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Local artists featured at Pottery Sale

by Niki Luymes

On the first weekend of May the Edson Craft Centre hosted their first Pottery Sale of 2025.

Every year the group hosts two of these events, one in the spring, and another in the fall. The sale is hosted at the Edson Public Library during library hours.

Every member of the Edson Craft Centre is welcome to participate in the sale. Approximately 20 members created the pieces available during the sale. "If a parent is a member then their children are allowed to be a junior

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The Edson Craft Centre held the annual spring Pottery and Gift Sale on May 3 and 4th. The sale was held at the Edson Public Library. photo Niki Luymes



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Town of Edson Fire Ban

Edson, Alberta, May 8, 2025 – The Town of Edson is instituting a full fire ban, effective May 8, 2025, at 9:00AM. The fire hazard rating for the Town of Edson is currently VERY HIGH.

“This ban is based on the current and predicted weather conditions, and to align with the current bans in the forest area surrounding the community. While we're currently seeing some rain in the area, conditions still need to improve dramatically across the region.” -Edson Fire Chief Brad Milton

Any Existing Fire Pit Permits AND Open-Air Burn Permits for the Town of Edson are now suspended until further notice. No new permits will be issued.

This FIRE BAN includes all open burning such as outdoor wood fires, wood campfires on public lands, wood campfires on private land and provincial campgrounds, and backyard fire pits. It also includes fireworks, exploding targets, and charcoal briquettes.

Propane or natural gas-powered alliances ARE allowed, along with open flame oils devices such as turkey deep fryers and tiki torches. Indoor wood fires contained within a device with a chimney and spark arrestor are also OK at this time. All appliances must be CSA approved and used per manufacturer's standards.

The situation will be reviewed as conditions change. Please report any wildfire or fire to 9-1-1 or call 310-FIRE.

For additional information call (780) 723-3178.

Local artists featured at Pottery Sale



People were browsing the art on sale at the Edson Craft Centre's spring Pottery and Gift Sale held at the Edson Public Library on May 3 and 4th. photo Niki Luymes

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member. So, we also had some art by junior members in the sale as well," said Annette McGill, Education Coordinator with the Edson Craft Centre.

The items were arranged according to colour and use. These included classic pottery such as mugs, bowls, and plates. It also included some niche items like figurines, platters, and knickknacks. A lot of effort and creative work goes into each of the sales. "It's not like you can make pottery overnight. You have to make the piece, then it has to dry, then you have to get enough done to do a bisque firing—which is the first

firing. Then you have to do the glazing and decorating, and then they go back into the kiln for the glaze firing. It takes quite a few months of preparation before we're ready for a sale," said McGill.


The Edson Craft Centre has been an official society in Edson since 1953. The two annual sales have become a staple in the community. This month's sale also proved to be very popular. "It went really well," said McGill, "It was well attended and everyone seemed really excited to be there."


The group will also have a booth selling items at the Edson Summer Festival. They also do pottery classes for all ages.

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First Responders Edson & Area Database launched

by Deanna Mitchener

An informal banquet was held at the Galloway Station Museum and Travel Centre, on April 30, geared towards families raising children and youth with diverse needs.

During the event, the launch of a new program called First Responders Edson & Area Database (FREAD), was announced.

This project has been in the making for almost two years through the generous support of the Canadian Red Cross and the vision of Edson LEAP Centre.

Information was shared with families on how they can provide important data regarding family members in their household that would assist emergency responders if a medical emergency were to happen at their home.

On a personal note: as a mother and caregiver who used to support a young lady that's non-verbal and has complex needs, it is very exciting to see such a program being launched in our community.

This kind of information can save time and truly help first responders know ahead of time what could help when it comes to assisting a specific individual who may need some extra support during an emergency situation.

Fire Chief Brad Milton presented information on emergency preparedness to give families additional information and useful tips. Families then had time to create emergency preparedness lists customized for their family.

When you are raising a child with a disability there are so many additional stresses that parents and guardians face. Anything that helps ease an emergency situation would be extremely beneficial.

If you'd like more information on this please email fread2025@gmail.com

Anna Vander Haeghe, Pediatric Occupational Therapist with the Edson LEAP Centre, said, "We had over 60 people registered. The Edson Fire Department, LEAP, RCMP Edson detachment, and Peace Officers all took part in this launch." Associated Ambulance has taken part in the fall with a 'meet the fleet' open house.

"With so many parts to this project including LEAP providing staff training on sensory processing, autism, and non-speaking for the Edson Fire Department; all department's vehicles are now equipped with a sensory box and a visual communication board," said Vander Haeghe.

Facial recognition software has been developed to help identify people who may be

unable to answer questions or communicate verbally. Families have a choice if they'd like to have their loved one added into the facial recognition program.

The Edson Fire Department recently responded to a single vehicle accident and used the visual communication board to help communicate with a deaf individual to determine if they were in any pain. That individual also used the sensory items to help regulate and calm themselves during that stressful incident," Vander Haeghe said.

"We are also reaching out to organizations in Edson that work with the disability population of all ages to offer a lunch meet and greet on May 26th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.," said Vander Haeghe.

The idea is to bring all the organizations together so that people can connect. This will help the community become aware of services that organizations offer in Edson and area. If you want to be a part of this please reach out directly to Fread2025@gmail.com or contact Annabhconsulting@yahoo.ca as lunch will be provided.

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DEADLINE: MAY 30



Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing is underway, starting in Glenwood and moving east.

If residents in area experience unclear water, please run cold water until the water clears.

If the water doesn't clear, please call the Utilities Department at (780) 723-6461, Mon-Fri 7:30 am-4:00 pm.

After hours please call (780)723-6300 and ask to speak to a utility operator.



Spring Clean Up



GFL crews will begin picking up your unwanted items along with your regular waste collection on May 23rd and 30th. Pickup will be from the same spot as the current cart collection locations.

Please make sure your items are out by the Thursday evening to ensure you aren't missed.

Acceptable items (must be less than 200 lbs.):

- Renovation material
- Fence boards
- Plastic tubs, barrels with no lids on
- Bicycles
- Old toys
- Furniture



- Box springs (no mattresses)
- Metal bed frames
- Concrete (1'x1'x1' chunks max)
- Lawn mowers/snowblowers (all fluids removed)
- Barbecues (no propane bottles)

- Nothing in containers or bags
- Nothing over 200 lbs.
- No hazardous materials
- Mattresses
- Washers/dryers



- Tires & vehicle parts
- Fridges / freezers, air conditioners
- Propane bottles / fuel tanks & containers
- Hot water tanks, stoves, dishwashers
- Paint & spray paint

Crews WILL NOT PICK UP grass clippings, branches, or cardboard.

Please note, this is for properties on Edson waste collection only. Private properties, such as mobile home parks, are not included in this program, however, the Edson Landfill will be accepting items on May 30-31, free of charge.

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Recent Development Permits approved by the Development Authority, under the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw 2296 as amended, can be found at <https://www.edson.ca/business/planning/development-permit-applications>. Additional information can be requested from the Planning Department at 780-723-4402 or planning@edson.ca. Any person who is deemed 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**. On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2296. 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 Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (ISDAB) at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. **Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.**



Comment

Carney must act fast to keep Canada from coming apart

It also helps that Carney did not grow up in Quebec, the entitled child of a rich intellectual. Born in the Northwest Territories and raised in Alberta, Carney at least is starting from first base. And, so far at least, he has shown humility, humour and sensitivity to regional

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Edson RCMP Occurrences

Traffic Violations 13; Assistance Calls 11 ; Traffic Collisions 9; topped the list of Edson RCMP occurrences. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 0; Alarms/False Alarms 2; Animal Calls 2; Assault 3; Cause Disturbance 4; Child Welfare 0; Drive While Unauthorized 1; Drugs 4; Extortion 0; Fail to Comply with Conditions 2; Fail to Stop or Remain at Collision 1; False/Abandoned 911 Call 3; Family Orders and Agreements 1; Family relations 1; Fire Prevention Act 1; Fraud 2; Harassment/Criminal Harassment 5; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 1; Information File 1; Liquor act 1; Lost or Found property 6; Mental Health Act 7; Mischief or Damage 6; Missing Person/Request to Locate 1; Municipal Bylaws 0; Noise Complaints 2; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 0; Possess Stolen Property 0; Recovered Stolen Property 0; Sudden Death 0; Suspicious Persons or Vehicles 17; Theft Complaints 6; Traffic Complaints 7; Transportation of Dangerous Goods 0; Trespassing 4 ; Uninsured or unregistered Vehicle 2; Unlawfully in Dwelling 0; Unsafe Storage Weapon 0; Uttering Threats Against Property 0; Uttering Threats Against Person 1; Unwanted Person 2; and Wellbeing Checks 5.

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Community Care Foundation: A lifeline for rural health

by Deanna Mitchener

For over four decades, the Community Care Foundation of Edson and District has quietly but significantly shaped healthcare in the region.

Committed to enhancing and supporting rural medical services, the foundation plays a vital role in ensuring the wellbeing of area residents, especially those who rely on continued care close to home.

The foundation's volunteer board meets monthly at the Edson Hospital on the last Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. These meetings are open to all, and community members are warmly encouraged to attend. Whether you're curious about how to get involved or looking to contribute to local health initiatives, the foundation welcomes fresh faces and new ideas.

Marsha Jensen with the Community Care Foundation, said, "Over the past five years, the foundation has funded numerous impactful projects that have directly improved the quality of care in our area."

"These projects include essential equipment such as air beds for palliative patients, a neonatal incubator, and enhanced tools for ophthalmology. Among its proudest achievements is the development of Edson's Ophthalmology and Cataract Program. This initiative allows patients to receive both pre and post operative cataract care without the need to travel to larger urban centres, transforming the lives of many seniors and those with limited mobility."

"Beyond infrastructure and equipment, the

foundation also supports the emotional wellbeing of healthcare staff through appreciation events and investments in healing spaces such as raised gardens and wellness areas. As healthcare needs evolve, the Community Care Foundation continues to stand as a pillar of support, compassion, and forward-thinking in Edson and surrounding communities," said Jensen.

Some of their projects include a calming mountain-themed mural painted around the glass railing and wall in the Continuing Care area to enhance the healing environment.

Other projects include: an Arjo sit and stand chair; An Advanced Labour and Risk Management (Alarm) Course; Evacuation Go Bags - emergency bags prepared for each Continuing Care resident; surgical carts and advanced diagnostic tools for the ophthalmology program; Wireless Uroflow Meter-Uro/Gyne for the surgical program; dual exercise bike for rehab and physical therapy; and more.

"Some projects that are still in progress, include a neonatal incubator that has been ordered. It provides stable temperature, humidity, and oxygen support for premature or critically ill newborns. And the raised garden area to be installed in May. It's a therapeutic space with medicinal and edible plants for use with Recovery Alberta programs," said Jensen.

"The Wellness Common Area with an unveiling in June. It will be located near renal dialysis. This calming, inclusive space will feature local Indigenous artwork and artifacts,

promoting rest and reflection," Jensen said.

To learn more or to get involved, consider attending a meeting. You may just find a meaningful way to make a lasting impact in your community.

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6:30 pm

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The Junior Kindergarten class at the Yellowhead Koinonia Christian School (YKCS) had some special furry visitors recently. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener



Carol Blum and Carol McClintock dishing up dessert during the Parkland Lodge Auxiliary Tea and Bake Sale on April 26. photo Deanna Mitchener

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Image: Yellowhead County office building.

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Image: Yellow hydrant with water spraying.

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- Avoid operating in dry, hot, and windy conditions

Yellowhead County YCFD

Image: Person on an ATV in a field.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

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- To register or check your registration status, visit the Voterlink website.
- Yellowhead County receives its list of eligible voters from Voterlink, so please confirm your information is correct to ensure you're ready to vote.
- Deadline for registering to vote is September 15, 2025.
- *If you do not register before the deadline, you will still be able to vote. You can register at the voting station on Election Day.

Pre-registering will just make the voting process faster on Election Day.

To register or check registration: www.voterlink.ab.ca
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Image: Hand holding a smartphone showing voterlink app.

WEED INSPECTORS ARE IN YOUR AREA THIS SUMMER

County Weed Inspectors will be out in full force, documenting various invasive plants on both County and private lands.

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Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date	Appeal Deadline
D25-042	NW-36-52-8-W5 North of Evansburg	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Deck & Accessory Building (Shop)	Apr 23/25	Permitted Use
D25-047	SE-5-53-19-W5 Millers Lake Area	Three Accessory Buildings (Garage, Carport and Hay Shed)	Apr 25/25	Permitted Use
D25-048	SW-15-54-14-W5 Peers Area	Existing Accessory Building Pole Shed	Apr 28/25	Permitted Use
D25-049	SW-16-53-8-W5 Evansburg Area	Addition (Living Space) to Existing Manufactured Home & Existing Addition to Manufactured Home (Covered Veranda)	Apr 30/25	Permitted Use
D25-033	NE-13-54-16-W5 Wolf Creek Area	Expansion of Existing Class I Sand & Gravel Pit	May 2/25	May 23/25
D25-050	Plan 0740055 Blk 1 Lot 4 SE-16-54-17-W5 North of Edson	Single Detached Dwelling	May 5/25	Permitted Use
D25-052	Plan 0122782 Blk 1 Lot 1 SE-15-53-17-W5 Edson Golf Course Road	Two (2) Single Detached Dwellings with Covered Entries & Accessory Building(Garage)	May 5/25	Permitted Use
D25-054	Plan 0121616 Blk 1 Lot 3 S-25-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Manufactured Home	May 6/25	Permitted Use
D25-055	Plan 8121340 Blk 3 Lot 13 NW-2-51-26-W5 Mountain View	Addition to Existing Single Detached Dwelling (Covered Deck)	May 6/25	Permitted Use

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at www.yhcounty.ca. The public is considered officially notified of approved development permits once posted online, in accordance with the Public Notification Bylaw. The Yellowhead County Land Use Bylaw No. 02.24 provides that any person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Authority may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board or Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal dependent on jurisdiction of the appeal authority. Appeals under the jurisdiction of Yellowhead County's Subdivision and Development Appeal Board require a written notice of appeal and a payment of \$500.00 payable to Yellowhead County within 21 day of the publishing of the Notice of Decision. Requirements for appealing the development to the Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal can be found here: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-appeals.aspx> or by calling 780-427-2444.



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Recycling Hauling Transfer Services

Yellowhead County is accepting proposals from qualified proponents to provide the necessary labour, vehicles, equipment and materials for the service work operation of recycling hauling from specified locations in Yellowhead County. Submissions shall be submitted based on the Request for Proposal documents.

Electronic submissions titled: **RFP 2025-884: Recycling Hauling Transfer Services**

Will be received until: **2:00 P.M, May 29, 2025**
Submitted via email to: **kmyles@yhcounty.ca**

This is a "Request for Proposal". Potential consultants are therefore advised that Yellowhead County reserves the right to:

1. Accept a Proposal without negotiation.
2. Reject a Proposal without negotiation.
3. Reject a Proposal from a bidder that has had a previous contract terminated by the County.
4. Negotiate changes in the financial or operational content of the successful Proposal.

Consultants are also advised that their hourly rates, company name and final rating will be made public when presented to Council.

Electronic (.PDF) copies of the Request for Proposal documents are available for free download from the Alberta Purchasing Connection website at the following link: www.purchasingconnection.ca.

For further information, please contact **Kevin Myles, Solid Waste Manager** for Yellowhead County at kmyles@yhcounty.ca



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Transfer Station Operation Service Work

Yellowhead County is accepting proposals from qualified proponents to provide the necessary labour, vehicles, equipment and materials for the service work operation and supervision of 15 waste transfer stations, including 3 septage waste lagoons within Yellowhead County. Submissions shall be submitted based on the Request for Proposal documents.

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Yellowhead County

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Call 1-800-665-6030 for details.
To apply for Calcium Chloride Spring Dust Control, submit payment and application before May 15.

This fee represents approximately 33% of the total cost for the dust control application. Full application costs will apply for any requests over 200 metres.
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V-E Day remembered at Edson Legion

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 51 held a memorial ceremony in recognition of V-E Day (Victory in Europe Day) on May 8th, at 11:00 a.m.

On May 8, 1945 people around the world celebrated Germany's surrender to the war. The End of World War II.

Wayne Joy, a Veteran of the Canadian Armed Forces 1 P.P.C.L.I and part of the 1st. Canadian Brigade Group, said, “We have memorabilia inside the Edson Legion in remembrance of V-E Day. Crystal Chaluk did a lot of research on the history of V-E Day that we feel is important for the community to know and remember. It's important for our younger generations to know about the history.”

Crystal Chaluk sourced some of the history: “When the news was given —people danced, kissed strangers, waved flags, and threw streamers. They crowded outside newspaper offices to hear the latest news, flocked to city hall, and they all celebrated in their own way the end of the war”.

“V-E Day, the end of the conflict with Hitler's Germany, came first. Germany surrendered on May 7, 1945. In Toronto, and all cities in Allied countries, people streamed out of workplaces and schools to celebrate. May 8, 1945 was declared the official day of celebration, with the City of Toronto organizing concerts, parades, religious services, and fireworks in the parks.”

“Three months later came V-J (Victory over Japan) Day, the end of the Pacific conflict with Japan. The news came in the evening of August 14, 1945. Across the city, but particularly in Chinatown, the revelry began again —this time celebrating the final end of six long years of war. Years later, we remember the war and commemorate its end with exhibits featuring images and other materials,” stated Chaluk.

“The announcement that the war had ended in Europe was broadcast to the British people over the radio late in the day on May 7. The BBC interrupted its scheduled programming with a news flash announcing that Victory in Europe would be a national holiday. Newspapers ran the headlines as soon as they could, and special editions

were printed to carry the long-awaited announcement. The news that the war was over in Europe spread like wildfire across the world.”

“In the United States of America, the victory was tempered with the recent death of President Roosevelt, who had led his country through the war years. His successor, Harry S. Truman, dedicated the day to Roosevelt and ordered that flags be kept at half-mast, as part of the 30-day mourning period. Despite this, there were still scenes of great rejoicing in America. In New York, 15,000 police were mobilized to control the huge crowds that had massed in Times Square.”

“Amidst the street parties and rejoicing, many people mourned the death of a friend or relative, or worried about those who were still serving overseas. For many of the widows the war had produced, the noise and jubilation as people celebrated VE Day was too much to bear and not something they could take part in.”

“There was also an air of anti-climax. The hardships of the war years had taken their toll on many people and left them with little energy for rejoicing. In Britain, the strain of air raids, the strictures of wartime life and the impact of rationing all left their mark on a weary population who knew there were more difficulties yet to endure.”

“It was not the end of the war for members of the Allied forces who were still serving overseas on VE Day, and the occasion was bittersweet. Although it meant victory in one theatre, the war was not yet over in the Far East and Pacific. The battle conditions there had been some of the toughest of the war. In May 1945, thousands of Allied servicemen were still fighting in the East and thousands more were held as prisoners of war in terrible conditions. The final months of the war in the Pacific saw heavy casualties on both sides, but ultimately ended in victory for the Allies.”


“For people in Britain, the end of the fighting didn't mean an end to the impact of the war on their lives.” Although many things slowly began to return to normal, it took time to rebuild the country and shortages were still felt for many years.



Wayne Joy beside some memorabilia at the Edson Legion in remembrance of V-E Day. Wayne is a Veteran of the Canadian Armed Forces. photo Deanna Mitchener



Carla Smith and Cherise Fron with their grades 4 and 5 students from Mary Bergeron School, called the Kitchen Crew, who attend the first and third Thursdays of each month to help out at the United Church Community Kitchen. photo Deanna Mitchener



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2025 HERBICIDE APPLICATION PROJECT

Please be advised that ANC Timber Ltd. is looking for input on their upcoming herbicide application program for 2025. ANC Timber Ltd. will be conducting both aerial and ground herbicide application programs between August 6th and September 20th, 2025. The application will treat approximately 1200 hectares of existing cutover area. The applications will be in portions of:

Township	Ranges	Meridian
48	14	W5M
58	18, 19, 20, 21, 25	W5M
59	17, 21, 23, 24	W5M
60	23, 24	W5M
61	22, 24	W5M
62	23, 24	W5M
63	23, 24	W5M

Both the aerial and ground herbicide applications will be done using VisionMax® silviculture herbicide. The purpose of the applications is to control grass and shrub species that are limiting the survival chances of our planted seedlings on recent harvested areas. Access to all areas will be posted with signs upon completion and all applications will be done in accordance with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry regulations and the Environmental Code of Practice for Pesticides. For more information, please contact an ANC Timber Ltd. representative at (780) 778-7967 or visit ANC's website at <https://www.albertanewsprint.com/woodlands/>.

Town deems 14 Ave sanitary sewer line upgrade unnecessary

by Niki Luymes

The Edson Town Council was given the opportunity to make adjustments to the scope of the 2025 B1 Sanitary Rehabilitation Project. The project was created to resolve flooding within one of Edson's north neighbourhoods.

According to research done by the project management group, McElhanney, 14th Ave does not require a full upgrade. Therefore, during their May 6th meeting Council discussed whether or not to upgrade the 14th Ave line.

The Sanitary Rehabilitation Project was approved by Council in 2024. The project began with work on 18th Ave line and was completed that same year. The 2025 B1 project will continue this work by following the sanitary main alignment along 52 Street, 54 Street, 13 Avenue, 54 Street, and 14 Avenue. These pipes will all be upgraded from 200mm, to 375mm in diameter. McElhanney consulting, was contracted to complete the design, tender, and construction management for the project.

While preparing for this project, all sanitary lines were investigated using CCTV footage. Upon reviewing this footage, Administration discovered that the sewer pipe along 14th Ave is in sound structural condition. McElhanney's findings indicate that the flooding can be most likely attributed to downstream blockages or constrictions. Therefore, upsizing or replacing the 14th Ave line would not resolve the problem. That, coupled with the fact that line is still proper capacity for the number of houses it serves, is what prompted administration to consider removing 14 Ave line from the B1 Sanitary project.

"As Administration, we do acknowledge the concerns that council and residents have regarding the recommendation to omit this from the project considering all the flooding issues in that area. But we do feel, that with our operational information and data, confident that the line is sound," said Donna Cross, Infrastructure Manager. "It is also a significant cost savings. And I know it's not all about cost saving, but there is a lot of infrastructure that does need to be replaced and other areas of the town that money could go towards. It's approximately between \$900k and \$1M in savings if we omit that line."

"So if we are upsizing the 13th Ave line, what is that feeding into?" asked Councillor Gean Chouinard, "If we upsize that do we have a guarantee that far end is going to be able to take this upsizing?"

Jeff Amundson, with McElhanney, explained that

the project was organized to avoid that issue. The work completed last year is downstream from this year's project. "If we had started from the top, we would have just been moving the bottle neck, but we've essentially opened it up so that we won't see a bottleneck in the downstream."

"So by not doing 14th, and then doing all the other stuff around it, can you guarantee that 14th will never flood again?" asked Councillor Ed Moore.

"There can always be a reason that it might flood, but it would never be a result of that line not being upsized," answered Amundson, "You can never say never, but this project should eliminate all risk of flooding. I personally have no concerns that excluding this from the project is going to be a problem."

Councillor Krystal Cacka asked clarification as to why 14th Ave had been considered for the project in the first place. "By my understanding it was done, kind of arbitrarily, because the houses were flooding on that line and not because of how the piping system is designed."

"Because of the flooding, yes," answered Amundson. "It wasn't a function of the hydraulic calculations, it was a function of just so many people reporting flooding."

After the presentation and discussion, council put the decision to a vote. The official motion was that Council authorize the removal of 14 Avenue sanitary sewer line upgrade from the B1 Sanitary Rehabilitation Project scope of work. That motion was carried. Council directed that the Sewer Backflow Prevention/Sump Pump Installation

Program be brought back for further review at a future meeting.

Highlights:

Mill Rate Bylaw and 2025 Operating Budget Approved. Council approved the revised 2025 Operating Budget. A municipal taxation levy of \$14,613,688 was approved. Mill Rate Bylaw No. 2325 received all three readings and was passed. For more information and details on the rates, visit www.edson.ca/taxes.

Sidewalk, Curb, and Gutter Policy Adopted. Council approved Policy O-T-19-C, establishing clear guidelines for the maintenance of sidewalks, curbs, and gutters to enhance pedestrian safety and infrastructure longevity.

Community Grants Policy Endorsed. Council adopted the Community Grants Policy (C-S-11-C), providing a refreshed framework for local groups and organizations to apply for municipal funding to support events, programming, and initiatives that benefit Edson residents.

Alberta Rural Health Week Proclaimed. Council proclaimed May 26–30, 2025, as Alberta Rural Health Week in the Town of Edson, recognizing the contributions of rural healthcare professionals and promoting community wellness.

Joint Use Agreements Authorized. Council authorized the endorsement of Joint Use and Planning Agreements with both the Living Waters Catholic Separate School Division and the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division, supporting long-term collaboration on shared facility use and land planning.

Farmers Market relocated to Edson Friendship Centre

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Farmers' Market has moved locations. It used to be held at the Royal Canadian Legion, but as of their first market of the season they are now located at the Edson Friendship Centre, 5023 - 3rd Ave. Hours of operation are from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Farmers Market Manager Tara Williams says, "We will be having markets every Friday from

now until December 19th, with a couple of added special markets in November and December on a weekend for Christmas. For any inquiries about the market, they can email Edsonfarmersmarket@yahoo.com"

Farmers' Markets offer something unique and special for everyone. Be sure to pop by and check them out on Fridays, they have a concession available and it's a great place to meet up with others and have a visit.

Edson and District Chamber Trade Show hosts 80 booths

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show took place on April 25 and 26 at the Edson Leisure Centre. With construction that started at the Leisure Centre in early April, it did have some impact on the use of the facility.

This year they could only use the Centennial arena due to the construction.

When Chamber Manager Kathy Arndt was asked why trade shows are an important part of the community, she said, "Trade shows are important for businesses. They can come together in a concentrated environment and network with others while connecting with many customers all under one roof. They can showcase their wares while generating sales."

"For consumers like you and I, attending a trade show gives us a chance to see the new industry trends, discover businesses we never knew

of, and catch up with other people at the show," added Arndt.

"Edson and area has a vast array of unique businesses. This also gives the home-based businesses a chance to show and sell their treasures. And of course, everyone can have a bite to eat while out enjoying the event," said Arndt.

"We had 80 booths including food trucks and tent set up outside the facility. Everything went well. The only complaints were the lack of parking due to construction. However, we can put up with that as we will soon have a new pool and rink in Edson, so that is very exciting," Arndt said.

Comments gathered during the event included: "I had no idea what some of these businesses offer" — "I actually start my Christmas shopping here".

A lot of work goes into the planning these events so the community can come out to enjoy them. "We start organizing the next



Travis James with Element Zone 13, chatting with people visiting his booth during the Edson Chamber Trade Show that was held on April 25 and 26. photo Deanna Mitchener

year's trade show right after the event finishes. Suggestions from the vendors and visitors help us make the next year better," added Arndt.

With the Chamber's move out of

the Galloway Museum and Travel Centre, they now have a new mailing address: Box 6066, Edson, Alberta T7E-1T6. Phone 780-723-4918; edsonchamber@gmail.com

Edson Town Council approves 2025 Operating Budget

(Release) Town Council has approved the 2025 Operating Budget. A \$42.6 million operating budget was approved that has a heavy focus on quality services for the community, infrastructure improvements, and maintaining affordability for our residents.

Every pillar of Council's Strategic Plan is considered as the budget is formed: Creating a Connected Community that is Safe and Inclusive; Fostering a Robust and Adaptable Economy; Responding to a Changing Global Environment; Ensuring Quality Infrastructure; and Providing Effective Leadership and Community Engagement.

"Council is pleased to support this final Operating Budget. It was important to Council to continue to work towards reducing the financial impact on our residents, while continuing to push forward with infrastructure improvements to help reduce the potential for flooding,



Lillian Gylander (10) and Romy Walton (9) learning some basic CPR from Allisa Wright during the Annual Touch-A-Truck event. photo Deanna Mitchener

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Mayors Golf Tournament

by Deanna Mitchener

The weather is warmer and it's that time of year where golfers like to hit the course. So be sure to mark those calendars for the 4th Annual Mayors Golf Tournament on August 22.

It's a ways away still, but you might like to get registered early to save your spot. The event is popular and fills up fast, with space for only 120 golfers. It will be happening at the Edson Golf Club on August 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Edson Town Mayor Kevin Zahara stated, "In the last three years we have raised over \$65,000 for local charities. This year the beneficiary will be the Edson Food Bank Society. There are a few different surprises this year including a hole-in-one prize, drink holes, and some other surprises. You get 18 holes of golf, cart, breakfast, a steak dinner, plenty of prizes to win, and nothing but fun. We will also have the Mayor's Patio set-up with the Edson Food Bank and a barbeque will be going for lunchtime."

When asked why do you feel this event is important for our community? Mayor Zahara responded, "We started the event four years ago as a way to bring the community together and to raise funds for local causes. The Town does business with a variety of businesses, including some that are from out of town. Many of those specialized vendors and associations sponsor and participate in the event as a way to give back to the community and show support for Edson."

"People can register through the Town of Edson website (www.edson.ca/mayorsgolf).

Anyone that wants to make a prize donation can do so by dropping it off at the Edson Civic Centre. We encourage people to help by volunteering and supporting the Edson Food Bank. I would like to thank our many returning sponsors and participants. Some of which have been involved since the beginning. The money raised makes a big difference to the organizations we support," Zahara said.

improve our roadways, and continue with quality services and programming for our community. We understand the immense financial pressure Canadians are dealing with and continue to look for ways to reduce the impact of our budget, while continuing to grow our community." -Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara

This budget was especially challenging as both the Education and Evergreens Foundation requisitions, which the Town has no control over, have increased. Following the release of the 2025 Provincial Budget, the Province has increased the education property tax requisition by 9%. A further increase of 14% is forecasted for 2026. The education taxes are collected on behalf of the Province and are not retained by the Town of Edson.

Council approved a 4% tax levy increase on November 13, 2024.

However, based on the current property assessments and increased amounts required by the other requisitions, administration has made adjustments to help reduce that amount and offset the overall impact to taxpayers.

Due to accounting changes, year-over-year comparisons are not directly aligned. However, when these accounting adjustments are excluded, the municipal portion of the tax levy reflects an actual increase of \$146,794, or approximately 1%, from 2024 to 2025.

For an average residential property assessed at \$350,000 (with no change in individual assessment), this equates to an estimated increase of \$7.87 per month.

2025 Budget information - www.edson.ca/budget.
Taxation / Mill Rate information- www.edson.ca/taxes.

Please Join us in a
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Cathy A Tracey

The interment of Cathy's ashes will be held at the Edson Cemetery in the Veteran's area on the 22nd of May, 2025 at 12:30 p.m., located in the north west corner of the cemetery.

This will be casual dress for family and friends, and all are welcome to attend.

There will be a small luncheon following the interment for family and friends, held at the Edson Legion on the hall-side at 1:30 p.m. on the 22nd of May, 2025.



Ron Ronneseth President of the Edson Royal Canadian Legion Branch #51 presented a cheque for \$1,000 to Holy Redeemer High School 2025 Grad Class, recently. To accept the cheque was Russell Hetherington and daughter Emily. On behalf of the grads, Emily said, "We are very thankful to the Legion for this generous donation, it will sure help us this year." photo Deanna Mitchener


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by Gary Clark



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Holy Redeemer Cleans House at Zone Drama Festival



The Holy Redeemer Drama Department's two senior high one-act plays won Best Production at the Zone Drama Festival. Here, the cast and crew of both plays celebrate with their eight awards they won at Festival.

(HRH) April 25th, 2025 will be a day that will be very special for the Holy Redeemer Drama Department. It marked the day where history was made as both senior high one-act plays won Best Production at the Zone Drama Festival.

"This feels absolutely surreal," says Drama Teacher Peter Taylor. "This has never happened before at our Zone Festival for any school. Both of our plays being recognized with the top awards means the world to these students who worked so hard to make their shows the best."

The two senior high plays that HRH took to Festival were *Afterwards* and *Cuffed*. The latter is a hilarious comedy where Jerry (Nolan T), an arrogant legislative assistant in Washington DC, gets handcuffed to a post and ends up getting some much needed comeuppance by a series of strange characters. "When they called our show's name for Best Production, I couldn't believe it," says grade 12 student director Camryn Leslie. "I'm so incredibly proud of these students and their performances. It was a total team effort to pull this off and we are incredibly grateful to the adjudicators for enjoying our play." Not only did the adjudicators love the play, but it was an easy fan-favourite for the audience getting the most laughs of any of the comedies, plus a much-deserved standing ovation.

On top of the Best Production award, the show also picked up the award for Best Actor to Terris T

(for his hilarious Weird Guy character) and Honourable Mention for Prop Flop to Olivia B who after a simple mishap on stage, recovered with some strong improvisation.

"After *Cuffed* had won Best Production, I was not expecting our show to win as well," says *Afterwards* director, Christina B. "We couldn't believe it! That said, our cast and crew had their best performance as they really hit it on stage. I'm so incredibly proud of all of them."

Afterwards tells the story of a boy and girl, played by Landon M and Maya D, who find themselves waking up on the side of the road not knowing who they are. Little do they know, they have recently perished in a car crash. The powerful show deals with the idea of who people are, and who they want to be.

On top of the top award, *Afterwards* also won Best Director to Christina B, Best Visual, Best Sound Design to Dane S, and Honourable Mention for Best Dead Bodies to Bobbi F and Terris T.

When asked why the Festival hands out two Best Production awards, it comes down to numbers. If there are 15 or more plays presented, the Festival can send two plays to provincials. It just so happens that this year both plays come from HRH.

The plays will now travel to Lethbridge to take part in the Alberta High School Drama Festival (provincials). This marks the tenth and eleventh plays from HRH to go to the prestigious Festival.

"We are incredibly proud of the 21 students who took part in these plays and I look forward to seeing what they can do at the highest level of theatre in the province," says Taylor. "Not to mention, they are going to have an absolute blast at the same time!"

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