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November 22, 2022

WILDWOOD STUDENTS VISIT THE LEGISLATURE

Submitted by GYPSD

Ms. Gunderman from Wildwood School took her Grade 5/6 class for a guided tour of the Alberta Legislature on November 3rd, 2022. West Yellowhead MLA ,Martin Long, joined the class when they arrived and spoke to the class.

Shane Getson, MLA for

Lac Ste. Anne-Parkland, also talked to the students and was able to answer their questions. This tour was a wonderful way for the students to learn about government and democracy.

The Grade 5/6 students from Wildwood School were given an extra special experience as they were invited to stay and view this year's Remembrance Day Service for the Province of Alberta at the Legislature. This service was led by Speaker of the House, Nathan Cooper, and held in the rotunda of the Alberta Legislature.





MP SOROKA'S QUESTION ON TAXATION

Submitted by MP Gerald a month will afford grocersoroka ies, gas and home heating.

Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead asked the following question in the House:

"Madam Speaker, government members continue to blame everyone else but themselves for the affordability crisis plaguing Canadians across the country. The NDP-Liberals stay in luxurious \$6,000-a-night hotels and tell Canadians to cancel their Disney+ subscriptions, as if saving \$14

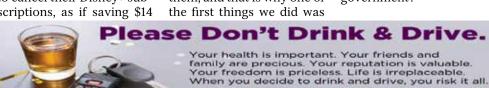
a month will afford groceries, gas and home heating. When will the government stop the tax hikes and stop its inflationary spending already?"

Hon. Chrystia Freeland (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Lib.) replied:

"Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to talk about hard-working Canadians, unionized working Canadians. Our government believes in supporting them, and that is why one of the first things we did was repeal anti-worker Harper legislation: Bill C-377 and Bill C-525. If the Conservatives really want to support Canadian working people, they should promise never again to put forward anti-worker legislation."

On a side note, it is unfortunate, in my opinion, that Minister Freeland dodged my question and I was unable to present a rebuttal. Will we ever get a legitimate response from this so-called 'caring' NDP-Liberal government?





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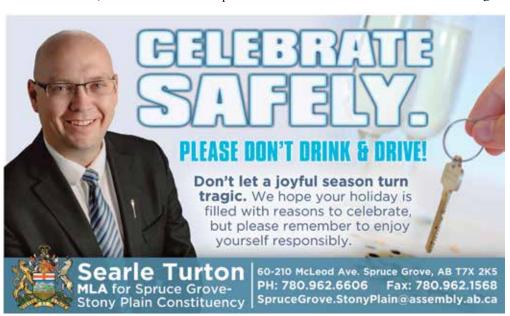
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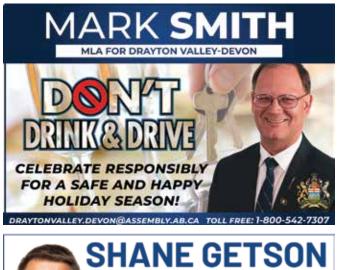
Anne Community Choir

Experience the joy of Christmas 2022, with the

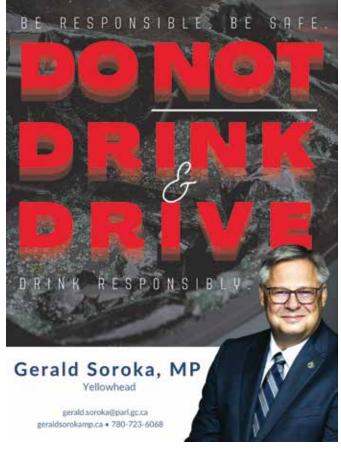
Submitted by Lac Ste. Lac Ste. Anne Community Choir. You are invited to celebrate the season and enjoy one of the popular choir's performances over

the next month. Director Debbie Rosen, with help from accompanist Keat Machtemes, leads over Coninued on Page 3









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Experience The Joy Of Christmas With Music

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40 singers in a variety of Christmas musical pieces.

The first performance for this well-liked community group will be an afternoon performance at 2 p.m. on Sunday, December 4 at Rich Valley Hall (by the arena off Hwy 33 just north of Township Rd. 572). The 2 p.m. start is in response to the many people who have difficulties attending an evening performance. Everyone is welcome.

The choir will entertain residents at the Chateau Lac Ste. Anne in Onoway on Wednesday, December 7. This performance is just for residents at the centre.

On Saturday, December 9, the choir will perform at the Onoway Legion Hall (4808 - 50 St.) in Onoway. The concert begins around 7 pm (after the legion's Christmas dinner) and is open to the

Our traditional Friends and Family performance (where everyone who likes music is a friend!) is the final one this winter. It's an afternoon performance on Saturday, December 17 at the Alberta Beach Alliance Church. The entire audience is invited to stay after the performance to enjoy some goodies and visit with choir members.

Admission to all concerts is free but donations are gratefully accepted.

The Lac Ste. Anne Community Choir is open to anyone over 18. No auditions are required, and there's no need to read music or have choir experience. All that's

needed is a love for singing, and a wish to meet other like-minded people. After a Christmas break, registration and the first practice for the next season will be Wednesday, January 4 at the Heritage Centre in Alberta Beach (5012 - 49 Avenue). Registration begins

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ARTICLE FROM MLA MARK SMITH

Submitted by MLA Mark Smith

Premier Danielle Smith has wasted no time getting to work on reforming Alberta's healthcare system.

This past week, Premier Smith joined Health Minister Jason Copping to announce that Dr. John Cowell has replaced AHS' part-time board of directors as its full-time administrator on a six-month contract. Dr. Cowell has extensive knowledge of and experience in Alberta's healthcare system and will bring strong, decisive leadership to his new role.

Dr. Cowell will work directly with Mauro Chies, the interim AHS CEO, to address four important goals: improve EMS response times, decrease emergency room wait times, reduce wait times for surgeries, and develop long-term reforms through consultations with front-line workers, including discovering ways to restore decision-making to local healthcare professionals and authorities.

We know Alberta has the best frontline healthcare staff in the entire world, but despite the excellent work of our doctors, nurses, paramedics and other frontline staff, our patients are waiting too long to access the care they deserve. As Premier Danielle Smith said, "we need more-urgent action to improve access. Albertans want accountability within AHS, and they want to know that a world-class health system and level of care is available when they need it."

Help is now here. We all wish Dr. Cowell success as he begins working to improve emergency response times and reduce wait times for patients and their families. Albertans care deeply about their healthcare system. They want and need it to work right, so it's there to

support them and their loved ones, should they need it. Dr. Cowell will deliver the change we need.

Ultimately, Albertans will know whether these changes are working to improve the system, because we will measure the outcomes through transparent performance measures. Although there are many unknowns in healthcare, Dr. Cowell has said he is confident that there will be measurable improvement by next year in how the healthcare system is operating.

68,400 Albertans are currently waiting for

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Firefighter LOCATION: Evansburg, AB COMPETITION NO. 22-039

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A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online. The competition will remain open until Wednesday, November 30, 2022

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surgeries that will improve their health and quality of life. That number is down from the 81,000 Albertans who were waiting at the height of the pandemic, but it is still too high. Getting surgical wait times down is a key area of focus for

Dr. Cowell, and an area I and so many others look forward to seeing improvement.

We must be honest about the state of our healthcare system if we're going to fix it. Right now, the system is struggling to keep up with growing demand. The driving force behind

these changes is building a system that is not only strong but resilient to changing circumstances and growth pressures.

Like you, I cherish the work of our frontline healthcare workers and I care deeply about the system they operate in. That is why I am pleased to see our government acting to resolve these longstanding issues in our healthcare system.

We will not kick the can down the road. We will act now to ensure Albertans have the world-class system they deserve for generations to come.

STORY TO EDITOR

Submitted by D.E. Cartwright

As we reach the declining years of our life's journey, and still retain most of our cognitive skills, we are blessed. If we have had meaningful relationships with good people and come of these people are still alive and alert we are truly blessed. I was born in a remote area of Alberta, south of Fort Assiniboine in my father's trapper shack on the 26th of October 1932.

I left my home when I was fourteen years old. I had a trapline and worked for a small logging operations in the area. I lived with my grandfather part time. There was little chance to get an education or get steady job. In 1951, I got a ride to Wetaskiwin. I arrived as a 17 year old with almost no money, no job, no place to stay, the clothes on my back, a small pack sack of personal belongings, a grade five education and no social skills.

Rollie Wager gave me a job with a gas company, the Wediski family gave me a room and a place to eat.

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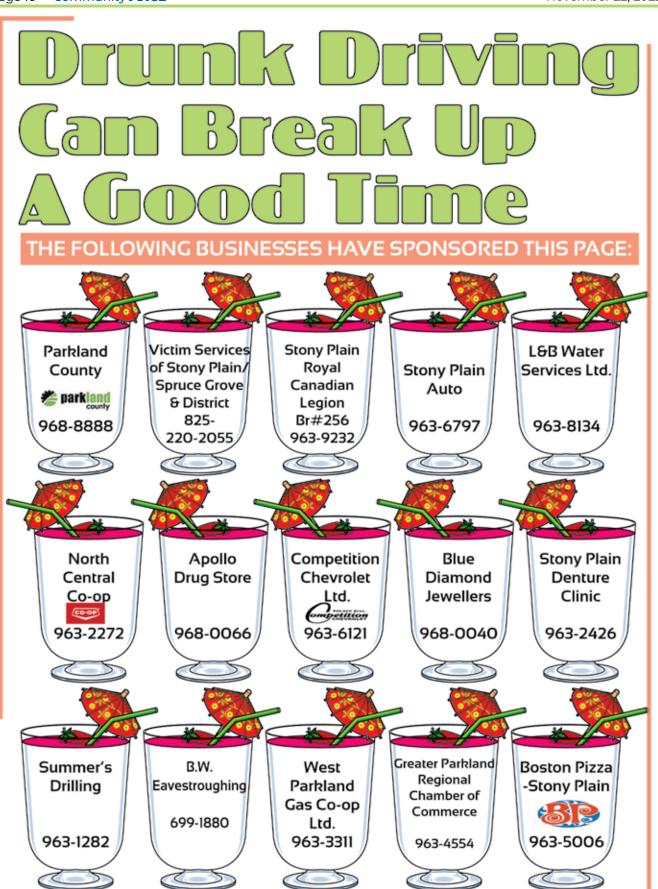


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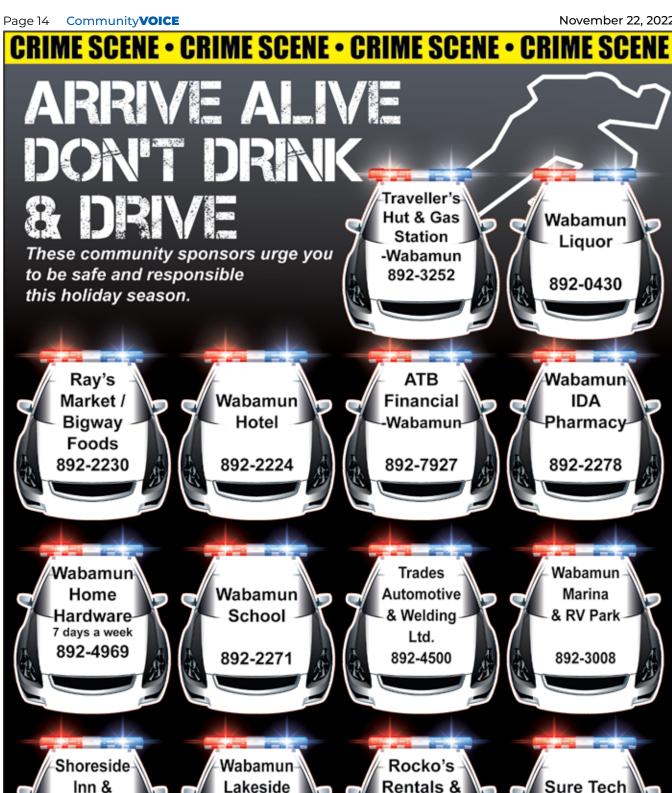


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They made me feel at home. Alicia and I were the same age and became friends, she helped me develop social skills and introduced me to her positive and talented friends. I will always be grateful to Alicia, her family and her friends. They helped me develop basic social skills and broader interests. They gave me friendship and confidence. And helped me on a pathway to a better life. About 10 years ago, after my 80th Birthday, I started to reflect on my life journey. I had so many memories of the good people who came into my life during the times when my life was a mess. It was a revealing and humbling experience, and I became to appreciate them for how

they had helped me have a meaningful life. Without them I would be a lost soul today.

Over the last 10 years, I have done my best to locate as many of these people as possible and thank them personally and introduce as many of them to each other as possible.

My 90th Birthday was October 26, 2022, my dear friend George was 80 years old on October 27, 2022 and my other dear friend Yolanda was 58 years old on October 28, 2022. We decided to share a birthday party on the date of my birthday – October 26, 2022.

I would do the planning and send out invitations. We wanted to bring together as many of our old friends as would be practical. I arranged for us to use the Legion Senior's Lodge facilities. The Lodge kitchen staff would provide soup, drinks, a plate serving and a Birthday Cake, I would provide 3 types of toppings for the cake. I would also provide vegetables, fruits and sundries on side tables. Each Lodge resident would receive cake and use of the side tables. I hired a designated server for our lunch group. I was to explain the agenda objectives of commonality and sharing memories and making new ones. Yolanda Ledinski was to cut the cake and George Webster was to give thanks and ask for blessing.

I do not know that Yolanda Ledinski and George Webster were going to entertain us with their performing art skills and Pete Jacobs who is a professional photographer, would record the event, As soon as the cake was cut, George started bringing musical instruments. He gave us a wonderful experience of this sing along and folk music.

Yolanda Ledinski trudged on the floor, socks and jeans, then she attached a cape and with on fling of her cape she transformed herself into a beautiful ballerina. Her debut was dramatic and she did a great performance. I thank all of the wonderful people who attended and a special thanks to my dear friends George Webster and Yolanda Ledinski, who sharded their Birthdays with mine, an enable me to have the best birthday I have had in 90 years. Hope you liked the pictures and my story.



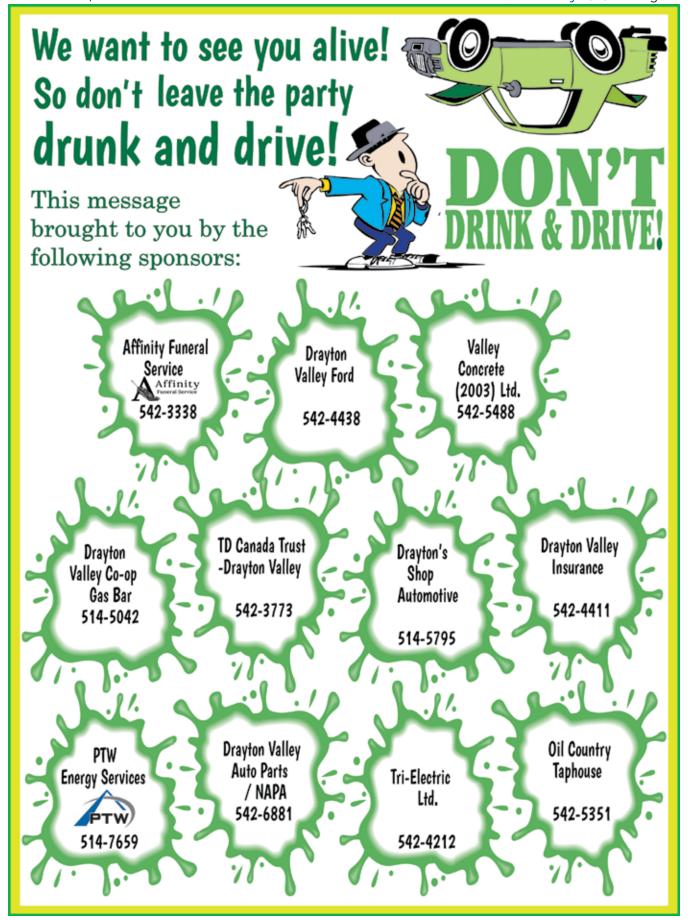




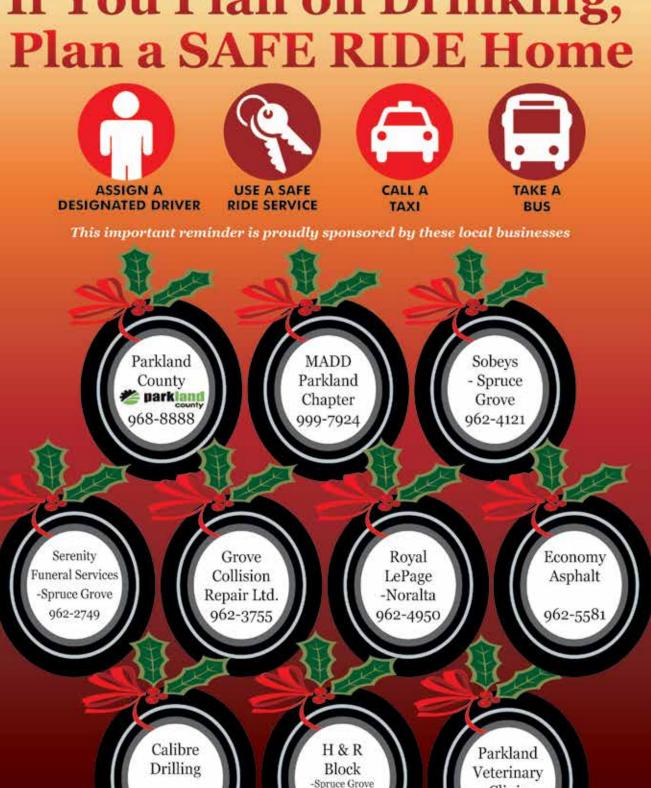
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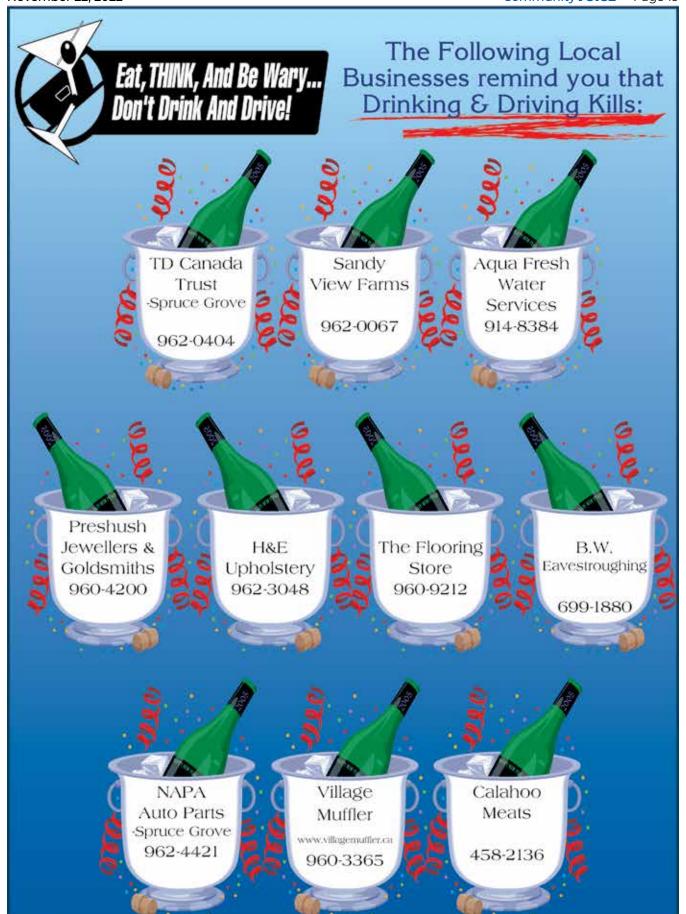




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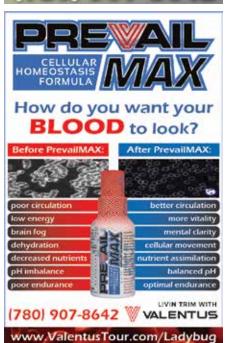




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