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AXE THE TAXES FOR SUMMER

Submitted by MP Gerald Soroka

After nine years of Justin Trudeau, Canadians are being forced to cancel their

summer vacations as the Liberals' tax-and-spend agenda has made even a simple camping trip unaffordable. Parents can barely afford basic necessities,

much less a summer vacation.

In the middle of this historic cost-of-living crisis, Trudeau and his NDP

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BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH ALBERTA TO HELP ALBERTANS AGE WITH DIGNITY

Submitted by MP Gerald Soroka

Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the

federal and Alberta governments have announced a bilateral agreement to invest \$627M over the next five years to help Albertans age with dignity. This fund-

ing builds on the over \$1B bilateral agreement that was announced with the province in December of 2023, as part of the

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ALBERTA RCMP REMOVE 173 IMPAIRED DRIVERS FROM ROADS OVER VICTORIA DAY LONG WEEKEND

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

From May 17 - 20, your Alberta RCMP conducted

enhanced traffic enforcement targeting impaired drivers. In part of National Impaired Driving Enforcement Day on Saturday, May

18, police efforts this past Victoria Day long weekend focused on removing drug and alcohol impaired

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Axe The Taxes For Summer

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coalition partners decided to hike the carbon tax by 23%. This is just one step in his plan to quadruple the carbon tax over the next six years, making everything more expensive at the worst possible time. In fact, since Trudeau became

Prime Minister, gas prices have surged by more than 50%.

Justin Trudeau may be able to jet set off on a \$230,000 taxpayer, luxury vacation, but most Canadians are having to scale back or cancel their summer plans after Trudeau's car-

bon tax made gas and groceries unaffordable.

Common Sense Conservatives are calling on Trudeau to give Canadians a summer break by axing the carbon tax, the gas tax, and GST between Victoria Day and Labour Day so families can afford a simple summer vacation. This would save Canadians \$670 over the summer.

Conservatives will axe the tax on everything for everyone in a carbon tax election, but until that can happen, Trudeau must adopt this common-sense measure to give Canadians a summer break.



Andrew Boitchenko
MLA FOR DRAYTON VALLEY-DEVON

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JOKE of the week

Q: If Mississippi bought Virginia a New Jersey, what would Delaware? A: Idaho... Alaska!

Q: Did you hear about that new broom? A: It's sweeping the nation!

Q: What do you call an elephant that doesn't matter? A: An irrelephant.

Q: What do lawyers wear to court? A: Lawsuits!



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Bilateral Agreement With Alberta To Help Albertans Age With Dignity

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Government's 'Working Together to Improve Health Care for Canadians' plan. Federal funding will support Alberta's five-year ac-

tion plan to improve health-care for seniors by:

- Expanding caregiver supports
- Strengthening the continuing care workforce and

• Enhancing compliance and improved quality of continuing care

The Aging with Dignity agreements support the shared priority of helping

people in Canada age with dignity close to home, with access to home care or care in a safe long-term care facility.

Alberta RCMP Remove 173 Impaired Drivers From Roads Over Victoria Day Long Weekend

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drivers from Alberta's provincial roads and highways. This year, the Alberta RCMP removed a total of 173 impaired drivers from the roads, 42 of which occurred during National Impaired Driving Enforcement Day across 36 organized check stops.

"While we promote safe driving behaviours all year round, we want to enhance


this messaging and our enforcement efforts during holidays or long weekends when more people are out on our roadways," says Sgt. Vinnie Hetu, Alberta RCMP Traffic. "Impaired driving is a danger to yourself and others. Always plan a safe, sober ride accordingly."

The consequences for impaired driving include a 90-day suspension, one year of mandatory ignition

interlock, a 30-day vehicle seizure, a \$1,000 fine, and a criminal record.


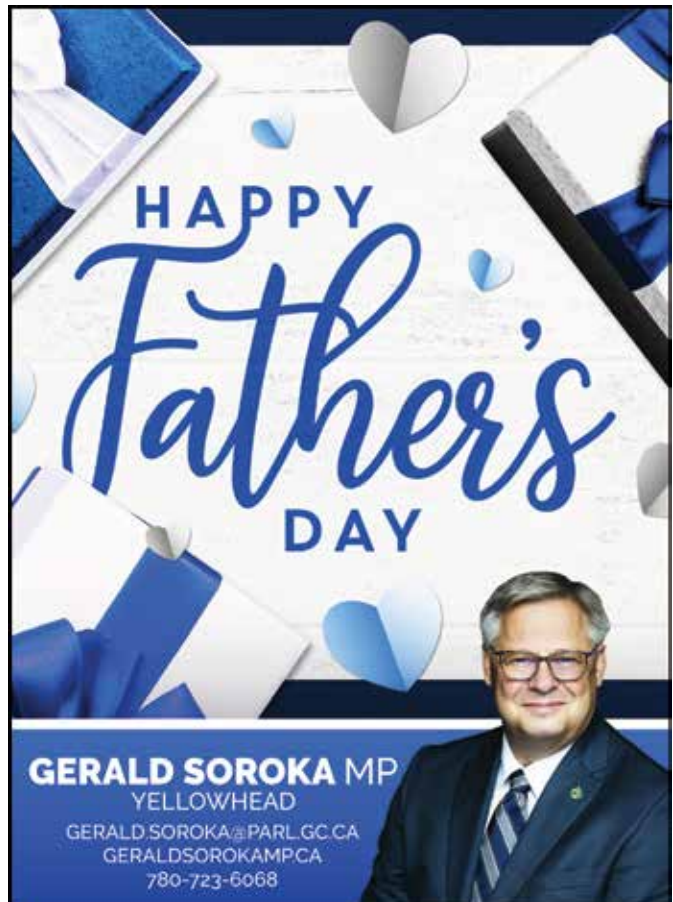


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START-UP OF THE TRANS MOUNTAIN PIPELINE: JOINT STATEMENT

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Premier Danielle Smith and Minister of Energy and Minerals Brian Jean issued the following statement on the start-up of the Trans Mountain Pipeline:

“Alberta is celebrating an important achievement for the energy industry – the startup of the twinned Trans Mountain Pipeline expansion project (TMX). It’s great news for Albertans and Canadians, as this will welcome a new era of prosperity and economic growth. The completion of TMX is monumental for Alberta, since this will significantly increase our province’s output. It will triple the capacity of the original pipeline to now carry

890,000 barrels per day of crude oil from Alberta’s oil sands to British Columbia’s Pacific Coast.

“We are excited that Canada’s biggest and newest oil pipeline in more than a decade can now bring oil from Edmonton to tidewater in B.C. This will allow us to get our energy resources to Pacific markets, including Washington State and California, and Asian markets like Japan, South Korea, China and India. Alberta now has new energy customers, and tankers with Alberta oil will be unloading in China and India in the next few months.

“For Alberta this is a game-changer. The world needs more reliably and sustainably sourced Alberta energy, not less. World

demand for oil and gas resources will continue in the decades ahead, and the new pipeline expansion will give us the opportunity to meet global energy demands, increase North American and global energy security, and help remove the issues of energy poverty in other parts of the world.

“Analysts are predicting the price differential on Canadian crude oil will narrow, resulting in many millions of extra government revenues, which will help fund important programs like health, education and social services – the things Albertans rely on. TMX will also result in billions of dollars of economic prosperity for Albertans, Indigenous communities and Canadians, and create well-paying

jobs throughout Canada.

“Our province wants to congratulate the Trans Mountain Corporation for its tenacity to have completed this long awaited and much-needed energy infrastructure, and to thank the more than 30,000 dedicated, skilled workers whose efforts made this extraordinary project a reality. The province also wants to thank the federal government for seeing this project through. This is a great example of an area where the provincial and federal government can cooperate and work together for the benefit of Albertans and all Canadians.”



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LEADING EDGE PHYSIOTHERAPY PICKLEBALL FACILITY NOW OPEN IN LEDUC

Submitted by City of Leduc

The new Leading Edge Physiotherapy Pickleball Facility in Leduc is officially open for play after the community gathered to celebrate a grand opening ceremony earlier today.

The facility, which represents an investment of \$980,000 in new recreational amenity space in

Leduc, features 12 courts, a spectator area, garbage receptacles and a portable washroom.

"We know local pickleball enthusiasts are eager to play and make the most of this first season outdoors," says City of Leduc Mayor Bob Young, adding it will contribute to a high quality of life for Leduc residents and help attract new people to the area. "I'm

pleased we have created a space that reinforces the importance of movement and social connections that make Leduc stand out."

Sports tourism is an important economic driver in the community, and the new pickleball facility is poised to attract new sporting opportunities that were previously inaccessible in Leduc. These opportunities include, for example,

the 2025 Alberta 55 plus Summer Games to be hosted in Leduc in July 2025, which required pickleball facilities as part of the bid.

The courts are in the northeast corner of William F. Lede Park and will be open daily from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. until Sept. 30 on a first come first served basis.

JOIN US FOR CANADA DAY IN LEDUC

Submitted by City of Leduc

Celebrate Canada Day in Leduc on July 1, 2024, with a variety of community events and a free community concert featuring The Trews and opening act Arcana Kings.

Confirmed events and activities include:

- Pancake breakfast at Leduc Co-Op Food Store parking lot
- Family-friendly activities at the Grain Elevator
- Main Street Car Show with entertainment by Hockey Circus
- Community concert at the Leduc Recreation Centre east parking lot
- High-flying fireworks show

"Canada Day is one of the signature events in our city that truly brings the community together," says City of Leduc Mayor Bob Young. "Canada Day has a unique ability to remind us that we are all connected through community. Our differences are our strength and it's important to celebrate our own contributions to the Canadian identity."

The Trews are a Canadian rock band from Antigonish, Nova Scotia. Their repertoire includes hits like "Not Ready To Go", "Hope & Ruin" and "Hold Me In Your Arms".

The Arcana Kings are another Canadian rock band that has garnered fans from around the world with their high energy and unique use of the bagpipes.

More information about Canada Day including event schedules, road closures and day-of weather updates can be found at Leduc.ca/Canada.

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DEER VALLEY TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH DOG PARK IS NOW OPEN

Submitted by City of Leduc

The Deer Valley temporary off-leash dog park is now open and will be until this fall, giving Leduc pet owners a new option on the west side of the city to let their pets off leash to exercise and interact with other dogs.

The off-leash dog park is located at the northend of Grant McEwan Blvd., next to the Deer

Valley Community Gardens and will be open daily from 6 a.m. - 11 p.m.

The opening of the temporary off-leash dog park is the second phase of the pilot project, which began in fall 2023 when residents were encouraged to share their thoughts on three proposed locations in west Leduc.

Residents are encouraged to share their thoughts of the

Deer Valley off-leash dog park with the City through an online survey, using a QR code on one of the poster boards at the Deer Valley site. The feedback received will be presented to Leduc City Council later this fall to inform them of their decision of whether the park should be made permanent.

Pet owners are required to abide by the City's responsible pet ownerships rules while vis-

iting off-leash parks and must clean up after their dogs.

Leduc also has three other dog parks that residents can use and take advantage of the nice weather during the summer months: The K-9 off-leash dog park, Barclay Park off-leash dog park, and Outlook Park.

THE HEROES OF NORMANDY

Submitted by Guy Black

Recipient of the Minister of Veterans Affairs Commendation

Death struck deeply into those who waded ashore on June 6, 1944. Struggling to quickly move from their landing craft to the sand of

Normandy beach. Burdened by the heavy weight of their equipment, and the sights and sounds around them. Before them lay a terrifying array of obstacles waiting to trap, maim, and destroy anyone who attempted to challenge the terrible might of the nazi occupation of France.

Service men and women came from all across Canada. Local militia units like the South Alberta Regiment, South Alberta Light Horse and the Calgary Highlanders were mobilized for active war service. These part-time "Saturday Night" soldiers were busy in their armouries and drill halls,

recruiting and training its new members. Some would find themselves "storming Juno beach" on June 6th, while others arrived sometime later, joining the 3rd Canadian Division as they consolidated their foothold on the Normandy coast.

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The Heroes Of Normandy

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The liberation campaign slowly progressed mile by bloody mile across France until Paris was freed on August 25, 1944. In its wake were left countless dead and injured, destroyed towns and cities. Names of places became etched into the memories of

the soldiers who fought in battles like Bourguébus Ridge, Carpiquet Airport, Caen, the Falaise "Gap", Vaucelles, and Verrières Ridge. The campaign to liberate France from its occupiers would end up taking the lives of 5,021 Canadian soldiers.

The number of war veter-

ans who fought in the liberation campaign have steadily declined as the years have passed. Fortunately, some of these remarkable old soldiers are still living. They are resilient people who followed a path of duty, endured hardship, faced danger and experienced things we could never

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

May-Sept

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

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

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SOCIAL EVENTS

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

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

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

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

JAM DANCE & CARDS: 1st Fri, 7PM, Buck Creek. (780) 514-3781
"KIDS OWN WORSHIP" an hour after-school, 1st and 3rd Thursdays each month. Songs, Crafts, Snacks and FUN! No charge. Call All Saints' Anglican Church. (780)542-5048

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

MUSIC JAMBOREE: Last Sunday of each month. Upstairs @ the "55 Rec. Center" Doors open at 12PM, Starts at 1PM. 780-542-3768

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

ST. DAVIDS JR. CHOIR is seeking singers ages 7-13. Boys and girls are welcomed. Rehearsals in Leduc Tuesdays 3:45- 5PM. Contact 780-432-7805.

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MEETINGS

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

Do you have a problem with alcohol & are you looking for an **AA MEETING** or someone to talk to? Call Toll Free 1-877-404-8100.

Drinking a Problem? There is a Solution, call AA 780-491-1043

ALDER FLATS AG SOCIETY: 3rd Wed, 7PM, Community Centre. Call (780) 388-3318 for more info.

BRETON COUNCIL MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the Council Chambers, Carolyn Strand Civic Centre. 780-696-3636.

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

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

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

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

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

LEDUC MS SOCIETY COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? This group is

for you! Meetings TBD. Contact the Edmonton Chapter, 780-471-3034

MS SOCIETY DRAYTON VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP meets every 1st Tuesday of the month, Sept-June from 6-8PM at Norquest College, dates TBA. Info, Terra Leslie at 1-403-346-0290.

Winfield Legion Branch 236: Jan, May, Sept. Contact Secretary Treasurer Gordon Watson 780-542-1243

YOUR COMMUNITY

Dental Health: Visit the dental hygienist with your toddler. Children 15-24 mos of age are encouraged to have this Free Toddler Mouth Check. For info, contact the Thorsby Health Centre at 789-4800.

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.

Come join GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA, 1st Pipestone Sparks/Brownies/Guides Rainbow Unit. For more info call Jenny 387-3544 (anytime) or Teresa 901-3817 (evenings)

LEDUC AND DISTRICT SENIOR CENTRE : Provides programs and activities to enhance seniors' lives. Drop by for a tour, meet new friends, and see what we have to offer! 780-986-6160 www.leducseniors.ca

Meals on Wheels: Call Deanne Young, Director FCSS 696-3636

Thorsby Well Child & Immunization Clinic, every 1st & 3rd Thurs. of the month. Contact Thorsby Public Health Center for appointment. 789-4800.

Warburg Well Baby & Immunization Clinic, by appointment only, 2nd Wed of month, Cloverleaf Manor. Thorsby Health Unit 789-4800.





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