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**Students** return to class May 25...

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# **County to review Recreation Grants policy**

### Edson Golf Club requests capital grant funding to purchase equipment

by Shaylyn Thornton

At their May 18 Governance & Priorities Meeting. Yellowhead County Council heard from Parks & Recreation

Supervisor Crystal McNernie regarding a grant application from Edson Golf Club.

The Edson Golf Club requested capital grant funding to purchase kitchen

equipment for their new clubhouse. The amount requested was \$20,107.46 with the Club contributing an equal amount as per the matching funds requirement

for this type of grant.

The Edson Golf Club has approximately 385 members, and approximately 35% (135 people) of their membership

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**WOK BOX EDSON DELIVER** 



A mini petting zoo was set up by Shelby Smith, Tasha Bowers, and Jenna Crawford at the Long Term Care Facility in Edson on May 13 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.. They had two ducks, three bunnies and four chickens. Smith said, "We had a ton of positive comments and the residents, employees, and residents families really enjoyed it. This was the first time we did this and I hope to be able to do it more or even have our own bunnies or chickens on site." photo Deanna Mitchener





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# **County to review Recreation Grants policy**

### Edson Golf Club requests capital grant funding to purchase equipment

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base are Yellowhead County residents. Many other County residents use the facility on a payas-you-go basis.

However, the Club is located in the municipality of Edson, and is therefore not eligible to receive grant funding based on current policy. Policy 7100.02 states, in part: "Applicants located within municipal boundaries other than Yellowhead County are ineligible for funding."

County Council has, in the past, had to reject grant applications for this same reason. The policy is in place largely due to cost and revenue share agreements with municipalities like the Town of Edson and Town of Hinton.

McNernie spoke on behalf of Administration, asking Council two questions on the matter. The first was whether Council would like Admin-istration to review the policy and bring back potential changes to a future meeting.

The second question was whether Council would like to have a Request for Decision (RFD) brought forward on the grant without reviewing or changing the policy.

Councillor Dawn Mitchell said she was in favor of taking another current policy and

look at the policy, as it was due for a review. However, she was not in support of waiving the current policy for the Edson Golf Club when other groups and facilities have been turned down in the past.

Councillors Wade Williams, Shawn Berry, and Lavone Olson agreed with Mitchell, stating that Council should be following the policy in place.

Berry gave "kudos" to the Edson Golf Club regarding all of their "hard work" to get their facility up and running but referenced revenue sharing agreements as one of the reasons not to support the grant application.

"We have a revenue sharing agreement with the Town of Edson to the tune of multi millions of dollars and we expect them to use that money to support the facilities within their community," said Berry. He noted it was a "great facility that deserves support" but that the agreements mean that the County has already contributed to Edson facilities.

Councillor Anthony Giezen said that he would be willing to take a look at the policy, but that the grant application is not supported by

shouldn't be brought back for a RFD at this time.

Councillors Penny Lowe and David Russell were on the other side of the fence, with Lowe emphasizing the importance of recreation. She also noted the high percentage of Yellowhead County users of the Club, stating, "We've spent a whole lot more on things for less people."

Russell clarified that he was "not a golfer" but that the decision isn't as simple as funding outside of a municipality. "A lot more than golfing goes on at the golf course," he said.

CAO Luc Mercier spoke up on the matter, saying that reviewing the policy would give the County "a broader look at overall funding." Mercier noted that a policy review "could be a benefit to our residents and region."

Mercier acknowledged all of Council's statements and concerns and said that Administration may be able to "incorporate almost all" of what the Councillors had brought up. "We could look at funding requests a bit different," he said.

Mercier asked Council to "give Administration the opportunity" to review the policy and bring it back for future consideration.

Council voted and granted Mercier and Administration the ability to take a deeper look at Policy 7100.01 Recreation Grants, which will then be brought to the June 15 meeting for Council's review.

Council then voted on whether or not to bring the Edson Golf Club's grant application for a Request for Decision, but at this time decided to defer the grant application until after the review of the policy.

Note: Director of Community Services Christopher Read also spoke during the meeting regarding the various items that the County has funded in the past for the Edson and District Recreation Complex (which housed the Edson Golf Club and Edson Curling Club).

These items included contributing to paving costs for the road to the golf club and the regular cost-sharing for the

operations of the old Rec-Plex. However, these contributions were made when the Town of Edson still owned the

property, and current policy stipulates that the County can only do costsharing with the municipality itself.

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**



### **Manager of Transportation Services Competition #L2026**

Applications are invited for the available position of Manager of Transportation Services, based out of Edson. **Grande Yellowhead Public School Division offers** competitive benefit and pension packages. Duties will commence immediately.

A copy of competition number L2026 outlining the qualifications is available on the GYPSD website https://www.gypsd.ca/working-at-gypsd under "Management Professionals".

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Grande Yellowhead Public School Division appreciates all interest in this position, however, only those short-listed for an interview will be contacted.

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Shelby Smith, Tasha Bowers, and Jenna Crawford set up a mini petting zoo at the Long Term Care Facility in Edson on May 13 with two ducks, three bunnies and four chickens. They hope to be able to maintain their own bunnies or chickens on site. photo Deanna Mitchener

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# SMARTstart Program encourages mentorship and training

by Adrienne Tait

The SMARTstart program through Community Futures West Yellowhead, which encourages mentorship and training for entrepreneurs and new businesses, has received support from Town Council.

2021/2022 marks the third year for the 8-month long training program which includes 11 workshops, online training and a mentorship program.

In their letter of request to Council Community Futures states, "Sadly, statistics indicate that only 35% of small businesses succeed beyond their first 3-5 years. However, statistics also show that business owners with education in entrepreneurship, or previous entrepreneur experience, have an 80-90% chance of success with a new business."

The over arching concept of the program is to help new business owners succeed, support innovation, and have successful business owners mentor new entrepreneurs. The mentorship side of the program pairs experienced local business owners with new business owners thereby increasing networking opportunities and establishing long term relationships.

Mayor Zahara suggested Council and Administration consider funds for the programs could be included in an economic development reserve moving forward. Community Futures requested a \$5,000 contribution from Town Council for their continued support of the SMARTstart program. Council contributed the same amount last year.

The program is open to entrepreneurs and existing business owners within their first 5 years of business who wish to maintain or grow. Registrations are due in September.

# **June is Brain Injury Awareness Month**

by Shaylyn Thornton

In Canada, June marks Brain Injury Awareness Month, which the Public Health Agency of Canada says is "an opportunity to bring attention to the effects of brain injuries and the measures to take to prevent them."

Each year in Canada, more than 20,000 people are hospitalized for traumatic brain injuries, which can range from mild to severe and include concussions. These injuries can be caused by a variety of things, such as falls, car accidents, sports, assaults, or other health issues such as a stroke.

In an effort to help bring awareness, Edson FCSS and the Brain Care Centre have partnered up to provide four information sessions about brain injury and mental health throughout the months of June and July.

The sessions are set up as "Lunch and Learns" where participants can join during their lunch hour and learn about brain injury and mental health. The sessions will run on June 15, June 29, July 6, and July 13.

The topics include Introduction to Brain Injury, Concussion Injuries, Mental Health & Brain Injury, and About the Brain Care Centre.

Erin Fast, Intake and Information Coordinator, and Stephen Parsons, Concussion Program Coordinator, will be presenting an introduction to brain injury, information about concussion injuries, mental health and brain injury and also a session about the Brain Care Centre and the services and programs provided there, as well as resources that are available in the Edson area. With the number of brain injuries per year in Canada, the need for public education around the prevention and impact of traumatic brain injuries is beneficial for all.

To register for these sessions or for more information, head to Edson.ca/fcss.

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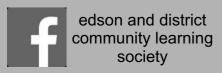


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will be holding their

### **Annual General Meeting**

or

Thursday, May 27, 2020 at 6:30 pm

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JUNE 7-13 Ages 60+

(For More Details: edson.ca/FCSS

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Monday, June 7
11am-12pm

Future Planning presentation
with the Primary Care Network

Monday, June 7 7pm-8pm Fit 4 Life

Fit 4 Life
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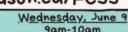
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11am-12pm Brain Health Presentation by the Alzheimer Society To register call 780-723-8616

2pm-3pm FREE Virtual Chair Yoga led by Katie Call 780-723-8616 to register

Saturday, June 12
10am-1pm

E-Bike Testing at the Riderz Store (53227 Range Road 170) Free donuts & coffee for customers







# **Lunch and Learn**Mental Health and Brain Injury

**4 FREE Zoom** sessions presented by Erin Fast and Stephen Parsons at The Brain Care Centre, Edmonton

Register at edson.ca/FCSS

Introduction to Brain Injury

June 15, 2021 12pm-1pm

Concussion Injuries

June 29, 2021 12pm-1pm

Mental Health and Brain Injury

July 6, 2021 12pm-1pm

About the Brain Care Centre

July 13, 2021 12pm-1pm \*sessions do not build on eachother

June is Brain Injury Awareness Month visit: www.braincarecentre.com







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### TOWN OF EDSON

Public Information & Notices 2020

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- Power of Attorney
- Wills
- Goals of Care

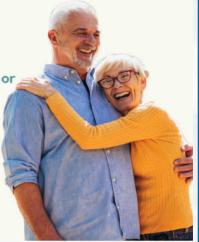
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### NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Development Authority has authorized the issuance of the following Development Permits in accordance with the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw #2070 as amended:

Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued Online	Zoning
Week 1					
043-2021	2553 Aspen Drive/Plan 912 1388; Block 1; Lot 1A	Accessory building, site grading and road realignment	Permitted	May 13, 2021	M -2
045-2021	124 43 Street/Plan 6384 AC; Block L	Storage Facility	Permitted	May 14, 2021	M-1A
046-2021	6902 4 Ave/Plan 780 HW; Block 3; Lot 1	Accessory Building - Garage addition	Permitted	May 18, 2021	GSI-C
047-2021	4419 5 Ave/Plan 6384 AC; Block 127; Lot 15	Accessory Building - Garage addition	Permitted	May 18, 2021	R-1B
048-2021	4436 4 Ave/Plan 6384 AC; Block 127; Lot 1-3	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	May 18, 2021	C-3
Week 2					

Any person who deems to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by 4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website (www.edson.ca/development). On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2070. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.

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# Comment



**GUEST EDITORIAL/COMMENT** 

# Asking Alberta to cut Kenney some slack

by W. Brett Wilson

Politics is a tough and nasty business – more so these days than ever. I don't envy any leaders making choices with challenging and uncertain impacts on both the health and livelihoods of Albertans.

One of those leaders in the most difficult position of all is Premier Jason Kenney, who [recently] imposed another level of COVID based restrictions, while having to contend with keeping a raucous conservative political family united.

In Alberta, our Latin motto, Fortis et Liber, or 'Strong and Free', couldn't be a more apt description of the wonderful people who live and work to prosper here.

You won't find folks elsewhere with a deeper devotion to hard work and family values while coupled with a fierce belief in personal and economic freedoms.

There exists a resilient spirit of individual liberty in our province — and I know, in principle, that's a very good thing.

But some folks have recently gone way too far. Premier Kenney and his family have received death threats for imposing restrictions that are ONLY similar or less restrictive than other provinces.

Frustration about restrictions is a given, complaining vigorously is understood and expected, but physical threats towards anyone are completely unacceptable. Period. Treating each other with respect is the essence of civil society.

There are still those that decry the new restrictions as not harsh enough, often with language designed to help themselves politically. On the other extreme, there are some who seem to believe that complete freedom (i.e. no lockdowns whatsoever) without meaningful vaccination levels is also possible. Confusing times.

The Premier and his government are simply in a no-win situation regardless of the direction they evolve.

During this time of frustration and hardship, it's tempting for conservatives to turn on their leadership and their party, but it's the wrong move. We need alignment across all parties to improve the health of residents and restore the economy that we all rely on.

This is really way beyond politics. It's about rational and reasonable thought for the benefit of Alberta.

It's about working with the new lockdowns where there is – for the first time in more than a year – a sightline to recovery as the impact of our vaccination program finally becomes our reality.

Some of those attacking our leader overlook that at the Federal level, we don't have a single person – Prime Minister or Cabinet – willing to directly answer a question. Press events are carefully managed and Question Period has nothing to do with honest or transparent answers – only political speaking points. Premier Kenney and his colleagues should be celebrated for taking questions and responding in an open and transparent way even when we don't like the answers.

We are close to the other side of this final wave of this pandemic – better times are ahead – given the experience of Israel and other regions that are further ahead on the vaccination curve. That is the wave that matters.

And on the economy, energy and commodity prices have rebounded to unexpected levels, and investment is truly beginning to come back to our province. I am putting my money where my mouth is with an innovative outdoor entertainment complex in downtown Calgary. I believe in Alberta and the summer that lies ahead.

No one has governed perfectly at any level during this pandemic, but while navigating through it, our Premier has also achieved a great deal. We have significant improvements to our labour laws, we have removed burdensome levels of red tape, we are bringing sanity back to our education curriculum, and continuing to move forward on a fair deal within Confederation – all while navigating the most challenging pandemic imaginable.

I implore Albertans to show a little patience and give the guy the opportunity to get us through this. We are at the finish line. We are weeks away.

Let's focus on what's important: vaccinating to beat the pandemic into submission, while restarting our economic engines in the spirit of keeping our great province together.

If we're divided, we lose. If we're united, we win.

William Brett Wilson is a Canadian investment banker, businessman, investor, and philanthropist. He was a season 3, 4 & 5 panellist on CBC Television's Dragons' Den. Wilson was born in North Battleford.

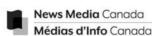
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# Senior's Week is coming up in June

by Shaylyn Thornton

From June 7-13, Senior's Week events will be happening in Edson to recognize and appreciate the seniors in our community.

"We are celebrating in a number of ways all over Edson for the seniors living in our community and the surrounding area," said Community Development Coordinator Ali Broda.

One aspect of appreciation comes from the Edson Golf Club, who is offering \$5 off green fees throughout the week. The Club is also giving out free golf towels to all seniors who come out to golf.

Information sessions for seniors will also be offered during the week. The first is a Future Planning Presentation happening on Monday, June 7th at 11am that is being presented by the McLeod River Primary Care Network.

Paul O'Toole and Maggie Loucks will be speaking to all things related to future planning, such as personal directive, power of attorney, wills and goals of care. The presentation is about an hour in length with time for questions at the end.

The second presentation is a Brain Health and Alzheimer information session on Thursday, June 10th at 11am presented by the Alzheimer Society of Alberta. This presentation is focusing on senior brain health and living with Alzheimer

disease.

Either of these free virtual information sessions can be booked through Ali by calling 780-723-8616 or by emailing alicjab@edson.ca.

Virtual health and wellness sessions will also be happening during the week. On Monday, June 7 at 7pm, Andrea Longman will lead a Fit 4 Life class. "This class is great for the older adult, is joint friendly and a full body workout aimed at improving muscular strength/endurance, flexibility, range of motion and cardiovascular health," said Ali.

On Wednesday, June 9 at 9am, Kristin Fulla of I Am Om will be providing an hour of serenity and peace during a virtual meditation session.

Thursday, June 10 at 2pm will offer a Virtual Chair Yoga class led by Katie Brunen. Ali says, "All you need is yourself and a chair. All fitness and flexibility skill levels are welcome." Any of these free health and wellness sessions can be booked by contacting Ali.

On Tuesday, June 8, the Town of Edson FCSS is offering a free drive-thru breakfast to seniors. This is taking place at the Repsol Place parking lot between 8:30am and 11:30am.

Breakfast will be packaged in to-go containers served by the Fresh Vine food truck. There is no pre-ordering, holds or delivery available.

There are also no washrooms available as this is a drive-thru event, and gathering will not be permitted. Breakfast will be available starting at

8:30am until supplies run out or until 11:30am, whichever comes first.

Ali noted there will also be goody bags and giveaways available to the first 200 seniors that come through the drive-thru. These include activities, a glass tumbler, tea, and cookies. "We're excited to get back to celebrating Seniors Week with a breakfast!" said Ali.

Seniors are also invited to visit Sacred Groundz on Main Street on Thursday, June 10 to pick up a free medium coffee or tea. One will be available per customer. "Sacred Groundz has delicious baked goods for purchase that you can add to your coffee or tea order to really treat yourself," added Ali.

To wrap up Senior's Week, Riderz will be offering e-bike testing. Customers interested in testing out an e-bike are invited to visit their store between 10am and 1pm. Riderz is located at 53227 Range Road 170. There will be donuts and coffee for customers.

Ali notes that Senior's Week is celebrated annually, and that it's important to take time to appreciate the seniors in our community. "Seniors provide a wealth of information and experience in communities that cannot be achieved in any other way," she said. "From the Town of Edson and Town of Edson FCSS, thank you to all our community seniors for making Edson your home!"

More information on Senior's Week can be found on the Town of Edson's website.

# Students return to classrooms May 25

Students across Alberta will return to their classrooms on May 25 as planned, except for students in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo.

The two-week shift to at-home learning has given the education system time to address the operational challenges caused by the rise of COVID-19 cases in the province. K-12 students in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo will continue to learn at home for another week, with a targeted return to in-person learning on May 31.

"I'm pleased our two-week plan has been successful in nearly all areas of the province. Everyone has worked hard to stop the spike and I am confident all students will finish the remainder of the school year in the classroom. I want to thank all students, parents, teachers and staff for their efforts and flexibility as we work to keep students learning," stated Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education.

All schools in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (public, Catholic, charter and independent) will continue at-home learning for an additional week. Case numbers in this region have not been trending downward at the same rate as in other regions, which means a higher likelihood of continued in-school operational challenges.

The robust health protocols that have been in place in schools will continue, including mask requirements, cohorts, screening for symptoms and seating arrangements. That's in addition to the added layer of protection with more Albertans getting the COVID-19 vaccine, including school staff and students aged 12 and older.

The expansion of rapid screening testing at schools is also moving ahead as planned in Edmonton, Calgary, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie and Lethbridge, and in other communities where needed, starting next week. School divisions in Edmonton and Calgary

have been offered the opportunity to have testing teams available at select school sites before the return to in-person learning occurs. Rapid testing is another preventative layer against the spread of COVID-19 by quickly identifying people without symptoms who may have the virus. Education's rapid testing team will work with school divisions on final school selection, logistics, consent process and scheduling.

To date, about 10,800 tests have been conducted in Edmonton and Calgary schools resulting in 44 preliminary positive results. Anyone with a positive screening test is asked to confirm the result by taking a lab-confirmed test at an AHS assessment centre. A positive result on a rapid test will mean that the staff or student will need to be in isolation for 10 days from that date, unless the follow-up test through AHS is negative, in which case they can return to school. -AB gov't release



In one of the many creative ways schools kept students engaged during lock-down, Holy Redeemer started an eSports Program. The extra-curricular program saw the Rebels team compete virtually against other schools in two leagues: League of Legends and Rocket League. Here, two members of the team, Anne Bernadette-Napoles and Monica Villasor stop for a quick photo before they continue gaming.

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# County Ag Services provides spring update

by Shaylyn Thornton

Agricultural Services Supervisor Jennifer Benson presented an update on the status of Agricultural Services in Yellowhead County to Council on May 18.

Benson gave details on the activities that Ag Services worked on during the spring of 2021 and gave information on the summer programming they will be working on this summer.

Ag Services hired thirteen summer staff this year, with five of them being returning staff. Their position runs from May 3 to August 27, 2021.

The team also held a number of virtual extension activities for the community this spring, including Bee Hotel Building, Septic Sense, Rural Dugouts, Mushroom Growing, and Herb Box Building.

Benson also said that the County's Custom Herbicide Application Program (CHAP) and their Fenceline program have been booking appointments since April.

Ag Services sent out weed notice reminder letters in the third week of April. Benson said that 106 notices will potentially be actioned on in July

if the landowners do not take care of the problem on their own.

Notices are sent out in September with reminders in the spring, and another inspection process occurs in June before the contractor arrives to complete the work in July. Benson explained that this is to ensure that they don't waste time and money bringing the contractor to properties where landowners may have already resolved the issue.

Benson also noted that the majority of landowners who receive notices do handle the weed notices on their own.

One of the biggest updates for the spring is in regard to the Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB). Ag Services received a MPB grant from the provincial government, which provided \$403,850 in funding. The funds will assist with the control and eradication of MPB in the County's white zone.

The grant was approved on March 19 and contractors started work on March 29. Benson said approximately 1200 trees had been removed as of May 18 under the program.

Councillor Dawn Mitchell inquired if the funding was enough to "make a dent" in the MPB

population in the County.

"This is the first year that I've been happy with the funding received in terms of eradicating the problem," said Benson. "Beetle numbers did go down significantly in the last two years and their flights seem to be different."

Benson specified that while she "can't say for sure," the MPB grant "is going to do a lot of damage to their populations."

The County began Verbenone sales on May 3, which is a method that residents can use to help keep MPB out of the trees on their property. Benson explained that Verbenone is a pheromone that hangs in trees, and "tells all the other Mountain Pine Beetles that the tree is occupied."

Ag Services recommends that those interested in using Verbenone should have their pouches purchased and ready to hang by mid-June.

Verbenone can be purchased for \$10/pouch or a 10-pack for \$90 at the Edson and Wildwood County offices. More information can be found on the County website at yhcounty.ca/county-office/news/verbenone-for-mountain-mine-beetle-prevention.

# How to build resilience

by AHS

Resilience is an inner strength that helps you bounce back after stressful situations. When you are resilient, you may recover more quickly from setbacks or difficult changes, including illness.

Developing resilience begins with simple actions or thoughts that you practice, such as planning for what you'll do next and learning to accept change.

Being resilient doesn't mean that you find it easy to deal with difficult or stressful situations or that you won't feel angry, sad, or worried during tough times. But it does mean that you won't feel so overwhelmed. You'll be less likely to give up and more likely to cope with stressful situations in healthy ways.

Why is resilience important?

Part of resilience is how you think. Your mind can have a positive or negative effect on your body. For example, negative emotions such as worry and stress, can cause tense muscles and pain, headaches, and stomach problems. But having a positive outlook on life might help you better handle pain or stress than someone who is less hopeful.

How can you build resilience?

People who are resilient often work to have a positive outlook on life. It may take gradual, small changes in your outlook on life and careful self-evaluation. You may be able to begin this shift on your own. A counsellor or therapist can also help you.

- Here are some tips to get started:
- · Change how you think.
- o Accept that things change.
- o Look at change as a challenge rather than a threat.
- o Examine how and why you feel the way you do when things change.
- o Expect things to work out. You can't change what happens, but you can change how you feel about it.
  - · See the big picture.
- o Find the positive in stressful situations and learn from the situation.
- o Look for things to learn. Difficult or emotional situations can teach you about yourself. Look to the future, and ask yourself how the stressful event might help you.
- o See the funny side of bad situations.
- · Change how you act
- o Seek out interactions with people who make

you feel better.

- o Build relationships that are solid and loving with your family and others. Help them, and don't be afraid to let them help you.
- o Develop a support network.
- · Believe in yourself and the things you can do.
- o Solve problems. Look at all aspects of a problem, and brainstorm solutions. Ask friends for suggestions.
- o Do things to gain self confidence and build self-esteem. For example, list the things you've achieved in your life or those that make you

proud.

- · Take good care of yourself.
- o Do things that you enjoy. Have a good meal. Laugh with your friends. Know what's important to you.
- o Try relaxation techniques such as deep breathing and guided imagery.
- o Talk about how you are feeling, and manage your emotions.
- o Be thankful for the good you see around yourself.

### HIRING IMMEDIATELY! INSTRUMENTATION FOREMAN



Connect Energy Services is a rapidly growing Electrical / Instrumentation company with lots of room for advancement. We are seeking a Journeyman Instrumentation Technician to join our Edson team. We offer competitive wages, clothing allowance and a full benefit plan. Expected duties include:

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- Calibrate and maintain components and instruments as per manufacturers' specs
- Coordinate and be responsible for instrumentation jobs and ensuring Connect's policies / procedures are followed
- Mentor apprentices
- Understand the need to prioritize work schedules to meet goals

Requirements: Journeyman certification, experience in small oilfield maintenance and working in a live plant, CSTS, a clean drivers abstract and valid class 5 drivers license, other safety tickets / orientations as necessary.

Preference will be given to individuals that live within commuting distance of Edson. May be required to provide evidence of a satisfactory A&D test in accordance with Connect's A&D Policy.

Please send your resume outlining relevant experience to: <a href="mailto:admin@connectenergyservices.com">admin@connectenergyservices.com</a>

# Alberta RCMP reminds motorists no need for excessive speed

As we enter spring and driving conditions across our provincial roadways begin to improve, the Alberta RCMP wants to remind motorists of the dangers of speeding.

Posted limits indicate the maximum, legal speed permitted in ideal conditions (Government of Alberta, 2021). Driving faster than the maximum speed limit puts yourself and other road users at risk. According to Alberta Transportation, approximately one in four fatal collisions involve unsafe speeds, and more than half of these fatal collisions occur in rural areas. Last year, Alberta RCMP issued over 58,700 speeding tickets.

The Alberta RCMP encourages you to remember the following before putting the pedal to the metal:

• The faster you go, the longer it takes you to stop. Speeding affects your ability to come to a quick stop in the event of unexpected traffic hazards.

· Always drive to conditions. Alberta's road and weather conditions are unpredictable; ensure you adjust your speed accordingly.

· Give yourself a few extra minutes. Allowing yourself extra time to get to your destination helps you to avoid feeling rushed.

· Be aware of speed limits in playground and construction zones. These areas often have high pedestrian traffic – you must slow down.

"Alberta RCMP issued 974 speeding tickets to motorists in April 2020 alone. Speeding is one of the biggest threats to traffic safety, yet is a common habit for many drivers," explains Supt. Gary Graham, Alberta RCMP Traffic Services. "Ensure you always abide by the posted limit. The dangers of speeding far outweigh the minute or two you think you are gaining."

### Edson Food Bank Society



May 27 at 1:00 pm via Zoom

If you want to join us please email:

edsonfoodbanksociety@gmail.com

or phone 780.723.1350



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Appr	oved Development Perr	nits have been issued authorizing the fo	ollowing
Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-072	NE 10-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Manufactured Home with Wraparound Veranda	May 4/21
D21-073	Plan 7622234, Blk 4, Lot 15 NE 36-53-09-W5 Lobstick Resort	Storage Container – Discretionary	May 10/2
D21-074	Plan 2022816, Blk 1, Lot 15 SW 03-54-17-W5 Edson Area	Manufactured Home	May 10/2
D21-080	Plan 0121257, Blk 1, Lot 1 NE 10-54-09-W5 Chip Lake Area	Two Accessory Buildings (Barns) One Existing - One New	May 10/2
D21-076	Plan 0820679, Blk 1, Lot 2 SW 35-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Accessory Building – Garage	May 11/2
D21-079	NW 18-54-09-W5 Chip Lake Area	Three Existing Additions to Single Detached Dwelling (Porch, Open Veranda & Covered Deck)	May 11/2
D21-081	Plan 0325318, Blk 1, Lot 2 SW 20-54-16-W5 Tom Hill Tower Rd Area	Two Existing Additions to Single Detached Dwelling (Covered Decks)	May 14/2
D21-023	Plan 0320143, Blk 2, Lot 4 SW 04-53-18-W5 Hwy 47	Discretionary Use – General Industrial (Concrete Batch Plant) – Two (2) Year Term	May 17/2
D21-048	Plan 0926354, Blk 2, Lot 6 NW 31-53-12-W5 Niton Junction	Recreation Intensive – 4 Cabins and 30 Additional RV Campsites (Discretionary)	May 17/2
D21-082	Plan 1423564, Blk 1, Lot 2 SE 30-54-15-W5 Droston Area	Agricultural (Intensive) – Seasonal Retail Greenhouse – Discretionary Use	May 17/2
D21-083	Plan 7622234, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 36-53-09-W5 Lobstick Resort	Storage Building – Residential – Discretionary	May 17/2
D21-075	NE 27-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Two Covered Decks and Accessory Building (Garage)	May 19/2
D21-078	NE 23-53-16-W5 Wolf Creek Area	Manufactured Home – Additional – Discretionary	May 19/2
D21-084	NE 05-53-09-W5 Wildwood Area	Manufactured Home and Accessory Building (Garage)	May 19/2
D21-087	Plan 0024069, Blk 1, Lot 1 NE 12-52-08-W5 Evansburg Area	Existing Addition to Accessory Building (Garage)	May 19/2

Per the Public Notification Bylaw, the public is considered notified once approved development permits are

Any person claiming to be affected by an approved development permit may appeal the development by filing a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. The written notice must be filed within Twenty One (21) days after notice of the approval is given, and must be accompanied with a payment of \$300.00.



### A PINE BEETLE SOLUTION FOR RESIDENTS

Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services is selling Beetle Block Verbenone, which gives residents an option to combat Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB). Beetle Block Verbenone is a synthetically produced anti-aggregating pheromone that works by repelling newly arriving beetles. For a Verbenone FAQ, please visit:

www.bit.ly/YCmpb

### **2021 COMBINED ASSESSMENT & TAX NOTICES**

Yellowhead County mailed the 2021 Combined Assessment and Tax Notices May 20, 2021. The deadline for paying taxes is June 30th, 2021.

### **Payment Options:**

- Edson or Wildwood Yellowhead County Offices (drop box available after hours at Edson location only)
- At your Chartered Bank or Credit Union
- Telephone Banking
- Internet banking (Your Tax Roll Number is your Account number)
- Courier or Canada Post (postmarked on/or before June 30th, 2021).

A penalty will be applied to all 2021 tax levies that are outstanding after the due date of June 30th, 2021.

If you have further questions, call the Yellowhead County office at 780-723-4800 or toll free at 1-800-665-6030. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday.



Corporate & Planning Services

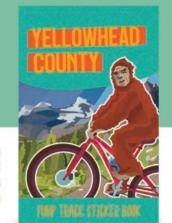
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# NEW

Outdoor Activity Challenge: Pump Track Sticker Book

Pickup your FREE booklet at county offices in Edson or Wildwood then visit all of our pumptrack/skills areas to claim a sticker for each area visited!



Once you have visited all 8 hamlet locations, your sticker book will be complete and you will receive Sasky's unique stamp of completion!

For more information please phone 780-723-4800 or email imateri@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca.

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## **Hydrant Flushing**

May 25 - June 4 Evansburg, Wildwood, Peers, Brule

If you have discoloured water, run your cold taps for a few minutes until the water clears. Prior to using water for laundry purposes, run the water for a few minutes to ensure it's clear.

If you have any questions please contact our office at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

# **SENIORS' WEEK 2021:**

► FREE Emergency Planners!

To celebrate Seniors' Week (June 7 - 13) in all Yellowhead County communities, our Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) department would like to offer a FREE Just in Case planner to our seniors!

The Just in Case planner is a fillable booklet of all your important information for use in an emergency (when you cannot communicate this information to your family). With this information, you will:

- Feel better about your ability to plan ahead.
- Know more about how to prepare for the future.
- Know that your trustees can easily access your important info.

Seniors can call our Wildwood Office at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 and register to receive/pick up a planner in June.

On behalf of Yellowhead County council and staff, we thank our seniors and older adults for all that they do to keep our communities great!



Register for our Family Fun Kits to get resources, games, and toys for a weekend of family fun! Some possible kits available:

- Jumbo Games
- Obstacle Course
- Sensory Play
- Seasonal Kit Building Sets Magnetic Play

Kits are free to borrow. Limited kits

Please sign up by Wednesday at noon

by calling Yellowhead County 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935.

Doorstep drop-off now available! Kits can also be picked up at either the Wildwood or Edson Yellowhead County on Thursdays and must be returned by 4:30 PM on Monday.

Families can borrow up to 2 kits a

FCSS Family and Community



June 1st is Intergenerational Day, when we celebrate the power of intentional and respectful connections between older adults and youth!

This year, Yellowhead County FCSS is encouraging seniors to join our Pen Pal Program. Handwritten letters are a great way to share old memories and create meaningful connections and even new friendships.

Students of all county schools are participating (Grades 1 to 8), and have written letters to older adults, who are invited to sign up and write back!

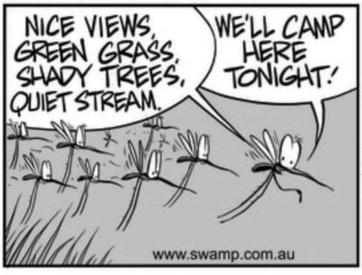
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by Gary Clark

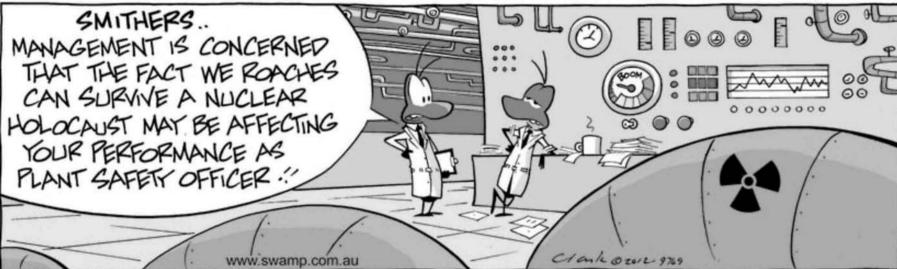




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# Farm & Field News and Views



Bunnies and biosecurity – What you can do

Recent cases of rabbit hemorrhagic disease are a reminder of the importance of biosecurity.

Recent cases of rabbit hemorrhagic disease (RHD) found in one Alberta household have raised concerns among rabbit owners.

'The investigation is still underway; and, while the cause is not yet known, this case serves as a reminder to rabbit owners of the

importance of biosecurity, a term more commonly understood by livestock owners but relevant in this context,' says Dr. Keith Lehman, chief provincial veterinarian.

Biosecurity is essentially a collection of measures taken to prevent introduction or spread of disease among livestock, which includes rabbits, cows, pigs, chickens and more.

What you can do RHD, like many other diseases,

can be spread through contact with bodily fluids and infected objects -

food, water, bedding and cages. People can also spread diseases on their hands, clothes or shoes or even through car tires.

The best way to prevent RHD from infecting your rabbits is through good biosecurity:

· Wash your hands, clothes, cages and equipment between rabbits from different sources.

· Only introduce rabbits from reputable sources.

· Quarantine new rabbits away from existing ones.

· Use separate equipment for new or sick rabbits.

· Prevent all contact with wild rabbits, hares and jackrabbits. Most importantly, establish a working relationship with a veterinarian.

'Establishing a veterinarianclient-patient relationship is key for animal owners. This relationship provides a proactive opportunity for professional advice on disease prevention as well as access to trusted veterinary care should illness take hold in your animals,' says Dr.

As well, register your animals through the Government of Alberta's Premises Identification (PID) program. PID was established to plan for, control, and prevent the spread of animal diseases. It also acts as an early warning system to notify animal owners of a natural disaster such as a flood or wildfire that could affect their animals.

RHD is a sudden, highly contagious, fatal disease that affects rabbits. This particular case's strain, RHDV2, affects both European rabbits as well as North American rabbits and hares, and this detection represents the first time this strain has been observed in Canada. -AgriNews



### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

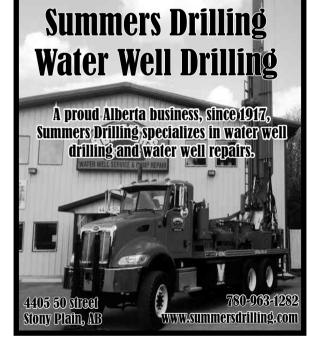
Lehman.

**Royal Canadian Legion** Wildwood BR 149 **Bottle Depot** Is looking for a part time employee.

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# **SCHOLARSHIP**

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For more information and the application form, visit edsonrotary.org Youth Projects. Questions can be directed to Lorraine Symes – Youth Services Chair - Ibsymes@moradnet.ca

To be eligible, the student must:
Complete the application form

- Supply a minimum of two letters of reference. One either work or education related, and one which clearly identifies community services and volunteer efforts, exemplifying the Rotary motto of 'Service
- Supply a transcript of marks confirming graduation from Grade 12 with the required credits

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 Supply a confirmation of enrolment in an accredited post-secondary institution.

Completed applications must be received by August 1st.



### **Unreserved Public Real Estate Auction**



Wildwood, AB · Jun 23
Bill Stern

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**Council Notes May 18** 

### **Town Staff Compensation Policy**

With some new information provided, Council passed a motion to adopt the amended Management and Professional Staff Compensation Policy as presented. The policy

cleans up the salary grid, applies cost of living adjustments to the grid rather than individual salaries, includes a market review every four years (previously done every

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established by Council.

Next meetings - The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for May 25th, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The next Council Meeting is scheduled for June 1st,

While the Council Chambers remains closed to the public at this time, public and media are able to register for virtual attendance. Registration links and agenda details are normally available Friday afternoons on the Town of Edson website or Facebook Page.

two years), and clarifies the Supplemental Professional Qualification terms and Termination Notice procedures. The policy also carries the organizational philosophy of aiming for a percentile target (50th) for compensation. This target is not a mandate, but a goal that is subject to budgetary realities, as

2021 at 7:00 pm.

### **Happy 50th Anniversary**



### Alton & Coleen Hunter

May 22, 1971 Married in Camrose AB





### A Golden Couple

Half a century ago, they say, A wonderful marriage began that day, Two beautiful people joined as one, And worked together to make life fun. We celebrate now those fifty years, We raise our glass and give three cheers, To partners in life in both work and play, It's our honor to share your golden day!

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### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

### **Summer Youth Worker LOCATION: WILDWOOD** COMPETITION NO. 21-017

Reporting to the Children's Program Coordinator the Summer Youth Worker is a seasonal position responsible for assisting with the delivery of FCSS programming to children and youth.

The hourly wage range for this position is \$17.99 to \$19.58

To apply please submit resumes online, on our web page https://yhcounty.ca/county-office/employment/

A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online.

This competition will remain open until 4:30pm on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

We thank all interested applicants in advance, however only those applicants to be interviewed will be contacted.

**Payroll Department** Yellowhead County

Email: jobs@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

The personal information obtained as a result of this advertisement will be utilized for these employment opportunities only, and is subject to compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



### **HISTORICAL FEATURE**

# **Down in the Mine (1927 - 1941)**

by Stuart Taylor

If you're interested in Hinton's buried history, take a look at the attached mine plan and you'll notice two things. First is that the main entrance for this mine is located across from what are now Griffith Ford's service doors. And the second is that this underground mine covered a significant portion of Hinton's current residential land base but how much remains unclear.

The mine operated from 1927 to 1941, as Hinton Collieries Ltd. during most of its productive life. At its peak it employed 130 people, at a time when the entire Town of Hinton had a population of about 1000. And when it was fully operational in the early 1930's complete houses were moved from Pocahontas and other coal branch communities by truck for workers and their families to live.

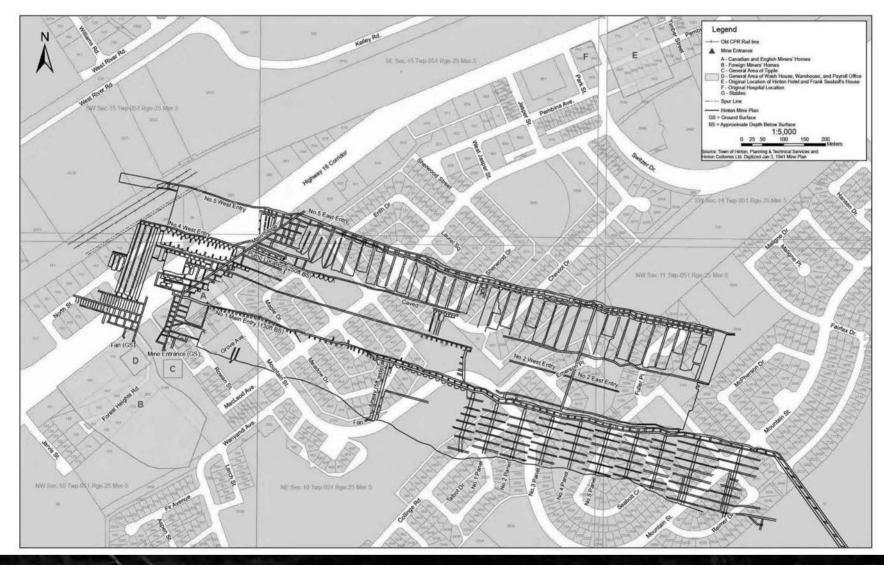
The Collieries operated as a shaft mine with a coal seam approximately 3.5 feet thick. The primary method of haulage up the slope from the face was by horse(s). Yes, underground in a dangerous environment that got worse with time.

In the 1930's explosive gas became an issue. The fireboss William Aitken noted that flares were being set off by safety lamps and shots. In 1938 it came to a head with a tragic explosion 240 feet underground when five miners were killed. A plaque is located nearby just off the service road which commemorates this accident and the lives lost.

By 1941 the coal face had thinned enough to make the mine uneconomic and it was closed completely in September. At that point point pay had become irregular and the work even more difficult and unpleasant, requiring miners to work prone for most of their shift. And when it closed, it left a hole in the town's economy.

Currently the full extent of the historic mine is unknown. And according to Hinton's past Planning Director, town residents near the known, mapped mine area have complained about sinkholes in their backyards. Another reason to have a look at that map.

Story excerpted/adapted from a research report on the "Happy Creek Interpretive Mine" produced by the Town of Hinton in 2009.





These Canada Geese were enjoying the last bit of remaining ice along the McLeod River at Wilmore Park. photo Paul Kindiak

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# Tiffin Green shack 'adoptee' Highlight

submitted Anna Vander Haeghe Chairperson Early Childhood Matters Coalition – Edson & Area

The Early Childhood Matters Coalition has been an active community coalition in the Edson and area since 2013. We are a passionate group of local people that are keen to support the importance of the early years by helping provide opportunities within our community for the early childhood programs to support each other and work together. Additionally, we provide information to your community on activities and programs that are available for families raising young children. Follow us on fb earlychildhoodmatters-edsonandarea

One of our projects that we are very proud of is the Green Shacks. We have been instrumental in obtaining 12 shacks for the town and county over the past few years and supplying them with summer and winter supplies. We have also, mostly on volunteered time, looked after the town shacks along with the incredible support of the Town Parks & Rec department and multiple county locations.

Today we would like to highlight Jessie Johnston for her instrumental role in 'adopting' the Tiffin Shack. Jessie and her busy young family have made Edson their home for many years. Jessie is a beloved

Kindergarten teacher at MBE and previously at Evergreen. Jessie and her family have been able to keep the Tiffin Green Shack open during the past year as a safe location to be able to have some fun doing physical outdoor activities with your child. Please show respect for the equipment and this amazing resource in the Tiffin community. Thank you, Jessie and Family! Without the support of our amazing community, we would not be able to continue to provide a shack with unlimited outdoor gear for use anytime. If you know Jessie, please give her a huge THANK YOU for what she does. And please help by keeping the Shacks tidy when you use them.

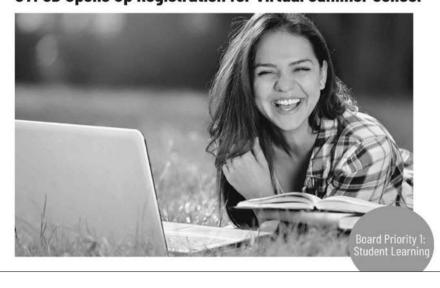
If you are interested in donating equipment/supplies to a community shack please reach out to your fb community league or contact us via fb or email (edsonearlychildhoodmatters@gm ail.com. If you are part of a company who would like to partner with a Green Shack Adoptee please contact us. Together we can continue to provide this great outdoor option or families especially during these restricted times.



Jessie Johnston, a Kindergarten teacher at MBE, along with her family have 'adopted' the Tiffin Shack. submitted



### **GYPSD Opens Up Registration for Virtual Summer School**





Summer School is now accepting registrations for students in Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Summer School is an intense format for studies in which all of the Alberta Education outcomes in the Program of Studies that are normally taught in a semester are taught in fewer hours. Summer School is a great opportunity for students to free up room in their timetables for other courses or to upgrade marks.

Each class is taught by a teacher and will involve instruction, assessment and student work every day. These are NOT self-paced courses and attendance is required during the set class time.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all of our courses will be online and run from 8:30 am - 2:30 pm. This year, GYPSD is offering CALM, Biology 20 and Social Studies 30-2 during the month of July. Check out our website at <a href="https://www.gypsd.ca/summer-school-2021">https://www.gypsd.ca/summer-school-2021</a> to learn more and register for classes.

Don't wait to register. Classes will run based on student enrollment!

# P Soroka wants action taken to reduce the Mountain Pine Beetle population

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, asked the following question today during Question Period.

He asked:

"Madam Speaker, in my region of Canada, the forest industry needs help from the government. It is facing an epidemic caused by the Mountain Pine Beetle. The species destroys many acres of pine trees every year and are expanding east, causing damage along the eastern slopes of the Rockies. The Mountain Pine Beetle in Jasper and Hinton are a genetic mix of the northern and southern Mountain Pine Beetle that are stronger

Gerald Soroka **MP Yellowhead** 

and more destructive.

Will the federal government take action to reduce the population of this harmful invasive species?"

Reply:

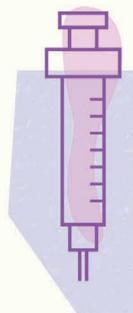
Mr. Marc Serré (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Natural Resources, Lib.): "Madam

Speaker, we are working closely with provinces and municipalities to help slow the spread and mitigate the impact of forest pests in Canada as well as reduce the risk of infestation in areas that are not affected.

Our government invested \$20 million annually in scientific research to address the risk posed to our forests. We remain focused on science-based solutions. We will continue working with our partners and invest to protect Canada's trees from infestation."

The video of the exchange can be found at: https://fb.watch/5usPdUaF6J/





# Alberta, it's time to sign up, show up.

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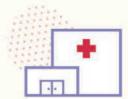
- ★ Immunization is the best way to prevent yourself from getting sick with COVID-19
- + Immunization is the fastest way to get back to normal and reopen our communities
- + Immunization is safe, effective and necessary
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- Find all the facts about COVID-19 immunization and the rollout at alberta.ca/vaccine

### Sign up, show up, follow up:



### SIGN UP

Millions of Albertans are now eligible. Sign up now at alberta.ca/vaccine.



### **SHOW UP**

Be sure to show up for your appointment to make sure as many Albertans as possible can get vaccinated.



### **FOLLOW UP**

Follow up with your second shot to boost your immunity and get fully protected.

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# **ACES Kids in the Arts Program**

(HRH) The Arts Centre for Edson Society would like to officially announce their newest initiative called Kids in the Arts.

The Kids in the Arts Program's purpose is to foster an early involvement and continuation in the arts by providing bursaries to children from families facing financial barriers. The program will provide bursaries to children up to 50% of the cost of the arts and culture program or

"This was an idea that we have talked about for some time," says ACES President Peter Taylor. "Over the last few months, due to the downturn in the economy from the COVID-19 pandemic, we knew this would be an important program to start soon." Taylor added that the volunteer group of ACES worked together doing research on how to raise funds, organize the application process, and set up a portion of their website exclusively for the program.

Taylor says the Kids in the Arts Program will see a number of benefits. "Firstly, children who may not be usually exposed to arts and culture programs are getting the ability to do so. Secondly, many arts and culture programs saw a reduction, postponement or cancellation of programs due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Kids in the Arts program can help to bring those numbers back up in the coming months. Finally, the mental health of children is of upmost importance. Many children have not been able to have access to different activities over the last year. We want to give them those important opportunities so they can showcase their artistic abilities."

In late March, Taylor made a presentation to Edson Town Council explaining the program and looking for seed money to start. "The entire Council was very supportive," says Taylor. "They asked great questions and said that this program would fall perfectly into their COVID-19 recovery plan. We understand that many individuals have faced additional financial hardships due to pandemic, and this is another way we can help their families in their time of need." In early April, Town Council awarded ACES \$5000 to begin the program so that they could start taking applications soon.

Shortly after the presentation, Main Street



The Arts Centre for Edson Society has started a new initiative called ACES Kids in the Arts. This program will help to sponsor children enrolling in arts and culture programs who lack the financial means to do so. Applications can be made through the ACES website, artscentreforedson.ca. Funding for the program is being done by a donation from the Town of Edson and local community businesses. Here, Fineline Stationary owner Ken Ramsay presents a cheque to ACES President Peter Taylor in the amount of \$1000 to help fund the new program.

store Fineline Stationary donated an additional \$1000 to kickstart the campaign. "This was completely overwhelming," says Taylor. "We are so thankful to Mr. Ken Ramsay for this generous donation. This shows the amazing community partnerships that exist in our great community.'

ACES is continuing to look for local businesses to help sponsor the program. If businesses or individuals are interested in assisting, please contact Taylor via their website, artscentreforedson.ca.

"Now we are looking to make sure the message gets out to the arts organizations and individuals," says Taylor. "From there these organizations can tell their participants. We

want people applying for this funding." ACES encourages families to apply by going to the ACES website. Applicants will need to provide a letter from a sponsor who can vouch to their financial need. All applicants' names and information will be kept strictly confidential. Individuals may also sponsor families who they feel may need financial assistance.

With that, ACES is looking forward to seeing the first batch of applicants come in over the coming months. There are three deadlines to apply for funding throughout the year: June 15th, September 15th and January 15th.

For more information on the Arts Centre for Edson Society, go to their website at artscentreforedson.ca.





### ── GNS: Good News Story

Students at École Westhaven Elementary School in Edson have been engaging in a variety of outdoor lessons this year in their new Outdoor Learning Spaces, which includes both a large forested area and an outdoor classroom.

Teachers are incorporating nature studies through a variety of rich, hands-on learning activities and experiencies that span the curriculum.

Both staff and students are very grateful to their School Council for supporting this initiative and for purchasing, building, and installing the new tables for the Outdoor Classroom.

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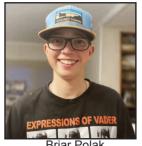
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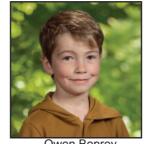




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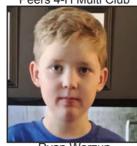
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Dakota Dickson Knight Riders 4-H Club



Hayden Plunkie Knight Riders 4-H Club



Jasmine Dickson Knight Riders 4-H Club



Tayden Dickson Knight Riders 4-H Club



Tayla Plunkie Knight Riders 4-H Club



Anna Kelley Edson 4-H Multi Club



Arylea Elzinga Edson 4-H Multi Club



Madie Little Edson 4-H Multi Club



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2021 Yellowhead

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**Online Steer Sale** 

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Pastor Mesh Hit Edson Baptist Church

# **Green with Envy**

Have you ever felt envious of someone or something they have? A simple definition of envy is "to want what belongs to someone else". Envy is "a resentful, dissatisfied longing for another's possessions, position, fortune, achievements,

or success.' Our culture today is so entrenched with envy that we can see it in some of the things we do in our everyday lives. Social media platforms can be mass-producers of envy. I know Facebook and Instagram are helpful as we catch up with people, see pictures and stay in touch with families and friends. However, sometimes these types of platforms and our own insecurity can stoke the fires of envy.

Let's say you bought something new, went on a fabulous vacation, then post a picture of it because you want others to know how good your life is! Other people go on social media, they see it and they experience a bit of envy.

They might desire the things you have and feel a certain sorrow that they are not in that position.

This self-pity and sorrow can rise up in our own hearts and we think, "That should be me! I should have that! I should experience that!'

The root of envy is a dissatisfied heart. Envy is a form of comparison. It's a feeling of discontent for advantages enjoyed by others. It's seeing what someone else may have and wanting it for ourselves. Envy has the potential to consume us, and if unchecked it grows over time. We should stop thinking that we are not good enough, smart enough, athletic enough, rich enough, attractive enough, successful enough.

We don't need to compare ourselves to others, to their success, their relationships, their possessions or their families.

I believe the love of Christ, calls us to be thankful

and content with what we have. This perspective, even have learned to be content whatever the though I struggle with envy on occasion, helps me to have a grateful heart.

Do you struggle with envy? What do you need to be thankful for today?

Philippians 4:11-12

11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I

circumstances. 12 I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.

### **CHURCH DIRECTORY for Edson & Area**

BETHEL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

6350 - 13th Ave., Edson. Phone 723-3007
Pastors John & Roberta Greiner: Heather & Daniel Greiner Sunday service: 10:30 am Morning worship,

EDSON ALLIANCE CHURCH
5525-2nd Ave., Edson Ph: 723-5776 Pastor Bryan Walter
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**EDSON BAPTIST CHURCH** 

Pastor Mesh Hit 4719 - 9th Ave., Ph: 723-3982 Sunday Services: 10:45 a.m.

**EDSON MENNONITE CHURCH** 

6212 - 13th Ave., Edson Telephone: 723-4922. Sunday Worship 9:45 am. Sunday School 11a.m.

EDSON-PEERS CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

4633-7th Ave., Edson - Ph: 723-5242 Pastor Dan Meyer Worship: 10:30 a.m. Edson - Nursery provided Sunday School

**EDSON SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH** 

Saturday Morning Service at 11:00 a.m. Sabbath School at 10:00 a.m.

**EDSON UNITED CHURCH** 

Sunday Worship & Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Rev. Kimberly Roy 1214 Edson Drive, Edson, AB Phone: 723-3418

**FAMILY OF FAITH CHURCH** 

463 72 St., Edson (formerly Glenwood Hall), Telephone: 780-517-7558 Sunday: 10:00 am - Coffee and Donuts; 10:30 am - Morning Service Pastors: Pastors John and Ingrid Huizing vfm@shaw.ca

HOLY TRINITY (An Anglican/Lutheran Faith Community)
Rev. Johnny Pooten 780-723-4366
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Sundays at Grace Building 407-7th Ave.; 5th Sunday - call for location. Please phone for other information.

THE NEW JOSHUA GENERATION FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL

4911 B 3rd Avenue, Edson, AB Sunday Worship at 2:30 p.m.; Fellowship after service. Rev. Noemi Sogocio, Senior Pastor, 780-600-0050; noemi sogocio2006@yahoo.ca

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

4803 - 6th Avenue, Edson Telephone: 723-3661. Pastor Father Thomas Basani (SAC) Mass: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Call office for weekday Mass times.

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Pastor George Stone - Ph: 795-2132 Church in Peers, Alberta

Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. Non-denominational - Everybody Welcome!

**COMMUNITY COWBOY CHURCH** Niton Junction Hall Tuesdays, 7 p.m. 780-712-3502

**GREEN GROVE UNITED CHURCH** 

Niton Junction - Ph: 795-2568 Sunday Services

EVANSBURG/ENTWISTLE/WILDWOOD ENTWISTLE COMMUNITY CHURCH Pastor - Micah Brookhart Office: 780-727-2829

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

WILDWOOD CHAPEL

4820 54 Avenue, Wildwood Alberta, Phone 780-325-3999 Pastors: Bjorn & Karin Bidell Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.; Mid-Week Prayer: Thursday 7:30

What's happening, when and where in the community - for monthly meetings see our classified page

Family Fun Kits Register to borrow a kit from FCSS Yellowhead County 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935

**NEW Outdoor** activity challenge Pump Track Sticker Book: Pick up your free sticker book at County offices in Edson and Wildwood. Contact by phone 780-723-4800 or email jmateri@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca May 25: Town of Edson Spring clean up starts for more info contact public works

780-723-6461

April 8- May 27: Chair Yoga @ Home 6:00-7:00PM Register at EDSON.CA or in person @ REPSOL PLACE by calling for an apt 780-723- 7665

April 26-May 23: Step it up Edson Register in person only at Repsol place Monday-Friday 8:30am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-3:00pm for questions email krystas@edson.ca Until May 31: Woodland animal rock scavenger hunt. For more info email krystas@edson.ca

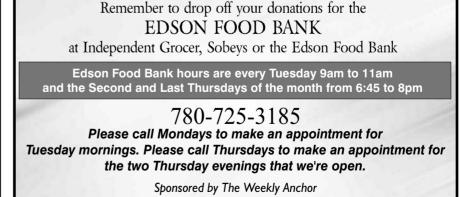
June 17: Future Planning virtual presentation 11:00AM register at 780-723-8616 or email aliciab@edson.ca

June 19: Eddie's Big Run. Location Repsol Place More details coming this month.

First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 2 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge. See the Senior's Day Facebook Event for more details.









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Pine Grove Hall Association is now taking bookings for the hall. Capacity is 180 people. Full kitchen with annual health inspection. Camping available. Horseshoe pits, grassy baseball field with backstop and a covered outdoor pavilion. Call 780-723-2818 and leave msg.

Edson Masonic Lodge #68. Plan your next event at the historic Masonic Hall. Seats up to 80, perfect for weddings, showers, birthday parties, and meetings. Wheelchair accessible, kitchen facility, centrally located. 4725 9th Ave. They hold a meeting the 1st Thursday of each

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taking bookings for Call the office at 780-723meetings, weddings, gatherings and reunions. Upstairs holds 145, downstairs hold 104. Catering available by the Elks. Camping available. Edson Lions is a non-profit society. Phone 780-723-3169.

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> Park Court Hall call or text Karyn at 780-712-3918.

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impacts of COVID-19. During Mental Health Week, May 3 to 9, Alberta Health Services is reminding Albertans they can take for their

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a big impact on your mental health and ability to bounce back from adversity. Building a healthy routine, limiting media use, and learning to manage your worries as well as mindfulness and other coping skills all can have a positive impact.

Create a healthy routine that can include physical activities like a walk around the neighbourhood, a regular sleep schedule, and self-care strategies such as mindfulness or meditation.

Aiming to include ways to connect with others in a safe way, physical, self-care and productive activities will help you take-charge of your mental wellbeing. Plan out a weekly schedule and identify mini-goals for yourself focusing on your healthy routine. At the end, reflect on what works best for you and commit to making them part of your regular routine.

As part of your routine you can include taking wellness courses such as a free virtual stress management workshop or sign up for Togetherall, an online resource that has selfassessment and courses available to all Albertans age 16 and above.

Resources and supports, such as Text4Hope and Togetherall, are available to help you or someone you know. Just S i t www.albertahealthservi ces.ca/helpintoughtimes . Remember, if you are struggling. you are not alone. There are supports in place to help you.

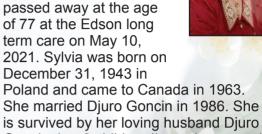
Talk about your concerns with your family doctor, your partner or someone else you trust. Or call the Mental Health Helpline toll-free 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 1-887-303-2642.

# **Obituaries**

### ~ Obituary ~

#### Sylvia Maria Goncin December 31, 1943 - May 9, 2021

Sylvia Maria Goncin



is survived by her loving husband Djuro Goncin, her 3 children Ilona, James and Bridget, 7 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. A memorial was held on May 15, 2021 at the Edson cemetery to celebrate the life of Sylvia.

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### ~ Obituary ~ **Lori Rovang**

December 1, 1963 - May 10, 2021

Lorraine (Lori) Theresa Rovang peacefully passed away with her loving family at her side on Monday May 10th, 2021 at the age of 57.

Lori was born in Stony Plain on December 1st, 1963 to lucky parents Jake and Martha Boos. She had three sisters, Suzanne, Kathy and Corrine, and eventually gained two step-parents, Lorraine Boos and Dan Jenkins. Lori graduated as valedictorian from Springbank Community High School in Calgary and earned an accounting

diploma from NAIT. With diploma in hand, she married her high school sweetheart Mark Rovang on June 11th, 1983 in Edson.

Mark and Lori built an acreage in Miller's Lake and their roots in the Edson area grew deeper with the birth of each of their children: Amanda, Sarah, and Tyler. Living in Miller's Lake allowed many outdoor adventures to begin from their front step and Lori loved to spend time outdoors with her family. These adventures ranged from afternoon quad rides, countless camping trips, and numerous ski trips to Jasper, to a cross-Canada motorhome trip, long road trips on the Goldwing, and international travel. The trip she treasured most, however, was the simple pleasure of spending two weeks each summer camping with her extended family and friends at Mabel Lake, BC.

Lori passed on her appreciation of nature, wildlife, and family adventures to her kids and grandkids. Her biggest pride and joy were her grandchildren Max, Ben, Jay, Mckinley, Forrest, and Merreck. She was their Meema and their absolute favourite person in the world. Her endless energy to play and teach will be missed more than words can say but has left her grandchildren with many cherished memories.

In addition to her roles as Mom and Meema, Lori enjoyed a very successful career as an accountant and loved every minute of her job. She had a passion for hard work and professionalism, was respected by her colleagues and clients, and took great pride in delivering quality work. Lori ilso had a passion for volunteering and supported many organizations such as the Stollery's Children Hospital, Edson Cycling Association, Edson Animal Rescue Society, Edson Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, Medicine Lodge Rodeo, Marlboro Volunteer Fire Department, Evergreen Parent-Teacher Association, and others.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Edson Cycling Association or the Edson Animal Rescue Society (EARS).

The Rovang family would like to express special gratitude to Dr. Sarah Smith and home care nurses Katherine and Charlene for their heartfelt care and excellent service.

At last, thank you Lori for being the greatest Wife, Mom, and Meema that anyone could ever ask for. We know you are resting in peace and taking great care of Dan, Jerry, Lance, Tom, and Forrest. We will carry you in our hearts forever, will live each day by the values you have given us, and will work hard in your honour to make the world a bit better than the day before.

Love you for eternity, Mark, Amanda & Mike, Sarah & Jesse, Tyler & Kaitlyn

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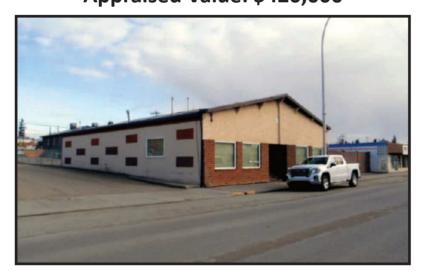
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