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July 22, 2026

PARKLAND RCMP INVESTIGATE YOUTH ASSAULT

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On June 8, 2026, Parkland RCMP received a report of an assault that occurred at approximately 7:37 p.m., outside of convenience store near Spruce Village Drive W in Spruce Grove. Through investigation, it

was learned that the victim and a friend were outside the store when two unknown suspects approached and began striking the female victim while she was sitting on the sidewalk, leaving the victim with minor injuries. When a witness drove on scene the two suspects stopped and

left the area.

One female suspect is described as:

- Approximately 15-17 years of age,
- Slim build,
- Shoulder length hair,
- Wearing grey sweatpants and a black jacket with hood pulled over head,

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EVANSBURG ELECTS NEW GROUCH

Submitted by Evansburg Grouch

The community has spoken! Evansburg has chosen Melinda Buttrey to be the next Evansburg Grouch. This year, Melinda ran

against her husband, Joe Barna, in the annual election for the next Grouch. Melinda received \$121.20 in votes, while Joe earned \$92.85. The announcement was made on Saturday, July 11th at the Pembina Valley

Daze pancake breakfast put on by Yellowhead Central Santas Anonymous.

Since 1979, Evansburg has held an annual election for who is the grouchiest citizen, inspired by

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PARKLAND RCMP RETURN FOUND BABY GOAT TO OWNER

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On July 17, 2026, at approximately 10:00 a.m., Parkland RCMP responded to a report of a found baby goat. A member of the public located the goat

running near 50 Avenue in Stony Plain and contacted police. Through a collaborative effort between Parkland RCMP and Stony Plain Enforcement Services, the goat's owner was identified and "Rhonda" was safely reunited with them.

This is a great example of the strong partnership between Parkland RCMP and Stony Plain Enforcement Services. We are grateful for the opportunity to work together to help our community members.



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Parkland RCMP Investigate Youth Assault

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• Carrying black backpack.
The second female suspect is described as:
• Approximately 15-17 years of age,

• Slim build,
• Should length
brown hair,
• Wearing a large
purple/burgundy t-shirt
and long black shorts.
Police are requesting that

anyone with information regarding this occurrence to contact the Parkland RCMP non-emergency line at 825-220-7267(RCMP).

Evansburg Elects New Grouch

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the "Welcome to Evansburg" sign created by John Lauer in 1974. The sign includes the population of Evansburg, including the number of cats and dogs, and one Grouch.

The Grouch Committee would like to thank both candidates for participating in this year's race. We would also like to thank everyone who voted, as well as all the businesses that hosted the voting boxes. Funds raised



from the votes will be used for Grouch-related purposes, such as costume upkeep and events.

If you would like to invite the Grouch to your commu-

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One day a man goes to a pet shop to buy a parrot. The assistant takes the man to the parrot section and asks him to choose one. The man asks, "How much is the yellow one?" The assistant replies that it costs \$2,000. The man is shocked and asks the assistant why it's so expensive. "This parrot is a very special one. He can type really fast." "What about the green one?" the man asks. "He costs \$5,000 because he can type, answer incoming phone calls and takes notes." "What about the red one?" the man asks. The assistant says, "That one's \$10,000." Curious, the man asks, "What does he do?" The assistant says, "I don't know, but the other two call him boss."

July 1, 2026

With the support of the Entwistle Community League, we would like to thank the sponsors this year:

ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES KICK OFF IN STRATHCONA COUNTY

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Strathcona County will welcome Alberta's top young athletes for the 2026 Alberta Summer Games.

From July 16 to 19, 2026, one of Alberta's largest amateur sporting events will bring more than 2,400 athletes, coaches and technical officials from across the province to Strathcona County for the 2026 Alberta Summer Games. The Games are an iconic event for Alberta's young athletes, providing the opportunity to compete at a high level, represent their communities, build lifelong friendships, and showcase the next generation of talent.

The Games are being delivered in partnership with Strathcona County and with support from the provincial government. Alberta's government is investing \$1.275,000 to support the 2026 host society in delivering the Games, including,

transportation, food services, venues and promotion.

"The Alberta Summer Games give young athletes the chance to test themselves, represent their communities and build lasting connections. Hosting more than 2,400 participants is also a major moment for Strathcona County, with real benefits for local businesses and residents. We are proud to support an event that strengthens sport across the province and creates opportunities for the next generation."

Andrew Boitchenko, Minister of Tourism and Sport

The competition is expected to generate about \$3 million in direct economic activity to the Strathcona region, as athletes, families and spectators spend on local hotels, restaurants, retailers and attractions, providing a welcome boost for businesses throughout the region.

"The 2026 Alberta Summer Games are coming to Strathcona County, and I look forward

to seeing these athletes compete. They have put in the discipline and hard work and now will have the chance to show what they're made of. Alberta's government is proud to be a financial partner in giving them the stage to compete. Thank you to Strathcona County for hosting an event that supports young athletes across the province."

Nate Glubish, MLA for Strathcona-Sherwood Park

"The Alberta Summer Games celebrate the talent and dedication of young athletes while welcoming families from across the province. These games will showcase the spirit that makes our region so special and leave a lasting impact on our local businesses and communities."

Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, MLA for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville

The Games kick off July 16 at Emerald Hills Pavilion with an opening ceremony and the lighting of the cauldron. Athletes aged 11 to 16 will com-

pete over the next four days across 13 sports, including baseball, tennis, beach volleyball and golf.

"These Games give these young athletes an opportunity to showcase all the hard work they've put into their sport. We are all really proud of their dedication and can't wait to see them compete on a provincial stage."

Bonnie Hunka, chair, 2026 Strathcona County Alberta Summer Games Society

For more than 50 years, the Alberta Games have helped launch athletic careers while leaving lasting benefits in host communities and supporting local infrastructure. More than 50 alumni have gone on to represent Canada at the Olympic and Paralympic Games, demonstrating the important role the Alberta Games play in developing future champions.

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ENOCH & PARKLAND RCMP ON SCENE AT SERIOUS COLLISION

Submitted by Enoch & Parkland RCMP

On July 16, 2026, at approximately 3:26 a.m., Enoch & Parkland RCMP were dispatched to a collision between a SUV and

a pickup at Highway 627 and Highway 60 in Parkland County/Enoch. Upon arrival, it was determined that the two occupants of the Jeep, a 69-year-old male driver and 64-year-old female passenger, both

Stoney Plain residents, were deceased. The driver of the pickup, and lone occupant, had what is believed to be serious injuries and was transported to a nearby hospital.

A collision reconstruc-

tionist attended the scene and the cause of the collision is under investigation.

RCMP sends condolences to the family and friends of all involved.

FREE SUMMER PROGRAMS CONTINUE AT COUNTY LIBRARIES

Submitted by Yellowhead County Library

Searching for free activities this summer? Evansburg, Niton and Wildwood public libraries are offering free programs six days a week for kids, teens, and families.

Every weekday, there are free programs for

kids aged 6-12 at one of the three library locations. In the evenings, there are free programs for tweens, teens and families. Evansburg Public Library is also offering free programs on Saturdays.

"In July and August, we're hosting more than 75 free programs for the

public," says Robert McClure, Director of Library Services. "Our programs are the best option for families seeking affordable ways to enjoy the summer."

All program information can be found online at yclibraries.ca or in-person at one of the three Yellowhead County

Library locations.

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NEWS RELEASE - ELECTIONS ALBERTA

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Special Ballot requests now open for October 19 Referendum

Online applications to Vote by Mail are now open for the October 19, 2026, Referendum. Vote by Mail, also known as a Special Ballot, is available to all eligible Alberta electors. Electors do not need to provide a reason to apply.

"Vote by Mail gives Albertans the flexibility to choose a day and time that works for them to sit down and consider the referendum questions," said Gordon McClure, Chief Electoral Officer. "With 10 questions, some electors may want extra time to review the questions and voting by mail lets them do that on their own schedule."

Vote by Mail is a convenient option for electors who will not be available or are going to be away from their electoral division during advance voting days October 13 -17, or on Election Day, October 19. This includes students studying away

from home.

Applications to Vote by Mail close October 9, 2026, and all completed Special Ballot packages must be received by Elections Alberta by mail before 5:00pm on October 16, 2026. Returning Offices will not accept Special Ballot packages.

Apply to Vote by Mail

Electors can secure a Special Ballot by:

- Completing the on-line form at <https://specialballot.elections.ab.ca/>,
- Writing to info@elections.ab.ca, or
- Contacting the Returning Office for their electoral division starting September 21.

The last day to request a Special Ballot is October 9, 2026. Electors are encouraged to apply earlier enough to ensure they receive it and can return it by the deadline.

Once an application is received, a Vote by Mail package will be mailed to the address provided by the elector, which will include a prepaid return envelope. Special Ballot pack-

ages will begin mailing to electors on September 1, 2026.

Special ballots may also be picked up in person at:

- Elections Alberta's head office in Edmonton starting September 1, or
- The elector's electoral division Returning Office starting September 21.

A designate may pick up a package on the elector's behalf. A person may apply for a Special Ballot on behalf of an elector only when the elector requires assistance due to disability or illness.

If an elector does not wish to be added to the List of Electors, they can request a secure Special Ballot.

Completing your Vote by Mail

Once electors receive their package, they can complete it at a time that suits them. Elections Alberta must receive completed packages by mail before 5 p.m. on October 16, 2026.

Electors voting by mail must sign a declaration and provide identification to prove their name and address. Please note:

electors are required to include copies of their accepted ID with their Special Ballot. Please do not send Elections Alberta original forms of ID.

Other voting options

Electors may vote during Advance Vote in their electoral division, October 13-17 at any advance voting location in their electoral division.

Election Day voting locations will be open 9:00am to 8:00pm on October 19, 2026. Electors must vote at their assigned voting location in their electoral division on Election Day.

Referendum information

Visit our website to learn more about Referendum 2026. Apply to work during the Referendum at our recruitment webpage. All positions and training are paid. Please see the Important Referendum Information Update for more information on ballots, voting, and voting requirements. Follow Elections Alberta on social media for more Referendum 2026 updates.

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THE DIGITAL GOLD RUSH: WHAT DOES ALBERTA'S FUTURE LOOK LIKE?

Submitted by Bevan Janzen

In Alberta, we are proud of our heritage: vast, open prairies, the backbone of our cattle industry, and our ability to produce food that feeds the world. But lately, our quiet rural landscapes are becoming the front lines of a new "digital gold rush." Tech giants are building massive data centres—the physical warehouses that house the computers running the internet and Artificial Intelligence (AI)—at an incredible speed.

While these projects bring promises of economic growth and tax revenue, they also raise a fundamental question that impacts every one of us who calls the country home: Are we making decisions today that trade our long-term food security for short-term digital wealth?

The "Essential Components" Competition

Right now, there is no government policy that forces the digital world to talk to the agri-

cultural world. Data centres are approved based on economic development and energy goals, while

food security is managed separately. However, both sectors compete for the same "essential components" of resources: land, water, and power.

Researchers are finding that this competition is not just theoretical. Data centres need massive amounts of electricity to run and millions of liters of water for cooling systems. When these industrial hubs are built in rural areas, they don't just sit there—they change the local environment:

- The "Hum": Data centres run 24/7. Their massive banks of cooling fans create a constant, low-frequency hum. Studies suggest that this drone can carry across rural spaces, potentially causing stress to livestock during sensitive times like calving.

- The Resource Drain: When a massive facility begins pulling

electricity and water from the local grid, it can create a ripple effect, making those resources less available or more expensive for nearby farms and families.

The Easter Island Lesson

To understand the danger of this "digital gold rush," we can look at history. The people of Easter Island (Rapa Nui) were famous for building moai—massive stone statues that served as symbols of status and power. To build and move these statues, the culture invested massive amounts of labor and wood. Eventually, to keep building, they cleared away the island's forests.

When the trees were gone, the soil eroded, and the people could no longer build the canoes they needed to fish. They had traded their literal life-support system (their food) for a symbolic one (their statues).

Are our data centres today's "statues"? We are building them to house our digital prestige, but we must ensure we aren't eroding the "forests"—our soil, water, and energy—that keep us fed.

The Keepphills Dilemma: A Look at Opportunity Cost

A prime example is the proposed data centre expansion at the TransAlta Keepphills site. Supporters rightly point out that this is an "existing industrial site," meaning it's not displacing active farmland today.

However, are we considering the "opportunity cost." In the past, Alberta has seen successful land reclamation projects, such as the former Whitewood Mine, which was transformed back

into productive cattle grazing and hay fields. This shows that industrial land can have a "second life" as a food source.

By dedicating the Keepphills site to a data centre, we are effectively closing the door on that

future. We are changing that land's status from "potentially reclaimable for agriculture" to "permanently industrial." We are locking in a 30-to-50-year commitment to industry, ensuring that this land will never again contribute to our local food supply.

What Should We Ask?

As citizens, are we asking our local leaders and provincial representatives tough questions before more sites are greenlit:

1. What is the plan for reclamation? If this facility closes in 30 years, will it be returned to the land, or will we be left with a permanent industrial footprint?

2. How are we protecting local water? When drought hits, who gets priority: the servers or the farms?

3. Is the "Digital Hub" worth the trade-off? Does the economic benefit of the facility outweigh the loss of our community's ability to grow food?

We are not just deciding what to do with a piece of land today; we are deciding what our province will be capable of producing in a future where food security might be our most valuable asset. It is time we start treating our farmland as the vital infrastructure it is, rather than just "space" for the internet to grow.

This article was written by Gemini AI.

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**Yellowhead County's
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It's time once again for Yellowhead County residents to show off their beautiful properties with our...

23rd Annual County Garden Pride Contest!

And we're looking for **YOUR** yard and garden photo submissions!

Here's how it works:

1. Snap some photos of your beautiful yards
2. Submit photos following the submission guidelines below
3. The public will vote on their favourite yards. The top three entrants will win!

Timelines:

- Submissions: July 13 to July 24 at 4:30pm
- Voting: July 27 to August 3
- Winner Announcement: August 5

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- 1st Place: \$100 gift card to favourite local greenhouse
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Submission Details:

- Submit four (4) photos of your yard/garden through the Contact Us form on at www.yhcounty.ca/contact
- When choosing photos, consider the best way to show off your yard and focus on the parts you are most proud of (like flower beds, water features, vegetable gardens, greenhouses, landscaping, etc)
- Be mindful of what you do not want displayed. These photos will be featured online. (Consider excluding things like young children, license plates, and valuables on the property such as quads and boats)

Contest Rules:

- A max of 4 photos can be submitted
- Contest open to Yellowhead County residents only
- Photos must be of your own yard/garden
- Ensure you have the rights to the photos you're submitting

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for contest updates!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Emergency Dispatcher (Casual) Edson, AB COMPETITION NO. 26-031

Under the direction of the Dispatch Supervisor the 911 Dispatcher is responsible for 911 call-taking, fire dispatch, Peace Officer Call taking and dispatch and afterhours communications services for Yellowhead County staff, partner municipalities and contracted clients.

The wage range for this position is \$28.02-30.52/hour + 4% holiday pay. This is a casual position.

To apply, please submit resumes and cover letters on our website at www.yhcounty.ca/jobs.

A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online.

This competition will remain open until **suitable candidates are found**.

Thank you for your interest in Yellowhead County careers. At this time, we will only be contacting applicants who have been selected to move forward in the recruitment process. If you are selected, you will be contacted by Human Resources.

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The salary range is currently \$64,649 to \$80,165 per year. Yellowhead County offers a competitive benefits package. This is a full-time, permanent position.

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WEST COAST PIPELINE, PRIVATE PARTNER, OILSANDS PRODUCTION AND PATHWAYS

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government has submitted its application for the West Coast Oil Pipeline to the federal Major Projects Office for listing as a project of national interest.

The West Coast Oil Pipeline will transport more than one million barrels of oil per day to Canada's west coast and strengthen access to growing Asian markets, helping meet Alberta's goal to double its oil

production to eight million barrels per day over the next 10 years.

After studying both northern and southern route options, Alberta selected a southern corridor from Bruderheim, Alberta, to the southwest coast of British Columbia. This offers the fastest, most cost-effective path to expanding Canada's energy exports. The proposed corridor builds on existing infrastructure, reflects feedback from Indigenous groups and the Government of British Columbia,

reduces regulatory barriers given it would not be subject to the Oil Tanker Moratorium Act (Bill C-48), and gets Canadian oil to global markets faster.

"Canada has everything it needs to become an energy superpower, but only if we build the infrastructure to get our resources to market. Alberta has done its part by putting forward a responsible, world-class proposal and selecting the strongest route to Canada's west coast. A west coast oil pipeline will create

tens of thousands of jobs, generate tens of billions in new provincial and federal revenues and make Canada more secure and self-reliant. This project will define Alberta's and Canada's economic future."

Danielle Smith, Premier

The proposed pipeline runs through southern British Columbia, largely following the existing Trans Mountain pipeline corridor to a deep-water, VLCC-capable port terminal on B.C.'s southwest coast. Leveraging this existing corridor will significantly reduce regulatory and logistical barriers, while minimizing land disturbances.

The submission outlines details on the proposed corridor and size of the pipeline and associated infrastructure, costs and benefits to Canada. The submission clearly demonstrates why this project is in the national interest. The Alberta-Canada landmark energy agreement announced in May includes a commitment from the federal government to a timely review of Alberta's submission for a west coast pipeline, with the goal of achieving national interest listing by Oct. 1, 2026, and obtaining the permissions necessary for the design and construction of the pipeline to commence as early as Sept. 1, 2027.

"The benefits of this project extend far beyond the energy sector. A west coast pipeline will support businesses and workers right across the supply chain – from manufacturing and engineering to transportation and services – helping drive economic growth in communities across Canada and generating revenues that support public services people rely on."

Brian Jean, Minister of Energy and Minerals

Private and Indigenous partnership

To facilitate this project, Alberta's government will enter into a partnership with Trans Mountain Corporation and Pembina Pipeline to bring together world-class expertise in pipeline design, construction and operation.

"Trans Mountain is proud to bring our experience as an oil pipeline developer, constructor, operator and owner to this new partnership. Our existing relationships and partnerships with the Indigenous Peoples, communities and stakeholders along the proposed corridor give us a solid

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West Coast Pipeline, Private Partner, Oilsands Production And Pathways

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foundation for success. We are proud to help bring more Canadian energy to the world, as Canada fulfills its role as a global energy superpower."

Mark Maki, chief executive officer, Trans Mountain Corporation

"The project represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity to advance nation-building energy infrastructure that strengthens Canada's economy and expands access to global markets for Canadian energy. We are proud to participate in this national priority that brings together the Government of Canada, the Province of Alberta, Indigenous partners and industry."

Scott Burrows, president and chief executive officer of Pembina

Indigenous equity partnership and consultation will also be an essential part of developing and constructing this critical nation-building project. Through the Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Corporation (AIOC) and the federal Canadian Indigenous Loan Guarantee Program, the Alberta and Canadian governments will facilitate opportunities for Indigenous communities wishing to partner in the West Coast Oil Pipeline project.

"This important project will be shaped by ongoing collaboration with Indigenous communities across Alberta and British Columbia. Indigenous knowledge and perspectives are essential from the outset and throughout the life of the project to ensure it is carried out responsibly and reflects community priorities. Through respectful partnership, we will advance shared prosperity and strong, enduring relationships."

Rajan Sawhney, Minister of Indigenous Relations

Following an existing corridor limits new land disturbance and reduces impacts on ecosystems and communities. Existing relationships along the corridor provide a solid foundation for meaningful engagement, partnership and Indigenous co-ownership opportunities.

Increasing oilsands production and building the pathways project

Following months of negotiation, Alberta's government, along with the federal government and Oil Sands Alliance, are finalizing a tripartite agreement that will include a series of regulatory reforms and growth incentives needed to expedite growth in oilsands production

necessary to fill the new west coast pipeline and expand the existing Trans Mountain pipeline. Details of this agreement are expected to be released in the coming days.

As part of that same agreement, Alberta's government and the Government of Canada will provide the conditions necessary for Oil Sands Alliance member companies to simultaneously grow production and build Pathways, the world's largest carbon capture and storage infrastructure project.

Pathways will make Alberta bitumen among the lowest-emission

heavy oil globally, displacing higher-emitting sources and improving environmental and geopolitical outcomes. Alberta and Canada will continue work in close partnership, collaborating with industry and Indigenous partners to grow energy exports, attract investment and lower emissions – while strengthening the economy and addressing global energy and security challenges.

"We believe we've achieved a framework where there the governments are providing the necessary conditions for our com-

panies to both grow production and to build the Pathways Project. We'd like to thank the Canadian and Alberta governments for their leadership, and the Major Projects Office for its commitment to this process. We look forward to working together over the next several months to put the MOU into operation, to create a Canadian energy superpower, and a more resilient, competitive and sustainable Canadian oil sands sector."

Kendall Dilling, president, Oil Sands Alliance

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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 words or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

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****FREE**** Stony Plain Lions Club is hosting their annual Fun in the Park. Ages 4-12 (supervision required for young kids) free hotdogs, ice cream & water. Races: egg & spoon, wheelbarrow, gunnysack and tug a war. Prize bags for all participants. August 6th, 2026 at 2pm-4pm Lions Hidden Park & Playground 4910 - 54th ave Stony Plain enter from the lane at 50th Street or 50th Ave.

FARMERS MARKETS

DRAYTON VALLEY: Farmers' Market, Wednesdays starting May -October 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.**

SEBA BEACH FARMERS MARKET, every Saturday 10:00 am to 12:30 pm until September 14th at the Seba Beach Pavilion (505-1 Ave South) Email is sebaeachfm@gmail.com

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. 587-982-8303. ***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.

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

GUNN HALL Wednesdays during the Jamboree Doors Open @ 6:30pm

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 780-991-300

Duffield Hall: Jamboree noon - 4pm 4th Saturday Sept - May 780-722-5083

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

GUNN HALL Wednesdays Doors Open @ 6:30pm Music starts @ 7pm

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, 2nd Fri 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 Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 303 Church Road. Christiane (780)960-1109t Wildwood Hall, Bea (780)727-2129

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.

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LIBRARY EVENTS

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

SEBA BEACH LIBRARY Summer Hours July - August Tues. - Sat. 10 AM - 5 PM. This summer we will have

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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: PVCentre.

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 weel 8am - 8pm. more details on Darwellag.com or Facebook

EVANSBURG ART CLUB: meet & paint First Saturday of the month 1-4pm @ Wildwood Senior Centre 780-325-2424

EVANSBURG SENIOR'S HERITAGE HOUSE: Floor Curling Mon & Thurs 1pm

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

OPEN HOUSE for socializing, Crib & card playing at Entwistle Senior Centre, 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.

SEBA BEACH SENIORS CENTRE, Drop Ins: Thrift Shop open Wednesdays & Saturdays (10am-3pm); Drop-ins —

MONDAYS: Mahjong - 1pm; Walking Group - 4:30pm; TUESDAYS: Cribbage - 1pm; WEDNESDAYS: Music Jam - 7pm; THURSDAYS: Bridge - 1pm; FRIDAYS:

Socials - 7pm (3rd Friday of mth); Visit our website for more info: www.sebaseniors.ca

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 INSERATIONAL 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.

If you're 55+ and enjoy camping with a group, join the 5th Meridian Nomads, the Stony Plain chapter of Alberta Rvers Association. 780-499-9661 or rvalberta.ca

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

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 780-995-1992, 780-727-4175 or 587-464-2466

Open Meeting
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.

CITIZENS ON PATROL: The Pembina Community Watch Patrol Meets 2nd Thurs of each month at 7:30PM, at the Tittle 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 Thursday monthly 7:30PM. **Except June, July,*

August

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

EVANSBURG SENIOR'S 55+ HERITAGE HOUSE: 2nd Tuesday of the month 7:00 pm Paul 780-621-6148

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

GUNN COMMUNITY HALL every Wednesday Doors Open 6:30pm Music Jamb. with "Passin Through" @ 7:00pm also Meat Draw Sales, 50-50 Sales, Nevada Sales, Food Concession & Bar.

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 Tittle Park Museum, Clara (780) 399-2205

MACKAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: 1st Thursday of every month at MacKay Community Hall info 795-2350

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: 1 & 3 Thursday of Each month 6pm @ Magnolia Hall Sheena 514-4004 Porcupines@yellowheadjfw.ca

PEMBINA VALLEY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB: we meet on the third Thursday at the Entwistle Community Hall Meeting Room at 8PM Contact President Lion Ron Stefaniuk 780-218-5067.

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 Wednesdays at 2:00 pm. Contact Esther at (780) 893-4969 or Sally 780-864-9281. *No meetings July, August, December.

YELLOWHEAD CENTRAL SANTA'S ANONYMOUS MEETING - Every 3rd Tuesday, Tittle Park museum, 7 pm. New members welcome - big satisfaction for small input!

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**44th Annual
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**52nd Annual Poly Days
Parade Marshal - Don McNair**

These are the events so far, more events will be added once confirmed.

Friday, July 31

6PM Colouring Contest Begins, Contest Ends 5PM on Sunday August 2 - drop off at the post office 4711 - 47 street

Scavenger Hunt Begin, Answers dropped off at same time at post office or you can take a picture and text/email to 780-915-5967 or abagsociety@gmail.com

GSM Inspections give you the 3rd annual Buisness Decorating Contest. Decorations inside will be taken into consideration but are not necessary. Judging on Saturday.

Saturday, August 1

8:00AM ABADASA Slowpitch Tournament Begins;
Contact Chilli 780 257-0467. Use Ab.adasa@gmail.com to register or have Questions.

10-4PM Book & DVD Sale @ the Alberta Beach Library

10:30-3:30PM Carstar/Jack's Auto Body selling Hotdogs, Water & chip for \$5. All proceeds going to Cystic Fibrosis (Closed while Parade is on) location in front of Village Office.

11:00AM Parade Assemblage at the Agiplex. Judging @ Noon.

12:00-4:00PM Kids Park @ Gazebo Park Featuring Balloon Animals, Bouncy Castles \$5 To Play All Day!
Balloon Artist & Face Painter

1:00PM Parade! Parade Marshal Don McNair

Sunday, August 2

8:00AM ABADASA Slowpitch Tournament resumes

11:30AM-3:00PM Farmer's Market Agliplex, Operated by the Alberta Beach & District Ag Society

Monday, August 3

8:00AM ABADASA Slowpitch Tournament resumes

11:00AM Prizes for Colouring Contest and Scavenger Hunt to be given out at Beachwave Park