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HELLO FROM THE WILDWOOD AND DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Submitted by Wildwood And District Agricultural Society

We have a few reminders for you. Spring is here (so we think) and plants are

growing to be transplanted into the garden. You are excited about growing wonderful vegetables and/or flowers to enter into the Annual Fair Bench Show on August 16, 2024.

Your animals are anxious to show their beauty at the horse show or the animal categories.

Your submission for the Fair Book cover will *Continued on Page 2*

LOBSTICK 4-H BEEF & MULTICLUB UPDATE

Submitted by Lizzy Steinbusc

Lobstick 4-H Beef and multi club is alive and well. We started our year with a

Organizational meeting in October. This year we have members in woodworking and

in beef, we also have some members in the carcass steer competition. The members are showing steers and heifers and also some cow calf pairs. We had our weight in day on November 5 at The Bahrynowski Farm. All of the members had

great looking steers and should do really well this year. We had a fun Christmas party in January. We went swimming, had pizza, a movie and popcorn. We had our club

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NEW HYGIENE CLOSETS FOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Submitted by GYPSD

In December the Wellness Navigators' Team saw a need in each of the Division's five high schools for

hygiene and self-care support.

They worked together to create a 'hygiene closet initiative' for each of their high schools. The Wellness Nav-

igators are responsible for restocking supplies and delivering hygiene presentations to classes. Each closet is clearly identified

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Hello From The Wildwood And District Agricultural Society

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still be accepted until April 30th, 2024. The theme is "85 years Wildwood And District Agricultural Society". The drawing needs to be black and white vertical.

Entries can be emailed to wildwoodagsociety@gmail.com or mail to Wildwood And District Agricultural Society, Box 669, Wildwood Alberta, T0E 2M0.

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at our garage sale on April 27th, 2024 from 9 am-3 Pm. You can book a table for \$10.00 by calling Wilma a 780-325-2424.

Enjoy the nice weather and pray for rain.

Lobstick 4-H Beef & Multiclub Update

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Communications . Most members did speeches but we did have one

presentation. Our winners were Easton Jardine (Jr Presentation)

Jr speech winners were (1st Lizzy Steinbusch)(2nd Alex Riehl)

(3rd Brooke Preston) Int speech winners were

(1st Rhianna Riehl)(2nd Natalie Pudlo) Senior speech winners were

(1st Elizabeth Riehl)(2nd

Wendy Bahrynowski) (3rd Kameron Bereton)

The 2 top winners move on to Wabamun on February 11th. Good luck to the members that moved on. We had a senior member, Elizabeth Riehl compete

in the sweetheart dance contest on February 10th in Wabamun . Elizabeth represented our club well and did a terrific job ! And all the members that attended had a great time .

April / May are hectic months for our beef members , it will be working with our projects

, making sure they are halter broke and getting rid of the winter hair coat . April 28 is a grooming and clipping clinic to learn how to best present our animals . May 11 is mini-show in Wildwood and May 27 is the day we have been working towards all year ! Achievement Day and Sale in Drayton Valley at the Omniplex. We would love for everyone to come out and have a look at our projects !



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New Hygiene Closets For High Schools

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to aid student access. Students are made aware of these hygiene closets through various avenues such as school announcements and partnering with the school's Family School Liaison Counselor, who often meets with students one-on-one, and where they may be more comfortable discussing their per-

sonal situations relating to hygiene and self-esteem.

The intent of the initiative is to support students and promoting selfadvocacy/student voice while allowing students the autonomy of choosing the products they need and the frequency in which they require those products.

As students enter junior and senior high school, education around hygiene is

even more important with the rapid physical, emotional and environmental changes they experience. To assist with these changes, presentations from the Navigators include personal hygiene, locker hygiene, how to help keep their learning environment clean, and self-care practices: all to positively impact student self-esteem.



New Hygiene Closets for High Schools



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POLICE SEEK PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO LOCATE SUSPECT IN ATTEMPTED MUGGING

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

Parkland RCMP request the public's assistance in identifying a male suspect involved in an apparent mugging and assault attempt. This occurred on March 22, 2024, between 2:30 P.M. and 3:00 P.M. in the area of 48 Street and 52 Avenue

in Stony Plain. A male suspect approached an elderly female who was walking and attempted to take her purse. During the struggle, the male suspect punched the victim in the face and ran off without the purse. The elderly female sustained minor injuries as a result.

Police have the following description of the male suspect:

description of the male suspect:

- About 25-30 years of age
- Around 5 feet 10 inches tall with thin build
- Wearing black hoodie, black boots, black jeans, and a "Covid" medical mask
- Longer brown hair

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UNIQUE LEARNING AT NITON CENTRAL

Submitted by GYPSD

The staff at Niton Central School is always coming up with innovative projects and initiatives to keep students engaged in their learning!

Students in the Grade 8/9 class have been planning different P.E. activities to help the younger grades learn various sports.

They have planned soc-

cer stations and basketball stations for the K/1 class and obstacle courses for the Grade 2/3 class a few times. The Grade 8 and 9 students have taken on a great leadership role in the school and have put in a lot of effort to plan activities that are well suited for the younger students.

Niton's younger students have loved being taught by the junior highs. It has

been an excellent way to bring different grades in the school together.

On Friday, March 14, 2024, the school recognized Pi Day which is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant π (pi): 3.14.

Students in junior high have been using Pi in math classes and found different facts about Pi. They also had a contest to see who could memorize the most digits of

Pi; the winner had 67 digits memorized! In celebration, teachers volunteered to be 'pi'ed' in the face if students brought \$2 or a food bank item for donation. Altogether, the creative event raised over \$250 to donate, plus a large box of food items. Way to go!

EXPANDING PHYSICIAN TRAINING ACROSS ALBERTA

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is investing \$224.8 million through Budget 2024 to help train more physicians in rural areas.

Rural communities across Alberta are facing a shortage of physicians, forcing rural Albertans to travel long distances to

seek medical care. The government is working with post-secondary institutions to train more physicians in rural areas because students who learn in rural communities are more likely to stay and work in them after completing their training.

Alberta's government is supporting collaborative efforts from the University of Alberta,

University of Calgary, University of Lethbridge and Northwestern Polytechnic to develop new Rural Medical Education Program Training Centres in Lethbridge and Grande Prairie. The University of Calgary will partner with the University of Lethbridge to develop the new training centre in Lethbridge, and the University of Alberta will partner with

Northwestern Polytechnic to develop the new training centre in Grande Prairie.

"Albertans deserve access to timely medical care in every corner of our province. Establishing the new training centres in Lethbridge and Grande Prairie is the first of many steps to solve the rural physician shortage.

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Expanding Physician Training Across Alberta

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Advanced Education is committed to increasing support for Alberta's medical schools and providing significant support to encourage more physicians to live and practice in rural settings."

Rajan Sawhney, Minister of Advanced Education

"Addressing health care staffing challenges in rural Alberta is one of our top priorities. We are implementing a wide range of actions to attract and retain physicians in rural communities, and these regional training centres are part of that work. They will provide excellent training opportunities for rural medical students and at the same time, will strengthen the local primary health care system and help take pressures off local emergency departments."

Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Health

Together, the training centres will contribute more than 100 practicing physicians every year and will offer hands-on learning

experiences in rural communities surrounding the training centres. Students will train alongside other health professionals, gaining practical medical experience while serving rural patients.

Once up and running, the training centres will provide primary care in Lethbridge and Grande Prairie, with each general practitioner in the teaching clinic caring for approximately 1,200 patients. These clinics will also operate after regular hours to reduce congestion in local emergency departments, adding much needed primary-care capacity.

"Access to a family physician is an incredible challenge for many families in small- to mid-sized centres across southern Alberta – including rural and Indigenous communities. Investing in a program that recruits local students, and trains them in areas across southern Alberta, will lead to more doctors practicing in those areas for decades to come."

Digvir Jayas, Ph.D., president and vice-chancellor, University

of Lethbridge

"There has never been more demand for dedicated and skilled medical professionals with ties to rural communities. Northwestern Polytechnic is grateful for the opportunity to be part of a collaborative way forward that will help attract, educate and retain the physicians needed in our northernmost communities and across Alberta."

Dr. Vanessa Sheane, president and CEO, Northwestern Polytechnic

Budget 2024 investments would be used for both capital and clinic operations in Grande Prairie and Lethbridge. This includes renovations to accommodate local student training, including the addition of classrooms as well as simulation and clinical training to meet accreditation standards. Of the total funding, \$43.2 million in capital funding will be provided for the new training centre in Lethbridge, \$55.6 million will support operating expenses for the training centres in both Lethbridge and Grande Prairie, and an addi-

tional \$126 million will support the overall physician training expansion.

"We're excited about this important program expansion between the University of Calgary and the University of Lethbridge, which will open more doors of opportunity to attract, educate and retain the health workforce that is greatly needed in rural areas. The collective efforts of this post-secondary network will help to deliver quality health care and continuity of care across our province for years to come."

Dr. Ed McCauley, president and vice-chancellor, University of Calgary

This investment builds off work funded in 2023, when Advanced Education provided \$1 million to a Working Group on Rural Physicians to explore the feasibility of expanding Alberta's medical training pathways with the goal of improving access to physicians in rural and remote areas of the province.

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RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Nominations are open for the 2024 Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards to recognize volunteers making a lasting impact in their communities.

The Stars of Alberta Awards highlight and recognize volunteers who dedicate their time and talents to make a difference in the lives of Albertans. Two awards are given in each of the following categories:

- Youth (up to 24 years of age)
- Adult
- Senior

In addition, the Breaking Barriers category recognizes exceptional volunteers who are working to create diverse and inclusive communities. Three awards are presented in this category to individuals who are working to end racism, advocating for 2SLGBTQIA+

inclusion and fighting gender discrimination in their communities.

The awards are part of the Alberta's government commitment to support the importance of volunteerism. The Stars of Alberta Award winners are celebrated annually, on or around International Volunteer Day on December 5.

Albertans are encouraged to submit nominations online. The deadline for nominations is June 30.

Volunteers are the foundation for many community organizations providing recreational, social and cultural programs. Alberta has almost 26,000 non-profit organizations and, each year, Albertans provide more than 227-million volunteer hours to support the non-profit and voluntary sector at a value of \$5.6 billion.

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TIMELY CARE WHEN AND WHERE IT'S NEEDED

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Budget 2024 invests in reducing emergency response times, increasing emergency medical services capacity and supporting the paramedic workforce across the province.

Alberta's government is committed to ensuring Albertans in every corner of the province have access to the health care they need, where and when it's needed. This includes timely access to emergency services and strengthening the emergency medical services (EMS) system to save lives and improve health outcomes.

A critical aspect of delivering emergency care as quickly as possible is maintaining a well-equipped, modern fleet of vehicles to transport patients to health care facilities. To help reduce emergency response times, Budget 2024 provides an additional \$25 million towards a total investment of \$35 million over three years to the EMS Vehicles Capital Program.

This funding will support the replacement of EMS vehicles that have reached the end of their life cycle and ensure that in-service vehicles are appropriately maintained, updated and provided with additional equipment to meet the needs of both urban and rural Albertans.

"Albertans requiring transport to emergency rooms or other health facilities need to receive timely, safe and appropriate care. Funding for fleet improvements not only enhances system capacity, stability and response times but also provides our dedicated EMS practitioners with the vehicles and equipment they need to continue delivering exceptional care."

Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Health

"The demands of maintaining an effective EMS fleet have increased dramatically since the pandemic. We greatly appreciate the support of the Alberta government that assists AHS in keeping our ambulances and equipment ready to provide the best care for Albertans across the province."

Marty Scott, executive director, EMS provincial programs, Alberta Health Services

Interfacility transfers

Alberta's government is committed to finding ways to reduce response times to make sure Albertans are getting timely emergency care when they need it most. Two new contracts with partners to provide scheduled, low-acuity interfacility transfer services will enable Alberta Health Services to focus on emergency responses and reduce response times by keeping emergency ambulances in their communities.

Interfacility transfers are patient transports between hospitals or between hospitals and other settings that provide specialty care or services. There are approximately 174,000 of these non-urgent transfers annually, with about 24,000 in Edmonton and about 20,000 in Calgary identified as being appropriate for contract service partners, as this volume is non-urgent low acuity transfers. Working with Guardian Ambulance Ltd. in Calgary and Associated Ambulance and Services (Whitecourt) Ltd. in Edmonton will add resources to the EMS system that will help AHS free up ambulances and paramedics to focus on emergency medical responses in Alberta's two largest cities.

Work is underway to expand interfacility transfers to other areas of the province as well.

Air ambulance review and paramedic workforce study

Alberta's government has allocated \$2 million in Budget 2024 for an independent review of the provincial air ambulance program and a paramedic workforce study to inform what improvements will need to be made for the future of the EMS system.

This review of the air ambulance system in Alberta encompasses a thorough examination of various aspects, including response times, operational efficiency and coordination with ground EMS services, with active involvement from emergency services staff across the province.

In the paramedic workforce study, feedback from front-line paramedics and emergency communications officers is crucial in understanding the challenges faced, opportunities for improvement and recommendations for enhancing their work environment. Their input will be integrated into the study's findings and recommendations to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the current state of the EMS workforce.

The workforce study aims to identify opportunities for growing Alberta's paramedic workforce, recommending improvements in recruitment, work environment, retention and training. The workforce study will include a province-wide paramedic survey, examining mental health supports and access, retention activities, workforce mobility within and outside the province, demand forecasting for the paramedic workforce, and educational capacity and processes.

"These announcements of increased funding to rejuvenate the EMS fleet, the air ambulance review and the paramedic workforce study are further evidence that there remains a commitment to ensuring our members have the resources

to provide excellent care to Albertans in their time of need. We look forward to continuing to work with our partners and the government to build a strong and supportive EMS system because well-supported paramedics ensure safe and effective care for Albertans."

Tim Ford, registrar, Alberta College of Paramedics

"By reviewing our air ambulance services and paramedic workforce, these initiatives can ultimately enhance health care accessibility across the province. Timely access to emergency medical care can save lives and improve health outcomes, particularly in situations where rapid intervention is critical. Overall, these studies will positively affect the health and well-being of Albertans in remote, rural and urban communities by strengthening emergency medical services and ensuring timely access to life-saving care for all."

Martin Long, parliamentary secretary for Rural Health

As part of the Alberta EMS Provincial Advisory Committee recommendations, this review and study will assist the government in evaluating the current state of Alberta's air ambulance fleet and paramedic workforce. The insights gained will be instrumental in optimizing coverage, response times and supporting efforts to refocus the health care system, ensuring Albertans have access to more effective care and improved front-line service delivery.

Budget 2024 is a responsible plan to strengthen health care and education, build safe and supportive communities, manage the province's resources wisely and promote job creation to continue to build Alberta's competitive advantage.

ALBERTA RCMP SERIOUS CRIMES BRANCH CONCLUDE LENGTHY CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

Following a lengthy RCMP Serious Crimes Branch investigation into allegations of historical physical and sexual child abuse in Edson Alta., two individuals have been charged with a series of offences related to crimes committed between 2005 and 2011.

On March 21, 2024, Jimmy Allen Fransen (51), a resident of Fort McMurray, was arrested and charged with:

- Sexual assault;
- Sexual assault with a weapon;
- Sexual interference with a child under the age of 16;
- Sexual exploitation;
- Making and pos-

session of child pornography; and

- Failure to provide the necessities of life.

Fransen was taken before a Justice of the Peace and released on bail including conditions that restrict contact with children. Fransen's next court appearance is set for May 7, 2024, at the Alberta Court of Justice in Edson.

Additionally, on April 8, 2024, RCMP arrested Sherina Maria Handsor (43), a resident of Sandy Beach, Alta.. She has been charged with:

- Assault causing bodily harm;
- Assault with a weapon, forcible confinement; and
- Failure to provide the necessities of life.

Following the initial arrest of Jimmy Fransen, the RCMP Serious Crimes Branch received information on unrelated allegations of child sexual abuse arising out of Fort McMurray, Alta., between 2017 and 2023.

As a result of that investigation, on April 6, 2024, Jimmy Allen Fransen and Brenda Disher (also known as Brenda Fransen) (45), both residents of Fort McMurray, were charged with:

- Making, distribution and possession of child pornography;
- Sexual assault;
- Sexual interference involving a child;
- Sexual exploitation; and
- Trafficking a person under the age of 18.

Both were taken before a justice of the peace and released on bail, including conditions restricting contact with children. They are scheduled for court on April 29, 2024, at the Alberta Court of Justice in Fort McMurray.

Information received during the course of the investigation suggests that there may be other victims or individuals who may have information regarding the involvement of Jimmy Fransen, Brenda Disher (also known as Fransen) and Sherina Marie Handsor in offences against children. In an effort to assist potential victims and witnesses, RCMP are providing photographs of all three suspects.

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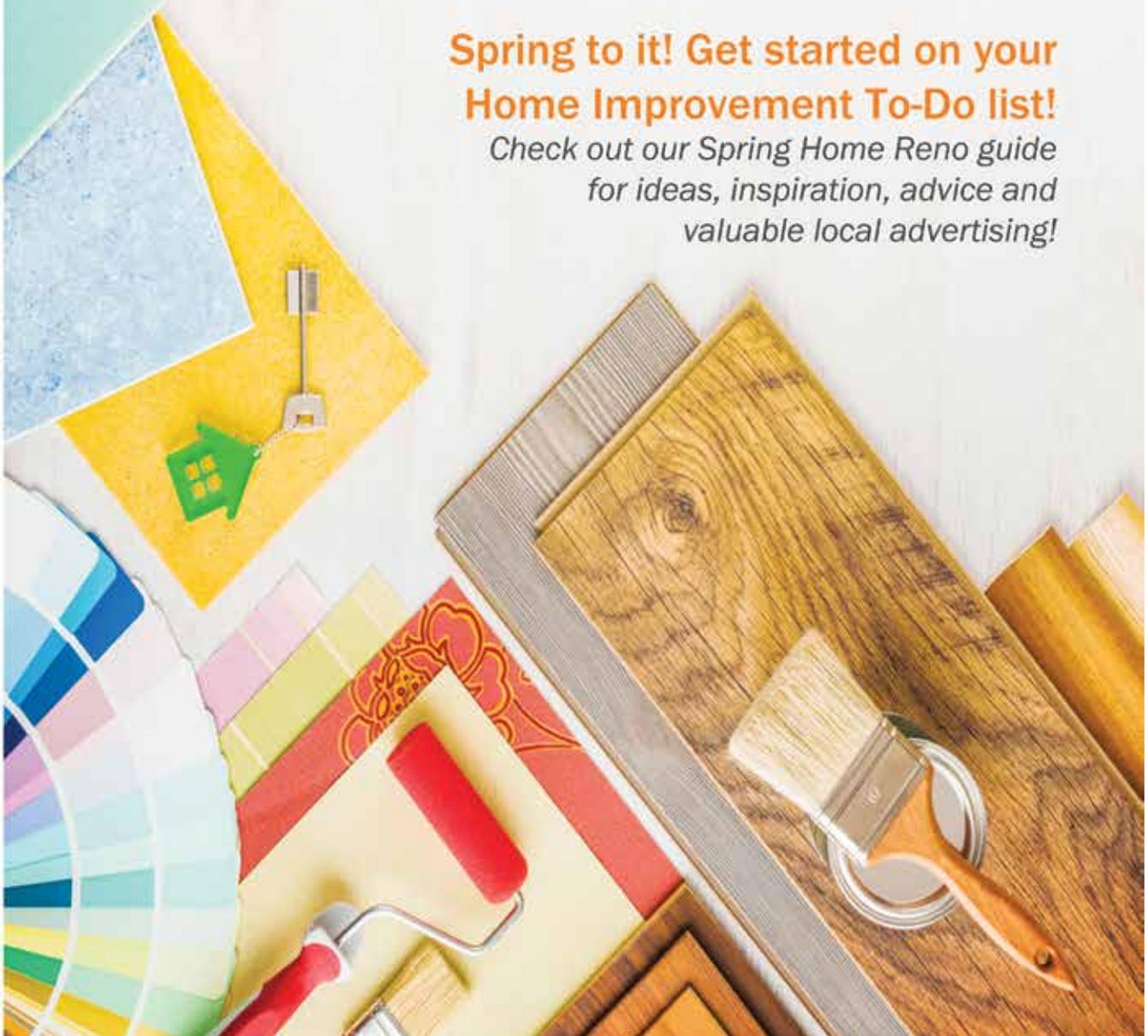
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Homeowners often aspire to have attractive backyards that look like they belong in a magazine. While these can be picturesque and functional for adults, they may not be entirely practical for homeowners who have young children, especially when the majority of the yard is covered with paving stones or concrete.

When young children are part of a household, homeowners may benefit by designing yards that are both functional and fun. Incorporating safe play areas for kids is one way to unlock the potential of both big and small backyards.

As children run off to enjoy a playground, safety is the last thing on their minds. Kids are most interested in scaling ladders to treehouses or coasting down slides. That's why adults must take it upon themselves to keep injury prevention in mind.

SafestPlayground.com indicates that playground-related injuries routinely result in severe fractures, internal injuries, concussions, and dislocations. In the majority of playground injuries to children younger than age 5, the head and face are affected. Children between the ages of 5 and 9 experience more leg and arm injuries than younger kids. The Consumer Product Safety Commission states 70 percent of children's injuries occur on

home playgrounds. More than 28,000 children are injured each year on playgrounds across Canada, according to Parachute, a

national injury prevention organization.

When considering playground equipment for the yard, parents need to make

safety a priority. The Canada Safety Society advises parents to follow the "5 S's of Playground Safety":

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Surface, structures, site, supervision, and safety.

- **Surface:** Parents should assume that children will fall. To lessen the blow of falls, choose playground equipment with a perimeter of six feet of a softer surface, such as sand, pea gravel, rubber pieces or wood chips. This material should be between six and 12 inches deep.

- **Structure:** The structure of the play equipment should be built from sturdy materials. Pres-

sure-treated lumber was once the standard, but it's not advisable for kids' playgrounds, as the chemicals used in the lumber can leach and young children may actually bite or pick at the wood. Use cedar or another wood that resists decay. Once the structure is built, inspect it frequently for damage.

- **Site:** Look around the landscape for an ideal place to locate the playset. There should be no obstacles that children can hit while sliding or swinging. Avoid overhanging branch-

es and do not place equipment too close to trees or fencing. Try to keep the set out of direct sunlight, which can make components heat up and scald young bodies.

- **Supervision:** Do not leave children alone while they are playing. Prevent children from using the playset in an incorrect manner.

- **Safety:** Follow the directions for installation. Make sure all posts are anchored into the ground securely. Railings should be spaced so that children

cannot get stuck between them. Check that metal components have not rusted and that there is no additional excessive wear. Be sure that no tools or other dangerous items are left around the yard.

Backyard playgrounds should be built with safety in mind. Learn the rules of play equipment and yard safety.

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HOW FAMILIES CAN MANAGE CRAMPED QUARTERS

Young parents living in cities face difficult decisions regarding their living arrangements. The suburbs versus city debate is one many young married couples have had, and that discussion is often prompted by the arrival of children.

Data from the U.S. Census Bureau suggests that more people are choosing cities over the suburbs in the 21st century. While that data indicates 53 of the 81 cities in the United States with populations exceed-

ing a quarter million people experienced reduced growth in 2013-2014, the most recent year for which statistics are available, during that time such cities still exhibited growth well above their averages from 2000 to 2010.

There are many reasons why city life might make more sense than living in the suburbs for young married couples. Living in the city may lead to far shorter commutes for working parents, and the availability of public

transportation in cities may save parents the costly expense of purchasing their own vehicles.

But city life may force families to cope with cramped quarters. Even the most spacious apartments may not provide the same square footage as single-family suburban homes. Parents who are committed to city living may need to get creative in order to live comfortably in apartments.

· Actively police clutter. Few things can make

apartments seem more cramped than clutter. Unsolicited mailings, old magazines and unused kitchenware are just a few of the items that can make small apartments seem even smaller. Discard junk mail the moment you walk through the door, making a daily effort to keep kitchen counters and tables, coffee tables and other areas that tend to accumulate clutter clear of clutter. Reducing clutter also makes homes safer for young children,

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making it easier for them to navigate a home while reducing choking hazards.

· Keep hosting duties to a minimum. Many men and women love to host friends and family, and that desire to host won't subside simply because you live in a city. But even if you love to host, host more intimate gatherings so you are not forced to use your already limited storage space to store items, such as extra plates, utensils and drinking glasses, that you will

only use every so often. Fewer guests means fewer items you need to store year-round.

· Go easy on the tots' toys. Parents of young children know that kids' toys take up a lot of space, and that's space that many city dwellers simply don't have. Rather than adding to youngsters' toy stash each month, explain to them that space is limited and that some older toys will have to go before new ones can be purchased. Donate old toys and let

kids know their items will be given to less fortunate youngsters, as that may make kids feel better about parting ways with their toys. Set a good example by showing kids when you discard or donate older items before replacing them with new ones.

· Think vertically. Single-family home owners may not need to make much use of the vertical space in their homes, but such is not often the case with apartment dwellers. Utilizing vertical space in

an apartment can be as simple as buying some shelving units or bookcases. To be safe, keep items the kids will use on lower shelves so they are not tempted to do some climbing to reach their toys or books.

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HOME TRENDS TO EXPECT IN THE YEAR AHEAD

Trends in home remodeling and decor tend to come and go. Something that is popular for a little while can fall out of favor when the next new idea comes along. New trends are always on the horizon, and 2017 may encourage homeowners to try something new.

· **Metallics and metals are back.** Although stainless steel accents in the kitchen have long been popular, the glistening look of metal and

metallic shades are back in a big way. Inspired by the 1950s and 1970s, brass, gold and metallic finishes are popular right now.

· **Texture:** Texture is a big component of interior design. Furniture and accessories featuring faux fur and natural fibers are becoming popular. Pieces adorned with cozy materials can seem more inviting. Organic shapes, such as tables looking like the

tree trunk they were cut from, also are expected to become more popular.

· **Artisanal touches in accessories:** It's all about getting back to basics, with homeowners desiring pieces that are one-of-a-kind and handmade rather than mass-produced. Expect to see more accessories that are made by hand or in small batches, like pottery or handwoven textiles, as homeowners

are increasingly turning to independent artists and artisans when decorating their homes. Homeowners can even support independent artists when choosing art for their homes. For example, YourArtGallery.com provides an online marketplace for artists to showcase and sell their work, and buyers looking to support independent artists can rest easy knowing

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that 90 percent of all image royalties go directly to the artist, a stark contrast to the roughly 50 percent offered by more traditional galleries.

· Fabric on the walls: Walls also will be covered in texture and pattern. Textiles will increasingly turn up on walls and in places they haven't traditionally been seen. Patterns may lean toward floral, tropi-

cal and indigenous artisan weaving designs.

· Pinks and blues: Expect to see pale pink and blue in various design applications. The Pantone Color Institute® released a blending of two colors, Rose Quartz and Serenity, as their 2016 Color of the Year. This has impacted color trends through all areas of design - including home touches. These colors pair well with mid-tones, like browns

and greens, as well as the increasingly popular metallics.

· Smart homes: Technology is changing the way people look at their homes. Water-resistant music systems for the bathroom, wirelessly operated Bluetooth devices that turn on lights or appliances from a smartphone and even fixtures that use technology to self-clean are turning up more and more.

Home decor trends are always changing, adding new life to homes and keeping armchair interior decorators on their toes.



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Alberta's government is a national leader in reducing red tape for job creators and families and new legislation will ensure this leadership is maintained.

Since 2019, Alberta's government has saved Albertans and Alberta businesses more than \$2.75 billion through red tape reduction. Proposed changes in the Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 would ensure unnecessary red tape does not creep back into government so Albertans and Alberta businesses can continue to enjoy a fast and efficient process when dealing with government.

If passed, the act would further improve service delivery to Albertans by making the court system digitally accessible, supporting innovation in the transportation sector, improving access to important support programs and building on government's momentum on cutting red tape. These changes would continue to save Alberta families and businesses time and money, with an estimated \$1.5 million in annual savings.

"This is our eighth red tape bill, and it proves, once again, that when it comes to red tape reduction in this country, Alberta continues to lead. The changes we're proposing will help Albertans and businesses by removing barriers, supporting new ideas and helping our economy thrive."

Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction

The proposed legislation will improve court services, support a shift to fully digital justice solutions, and improve enforcement of regulatory offences by extending the limitation period – the timeframe for laying a charge – from six months to 12 months to allow for more comprehensive investigations into serious and complex regulatory offences.

"Providing more digital options increases access to justice and saves Albertans time and money. Allowing more time for investigations into offences will improve accountability in our justice system. I'm pleased these amendments are being proposed as part of our efforts to reduce red tape."

Mickey Amery, Minister of Justice

"The extension of the limitation period to 12 months is a first step to uphold victims' rights, and to hopefully prevent what happened to our family, and to several others across the province, from happening again. My hope is that from our family's experience, and through this legislative change, there will be similar efforts by law enforcement on getting charges filed correctly and helping families like mine seek justice."

Gord Krebs

Alberta's government is committed to making sure vulnerable Albertans have access to the critical supports they need by

proposing changes to the Income and Employment Supports Act. To ensure the safety and well-being of vulnerable Albertans fleeing abuse and living in family violence shelters, proposed amendments will improve accessibility of important benefits to support them and their families.

"Simplifying the benefits system is a common-sense change which would ensure more individuals fleeing abuse receive the critical support they need. I'm pleased to see that these proposed amendments will help shelter operators, government staff and vulnerable Albertans focus on safety and well-being instead of excessive administration."

Jason Nixon, Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services

Alberta's government continues to support innovation across industries. Proposed amendments to the Traffic Safety Act will enable pilot projects that safely test new and innovative transportation technologies, such as autonomous vehicles, or to allow other vehicles, such as ATVs, to be used on specified roadways.

"With these proposed changes, Alberta's government will work with municipalities on pilot projects leading to innovative uses of existing vehicles or new technologies to meet their transportation needs. This will reduce red tape for municipalities looking to allow the use of off-highway vehicles, such as golf carts or ATVs

on municipal roads."

Devin Dreesen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors

Additional changes being proposed in the Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 include:

- Enhancing legislative commitments to annual reporting on red tape reduction;
- Repealing outdated and unused legislation for rural utility infrastructure development;
- Clarifying roles and simplifying processes related to the Invest Alberta Corporation;
- Updating definitions related to public land use;
- Increasing the number of communities that can join an inter-municipal library board;
- Repealing pandemic-related commercial tenancies protections that have expired;
- Streamlining the hiring process for potential cannabis workers;
- Clarifying the authority of the government to make policy decisions related to the gaming, liquor and cannabis sectors;
- Enabling efficiencies that will result in quicker reviews of claims made under the Vehicle Seizure and Removal Program; and
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MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN & LAND USE BYLAW DRAFTS

We invite your input for an update to the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and the Land Use Bylaw (LUB).

The **Municipal Development Plan** communicates the long-term desired land use for the County and serves as a framework of how it is expected to change over time and shape its future.

The **Land Use Bylaw** regulates the use and development of land and buildings within Yellowhead County to achieve an orderly and efficient pattern of development.

Public Information Sessions

Open Houses start April 15 across Yellowhead County. Join us at these "drop-in" events for landowners, business owners, and residents to discuss the proposed changes to the MDP and LUB. The sessions aim to answer questions and provide background on the proposed changes.

- Marlboro**
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Marlboro Community Hall, 1005 21 Ave.
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Wildwood Community Hall, 4904 51 Ave.
- Edson**
April 17, 2024, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
County Administration Building, 2716 1 Ave.
- Evansburg**
April 19, 2024, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Tipple Park Museum, 4805 48 Street
- Brule**
April 23, 2024, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Brule Community Hall, 5010 Mountain Road
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April 26, 2024, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Hinton Municipal Library, 803 Switzer Drive
- Robb**
April 29, 2024, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Robb Community Hall, 5101 52 Ave.
- Online Open House**
April 30, 2024, 11:00 am and 6:00 pm
www.yhcounty.ca/join

Public Hearing to be held on:
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Council Chambers, County Administration Building, 2716 1 Ave, Edson


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 For the draft document and the online survey, visit:
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Obituaries



On Monday, April 1st, 2024, Margaret (Kathy) Cook passed away peacefully, at the Good Samaritan Pembina Village in Evansburg, surrounded by her family. Kathy will be missed and always loved by her son-Dave (Monica) Reid, daughters-Karen Wilchek and Connie Wilchek, numerous grandchildren, sister-June Nickerson, brother-Ken Berry (June), as well as numerous nieces and nephews. We would also like to thank Dr. Murphy and the staff at Pembina Village for the care they provided to Kathy. A funeral service will be held on April 26th, 2024 at 1pm, in the Wildwood Hall.

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<p>Parkland Baptist Church Sunday Worship Service 10:30a.m. All Welcome 121 Brookwood Drive (780) 962-4101 www.parklandbaptist.ca</p>	<p>Word Church Apocalyptic Era Border Crossing Athletic Centre, 9 Tri Leisure Way, Spruce Grove upstairs in the Wild Rose room. Ph: 780-962-7579 Service starts at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday morning, come all & be bless.</p>	<p>St. Anthony's Ukrainian Orthodox Church 6103 172 St. NW, Edmonton Saturday: Vespers 5:00PM Sunday: Divine Liturgy 10:00AM 780.487.2167 anthony@telusnet.net www.st-anthonys.ca</p>	<p>Mount Carmel Spirituality Centre Catholic Chapel Sunday Masses 10a.m. & 2pm Weekdays 9am Saturday 10am 1205 HWY 62, 535 Parkland County</p>	<p>Stony Plain United Church Sunday Service 10:30a.m. 5012-51 Ave. Stony Plain Mewassin United Church Sunday Service 9:00a.m. Rev. Heather Koots Hwy 627 - Rg Rd 30 Ph: 780-963-4745</p>	<p>Immanuel Lutheran Church of Rosenthal Sunday Worship Service 9:30a.m. Sunday School 780-963-4048</p>
<p>Emmaus Lutheran Church Sunday Worship Service 11:00a.m. Rev. Robert Marshall 4604-59th Ave, Drayton Valley Ph: 780-542-5101 www.emmauslutheran.ca or grrg.com</p>	<p>Church of God Worship Service Sun. 11:00a.m. Please contact for activities 5004-49 Street, Drayton Valley Ph: 780-542-5091</p>	<p>Calvary Baptist Church Pastoral Team: Kenton Penner Sunday Worship 10:30a.m. Youth & Ministries Info - calvbapt@telus.net 4401-50th Ave. Drayton Valley 780-542-4774 www.calvarybaptistdo.ca</p>	<p>Drayton Valley Alliance Church Pastor John Haazen Join us for Sunday Service at 10:30a.m. 5014-56 Ave. (next to Value Drug Mart) Programs for all ages Ph: 542-6501 dvalliance.ca</p>	<p>All Saints' Anglican Church 10:30a.m. Sunday Worship 5212 47 Ave. Drayton Valley (780) 542-5048 www.allsaaintsdraytonvalley.ca</p>	<p>St. Anthony Catholic Church WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday 5:00p.m. Sunday 12:00p.m. 4708-50 Ave. Drayton Valley Parish Office: 542-5254</p>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you are a LICENSED, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, you are welcome to submit your announcement FREE of charge, space permitting. You are required to submit your non-profit number. Call (780) 962-9228. Please note that all submitted event listings must be limited to 25 characters or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

FARMERS MARKETS

DRAYTON VALLEY: Farmers' Market, Wednesdays starting May 3rd-October 4 from 3:00pm-6:00pm at 5015 Industrial Rd. dvagsocietyinfo@gmail.com for information.

EVANSBURG FARMERS MARKET: Every Saturday 10am - 2pm located right beside Evansburg Tipple Museum 780-515-0905

May-Sept
URG: Sat, 10AM-2PM, Tipple Park Museum. Call 727-2240 for tables. *May-Sept.

SPRUCE GROVE: at the Elevator, Sat 10:00-1:00PM, Info (780)288-6174 *April - Dec.

STONY PLAIN: Saturdays, 9AM-1PM, Community Centre Downtown, Stony Plain. Nancy 780-962-3993. *April - Dec. **Wabamun Farmers Market:** 12:00 noon on Sunday, July 3. Old Fire Hall (53rd Ave), Wabamun

BINGO

ENTWISTLE COMM. LEAGUE BINGO: Every Wednesday, Doors Open 6PM.

STONY PLAIN SENIOR'S DROP-IN CENTRE: public bingo every Tues, 7PM. All ages welcome. Phone (780) 963-6685

WILDWOOD: 4th Mon night, 6:30PM, bingo starts 7:30PM, Early Birds & Lucky 7.

WILDWOOD LADIES AID: every 3rd Friday of month, 6:30PM, bingo starts 7:30PM.

MEAT DRAWS

C.A.N. COMMUNITIES OF ALBERTA NETWORKING FOR SENIORS, Spruce Grove at Pioneer Center. first market March 25 1 - 5:30pm

Evansburg: Evansburg Legion, Friday 8-10PM & Saturday 3-5PM

STONY PLAIN ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR# 256: Saturdays @ 3:00PM.-5:00 PM Meat Draw & 50/50.

Wildwood: Wildwood Legion, Saturday 3-5PM

JAMBOREES

CARVEL: 2nd Sunday of month. \$6 lunch served. Info 780-991-3001

DUFFIELD: Oct 22 \$20, Entertainers \$10. Dinner @ 6pm, late lunch and 50/50.

*Sept - May. except dec.
ENTWISTLE: 3rd Saturday of month, Doors at 1:30PM at Entwistle Community Hall. Contact Verna at 780-716-2304.

*October - May
RAVINE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: 1st Sat of each month. Info 780-325-2391

*Sept - May.
Edmonton Northwest Senior's Center: 12963 - 120st NW, Every Wed From 1-3:30pm Aug & Sept Admin: \$5 non members \$2 members Yearly membership \$30

SPRUCE GROVE: at Sandhills Community Hall, 3rd Sunday, 1-5PM. Info Florence 780-962-3104 Margaret 780-962-3051 *Sept - June.

STONY PLAIN: Stony Plain Seniors Drop In Center, 5018 - 51 Ave. Every 1st & 3rd Thurs of month, 6:30PM, \$2.

TOMAHAWK: Tomahawk Agriplex, 3rd Friday of month, 1PM, to 5PM. Doors open at noon PH: 780-339-3755. *Oct - May

WILDWOOD: Wildwood Community Hall, 3rd Wed Each Month, noon 325-2180 325-2270 *Oct - June.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

ENTWISTLE: Wed 5 pm weigh-in, meeting to follow. WEE Foodbank building, main street Entwistle, south entrance. Call Jean at 780-270-4648 for more info.

STONY PLAIN: Thurs evening at 5:30PM, Stony Plain Library Susan (780) 968-0869

SPRUCE GROVE: Mon at 4:30pm at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Betty (780)962-3857

SPRUCE GROVE: Tues at 6:15PM at Anglican Church, 131 Church Rd. Sharron (780) 962-2722

SPRUCE GROVE: Wed at 8:45am at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Christiane (sp) (780)960-1109

WILDWOOD: Thurs at 10am at Wildwood Hall, Bea (780)727-2129

SANGUDO: Tues 5pm at Sangudo United Church. Toni (780)786-4612

YOUR COMMUNITY

ALBERTA PARENTING FOR THE FUTURE ASSOC: Call 963-0549 or visit www.apfa.ca to register. All programs are confidential & free.

Derrick Toastmasters: Serving Drayton Valley and area since 1990 Build Communication, Leadership & Public Speaking Skills Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7-9pm, Zoom Contact derricktm6538.secretary@gmail.com for information.

FREE HOME MEAL DELIVERY PROGRAM, for Wabamun Seniors & Wabamun Lions. Arrange for meal preparation through a local restaurant. Call Darlene, 892-2551.

PROBLEMS WITH DRUG OR ALCOHOL ADDICTION in a loved one? Contact Drug Rehab Resource for a free confidential consultation. 1-866-649-1594 or www.drugrehabresource.net.

LIBRARY EVENTS

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB at Keephills Library. 2nd Tues of every month, 1:30-3:00PM. Visit www.pclibraries.ca for info.

FAMILY GAMES NIGHT: 3rd Wed of every month, 6-8PM. Located at Entwistle Library, Duffield Library and Tomahawk Library. In partnership with Parkland School Division. Visit www.pclibraries.ca for more info.

HATCHET CITY READERS at Tomahawk Library. 3rd Tues of every month, 10-11AM. For what we're reading next, visit our website, www.pclibraries.ca.

INVENTORS CLUB: 2nd Thurs of every month, 3:30-5:00PM at Entwistle Library. 4th Thurs of every month, 3:30-5:00PM at Tomahawk Library. Ages 8-13. To register: Call the library at 780-339-3935.

SEBA BEACH LIBRARY Seba Beach Book Club is back to being indoors. We meet at 10 AM every 3rd Tuesday of the month. Call us at 780-797-3940 or email sebsbeachlibrary@yrl.ab.ca or follow us on FB .

EVANSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB: 4th Thurs, 7:00PM Grand Trunk High 727-2030.

SOCIAL EVENTS

AEROBICS: Low impact, Mon/Wed, 11AM-12PM, Wildwood Senior's Centre, \$1/session.

BREAKFAST SOCIAL: 9:30AM-NOON, Parkland Village Community Centre - 3rd Sunday. PH: 780.298.9155 Social Media: PVC Centre.

COME PLAY CRIB: Fridays, 7:00PM at Darwell Seniors Hall; lite lunch is served. All ages!

COUNTRY QUILTERS in Stony Plain house a "Sew in Tuesday", 2nd Tuesday of every month, from 10-3PM. Drop in \$5/member, \$6/non-members. Contact Cindy 780-963-7170.

Darwell Public Skating 7-days wheel 8am - 8pm. more details on Darwellag.com or Facebook

DROP-IN ADULT PICKLEBALL: Thursdays, 6-8:30 p.m. Sept.12th-May @ G.T. School, Evansburg. Beginners Welcome. Paddles sponsored by the Evansburg Public Library

EVANSBURG ART CLUB: meet & paint Thurs 1-4PM Rec Plex. 727-4340 or 727-

4098

EVANSBURG SENIOR'S HERITAGE HOUSE: Floor Curling Mon & Thurs, 1pm. Court Whist Thurs, 7PM.

EVANSBURG TIPPLE PARK HISTORICAL BUILDING TOURS: Wed - Sat, 10:00-5:00PM.

HEALTHY AGING NURSE & FOOT CARE PERSON, Wabamun Seniors Centre, 2nd Thurs of month, 9AM.

OPEN HOUSE for socializing, Crib & card playing at Entwistle Senior Center, Thursdays at 6:45PM. Dan 780-982-0353

PARENT & TOT PLAYTIME: PERC Building Stony Plain Wed 10-11AM; Holborn Community Hall Thurs 9:30-11AM; Parkland Village Tues 9:30-11:30AM.

POT LUCK every Tues 12:00PM, Wabamun Seniors Centre. Come on down!

SEBA BEACH SENIORS CENTER: Yoga, mon, 9:30AM, \$10/session. Bridge thurs, 1PM. Jams every Wed night, 7PM. Thrift Shop every Wed & Sat at 10-3PM. Charity # 890175375 RR0001

SEBA BEACH QUILTERS & FIBER ARTS: Wednesdays 9:30AM, Seniors Center.

SENIORS WEDNESDAY* AFTERNOON 1-4pm at Parkland Village Community Centre. Games, Crafts & more! Call Sheryl 780.695.7032 *exceptions incl. Weather.

SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN INSPIRATIONAL CINEMA & DISCUSSIONS at PERC Building (5413-51 St). 2nd Friday of month at 7PM. Popcorn provided, donations appreciated. Contact 780-940-3032

SPRUCE GROVE ELEVATOR TOURS: Tues-Sat, 9-3PM. 960-4600.

STONY PLAIN'S 5TH MERIDIAN GOOD SAMS RV CHAPTER: Ecole Meridian Heights School. 3rd Tues of Month, 7PM. Call Pat at 780-963-6976 or Ruth at 780-288-9829.

THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION Images of Nature Show, Featuring wildlife carvings, Whitecroft Hall, 314 52313 RR232, Sherwood Park, Saturday Apr.30 2:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday May 1, 10:00 am - 2:30pm, See beautiful hand carved wildlife sculptures

MEETINGS

2nd TIMERS: A support & confidential group for Grandparents Parenting. 1st Thurs of month, 6:30PM. Grand Trunk High School (meet in Lobstick Literacy & Learning room). Child care provided at the Evansburg Public Library.

299 ROYAL CANADIAN SEA CADETS CORPS MACKENZIE: Stony Plain Comm Center, Wed 6:30PM. Youths 12-18, 963-0843

755 PARKLAND AIR CADETS Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM Muir Lake School, ages 12-18. Info call 405-6585 or www.aircadet.com/755.

AA: Friday at 8PM, Evansburg. Call 325-2204, 727-2466 or 727-6652.

AA MEETING: Every Monday night at 8PM, Duffield Mewassin Free Methodist Church, (13km South of Duffield Turnoff at Shell Gas Station on Hwy 16).

AL-ANON: Wed 8PM, Spruce Grove United Church, 1A Fieldstone Drive. 962-5205

Hope and Help for Family and Friends, New Al-Anon meeting in Spruce Grove Wed @ 11am. 1A Fieldstone Dr Church Library

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (Evans/Ent): 7:30PM 3rd Thurs, Heritage House.

C.H.I.L.D. (Citizens Helping in Life's Defence) Please join our Pro-Life meetings once a month in Stony Plain. For info call Chris 963-6997.

CITIZENS ON PATROL: The Pembina Community Watch Patrol Meets 2nd Thurs of each month at 7:30PM, at the Tipple Park Museum (4924-48 St.), Evansburg. Contact 780-898-1465 or 780-727-2686.

DARWELL & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY:

7PM, 1st Mon, Community Hall.

DDRA MEETING, 7:00PM, 2nd Mon, Darwell Centennial Hall 780-892-3099. *except Jul/Aug/Dec

DRAYTON VALLEY BRANCH OF ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: meets 7PM at Municipal Library (5120-52 St.) every 3rd Wed of month. Call (780) 542-2787

ENTWISTLE COMMUNITY LEAGUE GENERAL MEETINGS: 2nd Thursdays monthly 7:30PM. *Except June, July, August

ENTWISTLE LIONS CLUB: 2nd & 4th Tues, 8PM, Entwistle curling Rink. Jim 727-3573

ENTWISTLE SENIORS 55+ CLUB: Tue & Fri, 1:30-4:00PM at Entwistle Hall

EVANSBURG SENIOR'S 55+ HERITAGE HOUSE: 2nd Wed of Month, 7:00PM. Dennis, 727-4186.

FALLIS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: 3rd Tuesday, 7:00PM.

LAC STE. ANNE & LAKE ISLE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SOCIETY: 3rd Fri, 7PM, Alberta Beach Council Chambers.

LAKE ISLE HALL COMMUNITY HALL BOARD MEETINGS: 3rd Wed of each month @ 7:30PM at the Lake Isle Hall (Hwy 633 and RR55) Ph # 780-892-3121.

LAKE ISLE MULTI 4-H GENERAL MEETINGS: 1st Thurs of each month @ 6:30PM @ Lake Isle Hall. Contact 780-242-2486.

LOBSTICK 4-H BEEF & MULTI CLUB: 1st Mon, Evansburg Arena, 7PM, Shannon 727-2358

LOBSTICK GARDEN CLUB: 1st Tues, 6:30PM at Tipple Park Museum, Clara (780) 399-2205

MACKAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: 7pm on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at Mackay Community Hall

MAGNOLIA BOARD MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday of month, 7PM at Magnolia Community Hall.

MEN FOR SOBRIETY: Wednesdays at 7:30PM, FCCS Building (#105, 505 Queen Street, Spruce Grove). Mike (780) 965-9991.

MS SOCIETY DRAYTON VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP meets 1st Tues of month, 6-8PM at Norquest College. Terra Leslie, 1-403-346-0290. *Sept-June

MS SOCIETY PARKLAND COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP: Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? Last Tues of month, 7-9PM, Westview Health Centre. Contact Cassy 780-471-3034

NA MEETING: Tuesdays, 7:00PM. 514-6011

PEMBINA PORCUPINES - JUNIOR FOREST WARDENS: Entwistle Porcupine gathering: 7PM, 1st Tue. Len & Tineke at 727-2020. Porcupines@yellowheadjfw.ca

STONY PLAIN FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION & WABAMUN GUN CLUB: 2nd Mon, Stony Plain Comm Center, 7:30PM.

SUNDOWNERS TOASTMASTER CLUB: Mon (excl. Holidays) 7:30-9:30PM. St. Matthew's Church, Spruce Grove. Judy 960-5258

TOMAHAWK SENIORS (50+) meets every Thursday from 1-4pm at the Tomahawk Agra.

W.E.E COMMUNITY FOOD BANK: Call (780) 727-4043 for emergency food needs. Monthly Meeting: LAST Monday of month at 7:00PM at the Food Bank (Old fire hall in Entwistle). *Except December

WILDWOOD & DIST AG SOCIETY: 2nd Wed of each month 7:00PM at the Wildwood Complex. Wilma 325-2424

WILDWOOD & DIST ROD & GUN CLUB: 2nd Thursday, 7:30PM at the range clubhouse, wildwoodrodandgun@gmail.com

WILDWOOD SENIORS: 4th Wednesday at 2:00PM. Contact Vivian 780 325 2296

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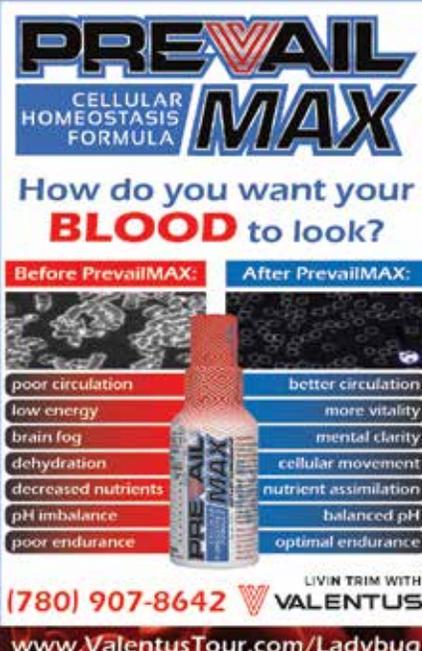


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