



Redwater values leaders and guards in training

By Brandie Majeau

During the Town of Redwater's recent council meeting, a group of fantastic youth leaders were presented with their certificates of appreciation for their outstanding contributions to the Town of Redwater's summer programs.

These Leaders in Training (LITs) and Guards in Training (GITs) became an amazing team, popping up at events and programming throughout the summer to scoop ice cream, lend a hand, and become role models.

They worked alongside Redwater staff throughout the busy summer schedule that provided

unique activities and programs for local children.

The Leaders in Training programs are carefully crafted for young people between the ages of 13 and 17.

These programs aim to cultivate essential leadership skills and provide valuable knowledge while ensuring an enjoyable experience as they mentor and assist younger children.

Participating in these programs not only fosters personal growth but also offers a meaningful opportunity to contribute to their community or earn leadership and volunteer hours for school.

After an enriching



Photo: Town of Redwater

summer experience, participants in the Leaders in Training (LITs) and Guides in Training (GITs)

program walk away equipped with a diverse set of skills that will serve them well in a lifelong journey

of learning and taking on leadership responsibilities.

Beyond the joy of engaging in activities

like music, arts and crafts, and sports with their younger

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Maddy's Dance Company hosts successful BBQ



By Brandie Majeau

On the weekend of August 21-23, 2024, the students of Maddy's Dance Company (MDC) organized a spectacular MDC Art Association BBQ, held in Devonian Park in Redwater, a success that was made possible by the unwavering support of the local community.

This event brought together the local community for

a weekend of dance support, food and fun.

The MDC Art Association would like to express its sincere gratitude to all the attendees who graced the event with their presence and support.

Thanks to the overwhelming kindness and generosity of the BBQ patrons, Maddy's Dance Company managed to raise shy of \$1500.

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SPECIAL OFFER

This spot is available for only \$100/week
or \$75/week for a year booking!

Call 780-942-2023 or email redwaterreview@gmail.com to book this spot.

Smoky Lake FRN Centre hosts Monday playtime

By Brandie Majeau

The Smoky Lake FCSS & Family Resource Network have created a wonderful opportunity for parents and caregivers. They are excited to provide a free family drop-in playtime at the Family Resource Centre on Monday mornings from 10 am - 12 pm.

Unstructured play, consisting of activities and games that aren't highly organized or directed by adults, is fundamental to how children learn and is considered a crucial component of their overall healthy growth and development. It encourages children to use their imagination, creativity, and problem-solving skills, helping them develop important social, emotional, and cognitive abilities.

Recognizing the value of children's natural inclination

to play, it is important for adults to take a step back, observe, and appreciate the learning and growth that occurs during playtime. By allowing children to engage in unstructured play, we not only promote their development but also create a supportive and nurturing environment for them to thrive.

To facilitate this invaluable aspect of childhood, Smoky Lake FCSS & FRN are offering families an opportunity to come together, connect with others, and create a safe and enjoyable space for children to play and explore. This initiative aims to foster a community where children can interact, learn from each other and develop essential social skills in a fun and secure environment.

As parents strive to provide the best for their children and

work to ensure they have the greatest start, it is important to remember that unstructured play is essential for children's growth and happiness.

The term refers to the way parents and caregivers can let children take the lead and explore their own creativity, imaginative play, physical activities, and artistic endeavors. This allows them the freedom to explore and helps them build and develop life skills in addition to building self-confidence as they succeed in accomplishing tasks on their own.

Unstructured play has also been found to have many benefits, such as improving physical, mental, emotional, and cognitive health. This time of "play" is actually helping them to learn skills that will help them throughout

their lives.

Essentially, whatever imaginative and constructive play a child can conceive, parents are encouraged to be a part of it in a safe and supportive environment. Through songs, games and individual discoveries, unstructured play begins from infancy and should continue throughout childhood. The play will become more complex, and interactions will take on a deeper meaning and understanding that continues to build on personal skills and problem-solving.

This kind of play can also help reduce anxiety and depression in children and help them develop coping mechanisms and resiliency. Join others at Smoky Lake FRN Centre Monday mornings and build skills for life while creating lasting memories of family at play.

MOUNTIE MINUTE

Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment



Redwater RCMP reminds motorists to slow down as kids return to school

Redwater RCMP wants drivers to pay extra attention in school and playground zones this September, as children return to class.

Consider the following tips to keep everyone safe this back-to-school season:

- **Plan ahead:** give yourself extra time to avoid being rushed – it can prevent speeding and allows you to keep safety-focused.

- **Know the rules of the road:** Reduce your speed to the posted limit in school or playground zones, and pay attention to crossing guard directions. Do not pass school busses with flashing alternating red lights (unless on the other side of a divided highway) – this could result in fines of up to \$567 and six demerits. Avoid blocking crosswalks with your vehicle.

- **Stay vigilant:** Children can get distracted when school is starting or letting out and may not fully understand the rules of the road. Keep an eye out for kids!

Though times may vary in different municipalities, the speed limit for both urban and rural school zones is 30 km/h unless otherwise posted. For more traffic safety information, follow us on Facebook @RCMPinAlberta and X @RCMPAlberta.

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON A CRIME CONTACT THE SMOKY LAKE RCMP AT 780-656-3550 or CRIMESTOPPERS 1-800-222-TIPS(8477)

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Join a board or committee

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS OCTOBER 15, 2024

This is a great opportunity to network, learn about local government, gain experience for your resume and offer your opinion on community matters.

No experience is necessary. Members are paid for their time and will receive training.

Applicants must live in Sturgeon County.

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QUESTIONS?

Legislative Services
780-939-4321
LegislativeServices@SturgeonCounty.ca


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Newbrook 4-H Club

Reorganizational Meeting & Registration Night

October 6th, 2024
at 4:00 at Newbrook Hall

- Current projects are beef, swine, foods, poultry & light horse. We are open to more as long as we have trained leaders to lead them.
- Member from 6 - 20.



For more information please contact **Jocelyn** at **780-656-5813**

CANADA
4-H Alberta

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Bylaw 1648/23: Redistricting Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 and Non-Statutory Public Hearing for the Estates of Tuscany Outline Plan

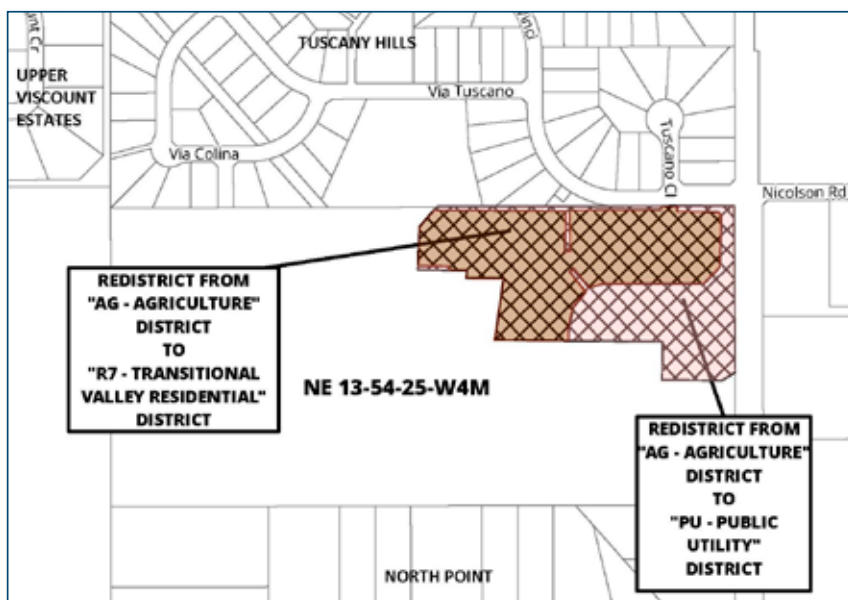
Public Hearing - Bylaw 1648/23

Redistricting Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17

Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1648/23. The property owner wants to develop a multi-lot subdivision on their lands at NE-13-54-25-W4M in Sturgeon Valley. This land is currently districted as AG - Agriculture District, which does not allow this type of subdivision and development.

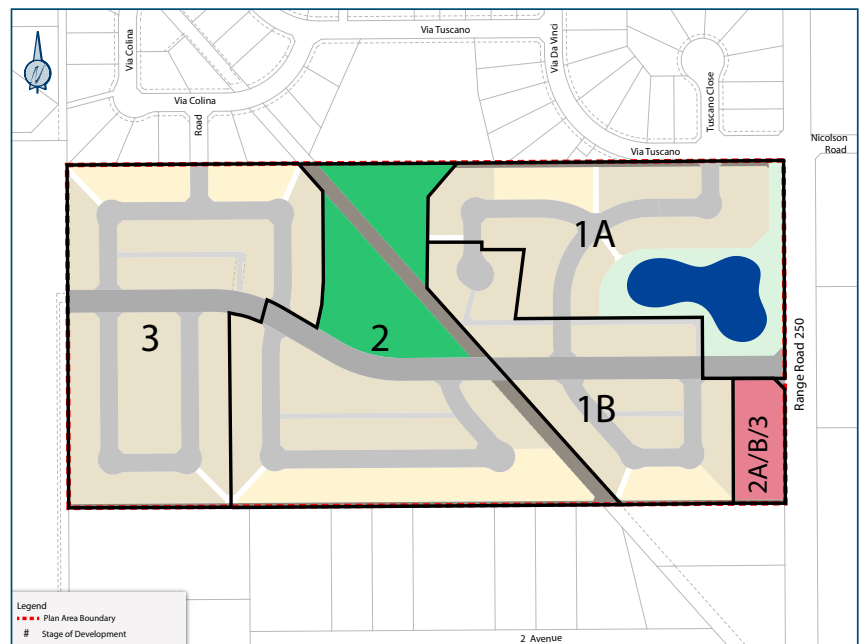
The land must be redistricted before a subdivision application can be submitted. The proposed bylaw would redistrict a portion of NE-13-54-25-W4M from AG - Agriculture District to R7 - Transitional Valley Residential District and PU - Public Utility District.

Each time land is redistricted, a bylaw is needed to amend the Land Use Bylaw, and a public hearing must be held.



Non-Statutory Public Hearing - Estates of Tuscany Outline Plan

Sturgeon County Council also requests public input through a non-statutory public hearing for the proposed Estates of Tuscany Outline Plan. This document would guide the future phases of planning and development of the same lands the property owner is seeking to redistrict NE-13-54-25-W4M.



Note: the east-west collector roadway dedication is conceptual and subject to refinement at the detailed design stage.

View the proposed bylaw and related documents at SturgeonCounty.ca/hearing-1648

The public hearings will be held on:

- **Tuesday, September 24 at 1 p.m.** (or as soon as practical thereafter) - **Estates of Tuscany Outline Plan**
- **Tuesday, September 24 at 2 p.m.** (or as soon as practical thereafter) - **Bylaw 1648/23**

The public hearings will be held in person at Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St. in Morinville).

Questions? Contact us!

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How to Participate in a Public Hearing

Requirements for Speakers

All speakers have five minutes to speak and are encouraged to provide a written copy of their submission before the public hearing(s).

Speaking in Person

To speak at either or both of the public hearings in person, contact Legislative Services at 780-939-8277 or 780-939-1377 to pre-register.

Speaking via Videoconference

To speak at either or both of the public hearings via videoconference, you **must** register by **September 23, and at least 24 hours prior** to the commencement of the public hearing(s) that you wish to speak at, by contacting Legislative Services at 780-939-8277 or 780-939-1377. This ensures you receive instructions to access the video conference(s).

Written Submissions

Email your written submission(s) to Legislative Services at legislativeservices@sturgeoncounty.ca. Submissions are accepted up to the close of each public hearing.

If making a written submission, you must indicate which matter your submission relates to. You must include your name, state your interest in the matter (such as a County resident directly impacted by the proposed bylaw), and indicate if you are in favour of or opposed to the proposed bylaw or outline plan.

Watching the Public Hearing

You can view the public hearing in person or online at SturgeonCounty.ca/CouncilMeetings. To view the livestream, click on the meeting date on the calendar, then click on the video link.

Learn about upcoming engagement opportunities about planning and development in the Sturgeon Valley.



Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: By submitting comments on this bylaw, either orally or in writing, the personal information you provide may be recorded in the minutes of the public hearing, or otherwise made public. This information is collected in line with section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have questions, contact the Access and Privacy Officer at foip@sturgeoncounty.ca or 780-939-4321.



Sturgeon County Chief Administrative Officer announces departure

Reegan McCullough, Sturgeon County's Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), announced his departure from Sturgeon County at the regular Council meeting on September 10, 2024.

Mr. McCullough joined Sturgeon County in 2018.

Under his leadership over the last six years, he has modernized County operations, worked tirelessly on behalf of the community, developed positive relationships, and guided Sturgeon County Council through times of rapid change.

"From day one, Reegan has been an extraordinary leader for the Sturgeon County organization and community."

"As CAO, he has demonstrated a keen ability to innovate, think strategically, and act quickly to jump on the

many opportunities Sturgeon is fortunate to enjoy," said Sturgeon County Mayor, Alanna Hnatiw.

"I have always appreciated that Reegan has the courage to challenge the status quo – something he has evidenced numerous times."

"He brought in a new way of thinking for corporate planning, insisting our Strategic Plan be re-drafted in a way that is plain language and relatable."

"Reegan also led the charge on our successful appeal at the Edmonton Region Growth Board to advocate for development and future jobs in our Villeneuve Airport area. Reegan has modelled a people-based approach for staff and encouraged courageous workplace conversations."

"He has modernized our business practices and put sound policies in place."

"Reegan's openness to exploring solutions and new opportunities was instrumental in the formation, direction and outcomes achieved at the Edmonton Region Hydrogen Hub. His contribution on behalf of Sturgeon County cannot be overstated."

"Reegan has played a critical role in realizing what the Sturgeon County experience could become, from beautiful winter light pathways in Cardiff Park to helping the County strengthen relationships and partnerships for the Villeneuve Airshows, and everything in between," said Hnatiw.

"Reegan knows how to dream big and do the hard work it takes to realize positive outcomes."

"On behalf of Council, I want to wish Reegan the very best, knowing his work ethic, energy, broad experience, and interests served the County well; he will certainly be missed," said Mayor Hnatiw.

Effective October 1, Travis Peter, Sturgeon County's General Manager of Development Services Division, will serve as Interim CAO.

Council is acting quickly to launch a Canada-wide search for Sturgeon County's next administrative

leader and intends to have the role permanently filled over the coming months.

"We look forward to supporting Mr. Peter in his role as the Interim CAO," said Hnatiw.

"Sturgeon County has so much depth in our organization, guided by expert staff who will certainly ensure there is no disruption to County operations and service delivery during the change in leadership. Our staff does incredible work and will ensure stability during

this transition."

Sturgeon County remains committed to achieving municipal excellence and advancing its strategic priorities, which include listening to residents, offering high-quality services, building safe communities, establishing diverse business opportunities, and having a modern and adaptive administration. For more information about Sturgeon County, please visit www.sturgeoncounty.ca.

Alberta Healthy Living Program supports at home fitness



By Brandie Majeau

In a step to enhance the overall health and well-being of community members, the Town of Smoky Lake is highlighting a unique program offered this upcoming fall season provided by Alberta Health Services.

The Alberta Healthy Living Program is dedicated to educating and assisting Albertans in their pursuit of a healthier lifestyle.

This kind of programming is particularly beneficial to individuals who are managing and living with chronic health conditions and are looking for a way to

support, maintain, and improve their current needs.

The Alberta Healthy Living Program is completely cost-free and offers in-home support through Zoom connections.

This is a virtual exercise program that is designed to help individuals feel safe in their own homes and engage and interact within a small group setting.

Each program will be tailored to the fitness levels of individuals, connecting Albertans twice a week for six-week sessions.

Participants can not only participate from the comfort of their

own homes but are not required to purchase or use any specialized equipment.

The upcoming sessions are scheduled as follows: October 28 to December 9, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1pm to 2:30 pm and October 28 to December 9, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 pm to 7:30 pm.

For further information or to register, please visit www.healthyliving-program.ca or call 1-877-349-5711.

This program can be the first step to achieving personal physical goals and making Albertans healthier.

2024

Mayor's State of the County

ADDRESS AND OPEN HOUSE

Join Mayor Alanna Hnatiw and Sturgeon County Council for the 2024 State of the County Address and Open House.

\$20/ person

OCTOBER 3

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

PROGRAM BEGINS AT 6PM

BEYOND THE MERIDIAN

(26127 AB-633, Sturgeon County, AB)

Event will also be live streamed on YouTube.

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COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS September 10, 2024

Below is a brief summary of decisions made at the September 10, 2024, Regular Council meeting:

Unfinished Business - The King Charles III Coronation Medal Nomination

Council nominated Herb Holgate for the King Charles III Coronation Medal and will be submitted by Councillor Joyce Pierce.

Further, Council nominated Larry Hyciw for The King Charles III Coronation Medal and will be submitted by Deputy Reeve Angela Zilinski.

Unfinished Business - Northern and Regional Economic Development Program

Council accepted the report on the Northern and Regional Economic Development program as information and referred it to the Community Economic Development Advisory Board (CEDAB).

Unfinished Business - Approach - Moya Wonsik

Council confirmed its previous motion that Thorhild County will construct a new approach at the cost of the landowner, as requested.

Policy 215 - CAO Employment

Council directed Administration to bring Policy 215 - CAO Employment back to a future Council meeting.

Correspondence for Action - Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)

Council directed Administration to respond to the Rural Municipal Impact of the Policing Funding Model survey as discussed with Council.

Correspondence for Action - Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors

Council directed Administration to request a meeting with the Minister of Transportation with the following items to be discussed:

- Water for Life Grant
- Highway 28 West of Highway 23
- Bridge on Highway 827 South of Highway 18

PUBLIC SALE OF LAND (Municipal Government Act) THORHILD COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Thorhild County will offer for sale, by public auction, in the County Administration Office, Thorhild, Alberta, on Tuesday, October 8, at 10:00 a.m. the following lands:

Lot	Block	Plan	Cert of Title Hamlet
1	2	752 0638	212105962 Pinebrook
6&7	16	3939 NY	032128306 Thorhild
5	6	460 HW	222009542 Thorhild

Pt of Sec.	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.	M.	Acres	Cert of Title
Pt NW	33	60	19	4	9.98	202255494
(Lot 1, Plan 9826450)						
SW	03	63	19	4	76.5	012257123

Each parcel will be offered for sale subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing Certificate of Title.

These properties are being offered for sale on an "as is, where is" basis and Thorhild County makes no representation and gives no warranty whatsoever as to the adequacy of services, soil conditions, land use districting, building and development conditions, absence, or presence of environment contamination, or the developability of the subject land for any intended use by the Purchaser.

No bid will be accepted where the bidder attempts to attach conditions on the sale of any parcel. No terms or conditions of sale will be considered other than those specified by Thorhild County.

Thorhild County may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land not sold at the public auction.

Terms: Cash or Certified Cheque and GST will apply on lands sold at the Public Auction. A 10% deposit is payable upon the acceptance of the bid at Public Auction. The balance of the accepted bid is due within 30 days.

Redemption may be affected by payment of all arrears of taxes and costs at any time prior to the sale.

Dated at Thorhild County, Alberta, September 10, 2024.

Ryan Maier
Chief Administrative Officer

Phone: 780-398-3741 | www.thorhildcounty.com | 801 - 1st Street, Box 10, Thorhild AB T0A 3J0

DISCRETIONARY USE PERMITS ISSUED – APPEAL BY OCTOBER 1, 2024

Take notice that the Municipal Planning Commission for Thorhild County has approved the following Development Application(s):

i) Legal Description:	NE 35-59-21-W4
Land Use Designation:	AG – Agricultural District
Proposal:	Approval for the Expansion of a Natural Resource Extraction Use for a 2.25 Hectare Yard-Site Expansion and the Construction of a 0.30 Hectare Fire Suppression Water Supply Reservoir.
Division:	1
Permit #	DP24-2622

Date of Decision: September 10, 2024; Appeal by: 4:00 PM, October 1, 2024

Additional Information:

For additional information regarding this permit, please contact Manager of Planning and Development David Blades at 780-398-3741 ext. 2825 or email: David.Blades@thorhildcounty.com.

Appeal Information:

If you wish to appeal this decision, you must appeal to one of the following appeal bodies: (see below for details).

Land and Property Rights Tribunal:

This is the appropriate appeal body if the application is the subject of a licence, permit, approval, or other authorization granted by the Minister of Environment and Parks or granted under any act the minister is responsible for under section 16 of the Government Organization Act, or granted by the Natural Resources Conservation Board, Energy Resources Conservation Board, Alberta Energy Regulator, Alberta Energy and Utilities Board or Alberta Utilities Commission. You can file an appeal via email or by mail to 2nd floor, Summerside Business Centre, 1229 - 91 St. SW., Edmonton, AB T6X 1E9. Telephone enquiries can be made to 780-427-2444.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB):

All other appeals not subject to the above can be filed with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board via email at carol.revega@thorhildcounty.com or via mail to Thorhild County, P. O. Box 10, 801 – 1st Street, Thorhild, AB, T0A 3J0. Telephone enquiries can also be made to the Planning & Development Department at 780-398-3741. Pursuant to Section 686 (1) of the Municipal Government Act, an appeal may be commenced by filing a notice of appeal within 21 days of the decision date. Please note that there is a \$200.00 fee for any appeal.

HALFMOON LAKE CAMPGROUND

Halfmoon Lake Campground closes on September 30th. Gates are locked from October 1 to May 15. Thank you to all our patrons for making this another successful camping season. We hope to see everyone again next year!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

2024/2025 Seasonal Positions - Long Lake Ski Area.

- Rental Shop (technicians & cashier)
- Lift Operators
- Cafeteria (Cooks & Cashier)
- Ski Instructors
- Snowboard Instructors



For details, please visit our Careers page at www.thorhildcounty.com.





Maddy's Dance Company
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These funds have propelled them closer to their \$5000 target, which is crucial to cover their dress rehearsal fees.

This support is instrumental in ensuring talented dancers can continue pursuing their passion for dance.

In the spirit of ongoing support, the MDC Arts Association has announced plans to host monthly fundraisers.

These events, made possible by the continuous support of the community, will serve the dual

purpose of covering essential costs and providing team jackets for their approximately 40 dance students.

Look forward to an exciting lineup of upcoming fundraisers, including a cash draw at the end of September, beef jerky sales, a Mabel's Labels fundraiser, earrings sales, and future events such as paint nights and pub nights.

Moreover, Maddy's Dance Company Art Association warmly invites local businesses to partner with them by sponsoring team jackets.

In return, sponsors

will have the opportunity to prominently display their company logo on MDC jackets, showcasing their commitment to supporting arts within the community and gaining visibility among the local community and event attendees.

Once again, the Art Association extends its heartfelt thanks to everyone in the community for their unwavering support.

It is through this collective effort that they can empower and enable their talented performers to chase their dreams and nurture their dancing talents.

Is it time for your mammogram?

Screen Test is coming to Redwater October 5 to 8, 2024

Screen Test is a free service provided by Alberta Health Services that offers screening mammograms.

Our mobile screening units travel to 120 communities throughout Alberta to provide convenient access to breast cancer screening.

Having regular screening mammograms is the best way to find breast cancer early, before symptoms appear and when treatment may work better.

Who should have a screening mammogram?

If you're 45 to 74, you don't need a referral to have a mammogram.

Make screening part of your regular health routine.

Plan to have a

mammogram every 2 years or as decided by you and your healthcare provider.

If you're 40 to 44 or over 75, discuss the risks and benefits of screening with your healthcare provider.

You will need a referral if you're 40 to 44 and it's your first mammogram, or if you're over 75.

Call 1-800-667-0604 (toll-free) to book a mammogram with Screen Test.

Breast density scores are now included in your Screen Test result letter

Breast density is the amount of dense tissue compared to the amount of fat in a person's breasts.

It can be harder to find cancer in dense breasts because this tissue appears white on a mammogram,

the same colour as many kinds of breast cancer.

It's common to have dense breast tissue.

Dense breasts are only one of many risk factors for breast cancer.

Other factors, such as age and genetics, have a bigger impact on your overall risk.

You can't tell how dense your breasts are by size, look or feel.

The only way to find out is by having a mammogram.

Talk to your healthcare provider about your breast density score and your personal risk of breast cancer.

Learn more about breast density on screeningforlife.ca

For more information on Screen Test and breast cancer screening, visit screeningforlife.ca



STEAK SUPPER & DANCE
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

SILENT AUCTION

EGREMONT COMMUNITY HALL
6:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT

35.00 A PLATE

LIVE BAND BLUE STAR

CASH BAR

FOR ADVANCE TICKETS : LARRY 780 974-9318
DONNA 780 777-7575

"EGREMONT HALL OF DREAMS FUNDRAISER"

SCREEN TEST

A screening mammogram is the best way to find breast cancer early.

And it can truly save your life.



The **SCREEN TEST** mobile mammography unit will be in

Redwater

October 5 to 8, 2024

Appointments are required. Please call **1-800-667-0604 (toll free)**

screeningforlife.ca

If you're 45 to 74 years of age, have a mammogram every 2 years or as decided by you and your healthcare provider. No referral needed.





Redwater values leaders

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charges, these young leaders experienced notable personal development.

They honed their abilities in behavior and risk management, program planning, communication, confidentiality,

and leadership, setting them on a path of growth and preparedness for the future.

The Town of Redwater is proud of the LITs and GITs whose dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work made the summer programming such a tremendous success.

Their commitment to the community is truly inspiring and the town is grateful for their contributions.

They have built valuable leadership, teamwork and social skills that will continue to grow and take them into a bright and promising future - well done!

SCHOOL NEWS



Ochre Park School students in Redwater experienced learning in full bloom as they took their education outside. Mrs. W's Grade 3/4 class explored and grew amidst the sunflowers, transforming their schoolyard into the perfect classroom.



58114 HWY 28, THORHILD COUNTY



\$1,500,000

Spacious bungalow situated on 160 acres with breathtaking views overlooking the Redwater River Valley. The main home features 3 bedrooms, including a primary suite with a 3-piece ensuite and an adjoining room with a jacuzzi tub. The living room boasts vaulted ceilings, a wood-burning stove, and an electric fireplace, complemented by a 4-piece main bathroom and an open floor plan. Adjacent to the house is a fully heated and insulated building, ideal for use as a home office. Additionally, there is a 3-bedroom mobile home on the property, perfect for accommodating extra family members or a farmhand. A standout feature of this property is the commercial-grade meat processing shop, complete with a walk-in cooler and freezers, which can also be utilized for other food processing needs. The property is well-equipped with numerous outbuildings, barns, and a Quonset. It is fully fenced and cross-fenced for livestock, including a game fence suitable for bison and elk.

3 BIRCH DR, GIBBONS



\$279,900

This immaculate 1226 sq. ft. two-story home is move-in ready and sits on a spacious pie-shaped lot. The main floor features a well-designed layout with a kitchen, dining area, living room, and a convenient 2-piece bathroom. Upstairs, you'll find 3 bedrooms and a 4-piece bathroom. The basement offers a utility room with laundry, a storage room, and a large rec room. The backyard provides ample space for a future garage or you can enjoy the recently paved parking pad. A large deck with an awning and raised garden beds complete the outdoor space. This home has been meticulously maintained with numerous upgrades, including newer flooring, updated bathrooms and kitchen, newer shingles, a hot water tank, updated windows, electrical system, and central A/C, among others.

5105 45 ST SMOKY LAKE



SOLD \$259,900

Welcome to this 1180 sqft bungalow in Smoky Lake. This move-in-ready home boasts numerous recent upgrades, including appliances, main floor windows, shingles, the main bathroom, vinyl fencing, basement flooring, and air conditioning. The main floor of this 3-bedroom home features a lovely kitchen with a dining area, a spacious living room, and a beautiful 3-piece bathroom. The basement offers an additional bedroom, a 4-piece bathroom, a recreational area, and a laundry room with ample storage. Outside, the expansive yard includes a two-tiered deck, a single-car garage, a garden shed, and plenty of space to park all your toys.

17339 TWP RD 592A, SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



\$379,000

This recently updated 1,229 sq. ft. bungalow is situated on .5 acre lot just a short distance from the town of Smoky Lake. The beautifully renovated kitchen features a breakfast nook, quartz countertops, and stainless steel appliances. Adjacent is the dining room, leading to a sunken living room with a cozy fireplace. The main floor offers 3 bedrooms, including a primary bedroom with a 2-piece ensuite, and a 5-piece main bathroom. The basement is prepped and ready for your finishing touches, with drywall and primer already in place. It includes a spacious rec room, a den, a 3-piece bathroom, a utility room, and cold storage, along with an exterior door and stairs for easy access to the backyard. A highlight of the property is the dream garage/shop, measuring 26x38, complete with a new natural gas heater and front and rear overhead doors, providing convenient drive-through access.

6599 53A AVE REDWATER



\$579,900

Stunning custom-built two-story home on an expansive lot with an additional bonus lot. Featuring 2 double attached heated garages, this residence offers ample space and convenience. Relax on the vast rear deck with a hot tub, overlooking serene farmland for privacy. The main level has a beautiful entrance, a large living room with a gas fireplace, and a home office. Also, find a dining area, a kitchen with newer appliances, oak cabinets, main floor laundry, and a 2-piece bath. Upstairs, enjoy a spacious primary bedroom with a walk-in closet, a 4-piece ensuite, and a private covered deck. Two more bedrooms and another 4-piece bath ensure comfort for family and guests. The basement offers entertainment space with a sizable rec area, a gas fireplace, a versatile room ideal for a home gym, a den, and a modern 3-piece bath, plus ample storage. Numerous upgrades over the years, including flooring, doors, shingles, and 2 furnaces with AC, blend style and functionality seamlessly.

4816 50 AVE, REDWATER



\$104,900

Here's an opportunity to purchase a profitable business along with its property, with no leases involved. This turnkey pet grooming business is currently in operation, featuring all newer equipment. It presently operates only four days a week, but the owner states it could easily run seven days a week and still be booked well in advance. Take the chance to be your own boss today!

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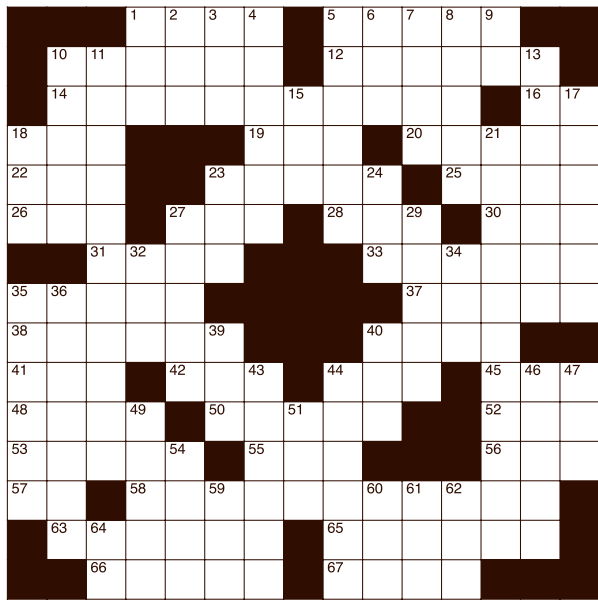
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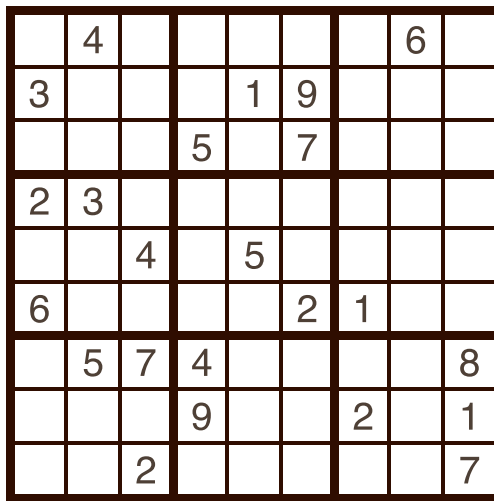
Crossword Clues

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Wrest
- 5. Russian river
- 10. Grupo Montparnasse founder
- 12. One who quits prematurely
- 14. Related to the nature of being
- 16. Early multimedia
- 18. Indigenous Tibetan religion
- 19. Tease
- 20. J.M. ___, Irish dramatist
- 22. Pounds per square inch
- 23. Surrendered
- 25. Notable Dallas Cowboy Leon
- 26. Dash
- 27. Man who behaves dishonorably
- 28. British Air Aces
- 30. Data executive

- 31. Spiritual leader
- 33. Flower cluster
- 35. Of the cheek
- 37. Tears down
- 38. Uncoordinated
- 40. Touches lightly
- 41. Soak
- 42. Founder of Babism
- 44. Not good
- 45. Inches per minute (abbr.)
- 48. Type of casino game
- 50. Skills assessments for adults
- 52. Check
- 53. Gives a job
- 55. Fifth note of a major scale
- 56. Small, faint constellation
- 57. Thou
- 58. Reduce
- 63. Another recording
- 65. Removes for good
- 66. Jill and Catherine are two

SUDOKU



Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

67. Cruise

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Greenwich Time
- 2. Metropolis
- 3. Complete
- 4. Scheduled
- 5. One who obeys
- 6. Resinlike substance secreted by certain lac insects
- 7. Days (Spanish)
- 8. Unsaturated hydrocarbon radical
- 9. Region of the U.S. (abbr.)
- 10. Tributary of the Alabama River
- 11. One who eliminates
- 13. Ballroom music
- 15. Officer in the Book of Mormon
- 17. Denies
- 18. Barrels per day (abbr.)
- 21. Make vital

- 23. Former NFLer Newton
- 24. Kashmiri tribe
- 27. Indigenous S. American person
- 29. Capacitance unit
- 32. MLB great Scherzer
- 34. Taxi
- 35. Boggy
- 36. Artist's workroom
- 39. Feline
- 40. Prosecutors
- 43. Freshwater perches
- 44. Young ladies
- 46. Whittles
- 47. Licensed for Wall Street
- 49. Type of gene
- 51. Express displeasure
- 54. Fly high
- 59. Norwegian krone
- 60. Investment account
- 61. Chinese surname
- 62. Language
- 64. By the way (abbr.)

HOROSCOPE

ARIES

(March 21 - April 20)



A disagreement may have you questioning a relationship this week, Aries. Do not get ahead of yourself, as you'll figure out that the turmoil will subside soon enough.

TAURUS

(April 21 - May 21)



Group activities or time spent with a significant other may not go as well as usual this week, Taurus. With your mind elsewhere, it's hard to focus on having fun and others will catch on.

GEMINI

(May 22 - June 21)



Do not believe everything you hear this week, Gemini. There are a lot of rumors floating around, and only a portion of what is being said is accurate. Get the facts first.

CANCER

(June 22 - July 22)



Cancer, you are usually outgoing and easygoing, but this week you may be feeling more reserved and shy. Are you missing someone? If so, get in touch and you'll feel more like yourself.

LEO

(July 23 - August 23)



Friends or family members may be making more demands on your time, Leo. You want to go along with it, but be careful not to stretch yourself too thin.

VIRGO

(August 24 - September 22)



Virgo, someone close to you might be feeling under the weather and could use a little extra support right now. Perhaps you can make soup or drop in for a visit to cheer this person up?

LIBRA

(September 23 - October 23)



Seek out quiet spots right now, Libra, as lately your life has been a bit of a whirlwind. Change is good, but so much change at one time can be exhausting.

SCORPIO

(October 24 - November 22)



Scorpio, take a step back from all of your responsibilities. Things will not go haywire if you take a break for a few days or even a week. You can commit fully again after some rest.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)



There's no point getting into an argument over a situation beyond your control, Sagittarius. Instead, wait until the time is right to express your thoughts and work out a solution.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)



Capricorn, even though you may want to expand your friend network right now, you aren't sure how to begin. Social media can connect you with those nearby.

AQUARIUS

(January 21 - February 18)



It is a good idea for you to have set deadlines for your goals, Aquarius; otherwise, you may keep putting things off. With dates on paper, you can check things as they get done.

PISCES

(February 19 - March 20)



Pisces, you want to return to a relationship right where you left off, but the other person may not be on the same page right now. Give it a little more time.

GET SEWING WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

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| APPLIQUE | BODICE | FOLD | NOTCH | SELVEDGE |
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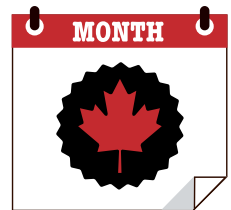
CANADIAN Kids Corner



Crossword Puzzle

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CANADA



HISTORY

1936

The Toronto Globe and the Mail and Empire merge to form The Globe and Mail.

SPORTS FACT:



This sport is the leading cause of eye injuries in children.

Answer: Basketball

ACROSS

- 1. A thing a person does
- 4. Connective tissue
- 5. Grabs and stops a person
- 7. Competitive activities

DOWN

- 1. Sports participants
- 2. Aggressive person
- 3. Someone who is young
- 6. Extra time in a game (abbr.)

Answers:
 Across
 1. Activity 4. Ligament 5. Tackles 7. Sports
 Down
 1. Athletes 2. Thug 3. Youth 6. OT

NEW WORD

PENALTY

a disadvantage imposed on a team for breaking a rule

How they say that in...

- English:** Run
- Spanish:** Correr
- Italian:** Correre
- French:** Courir
- German:** Laufen

Did You Know?

Protective equipment and padding helps to reduce the risk of injury when athletes play football.



Get the PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Safety goggles

Alberta Health Services – Public Service Announcement

Know warning signs of potential suicidal thoughts, plans

September 10 was World Suicide Prevention Day, and Alberta Health Services (AHS) reminds Albertans that recognizing the risk factors and potential signs of suicidal thoughts is important and can be helpful in preventing death by suicide.

In adults, warning signs of potential suicidal thoughts or plans include:

- Talking or writing about wanting to die or to hurt or kill themselves or someone else.
- Saying they feel hopeless, trapped, without purpose, in pain, or like they're a burden to others.
- Looking for ways to harm themselves. For example, they might buy a gun or stockpile medicines.
- Increasing their use of alcohol or drugs.
- Withdrawing from family, friends and activities.
- Seeming angry, grumpy, anxious or depressed.
- Eating or sleeping less or more than usual.
- Doing risky things, such as driving too fast.
- Giving away their belongings.

People can also be more at risk of suicide when they

experience barriers accessing social and health services, mental illness, traumatic life events, family violence, discrimination or have a diagnosis of a serious physical illness.

Talking about suicide is one of the most effective means of reducing stigma and supporting those in need.

Albertans are encouraged to use the REACH Pathway to help remember what you can do to support someone who is struggling:

- Recognize when someone is struggling.
- Engage in conversation and listen with empathy.
- Ask directly about suicidal thoughts and feelings.
- Connect to support and resources.
- Heal yourself by taking care of your own mental health.

Together, we can help prevent suicide by showing understanding and compassion and by encouraging people experiencing mental health challenges to reach out for support.

If you or somebody you know is struggling, there are resources to help:

- Mental Health Helpline: 1-877-303-2642

- 9-8-8 Suicide Crisis Helpline

- Kids Help Phone: kidshelpphone.ca or call 1-800-668-6868

- Indigenous Hope for Wellness Hotline Call: 1-855-242-3310

- Canada Suicide Prevention Service: call 1-833-456-4566, crisis-servicescanada.ca, or text 45645

- National Trans Lifeline: translifeline.org or call 1-877-330-6366

- Learn more at MyHealth.Alberta.ca
- Health Link 811

Alberta Health Services is the provincial health authority responsible for planning and delivering health supports and services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta.

Our mission is to provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans.

Our current focus is on reducing emergency department wait times, improving EMS response times, increasing access to surgeries, and improving patient flow.

Smoky Lake Figure Skating Club open for registration

By Brandie Majeau

The Smoky Lake Figure Skating Club is delighted to open registrations for its highly anticipated upcoming skating programs.

With the beautiful weather making way for colder days ahead, now is the perfect time to prepare for the season transition by embracing the thrill of gliding on ice.

Starting from October, a diverse range of sessions, each tailored to cater to individuals of all age groups and skill levels will be available.

There's something for everyone! The Smoky Lake Complex will come alive with activity every Tuesday evening as the CANSKATE programs commence at 4:15 pm, followed by the engaging lineup of PRECANSKATE, STARPREP, STARSKATE, and ADULTSKATE.

These offerings, with their affordable

prices ranging from \$65 to \$130, provide a wonderful opportunity for everyone to engage in physical activity.

Whether you're seeking to acquire new skills or further enhance your existing ones, the Smoky Lake Figure Skating Club's programs are designed to accommodate and empower skaters of all levels.

This season, the club is thrilled to welcome skating coach Juline Sieben, who brings with her a wealth of experience, having taught skating for ten years. Juline's own skating journey began at the very same rink twenty years ago, adding a sense of nostalgia and continuity to the upcoming skating season.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity, register now, dust off the skates, and get the blades sharpened in anticipation of an unforgettable new skating season!

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On September 11, 2024, Jenny Krupa, of Thorhild, AB, passed away at the age of 92.

She is survived by her children: Gladys (Dennis) Purschke, Bonnie (Maurice) Quaghebeur, Brenda (Eddie) Chomay, and Bob (Joanne) Krupa, grandchildren; Dorian, Paul, Cristy, Shaun, Nicole, Justin, Chantelle, Cody, Skylar, Kayla and Kyle, great-grandchildren; Shane, Cailin, Adriana, Paityn, Axel, Cole, Coy, Christian, Gunner, Braelynn, Ryley, Dylan and Jenna, great-great-grandchildren; Violet, Benjamin, and Meadow, as well as numerous other relatives.

She was predeceased by her loving husband, Mike Krupa, in July 2020.

A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, September 20, 2024, 10:30 am, at the Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church, Sandhills. Lunch will be served at the Thorhild Community Hall after interment. Due to limited seating, please bring a lawn chair. An outdoor tent is provided for overflow.

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Local Lion presented with Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship

By Brandie Majeau

The Radway Lions Club took great pride in bestowing the Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship upon one of its distinguished members.

This prestigious award is an honor, with one member remarking that such opportunities to recognize their fellow members are few and far between.

The Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship is an esteemed designation linked to the Lions Eye Research Fund, which operates at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta.

Named in tribute to Dr. Patti Hill, a revered figure within Lions Clubs International, this Fellowship serves as a symbol of recognition for commitment to the ideals of Lions

Clubs International. The funds generated through the fellowship play a vital role in supporting the Lions Eye Research Fund, providing essential equipment and funding to the Royal Alexandra Hospital Eye Institute of Alberta.

The Radway Lions Club not only had the privilege of nominating but also the honor of presenting Lion Maurice Kruk for the prestigious Patti Hill Fellowship. During the presentation, it was emphasized that Lion Maurice has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to serving the community, both as a dedicated Lion and through his involvement on various boards.

His contributions have left an indelible

mark on the community, making him a truly deserving recipient of this fellowship.

The Radway Lions Club expressed profound gratitude for the opportunity to bestow the Dr. Patti Hill Fellowship upon Lion Maurice, who has been an integral part of the club for 25 years.

His leadership and dedication played a crucial role in ensuring the club's survival during a challenging period in 1998 when it faced the threat of folding due to dwindling membership.

It was through Lion Maurice's unwavering commitment that the club not only persevered but also thrived, and for that, he is held in high esteem by his fellow club members.



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Alberta Government offers free webinars for not-for-profits

By Brandie Majeau

The Alberta government is offering a series of webinars this fall to provide support for funding, board governance and non-profit organizations.

These webinars are hosted on Zoom and are free to attend.

The Alberta Non-profit Learning Centre (NPLC) offers various learning opportunities to assist non-profit organizations in making a positive impact.

The center provides live webinars, online courses and other resources to support governance, operations, program delivery and services in the community.

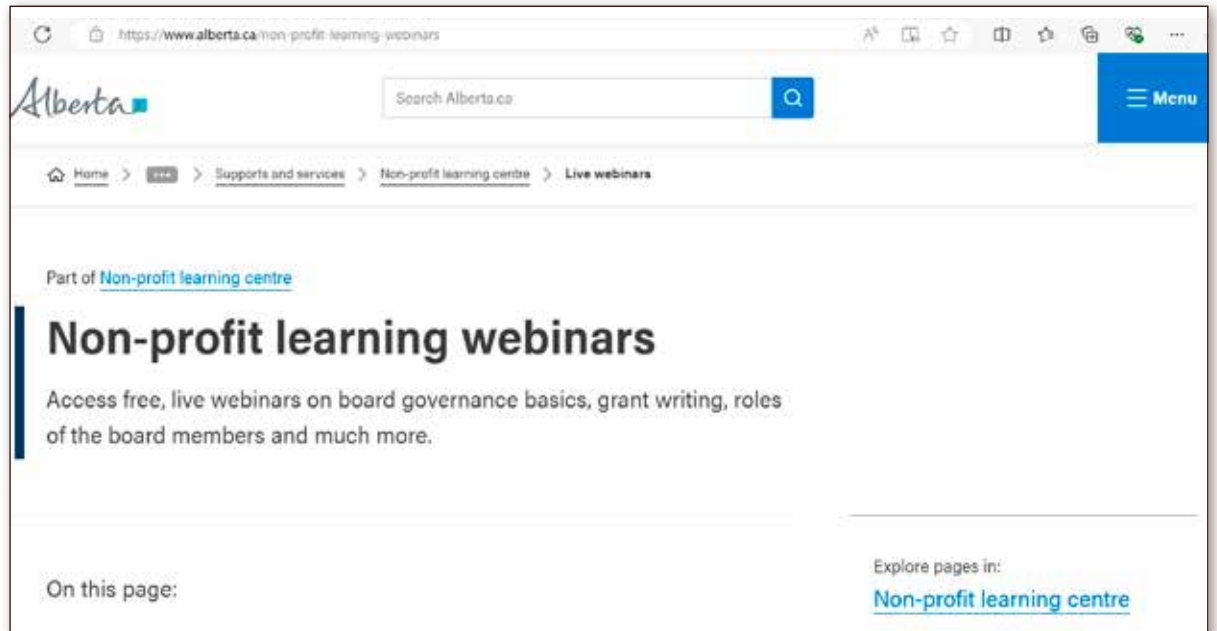
The Community Development Unit also offers facilitation services provided by trained

and experienced facilitators.

These facilitators can act as external and neutral guides to support organizations with decision-making processes. Their services are tax-supported and come with no fee or charge to organizations.

They also offer online webinars throughout the year, covering topics such as board governance basics, grant writing, cybersecurity, and roles of the board executives.

These webinars are open to individual board members, volunteers, non-profit staff, and anyone interested in governance and operation of non-profits. The Board Development Program (BDP) focuses on enhancing the governance



and leadership of non-profit organizations through training on basic board governance concepts and responsibilities.

The topics covered in the online Board Development Program include the non-profit legal landscape, roles and responsibilities of a

non-profit board, financial responsibilities, risk management, and more.

Additionally, there are webinars available related to specific roles on non-profit boards such as the board chair, board treasurer and board secretary.

Other topics also

covered include cybersecurity for non-techie board members, strategic thinking, grant writing and more.

The Non-profit Bistro Webinar Series focuses on specific governance topics and practical applications.

The series regularly develops new

webinars with topics such as basic facilitation tools, creating vision and mission statements, responding to ransomware attacks and restructuring non-profit boards/organizations.

A complete list of topics and registration can be found on the Alberta website.



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KID'S CORNER



Junior volleyball has returned in full swing at **H.A. Kostash School**. The teams wrapped up their initial practices with an exciting scrimmage!

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Five groups most at risk of health effects from air pollution

(NC) Whether you are at home or spending time outdoors enjoying activities this fall and winter, you will be exposed to air pollution.

Outdoor air pollution comes from many sources, such as transportation and industrial activity. Indoor air pollution can come from fuel-burning activities, including cooking. Even at low levels, both indoor and outdoor air pollution can lead to negative health effects, increased hospitalizations and even premature death.

While everyone can be impacted by the negative health effects of indoor

and outdoor air pollution, several groups are at greater risk such as:

- Children
- Seniors
- Pregnant people
- People who work or participate in strenuous activities outdoors
- People with existing health conditions, such as asthma, chronic pulmonary obstructive disease or bronchitis, as well as other heart and lung conditions

The best way to protect your health from the effects of air pollution is to check your local air quality conditions using

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Opening up new markets: Canada's natural gas prospects set to improve in the medium term

Mark Parsons, ATB ECONOMICS

The current natural gas story in Canada is mixed: short term pain from exceptionally low prices (the AECO price benchmark averaged just \$0.82/MMBtu in August), but solid medium-term prospects.

2024 is the year of market access for Alberta crude oil with TMX coming on line.

But it's on the

natural gas side too, as the new Coastal GasLink pipeline feeds into LNG Canada's natural gas export facility in Kitimat.

Canada is the fifth largest natural gas producer in the world, but does not yet export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to the global market. That will change next year with the completion of the first phase of the LNG Canada facility.

Another major

project has been added to the list this year. Cedar LNG announced in late June that it reached a final investment decision and will proceed with the construction of a US\$3.4 billion floating LNG facility in the traditional territory of the Haisla Nation near Kitimat.

Cedar LNG is majority-owned by the Haisla Nation, in partnership with Pembina Pipeline Corp., with 50.1%

and 49.9% ownership, respectively.

The new LNG export capacity will support Alberta's natural gas producers with an expected improvement in prices due to the greater market access for western Canadian gas.

In the latest ATB Capital Markets Energy Sector Survey, west coast LNG and crude pipelines ranked as the top growth opportunities for the sector.

Redwater RCMP provides tips for keeping businesses safe

Redwater RCMP is reminding business owners and their employees to stay diligent in securing their places of work.

Building some simple security habits into your daily procedures can be highly effective in reducing the likelihood of break-ins or theft.

So far this year, the Alberta RCMP have received 2,585 complaints of break and enters to businesses.

"The Redwater Detachment area has been no stranger to the overall increase

in rural property

crime, namely break and enters to businesses, with a number of businesses being targeted multiple times. I encourage anyone who observes something suspicious or out of place during any time of the day to report it to the Redwater RCMP or their local RCMP Detachment". - Sgt. Nathan Dehaan

Redwater RCMP shares the following safety tips for business owners:

- Install motion sensor lights or keep indoor lights on at all

times.

- Invest in cameras for inside and outside of your business.

- Install an alarm system.

- Avoid putting valuables near the window and install roll shutters or bars on your windows.

- Consider more preventative measures, such as fences and sturdy locks for the doors.

- Keep track of keys or fobs that access your commercial property.

These few easy steps can protect you and your business

from financial losses related to crime, and the stress that comes with it.

Alberta RCMP encourages the public and business owners to report any suspicious activity to police.

If you see a crime in progress, dial 911.

If you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store.

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Why parents should teach their kids financial literacy

(NC) One of the earliest memories many children have is selecting their favourite book to have a parent read to them before bed.

As a parent, you certainly remember the joy of watching them join in and read along with you.

You may also feel a pang of sadness from when your child told you that it was okay, they can read to themselves.

But as important as written literacy is for parents to pass along to their kids, so too is financial literacy.

Financial literacy is a person's overall knowledge and understanding of finances.

We use our financial literacy skills every day, usually without thinking about it as we pay our bills, balance our budgets, plan for retirement and more.

As your child grows

and develops a deeper understanding of the world around them, seek out opportunities to strengthen their financial literacy.

Even at an early age, they'll likely start to accumulate some birthday or chores money.

Explain to them how they have some choices on how to spend that money: use it for instant rewards like buying candy or a small toy, save the money up for a larger coveted item, or use it for a mix of short- and long-term rewards.

When they're ready to start their first job, help them open a bank account and they'll see first-hand how interest works.

If you open a children's account for them, they'll also avoid most of the services fees and charges that most regular accounts incur.

As they get a bit older and are off spending their own money in stores or online, teach them the signs to watch for scams and other ways people will try to rip them off.

One of the most common ways parents save for their children's future is through a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP).

If you have an RESP - or are considering opening one - this is a great opportunity to discuss important concepts like compound growth, and saving for an important priority.

Plus, just engaging them in the discussion helps affirm to them the value you place on higher education for them, and the importance of saving for this future expense.

Learn more about education savings options at cst.org.

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the Air Quality Health Index (also commonly known as the AQHI), InfoSmog (in Quebec), special air quality statements or air quality advisories to determine if it is safe to participate in outdoor activities. At home, consider using a certified portable air cleaner, and reduce air contaminants caused by indoor sources such as smoke, candles, cleaning products and incense.

If you or your loved ones have a heart or lung condition, talk to your health-care provider about ways to prepare and protect your health when air pollution levels are high. Learn about the best ways to protect your health from air pollution at visit.canada.ca/airhealth.



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