflect heat back outside.

4. Wear sunscreen. Sunburn affects your body's ability to cool down and can make you dehydrated. If you must

go outdoors, protect yourself from the sun by wearing a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses, and by putting on sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher 30 minutes prior to going out.

5. Never leave pets or people in a closed car. Cars can quickly heat up to dangerous temperatures, even with a window cracked open. While anyone left in a parked car is at risk, children are especially in danger of getting a heat stroke or dying.

6. Avoid strenuous activities. Try to limit your outdoor activity to when it's coolest: morning and evening hours. Rest often in shady areas so that your body has a chance to recover.

When your area is experiencing extreme heat, it is also important to be able to recognize the signs of heat-related illness.

There are three main types: heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

For **heat cramps**, you want to look out for muscle pains or spasms in the stomach, arms or legs. If this happens, immediately find a cooler location and remove excess clothing.

For **heat exhaustion**, you may experience heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness or vomiting. You will want to go to an air-conditioned place, remove clothing or take a cool bath.

For **heat stroke**, you may experience a high internal body temperature (above 103 degrees), rapid and strong pulse, red skin, dizziness or confusion. You should call 9-1-1 and then attempt to cool your body in whatever ways are available to you.

If you experience any of the symptoms of heat-related illness, you should also take sips of a cool sports drink, which helps you replenish vitamins and electrolytes lost when sweating.

## **TAX PAYMENTS**

#### ACCEPTED METHODS OF PAYMENT

- Cash, Debit
- Cheque (post-dated, mail, or drop-off slot)
- Credit Card via website or in office (processing fees apply)
- Online Banking (All Credit Unions, TD, ScotiaBank)
- Automatic Payment Plan (see below)

Please allow up to 5 business days for all electronic and mailed payments to reach our office. Any payment received after October 31st will be subject to penalty.

Late and/or missed tax payments will not be excused due to undelivered tax statements (including new property owners)

All taxes remaining unpaid after the due date are subject to a 1% penalty charge on the 1st day of each month until paid in full.

Properties that are 2 years in arrears may be subject to the tax sale process.

Be sure to advise the RM office of any mailing address changes in order to ensure tax statements are properly forwarded.

#### SIGN UP FOR PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

Did you know you can set your property tax payments to be automatically withdrawn from your bank account? Download a form from the RM of Ste. Anne website and fill it in. Completed forms can be dropped off during regular business hours, emailed to reception@ rmofsteanne.com or mailed to:

RM of Ste. Anne 395 Traverse Road Box 6 Grp 50 RR1 Ste. Anne, Mb R5H 1R1

# UPCOMING PROJECTS

#### **ASPHALTING PROJECTS**

The RM will be Asphalting 3 locations this season:

- Lanctot Drive,
- LUD of Richer HWY #1E service road from PR 302 west to the Hwy #1E Access, and
- Traverse Rd from PR 210 south to Civic #395

#### **GIROUX PARK REJUVENATION PROJECT**

Giroux Park will get a new play structure, a new fence along the railway, and various upgrades to the shelter. This is being accomplished with funding also from CN (\$20,000), the Building Sustainable Communities Program (up to \$42,000), as well as municipal general reserve funding.

#### **DRAINAGE PROJECTS**

We have multiple drainage projects in the works for 2022, Road 42E, Greenland Rd. are the 2 big ones.

Also we are teaming up with NERWD to clean out and change over culverts on Road 45E as well.

Multiple culvert change outs will also be a part of the drainage improvements

### **SUMMER OUTDOOR SAFETY TIPS**

#### PREVENTING TICK-BORNE DISEASES

- After being outdoors the government of Manitoba suggests, removing any ticks found as soon as possible, bathing after coming inside, and paying attention to areas ticks might be difficult to spot. Such as armpits, the belly button, behind the knees, hair, etc.

- Stay in the center of hiking trails or paths.

- Wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt to cover the most exposed areas.

- Launder clothing that has been worn outdoors. A hot dryer cycle will kill ticks.

Protecting our animals:

- Signs of tick-borne disease may not appear for 7-21 days or longer after a tick bite, so watch your dog closely for changes in behavior or appetite if you suspect that your pet has been bitten by a tick.

- Cats are extremely sensitive to a variety of chemicals. Do not apply any tick prevention products to your cats without first asking your veterinarian!

- Just like humans, animals should be checked regularly for ticks after being outside.

- Keeping your lawn trimmed helps reduce ticks.

#### PREVENTING WEST NILE VIRUS

- When you are outside the government of Canada suggests that you wear long pants, loose-fitting shirts with long sleeves, socks and a hat.

- Using insect repellents that contain the chemicals DEET or Icaridin will help prevent mosquitoes. - If you are using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first and insect repellent second.

- In order to help stop mosquitoes from laying eggs in or near water, once a week, empty and cover items that hold water, such as tires, buckets, planters, toys, pools, birdbaths, flowerpots, or trash containers.

- Mosquitoes have a tendency of being most active during warm weather, at dusk or dawn and near standing or slow-moving water.

Fun Facts: Mosquitoes are attracted to dark colours.

#### **BEAR SAFETY**

- Make noise periodically so bears in the area can avoid you, and always be aware of your surroundings.

- Animal feed should always be stored in a locked, bear resistant space.

- Removing carcasses from the site and disposing of them in a proper manner.

- Remove bird feeders when bears are active.

- When cooking outside clean grills of food and grease after each use.

- Food odors and food attract bears, securing garbage and recycling will help prevent bears.

If you encounter a bear...

- Black bears are seldom aggressive, and attacks are rare.

According to BearWise.org if you see a bear before it notices you: stand still, don't approach and enjoy the moment. Then move away quietly in the opposite direction. If you encounter a bear that's aware of you: don't run; running may trigger a chase response. Back away slowly in the opposite direction and wait for the bear to leave.

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER: 204-223-5521

#### **RICHER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

If you have any questions for the Richer Fire Department such as burn bans or burn permits etc. please contact them directly richerchief@rmofsteanne.com / 204-422-5966

### MANITOBA'S RESPONSE TO DETECTING CWD IN MULE DEER

On November 1, 2021, Manitoba announced the discovery of the first case of CWD in the province in a mule deer. Since then, four additional cases of CWD have been found in western Manitoba, all of which have occurred in mule deer.

CWD is an incurable fatal disease that affects members of the deer (cervid) family, which includes white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, moose and caribou. While there is currently no direct evidence CWD can spread to humans, meat from an infected animal is not recommended for consumption.

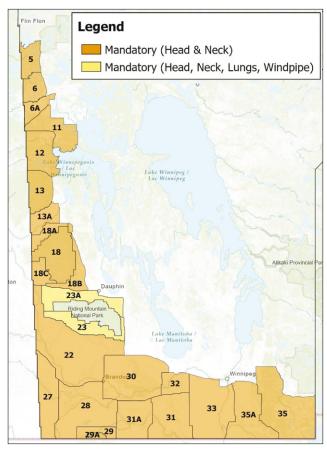
CWD has implications for many Manitobans, given that in areas where CWD becomes established, the disease poses a significant concern to the health of deer family populations.

In efforts to effectively monitor CWD, help prevent the spread and protect deer family populations in other areas of the province, Manitoba is announcing the following management actions:

 Expansion of the mandatory CWD surveillance zone
Establishment of a licenced mule deer hunting season

The expanded mandatory surveillance zone and a resident-only mule deer hunting season will be implemented in defined areas along the south-western and southern boundaries of Manitoba for all licenced hunters. These areas will include Game Hunting Areas (GHA) 5, 6, 6A, 11, 12, 13, 13A, 18, 18A, 18B, 18C, 22, 23, 23A, 27, 28, 29, 29A, 30, 31, 31A, 32, 33, 35, and 35A (see attached map).

For the fall 2022 hunting season, licenced hunters harvesting mule deer, white-tailed deer or elk in the area will be required to A resident-only mule deer hunting season will be implemented in the RM of Ste. Anne area (see 35A and 35 below) for all licenced hunters. For the fall 2022 hunting season, licenced hunters harvesting mule deer, white-tailed deer or elk in the area will be required to submit the complete head and upper neck to a drop-off depot for CWD testing in these areas.



submit the complete head and upper neck to a drop-off depot for CWD testing in these areas. GHAs 23 and 23A will continue to have additional sample submission requirements for the lungs and trachea (windpipe) of deer or elk harvested in these areas in order to test for Bovine Tuberculosis. Depot locations can be found at www.manitoba.ca/cwd.

In addition, the department is working to establish a strictly regulated and managed resident-only mule deer hunting season in these same areas. This season will include a bag limit of one mule deer, as well as a second and third mule deer licence with a one antlerless mule deer bag limit. All licences will have a \$5.50 fee and the season dates and equipment types will be the same as for white-tailed deer.

The province is asking all hunters in these areas to play a key role in preventing the spread of CWD by submitting samples from their harvest for testing. Working collaboratively with local landowners, Indigenous communities, key stakeholders and hunters on a CWD response effort is a priority and will continue to be important to support the long-term sustainability of deer family populations in Manitoba.

For more information about CWD, Manitoba's response or more information on submitting samples for CWD testing, please visit the CWD website at www. manitoba.ca/cwd, email cwd@ gov.mb.ca or call 1-800-214-6497.