

Local libraries offer a summer of opportunity



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By **Brandie Majeau**

As the summer season unfolds, unpredictable weather has many families and individuals searching for new ways to stay active, entertained, and engaged. While traditional summer activities such as camping, vacations, and lazy days at the pool or beach are often top of mind, local libraries can emerge as a vital (and sometimes underappreciated) resource for communities.

Local libraries across Thorhild County are offering

a wide variety of summer programs designed to welcome everyone, regardless of age or background. Most of these programs are free or offered at a minimal cost, making them an attractive option for families on a budget. From reading challenges and book clubs to art workshops and STEM activities, the breadth of offerings rivals more expensive alternatives.

There's always something going on for everyone. Local librarians and their summer students or support staff design their summer

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Myles and Maisie of M&M Lemonade stand donated a portion of their earnings to Thorhild Minor Ball for the Field of Dreams Project.

Sturgeon County highlights regional fire services



Sturgeon County photo



By **Shelley Winger**

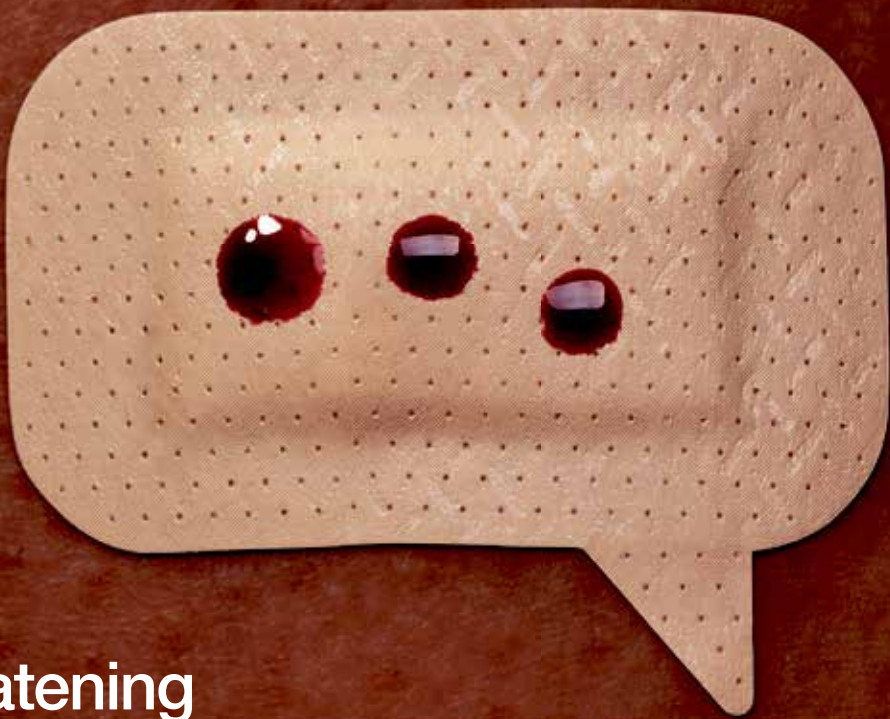
Sturgeon County is helping residents gain a better understanding of the regional fire services that protect communities

across the municipality.

A new information guide released by the County provides an overview of how Sturgeon County Regional Fire Services operates, the types of emergencies fire-fighters respond to and the many ways the department works to keep residents

safe. Regional Fire Services responds to a wide variety of emergencies, including structure fires, grass and wildfires, motor vehicle collisions, hazardous materials incidents, rescues and other emergency

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Saturday, August 8

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Slo-Pitch Tournament
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Food & Drinks:

Breakfast Hosted by Waskatenau Senior Citizen's Association | 8:30am – 11:00am | Seniors' Drop-In Centre (Plates purchased at the door)

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Waskatenau Volunteer Fire Department BBQ
5:30pm – 7:00pm | Waskatenau Community Centre (Plates purchased at the door)

Sunday, August 9

Activities:

Sunday Market | 10:00am – 2:00pm
Waskatenau Community Hall

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(Registration and line up at the Village office at 10:00am)

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Slo-Pitch Tournament
9:30am – 3:30pm | Ball Diamond

Food & Drinks:

Parade Lunch (following the parade)
Waskatenau Community Centre
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Legion Branch #227 celebrates Royal Canadian Legion Centenary



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service to veterans, their families, and communities across Canada. The event not only honoured the Legion's remarkable legacy and its devoted members but also underscored the ongoing need to support those who have served in the Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP. Many local Smoky Lake Legion members also received commendations in recognition of their longstanding commitment of service, including members in their nineties with upwards of 61 years of service. The evening culminated in a potluck dinner and an awards ceremony, celebrating outstanding contributions and unwavering dedication within the Branch and the broader community.



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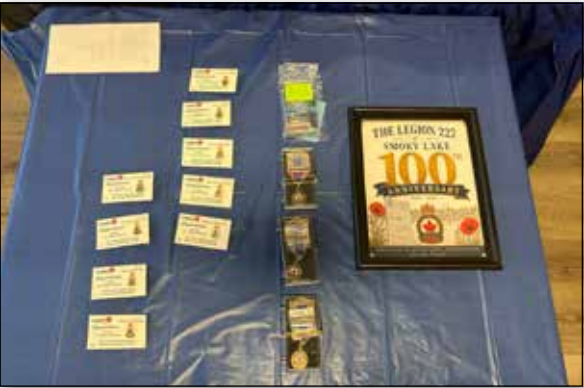


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By Brandie Majeau

The Royal Canadian Legion Centenary Celebration commemorates a remarkable century of service, honouring the founding of Canada's largest veterans' organization. Established in 1926, the Legion was created with an enduring commitment to support veterans, foster remembrance, and strengthen communities across the nation.

On July 17, 2026, the Royal Canadian Legion Smoky Lake Branch #227 proudly celebrated this centennial milestone. From 2pm to 4pm, the Legion opened its doors to

members and guests for a welcoming open house, where heartfelt reunions and warm conversations underscored the sense of community that defines the Legion. The afternoon featured an engaging presentation tracing the inspiring history of the Royal Canadian Legion and the Smoky Lake branch, highlighting that Branch #227 was founded on February 3, 1947, with its current hall originally part of the historic McDougall Hospital. When the branch was established membership began at just \$4.

A diverse group of presenters shared moving stories, highlighting the challenges veterans faced when

returning home, often with little or no support. The Legion's foundation rests on three core pillars and, most importantly, a steadfast commitment to caring for one another. Throughout its history, members have remained unwavering in their belief in the value of their mission. During a special blessing by Father Mark, he offered heartfelt prayers and a sermon that emphasized that even a small group of dedicated individuals can create profound change, and sought blessings for the organization's ongoing efforts.

The centenary celebration marked a proud milestone, commemorating a hundred years of dedicated

This centenary offers all Canadians an opportunity to reflect on the Legion's vital role in preserving the memory of those who have given their lives in service, through organizing Remembrance Day ceremonies and maintaining war memorials. The Smoky Lake Legion celebrations also shared exciting updates on upcoming Royal Canadian Campaigns and issued an inspiring call for new members to join their ranks. In honour of this landmark year, membership fees for 2026 will be waived, calling a new generation to carry forward the Legion's legacy. As Legion Vice President and event MC, Harvey Prockiw explained, he was proud to be a part of the first 100 years, but would definitely not be around to celebrate the next 100.

The Royal Canadian Legion Centenary is both a time to celebrate a century of community service and a call to shape the future by continuing this extraordinary legacy for generations to come. As so powerfully stated at the Smoky Lake Centenary Celebration, the Legion's enduring mission is to "Keep Remembrance Alive."



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programming to engage preschoolers, teens, and adults alike. Children can immerse themselves in story times, puppet shows, and creative crafts, while teens might take part in workshops designed to help them figure out who they are and find themselves in the process. Adults aren't left out either, with events like Wednesday afternoon coffee at Radway Library and Newbrook Library's Wednesday morning Books n' Brunch that welcome parents and caregivers with the littles, there's something special to look forward to throughout the summer.

Libraries are also celebrated as safe and inclusive spaces. Staff members are committed to providing a welcoming environment, encouraging children and teens to learn, socialize, and build confidence; they want every visitor to feel like they belong.

Beyond entertainment, library summer programs play a crucial role in supporting lifelong learning. As educators have noticed, students often experience a learning lag over the break. Libraries help bridge this gap by offering programs that spark curiosity and build on a love of reading. "I can't believe how much my kids are reading!" exclaimed one parent at Newbrook Library as they left the Books n' Brunch program.

This summer, consider making Thorhild County libraries the first stop for summer fun and learning. As many are discovering, there is a world of opportunity at the library and it is just around the corner. And if the library program wasn't quite enough, a quick stop at a local concession or gas station for some ice cream just might round out the day.



Photo courtesy of Newbrook Public Library

Physician coverage limited at Smoky Lake Healthcare Centre



By **Brandie Majeau**

Smoky Lake County residents are encouraged to keep themselves up to date and stay informed as the community's healthcare services face disruptions regarding onsite physician times. Alberta Health Services (AHS) has recently posted notices regarding interruptions at the George McDougall Smoky Lake Health Care Centre's Emergency Department, citing a shortage of clinical personnel as the primary cause.

According to AHS statements, the emergency department is experiencing periods without physician coverage. This temporary

measure is the result of both a lack of available clinical staff and an inability to secure locum (temporary) physicians to fill the gaps. While the emergency department remains open, nursing staff are on site to provide triage, assessments, and referrals to other hospitals. However, without a physician present, the ability to deliver immediate, full-spectrum emergency care is limited.

Residents should be aware and understand the importance of public awareness during these interruptions. The absence of clinical physicians directly impacts patient safety, the quality of care, and the smooth operation of the facility. Delays in clinical decision-making

in urgent cases may occur due to limited access to medical expertise. While nursing staff is exceptionally skilled and dedicated to delivering the highest standard of care, the absence of a physician on-site may create limitations and challenges for more complex medical needs and could impact the timely management of assessments and intervention.

Individuals should be reminded during situations like these to consider alternate emergency options, if possible, especially for non-urgent medical situations. Efforts are always being made to restore regular physician coverage and to ensure that patient care remains a top priority, not just in

Smoky Lake, but other emergency departments across Alberta. Smoky Lake County continues to share updates through their social media pages.

Healthcare experts advocate for clear communication and contingency planning during such periods. By openly acknowledging the coverage gap, AHS is providing communication to prevent misunderstandings, minimize risks, and promote a coordinated approach to patient care until the situation is resolved.

The situation underscores ongoing challenges in rural healthcare staffing and the critical need for sustainable solutions to ensure consistent, high-quality care for all residents.

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situations. In addition to emergency response, firefighters are actively involved in fire prevention, public education and emergency preparedness initiatives throughout the year.

With multiple fire stations strategically located across the county, firefighters work together to provide emergency response to communities throughout the region. Depending on the nature and location of an incident, crews from more than one station may be dispatched to ensure the appropriate personnel and equipment are

available.

The information guide also introduces residents to the many responsibilities firefighters carry out beyond responding to emergencies. Ongoing training, equipment maintenance, fire inspections, public education programs and community outreach all play an important role in maintaining a high level of emergency preparedness.

Another focus of the guide is the recruitment of paid-on-call firefighters, who provide valuable support to emergency response in many Sturgeon County communities. Residents interested in serving their

communities can learn more about the qualifications, training and commitment involved in joining the department.

County officials hope the guide will help residents better understand how regional fire services operate while encouraging greater awareness of fire prevention and personal emergency preparedness. Knowing how emergency services function, maintaining working smoke alarms, developing a home escape plan and staying informed during wildfire season are all important steps residents can take to help keep themselves and their families safe.

The guide is available on the Sturgeon County website, where residents can also find additional information about Regional Fire Services, fire prevention programs, emergency preparedness and firefighter recruitment.



Smoky Lake RCMP report



By Haylee Winger

The Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment responded to a variety of calls for service during the week of July 13, including investigations, traffic complaints, wellbeing checks and requests for assistance throughout the community.

RCMP are currently investigating a sexual assault. Police advised there are no public safety concerns at this time and that appropriate resources are involved in the investigation.

Members also investigated several other incidents, including an assault between family members and a reported assault in the Village of Vilna. In the Vilna incident, RCMP attended a residence following a report of a physical altercation. A subject was arrested and held until sober, while the victim later declined to proceed with charges. RCMP executed a search warrant at a rural property in relation to an unauthorized firearm. A firearm was located during the search, and charges are pending.

Police also investigated a report from a local business involving an unknown substance left behind. The sample was tested and confirmed to be a controlled substance. Other investigations during the week included a reported breach of a restraining order, which was determined not to have

occurred, and a potential theft that was found to be a misunderstanding.

RCMP responded to several community concerns, including wellbeing checks, neighbour disputes, suspicious activity reports and requests for assistance at residences and businesses.

Members attended a report of possible gunshots near the Village of Vilna. Follow-up with nearby residents was unable to determine whether the sounds were gunshots, fireworks or another source.

Several traffic-related complaints were also received during the week. RCMP investigated reports of erratic driving and dangerous driving behaviour. In one incident, a member located the vehicle and conducted an investigation, with no issues identified. In another report involving a vehicle carrying farm equipment on an open trailer, a St. Paul RCMP member located the vehicle and determined it was a safe oversized load.

During severe weather, RCMP and fire crews responded to Hanmore Lake Campground after trees fell and blocked an exit. Emergency responders assisted to help ensure the safety of those in the area.

Additional calls included assisting a stranded motorist on Highway 28, responding to false alarms, locating an abandoned vehicle near Township Road 602, assisting with court document service requests, and responding to reports involving loose

dogs, suspicious activity and possible animal concerns.

RCMP also responded to a report of a female driver who was believed to be impaired while travelling with a child during severe weather. Further investigation determined the driver was not impaired and had left a residence due to a domestic dispute. A male was arrested and charged in relation to the incident.

Police also responded to a report of a suspicious drone operator near properties. Officers attended and determined the individual was associated with AFS Aerial Photography. A separate report of a suspicious person in a back alley was also investigated, but the individual had left the area before further action was required.

The Smoky Lake RCMP Detachment reminds residents that information from the public plays an important role in community safety. Anyone with information regarding a crime is asked to contact the Smoky Lake RCMP at 780-656-3550 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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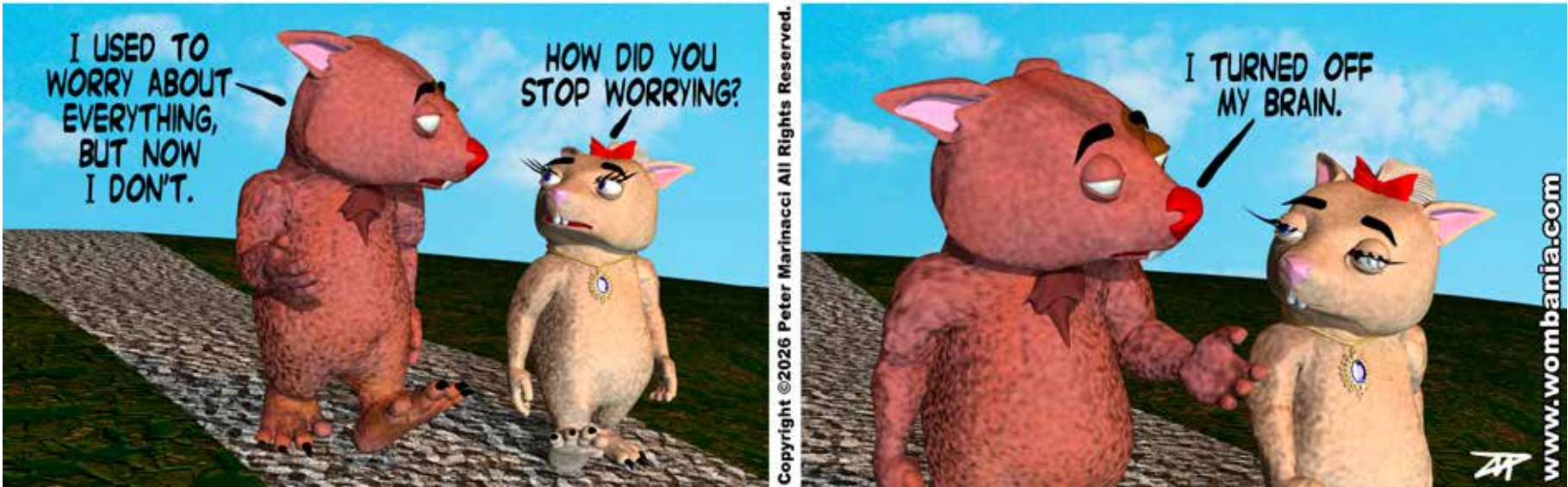
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by PETER MARINACCI



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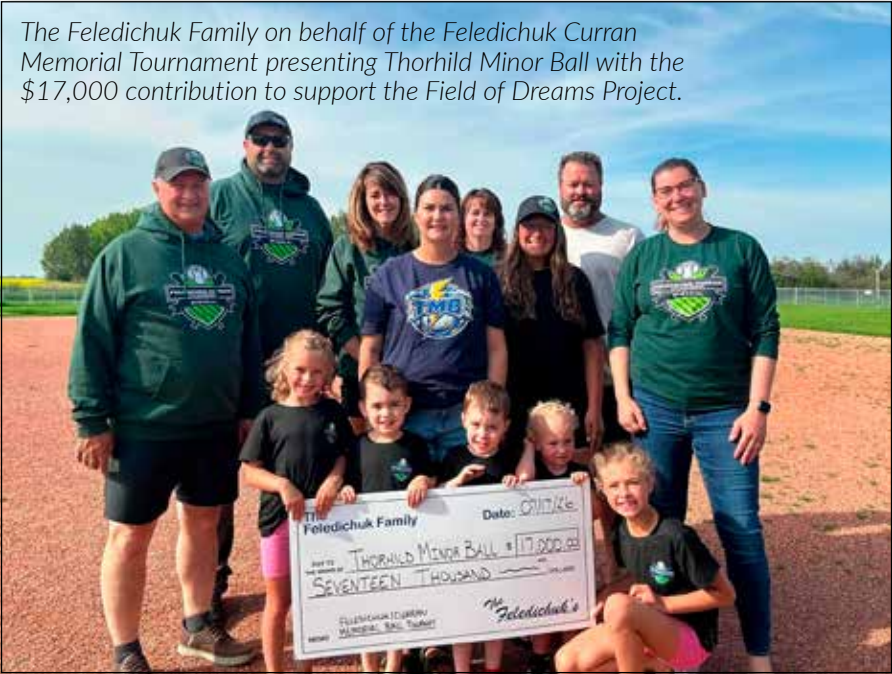
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Feledichuk Curran Tournament hits 10-year milestone, tops \$100,000 in community giving



 **By Haylee Winger**

The Feledichuk Curran Memorial Slo-Pitch Tournament reached a significant milestone this summer, celebrating its 10th anniversary with a successful and well-attended event held June 12–14, 2026, in Thorhild, AB. Sixteen teams from across the province competed over the three-day tournament, enjoying what proved to be one of the few weekends this summer with ideal weather conditions.

On the field, competition was strong across all divisions, delivering exciting games and memorable moments for players and spectators alike. The Mittslappers from Fort Saskatchewan claimed the championship title after defeating the Alcoballics from Edmonton-Bonnyville in a one-run final. With the victory, the Mittslappers celebrated with the Paul Feledichuk Memorial Cup for the fourth consecutive year. Tune Squad from Fort Saskatchewan captured the B Final and I'd Hit That from Edmonton took home the C Final. The always

popular Home Run Derby also drew a crowd, with the women's winner, Nancy Brown and men's winner, Mathew Yowney, receiving a brand-new bat each and their names engraved on the Joan and Cyril Curran Memorial Trophy. Beyond the excitement on the diamonds, the tournament once again demonstrated its significant impact on the community. This year's event raised a record-breaking \$17,000 in support of the Thorhild Field of Dreams project, an initiative focused on the development of a third ball diamond to enhance local

baseball facilities and expand opportunities for participants of Thorhild Minor Ball. With this year's contribution, the tournament has generated more than \$100,000 in community impact over its ten-year history. The Feledichuk Curran Memorial Tournament continues to thrive because of the tremendous support received from sponsors, volunteers, players, and community members. Organizers extend their sincere gratitude to all sponsors whose generous contributions make this event possible and allow the tournament to



Home Run Derby Winners: Mathew Yowney (left) and Nancy Brown (right)

continue giving back to the community year after year. Planning is already underway for next year's tournament, scheduled for June 11–13, 2027. Organizers look forward to continuing the tradition of competitive slo-pitch, community connection, and meaningful contributions to local organizations for many years to come.



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Alberta RCMP gives reminders to reduce auto-related theft this summer

Alberta RCMP release

This summer, the Alberta RCMP is reminding Albertans of ways to help prevent theft of, and from, vehicles during summer activities.

Whether at a campsite or a trailhead, keep the following in mind when it comes to securing your vehicle:

- Keep your vehicle locked: Keep your vehicle locked, even when nearby. It

only takes one moment of inattention for someone to take your belongings.

- Never leave your vehicle running unattended: Theft of vehicles is often a crime of opportunity. A quick trip into the convenience store is all the time a thief needs to steal a running vehicle.
- Keep keys safe: Never leave keys, garage door openers, or important documents

with personal identifying information in your vehicle. Keys can be used to steal your vehicle, or may be used, along with personal identifying information, to enter your home.

- Hide or lockup valuables: Keep your campsite clean and ensure valuables are hidden out of sight as they can entice opportunistic thieves. Keep off-highway vehicles, bikes, and

kayaks secured and consider using window covers to conceal the interior of your vehicle.

- Close windows: When leaving your vehicle, always close the windows, even when it's hot outside. A locked screen door on a recreational vehicle can provide added security while allowing airflow.
- Use hitch lock: Secure your trailer's hitch with a hitch

lock to prevent towing theft.

- Consider motion sensor lights: Install motion sensor lights outside your recreational vehicle.

Don't let auto-related theft ruin your summer activities. Practice auto-theft safety to help prevent becoming a victim.

For more information on preventing theft of, and from, vehicles, please follow us on Facebook

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If you see something suspicious, report it to your local police service. If you see a crime in progress, call 911. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can 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. To contact the RCMP non-emergency line within any Alberta RCMP jurisdiction call 310-RCMP (7267).

UNRESERVED TIMED ONLINE AUCTIONS

Retirement Auction for Ron Pierce, 61306 Hwy 827, North of Thorhild 14 kms. Closing Tue. Aug 4th at 6 PM. Ron (780) 717-0351



Preview: Aug 1, 2, 3. 1-7 PM

JD 4055 Tractor, PTO, 2432 orig. hrs., 18.4-38 duals c/w 148 loader • 2002 Cat Challenger MT755 Crawler Tractor, 16 spd powershift, 3pt hitch, 4 hyds, 1000 P.T.O, outback guidance, 3232 hrs. • 2008 Westward 9250 Swather, 1314 hrs., c/w 25 ft. MacDon 972 harvest header • 2004 JD 9660 STS Combine c/w fine cut chopper, hopper ext., 1418 Threshing hrs., c/w 914P P/U • JD 30 ft 930D Straight-cut header, transport, Pick-up reels • JD 1830/1910 Air seeder, 41 ft, 10 in., blockage monitor, new stainless steel conveyor, meter boxes & pipes, Model 1910 Tank • JD 325 26 ft Disc • Kello 225 26 ft breaking disc • Degelman 7645 Land roller, 45 ft • JD 1610 40 ft Deep tillage, 3 bar tines • JD 960 40 FT Vibra chisel c/w 2420 Valmar airflow mount & Degelman tines • 1984 Ford F700 c/w SWS 16 ft. steel box & harsh twin cyl. Hoist, 21,015 orig. km, 5&2 spd trans • 1987 GMC 7000 c/w 16 ft. Steel B&H, 8,928 orig. kms 366 V8 5&2 spd c/w cameras • 1990 GMC Top Kick C70 c/w SWS 16 ft Steel B&H, 25,932 km, 427 V8 5&2 spd c/w cameras • 2013 Wilson 45 ft. Tridem grain trailer c/w air seeder chutes, 4000 orig. km • GT 580 Grain dryer • Kirchner V Ditcher • Flexicoil 60' harrows • Ditch back filler, shop built, 11 ft • Meridian 10 in. x 65 ft. PTO Auger • 4- Dismantled steel buildings packages, up to 50x100 • 2200L Double wall fuel tank • 3- 500-1,000-gal propane tanks • Incinerator • Radio tower • 200-gal water tank • D-6 14 ft Dozer blade • D4D blade • Plus More • View Full List on www.edprodaniukauctions.com

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1983 JD 4250 tractor, 9,641 hrs., 2 hyds, PTO, 20.8 R38s, Quad range, V.G • JD 3020 gas tractor, 8 spd c/w 148 loader • JD 4010 diesel. Rebuilt engine at 3000 hrs. • New Holland 499 Haybine, 12 ft. hydro swing • Farm King #180 PTO Roller Mill. Like new • I.H 20 ft (2-10's) 6200 press drills, V.G. • 1978 Chev C65 Grain Truck, V8 5&2 spd, 85,336 Km, 16 ft. B&H, V.G. • 1974 GMC C6000, V8 5&2 spd, 18 ft. B&H, shedded • Eeze-On 29 ft. single shoot c/w 3 bar tines & 3210 tank • JD 1610, 25 ft. cult. • Cock 14 ft. D.T. • Vertex 60ft sprayer • Triple axle bale trailer, 36 ft. • 2012 ABU 16 ft. Car trailer • JD 7720 Combine, 912 header, chopper, 2516 hrs. • 2320 JD Swather CAB, 18ft header c/w pick up reels, V.G. • 8 Bottom Case plow • JD 54 manure spreader • JD 230, approx, 24 ft. Disc • Wheat heart 51ft 8" PTO Auger, V.G. • F.K. 36 ft PTO auger • JD model 14 Hammermill • Frontier LS 2011 Sprayer 3pt, 110-gal tank, 15 ft. • Westfield Auger, 7 inch x 31 ft. 16HP Kohler Magnum c/w bin sweep • 1992 Chev 3500. Reg cab 4x4 1 Ton Truck, 454 V8, 5 spd. 9ft flat deck. 5th wheel, 286,110 km • Black Diamond hyd. 32 T wood splitter • Frt mount post pounder • 3 pt Swath turner • 3- Large 14x16 Wood bins, V.G. • 2- Rd Bins • Some good lumber • 5- Fuel tanks • Poly tanks • Gas water pumps & hose • Tarps • 2- Older pickup trucks • & Misc.

Retirement Online Auction for Gilbert Kuzyk, 62003 RR 195, E. of Newbrook, Closing Thurs. Aug 6th. Ph Peter (780) 656-0353



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JD 2955 Tractor c/w CAB & 158 loader, 23,136 hrs. • JD 4620 c/w CAB, 8 spd P. shift, 8045 hrs • JD 4020, 8 spd c/w 58 FEL • JD 2130, open station c/w 146 loader • JD 2010 • Versatile 800, Runs nice • FORD 800 Gas tractor • JD AR • JD D • I.H W6 c/w Post Pounder • JD 535 RD baler • N.H 499 hydro swing 12' • Enrossi 12 wheel rake • JD 336 baler • N.H 1049 S.P. bale wagon, not running • New Cab for 1049 • JD 214T baler • MF 139 30ft chisel plow • JD 230 Disc, 28 ft. • JD 15 disc • JD F68- 6 bottom plow • I.H 595 Tandem manure spreader, poor • Versatile draw bar 50 ft & harrows • JD 95 Combine • JD 7700 Combine • Walinga RT 610 Grain vac • IH 510, 12 ft. end-wheel seed drill c/w g/a • Westfield W80-51' PTO auger, V.G. • G-T grain dryer • Oliver Red River Special threshing machine, Premium condition • 1940 Ford 1 ton • 1975 Dodge D600 grain truck, 37,839 miles • 40 ft. Seacan • Maternity pen • JD 740 industrial loader • Eeze On loader • JD potato picker • Potato hiller • JD D130 38" mower • Kawasaki 185 quad • 1992 Chev Blazer • 1961 Chev Impala • 2007 Ford Escape • Highline Bale Pro 6600 • 1964 Chev C30 Stepside • 1978 Chev Sierra 25 • 1987

Auction for Lori & Gregg Wolinski, 52131 RR 125, Lavoy. Closing Tues. Aug 11th. Ph (780) 603-8355. Preview: Aug 8th, 9th & 10th, 1-7 pm

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It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of our mom on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at the age of 79 years old.

She will be lovingly remembered by her daughters, Karen and Shelley (Chris); and granddaughter, Shayna; as well as family and friends.

She was a devoted wife, mom, and grandma, and will be forever missed. We were very fortunate that she was a stay-at-home mom and able to take part in our many activities. She volunteered with our Girl Guide troop, cheered at our softball games and made her famous poppy seed cake for the countless bake sales. We will



cherish all the happy memories we were blessed to have made together.

In her earlier years, mom loved to bike around town, ice skate, and play softball. She also liked reading, bingo, 790 CFCW, CTV news and the Edmonton Oilers. You would often see her on the front step with her coffee, word search, or newspaper; giving a friendly wave as people went by; as well as enjoying the visits from her numerous furry friends. Sylvia is predeceased by her husband, Orest, her parents, and 2 sisters.

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By Haylee Winger

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In an emergency:

Call 911 or go to your nearest emergency department or urgent care centre.

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• Addiction Helpline:

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- Mental Health Helpline: 1-877-303-2642
- Health Link: Dial 811 for health advice and information.
- 211 Alberta: Call or text 211, or access online chat for community and social services.
- Indigenous Support Line: 1-844-944-4744 (also available through 811).

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- Income Support:

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These services provide confidential support, crisis intervention, health advice, referrals, and connections to local programs. Anyone experiencing difficult circumstances is encouraged to seek help when they need it.

Asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness. Whether you're navigating a personal crisis, coping with stress, or simply feeling overwhelmed, you don't have to face it alone. Support is available, and reaching out can be the first step toward finding hope, answers, and a path forward. If you or someone you know is struggling, don't hesitate to make the call—help is available, and there are people ready to listen.



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Brandon Alvarez
Age 29

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Redwater Dental Clinic launches community smile makeover initiative



By Shelley Winger

Redwater Dental Clinic is giving back to the community with the launch of its Community Smile Makeover Initiative, offering one local resident a personalized smile makeover at no cost.

The initiative coincides with the completion of renovations at the clinic and is intended to recognize the support the community has shown over the years.

"As we renovate Redwater Dental Clinic, we want to

create a space our team is proud of and that the community can feel proud to call its own," said Dr. AJ. "It felt only right that, while we were giving the practice a fresh start, we also gave someone in our community the opportunity to experience that same sense of confidence and pride through a new smile."

Community members are invited to nominate a friend, family member, neighbour or coworker whose life could be positively changed by dental treatment but for whom the cost of care has been a barrier. Self-nominations

will not be accepted, and nominees must be aware of and consent to the nomination.

Nomination emails should include a brief description of the nominee, why the opportunity would make a meaningful difference in their life, and confirmation that they have agreed to be nominated. The clinic asks that medical records, dental photographs and other sensitive health information not be submitted at this stage.

After nominations close Sept. 30, the clinic will review eligible submissions and select one potential recipient based on

financial need, the potential impact of treatment and clinical suitability. The selected nominee will then undergo a dental examination before treatment is confirmed.

Dr. AJ said all

information submitted through the nomination process will be handled privately and reviewed only by team members involved in selecting the recipient.

"We hope this initiative shows how

grateful we are to be part of Redwater and how committed we are to giving back," he said.

Nominations will be accepted until Sept. 30 by email at dentalredwater@gmail.com.



The team at Redwater Dental Clinic is accepting nominations for its Community Smile Makeover Initiative, which will provide one local resident with a free personalized smile makeover. **Redwater Dental Clinic photo**



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