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# Edson LEAP Centre's Annual Touch-A-Truck


by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson LEAP Centre's Annual Touch-A-Truck event took place on April 27, in the parking lot between Pine Grove Elementary School and Parkland Composite High School. The event ran from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and was well attended with lots to see and do. The first hour was sensory-friendly to provide an opportunity for individuals who do not care for loud noises to explore the machines without horns or flashing lights. This offered a calmer experience. Event organizer, Melissa

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The RC track was popular with the kids on April 21, during the Edson LEAP Annual Touch A Truck event which took place in the parking lot between Pine Grove Elementary School and Parkland Composite High School. photo Deanna Mitchener



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# Edson LEAP Centre's Annual Touch-A-Truck

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Johnson, said, “Despite the weather the turnout appears similar to last year with attendance of between 600-800 people.”

"We have over 40 exhibitors here with everything from cranes and cement trucks to big loaders and graders. We also have the lift bucket here, the fire department, and emergency services," said Johnson.

When the morning sensory-friendly hour ended the sirens and lights got rolling.

"We also had a parade this year featuring a little tykes parade. We ended up having nine little kids in the parade. They received some prizes, which was fantastic. We had a little cruiser in a tractor and everything from wagons to tricycles and bicycles decorated," said Johnson.

"Our RC area has been busy with races happening as well. We had a free barbecue happening throughout the time of the event," Johnson said. Along with the free barbecue there were plenty of donuts, subs, candy, drinks, and other snacks to help fill the gap.

"Our society strives to provide activities and events in our community that are unique and inclusive to everyone. Proceeds from the events are used to support diverse learners and their families throughout the year," Johnson said.

"The support from our sponsors, exhibitors, volunteers and participants for this event has been impressive and we would like to extend a thank-you to everyone that makes this event so memorable for everyone that attended." concluded Johnson.



during the Touch-A-Truck event on April 27, the Jonesey Energy Services LTD truck had Wyatt Morrell (5) and Don-Lewy Timmons (5) checking it out. photo Deanna Mitchener



Kids were able to climb into the Edson Fire Department's heavy rescue truck during the Touch-A-Truck event on April 27. photo Deanna Mitchener

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A collage of newspaper front pages from The Weekly Anchor. The top page shows a "NITE OWL SALE" and "The Weekly ANCHOR" masthead. Below it are pages with headlines like "ATCO holds open house for proposed Yellowhead Mainline natural gas pipeline", "SHOP LOCAL GIFT IDEAS", and "TWO MEN AND A HAMMER INC. New Homes, Shops, Garages and Additions".

# THANK YOU!

## Parkland Lodge Auxiliary

The Parkland Lodge Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who joined us for our Spring Tea event.

Thanks to the lodge staff for all they did for our tea, our two students that volunteered their time, also to the members of the auxiliary for their baking and time.

**Our thanks to the Town of Edson, our MLA office, and PKE Water for the door prize**

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# PCHS graduation fundraiser features trivia and hypnotist

by Deanna Mitchener

Parkland Composite High School held something different this year to help raise funds for their upcoming graduation celebration—a Trivia/Hypnotist Fundraiser night.

The event was held at the Edson Friendship Centre on April 26.

19 teams answered questions on a variety of topics ranging from movies and sports to 'are you smarter than a fifth grader'. Team 'Awesome' won first place.

After the trivia challenge, there was more fun and laughs with Gavin Hooper hitting the stage with his professional comedy/hypnotist act. Gavin flew in from Kelowna to Edmonton then drove to Edson just in time to start his show. He had volunteers join him on stage where he used hypnosis to create a humorous and entertaining experience for the audience.

It was a fantastic evening of great food and entertainment, and a great way to help raise money for graduation.

Kim Brodersen, president for the Parkland Grad-Parent Celebration Committee, said, "This year is a significant event as it's the largest grad class in history for the school, with 160 kids graduating this year. With a bigger class comes a bigger number to attend the banquet. We are having 816 individuals attend which is the maximum capacity we are allowed."

The event will be held at the Edson Leisure Centre, which is currently under construction. "Between decorating costs, food, insurance, along with all the other expenses that go along with a graduation, it can become very costly. I believe we have raised around \$50,000 from fundraising which includes ticket sales. We try to keep the cost as low as we can by doing these types of events to help raise money," said Brodersen.

The meal was cooked and served by volunteers and put together by Gil Belcourt. Dinner was roast turkey, baked ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, mixed veggies, macaroni salad, Caesar salad, bannock, and an assortment of baked desserts.

"Tonight we had 135 people plus 15 volunteers. The volunteers were here all day long cooking and doing the serving and clean up. Many volunteers don't even have any students graduating, they are just here to help and support the grad class—pretty amazing!" said Brodersen.



Jennifer Kendall, Amanda Joly, Helena Kwantes, Nicole Staves, Kim Brodersen, Cheri Hunter Nicole Groshko, Gil Belcourt, Rachel Retzler, and Tama Belcourt looked after the meal for the Parkland School Graduation fundraiser. photo Deanna Mitchener



It was a full venue at the Edson Friendship Centre for the PCHS grad fundraiser. Gavin Hooper was on stage with his professional comedy/hypnotist act. photo Deanna Mitchener



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# 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.**

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- 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)

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- Nothing over 200 lbs.
- No hazardous materials
- Mattresses
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- 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.

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Attention: Gil Belcourt - Fleet Supervisor

Email submissions: [Gilb@edson.ca](mailto:Gilb@edson.ca)

Interested parties should view the bid documents at [www.edson.ca/tenders](http://www.edson.ca/tenders)

RFP ISSUE DATE: Monday, April 28, 2025

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### 1/4 Ton Pickup Truck 4X4 (CP2025-31-02)

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## Community Clean-Up Challenge

Edson, it's time to step up and clean up! The Town of Edson, in partnership with Cenovus Energy, is hosting the Community Clean-Up Challenge on Friday, May 9, 2025, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

**Challenge your neighbors, coworkers, family, or the business next door!**

**Pick an area to clean – your block, a ditch, park or around your business.**

**Grab garbage bags (donated by Cenovus) at the Civic Centre (605 50<sup>th</sup> street) or Public Works building (3240 1<sup>st</sup> Ave).**

**The Town of Edson will handle pick-up.**

**Let's see who can collect the most, make the biggest impact, and have some fun along the way! Are you in?**

Friday, May 9, 2025

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM



## MEN'S SHED

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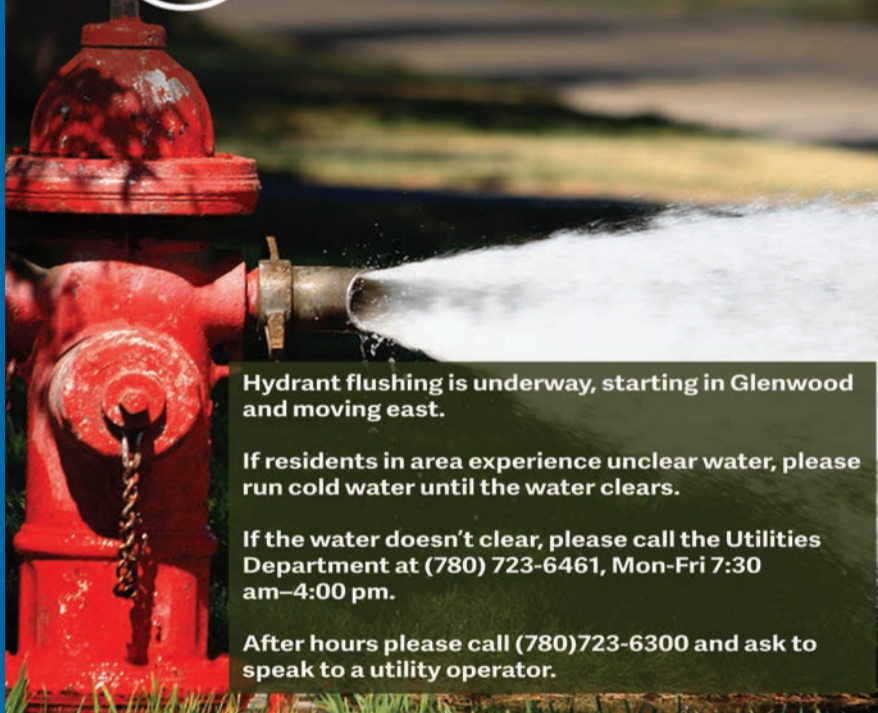
“Simply put, a Men's Shed is a group of men who get together in their community to develop new skills, discover new interests, and make new friends. But it's so much more than that.”

Questions? Call or Text **780-712-3500**  
[www.edson.ca/mensshed](http://www.edson.ca/mensshed)

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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.

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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](mailto: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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.**

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The federal election took place on April 28, 2025.

Canadians made their choice on who they want as our next Prime Minister. With that, the Liberal Party and its Leader Mark Carney will form a minority government.

In what was a wildly muddled snap election, one thing became clear. The outcome was never going to be formed by Canadian politics, but by the interfering rhetoric of U.S. President Donald Trump. And the 'never Trump' votes took the lead.

Moving forward, let's hope Prime Minister Carney can leave the Trudeau era's anti-west policies behind and begin to rebuild an economically stronger and more unified Canada.

Alberta Premier Danielle Smith responds to the election of Liberal government: "I congratulate Prime Minister Mark Carney on his minority government election victory last night.

"I also want to sincerely thank Pierre Poilievre for his powerful and principled advocacy against the last decade's punitive taxation and anti-resource policies that have made our country weaker, more divided and overly-dependent on the United States.

"Mr. Poilievre's vision for a safer, more affordable, united and prosperous Canada drove the policy debate in this country for the last several years and has inspired millions to see the unique potential of our nation. While Liberals and New Democrats demeaned and demonized Albertans, our values and our industries for political gain,



From the Publisher's Desk

Dana McArthur

Member Canadian Association of Journalists

Mr. Poilievre made empowering Albertans and our energy sector a cornerstone of his campaign. His respect and admiration for Albertans could not have been clearer. He is and continues to be a true friend of Alberta.

"As Premier, I invite the Prime Minister to immediately commence working with our government to reset the relationship between Ottawa and Alberta with meaningful action rather than hollow rhetoric. A large majority of Albertans are deeply frustrated that the same government that overtly attacked our provincial economy almost unabated for the past 10 years has been returned to government.

"As Premier, I will not permit the status quo to continue. Albertans are proud Canadians that want this nation to be strong, prosperous, and united, but we will no longer tolerate having our industries threatened and our resources landlocked by Ottawa.

"In the weeks and months ahead, Albertans will have an opportunity to discuss our province's future, assess various options for strengthening and protecting our province against future hostile acts from Ottawa, and to ultimately choose a path forward.

"As Premier, I will facilitate and lead this discussion and process with the sincere hope of securing a prosperous future for our province within a united Canada that respects our province's constitutional rights, facilitates rather than blocks the development and export of our abundant resources, and treats us as a valued and respected partner within confederation," concluded Smith.

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Traffic Violations 14, ; Assistance Calls 13, and Traffic Collisions 12 topped the list of Edson RCMP occurrences. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 0; Alarms/False Alarms 4; Animal Calls 2; Assault 1; Cause Disturbance 2; Child Welfare 0; Drive While Unauthorized 0; Drugs 1; Extortion 0; Fail to Comply with Conditions 2; Fail to Stop or Remain at Collision 1; False/Abandoned 911 Call 2; Family Orders and Agreements 2; Family relations 0; Fire Prevention Act 0; Firearms Act 1; Fraud 1; Harassment/Criminal Harassment 1; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 2; Indecent Acts 1; Information File 0; Liquor act 0; Lost or Found property 2; Mental Health Act 6; Mischief or Damage 5; Missing Person/Request to Locate 0; Municipal Bylaws 0; Noise Complaints 0; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 0; Possess Stolen Property 2; Recovered Stolen Property 0; Sudden Death 0; Suspicious Persons or Vehicles 7; Theft Complaints 8; Traffic Complaints 9; Trespassing 10; Uninsured/Unregistered Vehicle 4; Unlawfully in Dwelling 0; Unwanted Person 1; Uttering Threats Against Person 1; and Wellbeing Checks 2.

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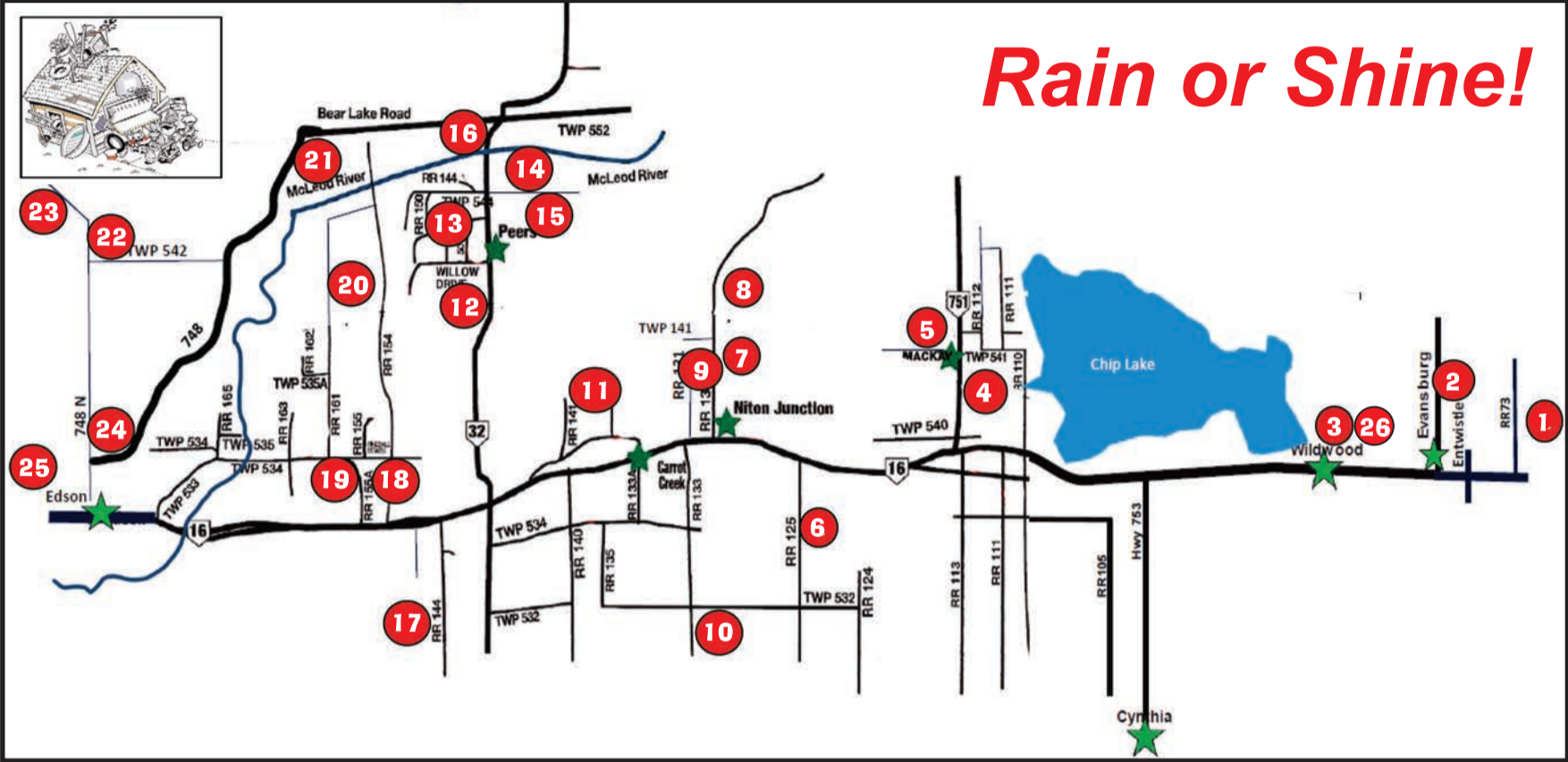
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2. SAT/SUN. Pembina Rec Plex, Shauna Benson: 4711 52 AVE EVANSBURG

3. SAT ONLY. Diana Rogerson: 5410 - 49 St. WILDWOOD Home decor items, candles, cushions, curtains, tools, camping/fishing gear, Christmas items

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6. FRI – SUN Eva McKay 53021 RR 125 YELLOWHEAD. Household items, Miscellaneous, Coats, shoes, fixtures, much more

7. SAT/SUN. Mills Motors Hidden Grove Campground: 4911 55 Ave NITON JUNCTION Heidi-Lynn: Candles, Resin Art, Crochet, Soap and Art. Michael Mills: NEW Farm & Ranch items (from Peavey Mart). Lucy: Lemonade Stand and Popcorn.

8. FRI 12-5/SAT/SUN. Larry Schiewe: 54115 RR 130. YELLOWHEAD COUNTY (across RR130 from Mills Motors) Household items. Saddles Farm and yard items. 7-foot truck canopy, 2 Vintage desks

9. SAT/SUN. Rick & Marilyn Dow: 53513 Range Road 131, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY. Furniture, tools, household, vintage miscellaneous, clothing & garden

10. SAT/SUN. Maxine Gilbert: 53021 RR133, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY Household, craft supplies, scrapbooking, tools, and more

11. SAT/SUN. Heather Ross Gale: 54017 135A, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY Multi family. Camping gear -lots (tents, bags, etc). Sports - kayak, small inflatable boat, curling, baseball, etc. Electric fencing poles and tape. Rubber stable mats and a few horse related items. Metal and plastic dog crates and doghouse. Cat tree, litter and toys. Kids toys, toddler swing, some furniture. Bookshelves, chairs, etc. Households, Pool table, cues, etc. Quilting fabric bundles. And more.

12. SAT/SUN. Ruby Barrett: 5109 51st PEERS Lots!!

13. SAT/SUN. G Sommer (Irene Sommer): 5115 51 ST PEERS Household good furniture and tools

14. SAT/SUN. Georgina Shelton 14218 TWP 544. (Just North of PEERS) Downsizing home. Chairs, cupboard, Desk, and so much more!

15. FRI/SAT/SUN. 5S Farms Shelby Shelton 14215 TWP 544. (Just North of PEERS). BBQ burgers, Hotdogs, drinks, household items, kitchen stuff, tables and chairs.

16. SAT/SUN. Deb Parker: 55301 Hwy 32. North of PEERS Multi Family Sale. Antiques, Craft Supplies, Toys, Adult & Kids Clothes, Tires, Cattle Supplies and much more. Deb's Creations will also have sale Hoodies & T-Shirts. Snacks & drinks available.

17. SAT/SUN. COLEEN HAWKINS: 53123 RR145, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY. Household items, antiques, tools, wool and fibre related items.

18. SAT/SUN. Janette Tiedemann: 53308 RR 154 (Rosevear Road). Multifamily sale! Household, kids toys and games, sports equipment, goalie equipment, golf shoes and work wear, small furniture items, yard supplies, kids snowmobile, etc.

19. SAT/SUN. Lorne and Sandra Manary: 15419 C TWP 534, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY. Tools, household, yard tools, seasonal decorations lots of miscellaneous stuff.

20. SAT/SUN. Becky Lowey 54132 RR 161, YELLOWHEAD COUNTY. Baby stuff, kids' toys, wedding stuff, general household, construction/renovation stuff, tools, hardware, furniture, sporting and outdoor stuff, 2006 4 runner, small utility trailer, tiny house cabin. Water, pop, freezies, chips.

21. SAT ONLY Tyler Mayan 15110 Twp550 YELLOWHEAD. Tools and tool chest, Van, Motorhome, 1977 Kawasaki Snowmobile, 12ft Aluminum boat and motor, Massey Ferguson 180 tractor and more.

22. SAT ONLY. Pine Grove Hall Michelle Roy: 17230 TWP542. 5min north of Edson on 548 N. Tables and Concession

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24. SAT ONLY. Yvonne Finner: 53414 RR 172 YELLOWHEAD (North of the Mormon church). Household items, Tools, Garden tools and lots more!

25. SAT ONLY. 11-6. Sam Bjornason: 53105 RR 195, #27 WEST MILLER LAKE Craft supplies, tools, hardware, women's clothing, shoes and jewellery. Men's clothing and shoes. Home decor items. Small kitchen items

26. SAT/SUN. Ashlene & Josh Bliznicenko. 4828 54 Avenue Wildwood. Work shop tools, internal doors variety of sizes,kitchen sinks/used and new, 9 bulb chandelier new, variety kitchen appliances/new & use, glass display cabinet, leather bench, entrance high moon table, home office desk, bow, Honda mini bike, Suzuki 800 boulevard, 6 bags of R-22 insulation, water available.



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This course is designed to teach children to make safe choices when they are at home alone. Includes a safe food prep activity!

**PEERS MULTIPLEX**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025 (PD DAY)**  
**\$5.00 10 AM - 12:30 PM AGES 10-13**

Pre-registration required.  
Visit [yhcounty.ca/registration](http://yhcounty.ca/registration)  
Registration Deadline: May 14

**JUNE 9, 2025**  
**9:00 am to 3:00 pm**  
Wildwood Community Hall

## Renew & Rejuvenate Women's Conference

Connect with your friends and neighbours, build resiliency, and have a great day out!

- Limited free childcare available
- Prizes and gift bags!
- Lunch Included

Registration Deadline: **June 2, 2025**

Register at:  
[yhcounty.ca/registration](http://yhcounty.ca/registration)  
or call 780-325-3782

**\$15 REGISTRATION FEE**

Featuring Keynote Speaker:  
**Bonnie Randall**  
"ACES High, but Resiliency Holds the Winning Hand"

## Roadside Vegetation Management Program

Spraying May to September

Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department will be spraying county roadsides from May to mid/late September. Spraying of roadsides is done to control the spread of prohibited noxious and noxious weeds and re-growth of small brush.

Herbicides to be used this upcoming season include:

Lontrel 360 - PCP #23545	Milestone NXT - PCP #34728
Escort - PCP #23005	Navius Flex - PCP #30922
ClearView - PCP #29752	Esplanade - PCP #31333
Arsenal Powerline - PCP #30203	Roundup Weathermax - PCP #27487
Garlon RTU - PCP #29334	Roundup WeatherPRO - PCP #33653
Garlon XRT - PCP #28945	Killlex - PCP #27801
2,4-D Amine - PCP #14726	Hasten - PCP #28277
Milestone - PCP #28517	Trillion PCP #27972

These products are best suited for Yellowhead County's Vegetation Management Plan. Some of these herbicides have residual characteristics so ratepayers should not be using roadside soil in their gardens.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Agricultural Services Department at 1-800-814-3935 or (780) 325-3782.

## SPRING HYDRANT FLUSHING

**May 12 - 30, 2025**  
BRULE, EVANSBURG, WILDWOOD, PEERS

**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. Any questions? Please contact our office at 1-800-665-6030.



Phone: 780-723-4800 Toll Free 1-800-665-6030 Fax: 780-723-5066  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**Yellowhead County**

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### Firefighter - Full Time, Permanent

Stationed in Edson or Evansburg  
COMPETITION NO. 25-023

Under the general direction of the General Manager of Protective Services and reporting to the Fire Chief or designate, and stationed as per staffing requirements, the Firefighter is responsible for the operational readiness of the apparatus and equipment to be used during the shift in the station they are posted to.

The position provides emergency response as required, in accordance with the Yellowhead County Fire Services Standards.

The salary range is \$66,681 to \$82,685 per year. Yellowhead County offers a competitive benefits package. This is a full-time, permanent position. Successful candidates will be stationed at the Edson or Evansburg YCFD Stations.

To apply please submit resumes and cover letters at [www.yhcounty.ca/jobs](http://www.yhcounty.ca/jobs)

A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online. The competition will remain open until suitable candidates are found.

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

Human Resources  
Yellowhead County  
Email: [jobs@yhcounty.ca](mailto:jobs@yhcounty.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.

## YOUR VOTE MATTERS

### Voter Registration

**Voters will need to register for the 2025 Yellowhead County Municipal Election.**

- All voters in Yellowhead County must be on the permanent Electors Registry.\*
- 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](http://www.voterlink.ab.ca)  
[www.ycvotes.ca](http://www.ycvotes.ca)

## 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.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Although the Weed Control Act (part 3, section 12) automatically grants an Inspector right of entry onto private land, Yellowhead County chooses to utilize a "door knocking" program to make contact with landowners before a weed inspection takes place.

You may see a white County vehicle near your property and an inspector in a high visibility vest performing weed inspections. Please be considerate of their safety.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

If home, you will be informed of the approximate date and time of the inspection. Inspectors can address any questions or concerns that you may have at that time.

If not home, a placard will be found on your door or gate letting you know that an inspector was there and that you can call for more info before the inspection.

The results of the inspection(s) and weed information sheets will be mailed out to the landowners within a couple weeks of the completed inspection(s).

For more info visit [yhcounty.ca](http://yhcounty.ca) or call the Agricultural Services Department at the Wildwood County Office at 1-800-814-3935

**Yellowhead County**

Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date	Appeal Deadline
D25-027	NW-16-54-15-W5 North of Pinedale	Intensive Agriculture (Vegetable & Equipment Storage Building) & Accessory Building (Staff Accommodation) - Discretionary	Apr 15/25	May 6/25
D25-043	Plan 0422901 Blk 1 Lot 3A SW-30-50-25-W5 Seabolt	Short Term Accommodation within Existing Single Detached Dwelling - Discretionary	Apr 15/25	May 6/25
D25-044	Plan 0522767 Blk 2 Lot 6 NW-4-53-17-W5 Wilmore Park Area	Accessory Building (Shop)	Apr 16/25	Permitted Use
D25-041	SW-32-54-11-W5 North of Mckay	Accessory Building (Garage) with Two (2) Carports - Variance to Front Yard Setback	Apr 16/25	May 7/25
D25-035	Plan 0926857 Blk 2 Lot 8 NW-5-54-16-W5 Edson River Estates	Accessory Building (Garage/Storage) & Existing Accessory Building (Greenhouse)	Apr 16/25	Permitted Use
D25-045	NW-32-53-17-W5 North of Edson	Manufactured Home	Apr 17/25	Permitted Use
D25-046	Plan 9624364 Lot 3 NW-10-53-15-W5 Sang Lake Area	Accessory Building (Shop)	Apr 17/25	Permitted Use
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

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://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 days 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.



Phone: 780-723-4800    Toll Free 1-800-665-6030    Fax: 780-723-5066  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Emergency Preparedness Week is May 4 - 10

Learn more about protecting your home at:  
[www.yhcounty.ca/prepared](http://www.yhcounty.ca/prepared)



Yellowhead County

STOP THE SPARK!

Some pieces of machinery may be essential for daily work, but they can be a fire hazard when not properly used or maintained.

Dry grass and crops can easily ignite from a spark, friction, or hot exhaust.



Use extreme caution when welding, grinding, or operating equipment.

PREVENTION IS KEY.

HOW CAN YOU PREVENT A WILDFIRE?

Have sufficient water and firefighting equipment nearby. Prepare a safe and incendiary free work site. Keep equipment clean and maintained. Avoid hot and windy days.

Yellowhead County

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Fire Permit Season in Effect



Fire Permits are free, but are legally required for any burning once Fire Season has started. Call Yellowhead County at 1-800-665-6030 to find out about Fire Permits for your area.

FIRE PERMIT SEASON IS MARCH 1 TO OCTOBER 31.

Even when fire bans aren't on, fire permits are required for burning, except campfires\*.

Need a Fire Permit?  
Go to [www.yhcounty.ca/fire-permits](http://www.yhcounty.ca/fire-permits)

Depending on where you live, you'll need a permit from either Yellowhead County or Alberta Wildfire.

When burning or using campfires, remember to use safe burning practices.

\*Fire Bans and Restrictions may limit or restrict campfires.



NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION  
HAMLET OF MARLBORO

May 1 to September 30, 2025\*  
Wastewater Lagoon, Treated Wastewater Discharge Pipeline and Outfall

Hours of Work:

Monday to Saturday  
7 am – 7 pm

Sunday and Holidays  
9 am – 5 pm

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

Cory Armfelt  
General Manager of Infrastructure and Planning Services  
Office Phone: (780) 723-4800  
Email: [carmfelt@yhcounty.ca](mailto:carmfelt@yhcounty.ca)



Please obey all signage and warnings. Be aware of construction workers, trucks, equipment, and traffic disruptions.

[WWW.YHCOUNTY.CA](http://WWW.YHCOUNTY.CA)

\*Approximate timeline that may be affected by weather conditions or other factors.

# Emergency Preparedness Week



The Edson Fire Department did a Hazard Reduction Burn north of Hillendale on April 15, in conjunction with Alberta Wildfire and Trans Mountain. submitted

by Deanna Mitchener

The Edson Fire Department says, “May 4 to the 10th is Emergency Preparedness Week, and everyone is reminded to take the time to be as prepared as possible for a wide variety of potential emergencies, and to know the risks in your home and in your community.”

Emergency Preparedness Week (EP Week) is a national awareness initiative and an opportunity for you to take action to ensure you're prepared to protect yourself, your family and your community during an emergency.

Ensure you have, and practice, an emergency escape route. Make sure you have an emergency muster point identified and that everyone in your home knows where that is.

Residents should be prepared for emergency situations including having a family (people and pet) emergency plan for your home, a "Grab and Go" kit, and a 72-hour Basic Emergency Kit. Visit the Town of Edson or Yellowhead County websites for more information on emergency kits and planning.

Stay informed during an emergency by following the Town of Edson's and Yellowhead County websites or official social media pages. Also, follow the Alberta Emergency Alert website.

It's very important to be aware of the fire conditions and situation in the area to protect your home. FireSmart your home to reduce the risk of spread by removing vegetation, organic materials and combustibles around your property. Take extra caution while in the forest area. Ensure campfires are completely out before leaving and ensure ATV's are operated safely and watch for sparks and heat in dry locations.

Follow [albertafirebans.ca](http://albertafirebans.ca) for the latest information on restrictions and bans in your area.

During the month of April, the Edson Fire Department was focused on training, wildfire tactics, and sprinkler protection.

They took possession of a new Sprinkler Protection Unit last year. They are now ensuring all of their members are fully trained to put it to use in the community, or if called upon, to assist other communities.



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### ANC Timber Ltd. 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/>.



If there’s an extreme wildfire risk, a Public Safety Power Shutoff can help keep your community safe. We’re prepared if it’s ever needed—and you can be too.  
**See how at [FortisAlberta.com/WildfireSafety](https://FortisAlberta.com/WildfireSafety).**

These images are for illustrative purpose only. Remember to keep a safe distance away from power lines. For more information visit [FortisAlberta.com/Safety](https://FortisAlberta.com/Safety).

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**ALBERTA**  
The line that connects us all

# YKCS annual Auction Fundraiser

by Niki Luymes

The Yellowhead Kononia Christian School (YKCS) held their annual Auction Fundraiser on April 26, in their gymnasium. The doors opened at 10:30am with the live auction beginning at 11am. The event serves as a fundraiser for the school, with all items being either donated or created by the students.

The main draws were the live and silent auctions. When combined, there were over 100 items up for bid this year. This included things like tools, sports equipment, gift cards, home appliances, and more. Every year the school goes around the community collecting donations for the auction. In total over 150 individuals, families, non profits, and businesses donated. The different classrooms also participate by picking a theme and creating a basket of items to auction off. This year, the grade 5/6 class did a camping basket with a tent, sleeping bag, a portable toilet, marshmallows, and popcorn.

Alongside the auction were activities for kids like colouring pages, balloon animals, and glitter tattoos. Visitors could also enjoy items from the concession and bake sale while they participated in the bidding. "People spent time catching up and visiting in between bidding on items. This event has been a tradition and we always seem to have staff and student alumni that come, visit, and join in the event," said Principal Lisa Golding.

"The main purpose of the auction is to help with the general cost of education and the maintenance of the property. As an independent

school we receive 70% funding and need to find alternate ways to raise the last 30%. Some funding comes from tuition fees, some from donations, and some from fundraising. The planning starts months in advance with booking our auctioneer, and connecting with businesses and individuals for donation items," said Golding.

"We want to thank everyone who donated, volunteered, and attended the auction day. It was a wonderful time to connect with each other while raising money to support Christian Education in Edson," added Golding. This year the auction raised over \$23,000. The school also estimates that there were over 250 people in attendance this year.



The annual Yellowhead Kononia Christian School Auction on April 26, featured a live and silent auction. All items were donated by members of the community. photo Niki Luymes

63% of wildfires  
are caused by  
people.

Don't be that person.

Alberta.ca/PreventWildfires

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# Outsmart Your Food Budget

by Deanna Mitchener

Josephine Bunz-Clark Adult Learning Coordinator with Edson and District Community Learning held a workshop at the Edson Public Library called 'Outsmart Your Food Budget, on April 23.

Participants received a binder full of useful information to take home and refer back to.

Information from how to organize your kitchen for less food waste to making it easier to cook were included in the information. Also included were some safety tips, shopping tips, fridge and freezer storage, measurement abbreviations, and how to

double a recipe as well as how to half a recipe.

The workshop included tips on maximizing flavours, minimizing waste, canned foods, and ways to incorporate leftovers in other meals. There were all sorts of delicious recipes to try including homemade soup, great seasoning blends for different dishes, homemade sauces, full meals, and desserts.

The workshop ran from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. with time to ask questions and share ideas. With lots of positive feedback from the group, there is talk about holding a follow up workshop in the near future.



Josephine Bunz-Clark, Adult Learning Coordinator with Edson and District Community Learning, sharing information on how to Outsmart Your Food Budget

# Scenes from the Chamber's Annual Trade Show



Crowds start to gather as soon as the Edson and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show got underway on April 25. photo Deanna Mitchener



Yellowhead County Fire Department was at the Edson and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show on April 25 with some of their unique vehicles. photo Deanna Mitchener



Moving Edson had a bus on display during the annual Edson and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show. photo Deanna Mitchener



June Mitchell (aka mom or grandma) to all who know her, with Bradley and Dawn. June is one of the founding members of the Edson's Seniors Transportation Society but had never ridden the bus until today, April 26. June is 95 years young, and born on June 24, 1929.



The annual Good Friday Pancake Breakfast and Service, dished up fresh pancakes, sausages, with berries and syrup as toppings. The event was held at the Yellowhead Kononia Christian School on April 18. photo submitted by Niki Luymes

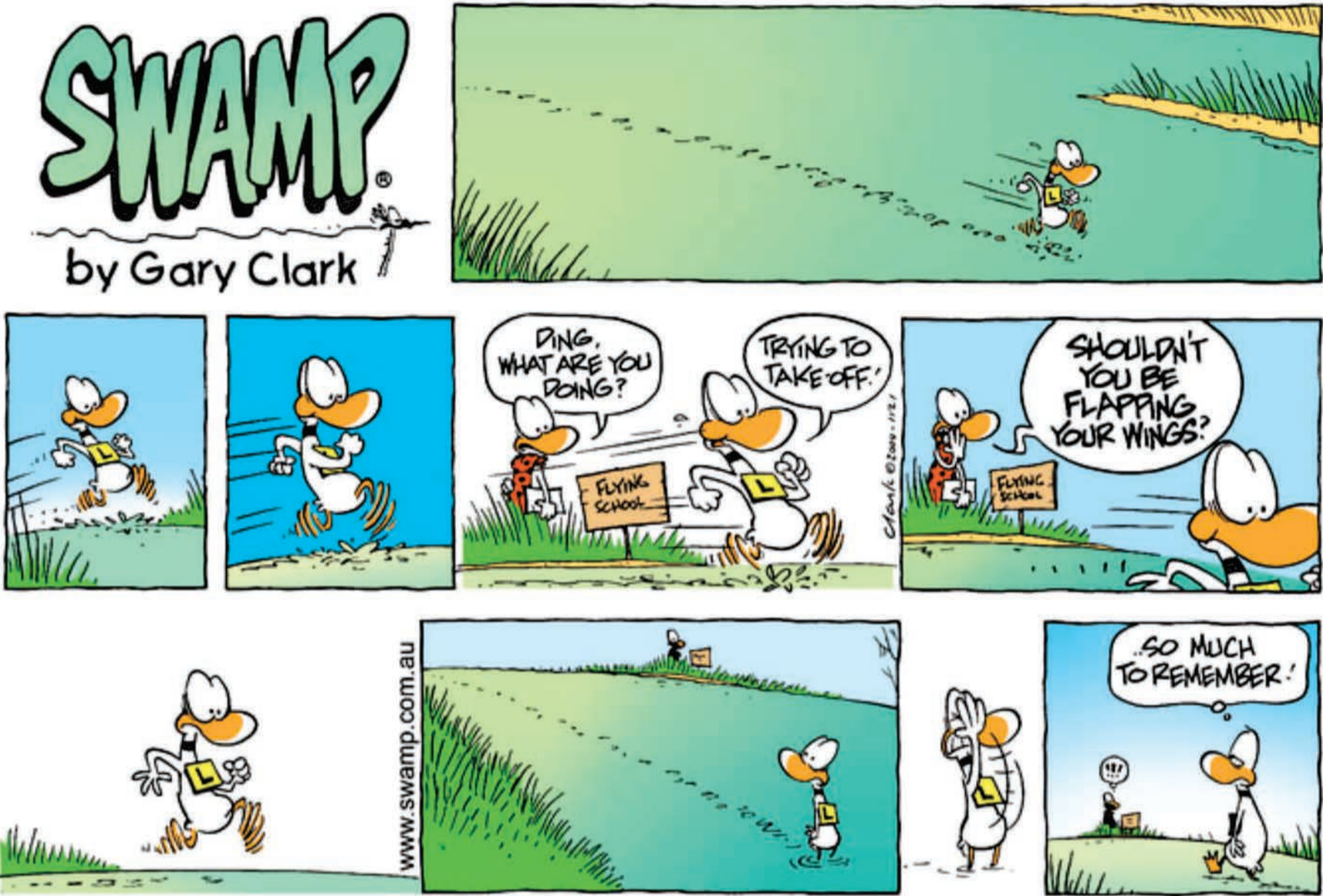


Holy Redeemer Catholic High School Indigenous Studies class was excited to learn tipi teachings from Elder Linda and Knowledge Keeper Ian recently. Submitted by Deanna Mitchener

The Weekly **ANCHOR**

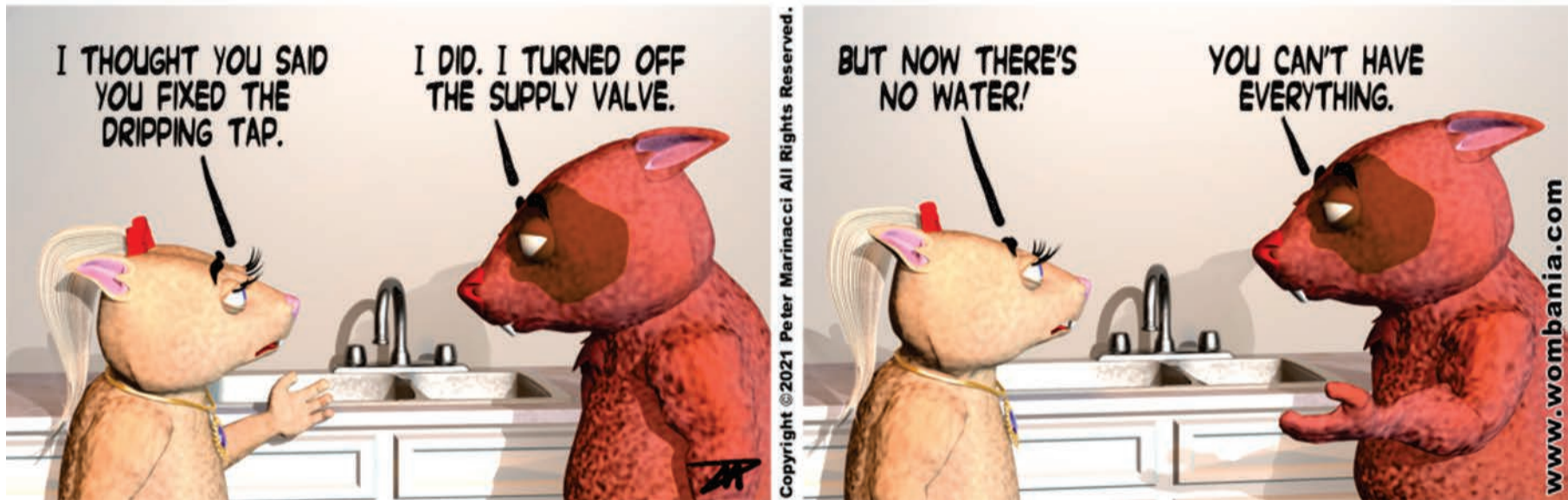
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# CLASSIFIEDS

EMAIL:ANCHORWK@TELUSPLANET.NET

CLASSIFIED DEADLINE:  
Tuesday, Noon

FOR SALE

Firewood for sale (Edson & Area). Split & Dry - Starting at \$70 / pickup load. Free delivery within Town of Edson. Please call or text (780) 712-1144

SEED/FEED GRAINS

**Seed Oats** 98 % germination, Fusarium tested, No wild oats, Can deliver, On farm scale jamesbeniuk@gmail.com Woodland Lumber, Evansburg 780-621-2229 Feed and Seed Oats for sale. Can roll or grind. Scale on farm also. 780-727-4309 mar2025

FOR RENT

**Commercial Property** for Lease - 3000 sq.ft., offices, mezzanine, in-floor heating, Sumo, 12' x 12' insulated overhead door, fenced backyard. Contact Marion 780-712-1497. **Office space** for rent, various sized central location, ample parking call 780-712-9890. **FOR RENT:** 2 bdrm, suitable for 1 person only. No children, pets or smoking. Call 780-728-5917 leave message.

**Pine Manor Apt:** Pine Manor Apartments, 4102-6th Ave. 1 & 2 bedroom suites, Adult, no pet building. Quiet area 780-723-2177 or 780-728-3932 **For Rent:** Basement Suite, Country living 5 min away from town. 2BR 1 1/2 bath. Private entrance and parking. No pets Non smoking. Perfect for seniors, workers and small family. Available june 1. Phone 780-517-9227 evenings or leave a message.

HELP WANTED

Handyman for general repairs. To older house - Doorknobs cupboard doors etc. Retired ok. call Scott 250-996-3288 Ma EYAEYO Cleaning Services Ltd: Looking for 2 Cleaning Supervisor with NOC62024. Wages \$35.50 hourly. Resumes: eyaeyo.cs@yahoo.com. **Wildwood Legion** Bottle Depot is hiring bottle sorters. Forklift experience would be an asset. Please drop resume off at the bottle depot on Tues- Sat from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm or email to rcibr149@gmail.com.

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Coming Events

**FIREARMS WANTED FOR OUR 2025 AUCTION PROGRAM:** Firearms, Ammunition, Accessories, or Militaria. Collections, Estates or single items. For Auction, or Possible Purchase: Contact us: 1-800-694-2609, Email: sales@switzersauction.com or Visit us @ www.switzersauction.com for Auction Dates & Details. **Farm Machinery** BLANKET THE PROVINCE with a

classified ad. Only \$269/wk (based on 25 words or less). Reach 75 weekly newspapers. Call NOW for details. 1-800-282-6903; www.awna.com; email classifieds@awna.com. **Feed and Seed** FOR SALE: Certified ESMA Barley. Contact: mastinseeds.com; 403-556-2609. **BARLEY** - "NEW-AB Standswell" Smooth AWN, High Yielding, Grain and Forage Great Lodging Resistance. 1st NITROGEN USE EFFICIENT CEREAL IN CANADA.

Attracting Japanese Interest. **OTHER BARLEY:** Cerveza, CDC Austenson, CDC Maverick, Sundre. **WHEAT** - Pintail, Forage or Grain. **OATS** - AC Juniper, AC Morgan, AC Mustang, Derby, CDC S01 Super Oat. **PEAS** - Very Early Yellow Peas, Forage Peas. **ALSO AVAILABLE:** Polish Canola & Spring Triticale. mastinseeds.com; 403-556-2609. **FORAGE SEED FOR SALE:** Organic & Conventional: Sweet Clover, Alfalfa, Red Clover, Smooth Brome, Meadow Brome, Crested Wheatgrass, Timothy, etc. Star City, SK. Birch Rose Acres Ltd. 306-921-9942.

**For Sale** **WHITE SPRUCE TREES:** 5' average \$50. Installation ONLY \$19. Includes: hole augered, Wurzel Dip enzyme injection, bark mulch application, staking. Minimum order 25. One-time fuel charge: \$150 - 225. Crystal Springs. 403-820-0961. Quality guaranteed.

**Health** **HIP/KNEE REPLACEMENT.** Other medical conditions causing **TROUBLE WALKING** or **DRESSING?** The Disability Tax Credit allows for \$3,000 yearly tax credit and \$30,000 lump sum refund. Take advantage of this offer. Apply NOW; quickest refund Nationwide: Expert help. 1-844-453-5372.

**Household Items** **GET YOUR MESSAGE SEEN ACROSS Alberta.** The Blanket Classifieds or Value Ads reach over 500,000 Alberta readers weekly. Three options starting at \$269, \$299 or \$599 to get your message out! **KEEP** people in the loop with over

75 Weekly Community Newspapers. Call THIS NEWSPAPER now or email classifieds@awna.com for details. 1-800-282-6903, 780-434-8746 www.awna.com.

**Personals** **QUIET PEACE RIVER COUNTRY, RETIRED SENIOR WIDOWER** would like to meet and spend time with one who doesn't mind animals. Mail to: AWNNA PO Box 92144, Meadowbrook RP0, Edmonton, AB T6T 1N1.

**Services** **CRIMINAL RECORD?** Why suffer

employment/licensing loss? Travel/business opportunities? Be embarrassed? Think: Criminal Pardon. US entry waiver. Record purge. File destruction. Free consultation. 1-800-347-2540. www.accesslegalmjf.com. **PRIVATE MORTGAGE LENDER.** All real estate types considered. No credit checks done. Deal direct with lender and get quick approval. Toll free 1-866-405-1228; www.firstandsecondmortgages.ca.

## WANTED COIN COLLECTIONS

PAYING CASH! BUYING ENTIRE COLLECTIONS - IN ALL OF ALBERTA! I MAKE HOUSE CALLS!

Looking For Coin Collections & Accumulations Of Coins! Buying Royal Canadian Mint Coins, Coin Sets, Old Coins & Paper Money, Numismatics, Olympic Coins, Rare Coins, Silver & Gold Coins, Platinum Coins, Us & Cdn Silver Dollars, Carson City Silver Dollars, All Pre 1969 Silver Coins, Old Rolls, Bags & Boxes Of Coins, Franklin Mint Coins And Ingot Sets!



Also buying all Silver & Gold, Jewelry, Coins, Bullion, Nuggets, Gold Dust, Ingots, Bars, Dental Gold, Jewelers Scrap, Sterling Silver & Silverware!

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## I WANT YOUR OLD GOLD & SILVER!

Wanted: Whole items or bits & pieces, watches, rings, necklaces, chains, bracelets etc, sterling silverware, Jewelers/Miner's gold dust, nuggets, wafers, coins, bars, ingots & dental gold.

TURN WHAT'S IN YOUR CUPBOARDS, DRAWERS, JEWELRY BOXES AND SAFES INTO CASH!

I MAKE HOUSE CALLS ALL OVER ALBERTA! CALL ME NOW!

Todd  
780-504-7995



What's happening, when and where in the community

## Community Events

**May 7, 21 :** Yellowhead County Family Time In Marlboro 10:30 Am-12:30pm Light Snacks and Refreshments. Registration is required www.yhcounty.ca/registration  
**May 14, 28 :** Yellowhead County Family Time in Peers 10:30 Am-12:30pm Light Snacks and Refreshments. Registration is required www.yhcounty.ca/registration  
**May 16: :** At Home Alone Safety Course. Designed to teach children to make safe choices when they are home alone. Peers Multiplex 10am-12:30pm ages 10-13 pre registration is required yhcounty.ca/registration Deadline May 14  
**May 23-24:** Mustachio Bullashio Both days start at 7PM Element Zone 13 -54011 Range Rd 171 Yellowhead County

**May 24:** Howie Johnston rifleman's Rodeo. Registration at 9:am starts at 10:am Contact Alex Vick at 780-728-5378  
**May 25:** Edson Canadian Tire Rimfire Classic. Contact Alex Vick at 780-728-5378  
**May 30-31:** Trail Hall Community Garage Sale. Happening May 30<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-7pm and May 31 from 10am-4pm  
**May 31:** Eddies Big Run. Registration opens February 10. Register online at edson.ca or in person at Edson District Leisure Centre.  
**July 17:** Bear Chase Triathlon. Swim Bike Run. Register early to get a free T-Shirt. Register online at yhcounty.ca/registration or in person at the Yellowhead County office or call 780-723-4800

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

EDSON

**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  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting.  
**EDSON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
4719 - 9th Ave., Ph: 723-3982  
Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m.  
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## News and Views

# Powering up communities with ag society dollars

Alberta's government is helping the province's regional agricultural societies plan for tomorrow with new and continued funding.

Agricultural societies play a crucial role in the province's rural communities. They bring people together, organize and run events and improve the overall quality of life for residents in their communities.

Alberta has more agriculture societies than any other province with 292 organizations. Alberta's government is helping regional agricultural societies weather increasing costs and plan ahead with a one-time cash injection of more than \$7.4 million.

"It's hard to overstate the impact regional agricultural societies have on rural Alberta. From event organizing to infrastructure upkeep, they energize folks and bring communities together. This funding will ensure our regional agriculture societies are able to keep up their good work and continue to be pillars of their communities." - RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation

New funding includes \$4.03 million in one-time supports distributed among the seven regional ag societies to help them manage cost pressures and allow them to plan for the future, including achieving more sustainable operational models. It also includes a one-time investment of \$2.87 million to support business transformation projects and funding set aside for a third-party consultant to help with those efforts.

This is on top of the continued annual total funding of \$2.8 million for regional agricultural societies through the Agricultural Societies Grant Program.

In 2024, Alberta's government hired Deloitte to conduct a sustainability assessment of the societies and provide recommendations to address their financial struggles. Those recommendations helped inform this funding and the next steps.

"On behalf of the Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede, I would like to extend our heartfelt

gratitude to the province for the generous funding provided to us. This support is instrumental in helping each regional fair achieve its goals and make a positive impact in its community. Thank you for your commitment to fostering growth and development." - Ron Edwards, manager, Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede

"Thank you to the Government of Alberta for its continued support of Regional Agricultural Societies and Lethbridge & District Exhibition (LDE). Ag Societies benefit the communities they serve, enhancing the quality of life for Albertans, while supporting the critical role agriculture plays in our economy. This strong support from our provincial government allows LDE to improve and evolve, while supporting the programming needed to cultivate the

agriculture community. It's this partnership that will help to make us successful and sustainable for another 100 years". - Lloyd Brierley, board chair, Lethbridge & District Exhibition

### Quick facts

- Agricultural societies are volunteer-driven and collectively host more than 39,000 events and activities each year.
- Alberta's seven regional agricultural societies are in Camrose, Grande Prairie, Lethbridge, Lloydminster, Olds, Medicine Hat and Red Deer.
- Regional is a long-standing historic designation for these seven agricultural societies.
- Each regional agricultural society currently receives total annual funding of \$398,853, including a base grant of \$298,853 and an operating grant of \$100,000 to support agricultural event days.

## Weed Inspections to begin in Yellowhead County

Weed inspections will take place throughout the summer months of 2025 in Yellowhead County. Please be advised that the Weed Inspectors based in the Wildwood County office will be out in full force, documenting various invasive plants on both county and private lands. You may see a white County vehicle near your property and an inspector in a high visibility vest performing weed inspections so please be considerate of their safety.

Please keep in mind that The Weed Control Act grants an Inspector right of entry onto private land during reasonable hours (The Weed Control Act, Part 3, and Section 12). The Agricultural Services Department of Yellowhead County believes that a courtesy should be extended to landowners to inform them of what is taking place on their property. The County continues to promote a "Door Knocking" Program to make contact with landowners before a weed inspection takes place.

We inform the property owners of the approximate date and time of when an inspection

will take place, and the Weed Inspectors can then address any questions or concerns the landowner may have at that time. If landowners are not home during the time of the "Door Knocking" Program, they will find a placard on their door or gate letting them know that an inspector was there and that they can call the inspector for more information before the actual inspection takes place. The results of the inspection(s) and weed information sheets will be mailed out to the landowners within a couple weeks of the completed inspection(s).

If you would like more information regarding the Weed Inspection program, please visit the Yellowhead County Website at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca) or phone the Agricultural Services Department at the Wildwood County Office at 1-800-814-3935.

For more information about The Weed Control Act, it can be found at the Kings Printer website at [www.alberta.ca/alberta-kings-printer.aspx](http://www.alberta.ca/alberta-kings-printer.aspx)

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