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ALBERTA RCMP MAJOR CRIMES UNIT INVESTIGATE FATAL ARSON IN WETASKIWIN CONCLUSION

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

On Dec. 15, 2024, at 5:12 a.m. Wetaskiwin RCMP received a report of a resi-

dential house fire near 53 avenue and 45 Street in Wetaskiwin. Upon arrival, a deceased male was located inside the residence. The male was identified as

67-year-old Wetaskiwin resident Donald Robert and the circumstances surrounding his death were deemed to be suspicious.

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LEDUC RCMP SEEK PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING MISSING YOUTH



Submitted by Leduc RCMP

Leduc RCMP is seeking the public's assistance in locating missing 15-year-old Jessa Davidson. She was last seen in Leduc on July 6, 2025. There is concern for her well-being.

Jessa is described as:

• Fair complexion Continued on Page 2

ALBERTA RCMP SERIOUS CRIMES BRANCH CONDUCTS ARREST IN HUMAN TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

In the summer of 2024, Alberta RCMP and Alberta Employment Standards Office received a report of possible human trafficking at a motel

in Fox Creek, Alta., and a gas station in Calmar, Alta. The complaint made its way to the Alberta RCMP Serious Crimes Branch who engaged partner agencies such as: Alberta Employment Standards Office,

Occupational Health and Safety, Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), Alberta Occupational Health and Safety, ALERT CFSEU Money Laundering Asset

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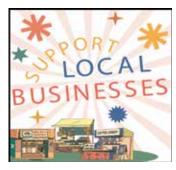
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Alberta RCMP Major Crimes Unit took carriage of the investigation. After extensive investigation, on July 9, 2025, two youth, a male and a female, were arrested and have been charged with the following:

- Manslaughter
- Arson disregard for human life

As they are both youth, they cannot be named. Af-

ter a Judicial Interim Release Hearing, both were remanded to appear in Alberta Court of Justice in Wetaskiwin on July 10, 2025.

Leduc RCMP Seek Public Assistance In Locating Missing Youth

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- Brown hair
- 5 feet 10 inches and approximately 200 pounds

• Wearing a red and black sweater and black pants or leggings

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abouts of Jessa, please contact Leduc RCMP at 780-980-7267.





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Alberta RCMP Serious Crimes Branch Conducts Arrest In Human Trafficking Investigation

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Forfeiture Team (MLAFT), FINTRAC, and Service Canada. Furthermore, ACT (Action, Coalition on Human Trafficking) Alberta is assisting with the survivors of this investigation.

The investigation uncovered multiple illegal business practises involving several immigrant workers. These practices included, but were not limited to:

- Forcing employees to work 80 to 90 hour weeks without proper compensation;
- Submitting falsified work schedules;
- Exploitative payment practices;
- Overcharging rent and expenses;
- Improper Labour Market Impact Assessment practices; and
- Harassment.
 On June 25, 2025, the Alberta

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RCMP, assisted by CBSA, executed search warrants at two Edmonton residences seizing cash, bank records, business records and immigration agreements, amongst other offence-related materials.

As a result of the investigation, two individuals were arrested:

- Yeon Soo Lee, a 55-year-old Edmonton resident, was charged with:
- o Trafficking in Persons (x4);
- o Material Benefits from trafficking (x4);
- o Criminal Harassment.
- Joo Hyup Lee, a 26-year-old Edmonton resident, was charged with:
- o Trafficking in Persons; and
- o Material Benefits from trafficking.
- Both individuals

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have since been released and are set to appear before the Alberta Court of Justice in Grande Prairie on Aug. 11, 2025.

The investigation is ongoing, with allegations of money laundering still being investigated and authorities actively pursuing all related offences. Investigators are committed to thoroughly uncovering the full scope of the operation and ensuring that all individuals involved are held accountable and that supports are provided for the survivors.

"Human Trafficking is the act of recruiting, transporting, holding individuals by means of force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of sexual or labour exploitation." said Inspector Breanne Brown of the Alberta RCMP Serious Crimes Branch. "In this case, the RCMP determined that the suspects took action to harbour and re-

cruit foreign workers by using threats, abuse of power, fraud and deception, all for the purpose of exploiting the labour of these workers. The Alberta RCMP takes these offences seriously and ask the public to keep an eye out for these individuals who, by the nature of their status and situation, are vulnerable to their oppressors. Those who may have information about Human Trafficking (including sex or labour) are asked to please contact their local police of jurisdiction."

"The Employment Standards branch of Alberta Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration investigated multiple businesses owned and operated by Yeon Soo Lee and Joo Hyup Lee for allegations of human trafficking, exploitation of vulnerable workers and violations of the Employment Standards

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Code" said a message from Employment Standards branch, who often work alongside RCMP in these investigations. "As a result of the investigation, the matter was referred to the RCMP. Employment Standards recovered more than \$160,000 in unpaid earnings for employees and for unauthorized deductions from those earnings. The ministry's Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) branch also conducted inspections of these businesses related to compliance with OHS laws. The inspections and follow-up inspections resulted in a \$60,000 administrative penalty issued to the involved businesses for repeated non-compliance with OHS requirements. A \$10,000 administrative penalty was issued to Yeon Soo Lee for hindering and interfering with an OHS officer".

The Alberta RCMP would also like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the creation of the K Division Human Trafficking Unit in 2023 with the establishment of the Provincial Coordinator role along with the two Special Projects Units in 2024.

Temporary foreign workers or persons on visitor visa's make vulnerable targets for labour trafficking as they are often desperate and looking for opportunities to leave their home country. These persons are often recruited through on-line portals, through immigration companies or word of mouth promising them the opportunity for permanent residency or citizenship in Canada. They are recruited, transported, and harboured by bad employers who hold their identification, control their finances and

movements through means of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of forced labour or domestic servitude. When employees complain or try to express concerns, they are often met with threats of penalties or deportation, which keep them from coming forward to police.

These investigations are often done in coordination with the Alberta Employment Standards Office, who wanted to share this message:

The Employment Standards branch of Alberta Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration investigated multiple businesses owned and operated by Yeon Soo Lee and Joo Hyup Lee for allegations of human trafficking, exploitation of vulnerable workers and violations of the Employment Standards Code. As a result of the investigation, the matter was referred to the

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EXPERT ADVICE AVAILABLE FOR NEW PARENTS ACROSS ALBERTA

Submitted by Alberta Health Service

There is now a single phone number for new parents across the province seeking expert advice on newborn care.

Primary Care Alberta's (PCA) New Parent and Newborn Line, which launched last month, is now a provincial service. All new parents across Alberta can call 1-833-805-BABY (2229) any time, any day, to get expert advice from registered nurses specializing in postpartum care.

"There is now a single, easy-to-access phone number for new parents across the province to get expert advice on newborn care - making it simpler to find the support they need during those critical early days," Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Health.

Nurses are available 24/7 to offer support, information and referrals to new parents and caregivers for the first two months after their baby's birth. Health Link experts receive questions including caring for baby, breastfeeding, mother's health, and baby's health.

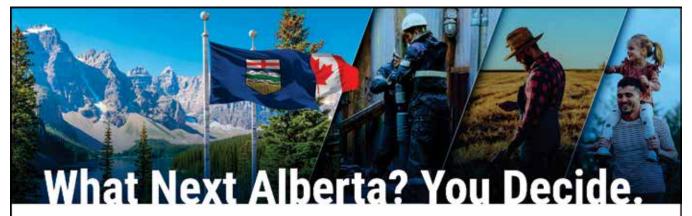
"Through the New Parent and Newborn Line, new parents across Alberta have direct access to experts in postpartum care," says Patricia Chambers, Executive

Lead of Patient Navigation and System Integration with PCA. "Health Link 811 nurses offer that advice with compassion, as they know what it's like to have a new baby at home."

The Early Start Parent Information Line previously available in Calgary, and Healthy Beginnings in Edmonton, receive approximately 2,000 calls a month from new parents and caregivers.

"Offering virtual health services empowers Albertans to seek out their own appropriate care options without having to go to the emergency department or their primary care provider," says PCA CEO Kimberley Simmonds. "Our goal is to ensure that Albertans have access to the right care, at the right place, at the right time."

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GETTING ALBERTANS BACK TO WORK

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is investing \$33 million in training programs to help unemployed and underemployed Albertans gain the skills needed to rejoin the workforce.

Through the Training for Work program, Alberta's government has awarded millions in new contracts during the 2024-25 fiscal year. These programs are providing skills training and employment supports for more than 5,000 Albertans across the province over the next four years. These investments don't just support individuals – they strengthen families, communities and Alberta's entire economy.

Training for Work programs offer skill development and employment services to unemployed Albertans in more than 50 communities across Alberta. Some programs offer virtual access to ensure all Albertans can get the training they need to propel their careers into the future.

"Alberta needs more skilled workers to meet the labour market demands of our growing economy. Training for Work helps unemployed or underemployed Albertans get the skills and support they need to get back into the workforce or upskill into new roles, while also assisting Alberta's employers in filling high-demand positions with job-ready workers."

Matt Jones, Minister of Jobs, Economy and Trade

In addition to helping fill labour market gaps in high-demand sectors like construction and health care, the Training for Work program helps offer personalized supports to meet the needs of job seekers and local employers. The Training for Work program remains vital to creating sustainable employment opportunities to strengthen Alberta's labour market.

"BGS Career Ventures is proud to deliver Training for Work programs that help Albertans overcome employment barriers and build meaningful long-term careers. Through our JobPLUS Transition to Employment Services and JobCO Workplace Training programs, we've helped hundreds of Albertans including youth, older workers, newcomers and others facing challenges, connect to the labour market across a wide range of industries."

Steve McGean, managing partner, BGS Career Ventures

In 2024-25, Training for Work programs were added to 23 communities across Alberta under four subcategories: Integrated Training, Immigrant Bridging, Transition to Employment Services and Workplace Training.

- Integrated Training programs provide industry-recognized skills, handson experience and job search support to help Albertans re-enter the workforce.
- Immigrant Bridging programs help newcomers get their credentials recognized and use their skills and education in Alberta's labour market.

· Transition to Em-

ployment Services offers personalized support, including career counselling, job matching and up to \$7,000 for short-term training and work exposure – to help Albertans rejoin the workforce.

• Workplace Training links unemployed Albertans with employers for on-the-job training, wage reimbursements, and up to \$7,000 for off-site training to fill skill gaps and support long-term employment.

Alberta's government is opening doors to opportunity by expanding training programs and tailoring support – helping thousands of Albertans get back to work or upskill, while connecting employers with the talent they need to grow. These investments reinforce Alberta's commitment to building a resilient, responsive workforce that is meeting the needs of a growing and diversifying economy.

STRONG SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY POLICY

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Survey results show strong public support for action to ensure children do not have access to age-inappropriate materials in Alberta school libraries.

Following the discovery of multiple books with explicit sexual content in some school libraries across the province, Alberta's government conducted a public engagement survey to collect feedback on the creation of consistent standards to ensure the age-appropriateness of materials available to students in school libraries.

From May 26 to June 6, Albertans were invited to share their views on age-appropriate materials in school librar-

ies through an online survey. Almost 80,000 individual respondents completed the survey, showing significant and widespread public interest in the issue.

Alberta's government will be using this input, along with ongoing feedback collected from education partners, to develop provincewide standards. These standards will provide school boards with clear and consistent guidelines for selecting and managing age-appropriate materials in school libraries across the province.

"Parents, educators and Albertans in general want action to ensure children don't have access to age-inappropriate materials in school libraries. We will use this valuable input to guide the creation of a prov-

incewide standard to ensure the policy reflects the priorities and values of Albertans."

Demetrios Nicolaides, Minister of Education and Childcare Key survey findings

- When asked "At what age should children be able to access materials with sexually explicit content in school libraries," parents said:
- o never (have access): 42 per cent
- o elementary school (age 12 and under): four per cent
- o middle school (age 12 and up): 18 per cent
- o high school (age 15 and up): 22 per cent
- o all ages (should have access): 14 per cent
- 62 per cent believe parents and guardians should

have a role in reporting or challenging sexually explicit content in school libraries.

- When asked who should decide what materials are age appropriate in school libraries, the most popular responses were school librarians, teachers and parents.
- Parents of school-age children were most supportive (42 per cent) of children never being able to access these materials in schools.

The online survey summary and data are available on Alberta.ca. It should be noted that this online survey was designed for public engagement and to be used as a temperature check to see what Albertans think is the best way forward on this issue

ADDRESSING CLASSROOM AGGRESSION AND COMPLEXITY

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is launching an action team to address classroom complexity and aggression to make schools safer for students and staff.

Alberta's classrooms have become increasingly complex, with more incidents of aggression occurring, paired with increased challenges with behaviour and the special learning needs of students. To address these issues head on, Alberta's government is creating an action team composed of teachers and education partners that will provide recommendations to help guide new policy and address complex classrooms.

"We have heard loud and clear from teachers and parents that we need to do something about aggression in classrooms, and that is exactly what we are doing. Every student and staff member deserves to feel safe, supported and respected at school, and the action team will help reach that goal. Creating this action team is one of several concrete steps we are taking to improve school safety and better support students' diverse needs."

Demetrios Nicolaides, Minister of Education and Childcare

The team, named the Aggression and Complexity in Schools Action Team, will make recommendations to Alberta's government on short- and longterm actions that will support students and educators. The action team will consist of 20 education system leaders including representatives from school boards in Edmonton and Calgary and the Alberta Teachers' Association. To ensure their work is informed by front-line experience, the action team will also work closely with teachers, education support workers, school resource officers and representatives

from student and family advocacy groups. The list of action team members will be published online once finalized.

"Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) appreciates government's commitment to address classroom complexities. ASBA looks forward to this collaborative effort, including local school board perspectives, to help shape meaningful, long-term solutions that support students and educators."

Marilyn Dennis, president, Alberta School Boards Association

The action team will deliver a report with advice and recommendations to Alberta Education and Childcare to inform a combination of practical solutions and policy by fall 2025. Some recommendations could begin rolling out as soon as the 2025-26 school year. The action team may also continue to be engaged to provide advice to Alberta Education and Childcare on implementation of pol-

icy or program changes that result from its recommendations.

"The College of Alberta School Superintendents recognizes the growing complexity within today's classrooms and the impact it has on learning, safety and well-being. We welcome the creation of the Aggression and Complexity in Schools Action Team as an important step in addressing these challenges. By working collaboratively with government, educators and community partners, we can help ensure classrooms remain safe, supportive spaces where every student has the opportunity to thrive."

Mike McMann, president, College of Alberta School Superintendents







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ALBERTA RCMP ENCOURAGES FAMILIES TO DISCUSS PERSONAL SAFETY WITH CHILDREN

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

With the arrival of warmer weather and longer days, kids are spending more time outside-whether walking to a friend's house, heading to the park, or just enjoying the outdoors. Your Alberta RCMP is reminding parents and guardians that this is a good time to check in with children about staying safe and being aware of their environment.

Building confidence in children to recognize unsafe situations and trust their instincts is one of the best ways to help keep them safe. Having open, age-appropriate conversations about boundaries, decision-making, and what to do when something feels wrong can go a long way in preparing kids for real-life scenarios.

To support families in the community with these important conversations, the Alberta RCMP is sharing a list of tips that parents and caregivers can review with their children:

- Remind kids never to go anywhere with someone they don't know. Even if a stranger seems nice or asks for help, they should walk away and seek help from someone they trust.
- Let your child know that no adult should ever ask them to do something that makes them feel uneasy. It's okay to say no and remove themselves from the situation.

- If something doesn't sit right—even if they can't explain why—children should be encouraged to leave and talk to a trusted adult as soon as they can.
- Teach kids to check in with a parent or caregiver before accepting anything or going anywhere, especially if it involves someone unfamiliar.
- Help them identify safe adults they can approach if they feel unsure, like a teacher, neighbour, or family member.
- Consider setting up a family password. If someone other than you

needs to pick up your child unexpectedly, they should know the agreed-upon word.

- Encourage kids to stick with friends or siblings when walking or playing outside—there's always greater safety in numbers.
- Walk or bike common routes with your child and point out safe locations they can go to if they need help.
- If your child has a phone, make use of family location features available on most smartphones, like Apple's Family Sharing or Google Family Link.
 - Go over how to

use emergency call functions and make sure they know their full name, address, your contact info, and how to describe their location to 911 if needed.

• Run through some "what would you do if..." situations with your child to help them think through different safety scenarios.

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CONFIRMED CASE OF MEASLES PROMPTS PUBLIC ALERT TO POTENTIAL EXPOSURES

Submitted by Alberta Health Services

Alberta Health Services (AHS) has been notified of a person with confirmed measles in the Edmonton Zone who has been in a public setting while infectious. Additional locations may be released if necessary.

Individuals who were in the following location/s during the specified dates and times may have been exposed to measles:

Location:

Stollery Children's Hospital Emergency Department

8440 112 Street NW, Edmonton

Exposure time periods: July 2: Exposure time: Approx. 7:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. (MDT)

Location:

University of Alberta Hospital foyers in between 112th Street and 114th Street Entrances

8440 112 Street NW, Edmonton

Exposure time periods: July 2: Exposure time: Approx. 7:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. (MDT)

Anyone who attended these locations at these times, who was born in or after 1970 and has less than two documented doses of measles-containing vaccine, may be at risk for developing measles. They should self-monitor for symptoms of measles and are strongly encouraged to

review their immunization records.

Measles is an extremely contagious disease and the virus spreads easily through the air. Symptoms of measles include:

- Fever of 38.3° C or higher; and
- Cough, runny nose and/or red eyes;
 and
- A rash that appears 3 to 7 days after fever starts, usually beginning behind the ears and on the face and spreading down to the body and then to the arms and legs. The rash appears red and blotchy on lighter skin colours. On darker skin colours, it can appear purple or darker than the skin around it, or it might be hard to see.

Complications of measles can include ear infections, pneumonia, inflammation of the brain, premature delivery, and rarely death. Persons who are pregnant, less than 5 years of age, or have weakened immune systems are at greatest risk of serious complications.

If symptoms of measles do develop, individuals are advised to stay home and call the measles hotline at 1-844-944-3434 before visiting any healthcare facility or provider, including a family physician clinic or pharmacy.

Measles vaccine is highly effective at preventing infection and complica-

tions. In Alberta, measles vaccine is offered, free of charge, through Alberta's publicly funded immunization program. The recommended schedule for measles vaccination is two doses, the first at one year of age and the second at 18 months.

If you think you have been exposed, and you are not protected against measles you may be able to receive immunization to reduce the risk of infection. A dose of vaccine needs to be given within 72 hours of exposure to prevent measles. Babies under 1 year of age, people with severely weakened immune systems, and those who are pregnant may be able to receive immunoglobulin within 6 days of exposure to prevent disease. Call the measles hotline at 1-844-944-3434 for more information if these situations apply to you or your family.

Albertans uncertain of their immunization history, or their child's immunization history, can check eligibility and/or book an appointment by calling the measles hotline at 1-844-944-3434.

Individuals who are 14 years of age and older can check their My Health Record.

The measles hotline connects you to a professional who can assist with accessing your immunization records or offer general information; provide advice for those experiencing measles symptoms and are feeling unwell; and assist with booking measles immunization appointments or locating a public health clinic offering immunization in your area.

You can also text 'Measles' to 88111 to get measles health information texted to your mobile device.

For further information on routine childhood immunization, visit ahs. ca/immunization. You can also learn more from MyHealthAlberta about the risks of measles here and find frequently asked questions here.

For the latest information on measles in Alberta, visit ahs.ca/measles

Alberta Health Services provides a range of healthcare services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta. Our mission is to provide excellent, patient-focused healthcare that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans. Our current focus is on reducing emergency department wait times, improving EMS response times, increasing access to surgeries, and improving patient flow.

HELPING MANUFACTURERS THRIVE IN ALBERTA

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is providing more than \$4 million to help small and medium sized businesses boost their productivity and thrive across the province.

Alberta's government is focused on growing the economy by creating a business-friendly climate where companies want to invest. This focus has led to more jobs and economic prosperity, making Alberta the best place in Canada to do business. Alberta is already home to one of Canada's largest manufacturing industries, and with low corporate taxes and regulatory burden, Alberta's government is helping more businesses succeed.

In collaboration with Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters, Alberta's government is investing more than \$4 million to support small- and medium-sized manufacturing businesses through the Alberta Manufacturing Productivity Grant. This two-year pilot program offers businesses access to advice, expertise and up to \$30,000 in matching funding for upgrades technology along with new machinery and equipment. The pilot program is expected to support approximately 130 small- and medium-sized businesses.

"Alberta's government is committed to making sure small- and medium-sized businesses have the resources they need to grow. The Alberta Manufacturing Productivity Grant is empowering local business owners to invest in new technologies, machinery and equipment that will allow them to take their business to the next level – while also driving job creation and growth in Alberta's manufacturing sector."

Joseph Schow, Minister of Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration

Manufacturing companies from any sector are eligible to apply to the pilot program if they have a physical location in Alberta which makes, refines, refurbishes or processes a product or material, uses the equipment or technology from the grant in Alberta and employs between five and 750 em-

plovees.

"As a measure we've strongly advocated for, Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters applauds the Government of Alberta for this measure that will help derisk investment for small- and medium-sized manufacturers during uncertain economic times. This program will be pivotal in supporting Alberta manufacturers to make investments that will help them grow."

Dennis Darby, president and chief executive officer, Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters

Manufacturing plays a vital role in driving Alberta's economic strength and supporting its diverse industries. As of May 2025, the sector

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employed 144,800 people - 5.6 per cent of the province's total workforce. In 2024, Alberta's manufacturing GDP reached \$25 billion, and investment in the sector totalled \$4.8 billion, marking a 41.9 per cent increase over 2023. The manufacturing sector has impacts across the economy, in areas including wood product manufacturing, machinery and equipment manufacturing, food processing, chemical production and fabricated metal production.

"Manufacturing is a critical link in Canada's energy supply chain – from precision components to large-scale equipment, every piece matters. This

support for technology and equipment upgrades will directly enhance the productivity and competitiveness of Alberta's energy manufacturers, who are essential to meeting growing energy demands at this pivotal moment for the Canadian economy."

Gurpreet Lail, president and chief executive officer, Enserva

"Technology drives innovation, sustainability and global competitiveness in the chemistry and plastics sector. Support for investment in advanced technologies will help companies decarbonize, reduce waste and deliver the next generation of low-carbon, high-performance materials. This is why the Chemistry Industry Association

of Canada is proud to support the Alberta Manufacturing Productivity Grant, which is providing over \$4 million to help small- and medium-sized enterprises across the province of particular importance to the plastics industry modernize their equipment, enhance operational efficiency and advance sustainability."

Christa Seaman, vice-president, plastics division, Chemistry Industry Association of Canada

"The Alberta Manufacturing Productivity Grant is a strategic investment in the future of Alberta's economy. By helping manufacturers upgrade technology and equipment, this initiative empowers businesses to en-

hance productivity, drive innovation and remain competitive in a rapidly evolving global market."

Shauna Feth, president and chief executive officer, Alberta Chambers of Commerce

Amid ongoing economic uncertainty around the world, investments aimed at improving productivity have never been more important. The Alberta Manufacturing Productivity Grant will help build manufacturing capacity and efficiency, enhancing the province's manufacturing competitiveness while also making Alberta's manufacturing sector more resilient to future external shocks.







LEDUC WEST ANTIQUE SOCIETY CELEBRATES 35 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Submitted by Leduc West Antique Society

The Leduc West Antique Society will host their 35th annual exposition event at the Alberta Heritage Exposition Park located just west of Leduc on July 19 and 20.

The event will feature two days of family-oriented activities at the park including live music and a parade of vintage vehicles and farm equipment. "There are a few surprises this year, some new displays, and unique experiences to take in", said Kevin Eklund, the Associations President.

The event also features an antique tractor pull competition both days and all the museums and displays at the site will be open to the public. There are several practical demonstrations offered during the event including vintage sawmill, threshing, and plowing, and a working blacksmith shop where members of the Blacksmith Guild will be demonstrating the smelting process by turning raw ore

Activities for kids include vintage games like cornhole, potato sack races, and more that fit the historical theme of the park. "It's a bit of nostalgia, a call back to games that many of us played years ago," Eklund added. SCARS society will be on hand with adoptable pets throughout the weekend and a concession and beer gardens will be available both days.

"We're making all of this available for one entry fee, just \$10 for an all-day pass for adults and \$5 for kids 6 to 12 years of age, with kids 5 and under free", added Eklund. "It's a great value and admission includes all the activities."

Each day kicks off with

a pancake breakfast with gates open at 8am and Sunday will include a non-denominational church service in the historic church in the Park at 9am.

The park is located 4km west of Leduc on Highway 39 at Range Road 260.

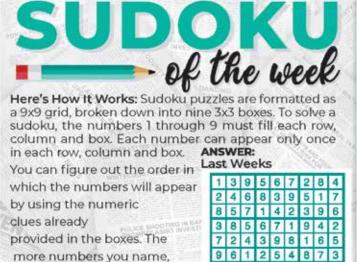


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FARMERS MARKETS

DRAYTON VALLEY: Farmers' Market, Wednesdays starting May -October4 from 3:00pm-6:00pm at 5015 Industrial Rd. dvagsocietyinfo@gmail.com for information. We have facebook, instagram and a website.

EVANSBURG FARMERS MARKET: Every Saturday 10am - 2pm located right beside Evansburg Tipple Museum 780-505-0905

May-Sept

Leduc Public Market: Every Thursday 10-2 @ City Center Mall. 5201 50 st. Leduc

Devon Handmade Arts & Crafts Sale, monthly sunday market Community Centre 12-4pm. New Vendors Welcome. More info: 780-652-3304 www.artsdevon.

Mulhurst Bay Farmer's Market. Saturday 11-3 @ Community Hall.

BINGO

CALMAR: Every Wednesday night, 7:00PM at the Calmar Legion.

JAMBOREE

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

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Contact Brenda at 987-9113 for

EDMONTON: Thurs 8:30-10AM at Annex of Grace United Church (6215-104 Ave). \$7/month

LEDUC: Tuesday Nights at Peace Lutheran Church, 4606 – 48 St. Leduc. Weigh-ins: 5:45-6:30pm, Meeting 7:00-7:30pm. Call Marie at 780-986-6477.

THORSBY: meeting every Monday morning 9:00AM at Thorsby Fire Hall. Call 780-621-3461

SOCIAL EVENTS

50+ YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON for Parkland County Seniors. 12PM at Stony Plain United Church Basement, \$7 per plate. 3rd Wed of Each Month, Sept - June. For reservations call Audrey 780-963-1782.

CALMAR SENIORS: Meetings - every 2nd Wed of every month. 1:00pm. (587) 988-3636.

DEVON RECREATION:
Volleyball, Mondays 8-10PM, \$2, John Maland High School.
Badminton, Fridays 7-9PM,
Robina Baker School, \$2. Hockey
(Arena), Tues & Thurs, noon
(children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult).

INDOOR PLAYGROUND: Mondays, 10AM-12PM, Alder Flats Community Centre. Info (780) 388-3333 No fee. Pleas bring a snack for your child.

JAM DANCE & CARDS: 1st Fri, 7pm, Buck Creek. (780) 514-3781 "KIDS OWN WORSHIP" an hour after-school, 1st and 3rd Thursdays

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MUSICAL JAM SESSIONS: 4th Tues, 1:00PM at Calmar Seniors Centre. Bring your own instruments and have fun.

MUSICAL PROGRAM: every 4th Saturday at the Cloverleaf Manor, 2:30PM. Everyone welcome.

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MEETINGS

AHS: Addiction Services provides assessment and counseling for alcohol, other drugs, tobacco and gambling in Breton on court day Wednesdays. To make an appointment, please call 780-542-3140.

Do you have a problem with alcohol & are you looking for an **AA MEETING** or someone to talk to? Call Toll Free 1-877-404-8100. **Drinking a Problem?** There is a Solution, call AA 780-491-1043 **ALDER FLATS AG SOCIETY**: 3rd

Wed, 7PM, Community Centre. Call (780) 388-3318 for more info. **BRETON COUNCIL MEETINGS:** 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the Council Chambers, Carolyn Strand Civic Centre. 780-696-3636

BRETON & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY Regular Meeting 2nd Thurs. at 7:30PM at Hall.

CITIZENS ON PATROL: 2nd Thurs of each mo, 7:30PM in Entwistle Seniors Bldg

DEVON TOASTMASTERS, Thurs. 7PM at St. Georges Anglican Church (2 St. Clair, Devon). Learn and practice the skills required to effectively speak in public - we help conquer your fear. More info: Marc 780-729-4932

DEVON: Paint night, 4th Wednesday of the month, 7-9 pm. Info at artsdevon.org or phone 780-652-3304.

DRAYTON VALLEY BRANCH OF ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: meets 7PM at Drayton Valley Municipal Library every 3rd Wed of the month. For more information call (780) 542-2787

LEDUC MS SOCIETY COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? This group is for you! Meetings TBD. Contact the Edmonton Chapter, 780-471-3034

MS SOCIETY DRAYTON VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP meets every 1st Tuesday of the month, Sept-June from 6-8PM at Norquest College, dates TBA. Info, Terra Leslie at 1-403-346-



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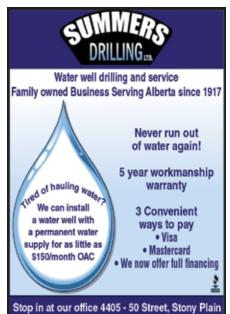






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