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TIPPLE PARK ART PROJECT

Submitted by Tipple Park Museum

Let's turn the back windows of the museum into a community display! I encourage everyone that is frequenting Tipple Park to take part in an art project! Sketch something that you see in the park such as our historic buildings, our machinery, the playground, the gazebo, a tree,

an insect - the possibilities are endless! Then submit your sketch to the museum to have it displayed in the back windows for others to enjoy. If you need to borrow some art supplies, message the museum and I can arrange pickup for pencils, paper, clipboards, or whatever you might need! Let your creativity flow! It doesn't matter if you are a seasoned artist, an occa-

sional doodler, or you can't remember the last time you picked up a pencil! The important part is that you are creating something that lets you interact with the park in a new way. All ages are welcome to participate!

Anyone interested can get in contact via tippleparkmuseum@gmail.com, 780-727-2240, or Facebook.





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RENT RELIEF FOR ALBERTA'S SMALL BUSINESSES

Alberta has joined other provinces, the territories and federal government in a program to help small businesses pay rent.

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Many Alberta businesses have been required to close or limit their operations in order to protect public health during the COVID-19 pandemic. This has resulted in revenues being drastically reduced and in difficulties for many job creators.

The new Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) program will give certainty to small businesses by providing 50 per cent of monthly commercial rental costs. Eligible landlords and tenants would each be responsible for 25 per cent of the remaining costs.

"We know a number of Alberta's businesses are struggling during the pandemic. Our partnership with the federal government will provide much-needed relief to small businesses on their

rental payments. businesses create jobs - and are extremely important for our communities and our economy." - Tanya Fir, Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism

"Many of Alberta's businesses have been taking measures that affect their bottom line in order to protect public health and we recognize this contribution.

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Rent Relief for Alberta's Small Businesses

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In addition to small businesses, rent relief is on its way to charities and non-profits – which provide critical services in our communities, especially during these difficult times." - Travis Toews, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance

About the CECRA:

• CECRA will provide a loan retroactive to April 1 to qual-

ified commercial property owners supporting 50 per cent of rent for April, May, and June of this year.

- The loan will be forgivable if the property owner and tenant come to a rent forgiveness agreement that lowers the eligible small business's rent by 75 per cent for the three months and includes a moratorium on eviction.
- The program is anticipated to be running by mid-May

and will be administered by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC).

- Qualifying small businesses will be required to:
- pay less than \$50,000 in
- have been asked to close, or near-close their operations due to COVID-19
- be experiencing at least a 70 per cent decrease in revenues
- CECRA will also be available to non-profit and charitable organizations.
- The province expects to commit up to \$67 million, with the remaining and majority of costs being covered by the federal government.

Further details on CECRA will be shared by CMHC in the coming weeks when final terms and conditions are available. Until that time, property owners are encouraged to provide flexibility to tenants facing hardship in this uncertain time.

JOINE OF THE WEEK

My mother taught for 11 years at a day-care center. One winter afternoon she was trying to show a young boy how to zip up his coat. "The secret," Mom said, "is to get this piece of the zipper to fit in the other side before you try to zip it up."

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COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SERVICES DEPT. STILL SERVING RESIDENTS

Submitted by Yellowhead County

Some of the Agricultural Services programs that you are used to may look different this year and have been adjusted to follow the province's recommendations for Coronavirus/COVID-19, but we are committed to meeting our agricultural sector's needs.

We encourage producers

who require a farm visit for coyote control, pest, weed, or disease identifications or for any other reason to please give us a call so that we are able to assist you in any way that we can. Some services such as weed identification can most likely be done over the phone by texting or emailing pictures.

If we are required to visit your farm or property in person we will follow risk

mitigation practices to keep both parties involved safe as per the province of Alberta's recommendations.

Once summer activities begin you may see us working out in the field doing weed and pest inspections or herbicide applications and we ask that residents with any questions please remember to distance themselves at least 2 meters away when interacting with staff. We are still happy to answer any of your questions but we want to make sure everyone is kept healthy and safe.

Please give us a call at 1-800-814-3935 if you have any questions or concerns regarding Yellowhead County's available Agricultural Services programs.

KEEP BEARS WILD

Submitted by John Elias, District Fish and Wildlife Officer | Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Branch

Most Alberta towns and cities continue to develop into what used to be untouched wildlife habitat. This, combined with increasing park networks, means that it's easy for wildlife to wander into populated areas as they search for food.

This could become a public safety risk if large predators, such as bears, come into communities to feed on unnatural food sources. Improperly stored garbage is the most common cause

of human-bear conflicts. As residents, we need to make sure that the necessary precautions are taken to manage attractants in our properties. Here are a few steps residents can take:

Store your garbage inside your garage or other secure outbuilding to prevent access by bears. If your municipality has curbside pickup, put your garbage out for collection only on the morning of collection. Never leave garbage outside overnight.

Consider purchasing a residential bear-resistant garbage container. Remember that to be effective, lids must be properly latched and containers should be regularly

washed to prevent buildup of odours.

Be equally careful in managing your garbage when using your community's parks and pathways. Bears that move through town often use the green spaces as travel corridors. Garbage left in these spaces may encourage the bears to stay and seek out further food sources.

Keep the parks and pathways clean by using the bear-resistant bins, and pack your garbage home when bear-resistant bins are not available.

Bear concerns can be reported to the local district office at 780-727-2941, or in the case of an emergency, through

the 24-hour Report A Poacher line at 1-800-642-3800.

We all have a part to play to keep our bears wild and out of our backyards. For more information on living with wildlife, visit https://www.alberta. ca/living-with-wildlife.aspx

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SCHOOL FEES UPDATE

Submitted by Parkland School Division

Parkland School Division continues to work on addressing operational changes as a result of the suspension of classes due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As far as fees go, the Division continues to work with the Ministry of Education and other school divisions to determine how to deal with credits/refunds. We are in

the final stages of determining amounts and process for those expected refunds/ credits. Further details are expected in early May. Pre-authorized monthly payments for various fees have been cancelled for the year. Parents and guardians do not have to place stop payments or make any application to the Division to cancel upcoming monthly payments.

Thank you all for your pa-

tience and understanding. Please keep checking our website for more information.



YELLOWHEAD COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Submitted by Yellowhead County

2020 Budget & Tax Rate – Council passed the final 2020 budget and approved a 5% reduction in the municipal mill rate. The \$166.7 million budget includes the county's operating and capital costs; the seniors and school requisitions; contributions to local governments; and contributions to reserves. Funding will be drawn from reserves to contribute to new and continuing projects.

Repeal of Well Drilling Tax – Council repealed Yellowhead County's Well Drilling Tax Bylaw. All billing from Jan 1, 2020, to this date will remain in effect. The calculation for the tax is based on the depth of wells drilled and the calculation is received from the province. The purpose of the tax was to allow municipalities to recover costs for wear and tear on County infrastructure. The removal of the county's well drilling tax is meant to encourage the continuation and new drilling in Yellowhead County.

MD Greenview Intermunicipal Agreement – The Municipal Government Act requires municipalities that have a common boundary to create an Intermu-

nicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement (ICF). Council passed three readings of the MD of Greenview agreement.

County Donates Land to Evergreens – Council voted to subdivide and donate a portion of a County-owned property to the Evergreens Foundation for a proposed seniors lodge in Wildwood. The value of the land is estimated at approximately \$45,000.

Recycling Partnership with EDRS – Yellowhead County will enter into a 3-year agreement with District Recycling Society for contracted services for recycling services in hamlets and other locations in Yellowhead County. The county will assume 35% of the cost at \$2100,000 and the town covering the remaining 65% of the \$600,000 annual operating costs of EDRS.

All Saint Church Historical Intent – Council approved administration to proceed with Notice of Intention to designate on the All Saints Anglican Church near Hattonford. This will allow Council to pass a bylaw declaring the church as a Municipal Historic Resource.

Summer Gravel Program Contract – Council approved the tender of \$1,065,683.41 from Jones Trucking and Backhoe Services Ltd. for the hauling and placing of gravel for the 2020 Summer Gravel Program.

Culvert Replacement Contract – The contract for a culvert replacement and other work for Bridge File 71221 was awarded to Barsi Enterprises Ltd. in the amount of \$643,400.00.

Communications Towers Contracts – The contract for the communications towers for Aspen Heights and Brule has been awarded to True North Towers in the amount of \$569,003.00. The communications towers will allow for better communication options for emergency response, local industry, and residential use. The final amount is under budget and future maintenance will be done by internal staff.

9-1-1 Dispatch Upgrade – The contract for the YRECC's PSAP NG-911 upgrade was awarded to Rock/Nova/Tridon Communications for \$618,410.55. This upgrade is part of the CRTC's PSAP NG-911 upgrade requirements for 9-1-1 Dispatch Centres. The Yellowhead Regional Emergency Communications Centre (YRECC) is under the management of Yellowhead County in partnership with Edson and Hinton. All partners will contribute to these federally mandated upgrade costs.

Radio Communications Upgrades - A radio communications system upgrade for \$505,086.00 awarded by Council to Rock/Solacom/Nova Communications. The cloud-based upgrades will ensure the system is up to date and will reduce potential disruptions caused by device failure.



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT – GERALD SOROKA

Parliament was scheduled to return on April 20, but with the continued need for social distancing to contain the COVID-19 outbreak, a modified spring session is happening.

It is extremely important that Parliamentary oversight is maintained and imperative that we respect public health directives.

In order to allow for safe physical distancing, 32 of the 338 MPs will meet in person on a rotating basis every Wednesday in the House of Commons, with up to two weekly virtual sessions available for members to ask questions of government. MPs not

slated to be in Ottawa will focus on helping constituents in their ridings.

Canada.ca

The best resource for information on federal government programs, funding and current statistics on COVID-19 can be found at: https://www.canada.ca/en.html

This website has updated information, a COVID-19 self-assessment tool, a way to sign up for email updates, quarantine guidance, and descriptions of all the financial supports presently being offered by the Government of Canada.

I encourage you to get familiar with this solid resource.

However, my office is there should you need help at: 780-723-6068 or Gerald.soroka.

c1a@parl.gc.ca Take care, be safe and know





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SIMPLIFY PAVING STONE INSTALLATION

Paving stones can add beauty to walkways, driveways and backyard patios, providing that eye-catching finishing touch to a property while enhancing

its curb appeal.

Even though the installation of pavers can be a labor-intensive process, with the right tools and tips, this can be a do-it-yourself

project for homeowners with renovation experience. Consider these tricks and how-to tips courtesy of The Home Depot, DIY Network and Unilock.

Get your supplies

To begin a paver project, homeowners will need to stock up on some supplies they may not already have at home. Marking paint, mason line, wooden stakes, leveling sand, paver base, and more will be required. A manual tamper can be used. However, for larger areas, it can be worth the cost to rent a plate compactor.

Measure the area

The number of bags

of sand, paver base and paving stones needed for the project depends on the size of the area. For example, according to the Home Depot, for 60 square feet, homeowners will need about 30 12 x 12-inch paver stones, 40 bags of paver base and 12 bags of paver leveling sand.

Spray or mark the area where the paving stones will be laid. Measure carefully so you can order exactly how many stones you will need. Have the materials delivered to reduce heavy lifting and trips to the store. Be sure to have all utility lines marked prior to excavation to avoid









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Simplify Paving Stone Installation

damage.

Prepare the base carefully

One of the most important aspects of paver installation involves preparing the base. If you cut corners in this process, the finished results can be sloppy, weeds can grow through and/or stones may loosen.

It's essential to grade the area away from the house. That means that the highest point of the patio or walkway should be closest to the house and then the incline gradually flattens out as it moves away from the home. This allows proper water runoff. Mark

the height on the stakes and adjust the mason line. Remember to slope the area away from your home with a drop-off of about one inch for every 8 feet.

The base of many DIY applications should be between four and six inches deep. Work incrementally, raking and tamping until the base is firm. Lightly wetting the material can help it solidify.

Sand helps inhibit weed growth and anchor the pavers together. Plastic lining will not be practical. Installation

Use edge restraints and a string line to keep the design straight. Do not hammer the pavers together. Paver sand will need to be swept over and settled between the stones to help set them in place.

It helps to read tutorials

and watch videos on paving stone installation prior to beginning the project. With practice, the installation will go more smoothly.



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COMPOSITE DECKING CAN BE A SMART CHOICE

Decks add character and functionality to a home, increasing outdoor entertaining space and oftentimes improving the resale value of a home. Homeowners have various options when choosing decking materials, but one such option, composite decking, is growing in popularity.

Decks used to primarily be made from pressure-treated lumber. While lumber remains a popular material, more and more homeowners are opting for composite decking products. As anyone who has pressure-washed, stained and sealed wood decks can attest, such spaces require lots of upkeep to look new year after year. Composite decks require much less maintenance, making them highly attractive to homeowners

who would rather spend time using their decks instead of maintaining them.

Composite decking is any type of decking material that is formulated from different recycled materials. The majority of these materials include hard plastic and wood shavings of pulp. Unlike wood, which can fade, crack and rot, composite decking, which has been available for roughly a decade, does not degrade quickly and requires very little upkeep.

Available in a variety of wood colors to match outdoor decor, composite decks also can feature artificial wood grains to make them look similar to wood planks. Although composite decks are not completely impervious to the elements, with some occasional washing

to impede mold growth and new technology that has improved stain-resistance, many of the pitfalls of other materials can be avoided with composite decks.

Composite decking fits in with eco-friendly lifestyles. The planks are made from recycled materials that would normally end up in landfills. Products from Trex, a popular composite decking manufacturer, are made from 1.5 million shopping bags and wood mill waste. As composite decks do not rot away and are long-lasting, they will not need to be replaced frequently, which is another eco-friendly benefit.

When comparing composite decking brands, look mainly at the colors, materials used in the composition and the fastening systems.

Many are fastened with regular deck screws, offers This Old House. The newer systems have channels for hidden fastening, and the composite deck tiles snap into place.

Composite decks do have a few drawbacks. They can be expensive Ñ nearly double the initial cost of wood decks. And although they don't rot, composite planks can scratch. Without refinishing, damaged boards will need to be replaced. Harsh chemicals may fade color and damage the composite materials, so caution is needed.

Composite decking remains an in-demand choice for outdoor spaces. Low-maintenance and long-lasting, these decks have quickly become favorites among homeowners.





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By finishing your basement, you can gain more living space while reducing the amount of energy loss from downstairs. Basements that are not fully finished typically do not have insulated walls or covered flooring. This can result in heat loss and cause your furnace to work overtime.

A remodeled basement offers more than additional storage space. It can provide a lot of extra room for a growing family, such as space for a gym, home theatre, office, guest suite, or a playroom for the kids.

To ensure a comfortable and inviting basement, there are a few project components to consider:

Insulation will

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Drywall will help define the space and make it feel like a part of your home. If you haven't tackled drywall before, consider hiring a pro to ensure your walls are seamless.

· Flooring should be water sealed and covered with an insulated material. There are many products on the market, but consid-

er laying padding before carpet or in-floor heating before tiles.

• Personalize it with finishing touches. Select

furniture that can fit down a typically steep staircase and choose items that complement the rest of your home's décor.



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PREPARE COOLING SYSTEMS FOR WARM WEATHER

One springtime task on homeowners' to-do lists is checking cooling systems to ensure they are ready for summer. Proper maintenance of cooling systems is essential to saving energy and keeping utility costs down. Fortunately, homeowners need not be certified HVAC technicians to maintain their cooling units.

Clean filters. Whether

a home is kept cool by a whole-house central air conditioning system or window units, clean filters are necessary to keep the units working efficiently. Routinely replacing or cleaning filters is one of the most important maintenance tasks to improve airflow and increase efficiency. The U.S. Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy says replacing a dirty,

clogged filter with a clean one can lower an air conditioner's energy consumption by anywhere from 5 to 15 percent.

Know the square footage. When replacing a cooling system, have an understanding of the size of your home (or room if installing an window unit). Determine the area of the home so you buy a unit that suits your needs. Air

conditioners use BTUs (British Thermal Units) to define cooling power. The more BTUs, the larger the space that can be cooled. However, homeowners do not want to exceed the necessary cooling power. This leads to energy waste. EnergyStar.gov can help homeowners find the right cooling system for their needs.

. Inspect system coils. The evaporator and condenser coils on air conditioners can collect dirt, even when filters are maintained. Dirty coils are less efficient at absorbing heat, so periodically remove the dirt. Outdoor coils can be kept cleaner by cutting back foliage from the unit to allow better air flow.

· Inspect condensate drains. Energy.gov also suggests making sure condensate drains, which take moisture pulled from the air away, are functioning properly. If they're clogged, they may not be effective at reducing humidity in a home, and they may even leak.

Clear debris. Remove fallen leaves or other plant material from condenser units and fan blades. Obstructed components can cause the system to retain heat, compromising its ability to work effectively. Some homeowners prefer to cover their condensers at the end of the cooling season to keep leaves and dirt out of the unit.

· Check window unit seals. When installing window units, make sure all seals around the air conditioner are in place to prevent cool-air loss.

Hire a technician. Air conditioner technicians can be very helpful and will know how to prepare a system for hot weather. Technicians typically conduct multipoint inspections and measure such things as refrigerant levels and duct leakage. Airflow through the evaporator coil also may be checked. If a homeowner suspects the thermostat is not working properly, a technician can verify if that is true and even install a new one if necessary.

As summer approaches, homeowners should prepare their air conditioning units for the busy months ahead.



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Louise Bernice Bruce (nee: Robinson) - known as "Bunny" of Stony Plain, Alberta, passed away suddenly, on April 14, 2020 at the age of 91, as she was called home. Our devoted mother leaves to mourn, her 5 children; Reg (Sheila), Allen, Dale (Linda), Ward (Lil), and

daughter Tracev Remembered as Grandma, or "Grammie", and 'Friend' to her 12 grandchildren, she will be forever loved, and remembered by them, as one of the most positive influential forces in their lives. She also leaves numerous great-grandchildren, other family, and many loving friends, and neighbors - past & present, that will also mourn her loss in this realm. Bernice/ Bunny is survived by her loving sister of Ontario, Gloria (Eric) Dundas, and was predeceased by both her brother, Scott Robinson (also of Ontario), and husband John Bruce (2016). Due to existing pandemic circumstances, a private interment for the immediate family will be held at this time; and plans made for a memorial to follow, in the coming year. In lieu of flowers, friends and family may make donations to either the Entwistle Community Church, 5237-50 St. Entwistle. AB TOE OSO, or to the Parkland

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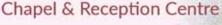
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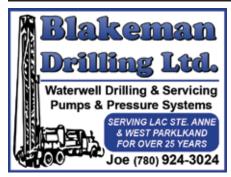
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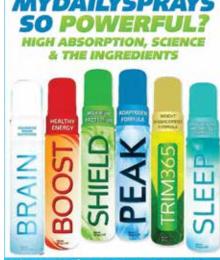
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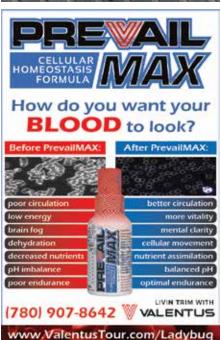




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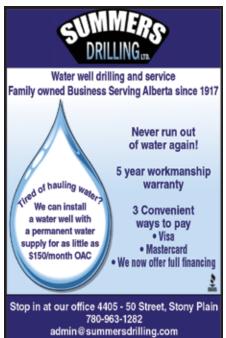




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