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EVANSBURG RCMP ON SCENE OF SERIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION UPDATE

Submitted by Evansburg RCMP

On April 22, 2024 at 11:36 a.m., Evansburg RCMP re-

ceived a report of a serious collision involving two semi trucks on Highway 16 at range road 100. Upon arrival, the driver of one

of the trucks, a 68-year-old male resident of New Sarepta was deceased. The driver of the other

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DRAYTON VALLEY RCMP ARRESTS TWO IN DRUG TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Drayton Valley RCMP

In Feb. 2024, members of the Drayton Valley RCMP

General Investigation Section (GIS) entered into a drug trafficking investigation involving a local residence. On April 18, 2024, the

Drayton Valley RCMP, with the assistance of the Alberta RCMP Western Alberta District (WAD) Crime

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A PROVINCIAL EXAMPLE, A FEDERAL NECESSITY

Submitted by MP Gerald Soroka

The 2021 tragedy in Hinton, where we lost 16-month-old Noah McConnell and his

mother, Mchale Busch, has left a deep scar on our community. This horrific event not only brought grief but also a pressing call for tangible measures to prevent such occurrences in

the future. It was in this context that I came across an OP-ED by the MLA for Camrose, Jackie Lovely, detailing Alberta's legislative response to

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Evansburg RCMP On Scene Of Serious Motor Vehicle Collision Update

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vehicle was taken to hospital with serious injuries. RCMP remained on scene

for several hours conducting an investigation.

RCMP have now cleared the highway and normal traffic flow has resumed.

The investigation into the cause of the collision continues.

Drayton Valley RCMP Arrests Two In Drug Trafficking Investigation

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Reduction Unit (CRU), executed a search warrant on the home in the town of Drayton Valley.

As a result of the search, police located and seized what is believed to be methamphetamine, cocaine and fentanyl, along with weapons and over 9000\$ in Canadian currency. A stolen motorcycle was also located and seized from the property.

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

- Tyler James McKerry (35), a resident of Drayton Valley, has been charged with:
 - o Possession for the purpose of trafficking (x3);
 - o Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5000;
 - o Possession of a prohibited weapon (x2);
 - o Possession of a weapon for a dangerous

purpose;

- o Possession of a weapon contrary to order (x2); and

- o Fail to comply with a release condition (x4).

- Allyn Nicholas Elkow (41), a resident of Drayton Valley, has been charged with:

- o Possession for the purpose of trafficking (x3); and

- o Possession of property

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obtained by crime over \$5000.

McKerry and Elkow were brought before a justice of the peace and remanded into custody. They are to appear at the Alberta Court

of Justice in Breton on April 24, 2024.

“Drug trafficking investigations and enforcement have been identified as high priority issues by the community of Drayton Valley. Drug traffickers use and

exploit individuals with addictions leading to an overall increase in property crime and drug overdoses within our community. This, in turn, leads to further victimization of other members of the community.

The Drayton Valley RCMP remains committed to the enforcement of those who choose to profit off these addictions” said Cpl. Cam Turner, NCO/IC of Drayton Valley GIS.

A Provincial Example, A Federal Necessity

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cases like Noah and Mchale’s.

In response to the loss suffered in Hinton and similar cases, Alberta’s government has introduced significant legislative changes, aimed at tightening the reins on violent and sexual offenders. The new measures include a provincial ankle bracelet monitoring program, targeting repeat violent and sexual offenders, as well as individuals on bail who

pose a clear risk to public safety. These steps are a decisive move towards enhancing the security and wellbeing of our communities.

While Alberta has taken commendable steps, it highlights a glaring gap at the federal level. My Private Member’s Bill, C-336, known as Noah’s Law, seeks to address this gap by intensifying the monitoring of highly-likely-to-repeat sex offenders. Noah’s Law would

extend reporting obligations to 30 years for highly-likely-to-repeat sex offenders and mandate completion of a rehabilitation program before any easing of reporting requirements can be considered. Additionally, it proposes stricter requirements for offenders to report any change of address and makes failing to report a criminal offense.

The actions taken by Alberta in response to these types

of tragedies serves as both a blueprint and a call to action. It is imperative now more than ever for the federal Liberal government to follow suit. We have the responsibility and the means to ensure that the lessons learned from past tragedies translate into stronger protective measures nationwide. Let us honour the memories of those we’ve lost by ensuring a safer future for all Canadians.

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STUDENTS APPLY FOR NEW BScN PROGRAM IN DRAYTON VALLEY

Submitted by Drayton Valley

Drayton Valley's new Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) program is starting strong as 46 potential students applied by deadline for one of nine spaces this fall.

The University of Calgary (UCalgary) and Alberta Health Services (AHS) have partnered with the Town of Drayton Valley to offer the 3.5-year registered nursing degree, starting in September.

UCalgary delivers the program, AHS provides the hands-on clinical space, and the Town offers up classrooms at the Clean Energy Technology Centre.

"We were very pleased with the number of applications received by the March 1 deadline," says Dr. Heather Bens-

ler, Assistant Dean - Academic Partnerships with UCalgary Faculty of Nursing.

"There are a number of moving parts in getting a program like this up and running, but one of the critical pieces is the quality of candidates. As we go through the applications, we are encouraged to see many strong applicants from the rural area."

Students have applied from several communities in addition to Drayton Valley, including Rocky Mountain House, Tomahawk, Millet, Stony Plain and Buck Lake - all within the required catchment area in which applicants must reside as part of their eligibility criteria.

Students will hear by the end of May as to whether they are accepted to start this fall.

"We are excited to see these

promising students get down to work to learn the ins and outs of rural nursing," says Carolyn Trumper, AHS Executive Director of Integrated Quality Management, Professional Practice & Education, Planning & Performance and Clinical Information Systems.

"We are confident they can take on the challenge of learning these valuable skills - and we are hopeful they will then consider a health-care career here."

Recruiting nursing staff, especially to rural sites, has been challenging across Alberta.

First established in Wainwright, the rural nursing degree program has been developed to reduce barriers to learning, recruit students to healthcare careers, and encourage graduates to stay in

their home communities.

The Drayton Valley program will run for two cohorts of students, with intakes this year and next, with the goal of preparing 18 nursing graduates.

"I am delighted that our community has received an overwhelming response with over 40 applications for the University of Calgary's rural routes nursing program," said Drayton Valley Mayor Nancy Dods.

"This level of interest demonstrates our commitment to addressing the nursing shortage in our region. We are proud to be part of the solution and look forward to the positive impact this program will have on our community's health and well-being."

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Date: May 14, 2024 Time: 10:30am Location: Parkland County
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Hearing Procedure

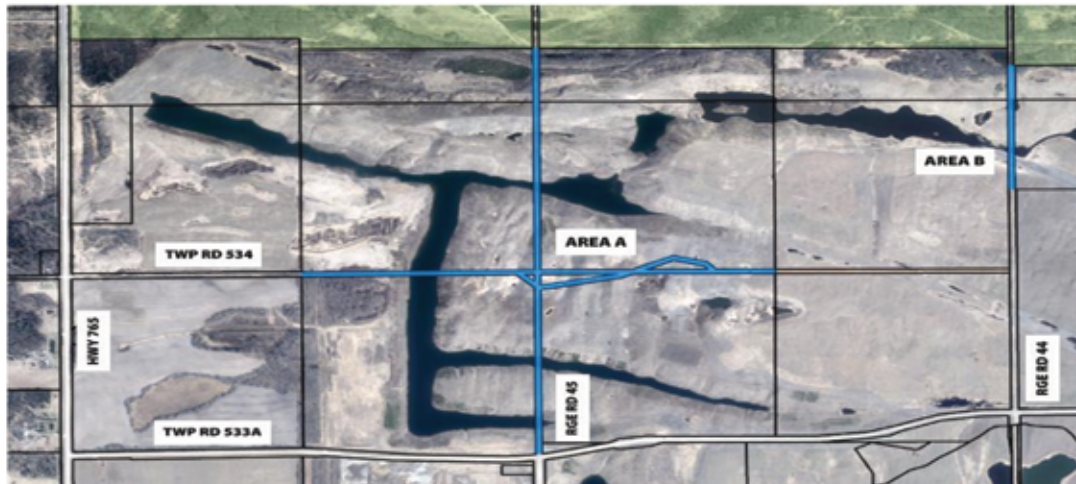
This is a formal Public Hearing and Council is prepared to hear and receive formal submissions and presentations (verbal or written) from those who wish to speak to the proposed Bylaw. Written submissions or presentations may either be submitted in advance to Engineering Services at Ide@parklandcounty.com by 4:00 p.m. May 10, 2024 or submitted at the commencement of the Public Hearing on May 14, 2024.

Anyone wishing to make a verbal presentation to Council should notify Engineering Services in advance of the Public Hearing by 4:00 p.m. May 10, 2024. Verbal presentations at the Public Hearing will be limited to a maximum of 10 minutes. Anyone wishing to make a verbal presentation who has not made prior arrangements may be allocated a time at the commencement of the Public Hearing. Council advises that this is your last opportunity to comment on the proposed Bylaw as Council is unable to receive further submissions after the Public Hearing is closed.

Copies of Proposed Bylaw 2024-15

A copy of the proposed Bylaw 2024-15 and location plan are available free of charge prior to the Public Hearing date by e-mailing Ide@parklandcounty.com or by making an appointment to visit Parkland County Centre during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday).

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HAVE YOUR SAY ON AUTO INSURANCE

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government wants to hear from Albertans on how to make auto insurance more affordable and stable for the long term.

Auto insurance rates have been increasing across Canada, with repair costs, parts shortages, vehicle theft, and higher personal injury and legal costs all contributing.

Albertans need a simpler, more affordable and stable insurance system that protects them and their families on the road. The government is launching an online public engagement survey to collect feedback from Albertans on what they value and need from their auto insurance.

"We have been working hard to come up with a

long-term solution to the complex issue of rising costs of auto insurance. As we weigh our options to improve the system, we need to hear from Albertans with their thoughts and experiences. Their feedback will help us choose the right path to keep auto insurance affordable and sustainable."

Nate Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance

"Affordability is top of mind for Albertans. We need to ensure we are doing everything we can to help them save money, and that's why we're going to engage with them on the best options to lower auto insurance rates."

Nathan Neudorf, Minister of Affordability and Utilities
Alberta's government asked independent ex-

perts to look at systems that could reduce the costs of auto insurance and improve the sustainability and stability of the insurance industry.

Oliver Wyman focused its work on comparing average premiums under different existing auto insurance systems, largely across Canada. The Nous Group examined the broader costs and benefits of these different auto insurance models. No decisions have been made on the changes that will be made to Alberta's auto insurance system. These reports will be used to inform future engagements and policies.

"We know without reforms to address the rising cost of accident claims, auto insurance premiums will continue to increase.

We encourage all Alberta drivers to participate in the online public engagement survey to share their views on what they value and expect from their auto insurance."

Jamie Hotte, chair, Automobile Insurance Rate Board

Albertans can read the Oliver Wyman and Nous Group reports online, as well as brief summaries that provide background and context for the survey.

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TOP 5 RENOVATION TIPS TO CREATE MORE SPACE IN YOUR HOME

As real estate prices continue to climb, the cost to trade up to a larger home is on the upswing across the country, especially as markets remain ham-

pered by tight inventory levels. As a result, more and more Americans are choosing to renovate their current homes instead of relocating. In fact, some

forecasts predict that 2015 renovation spending could exceed the record of \$324 billion set during the peak of last decade's housing boom. While the hunt

for more square footage can be challenging, homeowners shouldn't feel like a costly second story or complete addition are the only options.

Here are five great ways to create or optimize space in your existing home.

1. Finish an unfinished basement. A basement renovation can hold limitless potential and increase the resale value or income potential of your home. Think about the possibilities: a home theater, office, spare bedroom, basement apartment or recreation room. The key to doing it successfully is to focus on what's behind the walls, especially since moisture is a common issue in basements. Choosing the right insulation is critical. Look for products that are vapor permeable, dimensionally stable and mold and moisture resistant. Many contractors use Roxul Comfortboard IS semi-rigid sheathing board paired with Comfortbatt batt insulation to combat thermal bridging and protect against mold and mildew growth. An added benefit of this type of mineral wool insulation is that it's also fire-resistant to 2,150 F. For interior walls and ceilings, Safe 'n' Sound insulation is ideal because of its ability to absorb noise and

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indoor traffic sounds, ensuring your newfound space is a peaceful one.

2. Create a more open-concept feel with light and color. If your home wasn't blessed with towering windows, installing French doors and pot lights can encourage light to travel more freely, creating the illusion of space. Likewise, choosing a paint color for walls, trim and moldings that is lighter and cooler in tone (think soft grays or blues)

will help to reflect light and give the room a more open feel.

3. Remove non-load-bearing walls. Homeowners have the opportunity to rethink the layout of their home by removing non-load-bearing walls. Removing structurally unnecessary walls can make your whole home feel larger, improve flow, lighting and the function of your home.

4. Convert your garage into usable living or work space. For many home-

owners, the garage becomes an overflow room for storage -- and is often a walk-in headache. Convert your garage (or a portion of it) into another living space, guest bedroom or home office. Install carpet and quality thermal insulation such as Roxul Comfortbatt to block outdoor noise and keep in warmth.

5. Choose furniture and accessories carefully. Adopt a minimalist's eye. Begin looking around your home for furniture

or accessories that overwhelm the space. Interior designers recommend choosing low-profile or small-scale furniture for rooms with less square footage. Dual-purpose items, such as ottomans with storage chests inside, are a budget-friendly way to save on space while staying organized.

An advertisement for Wabamun Home Hardware. It features a red border with various tools like hammers, screwdrivers, and wrenches. The text reads: "Wabamun Home Hardware", "See Us For Your Renovation Needs", "Lumber, Paint, etc.", and "892-4969".

An advertisement for DAVIS CONCRETE FINISHING LTD. The text includes: "DAVIS CONCRETE FINISHING LTD.", "Residential ~ Commercial", a list of services: "Sidewalks", "Garage Pads", "Shop Floors", "Driveways", "Basements", "Patios", "Steps", "Curbs", "Decks", and the phone number "780-868-2228".

An advertisement for BANGON CARPENTRY. It features a stylized logo with a hammer and the text "BANGON CARPENTRY". Below the logo, it says "Doing it right the first time." and "DARREN RAYMOND JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER PH: 780-241-2711 bangoncarpentry@hotmail.com".

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THE PROBLEM WITH HARD WATER

Hard water can cause scaling, deposits inside of pipes, reduced cleaning ability, and several other problems.

Home ownership opens people's eyes to many new experiences, even requiring homeowners to familiarize themselves with certain things they never encountered as renters. Homeowners become novice plumbers, electricians, horticulturists, and even chemists as they wade through the projects and repairs involved with owning a home.

Outside of high school chemistry class, you may never have given thought to water composition and how it changes. However, once you become a homeowner, you may have to pay special attention to the type of water bubbling out of your faucets. Hard water is a common concern, and it can affect appliances and other parts of the home.

What is hard water? Hard water affects about 85 percent of the United States, according to the Water Quality Association. Although not harmful to

human health, hard water can impact one's daily life in other ways.

Hard water is formed when water moves through soil and rock. It dissolves very small amounts of minerals and holds them in a solution. Calcium and magnesium are the most common minerals to turn water "hard." The more magnesium and calcium water dissolves, the harder it becomes.

From nuisance to damaging

Hard water can not only be a minor headache, but

also something more serious. Hard water can interfere with various cleaning tasks and also personal grooming. Clothes washed in hard water may not be fully clean and may appear dingy. Hard water can cause a film on surfaces, such as bath tiles and tubs. Some people find that their hair and skin can appear dull and sticky due to hard water.

Hard water can have other effects, too. Over time, the water can deposit minerals on the inside of pipes,

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reducing water flow. If these deposits grow thick, you may have a plumbing issue on your hands. Furthermore, mineral deposits can harm appliances, such as water heaters, washing machines and dishwashers. Eventually, hard water may render these appliances ineffective, and they will need to be replaced.

Treatment options

Considering hard water is such a common concern, a number of treatment options exist. The main types

of water-softening systems use either a packaged water softener or a mechanical water-softening unit.

Packaged water softeners are chemicals that bond with the calcium and magnesium ions in the water so that they cannot interfere with cleaning efficiency. These chemicals fall into two categories: precipitating and nonprecipitating. Precipitating softeners are borax and washing soda and can affect pH levels of water and make water cloudy. Nonprecipitating softeners use phosphates.

Alkalinity won't be increased, and usually there is no cloudiness or build-up. These products are typically added to laundry loads and the like and are not recommended for drinking water.

Mechanical water-softening systems are hooked up directly to the plumbing of the house. They are ion-exchange systems that will add salt to the water. Although it can be safe to drink, softened water may not be recommended for those who are on low-sodium diets.

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"A huge step forward is to replace the traditional wood

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If you want your builder to use ICFs, be sure to discuss it early in the plans. Find more information online at nudura.com.

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WABAMUN WILD GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM 2023/24 RECAP

Submitted by Wabamun Girls Basketball Team

During the 2021/22 basketball season the Wabamun Wild girls basketball team won one game. Competing in Juniors Division 2, with most of our players in Grade 6, it was a season of learning. None of the girls had ever played competitive basketball, and it was certainly a season of learning and growing for us all.

At the beginning of the 2022/23 basketball season the girls would once again be competing in Juniors Division 2, but with a year of experience and a new found focus, it would be an entirely different season. They finished the regular season 6-0, and over the course of the season they outscored their opponents 205-111. The girls earned themselves a first round bye, and would squeak out a 2 point win in the semifinals over St. John Paul II. They would put forth a spirited effort in the finals, but would come up short, and end up earning a silver medal. There were tears and looks of disappointment, but resilience and determination would mean that this experience would only serve to fuel the fire. If it had been up to them, practice for the next season would have started the following day.

Basketball is a sport full of statistics: points, rebounds, assists, minutes played, fouls, 3-point percentage, etc. There are so many stats in basketball that there could be stats to measure the stats! What separates the Wabamun Wild girls basketball team from many other teams is that they don't focus on individual statistics. Who

scores the most baskets, has the most assists, or who led the team in minutes is irrelevant to them. It's all about team success, and the only number that matters to them is the final score. If you were to ask any of the girls what matters most they would have said getting the (championship) banner. This isn't to say that winning is all that matters, but credit to them for seeing that team success meant so much more than individual accolades.

The 2023/24 basketball season began with a pre-season tournament in December at St. Thomas Aquinas. Over the course of the evening the Wild would play three minigames and would finish the night 3-0, outscoring their opponents 72-12. We also had some new faces on the team, and they were given the opportunity to play competitive basketball for the first time. The goal of earning a place in Division 1 for the 2023/24 season had been accomplished.

The regular season began when we came back from the Christmas break. The girls would win their first four games in convincing fashion, often limiting their opponents to under 10 points a game. Our new players were also earning more playing time, and getting more comfortable with their positions. Prior to our fifth game I called the starters down to my office for a quick meeting and proposed an idea: What if we started all of our bench players? In true team spirit they thought it was a great idea, and were happy to give their teammates the opportunity to be "starters". It was our very own Rudy

moment.

As we huddled together before the start of our game against Westview on February 7th the starters were excited to share the news about who would be starting. Many of the girls were surprised, and perhaps even in shock, but the opportunity to try to convince me to change my mind about starting them was unavailable, as the referees were calling them out to the court. We all encouraged them to try their best, and that their goal was to get one basket. About six minutes into the first quarter they made a basket to the delight of the home crowd and everyone on our bench. Despite being down on the score clack, they came off the court with smiles on their faces. Another great learning opportunity now presented itself to the starters: playing from behind. When the final whistle went the Wabamun Wild were victorious by a score of 63-26. Our bench players gained more experience and had the opportunity to start, additionally our starters had to overcome the adversity of being down by 16.

The following week we would go on to lose our first regular season game in almost two years. Greystone put forth a strong defensive effort, and the ball just didn't seem to want to bounce our way on a few occasions. The following day several of the girls started to talk about things that we could do differently and how we could improve, as the plan was to have the opportunity to play them again in the playoffs. There was no finger pointing, or laying blame for the loss. We would win our final reg-

ular season game and finish in second in our group with a record of 6 wins and 1 loss.

The girls would win their quarterfinal playoff game versus Broxton by a score of 45-19 and would head out on the road for a semifinals game versus the undefeated Woodhaven Wolfpack. The game started off going back and forth and both teams were very aggressive from the opening tipoff. Unfortunately for Wabamun, two of our starters found themselves in foul trouble in the first half, and we had to turn to some of our new players to play heavy minutes, and help limit Woodhaven's chances. Everyone played strong defensively through the first half, and as we entered the second half our starters were well rested and the Wild started to pull away. The final score would be Wabamun Wild - 35 & Woodhaven Wolfpack - 18. We were off to the finals to face Greystone.

On Monday, March 4th the Wabamun Wild girls' basketball team walked into the Greystone Inferno's gym to decide who would be raising the championship banner. Greystone had great school spirit and had decorated the gym in support of their team. Additionally, parents, staff and students filled the stands, but Wabamun (as always) had a cheering section of our own. At the end of the first quarter the girls were trailing, but not by as much as the first time we had played the Inferno. By halftime we held a slight lead and you could hear and feel the confidence in the huddle. The girls were complimenting each other on their efforts, and the message amongst

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Wabamun Wild Girls Basketball Team 2023/24 Recap

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them was to just keep working. As we went into the fourth quarter we held a six point lead. Along the way we had picked up a few fouls, but we knew we had

the bench depth and desire to see this through to the end. I must have looked at the clock twenty times just hoping the minutes and seconds would tick away faster. The Inferno didn't let up, but in the end the Wa-

bamun Wild would come away with the victory, winning 43-38. As the final whistle blew the girls congratulated and hugged each other on their accomplishment. A goal that some of them had worked towards

for three years had been achieved.

Great job girls. Go Wild Go!

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WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS IN ALBERTA

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta is investing wisely in wildfire preparedness with funding for additional airtankers, night-vision equipped helicopters and the Community Fireguard Program.

Alberta's government is preparing for the upcoming wildfire season following unprecedented wildfires in 2023 that impacted communities across the province. Significant investments are being made to the province's wildfire prevention, preparedness, and response to ensure Alberta's government can help communities prepare for the 2024 wildfire season.

The Community Fireguard Program is a valuable tool communities can employ to help educate residents and lower the risk of large wildfires. This year's budget provides an additional \$14 million to the program to support Alberta communities, bringing total funding to \$19 million. In addition, the budget includes funding for two additional airtanker groups and two new night vision-equipped helicopters.

"I am encouraged by the increased interest in both the FireSmart and Fireguard Programs this year. Albertans and their communities are wanting to better prepare themselves against the dangers of wildfire."

Todd Loewen, Minister of Forestry and Parks

Enhancing wildland firefighting operations

The addition of two airtanker groups and two new night-vision equipped helicopters will increase the effectiveness of Alberta Wildfire's initial attack, sustained action and suppression efforts. Airtankers play a crucial role in limiting the spread when a wildfire breaks out, allowing ground crews to break up fuel sources and fully extinguish the wildfire.

The combination of additional airtankers and night vision helicopters will also contribute to Alberta's enhanced night operations, which was piloted during the 2023 wildfire season, allowing

for nighttime heli-tankering and improved suppression efforts. Wildfire behaviour is typically more subdued at night, as temperatures are usually lower and humidity is higher, leading to increased ability and possibility to extinguish fires.

Supporting community wildfire resilience

Last fall, Alberta's government launched the Community Fireguard Program with an initial investment of \$5 million. The program, which is administered by the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta, helps protect communities by clearing the area near or surrounding a

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Wildfire Preparedness In Alberta

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community that breaks the path of a wildfire to cut it off from fuel sources that could potentially drive it towards property, infrastructure or other values at risk.

The Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta has experienced high interest in the program, signaling that communities throughout the province are eager to proactively prepare for the impacts of wildfire. In response to this demand, Alberta's government has increased investment in the Community Fireguard Program to help support Albertans.

"The Community Fireguard Program allows Albertans to take an active role in preparing their communities for the impacts of wildfire, leading to a safer province."

Richard Briand, president, Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta

Alberta's government encourages everyone to download the Alberta Wildfire and Alberta Fire Bans apps, regularly check the Alberta Wildfire Status Dashboard, remain up to date on fire bans, restrictions and advisories throughout the province, and above all, exercise extreme caution

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MAKING UTILITY BILLS MORE AFFORDABLE

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is taking action to protect Alberta's ratepayers by introducing legislation to lower and stabilize local access fees.

Affordability is a top priority for Alberta's government, with the cost of utilities being a large focus. By introducing legislation to help reduce the cost

of utility bills, the government is continuing to follow through on its commitment to make life more affordable for Albertans. This is in addition to the new short-term measures to prevent spikes in electricity prices and will help ensure long-term affordability for Albertans' basic household expenses.

Local access fees are functioning as a regressive municipal tax that consumers

pay on their utility bills. It is unacceptable for municipalities to be raking in hundreds of millions in surplus revenue off the backs of Alberta's ratepayers and cause their utility bills to be unpredictable costs by tying their fees to a variable rate. Calgary's formula relying

on a variable rate. This led to \$186 million more in fees being collected by the City of Calgary than expected.

To protect Alberta's ratepayers, the Government of Alberta is introducing the Utilities Affordability Statutes Amendment Act, 2024. If passed, this legislation would promote long-term affordability and predictability for utility bills by prohibiting the use of variable rates when calculating municipalities' local access fees.

Variable rates are highly volatile, which results in wildly fluctuating electricity bills. When municipalities use this rate to calculate their local access fees, it results in higher bills for Albertans and less certainty in families' budgets. These proposed changes would standardize how municipal fees are calculated across the province, and align with most municipalities' current formulas.

If passed, the Utilities Affordability Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 would prevent municipalities from attempting to take advantage of Alberta's ratepayers in the future. It would amend sections of the Electric Utilities Act and Gas Utilities Act to ensure that the Alberta Utilities Commission has stronger regulatory oversight on how these municipal fees are calculated and applied, ensuring Alberta ratepayer's best interests are protected.

If passed, this legislation would also amend sections of the Alberta Utilities Commission Act, the Electric Utilities Act, Government Organizations Act and the Regulated Rate Option Stability Act to replace the terms "Regulated Rate Option", "RRO", and "Regulated Rate Provider" with "Rate of Last Resort" and "Rate of Last Resort Provider" as applicable.



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Obituaries



Millie (Emilie) Bickerstaff Millie, age 97, of Stony Plain, AB passed away on the evening of January 11, 2024. Millie was born in Okalew, Poland to Daniel and Augustine Rinas on December 9, 1926. The family resettled in Germany after the start of WWII and in the spring of 1950, Millie immigrated to Canada under the sponsorship of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brandenburg of Stony Plain. By the fall of 1951 Millie married Ed Bickerstaff of Alberta Beach, AB and they were blessed with a daughter, Rosemarie on December 12, 1953. She remained on the family farm for 46 years, before moving back to Stony Plain in 1997. Millie is survived by her son-in-law Dave Kaempf; friends Audrey and Meaghan Dyke,

Margaret and Mico Barudzija, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Ed Bickerstaff; her daughter Rosemarie Kaempf; her parents and all five of her siblings. A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 pm on May 16, 2024, at The Evangelical Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd, 5010-52 Avenue, Stony Plain, AB. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Stony Plain Care Centre, 4800-55 Ave, Stony Plain AB, T7Z 1P9.

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*Sept - May.

Edmonton Northwest Senior's Center: 1205th NW, Every Wed From 1-3:30pm Aug & Sept Admin: \$5 non members \$2 members Yearly membership \$30

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

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

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

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

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

more info.

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

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

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

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

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

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

YOUR COMMUNITY

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

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

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

LIBRARY EVENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

SOCIAL EVENTS

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

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

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

Evansburg Public Library

EVANSBURG ART CLUB: meet & paint Thurs 1-4PM Rec Plex. 727-4340 or 727-4098

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Contact 780-940-3032

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

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

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

MEETINGS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

DARWELL & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY: 7PM, 1st Mon, Community Hall.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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