

# NEIGHBOURS of Stonewall



## MEET THE CLARKES

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# THE CLARKE FAMILY

We are James and Amanda Clarke of Stonewall. We have 4 children Emersyn, Haleigh, Wyatt, and Quinn. James has lived in Stonewall for around 36 years. He moved here from England at the age of two with his Parents Michael and Julie. We lived in Winnipeg for 5 years then made the move to Stonewall. They always wanted to move to a smaller community and start a business of their own. Amanda is from Kenora, Ontario where she grew up on Black Sturgeon Lake and was a hairstylist for 9 years. Amanda met James while out in Kenora then moved here and has lived here now for 13 years. James's family started a scrap company called Interlake Salvage and Recycling, where it has been successful for over 33 years! James's dad Michael grew up in England where his father started the scrap business, which he then passed the passion of scrap down to his son. Michael would bring James to work at a young age and he would watch his father day in and day out and learned everything he knows now from him, which made James fall in love with his dad's company more and more. James and Amanda are now the recent co-owners of Interlake Salvage and Recycling. We are honoured to take over Mike and Julies company that mike has built from the ground up and we only hope we can make him as proud of us as we are of him. Our children have grown a joy for the scrap world as well, and James teaches them to this day the ins and outs of the scrap world just like his father taught him!

Stonewall is an amazing community to grow up in. Stonewall isn't just a town to us, its our home, a place we love to be. Where your neighbours are like family and when you walk down the street everyone is friendly! We love being able to walk to and from school with our children everyday, and are happy that there are great activities for our kids to take part in right in town! James's passion for hockey continues with his son Wyatt, we bring him to and from games and love to encourage him in the sport! Amanda's joy for dance and gymnastics lives on with her girls. Emersyn, who's love for dance shines, and it's so nice that she can take part in the sport right here in town with Jansen school of dance. Haleigh and Quinn take part in gymnastics, a sport they enjoy very much, and their mom is right there cheering them on! James and Amanda are active community members and try to help wherever is needed! We donate garbage cans for Quarry days yearly and James's family has donated to the community splash pad that is a joy in this town today! Amanda is Chair of the Parent Advisory committee at ERWBB Bobby Bend school and with countless hours her and her team have fundraised for the new inclusive playground going up this year. This inclusive design will be for school and community use and accessible for any child with any disability. James and I love to help in the community when and wherever we can!

We love our town and community and will continue to support and love it and pass that affection down to our children.

Thank You!  
James and Amanda Clarke



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# 3 WAYS TO MAKE YOUR HOME *Cozy* THIS FALL

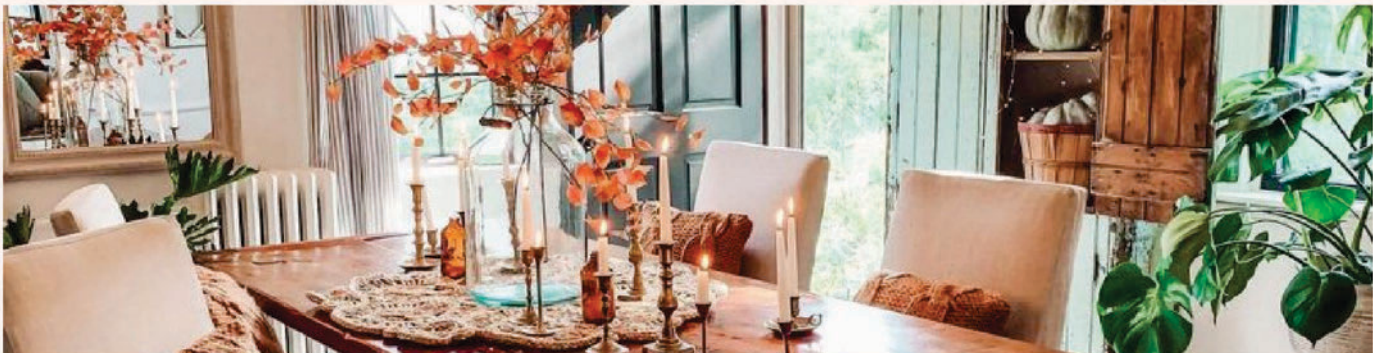
Creating a cozy home is all about adding elements that make you feel comfortable and relaxed. These suggestions can help transform your living spaces into warm and inviting retreats during the fall season.

# 1



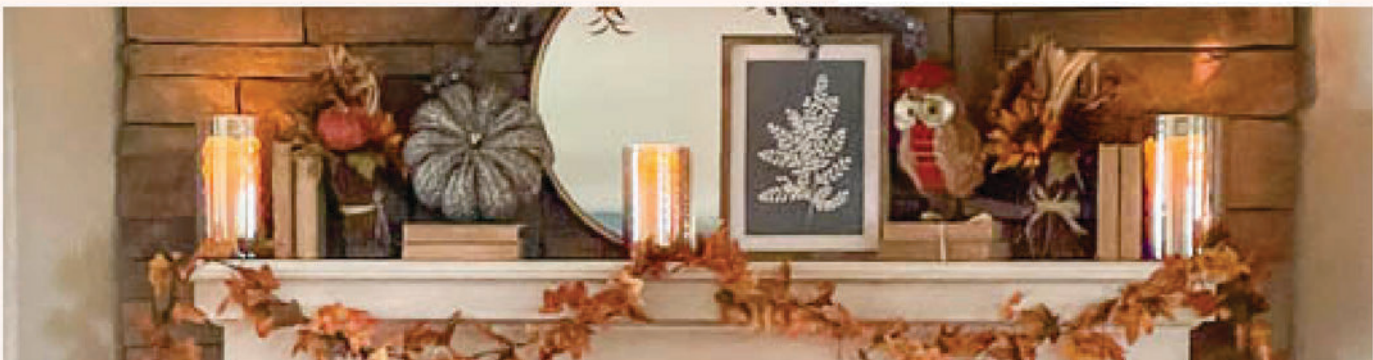
**Warm Colors and Textures:** Incorporate warm, autumn-inspired colors like deep reds, burnt oranges, and rich browns into your home's décor.

# 2



**Ambient Lighting:** Create a cozy ambiance with soft and warm lighting. Use table lamps, floor lamps, and string lights to achieve a warm glow throughout your home.

# 3



**Fall-inspired Décor:** Embrace the season by incorporating fall-themed decorations. Display pumpkins, gourds, and colorful autumn foliage as centerpieces or accents. Add natural elements like pinecones, acorns, and seasonal flowers to create a cozy and inviting atmosphere.





WHY I BELIEVE IN

*Real Estate*

AS AN INVESTMENT

## 1 Real estate appreciates but let's also talk about depreciation

Depreciation is a tax deduction that allows real estate investors to deduct a portion of the property's cost as an expense. The deduction accounts for wear and tear and deterioration over time.

So while the property value goes up, you get tax perks that allow you to deduct expenses from your taxable income, reducing your tax burden. It's a win-win!

## 2 Real estate offers incredible financing opportunities

There's nothing else like it – the government is eager to loan you a substantial portion of the price of a home, typically 95% to 97% of the purchase price.

This means you can invest in real estate with a relatively small down payment, giving you more financial flexibility to pursue other investment opportunities.

A big business starts small.



Let's promote some small businesses in our community! What are your favourite local businesses we should all check out? Tell us at: [www.bemyneighbour.ca](http://www.bemyneighbour.ca)

## CAN WE COME *Together* ON A DAY LIKE TODAY?

Every year, the stories of solidarity and community support in the days following September 11, 2001, inspire us.

From strangers helping strangers to extraordinary acts of kindness, the connections made during those tragic days are a powerful and sobering example for us today.

On this day of remembrance, let's pay tribute to the men and women who gave of themselves to restore their communities post-9/11 by flooding our own community with our love and support. I hope you'll join us to:

Shop local. Dine local. Give local. Hire local.

Get to know the local businesses, organizations, and hardworking individuals that truly are the heartbeat of the place we're lucky to call home.

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**JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE  
STRENGTH OF OUR COMMUNITY**



WHY I BELIEVE IN

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### Real estate returns are consistent

In spite of stocks' faster, flashier returns, real estate has historically produced more consistent and less volatile returns.

If you're looking for passive income and have time to invest for the long term, real estate shouldn't be overlooked.

### Investing in real estate

GENERATES CASH FLOW

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*Fall*

## TOXINS POISONOUS TO DOGS & CATS



The start of fall brings new seasonal household items that pose a threat to the safety of our pets. These common household items can cause serious problems if ingested by animals. Here is the list of seasonal products that the veterinarians at Pet Poison Helpline® recommend keeping away from pets.

#### **Mushrooms:**

While most mushrooms are generally non-toxic, certain types can be very dangerous.

#### **Mothballs:**

While you may think these white balls are benign, they are not. Mothballs typically contain either paradichlorobenzene or naphthalene.

#### **Antifreeze:**

As little as one teaspoon in a cat or a tablespoon or two for dogs, depending on the size of animal, can be fatal.

#### **Mouse & Rat Poisons (Rodenticides):**

As you prepare to winterize your garage, cabin, or house, make sure to place poisonous baits in areas where your pet cannot reach them.

#### **Compost Bins or Piles:**

Piles of decomposing and decaying organic matter and molding food products in your backyard compost pile have the potential to contain toxins.

#### **Red Maple Leaves:**

Horse lovers, beware. As little as one pound of dried maple leaves blowing into your horse's pasture can be toxic.



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# COMMUNITY *Events* CALENDAR



**SEPTEMBER 6**

**BACK TO SCHOOL!**  
INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION  
DAY 1

**SEPTEMBER 10**

**THE B34ST**  
2:00 PM  
STONY MTN BISON BANDSTAND

**SEPTEMBER 16**

**B&R COMEDY HYPNOSIS**  
7:00 PM  
STONEWALL LEGION

**SEPTEMBER 28**

**BLUES NIGHT FUNDRAISER**  
7:00-9:00 PM  
SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL CAFE  
STONEWALL



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## BACK TO *School* REMINDER



As summer fades, the buzz of learning fills the air once again. With the new school year here, it's crucial to remember that safety comes first. As you navigate through the community, remember that the school zone speed limit is set at 30 kmh. This ensures the safety of our students as they make their way to and from school. Let's make this academic year a fantastic one, marked by attentiveness, care, and a shared commitment to our children's well-being.

**WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!**





# SEPTEMBER'S *Extraordinary* PROPERTIES UNVEILED

**COMING SOON!!**



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**NEW LISTING!!**



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 3027 sqft

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**60 Grayson Place - Stonewall**



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**\$345,000**



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4 Beds  
 2 Baths  
 1257 sqft

**13 Constance Avenue - Gunton**



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mattmckillop@remaxinterlake.ca  
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**\$495,900**



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4 Beds  
 2 Baths  
 1860 sqft

**7154E Road 83N - Balmoral**



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**\$649,900**



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4 Beds  
 3 Baths  
 1640 sqft

**4122 Road 79N - RM of Woodlands**



"Uncover the Splendor of a Western Red Cedar Log Home"

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**\$1,060,000**



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2 Baths  
 5850 sqft  
 0.54 Acres

**227 & 223 MacDonald Ave. - Warren**



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48  
NEW LISTINGS  
13 Lots

\$473,769  
AVERAGE LIST PRICE

\$481,857  
AVERAGE SALE PRICE

9  
HOMES SOLD

18  
DAYS ON MARKET

4  
MONTHS OF INVENTORY